

# BUILDING BETTER LIVES

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Not to be outdone by Google, NWRSS will engage artists to design the newsletter title. A profile of the artist will feature on the front page. We will also, from time to time, run competitions for creative titles and front pages from readers.

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### Home Sweet Home

*Be it ever so humble, there is no place like home.*

**English Proverb, circa 1300's**

Do the people we support in shared homes feel this way about their homes?

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## Michael Chilcott -- Sailor

Michael is never happier than when out in the sun with the wind in his face. Noticing how much Michael loved the outdoors and how well he coped with water when he fell out of a canoe led his supporters to helping him try sailing. The current Australian HANSA 303 champion, Chris Symonds, introduced Michael to sailing. Michael loved it, became a member of the Wynyard Yacht Club, sails regularly in their Sailability program and joins in club social activities.

Chris will travel to Queensland at Easter to defend his Australian title. In June this year, with the help of a support team (Chris manages a motor neuron condition) he will travel to the Netherlands to contest the World Championships



## Bruce Hay -- Artisan

Hand made hair clasps are well know artifacts from many cultures that attract collectors and artists who create their own distinctive versions.

Go to your website browser and type in – Images for hand made hair clasps. You will be surprised at what a creative pursuit this is.

Bruce Hay, a multi-media artist has been teaching people how to make there own unique rustic versions from leather and native wood with hand painted designs.



Bruce runs his own studio, The Workshop in Launceston's CBD. Every Thursday morning he travels to Greenway Studio in Devonport where he is developing a raised bed market garden. In the afternoon he moves to Studio 51 in Devonport where he runs a multi-media workshop that includes leatherwork, woodcarving and printmaking. On Fridays he conducts a similar workshop from the Calder Studio in Wynyard. Over the past years, Bruce has run many interesting workshops for community groups including: jewelry and bush furniture making and animal skin tanning.



## Jake Goes Mule Riding



Watch Jake riding the Mule by clicking on the following link –  
<https://vimeo.com/156658601>





## Filipe Curle – Patrol Craft Radio Operator

Filipe, a lover of water sports started kayaking and learning to sail at the Wynyard Yacht Club. He has completely mastered kayaking and now has his own kayak. He has learnt to sail as a jib hand in the dinghy class Pacer yachts. His most recent achievement is as a crewperson/radio operator in the patrol craft, 'Red Rubber Ducky.' He and helmsperson, Angus Thomson keep watch over young children in the Tackers sail-training program.



Angus is studying at Helleyer College and is a qualified Discover Sailing trainer with the Wynyard Yacht Club. He was Wynyard's young citizen of the year in 2014 for his leadership and mentoring roles particularly, with young disabled people.



## Adam Poke – Go-Karter

Adam said it all after his session at Kart Magic – ‘Adam will be back.’









# Black River Camping Holiday

This summer our camping program really came into it's own at Black River. Parks and Wildlife cordoned off a well sheltered and grassed area for us to set up our caravans, annexes, marquees, water trailer and portable toilet. This year Dennis Thompson managed the site and over thirty people went for short stays. By all accounts, with photographs as proof, everyone had a great time. There was fishing at the Stanley Wharf, sea swimming at Crayfish creek, Pedal Buggies, cricket, kayaking and a nice camp fire to sit around at night time. We hope to set the vans up for more holidays before the end of summer. Thanks to Mission Australia and Parks and Wildlife for helping us with this holiday activity.







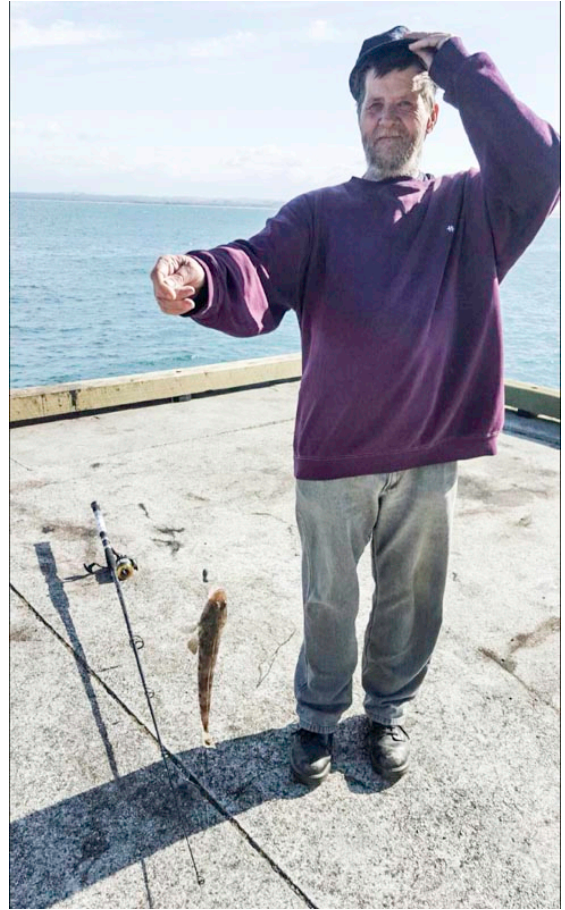








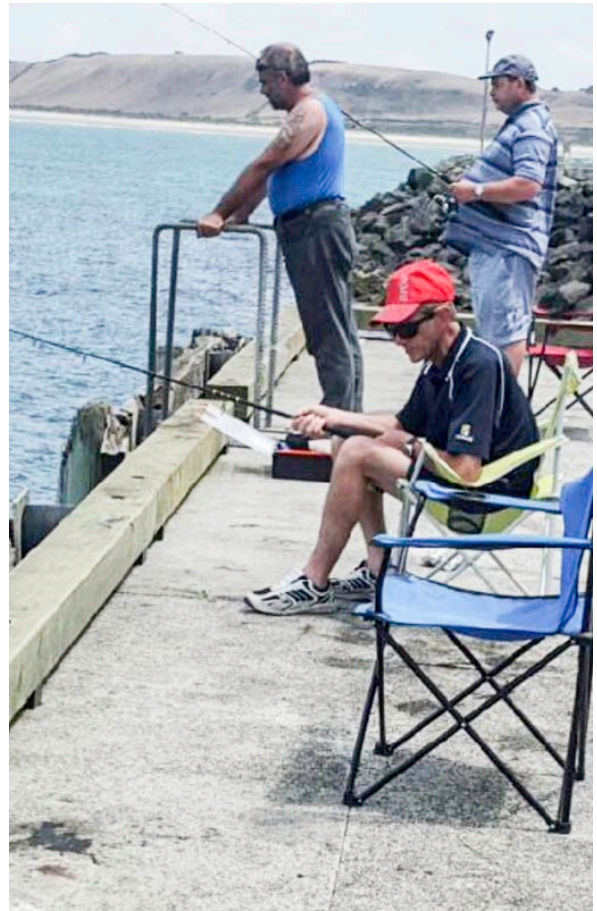


































# Sailability North West

A partnership between North West Residential Support Services and the Wynyard Yacht Club has finally delivered Sailability to the North West Coast. Bookings are now available for the rest of the summer by calling Chris Symonds on 0459 108 066. One of the first groups to take advantage of this exciting activity was organized by Multicap. Four people, although dependent on wheelchairs, were easily transferred into the boats on the unique hoisting device developed by the Wynyard Yacht Club.









# Swimming

Shaun helps Ingrid overcome all of the hurdles to making swimming a part of her life.



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