

FOR 80 YEARS:
WORKING
TOGETHER,
BECAUSE...

KIDS CAN'T WAIT!



Two-year-old Mia couldn't wait to say 'dad' on Father's Day – but the words wouldn't come.

Mia was born with an extremely rare disorder - 22Q chromosome

deletion - which can affect almost any part of the body.

In Mia, 22Q has caused a muscle deficiency which means her palate won't lift to block air going out of her nose.

22Q affects just one child in 4000 and is also known as DiGeorge syndrome.

When she tries to talk, 'dad' comes out as 'muh'.

Mia couldn't wait.

Look at her eyes. See how bright Mia is? See how much she wants to communicate?

Thanks to a donation from the Hobart Football Club, Mia is now using a device with communication options while our therapy team works on her speech and sound clarity.

I can happily report she is making great progress.

For 80 years, since we were formed on December 13, 1937, StGiles has helped children just like Mia.

A great number of the children we see at StGiles don't have a recognised disability.

Like other parents and carers we see, her parents were desperate to help Mia any way possible.

It was frustrating to watch her struggle.

Mia was working hard. Her family was working hard. StGiles therapists were working hard.

But if the money's not there. It's not there; making it slow going for children like Mia, who really shouldn't have to wait.



This is Mia, 2

When a child does not meet Government criteria for the therapy and equipment they need, what can we do?

I can ask people like you to remember 'Kids Can't Wait' and please consider making a donation to our appeal.

WE are coming to the end of another enormous year at StGiles.

It has been a year marked by reaching out to like-minded organisations such as an innovative pre-employment program Pathways with The Launceston Migrant Resource Centre, a collegial service collaboration with VisAbility, health information options via LINC Tasmania, Studio Space theatre program with Launceston College and technology and health communications

pathways with Community Led Impact Partnerships. These collaborations have been mutually beneficial and provide enriched opportunities for the people who rely on StGiles.

2018 will see us back at Amy Road, Lenah Valley and in Burnie, to the work that has been our calling for 80 years.

Wishing you a peaceful Christmas.

Ian Wright
StGiles
Chief Executive



NEW Hydrotherapy Pool @ StGiles HOBART

StGiles Hobart is able to offer hydrotherapy from a sparkling new pool at King George V, Glenorchy. In Hobart, adults and children can receive all forms of hydrotherapy with StGiles.

Our Hobart teams provide aquatic physiotherapy for people whose conditions may be assisted by a hydrotherapy program.

We provide hydrotherapy for:

- Paediatric – Rehabilitation Programs
- All-Ages Rehabilitation Programs for hospital patients requiring rehabilitation post-surgery or acute conditions after discharge.
- Chronic disease management plans
- Fee for service hydrotherapy

The pool has been included in

the \$9million redevelopment of Glenorchy's King George V sports precinct and is a collaboration between StGiles and Revive Physiotherapy.

"Our team is always striving to provide new and innovative opportunities, but we are open to suggestions and collaborations with others who understand the benefits of exercise in warm water," the pool project manager Kirsty Bartlett-Clark said.

"In the future, we hope to expand our hours, which would allow us to deliver more groups and possibly the nationally accredited Joint Movement program for people with osteoporosis and arthritis.

StGiles is offering fee for services 'Wellness Groups and fee for service

Physiotherapy consultations and programming.

The pool is licensed for use by other organisations such as Arthritis Tasmania and the Splash group.

[StGiles Hydrotherapy service at King George V Glenorchy, operates Monday to Friday, during business hours.](#)





Walk With Me

HOBART – February 3, 2018
Back to Parliament lawns!

After a super-special event at Government House last year, we are happy to be back at Salamanca and on the lawns of Parliament House in Hobart.

Next year's free activities and healthy food options will be provided by our friends from Rapid Relief and we are assured that the Royal Australian Navy will be back 'on deck' to march us along the Castray Esplanade.

Join us and register from 10am with walkers leaving for the short walk and wheel at 11am, sharp. After the walk stay for a picnic and more free children's activities.



**Would you like to donate
to StGiles by PHONE?**

CALL NOW

1300 278 445



Studio Space Theatre Company – A success!

The success of a program we launched earlier this year has prompted us to expand our arts-based, Leisure and Inclusion repertoire.

To date, two groups of young adults have participated in Studio Space, which has at its heart readying participants for inclusion in mainstream arts projects.

Since August, people of all ages and abilities have been invited to join Studio Space Dance with Melissa Wimmer's School of Theatrical Dance, Studio Space Theatre Company with Gerard Lane. During 2018 we will offer radio – SoundEscape and photography – PhotograME - options under the umbrella of Studio Space.

Further information is available from markdeverell@stgiles.org.au; sallycrates@stgiles.org.au; or gerardlane@stgiles.org.au

We're having a
reunion
to celebrate 80 years!

Have you ever WORKED at StGiles?
Have you ever VOLUNTEERED at StGiles?
Did you LIVE at StGiles Home?
Did you ATTEND StGiles School?
Have you ever been a CLIENT/CAPER of StGiles?

We would like you to join us
**to help celebrate
our 80th Anniversary**
with cupcakes and champagne on
Friday, 23 February 2018 12 till 2pm

This is a **free** event and is part of StGiles 80th Anniversary celebrations but you must let us know if you're attending. Contact Victoria Bayes or Danielle Blewett on 6345 7333 or by email victoriabayes@stgiles.org.au

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MYSTERY WALLS

Extraordinary Art from Private Collections

March 18 - June 10, 2018

Hidden Treasures on Public Display

Please join us us and special guest, economist Saul Eslake, when we reveal 80 exceptional works of art, usually hidden from public view.

The works have been loaned to StGiles to celebrate our 80th anniversary at the Queen Victoria Museum & Art Gallery (Inveresk) during 2018.

The pieces have been sourced during the past two years, from private collectors here and interstate.

Among them is a significant work on loan from Janet Holmes a'Court and a collection of curiosities from prominent antique collector and author, John Hawkins.

Mr Hawkins is acknowledged internationally and within Australia as having assembled one of the world's foremost collections of antiques.

Mrs Holmes 'a Court's work is from the Holmes a Court Collection, which consists of more than 4000 registered artworks and is internationally recognised as an important collection of Australian art.

Mr Eslake, a Tasmanian, hangs his favourite Tasmanian

landscapes wherever in the world he calls 'home'

"It is recognised by the Queen Victoria Museum & Art Gallery, that Mystery Walls will be a significant and special exhibition," StGiles General Manager Profile and Engagement, Danielle Blewett said.

"It will be a once in a life-time opportunity to glimpse inside the often secretive world of art collectors.

"We have experienced an open-hearted and unprecedented response to StGiles request to borrow exceptional pieces of art from the living rooms and private galleries of some significant private collectors."

The exhibition will be opened at 2pm on Saturday, March 17, by Mr Eslake and will include a performance 'Mystery' reveal by senior students of Scotch Oakburn College within the gallery, followed by sparkling wine and high tea.

Booking is essential for the opening, which is a fundraising event at \$44 per person.

Please contact victoriabayes@stgiles.org.au or danielleblewett@stgiles.org.au

We're Closer than you Think – StGiles NW Coast

StGiles is expanding its range of programs on Tasmania's NW Coast as a response to growing numbers of clients travelling to Launceston for our therapy and support services.

During 2018 we hope to refurbish the building alongside the heritage listed railway station at Penguin, where we will provide opportunities for leisure programs to children and young people with learning delays and disabilities.

Why? Our service at Burnie – the Autism Specific Early Learning and Care Centre at 34 Alexander St- does not have the space to meet the growing demand for children's therapy services within the NDIS and through Better Start and Helping Children with Autism.

The Penguin project will give us room to offer new, individual and group programs for children and young people with disabilities as well as childhood early intervention, therapy and recreation programs within a community-based environment.

We believe these programs will support the skill development of children and young people through opportunities to develop their social awareness and appropriateness, motor skills, communication skills, develop friendships, emotional regulation skills, improve behaviour and build skills needed for school, employment and community participation.



Diverse communication programs at ASELCC Burnie



Out and about is an important element of programs at ASELCC Burnie



ASELCC Children get to practice their communication strategies at a Burnie supermarket

80th Birthday Calendar

October 25 - 2017

79th Annual meeting, Town Hall, Launceston 2pm onwards

October 28 - 2017

80th StGiles Family Picnic in City Park, Launceston, 12-3pm – free event with lots of games, free sausage sizzle, birthday and friendship and fun! register

society@stgiles.org.au

February 23 - 2018

80th Reunion, 65 Amy Road, 12 till 2pm, bring your StGiles memorabilia and share stories with old friends and colleagues for cake and sparkling.

Register society@stgiles.org.au

March 17 - 2018

Saul Eslake official opening of Mystery Walls at Queen Victoria Museum & Art Gallery, Inveresk, ticketed fundraising event with high tea. \$44 per person.

society@stgiles.org.au

March 18 - June 10 - 2018

Mystery Walls, exhibition at Queen Victoria Museum, Inveresk

August 2018 - Date TBC

Two Flanagans at Mud in conversation with Roisin McCann. A significant black-tie dinner by Don Cameron, superb 6 courses and wine all-inclusive: \$192 per person.

Enquiries to danielleblewett@stgiles.org.au

September 2018

Hobart Open Day

October 2018

Parliament House reception, Hobart

To celebrate our 80th year, StGiles invites families and friends, young and old who use or have used our services, who've worked or still work for us to come to the

StGiles Picnic

WHERE: Launceston's City Park
WHEN: 12 till 3pm, Saturday October 28

FREE bbq
FREE activities

Bring a picnic rug and your favourite memory of StGiles to share with Southern Cross' Rachel Williams and the team from St Patrick's College!

Email society@stgiles.org.au to register for the picnic or call 63457333 to find out more.

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We promise not to bombard you with junk. If you can help us save precious postage dollars please send your email address to:
society@stgiles.org.au



Niche Burnie Arts and Function Centre November 18 - 10am till 3pm.
Nichemas, Albert Hall, Launceston, December 2 - 8am till 3pm.



Young Entrepreneurs @ NICHE



In September we launched our NICHE Young Entrepreneurs Program for eight young people from Student Works.

StGiles developed Niche in 2009 and the market has grown into one of Tasmania's most respected events

for emerging Tasmanian makers and designers with between 3000 and 5000 visitors to each Niche market at the Albert Hall.

The first entrepreneurs' scholarship, supported by the Commonwealth Bank, will be offered to eight students from the Student Works enterprise at Rocherlea.

Student Works is a Tasmanian not for profit for young people aged 14-16 to gain pre-employment skills.

The Student Works team will participate in two workshops at StGiles with Niche market manager Victoria Bayes as well as hear and learn from some of the small businesses that have successfully used Niche as their start-up space.

Participants will learn what it takes to set up, manage and successfully sell a product. They will receive formal certification of the skills they acquire.

It is expected Student Works will have flat pack laminated ply children's chairs and tables as well as preserves and Christmas cooking.

They will also visit the Albert Hall before being allocated three stall spaces at Niche, December 2.

"We are excited by the products the Student Works team plans to bring to Niche and we are enthusiastic about the skills we have to share with this worthy group of young Tasmanians," Mrs Bayes said.



This year's winners of the StGiles

Knowledge Cup were our friends from Longford Equine Veterinary, led by Chris Cornes. We raised almost \$14,000 on the night and had a full house of 25 tables of ten. **2018 I-Know Trivia** will be held on June 23. Book early, we sell out fast! The 2018 theme will be '80' to celebrate our 80th year.

Book now! society@stgiles.org.au



StGiles presents...

A FREE ONE DAY - expo of information and advice on Assistive Technology. DON'T MISS OUT!

- Internationally acclaimed guest speaker to be announced
- Interactive exhibits & workshops for professionals and participants

Punchbowl Christian Centre

10am till 3pm, May 10, 2018

Further information: society@stgiles.org.au





ASSISTANCE : REHABILITATION : CARE

(A MyAged Care provider)

For the first time in our 80-year history, StGiles has an area of its business dedicated to providing health and personal assistance and support services to adults.

ARC is a wholly owned enterprise of StGiles that helps us provide a range of services to adults requiring therapy or personal assistance.

Whether you or someone you love, needs aged-care, rehabilitation or short-term help, the ARC team are dedicated and highly skilled.

ARC Personal Assistance includes:

- Adult Therapy Services – occupational therapy, physiotherapy & speech pathology

- In-home nursing services, palliative care services, post-acute and short-term support
- Assistance following day surgery & hospital visits
- Community access, leisure and inclusion
- Respite
- Personal Care Assistance
- National Disability Insurance Scheme Provider
- MyAgedCare Home Care Package Provider

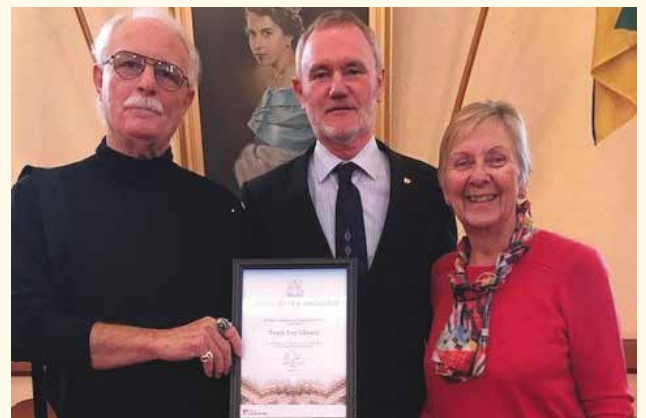
Contact our ARC team at admin@arcss.com.au or 6345 7398



VisAbility and StGiles

StGiles teams and clients will have improved access to vision expertise after StGiles signed a memorandum of Understanding with VisAbility earlier this year.

The MOU means StGiles will collaborate with VisAbility to provide cross referrals, job sharing across both organisations, share information and develop telehealth services, strengthen the skills and expertise of our therapy workforce and explore innovation in service delivery.



VALE Alan Kevan

We were sad to learn of the passing of Alan Kevan (above left), one of our team of 11 Toy Library Volunteers. In June, Alan and Ros Wilson collected a Certificate of Recognition from Launceston City Mayor Albert van Zetten for the team's volunteering hours at our magnificent Amy Road, Toy Library. Alan gave StGiles many hours of his time and will be missed.