



Newsletter

Jan-Feb 2017

"A leading service provider helping our communities enjoy the life they want to live"



A word from our CEO, Helen Pollard

Happy New Year to you and your families, I hope that the Christmas and New Year season was enjoyable, and not too disruptive!

Somerville Street Update

After a busy 2016 and some delays that postponed our move to Somerville Street, we have had a flurry of activity during the beginning of January. We are now expecting to be moving within the next two months and look forward to being in a reasonably busy location. We are also planning work for the external areas as we would like to beautify the garden/streetscape and also paint the roof. At this stage we do not have timeframes for those projects and they will not affect our move to the premises. We will keep you posted on developments.

Blue Statements

A number of clients have commented that our billing "Blue" Statements are too close to white to make them stand out. So we have changed to a darker blue. We hope this helps to differentiate between the documents. Thank you to everyone who has given us constructive comments about our invoices and statements over the past few months. Your comments may well make life easier for many people and we certainly work to improve what we do based on your feedback.

Fire Season

The weather is warming, but after heavy rains grasses have grown fast. With this in mind, now is the time to make sure you have removed/reduced potential burning hazards from around your home and that you have a plan in place in the event of a fire.

Have a wonderful Summer from all of us at SEC Care ☺.

Summer is a beautiful time of year – the weather is warm, the days are longer, the bees are buzzing and the flowers are blooming! Make the time to enjoy some sunshine, because before we know it, it will be getting colder again!



Payment Due on the Blue

To avoid confusion around your billing, we have colour-coded our statements and invoices.

The invoice shows the services provided to you for the month and the statement is the summary of all invoices owing on your account.

We have colour-coded your statements in blue and this is the document that states the amount to pay. In short, payment due on the blue.

CHANGE IN MOVING DATE – NOW END OF JANUARY – START OF FEBRUARY 2017

While much progress has been made, we have had to delay our move to Somerville Street from Cole Street. The last of the renovations will be completed after the Christmas break and we are now planning the big move for the end of January – start of February.

Come and join the fun at our SEC Care Day Centres!

Start the New Year with a kick in your step with the team at the SEC Care Day Centres! We have three locations at Brighton, Orford and Sorell with calendars jam-packed full of activities, outings and events. To inquire about joining one of our Day Centre groups, phone either Kathy on 0427 804 600 or Denise on 0423 264 833.



Brighton Day Centre Calendar for Jan-Feb 2017

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
(Jan) 16 – Brighton Bus trip – Mystery trip! Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm. Meal at own cost	17 – Clients! Check out our new Tuesday program! If interested, call Kathy or Denise (numbers above). Tuesday Bus Outing – Trip to the Casino! Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm. Casino meal at own cost.	18	19 – In house day at Pontville Day Centre. Activity: Carpet Bowls. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm.	20	21	22
23	24 – Tuesday Bus Outing – Catamaran trip to MONA, followed by lunch. *Please ring Kathy or Denise to book. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm. Meal at own cost.	25	26 – Australia Day – CLOSED.	27	28	29
30– Brighton Bus trip – Mystery trip! Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm. Meal at own cost	31 – Tuesday Bus Outing – Bus trip to Kingston for shopping and lunch. *Please ring Kathy or Denise to book. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm. Meal at own cost.	(Feb)1	2 – In house day at Pontville Day Centre. Activity: In house entertainment performed by Vic. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm.	3	4	5
6	7 – Tuesday Bus Outing – Bus trip to Zoo Doo and BBQ lunch. *Please ring Kathy or Denise to book. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm.	8	9 – In house day at Pontville Day Centre. Activity: TBA Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm.	10	11	12

A message from Rostering/Scheduling:

We have a number of public holidays during this early part of the year, which means during these times services may be missed. Only essential services will be delivered on Public Holidays. We apologise in advance for any disruption this may cause.

Berries in season!

Picture: Our CEO Helen Pollard with a giant strawberry we served with pavlova at the Christmas party in December 2016. How wonderful are summer berries?!



Sorell Day Centre Calendar for Jan-Feb 2017

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
(Jan) 16	17 – Clients! Check out our new Tuesday program! If interested, call Kathy or Denise (numbers above). Tuesday Bus Outing – Trip to the Casino! Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm. Casino meal at own cost.	18 – In house day at Somerville Street Day Centre. Activity: In house entertainment – performance from Vic. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm.	19	20 – Friday bus trip to the Wagon and Horses for lunch. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm. Meal at own cost.	21 – Men’s Gathering. Activity: Bus trip for Lunch at ‘Lufra’. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm. Meal at own cost.	22
23	24 – Tuesday Bus Outing – Catamaran trip to MONA, followed by lunch. *Please ring Kathy or Denise to book. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm. Meal at own cost.	25 – In house day at Somerville Street Day Centre. Activity: Bus trip to New Norfolk for BBQ lunch. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm.	26	27 – Friday bus trip. Activity: TBA Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm. Meal at own cost.	28	29
30	31 – Tuesday Bus Outing – Bus trip to Kingston for shopping and lunch. *Please ring Kathy or Denise to book. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm. Meal at own cost.	(Feb) 1 – In house day at Somerville Street Day Centre. Activity: Scrapbooking. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm.	2	3 – Friday bus trip to Lauderdale for lunch. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm. Meal at own cost.	4 – Men’s Gathering. Activity: Bus trip to the Longley Hotel for lunch. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm. Meal at own cost.	5
6	7 – Tuesday Bus Outing – Bus trip to Zoo Doo and BBQ lunch. *Please ring Kathy or Denise to book. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm.	8 – In house day at Somerville Street Day Centre. Activity: TBA Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm.	9	10 – Friday bus trip. Activity: TBA Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm. Meal at own cost.	11	12

A Friendly Reminder about In Home Services

When receiving in home care and domestic assistance it is important that clients are present in the home. If your circumstances change and you are not going to be home for domestic assistance, please ring our rostering team to reschedule an appointment, as workers are not allowed in a client’s home if there are not present. Thank you.



Richmond Day Centre

The Richmond Day Centre is now operating out of the Sorell (Somerville Street) Day Centre. If you wish to speak to someone about the Richmond Day Centre, call our Day Centre Manager, Michelle, on 6269 1264.

Orford Day Centre Calendar for Jan-Feb 2017

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
(Jan) 16 – In house day at Prosser House Day Centre. Activity: Group meeting/Monday group catch-up. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm.	17	18 – Mystery bus trip and lunch outing. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm. Meal at own cost.	19 – Bus trip to May Shaw for a visit and lunch at the Bark Mill Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm. Meal at own cost.	20 – Mystery bus trip and lunch outing. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm. Meal at own cost.	21	22
23	24	25 – In house day at Prosser House Day Centre. Activity: TBA Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm.	26 – Australia Day – CLOSED.	27 – In house day at Prosser House Day Centre. Activity: Library visit. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm.	28	29
30 – Monday group Mystery bus trip and lunch. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm. Meal at own cost.	31	(Feb) 1 – Mystery bus trip and lunch outing. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm. Meal at own cost.	2 – In house day at Prosser House Day Centre. Activity: TBA Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm.	3 – Mystery bus trip and lunch outing. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm. Meal at own cost.	4	5
6 – In house day at Prosser House Day Centre. Activity: TBA Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm.	7 – Tuesday group resumes – in house day at Prosser House Day Centre. Activity: TBA Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm.	8 – In house day at Prosser House Day Centre. Activity: TBA. Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm.	9	10 – In house day at Prosser House Day Centre. Activity: TBA Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm.	11	12

Want to join in? Call our Prosser House Day Centre Coordinator, Cheryl, on 03 6257 1152.



Picture Left: Prosser House Day Centre Coordinator Cheryl with her Dad at the SEC Care Christmas party in December 2016. **Below:** Denise, the SEC Care Santa and our lovely volunteer Audrey at the same Christmas party.



National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) at SEC Care

As many of you will know, SEC Care is a proud NDIS service provider and is participating in the rollout service that's replacing the Individual Service Plan (ISP) scheme. The first stage of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) began in Tasmania on 1 July 2013 for young people, aged 15 to 24. From 1 July 2016, the NDIS began to roll out by age group over three years. The NDIS is being introduced in stages because it's a big change and it is important to get it right and make it sustainable.

How is this happening?

Existing service users and new participants will enter the Scheme progressively. By July 2019, the NDIS is expected to cover over 10,500 Tasmanians with a disability.

- From 1 July 2013 the NDIS became available for children, aged 15 to 24.
- From 1 July 2016, the NDIS became available for children, aged 12 to 14.
- From 1 January 2017, the NDIS became available for adults, aged 25 to 28.
- From 1 July 2017, the NDIS will be available for children, aged 4 to 11.
- From 1 January 2018, the NDIS will be available for adults, aged 29 to 34.
- From 1 July 2018, the NDIS will be available for children, aged 0 to 3, and adults, aged 35 to 49.
- From 1 January 2019, the NDIS will be available for adults, aged 50 to 64.
- By 1 July 2019, all eligible Tasmanians, 0 to age 64, will become NDIS participants.



Tasmanian Gateway Services will assist people to connect with services and prepare for the NDIS. Existing Commonwealth and state-based services and supports will continue until eligible people with disability start their NDIS plan.

Who can currently access NDIS?

Tasmanians aged 12 to 28, with an impairment likely to be permanent which makes it difficult to take part in everyday activities, can access the Scheme. People need to meet disability or early intervention requirements, as well as age and residency requirements.

For more information, please visit Access requirements at www.ndis.gov.au/people-disability or contact

- NDIS OFFICE: 111 Macquarie Street, Hobart – open Monday to Friday 9am-5pm Phone: 62307400
- GATEWAY SERVICES: 1800 171 233.