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Every **Thursday** (excluding holidays) **Pop-iN** is open for a chat, a cuppa and various activities between 2pm and 4pm
BINSA Level 1

October

- 1 RTP Alumni - Memory and Orientation
- 3 RTP - Session 6 - L1 BINSAs
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WHAT'S NEW

BINSAs 2014 AGM Wednesday 22 October 5.30pm-7pm

Please join the BINSAs Board and Staff at our 2014 AGM @ BINSAs with guest speaker Jo Wicks Director Engagement and Funding, South Australia National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) discussing "Learning and building the NDIS"

see the flyer insert for full details. **Remember BINSAs** welcomes all **ABI** constituents and friends.

2014 International Day of People with a Disability (IDPwD)

Wednesday 3 December 2014

Join **BINSAs** in an exciting new partnership for the 2014 International Day of People with a Disability (IDPwD).

BINSAs, ParaQuadSA and Lifetime Support Agency (LSA) will host the 2014 IDPwD at our very own **Light Square**.

We'll present a day of great food, enjoyable activities including 'fitness and fun' with expert professionals, info booths from several different agencies, face painting, magical stuff and so much more. Lots more details to come **Hope to see you...**

BINSAs Radiowaves

listen out for our 30 sec radio ads each month on various community stations - each month highlighting an aspect about **BINSAs** and our programs and services.

October, November and December includes information about the AGM, SA&NT External Merits Review advocacy and 2014 IDPwD

Check out BINSAs's website www.binsa.org with all the latest up to date news

BINSAs regularly offers a range of services and supports - just call us or 'Pop.iN' when you need advice, information or just a welcoming place.

- Representation
- Advocacy
- Slow Rehab
- Counselling
- Community Connections
- Regional Support
- Information
- Events

BINSA Comings and Goings

Goings ... Staff

Amy Ambagtsheer - External Merits Review Support Service (EMR) Advocacy Component.

Amy joined us 2 + years ago, initially as the **BINSA** Advocate National Disability Advocacy Program (NDAP). She has not stood still since...

When **BINSA** was selected to deliver the EMR in the SA NDIS trial site, **Amy** moved across, giving her an opportunity to use her skills and expertise in legal related matters and also educational and public presentations as well as her advocacy skills.

Amy was a force to be reckoned with and helped put **BINSA** into a very good place when DSS came knocking again and asked us to deliver the EMR service in the NT.

Amy has chosen to devote the next 2-3 years undertaking full time legal studies and move into a more 'justice' related position one day a week with the SammyD Foundation, who focus on really important preventative youth justice activities.

BINSA wishes **Amy** the absolute best for her future career and studies.

Thanks for the terrific work for **BINSA**.

'Our' **Karen** - is leaving to return to Sydney with her now 'retired' husband Mick and to be with their son and his family including their grandson who has a serious medical condition

Karen has brought to **BINSA** a great capacity to balance so many balls while still retaining at all times her tremendous sense of humour and really genuine welcoming approach.

From running the front of 'house' to the 'back end' - multi tasking supremo **Karen** mastered the minutiae of what makes **BINSA** not only an efficient and effective agency - she has also helped to ensure that the core values that **BINSA** espouses such as inclusion, empathy and understanding were all evident in every day.

Through her ready smile, friendly and engaging manner she has consistently demonstrated her unstinting and amazing hard work and great patience with us all.

BINSA will be the poorer for **Karen's** leaving but we send her off with our most sincere thanks for making each day such a welcoming one for anyone associated with **BINSA**.

Slán agat - See you ...

Comings ... Staff

Praneeta Singh - Advocate National Disability Advocacy Program (NDAP)

We are now very pleased to be able to advise that we have selected **Praneeta Singh** to join us as our new NDAP Advocate. **Praneeta** has many years advocacy experience and has been working for another SA NDAP agency.

The vacancy was created when **Tegan Whittard** moved across to the vacant External Merits Review Support Service - Advocacy Component (EMRSS)

position, due to **Amy Ambagtsheer** deciding to leave as discussed under **Goings...**

Praneeta was a standout candidate when she applied having chosen to seek additional challenges plus a different focus in advocacy by working with our ABI constituency.

We know **Praneeta** will add considerable skills and experiences to **BINSA** and of course **BINSA** will be able to broaden her knowledge and exposure to our constituency and our wider range of services and programs.

A real win:win - a very warm welcome to **BINSA Praneeta**, we know you will quickly feel at home.

Praneeta will be working 30 hours per week - nominally Tuesday to Friday 9am-5pm

'Returnees' ... Staff

When **Karen** told us she was about to leave, I had a huge sinking feeling about her replacement - a hard task was ahead of me - when out of the absolute blue popped a very familiar person - **Toni Paxton** - who had served in our administration for many years before she and her family had gone to live up near Gawler and **BINSA** was simply too far away for her family needs.

But guess what - they had returned to live close by in the Western suburbs and **Toni** was keen to know if **BINSA** could fit her in again!

The rest is history as they say and **Toni** is returning to **BINSA** from 8 October. We reckon you'll all be very pleased - we are.

2014 reflections...

For 22 years **BINSA** has maintained a clear focus on supporting and raising awareness about the affects of an acquired brain injury (ABI) on the individual as well as those around them.

Such a focus and constancy requires a high level of commitment and resilience - that is not found in many organisations outside of the community based ones.

It is for this reason some decide to devote their skills and expertise or want to develop them within this environment.

It is because there is something very special when real change and improvements are achieved because of the contribution an organisation such as **BINSA** can lay claim to.

So as 2014 nears its end this is an opportunity to reflect on what the **BINSA** team has contributed to in terms of achieving better outcomes for disability rights in SA and beyond.

Lifetime Support Agency

- changes to SA Compulsory Third Party Legislation to include a partial 'no fault' component for catastrophic and severe injury
- 30%+ of this group suffer an ABI

BINSA was invited to represent the interests of those with an ABI by being involved in developing the rules and eligibility criteria.

While not perfect and still

not covering all injured through a 'no fault' motor vehicle accident - **SA has made a start to** rebalance a seriously inequitable situation.

SA Disability Justice Plan

BINSA contributed through direct consultations with our ABI constituency and friends about what were their concerns, issues related to access to justice and what happened to them if they became caught up in the justice system.

There is substantial evidence to demonstrate that individuals with an ABI are majorily over-represented throughout the justice and prison systems.

A big emphasis in our submission was the need for improving the community and front line staffs awareness about disability and especially on how to better support and understand someone with an ABI they may have to deal with in a confronting justice system environment.

This was especially the case when having to interview, take statements, advise on court proceedings, and expect someone with an ABI to remember and understand the complexity of hearing procedures and so on without taking any account of their specific disability impairment.

BINSA has been invited to be part of a small advisory group who will provide advice and expertise based

on our real experiences of those we support who are affected due to an ABI.

The SA Legal Services Commission have been funded to deliver a series of educational and informational sessions based on Law4All.

BINSA aims to continue very close consultation with our ABI constituency and friends so we achieve the best outcomes we can to reduce the trauma of being caught up in the justice system due mainly to the impact of having a specific disability eg ABI.

At a recent meeting where **BINSA** attended **Tim Wilson** Australia's Human Rights Commissioner was the guest and we had an opportunity of raising our concerns regarding this very serious matter and that there was a need for the Commission to lead a national review and investigation into tackling the 'incarceration' while also putting in place improvements to assessments and how to manage someone presenting with an ABI.

So a timely reminder of the core values and beliefs that **BINSA** holds - to give voice and to ensure that all SA's with an ABI have their human rights and needs safeguarded but also understood.

2014 has been a 'monster' year especially our move to doing business in the NT - here's to an exciting but as challenging 2015 ahead.

cheers

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BINSA PROGRAM REPORTS

Administration

Ok, we have had a stellar few months, what with 2014 Brain Injury Awareness Week (BIAW) behind us, we are all fired up and ready to go again, it doesn't look like it is going to slow down for the next few months here at downtown Adelaide!

2014 BIAW was a great week of activities, information, workshops and awards.

Between both events we sold lots of beanies, T-shirt's and Aprons – a great effort and thanks to all those who Sponsored us and made donations to **BINSA** during this time

Our 2014 BIAW awards day was a great day for all who attended – we had over 100 nominations for Individual Achievement and Service Excellence Awards.

Those who couldn't attend didn't miss out as these recipients have had their certificates mailed to them.

CONGRATULATIONS to all nominees, well deserved.

So now on to the AGM: Keep 22 October 5.30pm-7pm free, because it is your opportunity to be part of the meeting.

Remember, we are totally inclusive now, so anyone can attend. It's a great opportunity to hear how we have gone in the past year, meet members of the **BINSA** Board and pick up our 2014 Annual Report.

Plus we'll be inviting you to hear a very interesting talk from our guest speaker Jo Wicks on 'Learning and building the NDIS. Nibbles and refreshments served.

On a sadder note, I regret to advise that I am moving on. We have a great opportunity to relocate back to Sydney and back to our family there. But don't worry,

I will be leaving the Administration department in very good hands - read more in Staff, Comings and Goings!

**Volunteers, volunteers
volunteers!
WE NEED YOU**



Now I can't go without my usual call for volunteers... and this issue is no exception

BINSA volunteers help across all our programs, and of course many 'work' behind the scenes with events and IT support. Many offer financial support by means of donations, fund raising and organisations that dedicate their 'casual' day funds to **BINSA**.

Call us - you know you want to!

info@binsa.org or phone **82177600, 1300733049** or pop in to see us at **70 Light Square**.

**NDAP Advocate
advocacy update ...**

The major focus

has continued to be issues around suitable accommodation, financial and relationship matters, justice and guardianship matters.

NDAP is looking forward to welcoming **Praneeta Singh** from 29 September.

**If you have any
Advocacy issue then
please call us on 8217
7608 or 1300 733 049
or praneeta@binsa.org**

External Merits Review Support Service (EMR) - Advocacy

BINSA was recently selected to be a part of the NDIS roll out in the Barkly region in the Northern Territory for the very specific component External Merits Review (EMR).

The EMR is a support service for people who, after having been through an internal review with the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) and, are still unhappy with their plans or have not been accepted to be a participant in the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) may have the decision(s) reviewed.

There are 26 reviewable decisions. If you would like more information please call us to arrange.

**See below for full
contact details.**

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Counselling

BINSA offers counselling two days a week for anyone who is directly impacted by acquired brain injury (ABI), or those around a person with ABI.

Counselling at **BINSA** attempts to look at life holistically, whilst specifically looking at ABI related issues.

Chris Farrand has been working in ABI counselling at **BINSA** for over 3 years now and continues to enjoy working through any and all challenges that present to people with ABI.

Some of these challenges include relationship changes; drug and alcohol challenges; cognitive rehabilitation after ABI; supported enquiry into the complexities of living with an ABI and referral into other areas of **BINSA**, such as the Assuming Control program, or Re.wired Fitness Program.

If any of the above sounds like it could be of benefit to you, please don't hesitate to contact Chris on 8217 7601 or chris@binsa.org. Chris's counselling hours are from Wednesday through to Friday from 12 noon until 5pm

The last few months of counselling have been, as per usual, varied in content, directions and duration.

That is to be expected in working with such a broadly encompassing field as acquired brain injury (ABI).

A lot of working with

relationships; cognitive exercises; goal setting; information and fostering insight around ABI; recreation options, drug and alcohol problems and more have been predominant themes.

Also, counselling works closely with the advocacy program and other programs here at **BINSA** and externally, to bring greater clarity, support and resolutions to **BINSA** constituents. The maxim "You don't know what's out there until you know it" is true for counselling.

Many people make do with their reality without enquiring into what may be out there, or checking for alternate ways of doing things.

The above is only a few aspects of the counselling done here at **BINSA**, so if you feel the above or other concerns might benefit from being discussed, please don't hesitate to contact Chris on 8217 7601 or chris@binsa.org.

If you have an ABI who has issues impacting on the quality of your life you are welcome to contact Chris Farrand on 8217 7601 or chris@binsa.org to book an appointment

Community Learning & Lifeskills (CL&L)

Coffee Clubs

BINSA currently run the **City Coffee Club** at the Town Hall Café 2pm-4pm on the last Thursday of the month and the **Western Coffee club** at Café de

Villis at Mile End on the third Friday of each month.

Would you like one in the Northern area? - register your interest **NOW**.

[BINSA Pop-iN](#)

Participants have enjoyed this regular catch-up on a Thursday afternoon 2-4pm.

Activities have included chess, cards and table tennis.

As well as a social get together to share stories and views we have been impressed with those who have demonstrated their artistic and musical talents with us.

[Cooking on a Budget](#)

This session was facilitated by an experienced Financial Counsellor for those who are experiencing difficulty managing the ever increasing cost of living.

Future sessions will include tips for creating a saving plan, avoiding scams and reducing energy costs. Flyers will be distributed when dates and times have been scheduled.

If you would like more information on **Community Learning & Lifeskills programs** please contact Shaneen on 8217 7605 or CC 1300 733 049 or email Shaneen@binsa.org



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Springboard Program including Re.focus and Re.wired Fitness

The second half of the year is off to a great start for Springboard!

As usual participants are having lots of fun in the afternoons with a wide variety of activities including Chocolate Mug cake making which of course the staff had to taste test.

With the weather warming arrangements are being made to host activities in some afternoons out in the Light Square as well.

BINSA was fortunate that Springboard negotiated to receive free tickets to the Royal show for an outing.

Two separate groups went - one on Tuesday and one on Thursday.

Everybody said they had a great time and the Thursday group were very grateful for lunch, provided by one of the participants, Minh and his family.

The program is hoping to go again next year with the same success.

We have other outings planned for Springboard. An Adelaide Oval tour is booked in October and a trip to Maritime Museum in November which everyone is looking forward to.

Springboard always starts the year by asking participants what outings they would like to do throughout the year

and these were some of the suggestions. It will be very interesting to see what comes up next year.

The second half of the year has also seen an influx of new volunteers including students from a number disciplines such as speech therapy and psychology.

Springboard also have 4 students from the Disability studies course at Flinders University on placement.

BINSA has introduced a new initiative within Springboard - the **Re.focus Program**.

Re.focus will consist of up to 4 different short sessions covering therapy and learning and lifeskills. Participants will be able to choose a session including the length of their involvement.

3 Physiotherapy students from UniSA are working on the implementation of **Re.focus** commencing on the 1st October 2014 with our consulting Physiotherapist Dr Susan Hillier.

On a lighter note the team at Springboard ran an A++ footy tipping contest led and guided by one of the Springboard staff, Bill, and one of the fantastic participants Brett won.

Another staff member, Jordan, also ran a sweep for the world Cup Soccer out of the hat! And Catherine was the lucky one to pick Germany

All in all - **Springboard** is looking forward to an exciting and fulfilling few

months on the approach the Christmas break.

Re.wired Fitness Program

Re-Wired is continuing to run with small groups of participants.

Recently 2 participants were assisted in getting set up in gyms in their local area.

One of the gyms was Curves at Elizabeth who have been extremely helpful and encouraging offering support and assistance where necessary.

We have found many gyms to be extremely accommodating and enthusiastic to help our client group wherever possible.

The **Re.wired Program** has also assisted other clients to get set up with an exercise program in their own home as this can sometimes be more convenient for some individuals.

The program costs \$125 for 6 individually designed sessions.

If you require assistance starting exercise or finding a suitable program in your local area **contact Catherine on 82177607 or catherine@binsa.org to find out more.**

So - if you have an ABI or anyone you know has - and need slow rehab support tailored to their goals then give us a call.

Victoria Zelipski
Coordinator Springboard
on 8217 7602 /1300 733 049 or email vicki@binsa.org

2014 BIAW Individual Achievement Awards

Springboard

The springboard program is an innovative 3 year program providing community-based rehabilitation. This includes therapy and education for adults with severe and multiple physical and cognitive disabilities following an acquired brain injury (ABI).

The following awards are to acknowledge the achievements of the individuals currently involved in this program as well as the graduates from last year.

Some goals include returning to work, standing independently and increasing flexibility and strength, just to name a few.

Andrew Potter
Anne Rowlands
Brett Afford
Chris Karamoshos
Gregory Vickers
Jane Trowse
Jason Ihms
Julia Brugermann
Mark Payne
Michael Stewart
Minh Nguyen
Olivia Gawronski
Peter Gollan
Robert Tanti
Sue Pryde
Wayne Fogarty
Silvana Melchiorre
Cheryl Mason
Wayne Avery
Simon Turner
Trevor Gay
Sharon Hampel
Wolfgang Karschimkus



Community Learning and Lifeskills (CL&L)

CL&L aims to provide a range of supports and services for people with an ABI and their families including:

- Information
- Links to community
- Support
- Skills development
- Consultation
- Activities
- Achieving goals

The following recipients have been successful in achieving personal goals and skills development and enhancement of their mental, emotional and physical well being through participation in a range of activities, programs and events provided by BINSa

Angela Engler
Bob McConnell
Bob Tetley
Christine Lanthois
Hayden Jarldorn
Jeff Leunig
John Furda
Rikki Starr

Assuming Control

This program is aimed at helping participants become better informed about ABI, their place in the journey after ABI and supports in society that can help them re-engage with life and other people

The following recipients have been acknowledged for their participation in the 2014 Assuming Control Program



Andrew Sandland-dow
Brad Simmonds
Chris Walker
David McGrail
David Melackas
David Waters
Lee Leyvraz
Olivia Kilsby
Nathan McAleer
Susan Nicholls

Individual Achievement Awards

The following recipients have been nominated for an Individual Achievement Award by a professional, family member or a carer for specific personal goals which they have achieved during the last year

Cheryl Mason
Frank Hill
Joel Page
Keryl Beesley
Robert Semms



2014 BIAW Individual Achievement Awards

Reconnect Transition Program (RTP)

RTP - Reconnect Transition Program
yRTP - youth RTP
eRTP - express RTP

These programs are designed to support people with an ABI to bridge the gap between formal rehabilitation and resuming home and community living. They achieve this by helping people to adjust socially and emotionally to day-to-day life following an ABI.

These recipients have been committed participants of the RTP program and have also contributed a great deal to its vibrancy and success. They have achieved a wide range of personal goals.



RTP

Brad Simmonds
Dolores Goodey
Eli Murn
Lee Leyvraz
Mei Cheng
Nathan McAleer
Stephan Forka
Terry McCann



eRTP

Andrea Spackman
Michelle Brown

yRTP

Rhys Baker



2014 BIAW Service Excellence Awards

Springboard

The following professionals have been nominated for their invaluable advice, guidance and ongoing commitment to the Springboard Program

- Anne Walter**
- Bev Dodd**
- Disability SA**
 - Central Adelaide West
 - Gawler
 - Gilles Plains
 - Salisbury
 - Southern Adelaide

Fiona Creed
Liz Williams
Sue-Anne Gale
Susan Hillier

Community Learning and Lifeskills

Jonathon Thurston was nominated in recognition of his experience in presenting his content with a high regard for the rights of people with an acquired brain injury (ABI).

He has a strong ability to communicate with a range of people using a strengths based approach.

The feedback from previous participants indicates his workshops promoted access to wide ranging benefits of wellbeing, including reduced stress, better health and more rewarding relationships and making him an obvious choice for this award.

Assuming Control

Each of these professionals have been recognised for their assistance in presenting, in a non-threatening, safe and comfortable environment a

range of difficult topics to help them understand and expand their knowledge about ABI, themselves and others.

Anna Williamson
Con Polychronis
Jacqui O'Daly
Julie Whitehead
Dr Miranda Jelbart
Pauline Wood
Peter Rivera
Dr Susan Hooper

Service Excellence

The following awardees were recognised by their peers, families, professionals and friends for their contribution throughout the year.

Bryan Gardiner
Dannica O'Conner
Disability SA drivers

- Barry O'Loughlin
- Ian Matz
- Robert Pryde

Donna Lambdon
Felicity Brown
Fiona Wollaston
Jen Cousins
Keryl Beesley
Michael Kokias
Peter Caporn (and Ned)
ProjectAble nominees

- Chris Farrand
- Edward Weaver
- Jordan Forrest
- Victoria Zelipski
- William Wright (Bill)

Shaneen Renshaw
Tegan Whittard
Workskil - Grenfell Street



Reconnect Transition Program (RTP) and youth Reconnect Transition Program (yRTP)

In recognition of their leadership to the RTP participants, these mentors have passed on their experiences and knowledge to further assist the participants journey.

Bob Tetley
Colin Winsor
Robert Semmens
Eli Murn (yRTP)



BINSA PHOTOS - out and about

August 2014 - BINSA External Merits Review (EMR) - Northern Territory



Some history and fine examples of art in the Northern Territory Recognise the colours? Very BINSA!



NDIS Stakeholders meeting Sydney August 2014

Bangonabeanie - Light Square



BINSA Photos - Bangonabeanie con't and 2014 BIAW



2014 Brain Injury Awareness Week
"Arts Day"



BINSA PHOTOS - 2014 BIAW Awards Day

Launch at Tindal Gask Bentley



Dr Tim Feeney workshop
“Positive behaviour support in brain injury and autism”



BINSA PHOTOS - 2014 BIAW Awards Day



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BINSA Regional Programs

BINSA is reforming the Regional Programs and has added to Shaneen Renshaw's community connection work and she will focus on arranging 4 regional visits over the next 8 months.

Pt. Lincoln, Iron Triangle, Mt Gambier and Renmark will be targeted for Wcontinuing to develop our BINSA ABI regional networks.

Shaneen will coordinate the meetings and there will be an opportunity for those regional areas to participate in a selection of our programs including RTP, EMR and a professional development workshop session BINSA is working on. Shaneen is available on 8217 7605 or shaneen@binsa.org

BINSA PROGRAMS continued

EMR Advocacy continued from pg 4

A component of the external merits review support service (EMR) is to deliver information on the process and foster self-advocacy.

During August **BINSA** ventured to the Northern Territory visiting Darwin, Alice Springs and Tennant Creek to deliver information and establish networks for the NDIS roll out in the Barkly region.

The meetings were very positive and lots of new ideas were sprung from this initial engagement.

We look forward to working very collegiately and corroboratively with all in the future.

For more information please contact Tegan on 08 8217 7603/1300 733 049 or email tegan@binsa.org - Monday-Friday 9am-5pm.

Reconnect Transition Program (RTP)

The Reconnect Transition Program (RTP) is a ten-week group program that assists people to adjust to day-to-day life after an acquired brain injury (ABI).

The RTP kicked off again on the 29 August after a few months of hard work from Coordinator Ed Weaver, Chris Farrand and Tegan Whittard to continue to improve what was already a great program.

This time we have welcomed back long-

standing RTP mentors Terry Somerville and John Furda, while Sue Nicholls has joined as a new mentor.

All three have made excellent contributions to what has been a very successful RTP course so far.

The RTP group have also welcomed student Jennifer Cruise who is completing a placement with BINSA as part of a double Masters degree in Social Work and Social Planning.

Jennifer's enthusiasm and insightful contributions have stimulated some great discussions and added to the vibrancy of the sessions.

The RTP is a free program that is sponsored by the Motor Accident Commission and so available to those whose injury was sustained as a result of a road trauma accident.

The next running of RTP will occur in early 2015, and we are currently seeking registrations.

For more information please contact Ed on 08 8217 7614 or email edward@binsa.org.

Reach and Retune Project

BINSA was successful in gaining funding from Community Benefit SA to develop:

- a professional marketing campaign
- a volunteers group to assist **BINSA** with its community awareness raising about ABI and

the options available including in the future under the NDIS

- improvements to our internal Management Information System (MIS) and our website.

We've selected 2 consultants to assist us with the project - Uncanny Media and InterIntra as well as giving Shaneen Renshaw our Coordinator Community Learning and Lifeskills the additional responsibility of coordinating the Volunteers element of the project.

The project is progressing and the **BINSA** Board has been provided with Uncanny Media's report and recommendations on a marketing strategy and campaign and InterIntra is developing elements of the website as well as our MIS reporting options.

Shaneen is well advanced with the Volunteers selection - is keen for more and is developing an induction as well as a training program which will be delivered at the beginning of next year.

if you are interested in finding out more about the project please call Shaneen on 8217 7605 or shaneen@binsa.org



BINSA receiving a very generous donation cheque from Ahrens Group Pty Ltd, employee charity scheme. these funds will be going to **BINSA** Regional Program

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NDAP Advocacy, EMR
Advocacy Component



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Learning and Lifeskills
Reach and Retune Project



Reconnect Transition Program

BINSA Gratefully acknowledges the following for the generous assistance during 2014 BIAW Sponsors

Financial

Andersons Solicitors
Sorrento Care

Catering

East Terrace Continental Cafe
Orange Spot Bakery
City of Adelaide Lions Club
Ayers House Functions

Venues

Tindall Gask Bentley
lawyers
SA Writer's Centre
Julia Farr Association Inc..

Advertising

Adelaide West End
Association

Arts Day

Rob De Kok Film maker Co-

West

Frey Micklewait Ceramist
Bill (Swampy) Marsh Author

Launch

Key Note Speaker

Dr Susan Hooper SA BIRS

Your day...your say

Anita King Anderson Solicitors
Joanna Gray Financial
Counsellor - Uniting Care
Wesley Bowden

Professionals Speak

Dr Tim Feeny PhD
Matt Hanton MAC

2014 BIAW Awards

Amanda Dowdey TGB
lawyers

Anita King Andersons
Solicitors Martin Lockwood

DCSI

Suppliers

Aussie Party Hire

Specialist Consultants

Angela Gregory – Accountant
InterIntra – IT and Website

Annie Hastwell and Catherine
Zengerer - Uncanny Media

Ian Wheeler - Boko

Constructions
Joan Tamiangs – Minute Taker
BINSA Board

Michal Dutkiewicz – Illustrator

Steve Elkins – Handyman

Sue-Anne Gale - Speech
Pathologist

Susanne Hillier (Dr)
– Physiotherapist

Return to Work Bill Wright

- Pro-active People Solutions
– WorkCover SA

Student Practicum

Jennifer Cruise

Batchelor Social Work and
Social Planning - Flinders Uni

Volunteers

Springboard Program

Ananth Indran
Artemis Roberts
Bill Wright
Colin Winsor

Constantinos Finos
Daniel Lawrence
David Bajjali
Elise Finos
Fatema Sitabkhan
Yang Kim Hiro
Jessie Wu
Joan Brown
Leah Zelkas
Monica Ayliffe
Patricia Jamieson
Paulina Wilk
Robert Semmens
Shannen Buckland
Sharon Williams
Simone Hunter
Suzanne Edwards
Valmai Mackenzie

Springboard Re.focus

UniSA Health Promotion in Physiotherapy

Tsung-Jern Chun
Kiah Hosking
Amanda Buhlman

Administration General

Keryl Beesley Volunteering at
BINSA since May 1997 - thanks
Keryl - you're the best!

Website Content

Lyn Clark

Program Advisory/Events Support Committees

Springboard Advisory Group

Anna Miles
Cherie Archer
Delores Wells
Fiona Creed
Liz Williams
Tina Benbow

Reconnect Transition Program (RTP)

RTP Advisory Group
Adrian Horan
Terry Somerville
Donna Lambdon

BINSA Radio Waves

"What's happening at BINSA?"

Rob De Kok - Script

Ewart Shaw)
Julie Wakefield) Announcers



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