



# CEO BULLETIN

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## ADMINISTRATION MANAGERS

- Business Manager**—Justin Sacco
- Chief Executive Officer**—Matthew Hoyle
- Claiming Manager**—Ben Ma
- IT Manager**—Deepak Verma
- Complaints Officer**—Margaret Given
- Customer Wellbeing Manager**—Margaret Given
- Finance and Operations Manager**—Robert Batt
- OH&S Manager**—Edwin Bobadilla
- Resource Manager**—Paul Kumar
- Support Coordination Manager**—Johann Nacianceno

## SERVICE SITE MANAGERS

- 6 Clifton**—Romel Cartas
- 10 Clifton**—Roula Chalouhi
- 17 Hanmer**—Jodie Taylor
- 19 Hanmer**—Ruby Gallina
- Albert**—Margaret Given
- Alfred**—Ben Ma
- Alice Fraser Centre**—Margaret Given
- Brooksby**—Edwin Bobadilla
- Domenico**—Anuj Malik
- Eppalock**—Miley Verma
- Geddes**—Edwin Bobadilla
- Honey**—Amit Antil
- ISP**—Anuj Malik
- Jenny Burbidge Centre**—Margaret Given
- Linnet**—Teigan Mateos & Bianca Lewis
- Long Forest**—Ben Ma
- MAP**—Roula Chalouhi
- Medfield**—Jacob Manjooran
- Nyon**—Roula Chalouhi
- Respite**—Justin Sacco
- Stanhope**—Ben Ma
- Stonecrop**—Subin Cherian
- Tower**—Ruby Gallina
- Willow**—Romel Cartas
- Holiday Manager**—Vivian Carreira

## HOUSE SUPERVISORS

- 6 Clifton & Willow**—Louise Nicolas
- Medfield**—Abdulwehab Osman
- 10 Clifton & 17 Hanmer**—Evelyn Liu
- Longforest & Stanhope**—Abel Li



Hello to all our valued clients and families, and welcome to the February CEO Bulletin. If you had a break over January or February I hope it was a restful one. I thank you, as always, for your trust and openness to work with us as we aim to provide the best possible supports.

## OUR CLIENTS

We are excited to have our first full-time client at our Alfred Street Community Space in Ballarat. This has come about through positive and strengthening connections between Support Coordinators and the region’s special school, and we hope more clients will also join.

We welcomed a new client to Geddes Street who was at time of writing on track to move into the property within two weeks. We also have interest in the Tower Rd vacancy and an enquiry about a vacancy at Honey Grove has led to us getting set to open a sixth bed there, and that transition is progressing. We also received an initial enquiry about the Brooksby vacancy.

## CLIENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Gellibrand clients and team members have been busy the last two months, out and about in the community.

Allow me to hark back to the 1 December Christmas Party for a moment—it was a fitting close to 2023, a great time of celebration and anticipation for the New Year. It was terrific to see 400 people at the event, and the fundraising Anne and Janice led, with assistance from key family members, continues to be humbling and incredibly appreciated.

On 3 December we marked International Day of the Disabled Person with a successful sausage sizzle at Bunnings Sunshine and a well-attended Fun Day for clients at Albert Street, where the drums—and reptiles!—were popular.

A Sensory Art event at Mary Burbidge Hub in late December gave clients the chance to explore their creativity and our client New Year’s Eve party was, as always, a big hit.

In early January, clients enjoyed a beautiful day sailing on the ferry from Queenscliff to Sorrento, followed by a BBQ in the park. Then, in mid-January, clients made the most of summer with a fun and energetic Cricket Day, showing again that living with a disability is no barrier to enjoying sport.

Events and outings over the last couple of months have also included a movie day, a day in the city, and pasta making. So, it’s really been a case of something for everyone.

Don’t forget to check our [website’s News stories](#) for client stories, sector news from Gellibrand’s perspective, and articles about Gellibrand events.

## GELLIBRAND ON LINKEDIN

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## WELCOME ROBERT BATT

I’d like to take this opportunity to welcome Robert Batt to Gellibrand as our new Finance and Operations Manager. Robert’s experience and skill makes him a valuable addition to our organisation and I look forward to his contributions as he settles into the role.

## GELLIBRAND VACANCIES

We have nine current vacancies:

- one each at Clifton 6, Honey Grove, Tower Rd, and Brooksby;
- two at Nyong; and
- three at Alfred.

An option to open a vacancy at 17 Hanmer St remains if a specific need or interest arises.

Thanks again for your reading time and for giving so much effort and passion to ensure Gellibrand continues to offer clients the support they deserve.

*Matthew Hoyle, CEO*

Gellibrand Support Services

