



### Welcoming a New Year

I hope you, your family and friends had a happy and safe festive season.

### Australian Bushfires

The bushfires in Australia are still burning.

It is sad to hear about what the bushfires have done to some people and animals.

People who live in 4 homes supported by us had to be **evacuated**.

**Evacuated** means they had to leave their home to keep safe from the bushfires.

We are glad that all the people and homes were safe.

### The last few months

Since the transfer there have been some good changes.

Our service planners have helped lots of people choose to do activities they are interested in.

You can read about some people doing activities they are interested in in this newsletter.





You can read about people

- having fun in their community
- volunteering
- doing training courses
- giving awards to **accessible** shops in their community.

**Accessible** means making it easy for all customers to use their services.

## The year ahead



We will keep making changes to make your services better.

We will keep telling you when things will change.

We want you to be able to do activities that you enjoy.



We care about what you think and feel.

You can tell us if you are happy or unhappy with our services.



Thank you for being a part of Possability.

I look forward to making 2020 our best year!

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## Championing Communication



The Woodend Communication Group wants to thank shops in their community for helping customers with disability to be more **independent**.

**Independent** means doing things yourself.



The group gave Autocopy printing a certificate because the staff are

- helpful
- good listeners.



Each person in the group held up a sign to show what they would like to thank the shop for.



## A Ghostly Gathering



Halloween was in October last year.

A group of housemates living in Ararat hosted a Halloween party.

People at the party dressed up in spooky costumes.

The housemates had a sausage sizzle, ice cream and a bag of treats.



## Parkrun Fun

Parkrun is a running or walking event that happens every Saturday all over Australia.

Jamie said he likes to volunteer at Parkrun because

- it is fun
- he likes helping
- he likes meeting new people.



Jamie likes to have a run on the track.

Jamie is practicing running the whole 5 kilometre track

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## International Day of People with Disability

International Day of People with Disability was in December last year.

International Day of People with Disability is about celebrating people with disability



- reaching goals
- giving to their communities.

Matt, Jamie and their housemates went to a celebration for International Day of People with Disability in their local park.



There were snakes and a choir at the celebration.

Matt joined in to sing with the choir because he loves music and dancing.

Jamie and Matt both got to hold a snake.

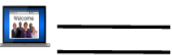
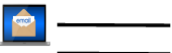
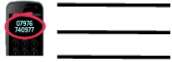


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