



What's Been Happening at Enable WA

Plain Language Version – October 2026

Enable WA acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of country throughout Australia. We recognise their connection to land, sea, and community.

We pay respect to Elders past, present, and emerging. We extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people today.

This is an easy read version of our newsletter. It uses short sentences and bullet points.

A Message From Our CEO, David Naughton

- Our boss, David Naughton, is retiring.
- He will finish work at the end of 2026.
- David has been our CEO for five years.
- David says working at Enable WA has been a great part of his life.
- He loved working with Participants and staff.
- David asks everyone to make our new CEO feel welcome.
- Thank you, David, for your hard work. We wish you a happy retirement.

Welcome to Aaron Harding, Our New CEO

- Aaron Harding will be our new CEO.
- He starts on **Monday 23 November 2026**.
- Aaron has been a leader at RAC, St John WA and Good Sammy.
- He knows a lot about disability and community services.
- People who work with Aaron say he is positive and good at solving problems.
- Aaron is moving to Bunbury.
- He is looking forward to meeting Participants, families and staff.
- David will spend one week with Aaron to help him learn the job.

Our Yearly Meeting: Monday 23 November

- Our yearly meeting is called the AGM. AGM means Annual General Meeting.
- It is on **Monday 23 November**.
- You can come to an Enable WA office.
- Or you can join online using Teams. Ask your Coordinator for the link.
- We will talk about our year and meet our new CEO, Aaron.
- We will also give out the Support Worker of the Year Awards.
- We would love you to come.

October is Mental Health Month

- Mental health is about how we think and feel.
- We care about the mental health of our Participants and families.
- Our Therapy team will share tips to help you feel good.

Social Walk in Bunbury

- **When:** Saturday 10 October, 10am.
- **Where:** Big Swamp, Bunbury.
- Run by our Upper South West team.
- There are more Mental Health Week events on the website: mentalhealthweek.org.au

News From Enable WA

Here is what we have been doing over the past few weeks.

New 2027 Calendars

- Aimee made the art for our new 2027 calendars.
- Thank you to everyone who joined our online game.
- The calendars come out at the end of September.

Busselton: Group Activities Program (GAP)

- We dressed up for Talk Like a Pirate Day.
- We made our own perfume.
- Staff from Bunnings Busselton helped us build toolboxes.
- Thank you, Bunnings.

Perth: Out and About

- Jayden went to a car show and the Hologram Zoo.
- Jayden also had pizza with a friend and went for walks by the river.
- Hayden tried new arcade games.
- Jamie danced for 30 minutes.

Peel: Cooking Group

- Our cooking group meets every Tuesday.
- We make simple, healthy meals, like salads, stir fry and wraps.

- We buy the food at the local shops.
- The group is at Waratah Community Church in Wannanup.
- New cooks are always welcome.

Summer Party in Bunbury

- We are having a big Summer Party.
- It is for International Day of People with Disability.
- There will be music, dancing, fun and prizes.
- Everyone is welcome. Bring your family, friends, carers and support workers.
- **When:** Friday 4 December, 6pm.
- **Where:** Froth Craft Brewery, Bunbury.
- **Cost:** Free. For people aged 18 and over.
- Get your free ticket at events.humanitix.com/summer-party-2026
- We are running this party with Advocacy WA groups D-Connect and Embrace Inclusion.

Dress Up This Halloween and Win

- Dress up for Halloween this October.
- Take a photo in your costume.
- Share it online and tag us. Instagram: @Enablewest. Facebook: @Enablewa.
- You can also send your photo to your Coordinator.
- One person will win a \$50 movie voucher.
- We will pick the winner on 2 November.

Register Your Interest for a Room in Specialist Disability Accommodation with SIL

- Thinking about moving out of home?
- We have rooms in Perth, Peel and the South West.
- Tell us you are interested.
- Our SIL team will call you to help you start.

Send in Your Good News Stories

- We love sharing your good news.
- Tell us what you are proud of, or what you have been up to.
- Visit our website to share your story.

Special Days in October

- Thu 1: International Day of Older Persons
- Tue 6: World Cerebral Palsy Day
- Sat 10: World Mental Health Day
- Thu 15: International White Cane Safety Day
- Sat 17: International Day for the Eradication of Poverty
- Thu 29: International Day of Care and Support

Say Hello to Our New Team Members

- Welcome to everyone who started with us in September.
- **Upper South West:** Brian, Denise, Kaungakiarikikitemarama, Kyra-Lee and Sara.
- **Peel:** Annie, Jake, Joanne, Leanne, Lorraine, Meghan, Sandy, Teegan, Tom and Zowie.
- **Perth:** Aimee.

Help Other Families Find Our Supports by Leaving a Review

- Has Enable WA helped you or your family?
- Please leave us a Google review.
- This helps other families learn about our services.
- It only takes a minute.
- Find the review link for your area on our website: Lower South West, Upper South West, Peel, or Perth.

Client Advisory Group

- Want to help make decisions at Enable WA?
- You can join our Client Advisory Group.
- Visit our website to find out how to join.

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