



**Edition #28 – June 2013**

## Welcome to the Healthy Communities Newsletter

For contact details, to update your subscription details, give us feedback, or to unsubscribe, click [here](#) or see our details below.

If you are unable to view this email, click here <http://www.qahc.org.au/newsletters/qahc>.

---

### What's in this edition:

#### LGBT Health News

- *Study – Internet Pornography*
- *Cognitive Behavioural Therapy Workshop*
- *Gay, Bi and Trans Prostate Cancer Support Queensland*

#### Healthy Community Projects

##### Sexual Health

- *Testing Point Delivers HIV Results within 20 minutes*

##### LGBT Health

- *'Love is' – Improving Relationships for Lesbian and Trans Women*
- *Lesbian and Trans\* Community Group Showcase*
- *Out & About Social Group*
- *Network MindOUT! – LGBTI Mental Health and Suicide Prevention – Community of Practice*
- *LGBT Counselling and Information Services*

##### Training and Development

- *LGBT Inclusivity Consultancy*

## Other

- *Training Rooms for Hire in Brisbane*

## Fundraising and Volunteering Opportunities

- *Healthy Communities Wins Grants*
- *Stay connected via Facebook*
- *Big Gay Day – Raises Money for Healthy Communities*
- *Schlargerfest Success!*
- *Balls Out Bingo*
- *Entertainment Books*
- *Become a Regular Donor*
- *Love Goes Beyond Type – Rainbow business supporting Healthy Communities*

## Community Activities

- *Hot Males Sing!*
- *Family Picnic in New Farm Park*
- *Marriage Equality Update*
- *Dragology*
- *Lesbian, Gay, Bi and Trans\* Choir – Sunshine Coast*
- *Queer Film Program at West End Library*
- *Queer Comic Club*
- *Keshet*
- *Tab Oo*
- *MCC Youth Group*
- *Feathers Women's Social Group*

## Links to Community Resources

### QAHC Contact Details

---

### LGBT Health News

#### Study seeks a broad perspective on internet pornography

University of Sydney research into the little-studied area of internet pornography, aims to provide an up-to-date insight into a part of Australia's contemporary sex life.

Psychology Doctoral Student Emily Harkness says "Research on the use of internet pornography by Australian adults is very limited despite it becoming increasingly mainstream."

"To get a more accurate idea of sexual online activity by adult Australians we are asking Australian residents over 18 to take part in a two-part survey. The first part asks about sexual attitudes and behaviours and the second focuses on safe sex," Harkness said.

The study will provide information on how pornography use relates to sexual behaviours and sexual expectations. It also aims to provide a window into how couples use pornography including associations with sexual communication and intimacy and how it might relate to different stages in their relationship.

For more details and to participate in the survey:

[http://sydney.edu.au/news/84.html?newscategoryId=2&newsstoryid=11607&utm\\_source=facebook&utm\\_medium=social](http://sydney.edu.au/news/84.html?newscategoryId=2&newsstoryid=11607&utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=social)

---

## Cognitive Behavioural Therapy Workshop

Hepatitis Queensland is seeking expressions of interest for participation in a six-week Cognitive Behavioural Therapy workshop.

The workshop aims to provide participants with the opportunity to learn new skills to improve their capacity to better manage periods of emotional distress (depression, anxiety, stress) and to develop and implement personal action plans based on core values and current experiences.

The 'group environment' of the workshop also offers the opportunity to share personal stories of living with hepatitis in an understanding and supportive setting.

The workshop is facilitated by Darren – Hepatitis Queensland's staff psychologist.

Please note that this workshop is only for people living with viral hepatitis. Registration of interest closes June 17, for a June 22 start date.

To register your interest please call 3846 0020 or email [reception@hepqld.asn.au](mailto:reception@hepqld.asn.au).

**Free Free Free Free Free**  
**cognitive therapy workshop series**  
**only**  
**for people with viral hepatitis**

**do you live with viral hepatitis?**

**would you like to learn how to better manage stress, anxiety and depression?**

You will experience an introduction to cognitive therapy and learn fundamental, evidence-based techniques used to treat stress, anxiety and depression.

This group is **only** for people with viral hepatitis. You will experience the opportunity to share your story and learn from the experience of others.

You will learn relaxation strategies, mindfulness techniques, ways to reduce negative thinking and to tolerate distress, and methods to increase the motivation to pursue your goals.

You will receive texts on cognitive therapy and personal values to keep.

The workshop series is conducted on Saturdays for six sessions. Refreshments are provided.

**Schedule**  
Saturdays | 9am – 12pm  
June 22 | June 29 | July 6 | July 13 | July 20 | July 27

**Venue**  
Hepatitis Queensland, 12 Cordella Street, South Brisbane.  
Free on-site and on-street parking. Close to South Brisbane train station.

**Cost**  
Free. Funded by Hepatitis Queensland.

**please contact us at 3846 0020 or [reception@hepqld.asn.au](mailto:reception@hepqld.asn.au) to find out more or register for the workshop**

**closing date for registration is June 17**

## Gay, Bi and Trans Prostate Cancer Support Queensland

### First Saturday of every month

Cancer Council Queensland,  
553 Gregory Terrace, Fortitude Valley  
10am - 12.30pm  
Parking under the building

### For further information please contact:

David Wells  
Phone: 0411 081653  
Email: [holisticsexualtherapy@hotmail.com](mailto:holisticsexualtherapy@hotmail.com)

This confidential group is open to all gay bisexual and transgender men who have had a prostate cancer diagnosis.

All issues concerning prostate cancer will be open for discussion including:

- an overview of prostate cancer
- side effects of treatment
- the impact of a diagnosis
- communicating with your partner
- having an ongoing support group for gay men with prostate cancer.

Support Groups for gay and bisexual man have been established in collaboration with [Malecare](#).

---

## Healthy Communities Projects

### Sexual Health

#### Testing Point Delivers HIV Results within 20 minutes

From May 2013, Testing Point a FREE after-hours peer based HIV/STI testing services to the LGBT community has been approved to deliver Rapid HIV Test Results in 20 minutes.

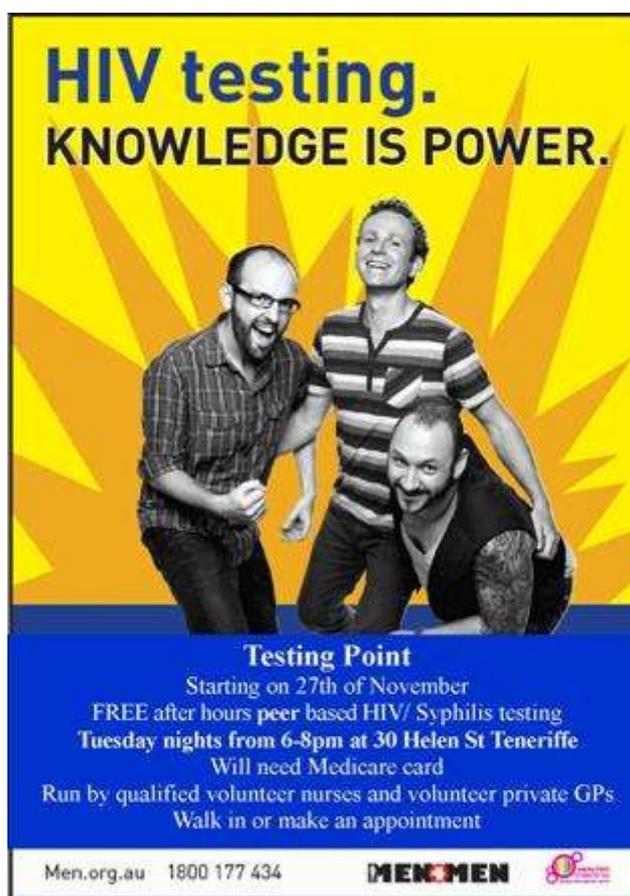
The Rapid HIV Test is done by qualified volunteer doctors and nurses and is a small finger prick sample. A follow up standard blood test is also taken at the same time to confirm Rapid HIV Test Results.

Testing Point Dr Roy Lancaster says "I am really proud of the work I am doing with Healthy Communities to reduce HIV infections. Testing point has been successful in increasing HIV/STI testing".

"We have performed over 40 Rapid HIV tests. We have already diagnosed positive cases of HIV/ Syphilis/ Gonorrhoea and Chlamydia in the MSM community. We are getting referrals from venues, events and facebook. 1/3 of our clients have never been tested before or have not known when their last HIV test was. By increasing access to testing, Healthy Communities is able to reduce the Rates of HIV/STI infections in Queensland."

Testing Point is on Tuesday nights from 6-8pm at 30 Helen St Teneriffe and also provides peer support and health promotion to clients.

As this service is bulk-billed via Medicare, people will need to bring their Medicare card. The clinic welcomes walk-ins, or alternatively people can also make an appointment by calling 3017 1733



**HIV testing.**  
**KNOWLEDGE IS POWER.**

**Testing Point**  
Starting on 27th of November  
FREE after hours peer based HIV/ Syphilis testing  
Tuesday nights from 6-8pm at 30 Helen St Teneriffe  
Will need Medicare card  
Run by qualified volunteer nurses and volunteer private GPs.  
Walk in or make an appointment

Men.org.au 1800 177 434 **MEN MEN** 

[Top](#)

[Next](#)

---

## LGBT Health

### **'Love Is' - Improving Relationships for Lesbian and Trans Women.**

'Love Is' is a new Healthy Communities campaign that looks at existing and potential relationships between lovers, friends, and families for lesbian and trans\* identified women. This campaign will incorporate workshops, posters, facebook page and advertising from May to October 2013 so keep an eye out for it.

The 'Love Is' campaign uses cartoons to highlight the following qualities of healthy relationships:

**Respect-** We support each other to achieve our dreams and be the best we can be both individually and as a couple.

**Trust-** We enjoy time apart with our own friends as well as time together as a couple.

Communication- We are able to have disagreements and talk openly, honestly and respectfully about how we feel.

**Independence-** We share all of our house hold expenses and each have our own bank accounts for individual savings.

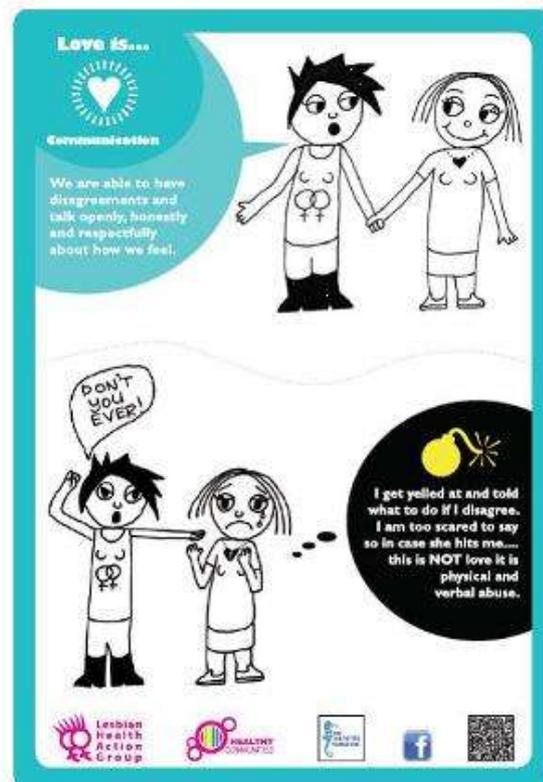
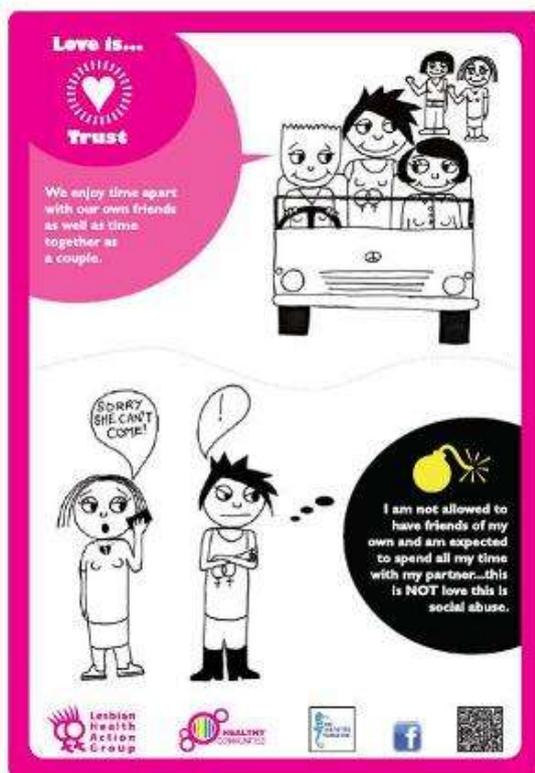
The first of the workshops was held in Brisbane recently, attracting 25 people. A second workshop will be run on the 15th of June for Cairns. Key issues identified in the Brisbane workshop include: workshops that are more Domestic Violence specific, focus on healthy relationships including bisexual identified women and those with multiple partners.

One workshop participant said “Working through the quality parts of a healthy relationship helped me think more about the choices I have and the how I view relationships”.

Almost a year ago Healthy Communities received a \$20,000 grant from The Ian Potter Foundation so that we can expand our lesbian and transgender community work and run workshops on domestic violence and healthy relationships. The Lesbian Health Action Group also contributed \$8000 of their own fundraised money towards the project.

Referrals, links and information on healthy relationships can be found at by searching Love Is Health Lesbian.

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Xtra-Queer/440606276009237?ref=ts&fref=ts#!/pages/Love-Is-Healthy-Lesbian-Relationship/378439882276089?fref=ts>



## Lesbian & Trans\* Community Group Showcase – Great success!

Healthy Communities received permission to include the story below from The Message website. It highlights to great success of the day. Thanks Steve!

<http://www.gamermesssage.com>

### The Sign On the Door

The MESSAGE crew were very privileged to be invited to the Lesbian and Trans\* Community Group Showcase organized by the great folks at Queensland Association for Healthy Communities. See the photo below!

It was a humbling and inspiring experience to be surrounded by so many people dedicated to improving and enriching their communities. Of course, the MESSAGE itself did not have much to offer, because we're coming from the opposite side of the equation. The people at Sunday's event have worked to set up a whole range of wonderful events and groups and activities that are loudly and proudly welcoming of and targeted at those whose genders and sexualities don't fit the common denominators.

The MESSAGE, rather, targets those of us who are the common denominators, both in society and in gaming: white, straight, cis-gendered men. Chances are, if you're reading this, that is exactly what you are. I am, too. We're the people with the privilege. The people who are, it seems, the problem. After all, all these wonderful people are trying to hide from us. They had to go and make special groups to feel safe and welcome, instead of just joining a group of cyclists, or joggers, or ultimate frisbee players, or comic fans. And they had to do that because they have – with good reason – fear of being attacked, humiliated and excluded when they try to join those groups.

That was my Saturday: being surrounded by dozens of people dedicated to providing spaces to get away from people like me. And the fact that that hit home like a hammer is the very definition of privilege. I get to go wherever I want, play whatever game I want, join whatever group I want, turn up at any space I want, without being afraid of being judged for who I am or who I love or the contents of my pants. And let's be clear about this: in gaming, this is only true if you are a straight, white, cis-gendered man. And it is true for you everywhere. In effect, every game store, club and convention you have ever been has had a sign out front saying "We prefer customers to be straight, white, cis-gendered guys."

You didn't see the sign. But it's there. It is absolutely there. Because everyone who doesn't fit into those categories noticed the sign and went off to make their own space where the sign wasn't there. They set up groups for gaming girls, and gaming mothers, and gaymers, and trans gamers and gamers of colour, and disabled gamers, too. There isn't a game store in my city you can get a wheelchair into.

Societies, groups and especially commercial entities always tend towards the norm. They always cater for the biggest groups, the general throng, the mean and mode of the population. We can't change that. We can change attitudes, but that takes time and doesn't effect the natural tendency of the norm to embrace itself and exclude the different. But what we can do, right now, is be aware that the sign is there. That invisible sign on the door that turns people away. And what we can do is put another sign up instead. A sign that says – and says explicitly – that our stores, our groups, our games, our spaces - are safe. That our gamers are allies. That our groups are welcoming. That we accept everyone.

And it has to be explicit. You don't get to do nothing and still be the good guy because you know you're not prejudiced. Because on the outside, you look just the same as everybody else. And nothing you've done makes you deserve an assumption of innocence.

So you have to wave the flag. Be visible. Wear the t-shirt. Post the sign. Put it in the rules of the club, on the walls of the store, in the ads on the web. Wave the flag high, as high as we can, so everyone can see it, and feel welcome.

The good news is that because we are the people of privilege, we can raise that flag higher than anyone. Because there's so many of us, we can bombard the world with our acceptance. Because we're the norm, if we wear our colours, we can paint the hobby a rainbow. But we have to do it. We have to care. We have to wave the flag.

That's what we're here, as the MESSAGE, to try to do – to give us all a flag to wave. But it's up to all of you to do the waving.



---

### Out & About Social Group

The next Out and About is:

**WHEN:** SUNDAY 9 June – 1pm till 3 pm

**WHERE:** New Farm Park, near the river (Look for the Rainbow Flag)

Join us for our monthly picnic, all you need is yourself, a plate of food to share, a drink for yourself, your stories and sun protection.

You'll find us positioned somewhere along the river side of the park between the ferry terminal and the Power House. Keep an eye out for the Out & About sign.

If you need to contact for further information and details please contact ph 30171777 <https://www.facebook.com/events/614596251886884/> or contact Group Co-ordinators: Andrew Thompson 0409 470 751 and Rob Heard 0403 269 589



## **Network MindOUT! - LGBTI Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Community of Practice**

Network MindOUT! brings together people who have an interest in promoting positive mental well-being among lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, transgender and intersex (LGBTI) persons and communities. Together we share information, facilitate learning opportunities and address the challenge of suicide prevention LGBTI populations.

Network members can:

- participate in our webinars and/or training modules
- receive a monthly e-bulletin and a twice yearly newsletter,
- hear about MindOUT! initiatives, and
- develop an improved understanding of mental health and suicide prevention for LGBTI persons.

### **Rationale**

The purpose of the Network MindOUT! community of practice is to form links between people who have an interest in promoting positive mental well-being among lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, transgender and intersex (LGBTI) persons and communities. Rather than being for one profession, Network MindOUT! is multi-disciplinary with members coming from clinical, research, policy, community action, human rights and LGBTI communities.

Network MindOUT! has been created to facilitate the sharing of information and learning opportunities. Rather than taking a traditional network approach, the concept of a community of practice is being fostered. We describe this as an LGBTI Mental Health & Suicide Prevention Community of Practice.

### **What is a community of practice?**

Cognitive anthropologists Jean Lave and Etienne Wenger observe that a 'community of practice' consists of those who have a shared interest or profession and that through the process of sharing information and experiences with the group, members learn from each other, and have an opportunity to develop themselves personally and professionally.

### **History and Background**

In order to promote greater awareness and facilitate information sharing on mental health and suicide prevention for LGBTI communities, MindOUT! has been funded to establish a network of interested individuals and organisations and to host an annual forum.

The sharing of information and facilitating learning opportunities for people are essential elements of capacity building. It was with this in mind, that Network MindOUT!: LGBTI Mental Health & Suicide Prevention Community of Practice has been created.



### **National LGBTI Health Alliance Network MindOUT! Webinar Series**

An exciting and innovative series of webinars that critically engages with topics relevant to understanding mental health and suicide prevention for LGBTI people.

In each webinar, the presenter will speak for 40 minutes, followed by a Q&A session. Webinar participants are able to watch the presenter through a videolink and ask questions via an instant message program.

#### **Webinar: June 11**

Anthony Carlino - The Gender Centre

#### **Register Now**

This webinar is aimed at educating therapists/counsellors and other professionals about working with Transgender clients and the identification of specific types of support required as a result of gender non-conformity. Topics included but not limited to are:

De-pathologising gender variation.

The importance of acknowledging and being aware of the gender binary in our society and its impact on transgender individuals.

Discussion forum

#### **About Anthony:**

Anthony Carlino is the counsellor at the NSW Gender Centre which provides support to Transgender and gender-questioning individuals in the state of NSW. Gestalt trained with a dialogical approach to therapy that focuses on the relationship between therapist and client as being pivotal in growth and healing. In 2012 Anthony created and facilitated "Transtopia", a monthly youth group for Transgender teenagers in response to the growing number of young people seeking support from the Gender Centre. Transtopia will continue in 2013 due to its success.

---

### **LGBT Counselling and Information Services**

Please ensure you call the number listed for the service to make appointments as you are unable to make appointments through Healthy Communities.

Clients are provided with the choice of having their appointment at a Healthy Communities office or from the location of the service provider.

**Relationships Australia – Rainbow LGBT – Relationship Counselling Service** – Support for individuals and couples with their relationships.

**Brisbane – Thursdays, 8.30am – 4pm**  
**Cairns – by appointment**  
**To book call 1300 364 277**

**LGBTI Legal Service Inc** – Free legal advice and information

**Brisbane – Wednesday evenings – 30 Helen Street, Teneriffe – 6pm – 7.30pm, drop in service**  
**Statewide – Phone advice for regional clients**  
**All enquiries call 0401 936 232**

**LGBT Domestic Violence Counselling and Information** - The BDVAS provides free and confidential support services to people of the Brisbane metropolitan area who are or who have been impacted by domestic and family violence. Services include information and referral, case management, counselling and advocacy.

The BDVAS-QAHC Outreach Program seeks to provide LGBT people who have or are currently experiencing domestic and family violence, an option to be seen for confidential support within a service environment they are more familiar with.

If you wish to make an appointment to attend sessions at Healthy Communities you must phone BDVAS direct on 3217 2544. LGBT people can also contact BDVAS for an appointment at another location.

---

## **Training and Development**

### **LGBT Inclusivity Consultancy**

Healthy Communities is now offering a consultancy service to support organisations and businesses to become lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) inclusive for not only their clients and customers but also their employees.

The Healthy Communities Training and Development Program has been providing practical support to health and community services to help build open and inclusive rapport with (LGBT) clients in Queensland since 2005.

Over the past few years many large corporations become more LGBT inclusive: Telstra, IBM, Lend Lease, most of the major banks, some universities and many smaller organisations. The corporate closet is one of the final frontiers to be tackled; research shows that many people who may be out in other areas of their life are not out at work, due to either a perceived or lived experience of homophobia, transphobia and heterosexism in the workplace.

Healthy Communities LGBT Inclusivity Consultancy can provide: advice around inclusive policies, procedures, processes, marketing and environment, support to establish an LGBT and Allies network, professional development for staff and assistance in initiating community participation.

To discuss your inclusivity needs in further detail contact the Training and Development Coordinator at [training@qahc.org.au](mailto:training@qahc.org.au).

## Other

### Training Rooms for Hire at Healthy Communities

Need somewhere to do some training or supervision with staff???

We are in a great position to be able to hire out our Training Rooms at very reasonable rates to funded organisations and businesses. We have 3 rooms available for hire and you are more than welcome to visit the building and inspect the rooms at anytime. Room specifications are below:

#### Meeting Room 1 (6 – 8 people)

- Located on Mezzanine Level
- Table and chairs to accommodate up to 8 people
- Kitchenette facilities at bottom of stairs
- White board
- Free Wifi
- Attached bathroom facilities
- Opening windows
- Air conditioned

#### Meeting Room 2 (up to 6 people)

- Located on Mezzanine Level.
- Very informal meeting room.
- Coffee Table and seating to accommodate up to 8 people.
- Kitchenette facilities at bottom of stairs.
- Toilet is also located downstairs, however if Meeting Room 1 is not being used, toilet facilities are attached to Meeting Room 1.
- Portable air conditioner provided.

#### Training Room (up to 30 people)

- Located on ground floor through car park.
- Tables and chairs to accommodate up to 30 people (dependant on configuration required)
- TV, Video/DVD, Stereo, Overhead Projector, Data Projector, Electronic White Board, Pull Down Screen are available. Kitchen facilities and fridge.
- Toilet upstairs on 2nd level or at Reception area (Wheelchair accessible).
- Tables and chairs can be moved to a configuration of your choice. Air conditioned.
- Outside area for break-out groups.

If you are interested in finding out more, please contact Jan Thwaites on 3017 1779 to discuss your requirements. Please spread the word and help us to continue our work in the LGBT Community.

## Fundraising/Marketing and Volunteering Opportunities

### Healthy Communities Wins Grants

Healthy Communities is happy to announce that we recently won two grants to assist with our LGBT health and wellbeing efforts in Queensland.

We were awarded a \$3613 grant from the Queensland Department of Communities' Caring for our Community Initiative. The purpose of the grant is to purchase equipment to assist our volunteer efforts. Most of the volunteer equipment purchases will be for our Cairns Base Camp Resource Centre. Equipment to be purchased includes a portable public announcement system, a stereo, an air-conditioner, and cleaning equipment. There is also funding to get t-shirts printed to help give our fantastic team of volunteers a professional appearance.

We also won a \$15,000 grant from the Scanlon Foundation to host an LGBT Multicultural Symposium to bring together community and services to highlight the issues affecting LGBT people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds. We also aim to produce a resource to support this community.

Healthy Communities would like to express our sincere gratitude to The Scanlon Foundation and the Queensland Department of Communities and Hon Tracy Davis MP for supporting our efforts to improve the lives of LGBT Queenslanders.

If you would like to learn more about Healthy Communities and how you can get involved please visit [www.qahc.org.au](http://www.qahc.org.au) or call 07 3017 1777.

---

### Stay Connected Via Facebook

Healthy Communities' Facebook group has over 1000 members and is a great place to find the latest LGBT news, upcoming events, share information, express your opinion and engage in conversations. You can join the group at <http://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/30945973893/>.



---

### Big Gay Day – Raises Money for Healthy Communities

Not only is Big Gay Day one of the most anticipated queer events on the Brisbane calendar, it's also an important fundraiser for LGBT groups and organisations. This year Healthy Communities was one of the beneficiaries of Big Gay Day along with the Australian Transgender Support Association of Queensland and Open Doors Youth Service.

A handover ceremony was held at Schlagerfest at The Wickham Hotel where Healthy Communities Board Member Patrick McDonald accepted a cheque donation of \$7800 on behalf of Healthy Communities.

We would like to say a HUGE THANKS to The Wickham Hotel, staff and management and also all of the punters who went to Big Gay Day this year for assisting Healthy Communities LGBT health and wellbeing work in Queensland.



---

### Schlagerfest Success!

Healthy Communities fundraising event Schlagerfest – The Eurovision Experience was held on 19 May to celebrate the finals of the song contest. This year's event was held at The Wickham Hotel in Fortitude Valley and we had around 100 people in attendance. The party has raised around \$850 profit for Healthy Communities LGBT health and wellbeing work in Queensland.

The evening was hosted by the fantastic Sonny Spells who was very entertaining. Healthy Communities volunteers spent hours making flag decorations which added colour to the event.

We would like to thank everyone who came along on the night and supported Healthy Communities. We'd also like to thank the wonderful volunteers who assisted make this event a great success. As well we'd like to acknowledge Silvershore Apartments on the Broadwater for sponsoring the 'Best Dressed' prize which was given away on the night.



## Balls OUT Bingo!

On Friday 7 June our Balls OUT Bingo! hostess Monica Fusion is celebrating her 21st birthday (again!) and we're going to have a special bingo night with a bonus game!

Balls OUT Bingo! is nothing like your regular suburban bingo hall and it's a great fundraiser for Healthy Communities. So far this year we've raised over \$7000 profit to assist our LGBT health and wellbeing work.

You can join the fun and maybe even win cash and other prizes every Friday night in the lounge bar of The Sportsman Hotel, Spring Hill. Bingo books go on sale from 7:30pm and it's eyes down at 8pm sharp.

Many thanks go to our fantastic volunteers who put so much hard work into this weekly event. We also want to acknowledge our wonderful sponsors who give so generously, these include The Sportsman Hotel, Manhunt, Love Goes Beyond Type, Number 29, Spunk'd and Scarlet.



---

## Entertainment Book Sales Benefit LGBT Queenslanders

Entertainment Books are filled with hundreds of discount vouchers which can save you thousands of dollars. Even better, profit from the sale of each book assists Healthy Communities efforts to improve the health and wellbeing of LGBT Queenslanders.

You can get your Entertainment Book now and save on fine and casual dining, takeaway, beauty treatments, car hire, theme parks, entertainment, accommodation and much more. You can check out the deals available here <http://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/search-the-book>.

We have Brisbane, Gold Coast and North Queensland books available to purchase.

If you're in Brisbane, you can purchase your book online and pick it up from our office at 30 Helen Street and save even more!

To buy your book go to [www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/22637x9](http://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/22637x9).



---

### Become a Regular Donor

Thanks to Give Now, you can set up an easy monthly to support Healthy Communities. You could give a general donation <http://www.givenow.com.au/qahc> or donate to the Brisbane Helen Street Resource Centre Appeal <http://www.givenow.com.au/qahchelenstreet> or help keep our Cairns Base Camp Resource Centre open by donating at <http://www.givenow.com.au/basecampcairns>.

---

### Love Goes Beyond Type – Rainbow Business Supporting Healthy Communities

Love Goes Beyond Type is a new local business selling rainbow products, childrens books with gay themes, clothing, wristwear and much more!. Even better, 50% of all profits the business makes goes back into the LGBT community and this includes Healthy Communities!

Get online now and find something for yourself or a unique gift for someone special [www.lovegoesbeyondtype.com](http://www.lovegoesbeyondtype.com).

Please support local businesses that support the LGBT community.



## Community Activities

### Hot Males Sing!

The new Brisbane gay men's choir Hotmale is having its World Premiere Concert on Sun 23 June 2013 at 2.30pm. This concert will be held at Healthy Communities, 30 Helen St, Teneriffe. The concert is open to the public and includes a range of hits from the 60s, 80s, an African chant, a hit from the Beatles and a love ballad from Brokeback Mountain. There will also be a number of guest performers. **All proceeds will go to Healthy Communities.**

Hotmale was formed three months ago and has increased its membership over time. Many members have previously sung, or still continue to sing in other choirs. However, no experience is necessary and new members are welcome. The choir rehearses on a Wednesday night and already has a varied repertoire of more than 8 songs. Hotmale sings a capella material as well as songs accompanied by guitar or keyboard.

The brainchild of the Hotmale choir was Tony Groom who describes the choir "as a great group of men. I love the sound of men's voices harmonising."

For a fun, music and food-filled afternoon, come to Hotmale's World Premiere Concert on 23 Jun 2013. Tickets for the concert are \$10 (\$5 concession) and can be purchased online via <http://www.stickytickets.com.au/11493/>. Tickets are also available at the door but online purchasing is recommended for catering purposes.

Email [info.hotmale@gmail.com](mailto:info.hotmale@gmail.com) or contact Andrew on 0413 885 339, for information on Hotmale and their concert.

A video clip of the choir performing the song "Equality" is here [https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=1zgpJstsgBc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=1zgpJstsgBc)



---

### Family Picnic in New Farm Park

Open Doors Youth Service and PFLAG (Parents and Friends of Lesbian and Gay people) invites LGBT young people and their families, friends or support people along for a family BBQ in New Farm Park on Saturday 29th of June from 11am until 3pm.

Please bring along a small picnic for yourself, a blanket to sit on (picnic tables are limited) and a friendly smile.

This is an opportunity for families and friends and LGBT young people to network with like-minded people in a safe and supported environment.

There will be outdoor games provided such as cricket, football/soccer and board games for the less active. Young people are welcome to bring any equipment or games that they like to share.

It is not necessary to RSVP. We will be meeting near the large gazebo near the water at 11am.

For any questions, please feel free to contact Open Doors Youth Service on 3257 7660 or email [opendoors@opendoors.net.au](mailto:opendoors@opendoors.net.au).



**A Family Picnic.**

Open Doors Youth Service is holding a  
'Family & Community' BBQ  
at New Farm Park on  
**SATURDAY 29TH OF JUNE 2013**  
11am until 3pm

For 12-24 year olds & their families.  
We invite you, your family and friends to come  
along and celebrate diversity and community  
with the staff and young people of Open Doors  
Youth Service. BYO Picnic lunch.



**OPEN DOORS YOUTH SERVICE**  
**WWW.OPENDOORS.NET.AU**  
**OPENDOORS@OPENDOORS.NET.AU**  
**PHONE: (07) 3257660 FAX: (07) 3257680**

---

### Marriage Equality Round up – Phil Browne

Subscribe to Australian Marriage Equality to be kept informed of updates and opportunities to take action for marriage equality

Click here - <http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/subscribe-to-our-supporter-database>

(share this link with your friends and family)

**NEW:** State-based branches of Australian Marriage Equality have been formed!  
Please join the branch in your state - and encourage others to do the same:  
(branches coming soon in other states - including Queensland and WA!!)

South Australia: <http://goo.gl/xspKo>

Victoria: <http://goo.gl/h9bKG>

NSW: <http://goo.gl/aj80Z>

ACT: <http://goo.gl/jP6B7>

Tasmania: <http://goo.gl/SltkH>

## Australia

House of Representatives to vote on Greens marriage equality bill on 6 June  
<http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/05/09/ame-media-release-advocates-support-bid-for-marriage-equality-vote/>

Australia: Opposition Leader Abbott's lesbian Sister speaks out supporting marriage equality  
<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/news/all-you-need-is-love-and-the-law-to-let-same-sex-marriages-happen/story-e6frg6n6-1226597676061>

Former PM Kevin Rudd supports marriage equality  
<http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/05/20/media-release-rudd-challenges-gillard-abbott-to-evolve-on-gay-marriage/>

Australia: Young Liberals officially endorse marriage equality conscience vote  
<http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/02/02/young-liberals-conference-supports-marriage-equality-conscience-vote-advocates-say-pressure-mounting-for-abbott-to-allow-mps-to-vote-according-to-their-beliefs/>

Opposition Leader Tony Abbott reaffirms opposition to marriage equality, despite daughters' pleas  
<http://www.news.com.au/national-news/tony-abbott-reaffirms-opposition-to-gay-marriage-despite-daughters-pleas/story-fncynjr2-1226610114125>

Gillard and Abbott unmoved by New Zealand legalising marriage equality  
<http://www.smh.com.au/opinion/political-news/gillard-abbott-unmoved-by-nz-gay-marriage-vote-20130417-2i0sv.html>

Greens to introduce bill to allow Australia to recognise overseas same sex marriages  
<http://www.heraldsun.com.au/news/national/greens-to-introduce-senate-bill-to-recognise-nz-gay-marriage-in-australia/story-fncynkc6-1226623211841> Sign the  
Petition here

[http://www.sarahhansonyoung.com/leave\\_your\\_marriage\\_at\\_the\\_gate?utm\\_source=sarahinthesenate&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=nz\\_marriage&recruiter\\_id=27718](http://www.sarahhansonyoung.com/leave_your_marriage_at_the_gate?utm_source=sarahinthesenate&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=nz_marriage&recruiter_id=27718)

Attorney General backs new push for marriage equality  
<http://www.news.com.au/national-news/attorney-general-mark-dreyfus-backs-new-push-for-same-sex-marriage/story-fncynjr2-1226625425405>

WA: Liberal support for marriage equality pressure Julie Bishop MP to do the same  
<http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/03/17/wa-lib-support-for-gay-marriage-puts-pressure-on-julie-bishop-to-do-same/>

WA: Premier Barnett gives Conscience Vote on state marriage Bill, increasing pressure on Abbott  
<http://gaynewsnetwork.com.au/news/western-australia/10594-wa-premier-colin-barnett-gives-conscience-nod-on-marriage-equality.html>

SA: Govt Ministers Spanish same sex marriage gives impetus to SA marriage equality reform <http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2012/12/20/govt-ministers-spanish-marriage-gives-impetus-to-south-australian-same-sex-marriage-law/>

Melbourne: Federal Liberal MP Kelly O'Dwyer publicly supports marriage equality <http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/03/18/coalitions-stance-on-gay-marriage-will-evolve-lib-mp/>

Sydney: Liberal MP calls for marriage equality conscience vote <http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/05/21/media-release-alex-hawkes-support-for-free-vote-shows-coalition-responding-to-public-pressure/>

Greens Leader and her gay Son march with PFLAG in Sydney gay Mardi Gras parade <http://www.smh.com.au/nsw/senator-and-mother-milne-steps-out-with-her-son-20130301-2fbpj.html>

Australian Marriage Equality score political parties on marriage equality <http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/where-do-the-parties-stand/>

Rainbow Labor's marriage equality campaign <http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/04/25/rainbow-labors-gay-marriage-push/>

Progressive Christian Voice calls for marriage equality <http://www.gaynewsnetwork.com.au/news/northern-territory/10930-progressive-christians-call-for-equal-marriage.html>

Advocates welcome rejection of referendum plan <http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/04/29/advocates-welcome-rejection-of-marriage-equality-referendum/> and video <http://media.smh.com.au/news/national-times/referendum-no-way-4232742.html>

Law Council of Australia says Marriage Act must be changed to address discrimination against same sex couples <http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/05/01/same-sex-reforms-warning-to-julia-gillard/>

Brisbane: Voters confront MP over marriage equality - again <https://sites.google.com/site/action4marriageequality/media-release-marriage-equality-repeatedly-flagged-as-election-issue-by-brisbane-voters-at-mp-s-community-corners>

Brisbane state LNP MP supports marriage equality <http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/04/27/brisbane-mp-supports-marriage-equality/>

NSW: Liberal Premier Barry O'Farrell supports marriage equality and calls for Conscience vote <http://www.theage.com.au/opinion/political-news/nsw-leader-in-push-for-gay-marriage-20130418-2i353.html#poll>

South Australia: Push to follow NZ on same sex marriage <http://www.heraldsun.com.au/news/bid-to-follow-nz-on-same-sex-marriage/story-e6frf7jo-1226623887565>

Tasmania: Same sex marriage takes a hit at state elections <http://ymlp.com/z9Jkzk> and <http://news.ninemsn.com.au/national/2013/05/04/21/33/same-sex-marriage-hit-in-tas-election>

Anti-gay leaflet drop to letterboxes in multiple states ahead of same sex marriage votes <http://www.samesame.com.au/features/9724/The-haters-are-still-hating.htm>

New Mother's Day marriage equality ad released <http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/05/08/marriage-equality-is-every-familys-issue-pflag/>

Manly NSW: Marriage equality protestors target Tony Abbott's electorate <http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/05/16/protestors-target-tony-abbott/> see Video here <http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/05/20/marriage-equality-advocates-call-manly-warringah-marriage-rally-an-overwhelming-success/>

Australia banning marriage equality impacts on skilled migration <http://www.watoday.com.au/comment/banning-gay-marriage-impacts-on-skilled-migration-20130518-2jt27.html>

## International

URUGUAY: MARRIAGE EQUALITY LEGALISED - BECOMES 12TH COUNTRY TO ALLOW MARRIAGE EQUALITY <http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/04/12/uruguay-votes-in-favour-of-legalising-gay-marriage/> and more <http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/04/11/uruguay-marriage-equality-vote-embarrassing-for-australias-leaders/> plus Video [http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=5E81h69tx5w](http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=5E81h69tx5w)

NEW ZEALAND: MARRIAGE EQUALITY LEGALISED - BECOMES 13TH COUNTRY TO ALLOW MARRIAGE EQUALITY <http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/04/17/nz-marriage-equality-a-game-changer-for-australia/> Video [https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=DW4DXOAXF8U](https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=DW4DXOAXF8U) more Video [https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=pCDEiaoEP2U](https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=pCDEiaoEP2U)

FRANCE: MARRIAGE EQUALITY LEGALISED - BECOMES 14TH COUNTRY TO ALLOW MARRIAGE EQUALITY <http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/04/24/france-approves-marriage-equality/>

France: First same sex marriages on 29 May - Increases pressure on Abbott <http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/05/18/australian-marriage-equality-media-release-abbott-under-marriage-equality-pressure-locally-and-globally/>

BRAZIL: TOP JUDICIAL PANEL GIVES THE GREEN LIGHT TO BRAZIL LEGALISING MARRIAGE EQUALITY <http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/05/15/brazil-clears-way-for-marriage-equality/>

US: RHODE ISLAND BECOMES 10TH US STATE TO LEGALISE MARRIAGE EQUALITY <http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/05/03/rhode-island-lawmakers-pass-gay-marriage-bill-governor-to-sign-it/>

US: DELAWARE BECOMES 11TH US STATE TO LEGALISE MARRIAGE EQUALITY  
<http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/05/08/delaware-senate-oks-marriage-equality-states-governor-expected-to-sign-into-law-on-tuesday/>

US: MINNESOTA BECOMES 12TH US STATE TO LEGALISE MARRIAGE EQUALITY  
<http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/05/14/breaking-minnesota-senate-approves-marriage-equality/>

US: Obama asks Supreme Court to overturn gay marriage ban (Court ruling due by July)  
<http://newsinfo.inquirer.net/363781/obama-asks-supreme-court-to-overturn-gay-marriage-ban>

US: Supreme Court to make two historic rulings on marriage equality by mid 2013  
<http://www.australianmarriageequality.com/wp/2013/03/23/gay-marriage-debate-hits-us-supreme-court/> and <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uTcIBaUNrHI&feature=em-uploademail>

US: 54% of US Senators now support marriage equality <http://hrc.org/blog/entry/senator-tim-johnson-announces-support-for-marriage-equality>

US: Possible outcomes of the marriage cases before the US Supreme Court  
[http://action.hrc.org/site/PageNavigator/2013\\_SCOTUS\\_Explanation.html](http://action.hrc.org/site/PageNavigator/2013_SCOTUS_Explanation.html)

US: Illinois Senate passes marriage equality Bill - now to Lower House where it's expected to pass <http://edition.cnn.com/2013/02/14/us/illinois-same-sex>

US: Illinois likely to legalise marriage equality by May 2013  
<http://fox2now.com/2013/01/04/gay-marriage-legal-in-illinois-by-memorial-day/>

US: Hawaii looks likely to legalise marriage equality in 2013  
<http://thinkprogress.org/lgbt/2013/02/01/1529641/hawaii-only-republican-senator-admits-marriage-equality-will-pass/?mobile=nc>

US: New Mexico marriage equality Bill introduced  
<http://www.nmlegis.gov/Sessions/13%20Regular/resolutions/house/HJR03.pdf>

US: American Academy of Pediatrics endorses marriage equality, saying it's in the best interest of children [http://www.nytimes.com/2013/03/21/health/american-academy-of-pediatrics-backs-gay-marriage.html?hpw&\\_r=3&](http://www.nytimes.com/2013/03/21/health/american-academy-of-pediatrics-backs-gay-marriage.html?hpw&_r=3&)

Colombia: Senate defies Supreme Court by rejecting marriage equality (must become legal by 20 June 2013) <http://www.pinknews.co.uk/2013/04/25/colombia-senate-defies-supreme-court-to-reject-equal-marriage-bill/>

Vietnam: May be first in Asia to legalise gay marriage <http://www.abc.net.au/news/2013-04-25/an-vietnam-could-be-first-asian-country-to-legalise-gay-marriage/4651052?section=australiannetworknews>

Finland: Citizens petition forces legislators to consider marriage equality bill, previously rejected <http://www.pinknews.co.uk/2013/03/19/finland-50000-sign-petition-in-one-day-forcing-lawmakers-to-consider-equal-marriage/>

Northern Ireland: Rejects marriage equality 53 votes to 42 <http://www.u.tv/News/Same-sex-marriage-rejected-at-Stormont/927ff6f9-13e5-47b8-9505-be142c2deec9>

UK: Marriage equality bill passed in House of Commons - Now to House of Lords  
<http://www.pinknews.co.uk/2013/05/21/breaking-mps-pass-same-sex-marriage-bill-in-final-third-reading/>

UK: A guide showing the steps involved in the marriage equality bill before it can become law  
<http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2012-13/marriagesamesexcouplesbill.html>

---

## Dragology

When: Saturday 29th June. Dragology Burlesque  
Where: 1 Marine Parade, Southport  
Time: 7pm – 12am  
Cost: \$10

**Please note this is an 18+ event. ID required.**

Includes finger food. Low cost bar, games and raffles to be won.

For more information please email [events@dragology.com.au](mailto:events@dragology.com.au) or go the website [www.dragology.com.au](http://www.dragology.com.au).

---

## Lesbian, Gay, Bi and Trans\* Choir – Sunshine Coast

Join the new community choir on the Sunshine Coast. It's for anyone who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or queer.

Meetings are held at the QCWA Hall, 18 Dixon Road, Buderim.

For more information please contact [sunnyLGBTchoir@gmail.com](mailto:sunnyLGBTchoir@gmail.com) or check out the facebook page <http://facebook.com/SunshineCoastLGBTChoir>

---

## Queer Film program at West End Library **Brisbane (External)**

A community member, Jordan Bastian, has been working with Brisbane Libraries to create a Queer Film program to be screened at the West End library.

The screenings are a free, monthly event that has been designed to be a little bit of an alternative social event. They will be alcohol free, and only restrictive based on film classification.

A facebook page has been produced by Jordan, which will be the main point of communication, and we encourage film suggestions as well!

For more and what films are showing please go to  
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Queer-Films-at-the-West-End-Library/154351928022162>

### **Queer Comic Club** **Brisbane (External)**

Have you read an interesting or inspiring comic book lately that you think might be of interest to others? Or perhaps a character that you are very fond of in the Marvel or DC comic universe? Or perhaps you've seen a comic made into film or read a review that you find interesting? Why not join other comic book readers/fans in discussion over a cup of tea or coffee?

This is just an idea still in its infancy; but I'd like to invite others to join me in discussion about starting up an LGBT comic reader's interest group. The group would be a spinoff of Brisbane's own, Queer Readers and similarly would meet monthly.

I welcome interested parties who share a love or enjoyment in comics. Feel free to bring your ideas on the night for the group and any aims and/or objectives that you might like to see incorporated.

**Name of Group:** LGBT Comics Readers

**Contact:** Curt on [phoenixmen28@msn.com](mailto:phoenixmen28@msn.com)

---

### **Keshet** **Toowoomba (External)**

LGBT social choir  
Every Wednesday from 6.30pm to 9.00pm.  
Bell Street, Shop 26, Toowoomba

---

### **Tab Oo** **Ipswich (External)**

3rd Saturday of the month  
North Ipswich Bowls Club  
6.30pm  
[www.tabooshow.com.au](http://www.tabooshow.com.au)

---

### **MCC Youth Group** **Brisbane (External)**

**Where:** Metropolitan Community Church  
37 Cordelia Street, South Brisbane

---

### **Feathers Women's Social Club** **Gold Coast (External)**

#### **Card Game:**

A great opportunity to chat, meet new friends and catch up with old friends  
Relax, chill out with a fun game of cards!  
Please phone Jan, as she would welcome your call  
Phone: 5522 4838 or 04790 95975  
The Venue changes each Tuesday...

**A social gathering of women who welcome the opportunity to meet like minded women, here on the Gold Coast...**

**Cycle Sisters:** Still going strong and new cyclists welcome on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month (weather permitting) For info please Contact Sandra 04492 79640

### Next Events

#### 15<sup>th</sup> June

Dance Theme – Girls In Uniform

Featuring DJ JAN

8pm – 1am

Club 69

Nerang RSL Club

69 Nerang Street, Nerang QLD 4211



#### 20<sup>th</sup> July

#### Jules Woo

Come say hello to Jules and the Gold Coast Gay Girls... Lesbians are welcome to join us supporting our community so that together we can make a difference.

Cost of Entry:

Feathers Members \$7 and Visitors \$10

8pm – 1am

Club 69

Nerang RSL Club

69 Nerang Street, Nerang QLD 4211



All Girls are welcome!

We'd love to see you at Club 69, Nerang RSL Club. Don't forget to bring along photo identification checking into reception prior to entering the private function room.

Events are created for Lesbians, Straight Women, Transgender - Let's together have a fun nite - raising funds for Charity

For more information go to <http://www.feathersgc.com> or email [info@feathersgc.com](mailto:info@feathersgc.com)

## Links to Community Resources

### **Brisbane**

<http://qahc.org.au>

Qld Association for Healthy Communities Inc

<http://www.changelingaspects.com/index.htm>

Changeling Aspects

<http://www.atsaq.com/>

ATSAQ – Australian Transgender Support Association of Queensland Inc

<http://www.opendoors.net.au>

Open Doors

<http://www.brisbaneglbn.org>

Brisbane Gay & Lesbian Business Network (GLBN)

<http://qpp.net.au>

Queensland Positive People

<http://www.blgpc.org.au/index.htm>

The Brisbane Lesbian and Gay Pride Choir brings together people who identify as and are proud to be gay, lesbian, bi-sexual, transgender and intersex.

<http://www.owlsbrisbane.com.au/>

OWLS is committed to supporting all women coming out into our lesbian community.

We are a social group for lesbians situated in Brisbane, Australia.

We offer a wide range of events and activities over the year.

These include a monthly get together for breakfast where we enjoy a meal and a chat.

We also enjoy regular dances and outings.

### **LGBTI AA Group**

LGBTI AA Group meets every Saturday at 7.00pm at Healthy Communities, 30 Helen Street, Teneriffe.

---

## Central Coast (including Sunshine Coast)

[www.gaysunshinecoast.com.au](http://www.gaysunshinecoast.com.au)

You will find information for the Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual and Transgender community in the Sunshine Coast. Covers event, social and support groups, health information, health services and more.

[www.gayrocky.com](http://www.gayrocky.com)

You will find information for the Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual and Transgender community in the Rockhampton area. Covers event, social and support groups, health information, health services and more.

[www.frasergays.com](http://www.frasergays.com)

This website supports the gay, lesbian, bi-sexual and transgender people in the Fraser Coast area. Maryborough, Hervey Bay, Fraser Island, Gympie, Bundaberg.

[www.gaycountry.com.au](http://www.gaycountry.com.au)

Gay Country is a website that attempts to improve the quality of life for gays in regional Australia by creating a fun interactive community, thus removing the sense of isolation that many gay people live with.

---

## Gold Coast & Logan

<http://www.gayonthegoldcoast.com>

Gay on the Gold Coast is a new website that will keep you up to date with LGBT activities, groups and services on the Gold Coast. Gay on the Gold Coast is a QAHC initiative to give the LGBT community a website to enhance social opportunities and information.

<http://www.qspace.net.au>

Qspace for LGBTIQ youth on the Gold Coast have moved to Wednesdays at 4pm. Qspace is for under 18yr olds. For more information on Qspace and support for young LGBTIQ people contact Anna on Telephone: (07) 5569 1827, mobile: 0437 013 710.

## The Harvesters Club

The Harvesters Club is a Gentlemens only dinner club. We meet on the first Tuesday of each month, at different restaurants on the Gold Coast, which we book out and are closed to the public.

For further information please contact Noel at

PO Box 5885  
Gold Coast MC QLD 9726  
Phone: 07 5570 1571  
Email: [harvesters69club@gmail.com](mailto:harvesters69club@gmail.com)

<http://www.feathersgc.com>

Feathers Women's Social Club Incorporated is the longest running Gay Women's Social Club on the Gold Coast. We are simply a group of women who volunteer their time striving to enrich the lives of lesbians. Feathers is a non-profit organisation in operation for over 21years hosting social recreational events to cater for all women age groups.

\* Feathers offer a safe welcoming environment for lesbians, hosting social functions, excursions and sporting events capturing a varied age group for the young and the young at heart...

---

## Redlands Region

[http://www.facebook.com/amandaextreem?v=wall&story\\_fbid=133520703353770#!/group.php?gid=123166191055457&ref=ts](http://www.facebook.com/amandaextreem?v=wall&story_fbid=133520703353770#!/group.php?gid=123166191055457&ref=ts)

This group is for LGBT and allied people, groups and businesses who live / work / play in the Redlands area.

---

## Toowoomba & Ipswich

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=104328909605210&ref=ts>

Toowoomba Lesbian Group – Come along and meet new people. Everyone welcome!

## Cairns

### Cairns Rainbow Kids

Cairns Rainbow Kids meet in Cairns each week on Friday mornings from 9.30 until 12, at a variety of places so please email or message us to find out where we will be this week.

The group provides a fun weekly activity for children while also providing an opportunity to meet other LGBT parents for socializing.

We are on Facebook – Search for Cairns Rainbow Kids or email us on [cairns.rainbow.kids@gmail.com](mailto:cairns.rainbow.kids@gmail.com)

### QAHC Contact Details

#### Qld Association of Healthy Communities Inc - Brisbane

Ph: 07 3017 1777      email: [info@qahc.org.au](mailto:info@qahc.org.au)

Fax: 07 3852 5200      web: [www.qahc.org.au](http://www.qahc.org.au)

Postal Address: PO 1372, Eagle Farm BC Qld 4009

Street address: 30 Helen St, Newstead Qld 4006

Sexual Health information & referral	1800 155 141
2Spirits Indigenous Project	07 3017 1736
Members	07 3017 1779
Volunteers	07 3017 1777
Donations and Bequests	07 3017 1728

#### Qld Association for Healthy Communities Inc – Cairns

Postal Address: PO Box 12112, Cairns Qld 4870

Street Address: 290 Draper Street, Cairns Qld 4870

Phone: 07 4041 5451 Freecall: 1800 884 401

### Newsletter archive

### UPDATE YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS or UNSUBSCRIBE

Images in this newsletter are for illustration purposes only and are not intended to imply any particular point of view, sexuality or state of health.

If you are currently receiving this newsletter by post and would like to subscribe to the eco-friendly email version phone (07) 3017 1777 or register online at [www.qahc.org.au/newsletter/admin/.0](http://www.qahc.org.au/newsletter/admin/.0).