



Campaign for Samuel Incorporated

Building a Better Future

ABN: 88 636 920 376

Newsletter Update

2020/06/14 #10

Dear Supporters - Welcome to the second association newsletter for 2020.

Thank you for the donations received through GiveNow to support the tax deductible Samuel Thorne Fund. These donations whether they are one off or a regular donation are greatly appreciated and contribute towards building a better future for Samuel. If you would like to become a regular monthly donor, please visit the GiveNow fund at www.givenow.com.au/samuelthorne.

TRIVIA AND AUCTION NIGHT 2020

The current COVID 19 health situation and restrictions have put a hold on any planning for this year's Trivia and Auction Night. While the Association is yet to decide whether it can go ahead, this is definitely not the time to be asking businesses for donations and we are mindful that business is tough and some may have had to close down. So please watch this space, the [Facebook](#) page and the [Campaign for Samuel website](#) for updates.

NDIS

Freedom has completed the NDIS car modification and the vehicle will be freighted to Queensland in the next week we hope. A few final fit outs will then happen before we take delivery, but we are hoping to have this vehicle before the end of this financial year.

During the 5 weeks learning from home, an additional Support Worker was employed for a few hours each day. They were an absolute blessing working on school work with Samuel during this time.

Samuel's NDIS plan has allowed another support worker to recently be added to Samuel's team. On the days when a Support Worker is not able to attend the shift, we certainly do feel the extra work this adds to our afternoon without the now-usual respite. These young support workers continue to work really well with Samuel and he is enjoying their company.

CHQ put a hold on training non-CHQ support workers due to COVID, however we hope this training will happen in the near future as this will open more doors for Samuel and his ability, along with our family, to do more 'living' outside our home.

EDUCATION

Samuel had a good Term 1 and adjusted slowly to being in the Year 10 Justice Studies and Science classes. Term 2 started with five weeks of 'Learning from Home' due to the Coronavirus. Learning from home saw him complete work for six subjects as per his usual timetable. Despite some technology issues with the internet and OneNote, he worked really hard and diligently submitted all work on or ahead of time. The detail and adjustments his teachers made for learning was a credit to them. Samuel's commitment to his work was noted by his teachers in recent phone parent-teacher interviews and via postcard communications from three of his teachers.



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Samuel has had a healthy year to date. He has either attended health reviews at the hospital or participated in Telehealth appointments. Some of these appointments have tweaked small things to help improve and/or maintain Samuel's good health and wellbeing.

BOCCIA

Club Boccia was busy during Term 1, then with the COVID restrictions training only happened at home. Boccia Australia is now looking at plans for reintroducing the sport however the numbers able to attend a session when it restarts will be quite low. Hopefully in the not too distant future, we will be back on the weekly/ fortnightly trek to Moreton Bay Boccia Club at Deception Bay.

Junior Development Program, Tri-Series Competition and the **Queensland Boccia Battle** have plans on hold at this stage.

Boccia Australia National Titles are still planning to be held in November in Hobart. We continue to chip away at plans for this, however the biggest hurdle seems to be flights, airlines and airports!



END OF FINANCIAL YEAR

Given that we may not be running our major fundraiser this year and with end of the financial year fast approaching, if any of our Australian taxpayer supporters are looking to reduce their taxable income this financial year, or if you know of someone else who is looking for a charity to support, the Samuel Thorne Fund is registered as a deductible gift recipient with the Australian Tax Office. This fund is established as a public fund (under ATO rules) and as such, the association must actively invite the public to contribute. Please consider this as our active invitation to the public to contribute! GiveNow (a donation portal available only to Australian Charities) offers a quick and easy way to make one-off or regular donations to directly support Samuel through the Samuel Thorne Fund at: www.givenow.com.au/samueltorne.

For more information please email, contact@campaignforsamuel.org.au

View previous newsletters [here](#) and current website photo albums [here](#).

Thank you for helping us to build a better future for Samuel!

"The Thorne Family"

AGM Date Claimer: Saturday 07/11/2020 - Please contact me secretary@campaignforsamuel.org.au for more details.



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