

SPRING 2021

NewsLink

NEWSLETTER



Welcome all to the Spring newsletter.

According to the Bureau of Meteorology spring in Greater Melbourne was wetter than average. Both daytime and night-time temperatures were mostly close to average. In terms of mean temperature, it was Melbourne's coolest spring since 2016 and it was the wettest spring for Greater Melbourne since 2011.

Client contributions to the newsletter

If any client would like to contribute to the newsletter with any information, please contact **Ed Holmes** on **9646 6362** or via email on **ed.holmes@spdl.org.au**. We look forward to hearing from you.



10 year ago at SPDL

A new feature of the quarterly newsletter is to look back to past newsletters and see what was happening at SPDL. From the October 2011 newsletter, 10 years ago we were celebrating a significant donation:

"On Thursday 8th August 2011, SPDL supporters and volunteers had dinner in Port Melbourne to witness the handing over of a cheque to fund the purchase of the next DayLinks car. Brian Sutton is a long time Volunteer on Reception at our office and has been a member of the Committee of Management. The Brian J Sutton Foundation has funded several SPDL cars. This dinner was an opportunity to say thank you in a small way."



Brian Sutton, supporter Leslie and Chairperson Geoff at the thank-you function organised by the Committee of Management.

City of Melbourne

SPDL is now able to provide transportation in the City of Melbourne for clients, aligned to the feedback we received in the client survey. This includes return trips to the Alfred Hospital.

If any client would like to attend an appointment or event in the City of Melbourne, please call to book on 9646 6362 and please remember to phone prior to 2pm the day before your trip so that we can accommodate your request.

Covid-19 Boosters

Trips to vaccination appointments



Just a reminder if anyone needs transportation to an appointment for their COVID booster vaccination during the hours of 8:30am to 4pm Monday to Friday, please contact us on 9646 6362, hopefully we can assist you to go and have a booster vaccination.

Feedback process

If you would like to provide us with feedback, good or bad we would like to hear from you.

Feedback may be provided a number of ways:

- Phone us on 9646 6362 and ask to speak to the General Manager
- Write to the General Manager at SPDL PO Box 199, Port Melbourne Vic 3207
- Write to the Committee of Management c/o SPDL PO Box 199, Port Melbourne VIC 3207

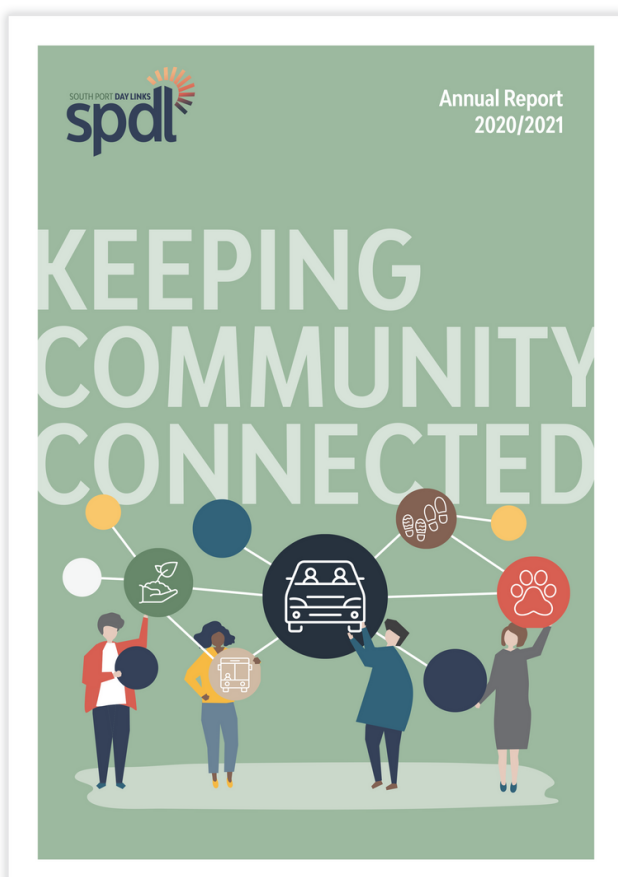


Volunteer Update

On Tuesday 7th December, we celebrated the contribution of our volunteers with a BBQ. Due to the beautiful summer weather here in Melbourne, we had to move the event indoors at the last moment to the South Melbourne Community Centre. It was great to see such a positive turnout with close to 40 in attendance and everyone took the opportunity to catch up.

As Lea and I said at the function, it was very pleasing to see SPDL keep operating throughout 2021 without incident and provide much needed services for our clients in the City of Port Phillip. A huge thank you to our volunteers.

AGM and Annual Report



SPDL successfully held the AGM via zoom on Friday 19th November. Thank you to all our members who attended. Hopefully next year the AGM can be conducted in person!

There was a good discussion around our expansion in the City of Melbourne from members, which was appreciated, and an informative interview with Councillor Heather Consolo about the challenges of the past 12 months and opportunities for 2022 for the City of Port Phillip Council.

The elected office bearers for the next 12 months are,

Committee of Management

Chair Lea Pope

Deputy Chair Alec Tarshis

Treasurer Peter Waddell

Secretary Laura Meagher

Committee members

Rachael Bolton

Mario Galante

Mary Kikas

Stephen Pehm

Frank Ragusa

The SPDL 2021 annual report is on our website, at the following link <https://bit.ly/33yXiMh>
If anyone would like a printed copy of the annual report, please contact Ed Holmes on 9646 6362.



Facebook

Just to let you know that SPDL has a Facebook page where you can keep up to date on what is happening at SPDL and also make a comment on any news. If you wanted to post a message to friends or the people of the City of Port Phillip, send it through to us and we can post it on the SPDL Facebook page.

<https://bit.ly/32gCpVK>



Festive Season

On behalf of the Committee of Management and staff, we wish all our volunteers and clients a very merry and safe Festive Season. Please take care and have a good break, we look forward to seeing you all in the new year.



Closure of the office

Please note that SPDL will be closing on Friday 24th December at 12 noon and reopening on Tuesday the 4th January 2022 at 8am.

SPDL is conducting a shopping trip on Wednesday 29th December 2021 during our closure if any clients need to pick up some groceries. To book, please phone 9646 6362 by the 23rd December 2021.



Leaving a bequest to SPDL

Leaving a bequest in your Will is one of the most valuable ways that you can assist South Port Day Links. Bequests greatly assist SPDL to meet the ever-increasing demands for our services.

Your Gift will enable us to:

- maintain a modern, clean, and safe fleet of vehicles on the road
- provide important services to pets and their owners
- assist with client related small gardening projects and
- provide companion visits to people on their own.

SPDL would appreciate knowing of your kind intentions so we can thank you appropriately for your generosity. Additionally, once aware of your plans, we are able to discuss how your gift may be used to maximum benefit or how we may form a fitting memorial to your kindness.

How to word your bequest

The wording below is suggested to help ensure that your wishes are carried out.

I _____ of _____
(name) (address)

Give and bequeath free of all duties and taxes payable at my death (if any)

(Please insert the appropriate statement listed below)

1. *The sum of \$ _____*
2. *(insert number) % of my estate*
3. *The residue of my estate (or [insert number] % of the residue of my estate)*

to South Port Day Links (ABN 82 957 361 749) for the use and purposes of the said organisation. The official receipt of the organisation shall be a full and sufficient discharge of my bequest.

Types of bequests

Your solicitor or trustee company will advise you about the different types of bequests and which may suit you best.

Some of the types you may consider are:

- A specific dollar amount
- Residue - Whole, which means that after your allocated bequests have been distributed, the residue will be left to South Port Day Links.
- Residue - Percentage, which means the same as residue - whole, except you wish to bequeath a percentage of the remaining estate.

Specific item - If you wish to leave a specific item instead, for example, property or shares.