



**BRAINWAVE**

SUPPORTING CHILDREN WITH  
NEUROLOGICAL CONDITIONS

# BRAINWAVE AUSTRALIA

annual report 2016-17

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**what makes you smile?**

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**We are inclusive.**  
**We are welcoming to**  
**all and offer assistance**  
**without prejudice.**

**Brainwave Australia**

# we shall never know all the good that a simple smile can do

- Mother Teresa

## OUR VISION

Our vision is to reduce the impact of paediatric neurological conditions on children and their families.

## OUR MISSION

Our mission is to provide practical assistance and emotional support to children with neurological conditions as well as their families and carers to positively impact their quality of life.

## OUR VALUES

Core values are the guiding principles that dictate the behaviour and action of Brainwave, these values are at the heart of everything we do. Brainwave's values are:

**Be respectful:** We will treat all people with dignity, fairness, compassion and respect.

**Be caring:** We will ensure that we approach people and issues with sensitivity, confidentiality and care.

**Be inclusive:** We are welcoming to all and offer assistance without prejudice.

**Be positive:** We have a positive and uplifting approach and seek to engender a sense of hope and purpose in all we meet.

**Be community minded:** We will foster cooperative relationships in the community to deliver on our promise to Brainwave families.

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## TRENT BROOKS CHAIRMAN



**In February 2017 I joined the Brainwave Board of Directors and have since been elected as Chairman.**

The decision to join Brainwave in a formal capacity came about after having attended the Melbourne fundraising galas since 2014 and my company's ongoing sponsorship of Brainwave's family event program.

As a father of two boys, my wife and I have had the privilege of watching the work of Brainwave and through our sponsorship of the 'Kids and Sibs' school holiday events. We have seen first-hand the valuable work that Brainwave is doing to support children in need and through our sponsorship, we have had the privilege of personally meeting children and families who are beneficiaries of Brainwave's support programs. Truthfully, the decision to join the board was an easy one.

My involvement was not without conditions. In my professional life I operate with authenticity and transparency and it made sense to me that the charity I elected to align with should share these values and meet this criteria. I am proud to say that Brainwave is an organisation built on the strength of its people, encompassing the board, staff and supporters and of course the registered families. Despite its small size, Brainwave packs a serious punch in terms of the positive impact it has on the individuals it supports and all those who get involved, whatever their involvement or donor capacity might be.

In the short time that I have worked with the current board, I am impressed with the commitment each member has shown towards this important cause and I am touched by the team and boards joint determination to grow this charity for the benefit of the children and families it directly supports. I am very pleased that 2016/17 was a period of significant growth and that the board and team are striving to reach even greater heights next year. I look forward to sharing Brainwave's future successes with you.

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## CAROLINE SCULLY GENERAL MANAGER

For the first time in the organisations 23 year history, Brainwave has exceeded revenue of \$1,000,000, representing an increase of over \$200,000 on the previous financial year. While this may not seem like a sizable achievement for many organisations, it represents tremendous growth and signifies a herculean effort by the small but highly dedicated team at Brainwave.

This revenue is derived from our major fundraising events - including annual gala dinners in Sydney and Melbourne, our generous corporate partners, charitable trusts and foundations and private donors.

Our success is underpinned by the generous support we receive from our principal partner Mercedes-Benz Australia/Pacific and major supporter the QBE Foundation and key sponsors Ferrero, the Seven Network and Virgin Australia. Our success in 2016/17 needs to be shared with all of our supporters and key stakeholders - their ongoing commitment to Brainwave and support for our vital work is central to our achievements.

Each year represents new challenges and a changing landscape for the sector. This year we saw a steady increase in children and families registering for support through our family events, hospital assistance programs and equipment and therapy funding. Brainwave's strong financial position for 2016/17 resulted in \$235,852 being committed to recipient funding, compared to \$132,436 for the previous year.

Everyone who works at Brainwave is passionate and committed to their job and every day we are privileged to meet and interact with inspirational children and families. It's impossible in our business to ignore the significant challenges so many of our Brainwave children face - it is the chief motivator for delivering meaningful and impactful programs now and into the future.

To the board of directors, the passionate Brainwave team, dedicated volunteers and our financial donors - my heartfelt thanks to each of you for your continued support and trust in the importance of our work. Together we are making a real difference to the children and families that Brainwave supports.

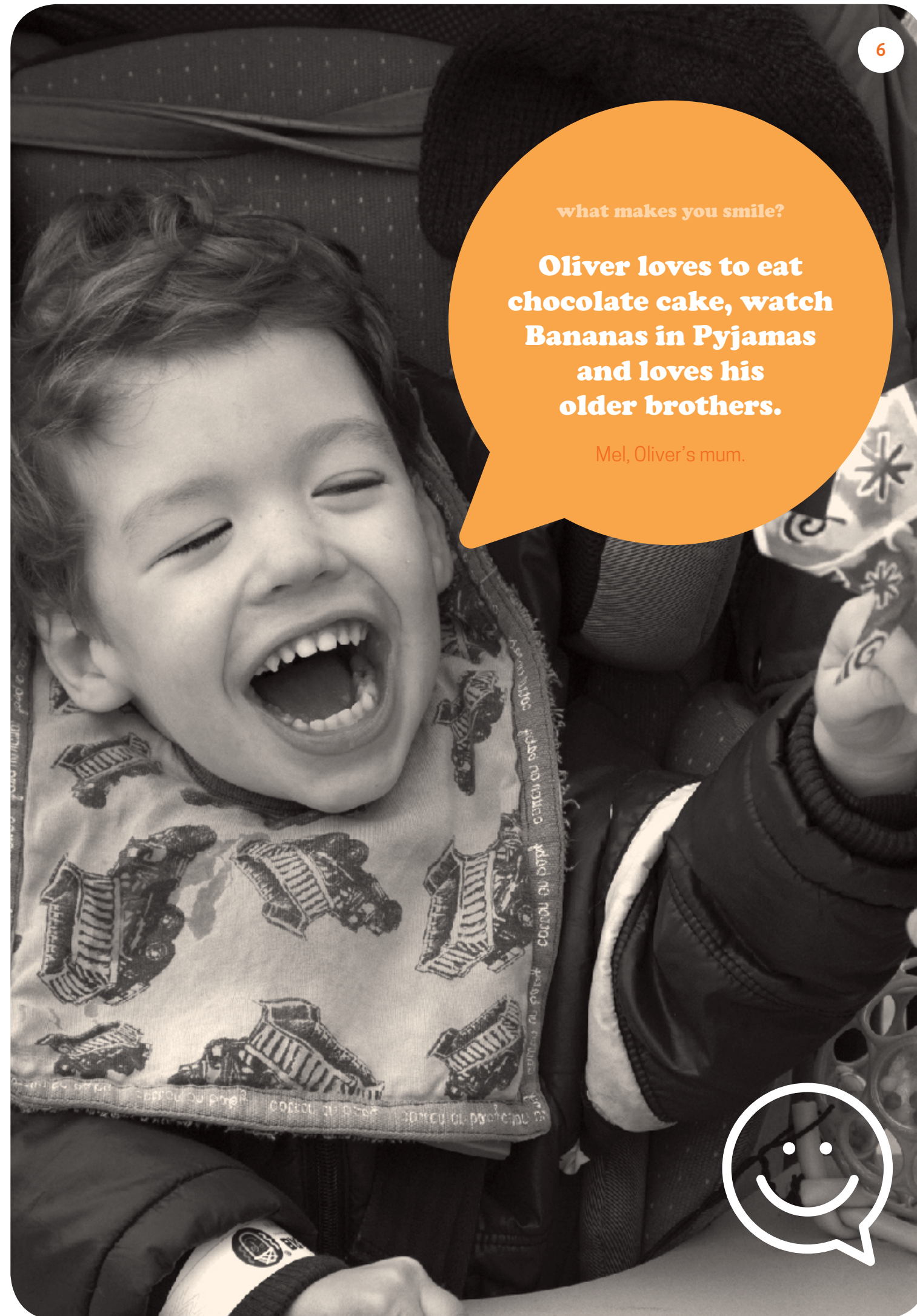
*Year on year at Brainwave we continue to increase the level of support we provide to children and families impacted by neurological conditions.*

*As an organisation, we continually seek to provide practical and meaningful programs to positively enhance the lives of children in need. This year has been no exception and I am delighted to report that 2016/17 represents our most significant progress to date.*

what makes you smile?

**Oliver loves to eat chocolate cake, watch Bananas in Pyjamas and loves his older brothers.**

Mel, Oliver's mum.





**use your smile to  
change the world -  
don't let the world  
change your smile**

## BRAINWAVE PROGRAMS

Brainwave's programs provide practical assistance and emotional support to children with neurological conditions as well as their families and carers to positively impact their quality of life.

**On average, FOUR children are admitted to the neurology wards at paediatric hospitals in Victoria and New South Wales EVERY DAY.**

*"I would like to thank the team at Brainwave for providing funding for Luca's speech therapy with Michelle our speech therapist. Around nine months ago, after another hospital admission, we were given a patient pack sponsored by Brainwave. Brainwave's assistance in funding Luca's speech therapy has been beyond our wildest expectations. Thanks to Brainwave, Luca continues to see his speech therapist and is making unbelievable progress. He has changed from a child who could barely repeat a simple "mmm" sound after five minutes of prompting, to attempting to say one and two syllable words within seconds of hearing it, including his most recent accomplishment of saying his own name as well as his sister's name."*

*Candice, mother of Luca - aged 6*



For children up to the age of 18 diagnosed with a neurological condition, Brainwave provides the following programs:

### BRAINWAVE EQUIPMENT AND THERAPIES PROGRAM

This program supports children on their road to recovery or improves their quality of life. In many cases, children are unable to be discharged from hospital until they have the necessary support in place at home.

Requests and demand currently far exceed what can be funded by Brainwave. Requests come directly from families registered with Brainwave and via social workers within the paediatric hospitals in Victoria and New South Wales. All families are verified as financially disadvantaged and in need of support.

### BRAINWAVE FAMILY EVENTS PROGRAM

Social isolation is a major factor for many of the families Brainwave supports. Often their situation is forced upon them overnight, their lives are changed forever and in many cases 24/7 care is required for their child in the home.

Brainwave runs fun, free, all ability events for children and their families to break social isolation and to promote social engagement with other families in the same situation. These events enable families to share their day to day challenges and empower them to build a supportive community network.

Brainwave runs a minimum of 10 family events per year across Victoria and New South Wales. These events include family zoo days, school holiday program activities with siblings, Camp Brainwave, parents support evenings and Christmas parties at Luna Park.



### BRAINWAVE CATCH-A-BREAK PROGRAM

Hospital staff have identified a strong need to financially support many families who are impacted by long-term hospital stays. The ongoing cost of petrol, accommodation, hospital car parking fees and meals whilst their child is an in-patient creates considerable financial strain for families. Car parking costs range from \$10 to \$25 per visit and there is limited subsidised accommodation available. Brainwave distributes vouchers to subsidise costs for families and pays for emergency accommodation for families traveling from outside of metropolitan Melbourne to care for their child. Brainwave works in close consultation with social workers at the hospitals to ensure that this program assists families who are verified as financially disadvantaged and in need of additional support.

### BRAINWAVE BEAR ESSENTIALS PACK

An emergency admission onto the paediatric neurology ward throws a family into a panic and the ability to think rationally is often secondary to the paramount concern for the sick child. Basic hygiene needs such as a toothbrush and toothpaste, soap and necessities such as a notebook to record information and a pen are just some of the items that can be overlooked during this crisis.

The Brainwave Bear Essentials Pack addresses the immediate needs of families providing a level of comfort and basic hygiene needs to help ease the trauma of families when a child is suddenly admitted to hospital.

#### The Pack contains:

- Brainwave bag
- Brainwave comfort bear
- Blanket
- Coffee mug with lid as required by hospital
- Activity book and pencils
- Journal to record notes from meetings with doctors
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Soap
- Brainwave fridge magnet featuring contact details
- Quality tea







*Thank you for funding an assistant for Austin's weekly hydrotherapy - he absolutely loves being in the water. We can do so much more with an assistant, like give Austin some independence in his neck ring. He loves it when people at the pool come over to talk to him and now that we are there regularly, lots of people are getting to know him. Thank you again for your generosity - it has made a great difference to Austin's life.*

*Kathleen, mother of Austin - aged 4*

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### The following are examples of funding applications:

James is three years of age and has spastic quadriplegic cerebral palsy. Due to tight muscles, James is required to undertake a gruelling stretching exercise. Termed "long sitting," James must sit for extended periods with his legs out in front to stretch his hamstrings, helping to maintain the length of the muscles behind his legs. To make this exercise possible, James requires a specialised chair and click-on table for his activities. Without this, he risks his hamstrings tightening and being unable to stand or use his walker. \$2,085 will fund a Jenx 2 Corner Chair and Jenx 2 Nursery Table for James.

Sam is seven years of age and has multiple disabilities and medical issues as a result of being extremely ill with enteroviral meningitis as a newborn baby. He has been left with cerebral palsy, an intellectual disability and uncontrolled epilepsy. Sam requires ongoing physiotherapy but the costs are too great for his family. \$1,350 will fund nine monthly physio sessions for Sam.

Angelina is twelve years of age and in 2012 she was diagnosed with a brain tumour. Angelina has undergone chemotherapy and radiotherapy. As a result, Angelina has missed a significant amount of school. She has participated in the Ronald McDonald Learning Program for tutoring, however unfortunately this has a limit of only 40 hours and Angelina's tutoring requirements are ongoing. \$1,540 will fund 28 tutoring sessions for Angelina.



**what makes you smile?**

**Lexi loves chocolate.  
And milkshakes - she  
really loves milkshakes!**

*Lexi, aged 5.*





### Camp Brainwave VIC 2016

**We had the best time.  
Thank you for giving us  
the opportunity to come  
and create memories.**

Julieanne, Alyssa's mum

## WANTING TO GET INVOLVED?

IF YOU ARE THINKING YOU WOULD LIKE TO GET INVOLVED THERE ARE A NUMBER OF WAYS YOU CAN HELP BRAINWAVE TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SUPPORT, WHEN AND WHERE IT IS NEEDED MOST.

### PARTNERSHIP AND SPONSORSHIP

We've demonstrated our commitment to developing strong relationships with the corporate sector over the last 20 years and we're always on the lookout for new opportunities; partners with synergies, sponsors with an idea - financial or in-kind support, we're keen to explore all options to make this work, together.

### REGULAR DONATIONS

Any financial support will make a real difference to the lives of the children and families Brainwave supports. Donations of any size will make a positive difference to a little life.

### FOUNDATION 40

A sustainability fund set up by Brainwave to raise a capital base for the organisation of \$1,000,000. We are seeking 40 supporters to offer ongoing financial support via the pledge of an annual fully tax deductible donation of \$5000 for five years. The funds will be held in a trust account to ensure that Brainwave can continue its important work. Foundation 40 donors to date include; Ferrero Australia, First Samuel Limited, Clemenger Group, Mercedes-Benz Australia/Pacific, Mercedes-Benz Berwick and a number of private benefactors.

### FUNDRAISE FOR US

There is no end to the list of possibilities here; you might like to involve your school, involve your sports club, hold your own event or participate in a challenge event.

**Let us know if we can help you turn your idea into a reality  
all the while helping Brainwave.**

To learn more about supporting Brainwave and what it would mean for our programs, please call 03 9536 5600 or contact [caroline.scully@brainwave.org.au](mailto:caroline.scully@brainwave.org.au) and we will be more than happy to discuss options with you and make some plans.







## MAJOR SUPPORTING PARTNER

### QBE AND THE QBE FOUNDATION

- Brainwave **celebrates a second year of partnership** with major supporting partner, the QBE Foundation
- QBE staff initiatives raised **\$2,937**
- Brainwave supported a fundraising campaign for Caryl that raised **\$110,503**
- **42 QBE staff volunteered** at Brainwave program and fundraising events donating **296.5 hours of time**

**The hard work of many has enabled Brainwave to support a record number of children and their families impacted by neurological conditions in 2016/17.**

**The highlights for the year include:**

## PRINCIPAL PARTNER MERCEDES-BENZ AUSTRALIA/PACIFIC



- **We celebrated a five-year anniversary** milestone with principal partner Mercedes-Benz Australia/Pacific
- Mercedes-Benz National Trophy, Sanctuary Cove raised **\$20,647**
- Mercedes-Benz staff initiatives raised **\$18,038**
- **26 Mercedes-Benz staff volunteered** at Brainwave program and fundraising events donating **166.5 hours of time**

## MERCEDES-BENZ DEALERS

### Mercedes-Benz Berwick

- February golf day raised **\$18,700**
- Melbourne Grand Prix event raised **\$2,902**
- Twilight golf event raised **\$650**

### Mercedes-Benz Melbourne

- February golf day raised **\$3,900**
- June drive day raised **\$3,100**

### Mercedes-Benz Ringwood

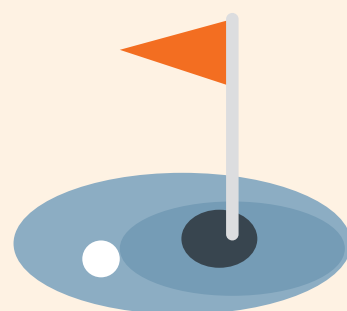
- April golf day raised **\$3,925**

### Mercedes-Benz Silver Star

- April golf day raised **\$4,729**

### Mercedes-Benz Parramatta

- April golf day raised **\$10,000**



## FERRERO

- Our **long term partner Ferrero** provided support financially, via volunteers and through the generous donation of product for all of Brainwave's events
- Ferrero staff initiatives raised **\$3,507**
- **17 Ferrero staff volunteered** at Brainwave program and fundraising events donating **112 hours of time**



## BURBERRY

- **150 gifts** were purchased for children attending the New South Wales Luna Park Christmas party by Burberry staff
- **7 Burberry staff volunteered** at Brainwave program and fundraising events donating **28 hours of time**



**The Seven Network generously supply talent for our gala events and media opportunities to raise awareness**



## VIRGIN AUSTRALIA

- Provides Brainwave with an **annual travel bank** to facilitate interstate travel to liaise with families, attend meetings at key hospitals and to enable staff to attend our New South Wales family events
- Generously provide **travel vouchers** for auction prizes at our two gala events



## WESTPAC

**Brainwave Equipment and Therapy Panel raised \$4,235**

## SMARTWAYS

**Generously sponsor contents of the Bear Essential Packs**

- Smartways **staff pack and send** Brainwave Bear Essential Packs locally to hospitals in Victoria and interstate to hospitals in New South Wales



## FUNDRAISING

**Melbourne Gala****Net profit \$137,929****446 attendees****Christmas Campaign****Raised \$4,080****WAM Chairman's Night****Net profit \$37,862****103 attendees**

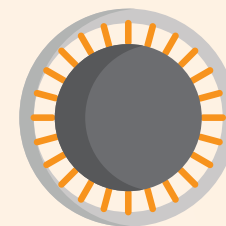
Donations from notable Australian artists including Clive Sinclair, Pamela Irving, Jane Flowers, John Zurbo, Frederick Toumayan and David Blackley.

**Sydney Gala****Net profit \$117,351****259 attendees****Family Events VIC****FAMILY DAY**

Werribee Zoo

**352 attendees****FAMILY DAY**

O'Brien Group Arena

**251 attendees****LUNA PARK CHRISTMAS PARTY****485 attendees****KIDS AND SIBS**

School Holiday Event at Kids In Motion

**56 attendees****CAMP BRAINWAVE**

Queenscliff

**67 attendees****Family Events NSW****LUNA PARK CHRISTMAS PARTY****236 attendees****CAMP BRAINWAVE**

Point Wolstoncroft

**50 attendees****RECIPIENT FUNDING****Equipment and Therapies Program**

**36 equipment and therapy applications were funded in 2016/17** across Victoria and New South Wales including a stroller, modified tricycle, shower chair, iPad mount for wheelchair, PODD communication book, specialised toilet seat, wheelchair repairs, rubber ramp, body suit, portable suction unit, standing frame, feeding device, mobility walker and scooter modifications.

**BRAINWAVE****BEAR ESSENTIAL PACKS****The Royal Children's Hospital****208 bags****Monash Children's Hospital****48 bags****The Children's Hospital at Westmead****32 bags****Sydney Children's Hospital****20 bags**





## THOMAS AGED 12

"It is important to realise that neurological conditions impact a range of body systems and parts and include symptoms that take time to recover from.

When I see a child who has undergone therapy six months down the track and witness the improvements they have made, it makes what we do all the more worthwhile".

*Laurence, Programs Manager  
Brainwave Australia*



**12 year old Thomas is social, lovable and energetic. He is always happy and smiling and never fails to brighten up his family's day. Thomas loves being kept busy with playgrounds and swimming.**

Thomas has a pet cat called 'Ollie' who he adores and according to mum Angie, there might be a little too much love. Ollie receives never ending cuddles from his best friend Thomas.

Thomas lives with an undiagnosed neurological condition along with ataxia and communication difficulties. His condition causes him to lose full control of his movements. He can walk but gets easily knocked over. According to mum, "Thomas tries really hard to communicate. He uses pictures to help him along with words. He is progressing but at times can be difficult to understand. He communicates a lot with eye contact and facial expressions and is trying to use his words more each day."

Brainwave has helped fund speech therapy sessions for Thomas to help make his speech more audible. Progress takes time but Thomas is doing really well. With this assistance, made possible via Brainwave's Equipment and Therapies Program, Thomas is able to communicate more clearly with his family, friends and peers.

According to Programs Manager, Laurence, "it is important to realise that neurological conditions impact a range of body systems and parts and include symptoms that take time to recover from. When I see a child who has undergone therapy six months down the track and witness the improvements they have made, it makes what we do all the more worthwhile."

With ongoing assistance from its supporters, Brainwave will be able to help more children like Thomas.

## most smiles are started by another smile

### THE LAUBLI FAMILY

Hi Brainwave,

I know it has been some weeks since the Brainwave Family Day and I apologise the lateness of my email. I wanted to reach out to you and everyone at Brainwave to let you know what an awesome time we had ice-skating. This is the first time we have ever done this event as a family and we just had such a wonderful day.

We now find ourselves with two young daughters who have decided they want to be professional ice-skaters, not real sure how we can help them reach their full potential, but just love their enthusiasm.

Please pass on a huge thank you to everyone involved from Brainwave, we could see so many lovely volunteers throughout the event and we know how much event management and co-ordination would have gone into making it such a great event.

We don't think about doing these kinds of things with the family very often and having a fun day out where we just 'rock up' and everything is taken care of is a real luxury.

Once again, thank you so much for your support, these events make a huge difference!

Warmest Regards,

Tom, Donna, Jasmine and Isabella



We didn't stop skating from the time we arrived, we watched the ice-hockey and then back to the ice we went.

It was a full day of fun!!!





## JOSEPHINE NICHOLLS FOUNDER

Josephine began her career in advertising and marketing thirty years ago and was at the forefront of event production and management as it began to boom in Australia.

She founded Brainwave Australia after experiencing firsthand the reality of a child with a neurological disorder when her eldest son was diagnosed with a brain tumour at the age of six. Brainwave grew and evolved from what was to be a one-off fundraiser. Josephine has worked passionately and tirelessly over the years driving fundraising initiatives, facilitating the provision of equipment and services to children in need and spearheading the development of the family events program - a calendar of events that brings together families to enjoy some respite, socialising and fun.

Josephine was a Director of Corporate Business Productions, managing business events, and is currently studying Nutritional Medicine.



## OUR BOARD

### TRENT BROOKS CHAIRMAN

Managing Director, Guardian Medical Pty Ltd

Trent Brooks Managing Director and founding shareholder of Guardian Medical Pty Ltd with 20 years' experience in the management of a medical group of companies comprising Medical Centres, Dental Practice, and Property Division. Trent also consults to the healthcare industry on the implementation of management systems to medical practitioners and operators as well as consulting on the establishment or expansion of medical facilities and groups.

### DAVID BLACKLEY

Retired Chairman of Clemenger BBDO, Melbourne

David was with the Clemenger Group of marketing communications companies for 36 years, and was a member of the Worldwide Creative Board of BBDO New York, representing BBDO's interests throughout Australia, New Zealand and Asia on that Board. David has been involved with Brainwave since its inception in 1994 and joined the Board in 2008.

### PETER HORGAN

CEO, OMG ANZ

Peter's 20 years media experience spans the UK and Australia. As CEO Peter leads over 450 staff nationally, and has built a best in market team of specialists across Australia that deliver OMD clients end to end media solutions.

Peter's background covers account management and negotiations, he is the Lead Negotiator across all Omnicom assets, and has been appointed Chairman of the Media Federation of Australia. It's Peter's commitment to specialisation and sustainable growth that maintains OMD as a perennial standout for people development and client solutions.

Ranked among the most Powerful People in Media and Advertising for the last 4 years, Peter was recently awarded the 2014 Campaign Asia Agency Head of The Year Award.



## PAUL GORDON

Principal and Head of the Healthcare Practice, Aon Hewitt, Pacific

Paul joined Aon Hewitt in 2012 with extensive experience across banking, finance and consulting with corporations such as Deloitte, Lend Lease and St George Bank. Paul's role at Aon Hewitt is to work with major clients in order to bring them the best of Aon's insights and services. Paul is an expert at examining issues and providing world class thought leadership and solutions. He is a published author and highly regarded presenter.

## BERNIE BICKNELL

CFO Godfreys Group Limited

Bernie Bicknell is an experienced Finance professional, having held senior management roles in both Australia and internationally. Bernie is currently CFO at the Godfreys Group and was previously CEO and CFO of Mitre 10, and CFO for ICI Paints in New Zealand and North America. He was also previously a Director and Chair of The Lighthouse Foundation, a not for profit organization working with homeless and at risk young people. He is a Certified Practising Accountant (CPA) and a member/graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (GAICD).

## KAREN PASSEY

Karen Passey comes to Brainwave with a strong working background in the not-for-profit sector, having been a CEO for close to 20 years, a role which saw her manage a broad range of business aspects from governance, financial accountability, human resources and strategic planning. With a background in the health sector and local government she has a sound understanding of the needs of our clients and a desire to add value to the work of Brainwave, to ensure its long term viability and more importantly, availability, to the families that need the organisations support, now and into the future.

## NEIL KEARNEY

Chairman, Huon Aquaculture Group Ltd

Neil is Chairman of ASX listed salmon farmer and processor Huon Aquaculture Group Ltd, and of privately owned FGB Natural Products Pty Ltd, a manufacturer of natural eucalyptus, tea tree and lavender based products

Neil Kearney has senior executive experience in the food and agribusiness industries within Australia, New Zealand, Asia and Europe; across a range of functions, including Finance, Marketing, Business Development, Strategy, and International Trading. His career included working for; Goodman Fielder, Warrnambool Cheese & Butter, National Foods, Nestle, Pacific Brands Food Group, Plumrose and Fosters.

## PATRICIA COLLETT OAM

Consultant, CCI

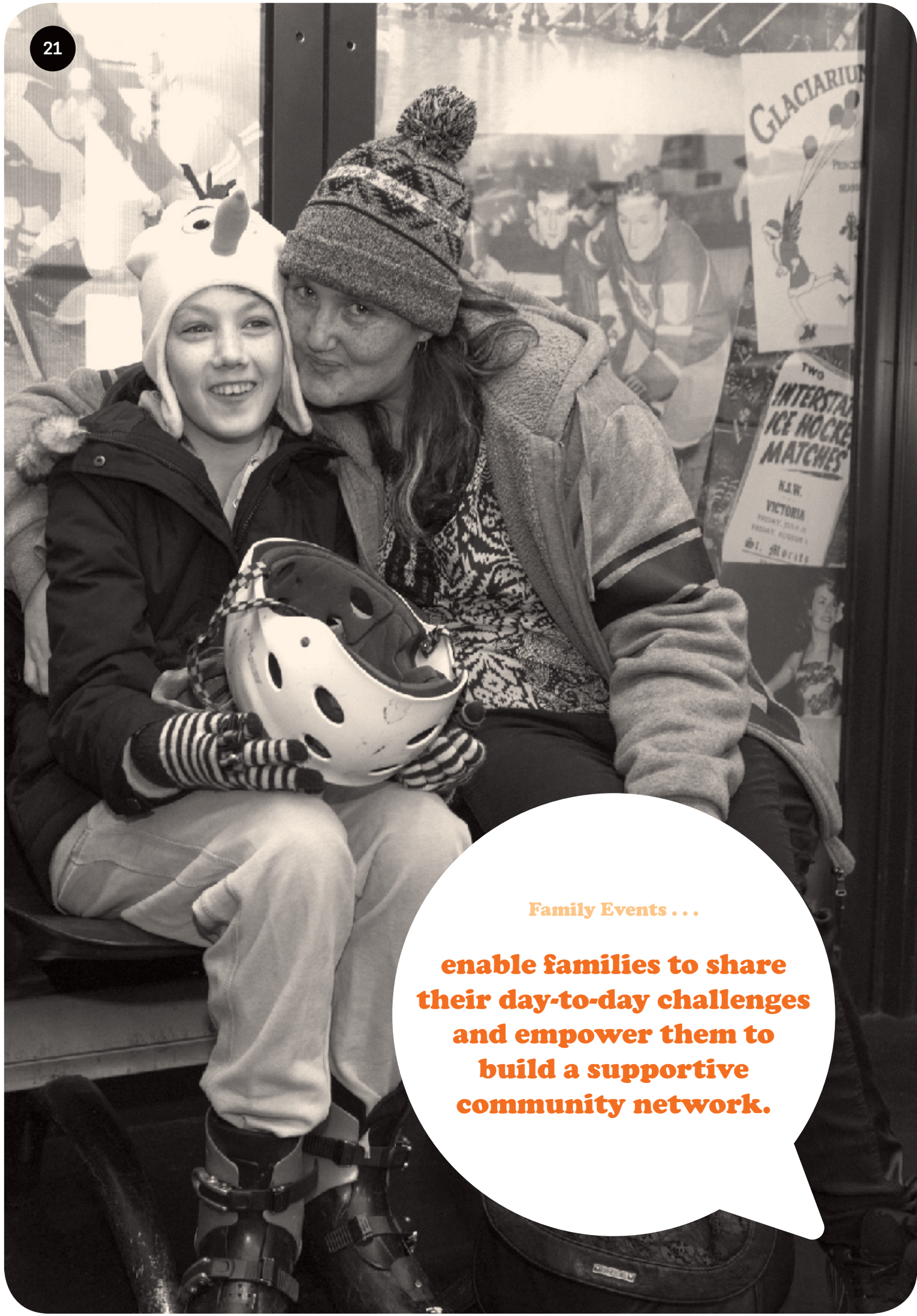
Patricia has spent most of her career in the NGO sector and held the position of Executive Director of the United Nations Association of Australia, Victoria for 17 years until her resignation 18 months ago. Prior to that time Patricia was a consultant to CEDA, the Committee for Economic Development of Australia.

Patricia has also held numerous voluntary positions during her career including as Vice President and then President of Alzheimer's Australia, Victoria for a period of ten years and also as the inaugural Vice Chair of the Alzheimer Australia Research Foundation, playing a significant role in the development, from inception, of both organisations, in Victoria and Nationally. She is an honorary life member of the Association.

Patricia has a passionate interest and proven skills in developing the potential of NGO's by engaging with stakeholders at all levels of community, business and government.







**Family Events . . .**

**enable families to share their day-to-day challenges and empower them to build a supportive community network.**

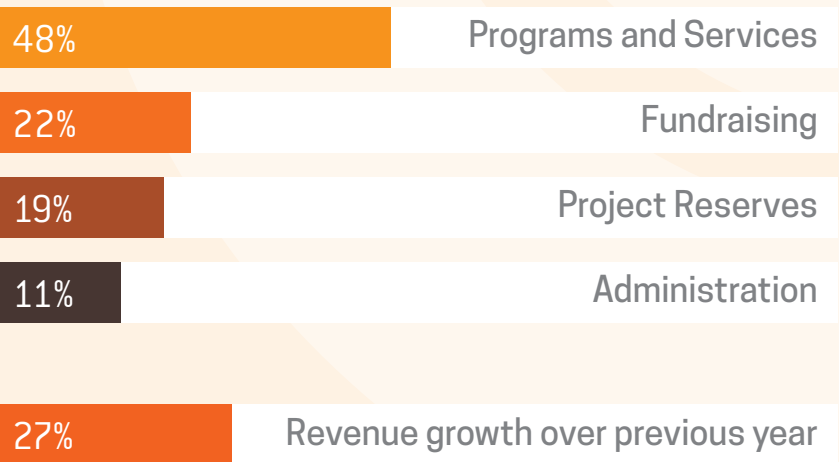
# a smile is the shortest distance between two people

## ADDING IT ALL UP

### SUMMARY OF RESULTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2017

Total revenue	\$1,097,744
Fundraising expenses	\$193,000
Program and service expenditure	\$426,000

### ALLOCATION OF FUNDS RAISED 2016 - 2017



Brainwave's strong financial position for 2016/17 resulted in \$235,852 being committed to recipient funding, compared to \$132,436 for the previous year.

Program and service expenses relate to the cost of delivery of our support services to children and includes equipment and therapies, hospital liaison, family care program activities and an interactive website for Brainwave family use.

Each year, Brainwave prepares a full set of accounts which are independently audited by ShineWing Australia located at Level 10, 530 Collins Street, Melbourne, Victoria and lodged with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission.

Our statutory accounts are available and narrative financial information can be viewed in our annual reports at <https://brainwave.org.au/about-us/annual-reports/>





# a smile is a curve that sets everything straight

## PHILANTHROPIC TRUSTS

With generous support from a range of philanthropic trusts and foundations, Brainwave has been able to support children in need through the delivery of practical support programs across Victoria and New South Wales.

### The donors for activities in 2016/17 included:

Allens Charity Committee  
Annie Danks Trust  
ANZ Staff Foundation  
Bank of Melbourne Neighbourhood Fund  
Barr Family Foundation  
Boncal Family Foundation  
Flora and Frank Leith Trust  
Jack Brockhoff Foundation  
Mazda Foundation  
QBE Foundation  
The Humanity Foundation  
William Angliss Charitable Fund

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