



Tuart Place

**T** Together...we build  
**U** Understanding  
**A** Acceptance  
**R** Respect ...and  
**T** Trust



## Volunteer Week Celebrations 2025

*"Our volunteers are family too!"*

*"Where would we be without them?"*

These are the typical of the kind of comments from our Care Leavers when asked about our volunteers. And we at Tuart Place *do* feel that we offer a unique volunteer experience which enables people to have a deeper and closer connection to our community. This shows clearly in the day to day camaraderie at Tuart Place. Tuart Place is called a "second home" for many of our participants and we try to make it a second home for our volunteers too.

Here's just some of the amazing things that we count on our volunteers for at Tuart Place:

- Playing guitar and leading singing group
- Assisting everyone with their IT issues
- Monthly podiatry and other wellbeing services
- Monthly ladies and men's haircuts
- Beauty treatments and facials
- Serving lunches (and cleaning up after)
- Helping out during events
- Financial counselling

Sounds more like a Holiday Resort doesn't it?!!  
Tuart Place would not be able to operate and offer the things we do if it wasn't for our marvelous volunteers!

**Thank you from the bottom of our hearts!**

*...including a special visit from  
Hon Jessica Stojkowski M&A*



We were excited to host Hon Jessica Stojkowski MLA at our annual Volunteer Celebration on 19th May this year. Jessica is the newly elected Minister for Child Protection, and Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence.

She shares our love of all things crafty, and was delighted by handmade gifts from Sandra Egan and the Kraft Ladies.

Thank you to the Minister for speaking at our event, and acknowledging the important work of our incredible volunteers!



# Thank You Dale Lynch!

From the whole Tuart Place Family

*"You have given your heart and soul to supporting this community Dale and I want to take this chance to say thank you – from me personally and from all of us here.*

*Thank you"*

These were the heart-felt words from Tuart Place Director Pip White, at a thank you function for Dale on 19th May. Dale has been one of Tuart Place's strongest supporters and a powerful advocate for Care Leavers.

In her thank you speech, Pip touched on Dale's history of abuse and neglect and how he managed to, not only come to terms with this, but also help others get through their own journeys. One of his fellow Care Leavers described Dale as "her rock". Dale has not only turned his life around but helped others turn their lives around too.

As an advocate for Care Leavers, Dale has met with Prime Ministers and State Premiers and even gone to the UK to talk to other Care Leavers. He has also been a part of numerous groundbreaking panels and workshops. Dale has been a long-standing Board member at TP but has had to stand down due to serious health issues.

Dale has been a role model, a positive influence and an inspiration for many Care Leavers and is an example of what one person can strive for and achieve in the face of decades of adversity.





## Introducing Pauline!

An interview by John

### What is your working background?

I've been working in the community sector for about 10 years now. I started off with Lifeline WA and then moved into family and domestic violence education. Before I did my degree in Psychology I did a lot of different jobs working in hospitals and schools and good ol' hospitality (back in the olden days!). I love working with people, and so I always did some sort of work that involved interacting with others.

### What attracted you to Tuart Place?

I heard about Tuart Place when I was a student at Notre Dame. I knew then I wanted to come to work here (that was about 7 years ago!) I went away to live back in NSW for a short period a couple of years back, and when I got back last year, I really wanted to find something new for 2025. When I saw the job for Redress Counsellor at Tuart Place, I just had to apply. Once I met Pip and Jo and they invited me to stay for lunch after my interview, I just knew this was going to be the right place for me. Luckily for me I got the job!

### How have the last 3 months at TP been for you?

In a word "welcoming"! In another 4 or 5 words, I'd say heart-warming, unique, rewarding and oh-so-fantastic. What an amazing bunch of people who use this service and those who work here. I could not be happier.

### How does TP compare to your previous jobs?

Luckily for me I've always loved most jobs I've had. I think the only job I never really liked I left at the end of week one! But there is something extremely special about Tuart Place. I think it's the combination of everyone being accepting and caring for one another. That goes for the participants and staff. There's a genuineness about the folks at Tuart Place that it is pretty much impossible to find anywhere else I've worked.



## A Long Way from Freo? Stay Connected to Tuart Place!

Do you live in the East or rural location? We haven't forgotten you! Over the years a number of our TP family have spread out over the country across all states and to remote and rural areas of Australia.

We at Tuart Place thought it would be wonderful if people from across the country would also like to contribute to our High Street Happenings magazine. In the past we have had articles from various members across the country and the "locals" love to hear about it. Typical stories have ranged from hobbies and interests, to stories of families, holidays and adventures and more. All you have to do is contact Mal (see pic below) and he can do all the writing.

*Note: Don't worry you don't have to be a novelist or disclose personal stuff at all. You just tell Mal your story and he will take care of the rest.*

We love to hear from Care Leavers for a chat and a catch up no matter where you are living! If you would like to receive phone calls from Tuart Place—whether you need some support, or just love a good chin wag—we can add you to our phone outreach service.

Let us know by giving us a call on 1800 619 795 ; sending an email to [admin@tuartplace.com](mailto:admin@tuartplace.com); or posting a letter to 24 High Street Fremantle WA 6160





## HIGH TEA AT THE ESPLANADE HOTEL 22 MAY 2025

WITH Maria

Tuart Place participants recently attended a very lovely High Tea at the Esplanade in Fremantle. According to Maria "happiness was in the air". Maria says the High Tea was so well catered for, they even included individual herbal tea for people! The food was delicious and not only that, we were given food to take away. But the best thing about all the Tuart Place gatherings is the chance to meet up with old friends who don't always get to our gatherings. Keep 'em coming Tuart Place.



**Thanks to the Tuart Place Social Activities Group for sponsoring our High Tea outing!**



### The Tuart Place 2025 Survey

We would love your feedback!

What do you love about Tuart Place? What improvements would you like to see?



You can complete the survey online by going to the Tuart Place facebook page ([www.facebook.com/TuartPlaceFremantle](https://www.facebook.com/TuartPlaceFremantle))

Hardcopies are also available in the Tuart Place lounge, or at reception - these can be submitted to the sealed Survey Response Box at reception