



Stop! Police

Being a cop is not just about busting down doors & locking up the crooks, eating donuts & drinking coffee.

Being a police officer is challenging, weird, demanding, confusing, stressful, funny, sad, easy, hard & occasionally rewarding. And that's on a good day!

Most of the time nobody wants anything to do with you, that is until something goes wrong ...

Green Electrician

Why I enjoyed a professional career in the electrical field.

The joy of balancing career practicalities & environmental concerns.

Some issues I have with the way we have conducted the pursuit of acquiring energy in this state.



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Congratulations!

Congratulations to all those who participated in the induction sessions organised over the last few weeks.

We appreciate your time & considering the great titles & blurbs, those sessions have been very productive.

Remember that you can be reimbursed for your travel & parking expenses. Fill in the form & pass on to Sue, Gerald or Nathalie the next time you are in!

Gd character checks

Good character checks are required in order to volunteer with the Launceston Living Library program.

Have you sent your Good Character Check yet?

It will take a number of weeks before they are returned to you, so please don't delay!

Bring a copy on the next open day so that we can sight the document.

You get to keep the original.

Promotional material

The Launceston Living Library has its own logo & branding style across all material produced for the program, which we owe to Garry Conroy-Cooper. The same logo can be seen on newly purchased balloons, lollies, brochures, bookmarks & even this newsletter! Later in June you will see posters on the sides of 2 Metro buses.

Supporting the Living Library project ... Launceston City Council & the Launceston Library + Online Access Centre were the original sponsors. WD Booth Charitable Trust is supporting the Living Library for the provision of advertising material. Metro has recently joined as a sponsor offering the circulation of 2 large posters on the side of buses for free. Hopefully this will entice curious Launcestonians to come & try the Living Library. Thanks for your support.

Why not join in!

We are seeking new committee members to take the lead in the Living Library program! You don't need specific skills to join, however some time & commitment will put you in front. Why not contact us to discuss how you can contribute & bring your skills & knowledge to such a valuable community based program. Call today!



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Tourettes & Loving it

Tourettes syndrome is not all swearing & uncontrollable tics. It can be more stimulating of creativity than debilitating.

Living with apartheid

Experiencing firsthand racism in South Africa during the apartheid era.

Not the only gay in the village!

Can a bloke who has a beard down to his chest, drives a 4WD, smokes cigars & chops his own wood be gay? This is my world folks, in fact it's the world of many men in the villages of Tassie & even though ya wouldn't wanna pick a fight with me ... sometimes, I don't feel safe in the village.

Upcoming dates

• The Launch!

23 May 2008, 11.00 am at the Launceston Library + Online Access Centre ... it's going to be huge!

• Next induction session

Our next induction session is planned for Saturday 31 May 10.30 am to 12 noon at the Launceston Library + Online Access Centre [Phil Leonard Room]. This session will provide you with clarification on the aims & purposes of the Launceston Living Library & what becoming a living 'book' or a living 'librarian' entails. If you have already attended an induction session but need assistance tidying up a title or blurb, please let us know & come along, you won't have to stay for the whole time.

• New 'books'?

Know people interested in becoming a 'book' or a living 'librarian'? Get them to contact Launceston Living Library.

• Sharing session with Sabina Baltruweit

You will have the opportunity to meet with Sabina in an informal way over a light lunch from 12 noon to 1.30 pm on 23 May, after the Launch in the Reception Room, Launceston City Council. How did Sabina hear of the program? What attracted her to it? How is it to be a 'book' in Lismore? Which 'books' do they already have? All questions Sabina will endeavor to answer. She may even talk to you about her next project ... RSVP to 0415 399 716 [between 9 – 5] if you have not yet been contacted by Ros and would like to attend.

• Next committee meeting

Postreos [under the clock tower] 11 to 12 noon. Future committee mtg times will be discussed. RSVP 0415 399 716

What a greens policy advisor does

Being the Tasmanian Greens Policy Convener is exhilarating. Your writing is often vilified publicly, misrepresented & incorrectly reported, but seeing policy issues which were once thought radical become mainstream can be very satisfying.

Anything is possible

Growing up with a disability, school, work, ambitions & overcoming barriers

Neurological disability: it's a living

What happens when one morning you're leading a normal life & by the afternoon you're eligible for a total & permanent disability pension?

Male embroidery

Can a male enjoy needle work? Why do it? What type of needle work? What comments would you be likely to encounter, from friends, family, etc ... some samples of work.

The role of a union official

What has changed over 20 yrs. A unionist's contribution to the community.

Multicultural awareness

Enjoying different cultures from a past Burmese grandfather onwards, including marriage to an Indian & travel.