



I am particularly excited to let you know the [Variety of Chefs](#) gala ball is back on again this year. This event is a lively celebration of Tasmania, with all its wonderful offerings. More about this event in this newsletter.

Giving Tassie kids a Fair-Go in life is at the heart of what we do, which is why we are supporting the "[Ride for Eddie](#)" campaign. Launched by Eddie's grandfather, Colin Dean, the campaign aims to raise funds for a modified vehicle for Eddie's family. More about beautiful Eddie below.

Since the launch of our new Kids Experience, the Variety Day @ The Zoo, more than 60 children, along with their families, have enjoyed a day at Zoodoo including lunch (and the odd ice-cream). This experience is generously supported by our partners at Zoodoo and is fully funded by Variety.

I am also proud to say we have instigated a research partnership with UTAS, Ernst & Young and our sister Variety NSW/ACT. Titled; *Understanding Service Exclusion: Challenges and Opportunities for Resource Integration and Value Co-creation in Service Systems*, the research aims to explore the various experiences encountered by students-with-special-needs when they interact with education services. We want to understand how service design and multi-stakeholder approaches can be used to lessen service exclusion within a school context. We are looking for 20 parents of school-aged children living with disability to participate in a 45-60 minute confidential interview with the researchers. As a thank you, each participant will receive a \$50 Coles/Myer voucher. Please get in touch if you can participate.

Lastly, the [House of Hope](#) charity house is scheduled to be ready by the end of May and we are organising an open day over the first weekend of June. There are so many companies, tradies, suppliers, and individuals to thank, so I urge you to have a look at the [House of Hope webpage](#) and support as many of those very generous businesses as you can. Each one of them deserve a huge round of applause.



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Ride for Eddie

Eddie has been diagnosed with Pontocerebellar Hypoplasia type 4, a rare neurodegenerative disorder and the only case of Pontocerebellar Hypoplasia in Tasmania. With inspiration from Vespa (which means wasp in Italian), a group of passionate fundraisers will be riding around Tasmania in November 2021 on Vespas, wrapped in yellow to look like wasps. The aim will be to drive awareness of this very rare condition and raise funds for a van for Eddie's family. You can support them by visiting ["Ride for Eddie"](#).





Join us for an unforgettable evening at our fabulous **Variety of Chefs Gala Evening** to help give Tassie kids a Fair-Go!

Date: Saturday 19th June 2021

Place: Tasman Room - Wrest Point

Time: 6pm for 6:30pm

Tickets: \$195 pp or \$1800/table of 10



You'll be treated to:

- A four-course degustation dinner, by accomplished Tasmanian Chefs Markella Koutalidi, Andre Kropp, Chris Wright and Brownyn Strange
- Each course matched award-winning Tasmanian beverages
- Live music entertainment by the Australian Army Band and singer/songwriter Hugo Bladel
- Your MC's for the evening are John X and Chef Paul Foreman as our Kitchen Correspondent
- Live and silent auctions

A huge thank you to our Event Partners for Variety of Chefs!



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Monster Book Fair - Monster May Collection Month



The Variety Monster is back and he is hungry!

Visit our long-standing partner Shiploads during Monster May and feed the Variety Monster your quality pre-loved books, games, puzzles and dvds. You'll find the big green Monster Bin at any Shiploads store around the state.

We would like to thank long term partners Empire Couriers, who will deliver shiploads of books in June ready for sorting. For more details, keep an eye on the TV commercial which will be aired on WIN TV during the month of May, (which we think HYPE TV done a pretty good job with), and our Facebook page which will have all the details for the Monster Book Fair in August.

A huge thank you to our Event Partners for the Variety Monster Book Fair!



H Y P E



The House of Hope

The House of Hope, in the beautiful [Glebe Hill Estate](#) is nearing completion and should be ready by the end of May! For enquiries or to view this 3 bedroom house, please contact Matt Carne at Raine & Horne Eastern Shore.

Funds raised from the sale of this year's [House of Hope](#) will go to Variety Tasmania and Cancer Council

corporate partners who have so generously supported this project.



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We would like to thank all the companies and individuals who supported this project

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THE HOUSE OF HOPE WILL BE FINISHED IN LATE MAY!

For enquires or house viewing call

Matt Carne (Raine & Horne Eastern Shore) on 0419 571 066

www.variety.org.au/tas/get-involved/variety-house-of-ho

Variety Freya Fund



Variety Tasmania, with the Williamson family, granted siblings Ella and Sebastian, a Variety Freya Fund gift. Both children have a diagnosis of Autism and several other challenges and their mother needed a laptop, printer and laminator, in order to facilitate the management of appointments for the children, the ability to print out and laminate visuals for them, and to enable them to have video calls with various support workers. This grant will make a significant difference to their lives on a day to day basis.

The [Variety Freya Fund](http://www.variety.org.au) is the legacy of Freya Williamson. The Williamson family, who loved and cared for Freya for 21 years have been inspired by their own lived experiences, to provide assistance for families who have

families are experiencing additional emotional and physical challenges. Professionals (doctors, allied health workers, teachers) with intimate knowledge of a family's circumstances can nominate families today.

Nominate a family for a relief gift from the Variety Freya Fund

Variety Kids Experiences - Variety Day @ the Zoo

The next Variety Day @ The Zoo will be held on 4th of May, where we will have around 40 kids, who are living with disability, along with their siblings and parents. Most of those families are member of the Association for Children with Disability TAS, and our dear friends there have been extremely engaged in promoting the experience and provide their support on and off the field, to ensure we have an enjoyable day.

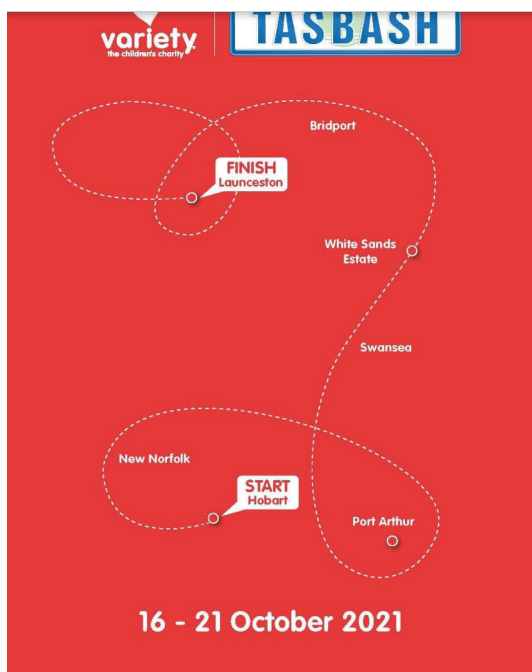
This Variety Kids Experience was initiated by Zoodoo's genuine commitment to creating an inclusive and accessible attraction and a source of pride in the locally community. We look forward to continue working with Donna and her professional and passionate team at Zoodoo. Together, we will always find ways to give Tassie kids a fair go in life.



Variety Federal Group TasBash - 16th -21st October 2021

The best of Tasmania's magnificent scenery from still ponds to energetic seas, delicious local cuisine and friendly company - all in support of Tassie kids in need.

Join us on an exciting road trip adventure as we explore Tasmania's beautiful towns and lesser



We will be taking the longest route possible while we explore the East Coast but the route will remain Tassie's best kept secret until the day! We can let you in on a few secrets though... We'll be starting from Hobart on the 16th October and heading west - yes, its the long way around to the East Coast!

We'll be travelling on highways and side roads, and be prepared for off-road "roads"! We'll also be popping into a few schools along the way to grant them much needed items and equipment.

And the best bit? A huge amount of fun while helping Tassie kids in need!

What do you need to join in?

A spirit of adventure and a good sense of fun! We have lots of resources to help you get off the beaten track and we're here to support you along the way. Are you up to the challenge of following the route instructions?

The minimum requirements to enter are:

- The team entry fee for the TasBash is \$330 per crew.
- Each crew then gets FUNdraising for kids in need. To take part crews must reach a minimum fundraising total of \$2,700.

	Kms	Int. Km	Miles	Int. Mile	Direction	Sign or Look For	
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9	1	0.0	0.0	0.0		Leave Trialbunna Village	
0	2	0.1	0.1	0.1	TR	X Roads	
1	3	0.3	0.2	0.2	TL	A3 T Intersection	
2	4	7.2	6.9	4.5	SO	Prosser River Bridge	
3	5	7.3	0.1	4.6	0.1	KR A3	
4	6	22.2	14.9	13.9	9.3	SO Buckland	
5	7	22.5	0.3	14.1	0.2	TL C335 Nugent	
8	25.6	3.1	16.0	1.9	SO	Multiple changes of road surface	Gravel
17	9	36.6	11.0	22.9	6.9	SO Mill Road OL	
18	10	36.9	0.3	23.1	0.2	TR Masons Road	
19	11	33.9	3.0	24.9	1.5	SO Redbanks OL	
20	12	44.0	4.1	27.5	2.6	TL T Intersection	
21	13	45.3	1.3	28.3	0.8	TR Y Intersection	
22	14	48.3	3.0	30.2	1.9	SO OLB	
3	15	50.7	2.4	31.7	1.5	SO OLB	
4	16	53.6	2.9	33.5	1.8	SO Franklins Road OL	
5	17	54.9	1.3	34.3	0.8	TR T Intersection Kellie Road	
6	18	55.6	0.7	34.8	0.4	SO	Bit
7	19	59.6	4.0	37.3	2.5	TL T Intersection AS	
8	20	60.5	0.9	37.8	0.6	SO RDL Beam Creek	
9	21	64.9	4.4	40.6	2.8	TL Boomer Road	Gravel
0	22	66.4	1.5	41.5	0.9	TL T Intersection Bay Road	Bit
31	23	67.1	0.7	41.9	0.4	SO	Gravel
32	24	70.2	3.1	43.9	1.9	SO	Bit
33	25	71.3	1.1	44.6	0.7	SO	Gravel
34	26	71.4	0.1	44.6	0.1	KL 337 Copping	
35	27	71.8	0.4	44.9	0.2	TR Burnt Hill Road	
36	28	73.4	1.6	45.9	1.0	TL Falls Entrance CR	
37	29	74.5	1.1	46.6	0.7	TR T Intersection C336	
8	30	79.5	5.0	49.7	3.1	SO Clearys Lane CR	
9	31	80.5	1.0	50.3	0.6	TR Wielangata Road	CCC
0	32	89.2	8.7	55.8	5.4	SO Fun Stop - Toilets	
1	33	98.3	9.1	61.4	5.7	SO Eastham Road CR	
2	34	99.3	1.0	62.1	0.6	SO Rheban Road CR	
3	35	99.5	0.2	62.2	0.1	SO OLB	
4	36	104.9	5.4	65.6	3.4	SO Thumbs lookout OL	
5	37	107.2	2.3	67.0	1.4	SO	Bit
6	38	109.0	1.8	68.1	1.1	TL T Intersection	
7	39	109.1	0.1	68.2	0.1	TR Walpole Street	
8	40	109.8	0.7	68.6	0.4	SO Park on Right - Beach Stop	
9	41	110.1	0.3	68.8	0.2	KL Esplanade	
0	42	110.3	0.2	68.9	0.1	TR T Intersection	
1	43	113.7	3.4	71.1	2.1	TR Eastcoaster	
2	44	115.1	1.4		0.9	Stop Eastcoaster	CP

- Optional excursions include a McHenry Distillery Tasting (\$25) and a Pennicott Adventure Cruise (\$74)
- You can [sign up online](#) or contact the Variety office for more details.

Our Programs



Alfie is a very happy 4 year old who had long, luscious curls. His parents suggested for his first hair cut that he donate his hair to [Variety Hair with Heart](#). Alfie loved the idea - and underwent the big chop! Mum, Meg, set up a fundraising page as well - and the family has raised over \$2,000! We are truly grateful to this amazing family - Alfie's gift of hair will give another child the gift of self-esteem and confidence, and the money raised will help to empower other Tassie kids.



Community Support



Tasmania!

Rumour has it that the \$300 donation comes from the Swear Jar - a few salty, choice words goes a long way to supporting Tassie's kids!

Featured in the photo are John and Daryl from RPBC and Mohammad. Thank you again!

How we help

We believe all Tassie children deserve the chance to achieve their dreams, regardless of their ability or background.

How do we help?

Grants

We assist both individuals and organisations through our [grants program](#). We grant equipment, supplies, educational aids and much more. Variety Tasmania also offers the [Variety Freya Fund](#), which is a one-off relief gift to help families of children with severe disability or with additional needs.

Programs

We run programs to educate and empower kids in need. We are proud to have programs like the [Variety Creative Arts Program](#) and the Bikes4Kids Program, offering disadvantaged children the opportunity to own their first bike.

Scholarships

We give scholarships to encourage the talents of children in need and empower them to achieve their full potential. [Variety Heart Scholarships](#) can cover items such as travel, accommodation, equipment, coaching, competition fees and much more. Scholarships are awarded in the areas of Education, Sports and the Arts.

Apply for a Variety Tasmania Grant

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