

# *Fairholme Disability Support Group Inc*

## **Major Achievements that Enriched Lives**

1. **Established** well-defined consultative approaches at all levels including Disability Services Commission and Governments [Local, State and Federal].
2. **Participated** in the initial and subsequent accommodation reviews.
3. **Negotiated** accommodation to be built to universal standards – Fairholme redevelopment program. [See photos]
4. **Advocated** due to social disadvantage, changes to enable people with disability without employment to have alternatives funded and subsequently participate in a variety of programs.
5. **Facilitated** the establishment and sustainability of diverse partnerships to enable greater inclusion by way of a variety of activities such as, but not limited to:
  - Recreational programs including dance and arts - [see photos];
  - Physical activity programs - [see photos];
  - Funding of equipment and amenities; and
  - Garden projects - [see photos].

6. **Advocated** on behalf of people with disability, families and carers on a diverse number of issues.
7. **Participated** in Policy Development and Public Forums for both Labor and Liberal associated with election statements.
8. **Participated** in major legislative and policy reviews with many recommendations adopted. These included:
  - **Legislation**
    - Disability Services Act [1993];
    - Guardianship and Administration Act [1990];
    - Health Review Act [1995];
    - Mental Health Act [1996];
    - State Administration Tribunal Act [2004];
    - Carers Recognition Act [2004];
    - Education and Training Act [1996]; and
    - Associations Incorporations Act [1987].
  - **Policy**
    - Board and Lodging;
    - Medical and Hospitalisation, and Case Management;
    - Health Promotion Standards
    - Wills for Persons Lacking Will-Making Capacity;
    - Decision Making and Choice; and
      - Disability Standards for Access to Premises.

