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Help improve the quality of life of those whose lives are touched by epilepsy...

Epilepsy Queensland AGM & Awards Ceremony – 22 November

Queensland Cricketers' Club

You are invited to attend Epilepsy Queensland's AGM, Awards Ceremony and a new program launch at the Queensland Cricketers' Club on Tuesday 22 November commencing at 5.30pm. Thank you to those members and supporters who have already accepted our invitation, we look forward to your company on the night. Congratulations to everyone who has been nominated for an award. RSVP by emailing rsvp@epilepsyqueensland.com.au or phone 3435 5000.

Look out for our December edition of e News for details and photo's of our very special Award winners.

The TEA Room – Launch – 22 November

Queensland Cricketers' Club

Epilepsy Queensland (EQI) is pleased to announce the launch of an online initiative for teenagers, The TEA Room, a friendly space for young people with Epilepsy on 22 November.

The TEA room was developed by Professor Martin Brodie, chairman of Scottish Epilepsy Initiative (SEI) as a method of providing emotional and social support for teenagers living with epilepsy.

The TEA Room is an online social network exclusively for the use of young people aged between 13 and 19 years old who are undergoing diagnosis or have been diagnosed with epilepsy (www.thetearoom.org.uk).

The partnership between EQI and SEI will allow young people to come together to share their experiences and support each other. EQI is currently seeking funding for this project to ensure the expansion of the TEA Room will include young people from Australia.

For further information about how to sign up, please contact Yvette McMurtrie at Epilepsy Queensland. [Click here to find out more.](#)

Trivia Challenge 2011

Wrap-up



Close to 120 primary school students competed at the Trivia Challenge State Finals held in October at Griffith University, Nathan Campus. ABC presenter Spencer Howson hosted the event with assistance from Epilepsy Queensland's mascot, Little Poss.



The State Finalists were:

- Year 4 – Junction Park State School
- Year 5 – Ashgrove State School
- Year 6 – Padua College
- Year 7 – Junction Park State School

Junction Park State School year 7 team went on to represent Queensland at the Trivia Challenge Grand Final, held in Brisbane on 16 November, and finished in second place. Epilepsy Queensland's Patron, Wally Lewis, dropped in to offer his support to the four boys in the team and words of encouragement. We are all very proud of their effort and achievement.

Trivia Challenge is an exciting and educational event designed for primary school students to develop an understanding of epilepsy and enhance general knowledge by using a specifically developed trivia quiz based on the school curriculum. Contact Terie-Lea Tobin on 07 3435 5000 for more details or to discuss your school's participation in 2012. [Find out more on our website.](#)

Understanding Epilepsy Workshops

For those living with epilepsy, their carers, disability support workers, allied health, disability and education staff and childcare workers. The final date for 2011 is 23 November. Dates for 2012 will be included in the December newsletter.

[Click here to download a booking form.](#)

2011 Queensland Epilepsy Symposia

Thank you to the sponsors, speakers and all those involved who helped make this year's Symposia such outstanding success. We look forward to hosting, along with our partners next year's event.



Our Christmas Appeal

Look out for our Appeal letter, coming to your letterbox soon. Now more than ever we need your help!

Why are we here? How can we be happy? How should we live?

Keynotes include world-renowned Tibetan Buddhist teacher, **Sogyal Rinpoche**; founder of positive psychology **Dr Martin Seligman**; acclaimed ethicist, philosopher and author, **Peter Singer**; pioneering researcher into successful ageing **Ellen Langer**; playwright and National Living Treasure, **David Williamson** and ground-breaking journalist, **Ita Buttrose**.

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