

# **THE LARYNGECTOMEE ASSOCIATION OF NSW**

**An Association dedicated to the welfare of laryngectomees and those in a similar situation**

We are contacting you because of advice given to our organisation that you are either about to be, or have become, a laryngectomee. This situation is one that you, your wife/husband/partner, family and friends may never have encountered. The specialised, yet personal, attention that is given to you by your Speech Therapist is of the greatest value to you, not only at this time but in the future.

The Laryngectomee Association works to assist both you and the Speech Therapist, mainly by having a fellow laryngectomee speak to you about your day-to-day activities as a laryngectomee. The fact that you can see and hear how a person who has undergone the same, or similar, medical procedure as yourself, can conduct his or her daily activities in a normal manner, will help to illustrate that you will still be able to continue to enjoy the full pursuit of work, leisure, social and family activities.

Certainly there will be some alterations that will have to be made to your living styles and habits that have evolved over the years. However, these changes are not insurmountable and the Association is there to assist at all times. As an example, we are able to supply you with some of your aid requirements, including batteries, loan speech aids, shower shields and stoma covers, at cost price. Our Welfare Officer is available to offer advice or any other assistance you may require at any time. As a member of our Association you will receive our regular monthly bulletin, "Still Talking", which gives news and other helpful information. At the Association's regular monthly meetings you will meet members who have returned to a normal lifestyle and we would like to invite you to these meetings at the location nearest to where you live. Details of meeting locations can be found in the 'Still Talking' newsletter and on the website 'stilltalking.org'. The website also contains archives of past newsletters, hints,tips, contacts,links all of which are searchable.

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## **APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE LARYNGECTOMEE ASSOCIATION OF NSW**

I wish to apply for membership and receive the newsletter each month. My subscription is enclosed.

NAME ..... PHONE .....

ADDRESS .....POSTCODE .....

EMAIL ADDRESS .....

DATE OF OPERATION ..... AT ..... HOSPITAL

Please nominate - I would like to receive the monthly newsletter by email/post.

SIGNATURE .....

Annual subscription is \$10.00 per annum.

Initial subscription depends on the joining date:-

Jan-Mar \$10.00, Apr-Jun \$7.50, Jul-Sep \$5.00, Oct-Dec \$2.50

**Please post to The Treasurer, The Laryngectomee Association of NSW**

**PO Box 380, BELROSE, NSW, 2085**

**or fees can be paid at any Commonwealth Bank directly into the following account :**

**L.A. of N.S.W. BSB 062 595 A/C 00905579**

**or by internet banking transfer**