

## **Organisation Details**

**Name:** Autism Community Network  
**ABN:** 64103662535  
**Non-Profit:** Yes

## **Application Details**

**Category:** Category 1  
**Application To:** LGA: Bayside Council  
**Submitted:** Yes  
**Created:** 06/04/2019  
**Updated:** 22/04/2019

## **Description**

Ramsgate Autistic Adults Social club

## **Application Type**

Category 1

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## **Amount Requested \$**

\$3,460.00

## **Submitted**

Yes

## **Files**

ACN ANNUAL REPORT 2018\_10.pdf

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## **Summary**

### **Q1 Project Name**

Ramsgate Autistic Adults Social club

### **Q2 Brief Project Description (250 words max)**

Over the last 8 years the Autism Community Network has been supporting families in the Bayside LGA with family members on the Autism Spectrum. We are keenly aware that many families are now dealing with children who have grown into young adults who've become socially isolated. This project is to conduct a monthly social event for young adults to mix, have dinner together and develop friendships as well as community social skills. We would also like to include a family dinner event during April as part of World Autism Awareness month for attendees and their families to mix together.

### **Q3 Please provide an outline of your project (500 words max)**

All people need to have a place to connect with others who understand them and share their interests. For adults on the autism spectrum this can be a difficult thing to achieve and too often they experience isolation and loneliness. For many years we have provided Youth clubs in the area for autistic teens to meet for fellowship and fun just like any other kids their age. Mainstream social groups do not always suit them as their peers exclude them because of their differences. For these same reasons, they struggle as adults to find suitable social opportunities where they'll feel accepted no matter their differences. Adults, whether they are young adults who may have previously attended one of our youth clubs, or older adults who've struggled to find a place for themselves, can come along to our autistic adults social club each month and just be themselves. Because an overwhelming percentage of autistic adults struggle to find employment, we try to reduce the financial restrictions of buying a meal at the dinner. By subsidizing their meal, we eliminate that barrier, and they all enjoy a meal at the club together, before moving to a private room to socialise further. We have electronic games and board games set up as well as just a comfortable space to chat in private. No other organisation provides such a group anywhere else in Sydney, and it is our ambition to introduce such opportunities for lonely autistic adults across multiple regions.

### **Q4 Which of the following local community priorities below does your project address?**

A4 - Aged, Disability or Youth Services

### **Q5 Who will your program benefit?**

People with disabilities

**Q6 Approximately how many local resident recipients will your project benefit?**

2016 ABS indicates approx 780 people on Autism Spectrum with this LGA

**Q7 Approximately how many local resident volunteers will be involved?**

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**Q8 Will ALL the ClubGRANTS funding you have requested be spent within the Local Government Area in which you are applying?**

Yes

**If not, approximately what percentage will be spent outside the local area?**

**Q9 What is the proposed commencement date and completion date for the project? Commencement date:**

01/07/2019

**Completion Date**

30/06/2020

**Q10 Can your project be broken down for part-funding? If so, how?**

Yes. We could reduce the subsidy of the meal costs or the amount of meals we cover. We could also remove the family dinner event during Autism Awareness month if need be.

**Q11 Will your project still be viable if you receive less than the requested amount?**

Yes

**Q12 Has your organisation received funding from another club in the past 12 months?**

Name of Club	How much was received?	When was the funding recieved?	Purpose of Funding
Petersham RSL	10,800	2018/19	Marrickville Yoga and Taekwondo
Club Central Menai	5,200	2018/19	Menai Kids Club
Engadine Bowling Club	1,400	2018/19	Sutherland School Holiday Kids
Magpies Waitara	1,400	2018/19	Autism Social Families Hornsby
Hornsby RSL	3,025	2018/19	Hornsby Autism Kids Bowling
Club Rivers	7,500	2018/19	Oatley Kids Cooking Club
Penshurst RSL	1,400	2018/19	Autism Social Families Georges River
Dooleys Club Lidcombe	4,060	2018/19	Cumberland Active Kids
Club Condell Park	1,400	2018/19	Canterbury School Holidays Kids
Blacktown Workers Club	1,040	2018/19	Blacktown School Holidays Kids

**Does your project have any other sponsors? If so, who and for how much?**

Yes. Ramsgate RSL generously make space available for us to hold this meeting every month at the present moment. They also make room in the Bistro for us to sit together and have dinner.

**Q13 Project budget**

Income Description	Income Amount	Expenditure Description	Expenditure Amount
Bayside Club Grants	3460	IK 11 Sessions x Venue Hire \$100 p/hr	1100
ACN In Kind Volunteer	2200	11 Session x 2 Hrs x 1 Facilitator \$30	660
		IK Aide x 2 x 11 Sessions for 2 Hrs @ \$25	1100
		Subsidised Dining \$150 x 11 Sessions	1650
		Resources	100
		Admin/promotion 11 hrs @ \$50 p/hr	550
		Special Event x 1 @ \$500	500

**Q14 Please provide your organisations banking details. (If you have an auspice, please provide that organisation's details)**

Autism Community Network

**Account Name**

Autism Community Network

**Account Number**

10417253

**BSB No:**

062234

**Q15 Note to applicants: only complete this section if you have received funding over the past three years.**

<b>Year Received</b>	<b>Amount Received</b>	<b>Purpose of funding</b>	<b>Report Submitted (Y/N)</b>
2018/19	10,800	Marrickville Yoga & Taekwondo	Y
2018/19	5,200	Menai Kids Club	Y
2018/19	1,400	Sutherland Kids Holiday	Y
2018/19	1,400	Autism Social Families Hornsby	Y
2018/19	3,025	Hornsby Autism Kids Bowling	Y
2018/19	7,500	Oatley Kids Cooking Club	Y
2018/19	1,400	Autism Social Families Georges River	Y
2018/19	4,060	Cumberland Active Kids	Y
2018/19	1,400	Canterbury School Holidays Kids	Y
2018/19	1,040	Blacktown School Holiday Kids	Y

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