

**TO ASSIST BLIND &  
VISION IMPAIRED PEOPLE**



# **SUPPLIERS OF ADAPTIVE TECHNOLOGY**

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## ***Queensland Blind Association Inc.***

The Queensland Blind Association Inc. has provided practical support for Blind and Vision Impaired people of Queensland for over 70 years.

The Association has over 800 members, which receives no direct Government support, aims to help Blind and Vision Impaired people to lead independent and fruitful lives.

Vital services, which are provided by the Association to its members, may include the following:-

- Information and referral service.
- The first White Cane or 'Vision Impaired' or 'Blind Badge' is given free to members from February 2011.
- A 50% discount on one white cane is available to each Member per year.
- Financial assistance towards rates, electricity, house repayments, rental assistance, white & brown goods and home maintenance.
- Tea & Coffee vouchers for our senior retired folk.
- Low vision products on sale from our Resource Department to the public. Discounts apply to membership.
- Reading service by appointment.
- Access to QBA Computer User Group.
- Audio, large print or email Newsletters.
- Publications available in normal print, large print & on our website
  - Catalogue of Low Vision and Talking Products
  - Concessions Booklet
  - Directory of Agencies to Assist Blind & Vision Impaired People
  - Directory of Queensland Support Groups
  - Directory of Suppliers of Adaptive Technology
  - Directory of Suppliers for Building Modifications
  - Directory of Bursaries, Scholarships, Grants & Funding Information

You do not have to be a member to access some of our services.

Any queries can be directed to this office by telephoning **3848 8888**.

The information in this booklet is an alpha listing of agencies, which provide adaptive technology and/or training for Blind and Vision Impaired people.

Against each agency is a basic and brief description of the services they provide. This publication has been compiled by the Queensland Blind Association Inc. to assist Blind and Vision Impaired people either in a professional or personal capacity.

## **WHITE CANES ARE ONLY AVAILABLE TO LEGALLY BLIND PERSONS**

The Queensland Blind Association Inc sells White Canes to Legally Blind Persons only. If you are not a member, proof of legal blindness must be presented (e.g. your DSP Blind or Aged Blind Concession Card) to purchase a White Cane. Canes are sold only as a “Symbol of Blindness”.

Incorrect use may be a danger to the user, pedestrians and all road users. We highly recommend that persons receive measurement and training from professional trainers, as correct length and style are a must.

### Disclaimer

Queensland Blind Association Inc. has attempted to ensure the information in this booklet is accurate. However, we do not warrant that the information is accurate or complete nor will we be liable for any loss suffered by any person because they rely in any way on it. We do not endorse and are not responsible for the views, products or services offered or provided by other agencies in this booklet.

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## **Anti-Virus Software**

Download free anti-virus software from AVG.

Website: <http://free.avg.com>

## **Audio-Read Pty Ltd**

Address: 9 Wrights Road,  
Drummoyne NSW 2047

Telephone: 02 9911 6614

Fax: 02 9212 5536

Email: [info@audio-read.com.au](mailto:info@audio-read.com.au)

Website: [www.audio-read.com.au](http://www.audio-read.com.au)

**Products:** The Audio Navigator, Audio-Read Library Solution, Virtual Newspaper, Audio Content, Text to Voice

## **Australian Independence Products**

Contact: Graham and Cathy Cole, Bargara Ph 4154 7275  
Robert Lightbody, Deception Bay Ph 3293 2153

Head Office

Address: 3 Rangeview Road  
Donvale Vic 3111

Telephone: 03 9946 5459

Fax: 03 9878 6336

Email: [gaethjo@micromarvellous.com.au](mailto:gaethjo@micromarvellous.com.au)

Website: [www.ozindproducts.com.au](http://www.ozindproducts.com.au)

**Products:** Alto, OxiLamp, Serenade Sanner, Colourama 5 & 5+ C-Port, OptomA-F, SenseView P430, Computer Connections

## **GreenPC**

Address: GreenPC HeadOffice  
375-377 Johnston Street  
Abbotsford VIC 3067

Telephone: 03 9418 7439

Email: [info@greenpc.com.au](mailto:info@greenpc.com.au)

Website: [www.greenpc.com.au](http://www.greenpc.com.au)

**Products:** Green PC has refurbished computers at discounted prices for people with a health care card, disability or a pension card.

## **HumanWare**

**Blindness Products:** Victor Reader Digital Talking Book Players, BrailleNote Apex, VoiceNote Apex, Concise Oxford Dictionary & Thesaurus for Keysoft, BrailleConnect, Brailiant, Trekker Breeze, BrailleNote GPS, Mobile Magnifier, Mobile Speak, Audio Graphic Calculator, Ink Connect, Viewplus Embossers, Iveo, iGlasses

Blindness Products Specialist: Sam Taylor, Mobile: 0420 805 282

Email: sam.taylor@humanware.com

**Low Vision Products:** My Reader2, Synergy S1, SmartView 360, Smart View Versa and Versa Graduate, Max TV & Max Detail Glasses, ScannaR, ClassMate, iGlasses.

Low Vision Products Specialist: Linda Walker, Mobile: 0422 453 123

## **Brisbane Office/Gold Coast**

Contact: Linda Walker  
Mobile: 0422 453 123  
Email: linda.walker@humanware.com  
Website: www.humanware.com

## **Bundaberg to Mackay Distributor**

Contact: Paul Vugec  
Address: 166 Eight Mile Road West  
Glenorchy Qld 4650  
Telephone: 4129 7740  
Mobile: 0422 179 361  
Email: paul\_vugec@yahoo.com.au

## **Townsville Distributor**

Contact: Tony and Annette Hopper  
Address: 41 Ireland Street  
Oonoonba Qld 4811  
Telephone: 4729 0534  
Mobile: 0417 210 055  
Email: t\_hopper@tpg.com.au

## **Lions Visual Independence Foundation**

Lions Visual Independence Foundation is an Australian not for profit charity who deliver the sales, grants, repairs, support, accessories and database updates for the ID Mate and Kapten Plus.

Contact: Bernie Slagtman: Hon Executive Office  
Mob: 0402 859 885  
Robert Spicer: Client Support  
Mob: 0409 685 606  
Telephone: 03 9853 9880/1300 787 469  
Email: info@visualindependence.org.au  
Website: www.visualindependence.org.au  
**Products:** ID Mate, Kapten Plus

### **NV Access**

Website: www.nvaccess.org.  
**Products:** NVDA – Free screen reader for windows.

### **Optek Systems**

Address: PO Box 277  
Rydalmere, NSW 1701  
Telephone: 02 9680 0600  
Fax: 02 9680 0611  
Mob: 0409 228 941  
Email: opteksystems@bigpond.com  
Website: www.opteksystems.com.au  
**Products:** Document Magnifiers, Portable Document Magnifiers  
Print Scanning/Speaking Systems for Vision Impaired,  
Large Print/Talking Scientific Calculators, Braille  
Embossers, Braille Displays, Braille Software,  
Computer Screen Reading Programs, Computer  
Screen Magnification, Mobile Phone Access

### **Pacific Vision**

Contact: Justin Coull (Qld Sales)  
Address: 3 Cornuta Close  
Bellowrie Qld 4070  
Telephone: 1800 778 038  
Mobile: 0424 266 889  
Email: qld@PacificVision.com.au  
Website: www.LowVision.com.au

**Products:** SenseView Light Pocket CCTV, Ruby Handheld Video Magnifier, Sense View Pocket CCTV, Sapphire Portable CCTV, Student Addition CCTV, Pearl & OpenBook Reading Solution, Zip Collapsible CCTVs, Onyx Deskset XL, Topaz CCTV, Topaz Desktop Magnifier Black & White, Sara CE Scan & Read, Keyboards, Magic Magnification & Speech Software, ZoomText & SuperNova.

## **Quantum Technology**

### **Queensland Office:**

Contact: Peter Cracknell  
Office Hours: 8:30am to 4:30pm, Monday to Friday  
Please contact to arrange an appointment  
Address: Suite 503, Level 5 Ladhope Chambers  
131 Wickham Terrace  
Spring Hill Qld 4000  
Telephone: 3831 4894  
Fax: 3839 1390  
Email: [qld@quantumrlv.com.au](mailto:qld@quantumrlv.com.au)  
Website: [www.quantumrlv.com.au](http://www.quantumrlv.com.au)

### **Southern & Western Qld & Northern NSW Office:**

Contact: David & Liz Smith  
Telephone: 0417 729 198 - David  
Telephone: 0407 622 966 - Liz  
Email: [info@practicalvisionaids.com](mailto:info@practicalvisionaids.com)

### **Cairns Office:**

Contact: Lyn Porter  
Suncoast Optical (Low Vision Products)  
Telephone: 4031 6610  
Email: [ian@suncoastoptical.com](mailto:ian@suncoastoptical.com)

### **Southern Coast & North Qld Regions Office:**

Contact: Glenn Zerafa  
Sight Solutions Queensland (Low Vision Products)  
Telephone: 0415 133 161  
Email: [glennz@sightqld.com.au](mailto:glennz@sightqld.com.au)

**Products:** MultiView, ClearView Plus Range, Compact Plus, Compact Mini, FarView, ClearNote, ClearNote Plus, Pearl with Openbook, Eye-Pal Solo, SARA, ClearReader, Plexetalk Pocket, Olympus DMS, Braille Display Jot a Dot Pocket Braille, MAGic, Dolphin Guide, ZoomText, iZoom, ZoomReader, Zoom-Twix, Zoom-Ex, Openbook, JAWS, Optical Braille Recognition Software, Duxbury Braille Translation Software, Mountbatten Braille, Scanners & OCR, Braille Embossers, Audio Players & Recorders, Talking Scientific Calculators, Optical Magnifiers, Telescopes & Lighting Products.

### **Screen Magnification Software**

The Screen Magnification Homepage is a non-profit independent organisation. They are a leading resource for magnification solutions information on the Internet.

Website: [www.magnifiers.org](http://www.magnifiers.org)

### **Sensory Tools**

Address: 15 Stamford Road  
Oakleigh Vic 3166  
Telephone: 03 9568 2568  
Fax: 03 9568 1377  
Website: [www.sensorytools.com](http://www.sensorytools.com)

**Products:** Excalibur Reading Machine, Simon Reading Machine, C2 Talking Compass, BrailleMaster 6 Braille Publishing Software, Aria Talking Personal Organiser.

### **Spectronics**

Address: Unit E1, Commercial Court  
130 Kingston Road  
Underwood Qld 4119  
Telephone: 3808 6833/1800 999 718  
Fax: 3808 6108  
Website: [www.spectronicsoz.com](http://www.spectronicsoz.com)

**Products:** BigKeys, Boost Personal Video Magnifier, Braille Keyboard Overlay Labels, Chester Creek, Clareoad, IZoom Screen Magnifier/Reader, Keyboard Labels, Lightning Magnifiers, Penfriend, Large Print Talking Scientific Calculators, Zoom Text.

## **Workventures Connect (IT)**

### **Eligibility**

In order to be eligible to purchase a PC package you need to be in possession of a current Federal Government benefits card (e.g. aged pensioner, unemployed, disability pension, etc.). You will be required to provide details for entitlement purposes.

Telephone: 1800 112 205

### **IT Equipment Donations**

WorkVentures Connect is in the business of turning ex corporate and government PCs and peripheral equipment into affordable systems for disadvantaged families, schools and not for profit organisations around Australia.

If you wish to donate a large quantity of IT equipment to WorkVentures Connect IT, their donation/recycle policy can be found at <http://connectit.workventures.net.au/wv/new/donation.aspx> or by calling 1800 112 205. Should the equipment not meet their specifications, the equipment is recycled in an environmentally friendly way.

Telephone: 02 9282 6999

Fax: 02 9282 6940

Website: [www.workventures.com.au](http://www.workventures.com.au)