

# Hearing checks in Ballina for free

ON JUNE 4, Australian Hearing will partner with Our Chemist to deliver free hearing checks and hearing aid health checks to adults aged over 21 in the Ballina community.

Our Chemist is located at Shop 8/9 Ballina West Shopping Centre, West Ballina.

The in-pharmacy hearing checks are non-invasive and take approximately 15 minutes to complete, and will start from 9.30am.

The test involves people listening for sounds while wearing headphones.

In Australia, one in six people have hearing loss and this rate doubles for those over the age of 60.

However, on average, most people wait seven years before seeking help.

"A free and simple hearing check can help prompt those who may be noticing signs of hearing loss to take the first step," Australian Hearing's Laura Head said.

During the 15 minute consultation, people will learn their results plus receive advice on what to do next, which may include an invitation to attend a full assessment with a clinician.



**STATE RECOGNITION:** Collins Hume partner Chris Atkinson and his wife Selina accept the recent Australian Small Business Champions award. The Ballina firm has been acknowledged in State Parliament by the State Member for Ballina Tamara Smith. PHOTO: CONTRIBUTED

# Ballina MP praises local firm

BALLINA firm Collins Hume received a Community Recognition Statement from State Member for Ballina Tamara Smith in the Parliament of NSW Legislative Assembly on May 16.

Ms Smith congratulated three Northern Rivers businesses on their outstanding leadership and innovative approach to small business – Aussie House Sitters, Plant Extracts and Collins Hume.

Ms Smith said Collins Hume was deserving of special praise as Accounting Services Winners in this year's Australian Small Business Champions Awards.

"I give a special shout out to Collins Hume," Ms Smith said.

"It is an incredibly philanthropic and globally focused local business.

"I particularly mention Peter Fowler and all of the accountants at Collins Hume of Ballina.

"Each of those who received awards is making invaluable contributions to the local community.

"The award nominations are an admirable way of giving recognition to that contribution."

Collins Hume partner Peter Fowler reiterated that is always a team effort.

"Everything we do and achieve is because of the great team members we have and the amazing clients we are able to work with," Mr Fowler said.

Collins Hume has also been short-listed as finalists in six national categories – for Business Advisory Firm of the Year, Community Engagement Program of the Year, Office Administrator of the Year, Executive of the Year, Partner of the Year and Marketing Program of the Year – at the prestigious Accountants Daily Australian Accounting Awards 2018.

Winners will be announced on Friday.

## Introducing Jenny Riley

Aged Care Trainer and Assessor

It is my philosophy that those who are employed in the field of health have a duty of care to provide the highest level of service possible and achievable through the provision and delivery of quality education and training.

Novaskill can take care of your specific Aged Care training needs.

We understand the Aged Care industry needs highly skilled staff and our Aged Care trainer provides this through up to date industry training that can be completed in a number of ways to suit the learners and your workplace.

Jenny also specialises in professional development training for industry including; manual handling, infection control training and palliative approach training.



## Interested in applying for an Apprenticeship or Traineeship?

### Current Apprenticeship and Traineeship Vacancies

Retail Trainee (Part- time)   Lismore	School based Trainee   Ballina
3/4th Year Plumber   Ballina	Indigenous Business Trainee   Ballina
Horticulture Trainee   Ballina	Cabinet Maker   Alstonville
Water Operations   Ballina	Fitter Machinist   Alstonville
Metal Fabrication   Lismore	2nd year Joiner   Alstonville
Indigenous	Civil construction   Kyogle

### Upcoming Short Courses

**SITHFAB002** – Provide Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA)  
Ballina 11 June | Lismore 25 June

**SITHGAM001** – Provide Responsible Conduct of Gambling (RCG)  
Ballina 12 June | Lismore 26 June

Taking expression of interest for **HLTHPS006** – Assist clients with Medication|training conducted over 2 days | TBA



### Enrolling now for the following courses;

<b>CHC43015</b>   Cert IV in Ageing Support   Self paced	This training is subsidised by the NSW Government and subject to eligibility requirements.
<b>CHC43415</b>   Cert IV Leisure and Health   Self paced	Contact the office today to discuss your eligibility.
<b>CHC33015</b>   Cert III Individual Support   29 May Ballina	

**NORTHERN RIVERS**  
**Ph: 6600 3000**  
**www.novaskill.com.au**  
58 Tamar St, Ballina  
e: reception.ballina@novaskill.com.au



6780614au



Local volunteers needed

## We are seeking volunteers to join our passionate team!

### Opportunities exist in:

- Car drivers for appointments
- Bus drivers for shopping and social outings
- Resident activities assistants
- Grounds and maintenance
- Food preparation and service

P 02 6628 1944

E volunteercoordinator@adventistseniorliving.com.au  
www.adventistseniorliving.com.au



6461826aa