



FREE 3D HANDS



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RECIPIENT SPOTLIGHT

HEMANT, USA

We're so happy to share that Hemant is the first person in the USA to receive a device since recent changes to postage and import rules.

Xavier was able to overcome these challenges and get this Kinetic Arm safely delivered and seeing Hemant use his new arm to take a drink of water made it all worthwhile.

"Honestly, I can't describe how it felt, seeing it move, feeling the function, and realising that this was made with such kindness and care by people I've never even met in person." - Hemant



Wishing you a very safe and happy holiday season.



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Lisa at the Penguin Parade gift shop - Phillip Island.

FUNDRAISING

We're excited to share that our custom 3D printed penguins - inspired by Phillip Island's famous little penguins - are now available at the Penguin Parade gift shop. By printing the penguins overnight in our machines' idle hours, we're maximising our resources, without interrupting the production of hands and assistive devices.

Through a new agreement with Phillip Island Nature Parks, 50% of profits from each sale go directly to Free 3D Hands.

This new revenue stream helps us build a more sustainable future, spending less time fundraising and more time designing, innovating, and creating life-changing solutions.

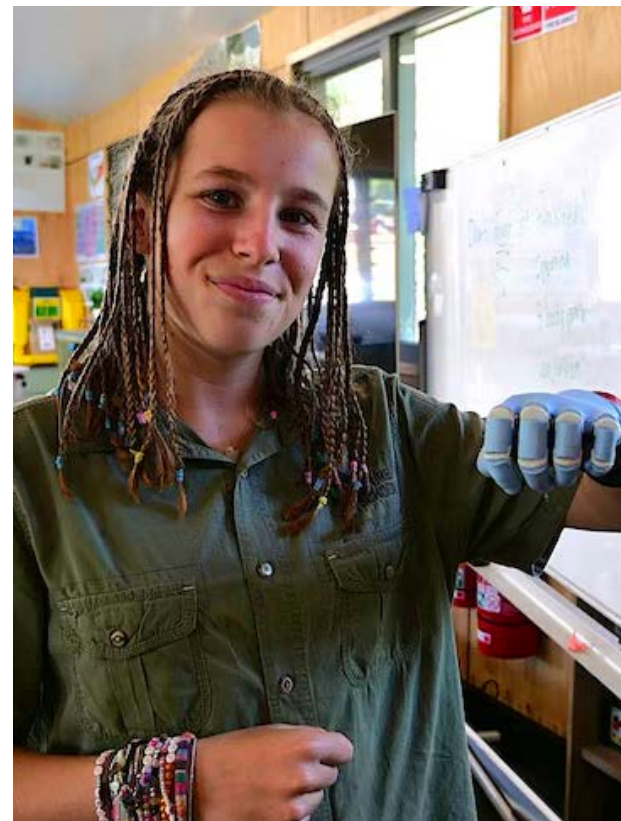
A big thank you to Phillip Island Nature Parks for their support, and if you're visiting the Penguin Parade, be sure to pick one up and support our mission!

LOIS'S UNICYCLE FUNDRAISER

Mat, Xavier and Michael had a lovely Zoom chat with Lois and her classmates from The Nature School in Port Macquarie. The students have 3D printed a Kinetic Hand as part of a school project and were sharing their ideas and feedback with us to improve future Kinetic Hand designs.

Lois has been part of the Free 3D Hands family since she was six years old, and now at thirteen, she's making her own 3D printed assistive devices with her classmates, with the aim to print devices for other kids in need.

Mat will meet Lois and her classmates in Tokyo later this year as they have been selected to represent Australia at the Be The Change Youth Summit. We couldn't be prouder of Lois and her classmates.



Lois showing off the Kinetic Hand her classmates made her.



HELPING HANDS CHARITY RUN IN SALE

We are still in awe of the Helping Hands Charity Run held in Sale, 17th - 18th October. Over two incredible days, 50 runners came together to take on a 3,000 km challenge, running day and night to raise funds for Free 3D Hands.

It all began with Chris, inspired by his daughter Gracie and his wish to support the limb difference community. What he created was something truly special, an event full of teamwork, determination, and heart.

The atmosphere around Lake Guthridge was unforgettable. Families, friends, volunteers, and supporters lined the track, cheering on runners through every lap. There was food, laughter, raffles, and plenty of sunshine — a perfect example of what can happen when a community comes together.

Thanks to everyone's incredible generosity, the event raised over an amazing **\$80,000**, the largest community fundraiser ever for Free 3D Hands. This support helps us continue designing, creating, and providing free assistive devices to people all over the world.

Thank you to every runner, supporter, volunteer, and donor. We're deeply grateful and inspired by what you've achieved together.



Gracie and Xavier at Lake Guthridge



Chris ran 300km over 36 hours.



Layne with the Kinetic Arm she made at the North Avoca Surf Life Saving Club.

VOLUNTEERS AND INTERNS

LAYNE PAULL RETURNS

We welcomed Layne back to the Free 3D Hands this November!

After first joining us as a volunteer in May, Layne returned for another two weeks, where she worked with our team to strengthen her CAD and prototyping skills.

Layne's experience at Free 3D Hands has inspired her to keep exploring new ways to design and create as she continues her studies in biomedical engineering. As a disability support worker she is already putting her passion into practice by 3D printing assistive devices for her clients.

LEXI VISIT



Lexi visited the Design Centre

This month we had a very special visit from Lexi, one of the first children to receive a Kinetic Arm from Free 3D Hands. Almost a year after receiving her first arm, Lexi had grown so much that it no longer fit. While visiting family in Melbourne (Lexi lives in QLD) she made the trip down to Phillip Island to pick up two new devices.

During her visit, Lexi noticed her photo on our recipient wall. It was a simple but special reminder of how far she's come and that we'll be here for her when it's time for arms four, five and beyond.

We're so thankful to our amazing supporters who make moments like this possible! Meeting Lexi in person for the first time was such a joy for our team and a wonderful opportunity to see the impact your generosity helps create.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW BOARD MEMBERS

We're excited to welcome Greg Fisher and Claire Brown to the Free 3D Hands Board!



Greg Fisher

Greg has held senior management roles in the insurance industry across Australia, the UK and New Zealand. Since his retirement, he has dedicated his time to community and charity work, serving as Chairman of the Steadfast Foundation, Nautilus Marine Insurance and the Lexton Community Hub, as well as supporting Variety - the children's charity.



Claire Brown

Claire is a Partner at KHQ Lawyers, specialising in employment law, and brings valuable expertise in governance, human resources and communication. KHQ Lawyers proudly provide pro-bono support to Free 3D Hands and Claire is thrilled to be involved with a locally based charity that embodies a spirit of sharing and openness.

We're delighted to have them both on board!

PROFESSIONAL SPEAKING

Mat founded Free 3D Hands, a charity that designs and produces assistive devices for people with limb differences, at no cost to recipients. Mat has made both the designs and the IP open-source, enabling people around the world to build and improve the devices themselves. His work is now replicated globally, proving that shared ideas can create exponential impact.

Mat can tailor his content to these key themes:

- **Purpose-Driven Leadership & Partnerships** – Align values with action and harness collaboration for impact.
- **Innovation & Technology** – Explore creative problem-solving, lean innovation, and STEM-driven solutions.
- **Resilience** – Build adaptability and thrive through challenges.
- **Inclusion & Social Impact** – Foster belonging while driving meaningful change.



PLANNING A CORPORATE EVENT? LET'S MAKE IT MEANINGFUL TOGETHER!

We would love to hear from you and discuss ways in which we might be included in your next corporate fundraiser! There are many ways to support Free 3D Hands, from hosting a Rock a Sock Day, running a fundraising event or having Mat speak at your next conference! All donations are fully tax-deductible.

Every contribution makes a difference — join us in making assistive technology accessible to all!



Make a real difference with a gift that gives back

