

MICHAEL ABRAHAM 1:1 OUT OF HOURS SUPPORT

We wanted to share some of the positive experiences made possible with IDV's Out of Hours support options.

We asked Michael whether we could share this story with everyone and he agreed. Michael's support staff provided the following account:

I would like to provide you with a positive experience regarding Michael Abraham's supports today...

Michael always loves to go to the local football ground in Greensborough to support his favourite team St Mary's Junior Football Club. Michael and I were watching the game as usual, and after the first quarter, he mentioned to me about wanting to get a St Mary's Guernsey. I passed his interest to the house staff and they were going to organise this. There were other spectators around at the time and one of the ladies there joined our conversation. Michael was very friendly with her and they had a nice conversation. Michael was wearing a Carlton AFL top and cap. The woman said to Michael "I would love to get you a St Mary's Guernsey today because you are wearing a Carlton (Blues) top". I assumed that the lady supported Carlton as well. After a little while, the woman came back with a St Mary's No.8 Guernsey and a scarf. Michael was over the moon and could not thank the lady enough... Michael was telling all other spectators about the lady who touched his heart.

I later found out the woman was the team manager for St Mary's Junior Football Club and had given the top to Michael as a thank you for being a dedicated supporter of the team.

Thanks & Kind Regards

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These are the types of experiences that unite our participants with their community, in activities and settings of their choice. It is also an example of how community will embrace people with disabilities, in ways that add value to their lives...which is why at IDV, we promote and strive for these types of opportunities to be experienced by all the people we support.

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Wish to create your own story? Call us and let us support you in developing your own story to share.

Contact Tracy Hart on 9459 8175, Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

