






That's a wrap on 2024



*1 new clinic, 1 website upgrade,
1 wedding, 2 clinic moves,
2 ½ new babies, 3 engagements,
4 new fellows, 4 promotions
...and a partridge in a pear tree!*



LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION!



It was a privilege to assist the wardrobe department for the feature film *Runt*, which was filmed in Western Australia over the past two years. This heartwarming movie, adapted from Craig Silvey's beloved best-selling novel, is a delightful new Australian family-friendly film.

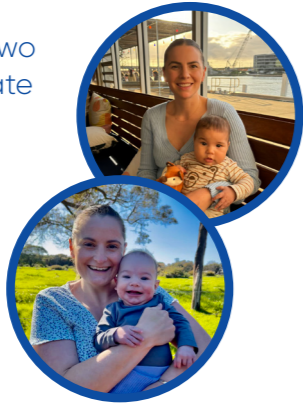
Creating multiple casts for daredevil Max, played by Jack La Torre, was both fun and uniquely challenging, presenting very different demands compared to our usual patients!



STAFF UPDATE

Ooh baby!

Welcome to the world, our two new Hand Works babies—Kate with Harvey and Sam with Orlando. We love watching our ever-expanding family, and there's another little one on the way soon!



Promotions

Congratulations to both Tarlee and Kavitaah on their promotion to Assistant Clinical Manager! This newly established role on the leadership team will play a key part in guiding Hand Works' strategy and operations for the years to come.

Another achievement to celebrate—therapists Zeus and Sabrina have both successfully completed their fellowships and are ready to further advance their expertise in hand therapy!

“What is the origin of the word ‘scaphoid’?” (Bonus points if you know the meaning!)

Team building at its finest with our very own bespoke Quiz Night at The Globe! The evening was filled with healthy competition, featuring general trivia, challenges, and a special round of hand therapy questions. It was great fun and a wonderful opportunity for all 8 clinics' staff to come together and enjoy each other's company!

For those playing along the answer to the question is – Greek, meaning 'boat'.



CLINICAL CORNER

Australian Hand Therapy Association Conference - Tasmania

Senior Therapist Kavitaah Varsani, under the mentorship of our in-house Research Coordinator, Dr. Thuy Tran, recently showcased a poster at the AHTA conference in Tasmania. Titled “Benefits of a Collaborative Approach to Managing a Complex Multiple Pulley Reconstructive Injury: A Case Study,” the presentation emphasised our commitment to ongoing learning and innovation in hand therapy. It also underscored the critical role of collaboration between hand surgeons and therapists in optimising patient outcomes.

Getting back in the lab!

At Hand Works Occupational Therapy, we are constantly growing our expertise. In September, we had the unique opportunity to participate in a wet lab at UWA, led by our tutor, Janae. Refreshing our anatomy knowledge with this hands-on, in-depth look at the intricate structures of the upper limb was truly rewarding. We enjoyed viewing the upper limb from a different perspective, gaining a deeper appreciation for the complex network of nerves and musculoskeletal structures that aren't visible at the surface level.



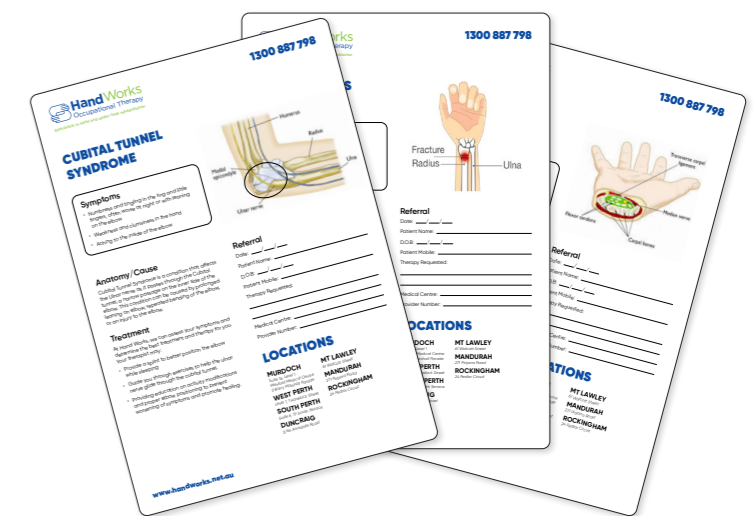
We're looking forward to all the professional development opportunities 2025 has in store for us!

New GP Resources

Have you seen our Injury Referral Guide and our Fact Sheets available on our website? These resources have been designed to assist with treatment timeframes and modalities as well as an excellent educational tool for your patients.

Head to www.handworks.net.au/doctor-services/

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SHINY AND NEW!

In 2024, two of our clinics relocated to new premises we're proud to call home. Just a short distance from their original locations, our Duncraig clinic is now at 64 Arnisdale Road, and our West Perth clinic can be found at 1 Havelock Street. Both facilities were custom-built and newly fitted out, designed with our patients' needs at the forefront to create optimal treatment spaces.

As part of our growing presence in Murdoch, we've opened a clinic room in the newly established Murdoch Square Precinct, right next to Fiona Stanley Hospital. Situated within Forme Specialist Plastic Surgery, we're excited to collaborate with exceptional plastic surgeons and offer additional treatment options to our patients in the area.



Thank you for entrusting us with your patients' care. We look forward to continuing our partnership in 2025!

Wishing you and your family a joyful festive season, from the team at Hand Works Occupational Therapy.



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