

# Rehab News

A woman with dark hair, wearing a black tank top and a studded black belt, is juggling several colorful balls (red, green, yellow) with a joyful expression. Her arms are raised, and the balls are in various stages of being tossed or caught.

January 2006

## Belle of the Balls!

### Inside

Bright Future for National Learning Network:

*Page 4*

RehabCare to mark its tenth anniversary:

*Page 10*

# Rehab News

10 Rehab News

RehabCare is planning a major calendar of events under the banner of RC10 to celebrate its tenth anniversary in 2006

What A Feeling!

10

16 Rehab News

The new Disability Act will have a fundamental impact on how services are delivered to people with disabilities in Ireland and Rehab is working to ensure it is implemented to the best possible effect

The Dawning of a New Era

16

**10 RC10: RehabCare's plans to celebrate its tenth anniversary in 2006**

**16 Rehab is working to ensure the Disability Act is implemented to the best possible effect**

## Rehab News

### Editor

Chris Macey: 01 2057311

### Assistant Editor

Dara Duffy: 01 2057268

### Acknowledgements

Sportsfile; Gary Moyles; Photocall Ireland; Joe Tierney

### Contributors

Aoife O'Connell, Clíodhna O'Neill, Gillian Giles, Jacqueline Johnston-Fagan, Carrie Keane-Ryan

### Design: Sean Mannion

Copyright to the material in Rehab News is reserved.

### ISBN IFFN 0709/6676

Printed by Turner Printers, Longford

The views expressed in Rehab News are not necessarily those of the Rehab Group. Whilst every effort is made to ensure accuracy of information published in Rehab News, the publishers can accept no liability.

**4** The future is bright for National Learning Network

**7** Glenda goes online for Rehab

**6** RehabCare Welcomes Suicide Prevention Strategy

**8** Rehab Recycle survey shows Irish reprocessing more bottles and jars



**Tim Harden: Portrait of an artist: Page 28**

**10** RehabCare's big plans to celebrate its tenth anniversary

**12** Presentation of Rehab Council's Innovation Awards

**15** The new Rehab Great Investment Race

**16** The impact of the Disability Act

**18** Rehab's National Excellence Awards Success

**21** Meeting Matt Browne: The Ultimate FUNdraiser

**24** Workability International: the rise of a global organisation

# Contents

24 Rehab News

Workability  
International world president Frank Flannery writes about the rapid rise of what is now a global organisation dedicated to the cause of equality in the workplace for people with disabilities



Workers of the World Unite

25 Rehab News

The year ahead is likely to see a big push for equality in the workplace. Workability International will be a key player in this, as it continues to build on the success of its work in the past year. By putting our expertise and developing our network in business, we are creating a more inclusive workplace for all. Although much is happening, there are still many challenges to overcome. We will continue to work with our partners to ensure that the workplace is a place where everyone can thrive. We will also continue to work with our partners to ensure that the workplace is a place where everyone can thrive. We will also continue to work with our partners to ensure that the workplace is a place where everyone can thrive.

28 Rehab News

The biggest TV audience for years tuned in to see Ireland's great and good honoured at the ESB/Rehab People of the Year Awards



Absolutely Fabulous!

29 Rehab News

ESB/Rehab People of the Year Awards

The ESB/Rehab People of the Year Awards ceremony was a night to remember. It was a celebration of the achievements of people with disabilities who have made a difference in their communities. The winners were honored for their courage, resilience, and determination. The ceremony was a testament to the power of the human spirit and the importance of inclusion. The winners were honored for their courage, resilience, and determination. The ceremony was a testament to the power of the human spirit and the importance of inclusion.

**24** Frank Flannery on the rise of an organisation seeking equality in the workplace.

**32** A bumper TV audience tuned in to the ESB/Rehab People of the Year Awards.

**26** President's tribute to National Learning Network graduates

**43** David Ward's marathon achievement

**28** Tim Harden's journey from archaeologist to artist

**44** Bulletin Board

**30** Volunteers sought for Thailand and Vietnam adventure

44 Rehab News

**Bulletin Board**

SEARCH OF ALL IRISH ANCESTRY  
A new website has been launched to help people find their Irish ancestry. The website is called 'All Irish Ancestry' and it is a free service. It is a new website that has been launched to help people find their Irish ancestry. The website is called 'All Irish Ancestry' and it is a free service. It is a new website that has been launched to help people find their Irish ancestry. The website is called 'All Irish Ancestry' and it is a free service.

**31** Bonanza Draw

**32** The ESB/Rehab People of the Year Awards

**38** UK News: Charlie Charms Chaseley; Haven success; New brain injury handbook

**52** Jacqueline Johnston-Fagan's film debut

**54** Win €100 in our double crossword competition

**55** Tribute: Tom O'Reilly - A Man of Action

**56** Rehab's new Intranet

**58** Gillian Giles takes part in the Tall Ships Race


38 Rehab News

UK News

Charlie Charms Chaseley

Charlie Charms Chaseley has been named as the winner of the 2006 National Learning Network award. He is a young man with a disability who has achieved a great deal in his life. He is a young man with a disability who has achieved a great deal in his life. He is a young man with a disability who has achieved a great deal in his life.

**Grapevine**  
Magazine of Rehab's Mediability Programme January 2006



**ii** Editorial: 'My Battle with Bulimia' Jennifer Banks

**iv** At Debt's Door: David Gomm; How's the form? Jim Murray

**v** Prescription for Fun! Domhnall Bruic on Paul Newman's Barretstown Castle

**vi** Bullying goes on: Mary Healy investigates its effects on mental health

**vii** David Quinn looks at ASBOs and questions whether they are necessary or an infringement of human rights

**viii** Jim Murray speaks to a recovering heroin addict

**xi** Confessions of a Bad Prognosis: Sean Richardson on the social lives of disabled people in the past

**xii** Jennifer Banks speaks to Commandant Shane Fahy about his experiences with street children in Afghanistan

"I was six stone and no one bullied me anymore"

Jennifer Banks speaks about her struggle with the eating disorder bulimia

**x** Pat Hallinan talks to Mary Healy about how his life changed after a car accident and his hopes for the future

**xi** Confessions of a Bad Prognosis: Sean Richardson on the social lives of disabled people in the past

**xii** Jennifer Banks speaks to Commandant Shane Fahy about his experiences with street children in Afghanistan