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Queensland Reds give Capalaba Laundretto a spin

St George Queensland Reds stars and Wallabies Rob Simmons and Samu Kerevi will put their off-field abilities to the test this week in support of people with disability.

Rob and Samu will put the team's dirty jerseys through the wash to try out the 'smart' technology at the new Capalaba Laundretto – an innovation of disability support service Multicap, offering employment to people with disability.

'We are really happy to be here today to support the team at the new Laundretto,' Rob said. 'Everyone deserves the opportunity to work and follow their dreams.'

The pair will team up with the Federal Assistant Minister for Disability Services The Hon Jane Prentice, MP, to officially open the Redland Bay Road Laundromat.

Ms Prentice said the Government was delighted to fund the Laundretto through a Department of Social Services Leading Practice Grant.

'More than 14 per cent of people who are of working age have disability but only about half of them are employed or seeking work,' she said.

'Providing opportunities for people with disability to gain meaningful employment and ongoing training is vital, and I congratulate Multicap on continually investing in social enterprises offering employment to people with disability.'

Multicap's Chief Operations Officer Seth Grantley said the Laundretto would employ three people with disability and provide a great service to the local community.

'Capalaba Laundretto is Multicap's second Laundromat giving people with disability the opportunity to have paid employment, greater independence and to learn new and transferable skills,' he said.

The Laundretto uses new 'smart' technology giving users the option to pay with credit card (using a smart phone) or coins.

Laundretto services include: self-service laundry, fluff & fold, dry cleaning and ironing services. Capalaba Laundretto is open 6am to 9pm, 7 days a week at 40 Redland Bay Road.

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