



# Supporting Medical Research and Patient Care at The Repat

The Newsletter of Foundation Daw Park Incorporated

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# ANZAC

## Commemoration Gala Ball

What a night it was!



**On Saturday night, 19th April 2008, the Defence Industry, Military and the academic, business, arts and health sectors came together to support Foundation Daw Park's inaugural fundraising ANZAC Commemoration Gala Ball. The night was a memorable one for all who attended.**

The evening commenced with the MC, Tony Pilkington of FIVEaa welcoming everyone and then inviting State President of the RSL, Jock Statton OAM to come forward to recite The Ode with The Last Post played by Bugler, Guy MacRedmond from the Royal Australian Navy Band.

Our Patron His Excellency Rear Admiral Kevin Scarce AC CSC RANR, Governor of South Australia and Mrs Scarce attended as Guests of Honour and were hosted by

the Foundation's then Chairman, Peter Bridge. Guest Speaker for the evening was the Hon John Hill MP, Minister for Health, Minister for the Southern Suburbs and Minister Assisting the Premier in the Arts. Mr Martin Hamilton-Smith MP Leader of the Opposition in the Parliament of South Australia, an immediate past board member of the Foundation was also in attendance.

The State Theatre Company of South Australia, a Gold Community Partner, assisted with the development of the 1940's VE Day theme. The scene was set with plenty of Aussie, New Zealand and Union Jack flags streaming as bunting across the ceiling of the Grand Ballroom at the Hilton, with a centre piece of model planes from the era. As they arrived, guests were greeted with

spotlights looming through smoke, sirens sounding, and old newsreels rolling, to really get everyone in the mood.

"Winston Churchill" visited and spoke, and dancers from AIT Arts bopped to swing music then invited guests to come and dance as the music changed to the beat of the All Stars with Patron and Vietnam Veteran Graham Cornes on guitar. And... the night rolled on!

We are very proud of our inaugural ANZAC Ball and the wonderful support provided by sponsors, supporters, guests and volunteers. A wonderful night was had by all. Most importantly we achieved a successful fundraising result: \$40,000 clear profit to assist the Foundation in its continuing support of medical research and patient care facilities at The Repat. ■

## MAJOR SUPPORTERS: ANZAC BALL 2008



# Board News



**L-R: Robert (Bob) Willis, Peter Croser**

## Change of Chairman

At the June Board meeting and for personal reasons, Peter Bridge formally resigned from the role of Chairman of the Foundation but will continue as a member of the Board. Robert (Bob) Willis, then Deputy Chair, was appointed Chairman and Peter Croser was appointed Deputy Chair.

## Strategic Directions

In May the Foundation held an important strategic planning day that brought together Board members and other key stakeholders to set the future direction and create a Vision for 2020. An outcome of the session was that in addition to the Grant Funding for medical

research and patient care projects benefiting veterans and patients at the Repat, the Foundation will also focus on funding medical research projects related to the health of current Defence personnel. We acknowledge the generosity of accounting and consulting firm, Deloitte, for the use of their boardroom facilities, and Donny Walford for her professional facilitation of the day's activities and outcomes.

## 2008 Annual General Meeting

Will be held on Monday 17th November 2008 at 10.00am in the SPF Hall in the grounds of the Repatriation General Hospital. ■

## 3rd Health Battalion Donation to FDP

On Sunday, 21st September the 3rd Health Support Battalion based at Keswick Barracks held a ceremonial Church Parade at Saint Augustine's Anglican Church, Unley. Church Parades are a unique military tradition in the Australian Defence Force and on this occasion provided an opportunity to showcase the Battalion. The Parade acknowledged the contribution of past and present members in support of Australian service men and women deployed overseas, and marked the last time that the Banner of the late Colonel in Chief, Royal Australian Army Medical Corps banner (Queen Mother's Banner) would be paraded before being laid up. The Battalion generously nominated Foundation Daw Park and the Leukaemia Foundation as the beneficiaries of the collection taken following the service. ■



**L-R: Lieutenant Colonel Susan Neuhaus, Commanding Officer, 3rd Health Battalion, Keswick Barracks presenting Foundation Daw Park Chairman, Bob Willis, with a cheque representing the proceeds from donations made at the St Augustine's Church Parade**

## Corporate Boardroom Luncheon: Tuesday, 23rd September 2008

Law Firm, **DLA Phillips Fox** and Accounting Consulting Firm, **mhm** co-sponsored a high profile boardroom luncheon on behalf of Foundation Daw Park. Professor Alexander (Sandy) McFarlane, Head of the University of Adelaide Node of the Centre for Military and Veteran Health was the Guest Speaker; his topic "Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome". The luncheon was chaired by Foundation Chairman, Robert Willis, and coincided with the media announcement that the Foundation will be providing research funding to directly benefit recent veterans from the Australian Defence Force. ■



**L-R: Professor Alexander (Sandy) McFarlane – Head, Centre of Military & Veteran Health, University of Adelaide Node; John Hood - Managing Partner, mhm; Dr Linda McCarthy - Director, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder Unit, Repatriation General Hospital; Peter Buberis - Partner, DLA Phillips Fox**

## In The Navy!

Foundation Daw Park welcomed special guests to The Repat in July during Navy Week.

Personnel from **HMAS Ballarat** took time out of their busy schedule to tour the hospital, visit patients and enjoy a morning tea with Navy Veterans. It was a wonderful opportunity for past and present officers and personnel to share stories.

Lieutenant Tristan Heriter, Leading Seaman Owen Harris, Able Seaman Ellisa Matthews and Leading Seaman Dave Richardson along with Commander Craig Pritchard are pictured here with Repat patient Mervyn Bennett. ■



## PROUD SUPPORTERS OF THE FOUNDATION



2008 Telethon Distinctive Home And Land Lottery



You could Win this house for just \$5!

Valued at over \$450,000, the home is located at The Avenue WESTWOOD (formerly Cambridge Street, Athol Park)

It's just \$25.00 for a Book of 6 tickets - or \$5 each.

Books or individual tickets can be purchased via our website: [www.foundationdawpark.org.au](http://www.foundationdawpark.org.au) or by calling the Foundation office on (08) 8275 1039

Fundraising Friends



The Foundation thanks all National Pharmacies stores and Optical Outlets for their support during our Iris Pin campaign in April.

Thank you too to the RSL Clubs in SA who have been collecting loose change throughout August and September. Our Loose Change campaign has been a wonderful success and will help to support medical research and patient care here at The Repat.

Facial hair was the focus for fundraising when the male staff in Occupational Therapy, Physio and Social Work at the Repat ditched the razors in the name of Prostate Cancer research.

The hirsute males of RGH Allied Health grew moustaches, goatees and beards to raise awareness and money for Prostate Cancer research; Senior physiotherapist **Greg Osborne** (pictured) was the eventual winner with this 'Max Walker' style mo'.



Mo' growers donated \$5 to enter the "competition" then Allied Health workers were encouraged to vote and donate for their favourite Mo'.

Thanks to all the moustache-growing males and staff in Allied Health for a fabulous effort in raising \$187 for FDP.

DIARY DATES:

'Australia' - Movie Night Monday 1 December 2008  
ANZAC Gala Ball - Saturday 18th April 2009

Donor Morning Tea



L-R: Foundation Daw Park Chairman Bob Willis, Mayor of the City of Mitcham, Ivan Brooks, Dr John Costi, Ray Buttery, Christine Jenner and Graham Cornes

Foundation Daw Park Patron, Graham Cornes and Chairman, Bob Willis welcomed some of our strongest supporters to a special morning tea held in August. It was a wonderful opportunity for people to meet our researchers and hear of the work that benefits from the generosity of our donors.

**Dr John Costi**, Head of the Research Management Committee at The Repat, provided an update on the most recently funded research projects and highlighted the importance of research here at The Repat.

**Graham Cornes** spoke passionately about the history of The Repat and the care provided to veterans and the South Australian community; and **Bob Willis** updated everyone on how the bequests we have received in recent years have provided a significant boost to our ability to fund projects at The Repat.

Our special thanks go to Andrew and Yvonne from **Scoterworld** for their support of this special presentation.

Remembrance Day Business Breakfast

The 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month: Remembrance Day - a moment in time when Australians unite in silence to remember.

Foundation Daw Park will partner with the Australia Israel Chamber of Commerce for a very special event on Friday 7 November in the Banquet Room of the Adelaide Festival Centre - The Remembrance Day Business Breakfast.

Contributing to this memorable morning will be the recitation of The Ode by State RSL President, **Jock Statton OAM**; bugler **Alwin Kidney** will play the last Post and the Rouse; **Ashleigh Bickerton** from Aberfoyle Park High School will sing the National Anthem, and thanks to **Deloitte** the **Bacchanalia String Quartet** will perform the powerful and emotive composition ANZAC by South Australian composer **Grant Sheridan**.

Foundation Daw Park would like to acknowledge and thank our event partners - **NAB Health, University of South Australia, Repat Radiology** and **Fish Recruiting**.

For further details about our Remembrance Day Business Breakfast, or to book a table, please visit our website [www.foundationdawpark.org.au](http://www.foundationdawpark.org.au) or phone us on 8275 1039.

PROUD SUPPORTERS OF THE FOUNDATION



# Executive Director's Message

For more information on the Foundation, what we are doing, what's happening and when, please visit our website: [www.foundationdawpark.org.au](http://www.foundationdawpark.org.au)



**Chris Jenner**  
Executive Director

Life continues to be very dynamic and fast-paced here at Foundation Daw

**Park; with the support of our Board members, Patrons, Sponsors and Donors, and the Executive Team at The Repat we are achieving milestones on our strategic journey to a relevant and meaningful future.**

Events and campaigns introduced since the April newsletter have been important contributors to achieving our fundraising goals and operational budget this year. In particular:

- our wonderful donors contributed over \$60,000 in response to the letter associated with the April newsletter, and

- our inaugural ANZAC Commemoration Gala Ball made a profit of over \$40,000 thanks to our sponsors, patrons, guests, team members and volunteers.

As has been mentioned in the "Board News", as part of its strategic future the Foundation has committed to funding medical research projects associated with the health and wellbeing of veterans and serving personnel. This is an exciting step for the Foundation; building on the Grants Program we fund at The Repat, this new commitment will contribute to our continuing relevance,

credibility and sustainability as an organisation. The relationships we have with the 3rd Health Battalion based at Keswick Barracks, the Centre for Military and Veteran Health based at the University of Adelaide, the South Australian Universities and The Repat will all be important in establishing this new program.

As we continue to grow, review older programs and integrate new concepts, we continue to appreciate the value of our volunteers. We highly value their contribution to the culture and tone of the Foundation; their commitment and sense of fun makes a real difference not only to our team, but to all who visit our office. If readers would like to join our team of volunteers please phone Brenda – or "BJ" as she prefers to be called – on 8275 1039; she will be delighted to speak with you and answer any questions you may have.

In closing, the Foundation Team wishes you and your families all the very best for the coming festive season and New Year. ■

## Consider making a Bequest to Foundation Daw Park to benefit patient care at The Repat

When you make a bequest to Foundation Daw Park you enhance the Foundation's ability to fund medical research and patient care projects at Repatriation General Hospital.

Making a bequest is not difficult; it can be general whereby the Foundation Board allocates the funds wherever the need is greatest, or it can be specific whereby you select the specific area of medical research, or nominate a special project that is important to you and your family.

For more information about making a bequest, contact the Foundation's office on: 08 8275 1039 or visit our website: [www.foundationdawpark.org.au](http://www.foundationdawpark.org.au).

## In Memoriam Gifts We gratefully acknowledge gifts recently given in memory of:

Mrs Dorothy Barbara Barnard  
Mr Clement Raymond [Clem] Behn  
Mrs Johanna Boeff  
Mr Ronald Leslie Shelton Buttery  
Mr Kevin James Clancey  
Mrs Ethel Daley  
Mr Purnal Frederick Davies  
Mr Noel Deaves  
Mrs Pauline Deaves

Mr Raymond Joseph [Wally] Ellis  
Mr David Faggotter  
Mr Ronald Campbell Fowler  
Mrs Elizabeth Catherine (Betty) Halliday  
Mrs Lesley Marie (Sally) Holliday  
Mr Allan Pearson Huggett  
Mr Robert Glenroy [Glen] Jamieson  
Mr Mervyn Keith Kruger

Mr Petar Lazarevich  
Mrs Janice Rosemary Marshall  
Mr L C Martin  
Mr Reginald John Mayes  
Mr William Henry [Bill] Mercer  
Mrs Tracy Helen Melville  
Mr Charles Richard [Dick] Morris  
Mrs Margaret Jean Muller  
Mr Norman Ernest Owens

Mr Keith Walter Patching  
Mr Wilfred Thomas Pride  
Mrs Lynette Rayner  
Mrs Marjorie Ethel Richardson  
Mr Max Ruediger  
Mr William Ralph Sampson  
Mr Leonard Maxwell [Lennie] Schulze  
Dr Prabha Seshadri

Mrs Betty Isobel Ruth Stacey  
Mr Joseph Theodore [Theo] Stagbouer  
Mr Howard (Sam) Starling  
Mrs Barbara Statton  
Mr Maxwell Donnell (Max) Swaffer  
Mr Wilbur John (Bert) von Bertouch  
Mr Graham Wigg

Our care for our fellow man includes the hope that our efforts in this life may bring benefits to others long after we are gone.

We are also grateful for donations given to our work to honour special birthdays and anniversaries:

Mr Ernest & Mrs Mary Bradley – 60th Wedding Anniversary.

### Vale – Helen Sykorra



Foundation Daw Park fondly remembers a committed volunteer, Helen Sykorra who passed away in August.

Helen is remembered for her sense of humour, fun and dedication to raising funds for medical research at the Repat; a wonderful lady who will be truly missed. ■

### Vale – Ernest Routley

Foundation Daw Park acknowledges the recent passing of Mr Ernest Routley.

Mr Routley was a wonderfully generous supporter of the Foundation making a significant financial gift in 2005. Through this generosity **The Routley Awards** were created enabling the Foundation to provide funding for a number of equipment and project needs, including bariatric wheelchairs, patient relaxation therapy and a study for patients with communication disabilities.

Ern Routley's legacy will remain within the Foundation and we will continue to honour his name through the Routley Awards. ■