



SUNNYBANK
COMMUNITY & SPORTS CLUB

COMMUNITY GRANTS

Helping our community.

Making a difference together:
Reporting on initiatives in 2009

Where would Queensland be without its community clubs?

Almost 1000 not-for-profit community clubs are operating in Queensland, providing 3.48 million members, plus visitors, with family-friendly facilities and affordable services. They are required to reinvest all profits from gaming and their entertainment, beverages and meals operations for the benefit of members and the community.

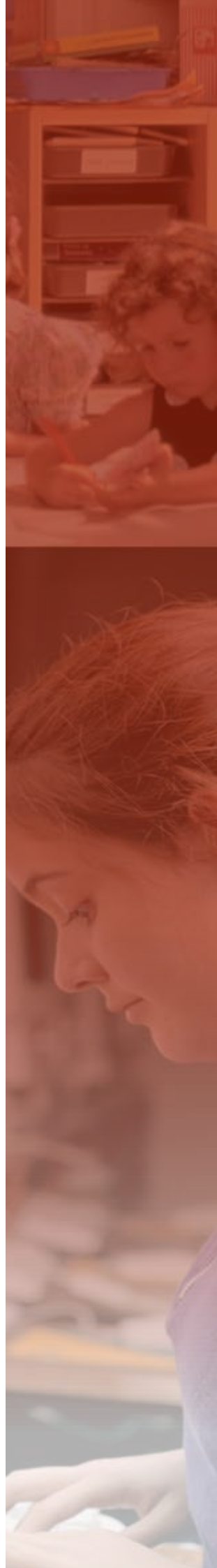
That means your community club is doing much more than offering a wide range of sport, leisure activities and entertainment ... they're helping to put money back into your neighborhood and making a difference to local charities, community groups and sporting clubs.

Community clubs benefit their membership, their communities and Queensland as a whole through:

- Community giving – cash and in kind
- Providing, maintaining and improving community assets for public use
- Employment
- Grass roots sports support
- Volunteer labour
- Gaming machine taxes and levies



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939 clubs...
3.48 million members...
What's it worth* each year?

Direct benefits: **\$668 million**

Revenue: **\$1.895 billion**

Total assets: **\$2.424 billion**

Community assets (at replacement value): **\$1.776 billion**

State taxes and levies: **\$377 million**

Employees: **\$26,900**

Contractors: **3,400**

Volunteers: **35,500**

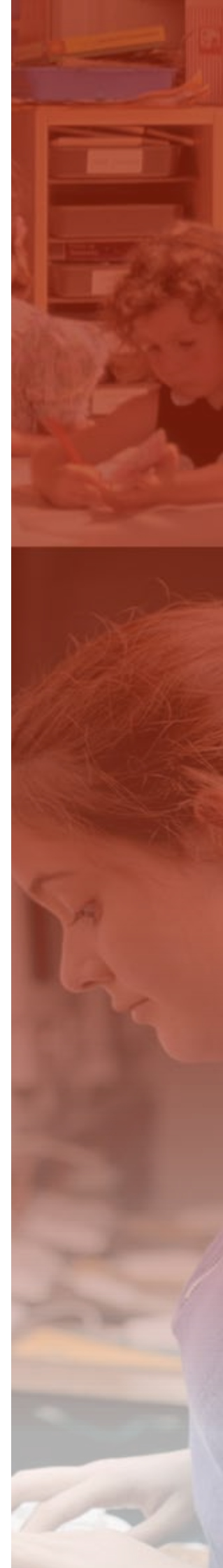
Volunteer hours: **4.83 million** (equivalent to 2,998 full time jobs)

Hours of sport and leisure activities provided: **51.65 million**

*See SEIS Profile for full details



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Sunnybank Community & Sports Club Community Grants Program

The dictionary defines the word community as 'a feeling of fellowship with others, sharing common attitudes, interests and goals.'

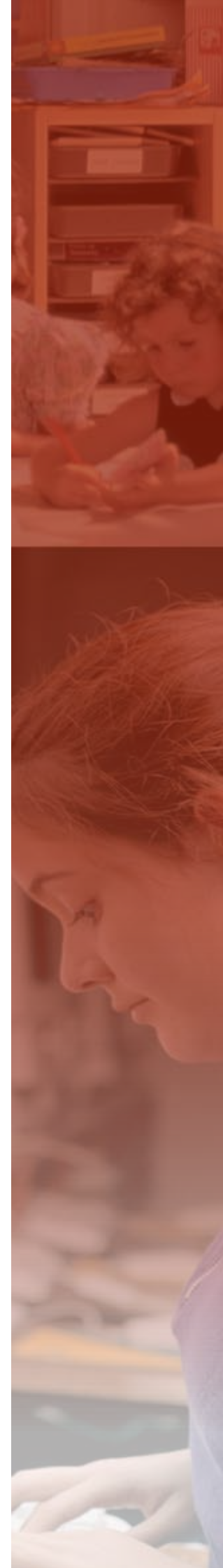
At Sunnybank Community & Sports Club we are very proud to be a member of a caring, inclusive community giving whole-hearted support to initiatives that bring measurable benefits to many people.

That outlook is the foundation of our Community Grants Program. Established in 2006, it allocates funds to numerous non-profit community, sporting and recreational organisations in our area. Grant recipients are chosen on the basis of their support for innovative responses to identified community issues; giving children an opportunity to participate in sport based on the values of fairness and fun; or assisting in the development of local community skills and access.

We are delighted that our Club's Community Grants Program is growing every year, giving us real scope to assist financially in promoting, supporting and encouraging the social and economic growth of our community.



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Community Grants for 2009

Throughout the year, the Club continued to help a diverse range of applicants through our Community Grants Program. Along with commitments made in previous years, directors of the Club also gave careful consideration to numerous new requests and recommendations for support.

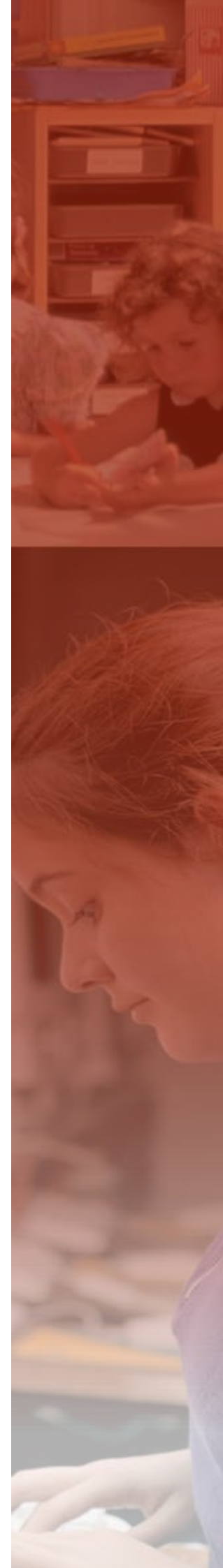
Football Contributions for 2009:

◦ Grants to football club for staff wages	\$363,635
◦ Funding for ground, electricity, water, grounds person etc	\$210,949
◦ QRFSU	\$25,000
◦ Funding to assist Browns Plains Junior Rugby Club	\$10,000

A Development Application will soon be lodged for possible future expansion of the rugby facility to incorporate further seating, shade cover of this seating, extra office facilities and potentially a gym facility, for the development of the Club's dedicated footballers.

Some of the smaller contributions for the year are:

◦ St Stephen's School – teaching aids for their library	\$6,898
◦ Runcorn State High School/Variety – interactive whiteboard	\$6,360
◦ Australian Huntington's Disease Qld – family day relief	\$5,400
◦ Runcorn Swimming Club – sponsorship of winter training	\$5,000
◦ Mt Gravatt State Special School/Variety – cold room for training	\$5,000
◦ Rochedale St Vincent de Paul Conference – Christmas hampers	\$5,000
◦ MacGregor Netball Association – sponsorship of state league teams	\$3,000
◦ Danielle Stewart/Disability Services – purchase of wheelchair	\$2,710
◦ Cerebral Palsy League/Variety – Convaid cruiser	\$2,500
◦ Macgregor Primary School – sponsorship of Kids Fun Run	\$1,000
◦ Student Care Welfare – school diaries	\$1,500
◦ Donation towards a QuoCka reading program	\$1,000
◦ Our Lady of Fatima Primary School – welcome barbeque for school families	\$500



\$100,000 over 5 years for Talking Through Toys

For 10 years now, the Sunnybank Community & Sports Club has had a proud association with Student Care Welfare. We began by supporting their Homework Diaries Program. Following on from this success, we made a contribution in 2007 of \$10,000 to support the Talking Through Toys Program.

Almost immediately it became clear there was an ever-increasing need for this vital program. Consequently, the Club devoted \$100,000 over 5 years to help sustain this hugely important work in the fight against drugs and child abuse. Talking Through Toys gives youngsters aged around six to nine a gentle yet powerful way to convey what they want to say, and receive the help they need in a positive, non-judgmental environment.

Student Care Welfare works to help young Queenslanders to overcome their problems, find happiness and fulfil their dreams. The Club is pleased to sustain its commitment to such a valuable program.



*Rhegan, Charles Wheeler (Student Care Welfare) & Brooklyn
checking out one of the Talking through Toys Bears*



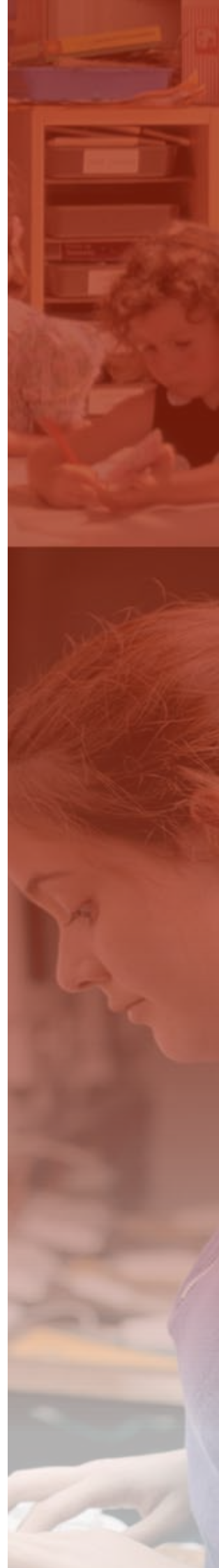
\$150,000 grant over five years to the Centre Education Program

The Club was pleased to be able to provide a grant of \$30,000 per year for five years to the Centre Education Program, to help in a crucial Family Work Project with young people who are disenfranchised and disengaged from education.

Building honest and authentic relationships with these young people and their families, and strong links for them into their communities, are essential to achieve the best holistic outcomes.

The Club's grant has been applied to the essential employment of a part-time Family Worker, the provision of sectional workers and other resources.

Centre Education Program is part of the Edmund Rice Education Australia Flexible Learning Centre Network.



\$15,000 helps to change a family's life

It's enormously rewarding to know how much difference the Club's support can make to people's lives. One of the most moving requests we received in 2009 was from Larry Fletcher of Disability Services Queensland, on behalf of Mathew Holland and his family.

Mathew, his sister Leah and their mother Anne had to live in a roughly converted downstairs garage for five years. That's because 15 year old Mathew has Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD) and relies on an electric wheelchair for mobility. State Government funds allowed a lift to be installed after four years, giving access to the upstairs living area. But the bathroom and toilet were still not accessible for Mathew.

Living in the garage had a negative impact on the health and wellbeing of the whole family. DMD also meant Mathew was housebound, since the only way he could leave his home was in a maxi cab. A van with a ramp that could lift an electric wheelchair was the answer, but the price put it out of the question for the Hollands.

Hearing that Kuraby Lions and Crescents of Brisbane were raising money towards the cost of the urgently needed bathroom modifications, the Club was happy to offer its support, too. We also funded the purchase of a second-hand van, including the cost of registration and insurance. As well, the Club set aside a \$2,500 fund to meet incidental vehicle costs for the first 12 months.

In all, The Club was delighted to be able to contribute \$15,000 towards making life easier for Mathew and his family.

Kuraby Lions also raised a significant amount of money towards the cost of making the changes to the house that would allow Mathew, Anne and Leah to move out of the garage and into the house proper. Variety was also involved in this partnership, contributing to the purchase of a LIKO Light that allows Mathew to receive water therapy at the local pool.



*Michael Callaghan (General Manager)
Peter Carroll (Club President) Anne Holland
and Mathew Holland at the presentation.*

Bringing sunshine to more than 40 local families

The Club revved up its partnership with Variety Queensland Inc in 2009, helping to buy a \$50,000 Sunshine Coach for Autism Queensland's Respite and Accommodation Service.

The Club donated \$25,000 and Variety contributed a further \$20,000 towards the cost of the Toyota Tarago. Autism Queensland provided the final \$5,000 to 'get the show on the road'.

The Respite Service currently supports more than forty families in the Greater Brisbane region, travelling up to 40,000kms each year to transport children and adults to school and accommodation houses. It gives families a chance to enjoy leisure time without the stress of challenging behaviours and complex special needs. "It is of great importance that these families experience this encouraging break to revitalise their spirits and regain energy," said Paula Davidson, Autism Queensland Manager Fundraising and Marketing. "That's why it was essential that a reliable van was operational. Thanks to Variety Queensland and Sunnybank Community & Sports Club, this vital support service can now continue."

"In 2009, Variety Queensland was able to have a positive effect on the lives of more than 30,000 children in need," said Variety Queensland CEO Les Riley. The Club is delighted to work alongside our valued partner Variety, supporting their untiring efforts on behalf of so many sick, disabled and disadvantaged children in the community.



Samantha Shumack Variety Qld Appeals & Grants Coordinator Paula Davidson Autism Qld Manager Fundraising Michael Callaghan General Manger Sunnybank Community & Sports Club

\$30,000 a year is a wonderful Kidstart

The Club approved a grant of \$30,000 a year, for three years, to Autism Queensland's new Kidstart Programs.

Autism is a neuron-biological condition that affects one in every 160 children in Australia. Youngsters with autism have problems communicating, socialising, processing information and adapting to changes in their environment. The Kidstart Outreach Early Intervention Programs focus on communication, behavioural issues and daily skills. They help parents to understand autism, develop strategies for their children, provide access to therapists and guidance.

Autism Queensland is the lead agency in the provision of targeted services to people living with autism at all stages of life. Along with early intervention, the services provided include education and therapy, family support, respite, accommodation support, outreach support and information.



Valerie Preston - Coordinator Children's Services; Frances Scodellaro - Manager Innovation & Development Children's Services; Penny Beeston - CEO Autism Qld; Les Riley CEO Variety Qld; Paula Davidson - Manager Fundraising; Michael Callaghan - General Manger Sunnybank Community & Sports Club.



Emergency food vouchers and Christmas hampers

Over recent years the Club has built up productive relationships with two of our local St Vincent de Paul Conferences. It's a pleasure to report that these went from strength to strength during 2009.

The Club has established a very worthwhile program with the Sunnybank Our Lady of Lourdes Parish of the St Vincent de Paul Society. President of the Conference, Theresa Bake, explained that \$10,000 contributed by the Club allowed them to make a real difference to needy families – providing much-needed shopping vouchers for food and other essential items. Theresa also noted that the Club's generous support meant the dollar value of the vouchers could be increased, easing the burden on these families for basic items on a weekly basis.

A further \$5,000 from the Club brought the joy of Christmas to life for more families coping with difficult times. These funds were allocated for food hampers and toys for St Vincent de Paul Rochedale Conference. President Tony Hamill said that the Christmas holiday season was transformed for many local families, thanks to the food hampers and toys purchased through the Club's contribution.



Tom Hamill - St Vincent de Paul accepting the cheque from Michael Callaghan - General Manager Sunnybank Community & Sports Club



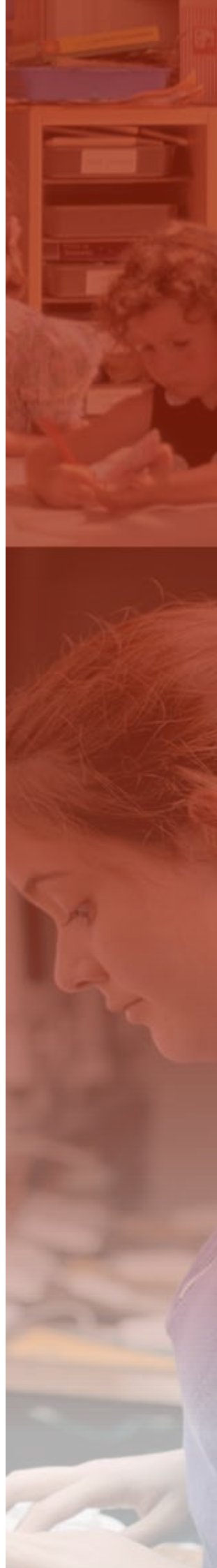
Mater Little Miracles

In 2009, the Club was once again very proud to continue contributing to the magnificent work of Mater Little Miracles and its R.O.B.I.N. Unit.

R.O.B.I.N. (Rehabilitation Of children with acquired Brain Injuries and Neuromuscular disorders) is there for children who – due to accidents, sporting injuries or illness – have suffered a brain or spinal injury. R.O.B.I.N. provides the intensive help they need to relearn basic tasks like walking, eating and talking.

During 2009 funds were also allocated to paediatric research. It's a sad fact that children who come into hospital with illnesses, diseases and injuries often need life support to aid with their recovery.

The Paediatric Critical Care Research Group at Mater Children's Hospital is engaged in research that focuses on life support, congenital heart disease and traumatic brain injury in children. As a result, new techniques have been developed which reduce the chance of death and long term brain damage in children on life support. In the four short years since this research program began, not one child has died from acute respiratory distress at Mater Children's Hospital..



MacGregor/Souths Cricket Club

The Club's contribution of \$15,000 in 2007 to MacGregor/South Cricket Club will soon be visible to everyone, when its new clubhouse and pavilion are officially opened in D.M. Henderson Park.

Along with other sponsors and contributors, the Club's donation added up to sufficient funds for MacGregor/South to expand their plans and build a new structure with amenities and storage underneath. This meant the original building could be reconfigured as a clubhouse with a canteen and small function room.

It has been very rewarding to play our part in MacGregor/Souths drive to improve their cricket facilities and to see the ensuing increase in both involvement and skills of junior and senior players.



MacGregor Netball Association

It was a red letter day for the MacGregor Netball Association when their new amenities building was officially opened in July 2009.

The Club salutes the great work of the Association and their ongoing efforts to advance netball in the area. It was a pleasure to lend our support to a project that benefits the players, coaches and everyone involved with MacGregor Netball.

Membership numbers continue to grow and the Association reports that 2009 was a very busy and successful season.



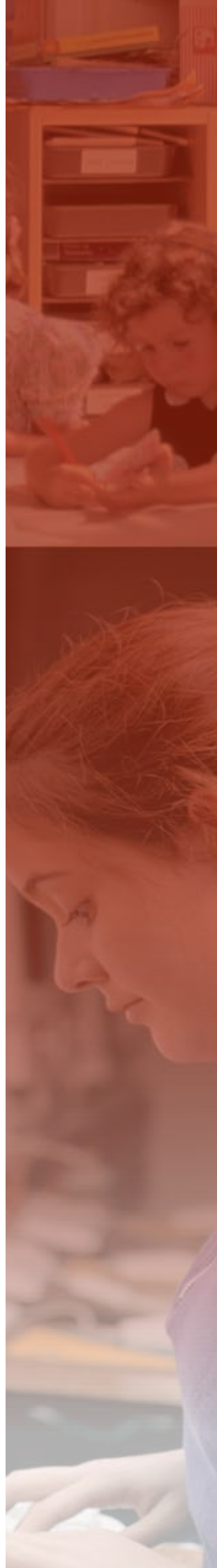
Home and Not Alone Program

As the old saying goes, nothing succeeds like success and it is satisfying to report that the Home and Not Alone Program expanded throughout 2009.

The Club has committed \$100,000 to this very constructive program over five years, at \$20,000 per year, in a productive partnership with Centacare Aged Care Project. Part of the Lady of Lourdes Parish, Centacare implements and administers the program, which commenced in 2007, on the Club's behalf.

Personal safety devices have been the most utilised feature of Home and Not Alone during 2009: supplied, installed and monitored through the program. Maintaining independence is a valued achievement for many older people, and something as simple as a personal safety monitor often inspires an increased sense of wellbeing and enthusiasm. It's impossible to put a price on a feeling of security, or the knowledge that help is close if it's needed.

Making this grant also means that senior support workers can be a valuable link between vulnerable people and the community. The support workers keep in touch through weekly phone calls, take responsibility for installing the safety devices, provide information about other available services and serve as a point of contact in times of need.



Supporting Multicap to support people with multiple disabilities

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Michael Callaghan General Manager- Sunnybank Community & Sports Club handing over the keys to CEO Joe Jessop of Multicap with Graham Oldham - Managing Director of the Oldmac Group



Community Integration Program

An initiative the Club is very proud of is Community Integration Program – Where East Meets West. The program is implemented and administered by the Cathay Association, which works tirelessly to promote the integration of Asian members of our community.

The Club is committed to this cause, assigning \$50,000 over five years at \$10,000 per year. Our support is helping to fund basic computer/internet training, DVDs and English language books, subsidised refreshments at the Home Care group's functions, bus tours, and much-appreciated gifts for seniors at Christmas, Chinese New Year and Moon Festival.



Left to right: At Cathay Community Association's Christmas Dinner, Eva and Kee Cheung, Peter Low, Consul General Ren Gongjing, Ken Cheung and Peter Carroll, President SC & SC.



Left to right: Enjoying drinks at the Premier's Chinese New Year Reception at the Speaker's Green, Parliament House, Superintendent Gayle Hogan from Asian Task Force, Ralph Seta, Frank Lee, Consul Wu from the Consul General's Office and Ken Cheung from Cathay CA.





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