

THE AUSSIE HANDS FOUNDATION INC

PUBLIC OFFICER'S REPORT

2005

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT - MEMBERSHIP 2005

G Serpell	President
E Serpell	Public Officer, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary
M Campbell	Event Manager
M Bresciani	Multi-Media Consultant
M Winter	Marketing/Financial Consultant

Parent Reps: S & A Browne, M Campbell, J Mohn

J Duncan - Occupational Therapist (Royal Children's Hospital) has agreed to continue to remain liaison person, offering advice on Occupational Therapy services and pass relevant Aussie Hands information/requests from Aussie Hands to Hand Surgeons and patients visiting the Hand Clinic at the Royal Children's Hospital, Melbourne.

GRANTS

<i>Date</i>	<i>Funding Organisation</i>	<i>RESULT</i>	<i>Amount</i>
1 Aug 2004	Volunteer Small Equipment Grants Round 2	SUCCESSFUL	\$3280.82
25 Aug 2004	Lord Mayor's Charitable Fund	SUCCESSFUL	\$2000
25 Aug 2004	Freemasons Public Charitable Foundation	UNSUCCESSFUL	
15 Nov 2004	Tattersalls	UNSUCCESSFUL	
22 Apr 2005	The Jack Brockhoff Foundation	SUCCESSFUL	\$1500
23 May 2005	Volunteer Small Equipment Grant Round 1	UNSUCCESSFUL	
12 May 2005	The Genetic Support Network of Victoria	SUCCESSFUL	\$200

As agreed by the Board, Moya White was invited to assist in grant preparation for the Foundation, but unfortunately did not respond.

EVENTS

On the 20th of November, Paul Jamieson 'The Music Man' entertained children at The Maritime Union of Australia. It was a very successful event. Photos distributed for viewing at the AGM.

FUNDRAISING

On Saturday 4th of June, Gary hosted a Trivia Night for Quota International. Quota donated \$200 for Gary's preparation and professional hosting/presentation at the Trivia Night. Quota successfully raised over \$1000 for their Foundation.

On Friday 10th of June, Penleigh and Essendon Grammar School organised a 'social service' day. All students in the Boys Junior School wore casual clothes and paid \$2. A total of \$1100 was raised and donated to Aussie Hands (this amount included a \$250 cheque from a student's family).

On behalf of the Board I would like to thank Gary for his fundraising efforts for the Foundation.

FINANCE

A big thank you to Nunzio Panella from the Oxford Accounting Group who prepared our Taxation Statement for the year ending 30 June 2005. Income and Expenditure Reports to be circulated at the AGM. I am very grateful to Nunzio who has donated his services once again to the Foundation.

RMIT

Logo, Brochure, Stationery and Website were designed by RMIT - Project completed August 2004. Stationery printed by Franklin Digital, Sunshine in July 2005. Special thanks to Mery-Anne Winter for her expertise in proofreading and advising on the text for the stationery. Stationery circulated for viewing at the AGM. Board Members to receive their Business Cards at the AGM.

EQUIPMENT

ADOBE ILLUSTRATOR which has been installed for M Bresciani for the website.
MOBILE PHONE (0432 442 670) donated by Mery-Anne Winter, Sherlock Home Loans
NORTON UPGRADE ANTIVIRUS for WIN2

ACHIEVEMENTS

Fundraiser - increased awareness and raised \$4700 (thanks due to Melissa Campbell)
Four out of seven grant applications submitted were successful.

Courses attended by the President and Vice President

- Endorsement for charity tax concessions
- Taking the 'Grrr' out of Grants
- Making Campaigns Work
- Media Basics
- ABS Information session

GOALS 2006

BROCHURE

Commence distribution (approx 8,000)	Dec 2005→
Commence further printing	Jun 2006→

WEBSITE

Launch	Nov 2005
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DATABASE

Formulate/Design/Set-up	Jan 2006→
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

HOTKEY has donated once again internet access to the Foundation - for this, I am very grateful to Noel Pricor, HOTKEY Monash.

Fiona McClure who volunteered many hours on her computer in preparing Version 1 for professional editor Mick Kannegiesser from Digital Environs. Mick also volunteered many hours editing 2 versions of the Website before handing over to Marco Bresciani.

In closing, I would like to thank Board members for their contribution(s) over the last year - particularly to Mery-Anne Winter, Marco Bresciani and Melissa Campbell.

I hope that we can continue to work well together again in 2005-2006 to further enhance the aims and objectives of the Aussie Hands Foundation.

MISSION STATEMENT

To provide support for children and adults with hand differences by giving advice on appropriate education programs, special equipment, medical and community resources.

Elizabeth Serpell
Public Officer
23 September 2005