



FRIENDS OF THE SWAN HILL HOSPITAL NEWS

The Swan Hill District Health Ladies Auxiliary held their Annual General Meeting (AGM) this week. A new constitution was presented and all agreed upon the name of the group to be changed from “Ladies Auxiliary” to “Friends of the Swan Hill Hospital”. The new name promotes inclusiveness of all SHDH volunteers.

The group also presented a cheque for \$35,000 to SHDH. It was agreed that these funds will go towards a new industrial dishwasher worth approx. \$150,000. A new dishwasher will enable higher efficiency, enhance Occupational Health and Safety conditions, as well as further improve infection control.



Pictured: Peter Abraham (CEO), Lorna Cooke (President of Friends of Swan Hill Hospital) and Rosanne Kava (Chair, Board of Directors SHDH)

SUB ACUTE CARE SERVICES NEWS

On Wednesday 7th August 2019, Mark Gepp MP officially opened the new Sub Acute Care Service. Thank you to everyone who was able to attend (at short notice), and to everyone who was involved in making the day happen!

The new Sub Acute Care Service welcomed its first patient in May 2019. The service cost approx. \$2,860,000 and was funded partly by the generous donations from a local community group called ‘Swan Hill Hospice Committee’, Freemasons Victoria and, the Department of Health and Human Services.



CHEMOTHERAPY NEWS

On 21st March 2019, the Kennedy's Showcase Jeweller's Fay Ayson Memorial Pink Day was held at Murray Downs Golf and Country Club. 76 ladies competed and their green fees were donated by Murray Downs Golf and Country Club. Approximately \$1,373.00 was raised through raffle proceeds on the day. Funds raised from the event, along with a contribution from 'The Golden Girls' golf group were donated to Swan Hill District Health Chemotherapy Services.

On 1st August 2019, we had some of the 'Golden Girls' golf group visit our Chemotherapy Services. Our nurses were able to show them what the money was spent on and thank them for their generosity. The money was used to purchase a much-needed laptop.



THEATRE NEWS

In 2018 the Swan Hill District Health Ladies Auxiliary raised an incredible \$132,000. The money went towards the purchase of several items for theatre including, a flexible endoscope, a flexible urology cystoscope, a trolley to store scopes, and a wide screen monitor.

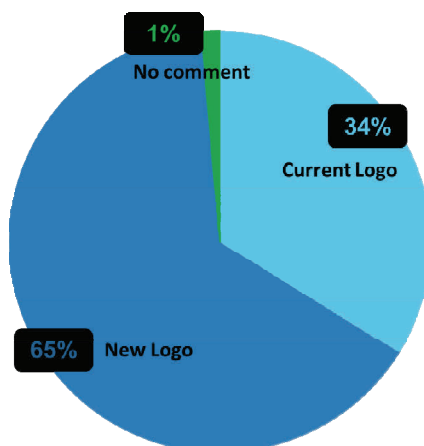
In June 2019 members of the Ladies Auxiliary visited SHDH to meet with Donna Hartland (Theatre Nurse Unit Manager) and Shebin Poulose (Clinical Nurse Specialist). During their visit Donna and Shebin showed the ladies the new equipment, thanked them for their hard work and chatted about future needs.



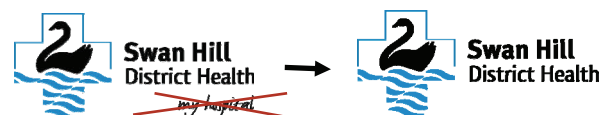
Pictured: Lorna Cooke , Shebin Poulose (CNS) Donna Hartland (NUM), Isabel Proctor, Wendy Rayment

LOGO NEWS

Earlier this year a project was conducted to investigate what people thought about our logo. Over 145 people from key stakeholder groups gave feedback and these were the results.



Whilst a complete new logo/brand may be the appropriate direction to take in the future – due to the current financial climate and impending time sensitive activities it has been decided to move forward using our current logo without the *my hospital* tag.

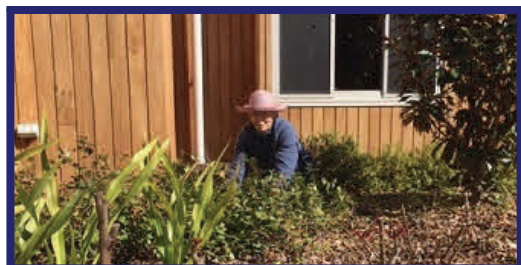


Thank you to everyone who provided feedback, your input was greatly appreciated.

LOGAN LODGE NEWS

New volunteer gardener Jill Martin has been trimming and revamping the gardens at Logan Lodge.

It is an amazing transformation.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS NEWS

Swan Hill District Health (SHDH) is pleased to announce that Janice Kelly was appointed to the Board Directors on the 1st July, 2019. Janice is originally from the UK and now lives in Woomelang with her husband and three children.

Janice is a highly versatile, ethically focused, self-motivated Chartered Accountant with over 30 years' experience across a variety of roles in the business, government and not for profit sectors. She has worked in the agricultural sector for the last 25 years both as a partner in the family farm and working in local agribusinesses. She is committed to diversity and inclusion in all areas of business and community.

Ian Ray and Dr John Christie terms have expired and over the years have achieved the following:

Mr Ian Ray

Ian Ray first joined the Board on 1st July 2008. Over his 11 years of dedication Ian had membership on various Board Committees. Most consistently was his role on Physical Resources, Audit and CQI Committees. In recent years he added enormous value to our Communications and Marketing Committee and our Consumer Advisory Committee. It must be acknowledged that Ian efficiently held the role of Vice President of the Board for several years during his term. Ian's dedication to SHDH and his passion for our community was made evident at all times.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2019 - 2020

Dr John Christie

Dr John Christie joined the Board on 1st July 2013 after serving many years as SHDH's Medical Administrator. His time on the Board included membership on various clinical meetings, most consistently the CQI Committee meetings. Dr Christie was part of the inaugural membership for our Primary Health Medical Centre and continued to be a strong advocate for its success. Dr Christie was a valuable contributor at all meetings at SHDH.



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Director



A/Prof Deborah Colville
Director



Ms. Emma Liepa
Director



Mrs. Julie Wiggins
Director



Mrs. Janice Kelly
Director

ACUTE WARD NEWS

In September two members from the Swan Hill Inner Wheel and a member from the Swan Hill Rotary Club presented the Acute Ward with a cheque for \$4,059.00. The donation will be used to purchase a much needed, new Vital Signs monitor.

Money was raised through the Inner Wheel by hosting a film night, doing raffles and with contribution from the Rotary Club.

A big thank you to the Inner Wheel and Rotary Club!

Our Acute Ward nurses were very thankful to receive a new Bladder Scanner in August 2019.

Money raised from the 2019 SHDH Golf and Bowls day held in February funded the new machine.

Pictured: Carla Dolphin, Manju Mathew, Lindal Wilson and Rhonda Gallagher.



OPEN GARDEN DAY

A date for the annual Open Garden Day was announced and will be held on Sunday 20th October, 2019 from 12.30pm to 5pm.



HOSPITAL INFORMATION DESK

We are seeking more volunteers to assist at the information desk at the front of the hospital on Mondays and Fridays.

Morning shift 10am to 12.30pm

Afternoon shift 12.30pm to 3pm



If you have any questions or want some more information, contact: **Marie Martin | Consumer Engagement Officer**

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