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The Primary Club of Australia will be holding its Annual General Meeting at Nilgiri’s Indian Restaurant located at 81-83 Christie Street, St Leonards on Wednesday 31st October beginning at 6.00 pm. Dinner will be served afterwards at $40.00pp.
FORTHCOMING EVENTS

The Primary Club of Australia has a number of great events coming up over the next few months.

- Rosehill Race Day, Sydney - October 27
- Tattersalls Lunch, Sydney - November 2
- Peninsula Golf Day, Melbourne - November 16
- Pymble Golf Day, Sydney - November 19
- The Annual Test Breakfast, Sydney - January 2

JOIN US FOR A DAY AT ROSEHILL RACES

SATURDAY 27 OCTOBER 2007

Arrangements have been made for 60 Primary Club Members to join the Committee of the STC at the Directors Luncheon on this day.

$100 per person includes entry to the course, member’s ticketing, race books, 2 course luncheon and drinks followed by afternoon tea. Timing for lunch is 11.45am for midday.

It will be possible for a limited number of those attending to undertake a ‘behind the scene tour’ of the Steward’s room. This day coincides with the running of the prestigious WS Cox Plate in Melbourne. Tables of 10 will be organised on a first acceptance basis, it is anticipated that the numbers will be rapidly filled.

To arrange bookings, please call Anja at the office on 02-9980-2525
In the year ended 30 June 2007, we have made donations to twenty one charitable organizations comprising various amounts totalling $233,836. The comparable figures for the previous year were twelve charities with total donations of $376,752.

The donations made during the current financial year were as follows:-

- **Sylvanvale Disability Service - Sutherland** $14,891  
  Donation of Gait Assisters and Leaning Chairs to assist preschool children with mobility and play.

- **Roselands Sports and Aquatics Centre - Bankstown** $3,900  
  Donation of three Sports Ability Packs featuring Boccia, Goalball and Table Cricket.

- **Sailability Bayside QLD** $12,884  
  Donation of two Access Dinghies and ten inflatable vests.

- **Illawarra Visually Impaired Cricket** $2,030  
  Donation of Cricket Kit for blind cricketers.

- **Burn Rubber Burn – Minto** $28,533  
  Donation of exercise equipment for wheelchair assessable gym.

- **Chalmers Road Special School - Strathfield** $28,382  
  Donation of a purpose built Playground and Trampoline. (below).

- **Sailability Northern Rivers - Ballina** $2,000  
  Donation towards the purchase of a two person skiff.

- **Sailability Dobroyd** $12,471  
  Donation of Access Dinghy with Servo Assist and Rescue boat.

- **Riding for the Disabled – Coffs Harbour** $3,617  
  Donation of sand for the Riding Arena.

- **Roselands Sports and Aquatic Centre - Bankstown** $1,742  
  Donation of a Cricket Kit.

- **Sailability Cronulla** $6,364  
  Donation of a Wheelchair Ramp.

- **Rockdale Community Services - Kogarah** $3,859  
  Donation of Games including Darts, Putt Putt, and Boules.

- **Wairoa Special School - Bondi** $2,980  
  Donation of Pool Chair.

- **Stawell Intertwine Services - VIC** $3,366  
  Donation of Cricket Kits for people with a disability.

- **Epworth Foundation – VIC** $24,800  
  Donation of Elliptical Trainer, Standing Rails and Lifting Machines.

- **Wheelchair Sports Victoria** $1,350  
  Donation of Wheelchair Stand for Wheelchair Fencing.

- **Wheelchair Basketball Victoria** $7,275  
  Donation of Basketball Wheelchairs.

- **Holroyd Special School - Merrylands** $12,815  
  Donation of Shade Sails for Wheelchair Swing.

- **Disabled Winter Sport** $10,130  
  Donation of Sit Skis. (top right)

- **Carenne Special School - Bathurst** $11,414  
  Donation of equipment for new mini Gymnasium.

- **Passfield Park Special School - Minto** $16,820  
  Donation of Softfall and Shade Sails for Bicycle Track and Amphitheatre.
The Charities Committee assesses applications received by The Primary Club of Australia thoroughly and each charity is visited where possible by a member of the Charities Committee to physically assess the site where donations are to be made.

As at June 30 2007 our unpaid commitments totalled $246,098.

Summary of the years transactions follows:-

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<th>Description</th>
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<td>Unpaid commitments 30 June 2006</td>
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<td>Balance Carried Forward</td>
<td>$231,481</td>
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<td>Applications approved year ended 30 June 2007</td>
<td>$248,453</td>
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<td>Commitments carried forward and made in year</td>
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<td>Less payments made year ended 30 June 2007</td>
<td>$233,836</td>
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As is demonstrated, we are already substantially committed for the year ahead. A number of worthwhile projects are being assessed in New South Wales, Victoria and Queensland. We ask for your continued support for these many and varied projects.

Our thanks to the Committee for their continued efforts throughout the year.

The members of the Committee are:
Dick Mesley
Helen Newman
Margaret Harris
Pamela Thomas (VIC)
Sue Ernst
Ron Osborn
Rosemary Coleman

Bruce Collins QC, President of The Primary Club of Australia, Neil Anderson, cricketer Shane Lee and Robert Domone of Sailability at the launch of “Howzat”, a single seater dinghy donated by The Primary Club of Australia (below).

Shade Sails for Wheelchair Swing at Holroyd Special School, Merrylands (above).

Sit Skis donated to Disabled Winter Sports (above).

We donated equipment for new mini Gymnasium to Carenne Special School in Bathurst (above).
Once again we are appealing for more people to renew their membership and to enlist their friends to join the club. The quest for the charity dollar is becoming more and more competitive, however we are convinced that if the public realised just how much pleasure sport and physical activity can bring to those who thought they would never be able to be a participant, they would be willing to join The Primary Club to help us achieve this endeavour.

During the twelve months ending June of this year, the club has provided funding for twenty-one worthy projects. These included Access Dinghies and a 2 person skiff for Sailability, 32 items of gym equipment for students with severe intellectual disabilities at Carenne Special School at Bathurst, sand for the riding arena at Coffs Harbour Riding for the Disabled and equipment for the Brain Injury Rehab Unit at Epworth Hospital in Melbourne.

Such a diversity of support is not possible without your continuing membership. Unlike the vast majority of accredited charities those monies raised by The Primary Club in the form of donations, in their entirety, find their way into supporting such worthy recipients.

Our Golden Duck Sponsors are still an invaluable part of the club and we thank them for their generosity. Our aim this year is to swell the membership numbers to 1500, please help us by continuing your support of the club and by encouraging others to join.

Lindy D Stuart - Membership Convenor
16 July 2007
The surplus for the year before donations reduced from $355,761 to $207,288. 2006 results were influenced by the sale of Dooralong and a major donation as a result of the sale of the property. Function income has fallen to $185,845 (2006 was $231,465) partly due to a lower number of events during 2007.

Donations paid during the year totalled $233,836 (2006 was $376,752) which was pleasing.

A summary of the results for the year are set out below:

THE PRIMARY CLUB OF AUSTRALIA INC
PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT
Year Ended 30th June, 2007.

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<th>2007</th>
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<td>Income</td>
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<td>Function Income</td>
<td>$185,846</td>
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<td>Donations &amp; Sponsorship</td>
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<td>Subscriptions</td>
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<td>Cricket Income</td>
<td>$5,159</td>
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<td>Interest Received</td>
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<td>Merchandise &amp; Other Income</td>
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<td>Total Income</td>
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<td>Expenses</td>
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<td>Fundraising Costs</td>
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<td>Cost of Merchandise Sold</td>
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<td>Cricket expenses</td>
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<td>Total Expenses</td>
<td>$165,030</td>
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<td>Write up (down) of investment</td>
<td>$2,212</td>
<td>$3,534</td>
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<td>Surplus before Donations</td>
<td>$207,288</td>
<td>$355,761</td>
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<td>Donations</td>
<td>$233,836</td>
<td>$376,752</td>
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<td>Operating Surplus/(Loss)</td>
<td>-$26,548</td>
<td>-$20,991</td>
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The Balance Sheet shows that the club is in sound financial position with $442,622 held in trust deposits. The club has approved around $250,000 in future donations with a major commitment to the Epworth Hospital. The quoted shares have been stated at market value at 30 June 2007.

The above financial report has been prepared from draft financials. The final audited financial statements will be available on the club’s website www.primaryclub.com or by phoning the administrator Anja Smalbil (02) 9980 2525 after completion of the audit.
For the 2006/2007 season the Cricket Committee was fortunate to secure five home games at Barker College Hornsby, three at The King’s School Parramatta and a couple at Acron and Camperdown Ovals. A comprehensive schedule of social cricket matches is now in full swing, including two against the NSW Blind Association XI. Our ongoing cricket playing program is vital to attracting and maintaining new Primary Club of Australia members, who become loyal to the ideals of the club and our charitable endeavours. Without the burden of maintaining our former ground at Dooralong, we were able in 06/07 to make our social cricket-playing program become significant revenue earners for the Club.

Players who are interested in playing for The Primary Club Cricket Team are encouraged to contact The Primary Club on 02 9980 2525. For more information please visit The Primary Club website, www.primaryclub.com.

The playing of our matches closer to home on quality grounds, usually starting at around 1:00pm, has also meant we have attracted an increased proportion of younger cricketers, who themselves have demonstrated a keenness to take on membership of The Primary Club and of whom it is hoped there will be future committee and sub-committee workers for the Club.

Two new fixtures on our schedule included a Barker Invitation XI and a King’s Invitation XI. In both cases, the host teams included students, fathers and/or faculty members. The games provided a great introduction of The Primary Club to both communities.

One of the most promising aspects of our burgeoning relationship with Barker College is that school’s decision, inspired by Headmaster Dr Rod Kefford, to form a 'junior Primary Club' within the school itself. While still a fledgling organisation, it is proposed that the Barker Primary Club will comprise the Captains for Sports during each summer season, and they will be supported by the Captains of boys’ and girls’ Cricket, Tennis, Basketball, Swimming and Water Polo.

Dr Kefford explains: “This group of Captains will undertake the task during the summer sporting season each year of identifying suitable recipients for assistance in the provision of sporting equipment or other means of facilitating the involvement of differently-abled young people in sports. They will conduct their own research, and once the target group is identified, the two Presidents will arrange to meet with the Principals of that organisation to determine how best we may be able to assist them.”
Possible target recipients might include special schools in the neighbourhood with whom Barker has a long-established relationship. Other groups supporting sport for disabled young people will also be targeted, perhaps with the assistance and support of the Committee of The Primary Club itself.

The Primary Club versus NSW Blind Cricket Association

Article written by Mr David Giltrap, Deputy Headmaster, for the Barker College Newsletter.

On a glorious Sunday afternoon on the 19th November on the picturesque War Memorial Oval, The Primary Club, took on the NSW Blind Cricket Association in a 35 over a side game.

The game played by blind or visually impaired cricketers uses a ball, slightly larger than a normal cricket ball, made of a plastic wicker material with a bell inside.

Five members of Barker’s first XI played in The Primary Club of Australia team, a first for all of them.

Led by skipper Hamish Angus, the young men adapted well to the changed playing rules and conditions. Batting first the blind cricketers scored a creditable 73 runs, although they were disappointed with this score. The Primary Club replied, and despite both youth and vigour, their players were pushed hard to score 7 for 74.

It was a wonderful afternoon. The Barker players, Hamish Angus, Darcy Stubbings, Alex Brown, Matthew Davidson and Alex Snape were astounded at the level of athleticism and commitment required. The blind players are able to hear where the ball is and will receive constant feedback from their partially sighted team mates when they are fielding the ball. In this sense it is a real team game, with every player relying on team mates to tell him where the ball is heading. This however, does not mean the game is any less competitive than normal, and in the field there was some good natured and very witty sledging... not only directed at The Primary Club players' inability to see the ball, but also at their own team mates.

After the game the Rothschild Award was presented by Ben Felten, captain of the Blind Cricket Team to Hamish Angus, for safe keeping for twelve months when the fixture will be played again at Barker. The trophy now stands proudly in the trophy cabinet in Barker’s Marks Pavilion.

Ben is an inspirational character, who was normally sighted until he lost his vision due to a degenerative disease at the age of 16. Not only is Ben a talented cricketer, he is an outstanding rower, having won multiple Australian and World Titles in Adaptive Rowing.

So, all in all a great day was had by everyone and we are hoping that this game becomes a regular event on our calendar. It was Barker’s pleasure to host both The Primary Club and the NSW Blind Cricket Association.

For more information about The Primary Club and its activities, visit its website at the following address www.primaryclub.com.
The Victorian Committee held a successful cocktail party on Wednesday 20th September 2006 to launch The Primary Club’s support of the Epworth Hospital’s Acquired Brain Injury Centre project. Partly aided by another significant grant from PricewaterhouseCoopers, this project represents a major step forward in the growth of The Primary Club’s operations in Victoria.

During the year, we were pleased to welcome Marcella Torre, Operations Manager of Cricket Victoria, onto our committee. We are keen to expand the awareness of The Primary Club throughout the cricket community in the state and we know Marcella can assist us with this as well as in a general committee role.

Amongst our grants this year we provided 4 cricket sets ($3,366) for the All-Abilities State Carnival in January. The carnival is co-hosted by the City of Casey, Leisure Networks, Scope Stawell Intertwine and the Melbourne Cricket Club.

On Saturday 16th September, it was the Club’s pleasure to present “The Primary Club of Australia Trophy” to the winning team of the Reserves State Cup in Wheelchair Football.

The Primary Club has been associated with Wheelchair Football for many years and has provided equipment and funds which enabled its rule book to be put onto CD Rom to allow access to the rules for all players, no matter what their disabilities.

Over 130 people attended the very entertaining ODI Finals Luncheon on Friday 9th February, 2007 at Hilton on the Park. MC Dan Lonergan introduced President Bruce who then had the honour of inducting Damien Fleming as a Vice President of The Primary Club of Australia. Damien had a wealth of stories and anecdotes and we look forward to the next opportunity to hear him speak about his past playing career and now as a member of the ABC commentary team.

Our regular auctioneer, Antony Woodley of Collins Simms Real Estate, led a spirited bidding war for the chance to join Jim Maxwell and the ABC commentary team that afternoon. Primary Club of Australia member, Colin Youren was the successful bidder.

An extremely colourful Jim Maxwell made the presentation and, as always, entertained the guests with his insights into the game. We appreciate the support given by Jim to many Club functions and for the mentions, on air, of the Club and its aims.

Antony later auctioned a variety of sporting related items and the Club thanks all who donated the items and those who participated in the auction.

The charity emphasis this year was on the Epworth Foundations’ Acquired Brain Injury Unit. Associate Professor John Olver and physiotherapist, Dr Gavin Williams presented a moving and informative session on the work undertaken by the unit and the positive impact the rehabilitation program has on the participants.

We had an entirely female line up to be both interviewed by Dan, and take questions from the floor. Well known and loved ABC Sports commentator Angela Pippos was joined by Cathryn Fitzpatrick one of Australia’s leading test cricketers and a member of the Victorian Spirit team and Operations Manager for Cricket Victoria, Marcella Torre.

The committee is indebted to Dan Lonergan for once again taking on the role of MC. We look forward to his continued support.

Thanks also to the AMP Foundation for matching dollar for dollar the amount raised at the luncheon which was donated by it to The Epworth Foundation.

Our social cricket program included a successful 20/20 round robin tournament held on Sunday 18th February 2007 at Xavier College.

The February Luncheon, the Golf Day at the Peninsula Country Golf Club and our several cricket matches were all great social successes and raised much needed funds to help The Primary Club in its ongoing work. Plans are under way for some exciting new functions in 2007/08.

Thanks to all the Victorian Committee for their great contribution. The next golf day is scheduled for Friday 16th November 2007. See the insert for registration information.

In Memoria

During the past year The Primary Club of Australia lost three of our Vice Presidents when the Honourable Kevin Stewart AO, Len Evans AO OBE, Arthur Mollett and former longserving committee member Rod Herbert passed away. Each one of these gentlemen are well remembered for their significant contribution to the Club over many years. Our condolences go out to their families.
Under the chairmanship of The Primary Club of Australia Brisbane member Don Mackay, an enjoyable cocktail evening was held at the famous Pineapple Hotel at Kangaroo Point, following Day 1 of the Brisbane Ashes Test on Thursday 23rd November.

About 40 members and friends attended the event, including several colleagues from the University of Queensland Old Boys’ Cricket Club. We listened intently to an interview with ABC commentator Quentin Hull. Quentin has covered a range of sports since joining the ABC in Brisbane and has joined The Primary Club’s array of talented commentators who regularly publicise our charitable endeavours.

We are hopeful that similar functions like this can be held in Brisbane in seasons ahead. This one followed a highly successful Queensland launch of The Primary Club back in November 2004, when Richie Benaud and Greg Chappell both attended and spoke to our Queensland members and their friends.

Our friends from the UQOB visited Sydney in March to play a social match against our seniors’ Sydney team. Unfortunately, the poor weather on the day meant we had to move the game from turf to an artificial wicket at Moore Park. A great day, a tight result, but the web-footed Queenslanders prevailed.

ABC commentator Quentin Hull who was a guest at The Primary Club of Australia’s Brisbane Cocktail Party following Day 1 of the Brisbane Ashes Test in November.
ANOTHER YEAR WITH
THE PRIMARY CLUB OF AUSTRALIA

CLOCKWISE FROM CENTRE: Julia Wokes, MC for the Secret Women’s Business Luncheon; Tracey Holmes with Diana Brown and Elissa Boden; The Primary Club of Australia skipper Joe Scancelli presenting man-of-the-match award to King’s School opening bowler Harry Bennett after the game against the King’s Invitation XI on 4th March; Brett Lee and Harry Werner at The Primary Club’s “Prelude to the Ashes” Luncheon in November; Tracey Holmes interviewing blind long distance swimmer James Pittar; Primary Club Honorary Secretary Rick Glover with an Original Fuzzy Wuzzy Angel in a village on the Kokoda Trail .. note The Primary Club hat; Guest speaker Gary Gilmour talks about the experience of being a recipient of a liver transplant at the 2007 Sydney Test Match Breakfast. In Gary’s words .. “I knew I was in real trouble when Doug Walters rang up to offer him his liver.”; Committee Member Ern Pope and Colin Whitehead collecting donated cricket books that will be sent to Sri Lanka.