

## committee

**Dreams2Live4** is an executive fundraising group of the **Prince of Wales Hospital Foundation Pty Ltd, D2L4** was officially launched on 28 July 2007 to provide an opportunity for people suffering from metastatic or long-term cancer to fulfil a dream.

The committee has been very busy since November when we launched the first edition of Aspirations, below is a summary of our major efforts

### D2L4 website update

Our objective was to improve the navigation around the website. It was important to ensure that the site was providing sufficient information for all interested groups and people.

Now there are sections with tailored information for

- Media, including press releases and background information.
- Other people living with cancer, including summaries of all the dreams that have been fulfilled which hopefully can inspire others too!
- Supporters, including details of the different ways people can help.
- Wishlists for dreams in progress
- Upcoming events

Website upgrading is ongoing but you all should continue to see improvements if you visit regularly!

The committee would like to thank **Alison King** at **iDMedia** for all her work in making the changes to the site to date.

## dreams

February was a busy month with 3 dreamers being satisfied!

Sarah Cronnelly relaxed and revived with her family on the Sunshine Coast. Her dream was to have a holiday with her husband, Gerry and twin 3 year olds somewhere where he could truly unwind .

She knew for him to have some time out with her, the children would need to be catered for so some sort of babysitting or childcare arrangements were very important for the dream to be adequately fulfilled.

The **ACCOR Group** kindly donated a week's accommodation for the family at the **Novotel Twin Waters Resort** on the Sunshine Coast near Noosa. Dreams2Live4 were able to purchase the airfares thanks to kind donations received since Aspirations Issue 1.

*Upon their return, Sarah and Gerry were visibly relaxed; "The resort was fantastic they made our stay incredibly memorable we would just like to thank everyone so much for making it happen."*

Early in February the dream of Sue Negrine was realised. The first dream accomplished by Dreams2Live4 for 2008!

Sue, from Edgecliff in Sydney, and her son Gray, both share a love of mathematics. Sue's dream was for Gray to meet **Terence Tao**, a young world-renowned Australian mathematician who is head of UCLA mathematics department in the United States.

Having made contact with Terence Tao, **D2L4** discovered that in February 2008 he would be attending a conference in Katoomba, and he readily agreed to meet Sue, Gray, and two friends' children who accompanied them on the trip.

### Chris Dennison of Aussie Bush

**Discoveries & Corporate Australian Tours** kindly arranged return transfers from Sydney to Katoomba, and dinner at the **Carrington Hotel Brasserie**.

Sue was thrilled to have her dream fulfilled.

"Terence Tao is an amazing person and I really want to thank him for the time he spent with us," said Sue.



Finally in our first edition of Aspirations we told you about Rod Wiltshire's dream, "to ski the runs in Japan". We are pleased to report that with the help of **Snowave Travel** who generously donated 7-nights accommodation in Hokkaido Resort, including transfers, and a lift pass, and **Japan Airlines**, Rod has realised his dream. In addition to this **Southern Cross Limousines** arranged for Rod and his wife to be chauffeured to the airport and home upon their return.

*On his return he was overwhelmed "It was unbelievable," recalls Rod of the experience, "I will never be able to express how good, or thank everyone involved enough - it has given me a new lease of life"*

He went on to say, "The snow was perfect, so powdery, just brilliant, like nothing I have skied before, the exhilaration will stay with me for ever"

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## wishlist

This month, we will be working on two new dreams

**'to visit the Northern Territory, Litchfield National Park and to swim in a waterfall'**

**'to see Phantom of the Opera in Sydney and meet some of the cast'**

If anyone can help in anyway to fulfil these dreams please contact us by clicking on the direct link to the **D2L4** website below.

### Hospital Wishlist

- Headphones for the chemotherapy treatment room television

### Hospital Wishlist update

- Magazine subscriptions for the POW Oncology Department – Thanks to **Julian Madden** at Magazines For All, we have received generous subscriptions for the department
- Portable DVD players – We have received two, one from **Geoffrey and Jennifer Muir** and one from **Phillip Heads the Sports Editor** at the Sunday Telegraph.
- DVD's – **Sony Music and Entertainment** donated to the hospital a box of DVD's and CD's

### Fundraising

- A patient of POW Emilia Cantarella, while undergoing chemotherapy ran a fundraiser in her block of townhouses with family and friends. They raised over \$2,500.
- **Pip Harris and Kath Wallace** from Wagga Wagga organised a walk around Lake Albert in Wagga followed by a bar-b-que which raised over \$5,000.
- A building company in Canberra, **Hindmarsh Constructions** had a fundraising month in February. They had a weekly bar-b-que where they donate the food; staff and visitors pay for the bar-b-que. They also charged visitors to the site a gold coin donation and other fun on the spot fines. What a great way to raise \$3,100 for D2L4.

### DRY JULY®

- **Phil Grove** has decided with his friends to have a DRY JULY. They are seeking sponsorship from friends to remain alcohol free throughout July. All proceeds will go to D2L4. What a healthy idea! If you would like to join Phil and his mates go to [www.dryjuly.org](http://www.dryjuly.org) to enrol.

For further details of how you can help Dreams2Live4, please visit our website. Just click on the button.

### Update on Simon Russell and his family

You may remember us talking about Simon Russell who lost his wife Jasmyne last year. Simon and the three children with the help of Dreams2Live4, **Adam Jackson** and his air miles donation and **Mary Morrison** from **HUMiD Restaurant** in Noosa enjoyed a 10 day holiday in Noosa followed by Christmas in Bali.

### We welcome the following new Dream Makers (those who make dreams possible)



UNITED GALLERIES

### We welcome new Dream Team Members (financial supporters)

Clovelly Community Bank Branch Bendigo Bank

Professionals

### Opera Night in Darlinghurst

**United Galleries** in Darlinghurst recently hosted an Opera Night with all proceeds donated to **D2L4**. More than 70 people attended the evening, which raised in excess of \$2,200. A big thank you to Anthony Ghattas and his staff for such a fabulous and generous evening. Abraham Singer the performer on the night was sensational.



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