

Newsletter

Summer 2009—No. 14

ANAM CARA HOUSE – COLAC

Dear Anam Cara House Members & Friends,

Well 2009 has begun with a rush and also a great deal of sadness for the people of Victoria. We remember those families who have lost loved ones in the recent bush fires and closer to home those friends of Anam Cara House whose properties to the west of Colac have been damaged by bush fire that same weekend. The untiring efforts of CFA members, emergency services and volunteers and the response of the Australian community at large makes one very proud to be living in this country—the home of both fire and flood.

Anam Cara House Fundraising for 2009 has already begun in earnest with “Swoon Under the Stars” on Friday 6th February—a balmy and most pleasant evening at which we could never have imagined the devastation to come the next day. While not a huge crowd in attendance, those who came reported an enjoyable evening—good food, great entertainment and a relaxing opportunity to catch up with friends. Our auction that evening was well supported and the proceeds of the night realised close to \$4,500 which alongside the generous donation of a further \$5,000 by one of our Foundation Members to this event, ensured another successful fundraiser for Anam Cara House. Our thanks to all who assisted that night—our workers, donors and supporters—especially the Colac Turf Club and the Colac Hosts who donated the use of the marquee.

We were also delighted that the recent Colac Country Music Festival acknowledged Anam Cara House as one of the beneficiaries of their successful event. In addition plans are now well underway for a special event in 2010—M & F Brunt’s Trucking to Alice—we will do a special story on this in our next newsletter.

Our first Art House Club film “The Lemon Tree” is scheduled for 2.00pm Sunday 1st March—tickets at the door at COPACC and include a delicious afternoon tea following the screening. Also in March, golfers are invited to join in The Anglesea Pro-Am Golf Day on Friday 6th March, which has been organised to support Anam Cara House Geelong and Colac (contact Diane for further details).

In December 2008 we launched our “Purchase a

Paver” with the aim to sell some 3,000 pavers before the end of this year. This is a very special way to support Anam Cara House and to have your name or a loved one’s name permanently recorded on a handsome paver which will form part of our landscaping at the hospice. To enable you to participate we are including a form in this newsletter—we are hoping that every friend of Anam Cara House will have their name recorded in the pathway of our “garden walk” in the landscaped grounds at Anam Cara House.

Another recent initiative is our own labelled Anam Cara House wine—launched in February with some very good Sauvignon Blanc and Shiraz available to purchase by the bottle or dozen box (mixed available) from Charles Stewart & Co. Very good wine at a good price.

Over the January period our Melbourne Satellite Committee and our Colac Capital Fundraising Committee have continued to work steadfastly on our behalf with a number of possible patrons and interested persons inspecting our hospice property. Our regional satellite groups have also met for the first time this year with a great deal of enthusiasm and energy and many good ideas, which is wonderful to report. As a group we will be especially working hard towards our major fundraiser on Saturday 16th May—The Colac Police Showband Cabaret at COPACC—add this date to your diary for a special night of entertainment and dancing. We are seeking donated raffle / auction items for that event—kindly contact us if you can assist.

Our Building Committee are gearing up for a huge year with renovations to commence at the hospice: materials and labour estimates, along with the schedule of works are completed and we are delighted with the offers of support that have been received from our major builders and other local trades people. The refurbishment will proceed steadily through the year with a completion date, we hope, by the end of 2009.

And finally, Anam Cara House in Geelong is now being well used with excellent feedback from our guests. An accreditation survey was conducted by ACHS in December and both Carers Accommodation and Day Hospice are in demand. We value your continued support, with best wishes

Diane Wright, President

How can I support Anam Cara House?

SUPPORT FORM

*Anam Cara House appreciates the regular giving of the community.
Listed below are various giving options:*

Annual membership subscription (when submitting applications for Grants it is important that we can identify the number of supporters of Anam Cara House):

Membership of Anam Cara (due each July) \$15

Make a regular donation and have this payment made as a direct debit:

\$15 a month \$20 a month \$35 a month
\$50 a month Friend of Anam Cara (annual) \$600

Make a one-off donation:

Foundation Member	\$15,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Platinum Member	\$10,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gold Member	\$ 5,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Silver Member	\$ 2,500	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bronze Member	\$ 1,000	<input type="checkbox"/>

(Please tick appropriate box)

Name of Individual or Organisation: _____

Address: _____

Suburb: _____ Postcode: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Payment details: I would like to make my payment by:
Direct debit from my bank account

Visa Mastercard Diners American Express

Card Number _____

Name on card _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Note: Foundation Members will be recognised in the media and personally by the Anam Cara House Capital Fundraising Committee.

EFT contributions may be made at any time

Bank deposit details are:

Bendigo Bank: BSB 633-000;

Capital Fundraising Account No: 128787173

Please return or post deposit advice to:

Anam Cara House

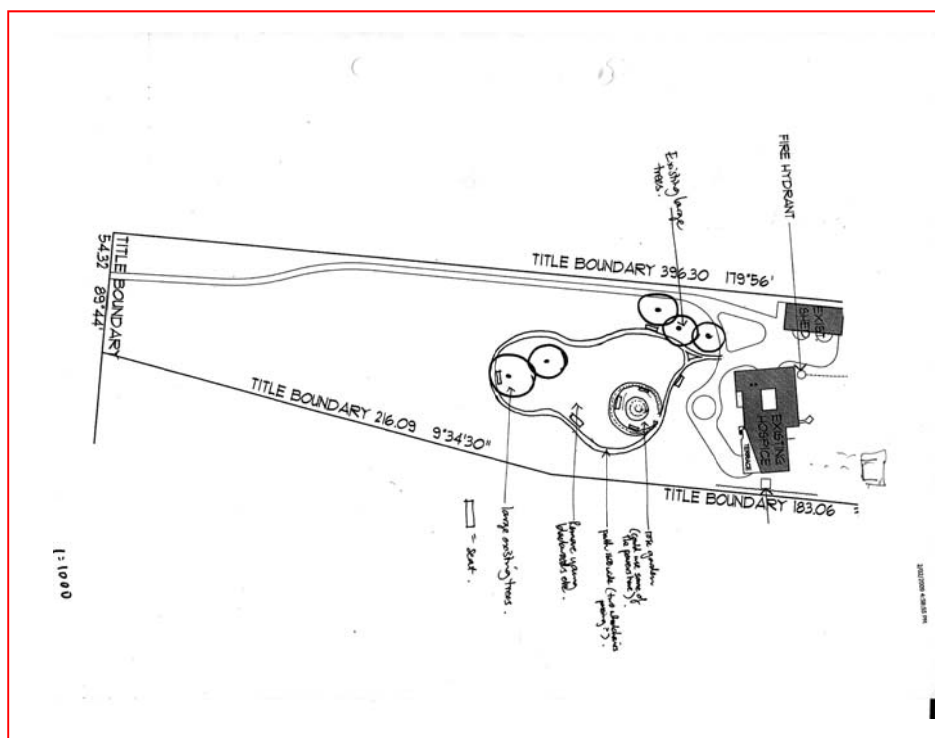
PO Box 508, Colac 3250

What is happening at the hospice property?

BUILDING COMMITTEE:

A NEW PROJECT THAT HAS BEEN LAUNCHED IS "PURCHASE A PAVER" - ALL MONIES RECEIVED FROM PAVERS WILL BUILD OUR FOUNDATION FUND. THE PAVERS WILL BE USED TO CREATE A WALK WITHIN THE GROUNDS OF ANAM CARA HOUSE.

BELOW IS DRAFT DESIGN PLUS A SAMPLE PAVER. AN ORDER FORM FOR A PAVER IS INCLUDED IN THIS NEWSLETTER.



SAMPLE PAVER



What is going on at Anam Cara House?



Anam Cara House Colac Insignia Paver Order Form



Anam Cara House is currently going through a renovation and refurbishment process at our property at Barongarook, included in this process will be paving of areas to enhance the beautiful grounds creating tranquil areas for clients and their families or visitors to enjoy.

Insignia Pavers cost \$100.00 each

Please complete your desired text in the spaces below (one character per box). They layout can be adapted to your text.

Payment - **Cash** **Cheque** (Payable to Anam Cara House) **Credit Card** **Amount: \$** _____

Credit Card Details: **Name on Card:** _____ **Signature:** _____
Card Number: [] **Exp Date:** ____ / ____ **CCV Number:** _____

Name & Address of Purchaser: _____
Phone Number: _____

Forward completed order forms to: Anam Cara House, PO Box 508, Colac, VIC, 3250



Presentations of Foundation Member plaques at our AGM by Neil Stewart, Chairman—Capital Fund-raising Committee to John Hayden, Director AKD Softwoods (right) and representing Cressy Satellite Group, members Robyn Alexander and Sue Gardiner (left).



The 2008 Annual Report tabled at our November AGM is available on our website or if a copy is preferred per post please contact Judy Davis (52338294)

REDUCE THE COST OF MAILING OUR NEWSLETTER

If you have an email address and would like to continue to receive the newsletter and upcoming Anam Cara House events electronically please email Judy Davis with your details so that you may be added to our electronic distribution list.

Judy Davis : [len&judydavis@lexicon.net](mailto:jen&judydavis@lexicon.net)

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Visit our website: www.anamcarahousecolac.org.au

FOUNDATION MEMBERS

If you would like to become a Foundation Member refer to support form on page 2 of this newsletter or contact Michael Stewart
0418 520 467

MORE HEAD SHAVES!!

Michael Washington found himself under the shaver to raise funds for Anam Cara House at a Trivia evening and Head Shave in November and then just before the end of term Josh Smith also shed his locks for classmates' and teachers' donations. Thank you Michael and Josh and all your supporters. (Photos are courtesy of Colac Herald)



CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2009 / 2010

Enquiries: Judy Davis 52 338294; Stephen Lawrence 52 315400 (BH)

Sunday 1st March	Film afternoon "The Lemon Tree" 2.00pm with afternoon tea to follow. Tickets \$15 each or vouchers for 6 films (\$60) can still be purchased from Charles Stewarts, Bromfield Street, Colac	
Fri 6th March	Pro Am Golf Tournament - Anglesea	Contact Diane Wright
Sat 16th May	May Time Dance—Police Show Band—dance the night away	Details next newsletter
Fri 28th Aug	Craig Hassed—Health and Wellbeing Workshop	Details next newsletter
Sat 17th Oct	Caulfield Cup Luncheon—Otway Estate	Barongarook Satellite
Wed 21st Oct	Breakfast with guest Lindsay Fox to launch "M & F Brunt—Trucking to Alice" fundraiser	Brunt's Truck Museum, 8.00am
Mon 2nd Nov	Cup Eve Dance—Frank Lawrence	Carlisle Satellite
Wed 11th Nov	Annual General Meeting	
May 2010	Art exhibition and sale—solo artist—Irene Zapelli	COPACC foyer
Aug 22, 2010	M & F Brunt—Trucking to Alice	

ATTENTION: NEXT FILM AFTERNOON
SUNDAY 1ST MARCH 2.00PM

ART HOUSE FILM CLUB

FUNDRAISER FOR ANAM CARA HOUSE

“The Lemon Tree”



[Based on a true story of a Palestinian widow who defends her lemon tree field...]

SUNDAY 1ST MARCH 2009
2.00P.M. AT COPACC

TICKETS (\$15.00) AVAILABLE AT THE BOX OFFICE
& INCLUDE AFTERNOON TEA FOLLOWING THE FILM

ANAM CARA FILM VOUCHERS CAN STILL BE PURCHASED

(6 FILMS FOR THE COST OF 5 : \$60)

Happy Birthday Dame Elisabeth

Dame Elisabeth Murdoch, Patron of The Peninsula Hospice at Mt. Eliza has taken an interest in the developments of both Anam Cara House Geelong and Colac and has written very supportively at various times to our Founder & President Diane Wright. We recently wrote to Dame Elisabeth to wish her well for her 100th Birthday and she wrote back with personal congratulations for the establishment of both the Geelong & Colac Hospices. Incidentally Dame Elisabeth and Diane share the same birthdays!

BULB DRIVE

Order forms are available from Charles Stewarts & Co. (Bromfield Street, Colac) - these need to be returned with money by Wednesday 11th March. Further enquiries contact Judy Davis 523338294

