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## Governor's Visit



*Denise Deane, Governor, Susy Thomas, Heather Brown and Ian Prangnell*

His Excellency Lieutenant General John Sanderson has agreed to be the Patron of Drug ARM WA. He visited us in August and after morning tea and mingling with invited guests and staff, the Governor, accompanied by Susy Thomas and John Dunn, visited the fourth Rd Op Shop, Drug ARM workshop and Moorditj House.

The Governor took time to talk with staff, volunteers and clients. The clients at the workshop were really encouraged and benefited greatly from the interest the Governor took in them and what they were achieving there.

A letter was received from the Governor thanking us for the opportunity to see our work. He saw clearly the work we do is done in genuine Christian love and he said that was a vital ingredient missing from the lives of those we touch.

Thank you to all who put in such an effort to make this visit the success that it was. We can be encouraged by the Governors comments and continue to show that love the clients need.



## WA on Show

Drug ARM WA Inc was part of the WA on Show in August 2004 at the new Convention centre in the City. A big thank you to Chris Summerfield and April Parker for all the work they put into the display.

Many people stopped to play Chris's "Spider game" where he had pictures of webs and the names of different drugs. The idea was to correspond the type of drug which would have been given to the spider, with the type of web it created while affected by the drug.

This experiment was done by NASA Scientists in the late 60's. One person said "this sort of thing should be compulsory in school curriculum."

## Annual General Meeting

At our Annual General Meeting a farewell was given to Denis Guyatt who has retired from the Executive Board of Drug ARM WA. Denis has been with us since we were known as the Temperance Alliance in the 60's. Well done Denis for such a long serving commitment and we all pray God's richest blessing on you and Mrs Guyatt.

The Volunteer Awards for 2003 were given to David Brown for his work with our telephone systems and to Glenn Turner for his work with the computer systems. Thank you for your commitment to Drug ARM WA.

We welcome a new member to the Executive Board Mr Scott Hollier. We look forward to working with Scott in the future.

## Op Shop News

*Shane painting the Fourth Rd Op Shop*



Prior to the visit from the Governor, the Fourth Rd Op Shop had been refurbished and painted throughout. This huge task was done on a shoestring budget and has achieved maximum results. Both customers and staff are impressed and all say the Op Shop looks great.....**CONGRATULATIONS** to Marilyn and to Debbie, Shane and Bradley for all the manual labor—it wouldn't have been possible without you all.

# ROSELLA HOUSE

## Geraldton Transitional House Opening



The Transitional Houses are up and running. There are two houses, one for the male clients and one for the female. The clients have the option of continuing for a further 13 week period, if they feel they are not ready to undertake independent living.

Susy, Ian and John went to Geraldton for the official opening of the men's house. The opening was attended by dignitaries from Geraldton. The Governor of Western Australia visited Rosella House on the 18th of October 2004. He presented clients who had completed rehabilitation, with their Completion Certificates.

The men's house has had its first clients and is running very smoothly.

Our sincere thanks to Department of Housing and Works who, by purchasing the houses for us, have made this work possible.

# YOUTH OPTIONS PROGRAM

## Proceeds of Crime Funding



Canning MHR Don Randall, Senator Chris Ellison and John Dunn

In a joint announcement recently the Minister for Justice and Customs Senator Chris Ellison and Canning MHR Don Randall visited Drug ARM WA to present funding of \$150,000 towards our Youth Options Program.

The money raised is from the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 and will help young local kids at risk of criminal offending and substance abuse.

Our Youth Options Program targets young offenders or those at risk between the age of 13 and 18 to provide educational, vocational and mentoring programs with a strong focus on crime prevention and drug diversion.

This funding will ensure the immediate future of the Youth Options Program.



# STREET VAN ALBANY LAUNCH

On the 15th October 2004 the Mayor of Albany launched Drug ARM WA's Street Van Outreach Service in Albany. The Mayor of Albany said that Drug ARM WA was very welcome in Albany and that we do a fantastic job. Drug ARM WA Inc now has 5 vans working in the metropolitan area, Albany and Geraldton. Manned by a pool of 50 volunteers and dedicated staff members, the Street Van is a valuable asset to those in need, providing a hot drink, first aid and a listening ear. *Congratulations* to Chris Summerfield, staff and volunteers in Albany.



# Help Us Reach Those Who Have Lost Their Way

Your Donation will help a few of the many in our community who have lost their way. It is accepted gratefully, on their behalf.

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