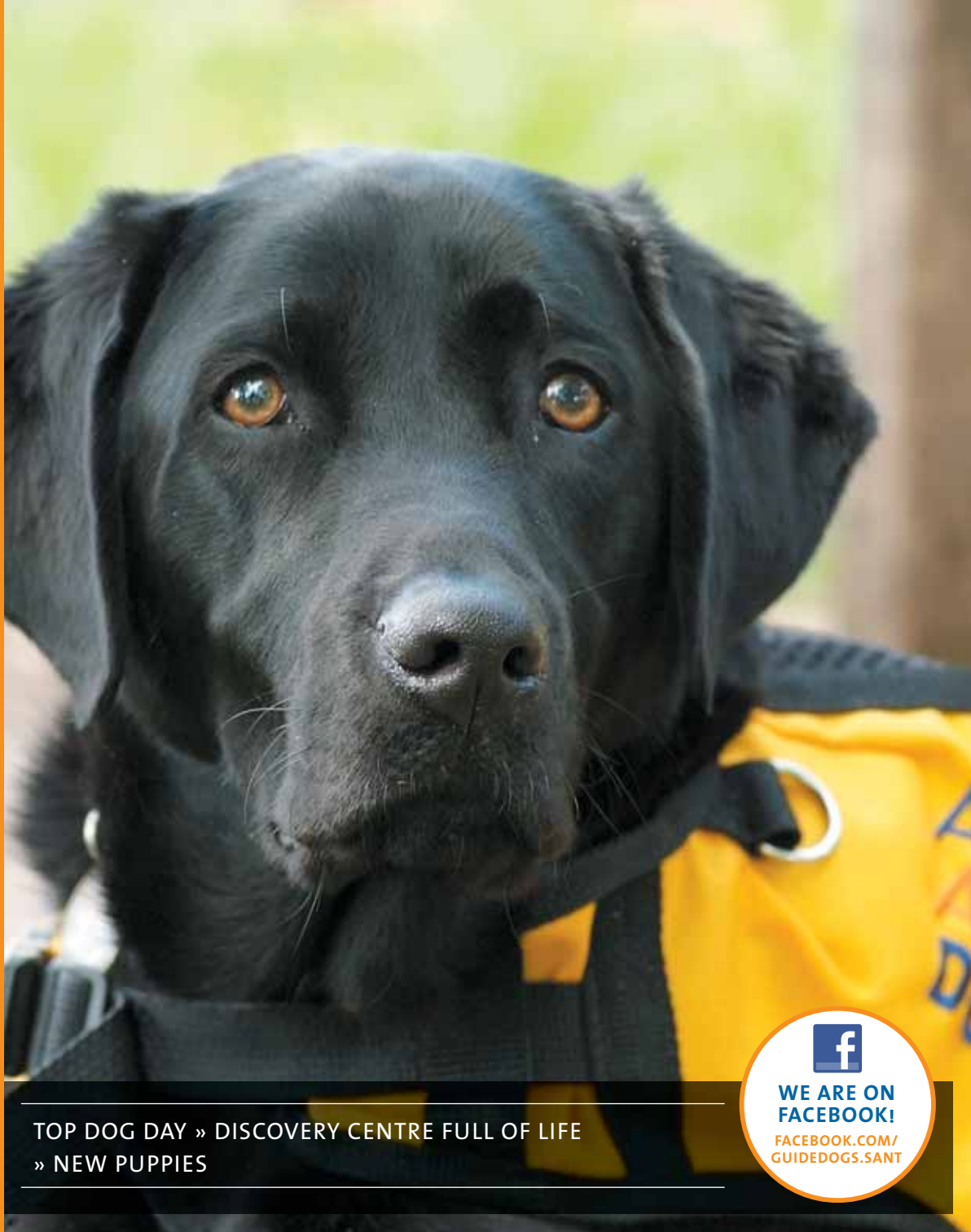




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Message from our Chief Executive Officer

From the school children excitedly touring our new Discovery Centre, through to staff helping people with vision and hearing loss in their home environment, Guide Dogs SA.NT is working hard to improve quality of life for those who need sensory support.

We are especially passionate about ensuring children with vision impairment are well prepared for the challenges that lie ahead. Our children's Lifeskills Camp, run once a year with the support of other charities, is just one of the ways we meet their needs.

Our October 2010 camp, to be held at the Adelaide Beachfront Holiday Park, Semaphore, will be attended by a small group of boys aged 10-14 years with vision impairment, ranging from low vision to completely blind.

The camp focuses on everyday life skills. With our support, the children aim to increase their independence in relation to orientation and mobility, socialisation, recreation and living skills through fun activities including shopping, cooking, eating out, visiting the Adelaide Zoo, physical education with Blind Sporting Council SA and a guide dog walk.

While our Lifeskills Camp helps children with vision impairment, our Autism Assistance Dogs program is achieving simply incredible results for children living with severe autism.



Kate Thiele, CEO, Guide Dogs SA.NT and Tony Braxton Smith, Great Southern Rail at the SA Volunteer Day morning tea

On page three, we introduce you to Bhodi and Freemont, a very special partnership that has changed the life of this little boy and his family forever.

Our annual Top Dog Day in August was an enormous success, raising a record \$16,000 with the support of our amazing and dedicated volunteers. It is hard to express how much this special group of people mean to us, but we did our best to spoil our South Australian volunteer team with a unique morning tea on SA Volunteer Day, as you'll see on page six.

Guide Dogs SA.NT has also been involved in several events recently to raise awareness of eye and ear health, including the Special Olympics Healthy Athletes program (see page seven) and Hearing Awareness Week.

This edition of Paw Prints offers just some of the reasons we need your ongoing support. If you need any more information about our programs and services, please visit guidedogs.org.au or phone 1800 GUIDE DOGS.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K Thiele'.

Kate Thiele
CEO, Guide Dogs SA.NT

Bhodi's best friend



Autism Assistance Dog, Freemont with eight-year-old Bhodi

Every day, a dog trained by the team at Guide Dogs SA.NT changes lives. For eight-year-old Bhodi and his family, Freemont has made a world of difference.

Bhodi lives with severe autism. It affects his ability to communicate; he has difficulty expressing needs, avoids eye contact and social interaction. If he is scared or frustrated, Bhodi can have a meltdown or 'bolt' at any time. For Bhodi's family, simple outings like going for a walk to the shops were not possible.

Then along came Freemont, one of four Guide Dogs SA.NT Autism

Assistance Dogs now out in the community helping autistic children and their families.

With Freemont by Bhodi's side, the family can make trips out of the house with peace of mind. Bhodi is attached to Freemont through a tether system around his waist. If Bhodi attempts to bolt, Freemont sits down and acts as an anchor, which gives Bhodi's mum time to intervene.

Safety is just one of the many benefits Freemont offers Bhodi. These highly trained and specialised dogs, with the same legal rights as a Guide Dog, provide comfort during meltdowns, as well as inclusion, allowing families to enjoy many social and leisure activities for the first time.

We now have seven families assessed as suitable recipients and waiting for an Autism Assistance Dog. There are many more families on our waiting list. Guide Dogs SA.NT needs your continued support to raise the funds we need to make these life-changing partnerships a reality.

For more information contact Tracey Jones, Group Manager, Guide Dogs Services.

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Education – Information – Prevention

The excited voices of school children now echo through our new Morphett Street head office every week day, as they enjoy our Discovery Centre, Australia's first vision and hearing education facility.

The state-of-the-art facility utilises technology to take students, community and corporate groups through experiences and hands-on activities while simulating life with a vision or hearing impairment.

Our first official visitors were students from McLaren Vale Primary School in Term 3 Monday 21 June this year.

“Guide Dogs SA.NT is committed to promoting preventative health messages about vision and hearing loss through community education. The Discovery Centre is core to our success,” said Kate Thiele, CEO, Guide Dogs SA.NT.

Every hour, every day, one Australian learns they will lose their sight. We know that 75 per cent of vision loss is avoidable or treatable, and while noise induced hearing loss is 100 per cent preventable, it is also unfortunately 100 per cent irreversible. Key messages like this, along with advice on how to protect sight and hearing, are the vital



McLaren Vale students take on the 'white cane walk' challenge

learning outcomes of a visit to the Discovery Centre.

The hands-on nature of the centre enables each visitor to experience the difficulties of sight and hearing loss first-hand, with the hope that visitors are more likely to help someone who appears to need assistance.

“One of the most important exhibits focuses on teaching visitors the appropriate way to offer help as a sighted guide. Asking if help is required is the first step,” said Ms Thiele.

Excursions through the Discovery Centre meet the South Australian Curriculum Standards and Accountability (SACSA) Framework and count towards key learning outcomes. The Discovery Centre also offers online resource support, activity sheets and booklets for students to continue learning pre-visit and post-visit.

For more information or to make a booking, contact Meg Matthews, Discovery Centre and Volunteer Coordinator.

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Hoops

Volunteers required.

**Guide Dogs SA.NT
Discovery Centre
needs your help.**

This is your opportunity to be trained as a Discovery Centre Guide for Australia's first vision and hearing community education facility.

Volunteer Guides will conduct tours of the centre with community, corporate and school groups.

Applicants must be confident and able to present well. A minimum commitment of one day a week is required.

**For more details or to apply, visit guidedogs.org.au or contact Meg Matthews, Volunteer and Discovery Centre Coordinator.
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Celebrating SA Volunteer Day



Volunteers enjoying morning tea in the historic Governor's Lounge carriage



Did you know that the time, skills and knowledge of our volunteer community saves Guide Dogs SA.NT close to \$5 million every year?

Volunteers are crucial to our success. Guide Dogs SA.NT simply could not deliver our services to the South Australian community without the extraordinary support of our volunteers.

To recognise this contribution, Guide Dogs SA.NT marked SA Volunteer Day by hosting a very special and stylish morning tea, aboard the historic Governor's Lounge carriage at the Adelaide Parklands Terminal

Thanks to Great Southern Rail, our volunteers received 'royal treatment'. We were delighted to welcome guests from a wide variety of volunteer roles, from puppy raisers and home boarders to model dog collectors, administrative and marketing staff.

Would you like to join our volunteer community? For many people, voluntary activities are pathways into community and personal development, providing opportunities for personal growth, social interaction and the sharing, broadening and development of skills.

If you are interested in volunteering, visit guidedogs.org.au to view our current vacancies, or contact **Meg Matthews, Volunteer and Discovery Centre Coordinator.**
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“Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless.” Sherry Anderson

Healthy athletes = happy athletes

Special Olympics athletes received assistance from Guide Dogs SA.NT Hearing and Vision Services staff during the Healthy Athletes Program, held from 18-23 April.

Through this program, volunteer health professionals provide free health screenings and services at major competitions. Clinics cross a variety of disciplines including podiatry, optometry, audiology and dentistry, and are conducted in a welcoming and fun environment.

Healthy Athletes is a vital Special Olympics initiative, as people with an intellectual disability are more likely than the general population to develop obesity, diabetes and heart conditions. They are also prone to earlier death. Some of this is due to a lack of opportunity to participate in mainstream activities, but it is also a worrying indication of the limited ability of health professionals to effectively understand and treat their special needs.

People with an intellectual disability often also have communication or social issues and can find it difficult to express themselves clearly. In a



ACT athletes, Ehraan Keys and Ryhs Hill

busy medical practice, this can lead to misdiagnosed or untreated problems. It is also common for people with an intellectual disability to have complex medical needs.

The Guide Dogs SA.NT staff responsible for screening and testing each athlete's ear health were staggered by the outcome. More than 20 per cent failed the hearing tests. Athletes were provided with information on how to effectively manage their hearing loss and improve their quality of life.

"The Healthy Athletes Program supports our vision to enhance the quality of life of individuals living with a disability. We will continue to seek out such initiatives and use our skills in sensory services to make a difference," said Kate Thiele, CEO, Guide Dogs SA.NT.

For more information on Guide Dogs Hearing Services contact Charyse May, Manager, Hearing Services
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Justin and Guide Dog, Flame

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Complete and utter independence

Justin Van Boxtel, 33, has retinitis pigmentosa. In 2005, he lost the sight in his right eye and it is expected that he will become completely blind in the near future. The disease has already affected the sight of his grandparents, mother and brother.

With a family history of vision impairment, Justin has a unique understanding of guide dogs – in fact his grandfather had the very first guide dog in the Northern Territory, Patty. Since then, his grandfather has partnered with Evan, Badger, Sparky and Cooper. Justin’s mother also had a guide dog, Lindy.

“The biggest challenge for me was learning to trust my new dog, Flame. With a white cane, you are responsible for finding what is in front of your feet - but I had to learn to put my safety in the hands of a guide dog after years of using a white cane.

“Flame has made an enormous difference in my life. She has given me complete and utter independence and a real boost in my confidence. One of the biggest things has been an increased social life at night - previously I would always have to be home before dark.”

Now Justin, Flame and his sister Melinda are planning the adventure of a lifetime – a dream trip to Britain next year.

This is certainly something I would have never thought possible without Flame by my side.

“I’m not sure what I would be doing now without the wonderful work of Guide Dogs SA.NT,” Justin said.

THANK YOU Terry Howe Printing for supporting our Tax Time campaign. Generosity of in kind partners ensures greater funds for client services.



Campaign update: Tim Carter

“The response to this appeal has been nothing short of amazing. The team at Guide Dogs SA.NT, Tim and his family were overwhelmed at the kindness and generosity of supporters – we cannot thank you enough.”

Andrew Sabatino, Donor Development, Guide Dogs SA.NT

Top Dog Day 2010



Top Dog Day volunteers out in force

Guide Dogs puppies are always guaranteed to attract a crowd – and our annual Top Dog Day 2010 was no exception.

On Friday 30 July, Guide Dogs SA.NT and our “orange army” descended on the Adelaide CBD and shopping malls throughout Darwin for Guide Dogs SA.NT’s biggest public fundraising event.

All funds raised from Top Dog Day are used to help provide Guide Dogs to clients who are vision impaired and Autism Assistance Dogs for children living with autism.

Despite the polar opposites of cold in Adelaide and heat in Darwin, a record number of 80 volunteers and media identities donned the orange ‘T’ and helped to raise more than \$16,000.

Students and teachers from the South Australian School for Vision Impaired made the day even brighter by giving several of our plastic Collection Dogs a makeover. With paint, beads, glitter and feathers, our iconic dogs never



SASVI student and model dog

looked better! Not to be outdone, Guide Dogs SA.NT PR dog, Bella created her own work of art, an abstract water colour on canvas using just her four paws.

Our sincere thanks to all our volunteer Top Dogs for making the day such a success and a special thank you to South Australian media identities Keith Conlon, Troy Gray, Michael Keelan, Tim Noonan, Brenton Ragless



Suzi Drake and Jarvis

and Bianca Reddy who braved the cold to spruik, paint and collect donations.

To hold your own fundraising event or register your interest for Top Dog Day 2011, contact Christina Angus, Events and Partnerships P: (08) 8203 8309 E: cangus@guidedogs.org.au

GLAMOUR GUIDE DOGS

To celebrate Top Dog Day 2010, these three friends gave our dogs a makeover!



L-R, Liza Emanuele, Marie Jonsson-Harrison and Emma Hack with their glamour dogs.

Body Painter and Artist, Emma Hack coloured her pup in shades of purple and turquoise, while Marie Jonsson-Harrison gave her dog her trademark 'mosaic' touch. Salmon Studio created an interactive dog, which was finished with stickers on Top Dog Day and fashion designer Liza Emanuele, created glam 'Pucci' in her unique style.

Puppy Love Updates

Would you like to sponsor and support a Guide Dog puppy or Autism Assistance Dog puppy along its journey to potential graduation? Call **1800 Guide Dogs** (1800 484 333)



Koda goes through her paces for the camera

MEET KODA

In August, Guide Dogs SA.NT celebrated the arrival of Koda, a brand new puppy from the sunshine state.

Black Labrador pup Koda, part of the K litter, has settled well into his new home, thanks to the love and care of our volunteer Puppy Raisers.

With the support and encouragement he will receive from his Puppy Love parents, our Puppy Raisers and staff at Guide Dogs SA.NT, Koda has a great chance of becoming a Guide Dog or Autism Assistance Dog.

YOUR DOLLARS MAKING A DIFFERENCE

It costs \$25,000 to train a tiny, playful puppy to become a professional working Guide Dog or Autism Assistance Dog.

At Guide Dogs SA.NT we rely on the generosity of our Puppy Love 'parents' to fund this vital program.

Each and every contribution is incredibly valuable and helps us fund the care of these very special dogs.

From food, grooming and veterinarian bills, to our complex training program it is no wonder it costs us \$25,000 for each dog.

Why not consider becoming a Puppy Love supporter? As a Puppy parent you receive:

- Your puppy's photo and birth certificate

- A Puppy Love sticker
- Quarterly 'Pupdates' direct from your dog so you can follow your puppy's progress
- A special invitation to attend graduation.

On behalf our newest additions and friends, please consider becoming a Puppy Love member. All levels of membership are fully tax deductible.

Contact Christina Angus in SA or Helen Shih in NT.

Phone 1800 GUIDE DOGS (1800 484 333) or complete the attached form.

CONGRATULATIONS TINDER

Tinder joined the Guide Dog Development Program in January 2009. With her gentle nature and eagerness to learn she was soon chosen to join the Guide Dogs SA.NT Puppy Love Program at 12 weeks old. Tinder has won the hearts of many who have followed her progress and generously funded her training.

On 11 August, Tinder's popularity was evident when she was the guest of honour among more than 100 of her supporters attending her graduation. The afternoon was a perfect way for her supporters to meet their special puppy and wish her well for her future career.

Our Guide Dog Services Program Manager, gave a brief history of Tinder's training, explaining how we discover which career path suits each individual puppy and how they are matched to their perfect partner.

Tinder will begin her new career as a Guide Dogs Pets as Therapy dog in September 2010.

On behalf of Tinder, thank you to all those who have supported her through the Guide Dogs SA.NT Puppy Love program.

After eighteen months of training, Guide Dog Puppy Tinder has been chosen for a career as a 'Pets as Therapy' dog.



PETS AS THERAPY (PAT)

Guide Dogs SA.NT prides itself on the development of quality guide dogs for people who are blind and vision impaired. During the training period some dogs are identified for other roles and may be career changed onto our Pets as Therapy (PAT) program.

A PAT dog provides assistance at a companion level to individuals living with a disability. These dogs are temperamentally sound with good obedience, social skills and training. They have undergone a minimum of 12 months socialisation in our puppy raising program and are healthy and well trained.

For more information, contact Tracey Jones, Group Manager, Guide Dog Services. P: (08) 8203 8373 E: tjones@guidedogs.org.au

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Guide Dog client Cookie (far left) and Gary Dunstan (second from left)

JABIRU GOLF DAY

Our annual Jabiru Golf Weekend on 7-8 August, organised by Guide Dog SA.NT volunteer Gary Dunstan, was a great success.

More than 60 golfers took on the Jabiru Golf Club greens in memory of Darrin Andrew Dunstan and in support of Guide Dogs NT.

Through merchandise, raffles and ticket sales, the golf weekend raised almost \$5,000, making this the most successful Jabiru weekend ever held.

All money raised has been designated to services for Territorians with vision loss.

Our thanks to major sponsors ERA and Airpower and to all who attended.





Deloitte NT volunteers on Top Dog Day

NEW ARRIVALS AT GUIDE DOGS NT

Since the Autumn issue of Paw Prints, Guide Dogs NT has seen a hive of activity, as we welcomed new staff and new corporate support.

Adrian Riessen began work as Northern Territory Orientation and Mobility Instructor in April and has been kept busy with his clients in Darwin, as well as Alice Springs and Central Australia. Adrian's arrival was followed by new Business Manager, Helen Shih, in May.

Our thanks to Darwin International Airport for their two generous donations to help Guide Dogs NT with our vital work 'guiding the territory' and to Skycity Darwin, who continued their support for Guide Dogs NT by choosing us as beneficiaries of their 'charity boxes' throughout August and September. Look out for them when you visit Skycity Darwin!

To support our services in NT, contact Helen Shih.
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PROFILE:
HELEN
SHIH



Guide Dogs NT is delighted to introduce Helen Shih, Business Manger NT, the newest addition to the Guide Dogs SA.NT family.

Helen comes to us with a strong background in sales and marketing and a genuine passion for the work of the organisation.

With Helen as part of the team in the north, raising both funds and awareness of Guide Dogs NT, we are confident of meeting the increasing need for our Vision Services.

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Generosity that lasts a lifetime

Leaving a gift in your Will is a very special choice. It is your opportunity to make a financial contribution to a cause you are passionate about.

When you choose to leave a gift to Guide Dogs SA.NT, you create a brighter future for so many South Australians. Our range of services and training improve quality of life for people with a sensory disability, as well as children living with autism. Breeding and training Guide Dogs and Autism Assistance Dogs forms a significant part of this work.

Robyn Parkes has sponsored seven puppies in training through the Puppy Love program and recently made the decision to leave a gift to us in her Will.

“To know that I have helped raise, train and provide a Guide Dog and improve the quality of life for



Andrew Sabatino and Guide Dogs SA.NT supporter, Robyn Parkes.

someone is really rewarding for me. “When it was time to re-do my Will, I began to think about what more I could do beyond today. By leaving a bequest in my Will I feel assured that Guide Dogs SA.NT will continue to work tirelessly for people who need our support,” she said.

Your bequest, however big or small, is greatly valued and of significant

help in our future planning. It will be a legacy with vision. A new life for someone – a life made more fulfilling through your generosity.

If you are considering leaving a gift or need more information, please contact Andrew Sabatino, Donor Development.

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HAVE YOU TOLD US YOU INTEND TO LEAVE A BEQUEST?

More than 75 per cent of our bequest income comes from generous South Australians who have not told us they intend to leave a gift. We wish we had known, so we could have expressed our thanks.

If you are considering a bequest to Guide Dogs SA.NT, please let us know. We would like to discuss how your gift might be used to maximum benefit, forming a fitting memorial to your kindness.

Frank Beauchamp – part of our history



Frank and Judith Beauchamp

In November 1957, the Apex Clubs of Adelaide and Unley met at the home of Frank Beauchamp in Glenunga. It was a meeting that would change the lives of thousands of South Australians forever.

By the conclusion of the meeting a State Association of Guide Dogs for the Blind was born, with Frank at the helm as President.

While the cost of training for SA's first two dogs was funded by the Unley and Adelaide APEX clubs, it was the newly formed State Association that began our outstanding fundraising record. The first public appeal from the State Association of Guide Dogs for the Blind was launched by then Lord Mayor, L.M.S. Hargrave, in the Adelaide Town Hall on 31 July 1959.

To honour our first President we have created the Frank Beauchamp Benefactors Society, a supporters group of like-minded donors who have made a generous gift, or left a bequest in their Will.

Frank and Judith Beauchamp are still part of the Guide Dogs SA.NT family and head up the Society named in their honour. We are grateful for their ongoing dedication and enthusiasm.

Thank you

On behalf of Guide Dogs SA.NT we would like to thank everyone who has volunteered, fundraised and offered support in recent months. Here are just a few of the many hundreds of individuals and companies that have made a valuable contribution.

- While **Deloitte SA** counterparts are long-term Guide Dogs SA.NT supporters, Lucinda mobilised the troops at **Deloitte NT** not only to raise funds but also to volunteer on Top Dog Day. The **International Hotel Group (IHG)** was also out in force as Top Dogs in Darwin.

Deloitte.



- ‘Parents’ of Tinder and enthusiastic fundraisers for Guide Dogs SA.NT, **Medicare**, recently held a staff fundraiser supporting Guide Dog services.
- **GHD** has been a generous supporter of Guide Dogs SA.NT for some time. A client function in August was their most recent fundraising event, with \$10 from each guest donated to Guide Dogs SA.NT.
- Thank you to the team from **Advantage SA** for hosting their members’ afternoon in our new Discovery Centre. It was a great opportunity to showcase the new facility and highlight the urgent need for a Puppy Development Garden.
- For almost two decades, the dedicated women of the **Mount Gambier Ladies Auxiliary** have been out in force for Guide Dogs SA.NT, including raising more than \$3,000 in one day. Thank you all!
- This year marked the first time **Centro Shopping Centres** held Top Dog events leading up to the big day. This was a fantastic opportunity to showcase our services and raise funds. Thank you to Michelle Rowse from Centro Properties Group, as well as the management team at **Adelaide Central Market**, for hosting our Top Dogs.
- **Coles** has been in partnership with Guide Dogs Australia-wide for almost a quarter of a century. Our iconic collection dogs can be seen in stores across the nation. This year, Coles has set an ambitious target - to raise \$30,000 in each state in just three months. Good luck to Coles and thank you to their store managers and staff for ‘hosting’ our collection dogs so enthusiastically.
- Sincere thanks to Sarah and Bert from **Salmon Studio**. Your generous, in-kind support means we can keep costs low and ensures that maximum funds go towards Guide Dogs services.

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Thank you for supporting Guide Dogs SA.NT.

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Did you know?

- Every hour, every day an Australian learns that they will lose their sight
- 75% of vision loss is avoidable or treatable
- 1 in 6 Australians suffer from some degree of hearing loss
- The cost of hearing loss to Australians in 2005 was estimated at \$11.75 billion
- Noise induced hearing loss is 100% preventable and 100% irreversible
- We know that 30% of hearing aids are sitting in bedside drawers unused, or not as much as they could be
- Orange bands on a white cane indicate the person also has a hearing loss
- Guide Dogs and Autism Assistance Dogs can go anywhere except zoos and some parts of hospitals
- Hazard and directional tactile indicators are called TGSIs (Tactile Ground Surface Indicators). They must be used when building new footpaths and intersections. They help Guide Dogs and people with vision impairments safely navigate the environment.
- AUSLAN stands for Australian Sign Language and is recognised as an actual language
- A person with a hearing impairment can sometimes understand you better if they can see your face when you are speaking
- Guide Dogs are provided at no cost to clients
- Guide Dogs services are 100% funded by generous philanthropic support

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