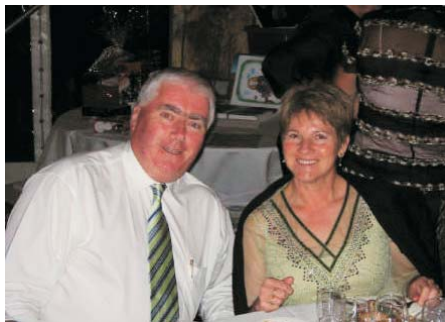




Vern Schuppan and Xavier Minniecon



Vern chatting with Liz Twigde



James and Julie Sexton

Welcome

Autumn is well and truly here, and it was a beautiful, crisp autumn evening on the 24th of February at the Nepenthe Winery at Lenswood. One hundred and twenty people enjoyed the delicious five course dinner prepared by Chef Tony and his helpers.

The Santos marquee again looked dazzling with candle-lit tables and stunning floral arrangements by Susie Beaumont.

It was so nice to see our Patron Vern Schuppan and his wife Jenny amongst the guests, all of whom enjoyed his interview with Xavier Minniecon.

The auction was once again conducted by James Sexton and in all the evening raised \$7,000.

Once again, I would like to thank all those who donated money and goods – honestly, we can't do this sort of thing without you!
Judy Francis



Barbara and Ric Sibley and friends



Phyl Skinner



Grant and Chrissy Sullivan

AGM - July 9th, Auchendarroch House

The AGM will be held on July 9th at Auchendarroch at 7.30pm for 7.45 start. All committee positions will be declared vacant. We are hoping that we will receive considerable support at this time. It is hoped that we can welcome members with management experience to the committee because as we make progress with our plans the committee will be taking on a more board-like role. Everyone will be very welcome and your input appreciated.

I would like to thank all those who have supported me over the last year (and previous years) in my position as Chairman. I believe intensely in our goals. However they cannot be attained by a few and if, through this newsletter we can reach a few more supporters then I will be very happy. And it's good to have a happy Chairman!! I hope to meet up with a good number of you at the AGM.
Judy Francis

More Fundraising

We cannot rest on our laurels for a minute!

A film night is planned for Friday, July 13. The film will be the new Harry Potter movie – Order of the Phoenix. There will be supper after the movie when the raffle will be drawn. We hope that you will all come.

By coming along and showing your support, it is very gratifying to the hard working committee. We would particularly like to see the families of those with intellectual disabilities.

We realise that many of you have constraints on your time, but we can perhaps arrange some respite so that you can come.

Old Time Music Hall Production

Liz Hirstle and I are getting together with well-known and respected comedienne, actor and director, Phyl Skinner, Mt Barker's own Barry Wilkins and the Mt Lofty Singers, and the Mountain Theatre Company to put together a programme that theatre lovers will not be able to resist!

Watch this space

Help from our Friends

With the help of the local Lions Association the staff of the Mount Barker branch of ANZ raised the princely sum of \$ 630 from a sausage sizzle - thank you



Golf Day

Unfortunately the golf day did not take place due to lack of support.

I would like to thank David at the Mt Lofty Golf Club for his help and support.

The Next Step

We are now in a position to be able to put together a business plan and structure a package to take to banks and other financial institutions – as well as other sponsors – in order to purchase land in a suitable environment on which we can start building.

We are committed to providing a home

for 4 people – 2 of whom have severe disabilities and 2 who have more marginal disabilities – that will provide specific facilities to suit their needs.

The families of these four people have been associated with our group all along and therefore comply with our objectives

to provide safe, secure suitable accommodation for Hills residents.

Of course this will not happen overnight, but isn't it exciting? This should be the first of a number of homes that we are planning.

We would like to thank our supporters and sponsors:

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