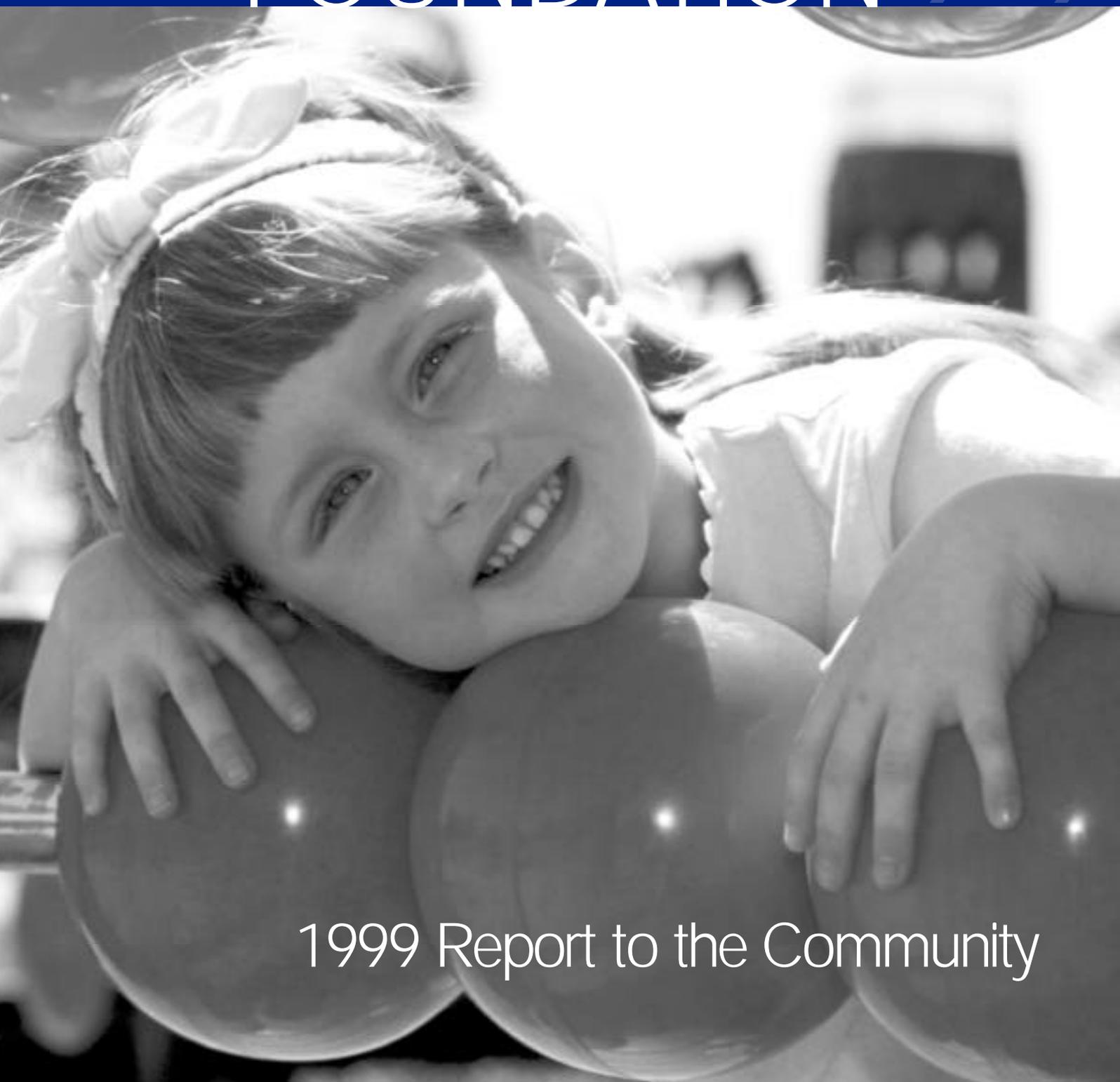


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1999 Report to the Community



Malcolm Gough
*Chairperson,
Mazda Foundation*

Chairperson's Message

It is my pleasure to present to the community this report, which outlines the work undertaken by the Mazda Foundation during 1998 and 1999.

I am sure you will note with interest the diversity of projects we support. These have been selected from the hundreds of applications received during this period.

While we are unable to assist all those who seek help, we commend the many groups and foundations in Australia that are committed to improving our society, protecting the environment, and providing opportunities for all people.

As life becomes more complicated and demanding, despite the advancement of science and technology, the pressures on everyone — particularly the disadvantaged and young — mean that we must all consider our responsibility to ensure the opportunity to live a full and productive life in security and comfort is available to all.

I would like to personally thank the Directors of the Mazda Foundation for the generous time and assistance that they willingly give to this organisation. Our collective thanks also go to all who have supported the Foundation since its inception in 1990.

As the dawn of a new century breaks, I can assure you that the Mazda Foundation will continue to fulfill its commitment to providing assistance to important causes throughout Australia.

Introduction

The work of the Mazda Foundation began in 1990 when it was formed to provide assistance to a broad cross section of individuals and important causes throughout Australia.

It was seen as an ideal way for Mazda Australia, one of the country's major motor vehicle importers, to develop an equitable and broad community involvement apart from its commercial operations.

The Foundation was established through generous donations from Mazda Motor Corporation in Japan and Mazda Australia.

Since then it has been supported by contributions from Mazda Australia through the sale of Mazda vehicles, Mazda dealers, public donations and the proceeds of special fund raising functions held in various states.

Since inception the Foundation has provided more than \$1.7 million to various projects and activities throughout Australia.

The pages that follow outline the broad and diverse spread of community support provided by the Foundation during 1998 and 1999.

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ASIALINK - National



Actors from the Ho Chi Minh City Theatre Company with Asialink Arts resident Duang Le Quy (far left) a playwright and director.

The Mazda Foundation is proud of its continuous support for Asialink, with which we have been involved since its inception.

Asialink continues to expand and provide programs, activities and strategic partnerships with almost 200 organisations from the corporate, government, education and community sectors.

Through its activities and affiliations, Asialink is achieving its goal of advancing the understanding of Asian cultures and societies within the Australian community.

Primarily involved with education, public affairs and arts programs, Asialink has now been restructured as a non-academic department of the University of Melbourne.

The stated mission of Asialink is to create a new generation of Australians who are confident and capable of living and working in Asia, and who are able to ensure a prosperous future for Australia in the Asian region.



Diane Murphy of St John the Baptist Primary School in New South Wales takes a class in Yunnan, China, during one of the many TICFA (Teacher In Country Fellowship to Asia) tours co-ordinated by Asialink's Asia Education Foundation.

\$25,000

OUT 'N' ABOUT - Victoria

During 1998 Out 'N' About was asked to design and implement an anger management program for Patterson River Secondary College. The college had identified a need for such a program in its Years 7 and 8 student population.

Titled 'Chill Out', the program was so successful that Out 'N' About was approached by other schools and during 1999 five secondary colleges in the Frankston area implemented the program.

'Chill Out' is a fee for service program, with schools contributing up to a quarter of the costs. Some 240 students had access to the program in 1999 with each school running two groups of six students at a time.

Significantly, the program tends to have a 'ripple' effect through a school as students modify their behaviour and the school puts in place anger management strategies.

Many students taking part in 'Chill Out' are part of a group - often the ring leaders - and as their behaviour changes so does that of the group.

Importantly, as classroom attitudes and behavior become more positive, learning potential also increases.

\$15,000

LANDCARE AUSTRALIA - Victoria

This Mazda Foundation grant is the final part of a two-year commitment of \$30,000 to 'Project Platypus'.

A major Landcare initiative, Project Platypus was developed to improve water quality in the Wimmera River by involving local communities within the catchment in a massive, co-operative land rehabilitation program.

Declining water quality threatens the future of communities in the Wimmera/Mallee region and the survival of wildlife.

An extraordinary community operation, Project Platypus utilises the resources of corporate bodies, three tiers of government, local businesses and individuals to address land and water degradation, tree decline and loss of wildlife.

The Foundation grant helped fund the activities of a full-time co-ordinator. The success of this project will have far reaching benefits for other similarly threatened regions throughout Australia.

\$30,000 over 2 years

ROYAL SOUTH STREET SOCIETY - Victoria

Once again the Mazda Foundation has supported the Royal South Street Society, organisers of 'The Grand National Eisteddfod of Australasia'.

This annual event is conducted seven days a week for 11 weeks from August through to November.

The eisteddfod competitions cater for the performing arts in all categories — ballet, drama, music (instrumental and vocal), debating, speech, television performances, calisthenics and choral.

More than 8000 entries are received each year and almost 70,000 individual performances are presented from the stage of Her Majesty's Theatre in Ballarat.

One of the internationally recognised sections of the eisteddfod is the famous Herald Sun Aria, which has launched many renowned opera singers including Dame Kiri Te Kanawa.

Since 1891 the eisteddfod has been organised and conducted by the Royal South Street Society whose members all act in an honorary capacity.

To have competed at 'South Street' is the ultimate aim of young participants in the performing arts throughout Australia and New Zealand.

\$20,000



Ainslee Mathews.

Some 70,000 performances are presented at Her Majesty's Theatre in Ballarat.



SYDNEY CITY MISSION - New South Wales

The Mazda Foundation has provided the Sydney City Mission with a grant of \$15,000 to help fund its unique Triple Care Farm.

Triple Care Farm is a residential vocational training program that focuses on integrating homeless and long term unemployed youth back into society.

Located outside Robertson in the Southern Highlands of New South Wales, it provides a network of care, support and vocational training for young people aged between 15 and 21 with emotional and behavioral problems.

Triple Care Farm stages four 12-week courses each year. Participants receive intensive support through a residential program, family counselling, vocational training and post-graduation follow-up.

Each part of the program helps participants deal with their lack of trust in adults, their poor self-esteem

and difficulties they have completing tasks and setting goals.

Before progressing to a new stage, students are required to renew their personal commitment to the program. This emphasis on personal responsibility is one of the cornerstones of the Farm's success.

Triple Care Farm also offers students TAFE-standard training in a range of areas that enable them to gain and maintain employment. A general education program focuses on literacy, numeracy and computer skills.

Perhaps most importantly, the program fosters the positive attitudes these young people need to succeed in the workplace. As a result, Triple Care Farm has an excellent record of placing participants in employment and further vocational training.

This Foundation grant follows the 1997 allocation of \$20,000 for the development of an arboretum by Mission Employment at the Penrith International Regatta Centre — the venue for rowing and canoe events at the 2000 Olympic Games.

\$15,000

YOORALLA SOCIETY - Victoria

Yooralla Society is a community organisation that annually assists approximately 30,000 Victorians with disabilities.

The Society's mission is to offer knowledge, skills and services to help people with disabilities attain their maximum independence and gain a fair share of life's opportunities and experiences, according to their personal preferences and needs.

Yooralla provides a broad range of essential services in accommodation, in-home support, respite care, therapy education, employment, equipment, recreation and daily living skills.

One of its services, the Narre Warren Central Pre-school, is pioneering inclusive programs for 40 children with and without disabilities. These programs enable:

- children with disabilities to receive the occupational therapy, speech pathology and physiotherapy they need in the vital early years of their lives; and
- children without disabilities to learn and socialise with disabled children thus increasing their understanding and tolerance.

A Mazda Foundation grant has enabled the building of a special play area at the school that can be used by all the children, including those who use wheelchairs and walking frames.

The playground's special facilities include an extra-wide climbing frame with ramps; an extra-wide tunnel allowing access to adults; a wobble bridge with wheelchair access and safe handrails; an extra-wide slide so adults can accompany children; a cubby, 'shop' and sandpit; and a Rubarok path that replaces tanbark so children can safely move by wheelchair, walking frame or by crawling.

\$15,000

A Mazda Foundation Grant has allowed a special playground to be built at the Narre Warren Central Pre-school.



The Multiple Sclerosis Society of NSW supports children who play a major role in caring for family members with MS.

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY OF NSW - New South Wales

The Multiple Sclerosis Society of NSW provides a range of services to people with Multiple Sclerosis (MS) and allied neurological and physiological conditions.

These services are designed to maintain an individual's independence and help them remain active within their family and local community for as long as possible.

While this support increases the opportunity for people with MS to lead a 'normal' life, it also places responsibility for primary care on other family members.

MS symptoms usually appear between the ages of 20 to 40 and many people with MS have significant levels of disability while raising teenage children.

Combined with a high marriage breakdown rate, this means that the primary responsibility for care of a person with MS often falls on the shoulders of their children.

The level of care required can be very demanding and often includes meal preparation and child minding as well as intimate personal care such as catheter changing, bathing and toileting.

As a result, children who undertake the role of carer can be deprived of the learning and leisure activities accepted as a normal part of a child's development. These children are in real need of support to enhance their quality of life.

With assistance from the Mazda Foundation, the MS Society of NSW's 'Children as Carers Program' examines ways to redress this burden by providing support in the area of carer education and by assisting children with school and recreational activities.

\$15,000

MELBOURNE CITY MISSION - Victoria

Hartnett House is managed by the Melbourne City Mission and provides services for families at risk of breakdown and children in need.

A Mazda Foundation grant has provided specialist furniture for extensions to the children's centre and electronic communication equipment for teaching severely disabled children to communicate.

This equipment is used in the 'Early Choices' program at Hartnett House. The program provides flexible respite and support options for families and children under five who have severe disabilities and very high support needs.

In this program, individual workers assist children and families, acknowledging each unique situation, helping to maintain the family structure and providing for the special needs of each child and family.

\$6500

Mazda Foundation director Don Kinsey and Kelly Smith of the Shell Company of Australia meet some of the children at Melbourne City Mission's Hartnett House.

ABORIGINES & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDERS YOUTH WELFARE

- Queensland

A Mazda Foundation grant funded two complete sets of basketball attire for a team of young girls undergoing an alcohol and substance abuse program through the Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders Youth Welfare Co Ltd.

The girls, ages from 15 to 23, were drawn into a culture of alcohol and drugs after leaving school and failing to find employment.

The administrator of the program organised the girls into a basketball team and entered them in the local D grade competition in which they lost only one game and took out the premiership.

The project proved very successful as the girls now have renewed pride and self esteem. They have returned to everyday life, with most attending TAFE to attain and upgrade their skills. The girls are now seeking traineeships and employment.

\$800



GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND ASSOCIATION

- Queensland

This Mazda Foundation grant allowed the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association in Queensland to acquire a dual cab utility vehicle for transporting instructors, dogs and their clients.

Essential for taking clients and dogs to various venues for orientation and mobility training, the vehicle will comfortably transport a guide dog instructor, four clients, four dogs and their equipment.

The Guide Dogs for the Blind Association now provides services throughout Queensland and its clients no longer have to travel interstate for training programs. The Association provides approximately 5000 programs a year.

It has also developed Queensland's first guide dog breeding and training centre, enabling it to increase vital services to blind and vision impaired people throughout the state.

The Australian Bureau of Statistics estimates there are 28,000 blind or severely vision impaired people in Queensland, a number that is increasing with an aging population.

\$20,200

MONASH UNIVERSITY

- Victoria

A Mazda Foundation grant provides an annual prize of \$500 to the student who excels in each year of the four year Bachelor of Music course at Monash University in Melbourne.

The scholarships, which were first presented in 1993, recognise and encourage application, enthusiasm, performance and ability in a student's chosen musical field.

In 1999 the winners of the Mazda Foundation Grant were Jeremy Diffey, Imogen Mannins, Rohan Murray and Dmitry Serebrianiuk.

Several scholarship recipients are now building notable careers as soloists or members of orchestras in Australia and overseas.

Monash University's Department of Music has four student orchestras, two choral ensembles and various instrumental ensembles that present daytime and evening concerts.

These choirs and orchestras have performed and been acclaimed both nationally and internationally.

\$2000



A group of young actors involved in the Riverland Youth Theatre program.

RIVERLAND YOUTH THEATRE - South Australia

The Riverland Youth Theatre (RYT) was born in 1985 under the auspices of the then Riverland Regional Country Arts Trust (South Australian Country Arts Trust). It was set up primarily as an expressive and artistic outlet for youth in the Riverland region of South Australia.

In 1995 RYT became an independent corporation and is now a locally managed production house for youth arts, developing productions from the ground up using the experiences and imagination of young people.

Through various projects, youth in the region are provided with opportunities to develop their skills in a variety of arts related endeavours including acting, movement, scriptwriting, design, production, management, lighting, sound, video/film, project management, arts administration and tutoring.

Professional writers are employed to work with groups in skill building workshops. These groups also rehearse with professional directors and designers to perform productions throughout the Riverland and state.

A strong sense of the arts as a discipline is nurtured at RYT as young people are encouraged to manage their own projects. RYT has developed strong links with other South Australian theatre companies and continues to forge new partnerships with recreation and service bodies throughout the local area.

\$1500

Sergeant Simon Leaning (right) of the Morley Police and Citizens Club with Mazda (WA) state manager Brian Butterworth.



MORLEY POLICE AND CITIZENS YOUTH CLUB

- Western Australia

The Morley Police and Citizens Youth Club in Perth provides programs designed for young people at risk.

Under the direction of Sergeant Simon Leaning, the club's focus has broadened from providing traditional activities such as boxing, to pursuits designed to build more practical skills.

One activity proving particularly popular is panel beating. A local panel beating business has provided premises and instructional support, with the Mazda Foundation providing funds for equipment.

The programs conducted by the Morley Police and Citizens Youth Club give the young people involved skills and experiences that will enable them to enter the workforce with confidence.

\$6600

CLIFTON BEACH SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

- Tasmania

Surf life saving clubs throughout Australia rely heavily on community support. A \$5000 Mazda Foundation grant to the Clifton Beach Surf Life Saving Club in Tasmania has allowed it to acquire much needed equipment.

This included eight surf rescue boards, a protective beach tent used to promote 'safe sun' practices and a custom made equipment trailer.

Surf education for children is a major priority of all surf life saving clubs with programs designed to help children recognise various surf conditions and develop a healthy respect for the sea.

'Nipper' members (6-14 year olds) are trained to take responsibility for themselves as well as others in the water.

Their basic training includes identifying water conditions as well as resuscitation techniques. Developing an appreciation for the coastal environment is another element of being involved in surf life saving.

In order to attract children from all socio-economic backgrounds, costs to families must be kept to a minimum and wherever possible surf life saving clubs supply equipment used for training and competition free of charge.

\$5000

VICTORIAN COLLEGE FOR THE DEAF - Victoria

Through a grant of \$8500 an extension to the Victorian College for the Deaf's 'visual communication system' was installed in several new and redeveloped college buildings.

Designed to facilitate better communication with students, the system uses television monitors in every classroom and also in student common areas.

The monitors distribute general school information and provide access to a wide range of educational programs with sub titles running across the bottom of the screen. In an emergency, a system of flashing lights can be used to draw attention to the monitors and alert students to the situation.

The Mazda Foundation's association with the Victorian College for the Deaf began in 1995 when a grant of \$25,000 was allocated for installation of the system in the first stage of a new building.

\$8500



Communication at the Victorian College for the Deaf has been enhanced with the support of the Mazda Foundation.

BIONIC EAR INSTITUTE

- National

This grant is funding a two-year research project conducted by Mazda Foundation scholar Vanessa Raulings.

Vanessa commenced her innovative PhD investigation in April 1998. Her research examines the development of speech understanding in children who use the Bionic Ear, an area that at present researchers know very little about.

Information obtained will assist future Bionic Ear recipients, as well as provide insight into the developmental changes that occur as a result of the implant.

Vanessa began by researching and reviewing literature on speech understanding development in children with impaired hearing. She designed her investigation, which consists of three interrelated studies, under the guidance of professor Graeme Clark and Dr Peter Bushby.

The first line of research assesses the development of speech understanding in children throughout their first year of using the Bionic Ear.

The results provide detailed information on which sounds the children are able to accurately perceive both before and after implantation. Children undertake a series of tests that provide an assessment of their attention skills, short-term memory processes and planning abilities.

The second study expands on the first by assessing children who have had the implant for more than one year.

Finally, Vanessa will investigate children's perceptual skills when presented with sounds created by a speech synthesizer.

Synthesized speech sounds enable detailed examination of specific sounds that can and can't be heard. Children with varying implant experiences will be compared on their ability to perceive synthetic speech stimuli. By understanding which sounds are more difficult to distinguish, work can be done to improve the Bionic Ear.

Vanessa's PhD research investigates an exciting new area for the Bionic Ear Institute and the results of this work are already providing useful information to clinicians and teachers of hearing impaired children all over the world.

\$60,540 over 3 years



*Alex Maggio
rehearses his
presentation on
roller blading.*

BULLEEN HEIGHTS SPECIAL SCHOOL

- Victoria

Bulleen Heights Special School caters for children and young people with autism, spectrum disorders, intellectual disabilities and multiple disabilities — both physical and sensory. Students range in age from five years to 18.

The school's priority is the attainment of educational outcomes through programs that are based on an individual student's educational needs and objectives.

A \$4500 grant from the Mazda Foundation enabled the purchase of a multi media projector. The projector is used by students on various projects and allows a teacher to work with more than one student at a time during learning technology programs.

Sixteen year-old student Alex Maggio used the multi media projector for a recent PowerPoint presentation to a state conference conducted by the Australian Quality Council and the Department of Education Victoria on their 'Quality in Schools' project.

Alex spent several weeks preparing his self-managed project about roller blading. He produced PowerPoint slides, scripted the presentation and presented to a group of senior executive staff from schools involved in the project.

The presentation was an enormous success and Alex Maggio's self esteem has been enhanced considerably as a result.

\$4500

AUSTRALIAN PLATYPUS CONSERVANCY

- Victoria

The platypus is an extremely difficult animal to study in the wild because of its aquatic and mainly nocturnal lifestyle. As a result, platypus fieldwork involves hard physical effort.

A Mazda Foundation grant has helped create a traineeship at the Australian Platypus Conservancy to encourage further study. By providing first hand experience in fieldwork the Conservancy hopes to increase the number of trained platypus biologists in Australia.

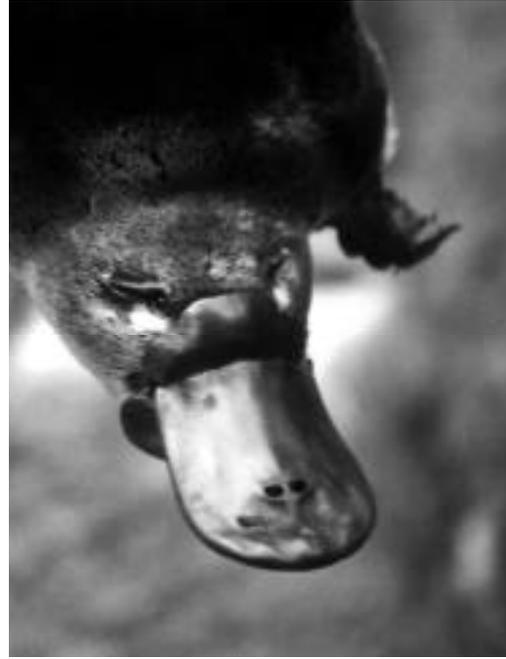
Mazda Foundation trainee Marianne Worley has commenced her work tracking platypuses and recording their habits in a number of different streams and waterways.

Valuable information is already being gathered which will greatly increase the knowledge of this unique Australian animal and assist in the development of safe platypus habitats.



*Mazda Foundation
trainee Marianne Worley
monitoring platypus
behaviour with radio-
tracking equipment.*

\$10,110 over 2 years



*The platypus is an
extremely difficult
animal to study in
the wild.*

AUSTIN RESEARCH INSTITUTE - National

A Mazda Foundation grant of \$30,000 enabled the Austin Research Institute to purchase a FACScalibur Flow Cytometer for use in cancer laboratories and in particular its Breast Cancer Vaccine Laboratory.

The Austin Research Institute is a state-of-the-art medical research facility located at the Austin & Repatriation Medical Centre.

It is dedicated to the development of immunological therapies to combat cancer and the search for ways to treat common diseases, such as rheumatoid arthritis, by using the most recent advances in genetic engineering and immunology.

The Institute is currently involved in the development of a breast cancer vaccine. Research and understanding of the immune system in breast cancer patients has been used to develop a synthetic vaccine that is undergoing trials with patients. Preliminary studies have shown efficacy and no adverse effects.

A goal of the Institute is to utilise the vaccine to increase the response of the immune system in patients with developed breast cancer. Ultimately it is hoped breast cancer can be prevented through a vaccination program for all women.

The success of such a program would be of worldwide significance to women's health.

\$30,000

HEAR AND SAY CENTRE - Queensland

Established in 1992, The Hear and Say Centre for Deaf Children and Their Parents provides auditory/verbal programs for deaf and hearing impaired children up to the age of five.

The school's philosophy is that deaf children can be taught to listen, learn language and speak, so they may live enriched lives in the hearing and speaking world. The school does not use sign language.

A Foundation grant has enabled the establishment of the Mazda Foundation Educational Library at the Centre for use by deaf children and their parents.

The library contains materials that promote stimulus response activities, which are vital when a child is undergoing assessment for a cochlear implant (Bionic Ear) and, following an implant, to indicate and measure sound thresholds.

Deaf children respond extremely well to visual stimuli and the library's educational toys, books, craft materials, musical instruments and items for dramatic play have been chosen by specialist speech pathologists and teachers of the deaf.

Parents can observe the materials being used by specialists at the Centre and then borrow equipment from the library to continue working with their children at home.

Natasha Anderson, 3, has a lesson with speech pathologist Teresa Daniel (left) and her mother, Stella at the Hear and Say Centre in Brisbane.



\$16,847

HOBART CITIZENS & YOUTH CLUB - Tasmania

'Reclink Streetwork' is a Hobart Citizens and Youth Club project sponsored by the Mazda Foundation.

The program targets homeless, unemployed and 'at risk' young people and provides them with a challenge which encourages them to build their self-esteem.

It accomplishes this through sporting activities such as football, basketball and indoor hockey.

Since Reclink Streetwork commenced in 1997, surveys have shown very positive outcomes, with the results being distributed throughout Australia to government and non-government agencies who have heard of its success and asked for details.

The success of the program is reflected by it being a factor in Club superintendent, constable Kim Smith being awarded an Australian Police Medal in the New Year Honors list.

\$6000



Club superintendent constable Kim Smith.

ROYAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL - Victoria

With the continuing support of the Mazda Foundation, the Learning Difficulties Centre at the Royal Children's Hospital in Melbourne has expanded its activities.

Established in January 1996 with the assistance of a \$50,000 Foundation grant, the Learning Difficulties Centre provides assessment and treatment of children who experience difficulty with basic academic skills.

In 1998 assessments and remedial treatment were given to 182 children with full reports and feedback provided to families and schools. A team of special educators also provided individual remedial sessions on weekdays and Saturday mornings for 145 children. A similar number of children utilised the Centre's resources in 1999.

The Learning Difficulties Centre continues to receive referrals from a number of schools and health professionals and benefits from a strong relationship with the departments of psychology and paediatrics at the Royal Children's Hospital.

The recent Mazda Foundation grant was used to purchase books and materials for teaching programs, essential test forms and materials for assessments, and computer equipment.

\$6200



The Mazda Foundation is enhancing the conservation and management of coral reefs through its support of the Coral Reef Research Institute.

CORAL REEF RESEARCH INSTITUTE

- National

The Mazda Foundation has continued its support of the University of Sydney's Coral Reef Research Institute with its annual grant of \$20,000 over three years.

Developed to enhance the conservation and good management of coral reefs through education and research, the Coral Reef Research Institute provides four \$5,000 scholarships to young scientists working in the area each year. The recent Foundation grant funded the following scholarships:

- Anya Salih is researching the consequences of thermal stress on coral structures and the relationship between temperature and interaction of light. The results will help identify some of the causes of coral dying.
- Philip Munday is researching the population ecology of various types of fish living in coral structures and the circumstances and changes in environment that affects their regeneration.
- Misaki Takabayashi is studying the composition of various types of coral in order to establish appropriate genetic markers for recognising specific variations in coral species.
- Michael Marmane is researching the major sources of energy input into coral reefs. The object is to provide a detailed investigation of the role some fish species play in maintaining the viability of coral.

\$60,000 over 3 years

VERMONT SOUTH SPECIAL SCHOOL

- Victoria

Vermont South Special School meets the needs of children aged from five to 13 who require special understanding and help.

The school is renowned for its excellent speech and language programs. All Vermont South Special School programs are designed to create a happy, healthy and profitable school life for each child.

A Mazda Foundation grant allowed the school to purchase computer equipment for use by children who are functionally unable to speak. These children now have the opportunity to learn skills, which will help them find rewarding employment.

\$3129

THE SMITH FAMILY

- Victoria

Through its 'Living for Life' program, The Smith Family can ensure that many children at risk of leaving the education system through family poverty will complete their education and become better equipped to gain employment.

Living for Life provides confidential scholarships and counselling to junior secondary school students judged to be at risk of dropping out of the school system.

Without adequate education, young people are at a severe disadvantage when competing in the jobs market and frequently become recipients of welfare assistance.

The Mazda Foundation grant will support 15 underprivileged students a year over three years through the Living for Life program.

\$27,450 over three years

MAZDA FOUNDATION

Established in 1990 as a public benefit trust, the Mazda Foundation is administered through an independent body and provides endowments as appropriate each year. The aims and objectives of the Foundation include:

- assistance to young people through education and employment skills development.
- assistance in the advancement of education and achievement of excellence at all levels in the community.
- assistance in the development of technology to help improve Australia's international competitiveness.
- assistance towards the maintenance and improvement of the natural environment.

Contributions to the Mazda Foundation are tax deductible and are sought from individuals and organisations sharing the philosophy of the Mazda Foundation. Communications and donations should be directed to:

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