

ROTOR WRAP

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an update from Snowy Hydro SouthCare

CANBERRA CELEBRATES SUCCESS

On the 1st of November, Snowy Hydro SouthCare paired up with over 100 local business, community and government leaders to celebrate the achievements of the helicopter rescue service. The event included inspirational stories from a current paramedic and former patient, the presentation of two new pieces of equipment donated by local Rotary Clubs, the launch of the 2008 Celebrity Ballroom, and a farewell to one of the first Directors of the Service, Mr John Braddon.



Former patient Virginia Berger with Snowy Hydro Limited CEO and Managing Director Terry Charlton.

At the start of the event, former patient Virginia Berger spoke about the day she suffered an aortic dissection, and Snowy Hydro SouthCare helped save her life. As Virginia put it, Snowy Hydro SouthCare "is one organisation that is of service to all ages, right across the spectrum of society... You just have absolutely no idea when you might need this helicopter service and its dedicated crew. Believe me – this is probably one of those few times in my life when I know what I'm talking about!"

Following Virginia's speech, two equipment donations -- a new Propaq patient monitor and a Rugged Toughbook Computer -- were presented to Mr Gregor Manson, the Commissioner of the ACT Emergency Services Agency. The equipment was generously donated by the Canberra City, Belconnen and Hall Rotary Clubs and will help Snowy Hydro SouthCare continue to offer a high quality service.

After the event, CEO and Managing Director of Snowy Hydro Limited, Terry Charlton, said, "As a successful business, we see an obligation to make sure we are supporting the community in positive ways, and I can't think of any more positive way than Snowy Hydro SouthCare. We are delighted to be a part of the scene."



Snowy Hydro SouthCare began in 1998 to provide aero-medical and rescue services to those located in the ACT and southeastern NSW. To make a donation, call (02) 6207 8375.

MISSION UPDATE

The Snowy Hydro SouthCare crews stayed busy over weekend, completing six missions over Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. The action began at 12:50 p.m. on Friday when the helicopter flew to Tumut and Wagga to transport two patients to The Canberra Hospital. Both patients had individually sustained spinal injuries, one while painting and other after falling from a ladder.

Then, the helicopter transferred a man from Wagga again on Saturday before winching a woman from a motor vehicle accident near Eden in the early hours of Sunday morning.

The woman was stretcher-winch into the helicopter and taken to Pambula Hospital after the car she was in went over the edge of an embankment.

Before heading back to Canberra at 10:00 a.m. for a crew change over, the Snowy Hydro SouthCare crew helped search for the twin-engine Cessna 337 aircraft that went missing early in the weekend. They continued with the search throughout the day along with the 21 other aircraft involved.

To get involved with this important regional medical service, call (02) 6207-8375.

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VOLUNTEER BARBEQUE
12 DEC 2007

We would like to thank each of our volunteers who have given their time in support of Snowy Hydro SouthCare. If you have volunteered in 2007 and would like to attend the BBQ, please RSVP to Alison at (02) 6207-8375 by the 5th of December.

SNOWY HYDRO SOUTHCARE WEEK
LATE FEBRUARY 2008

In late February 2008, Snowy Hydro SouthCare will hold a week of events dedicated to raising support and awareness of the Service. Mark your calendar now so you will be able to attend Base Open Day and regional events that will be held throughout the week. Keep reading Rotor Wrap for more details.

CELEBRITY BALLROOM
3 MAY 2008

The Celebrity Ballroom brings local celebrities from throughout Canberra together to compete against each other by dancing in support of Snowy Hydro SouthCare. 2008 participants include Commander Leanne Close, Mr John Hargreaves, MLA, Ondina -- Stylist to the Stars, Mr Steve Whan, MP, leading real estate agent, Mr Mario SanFrancesco, Mix 106's Lisa Ridgley, and WIN News presenter Jessica Good. Contact our office for more details about attending The Celebrity Ballroom.

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