



FROM THE CHAIRMAN SENIOR SERGEANT PAUL BOUSFIELD

Another year quickly draws to an end with the last three months being particularly busy for police right across the country and for our own police family. Much has happened in the last 12 months for NSW Police Legacy and it's important to reflect on the wonderful contributions of our many supporters and sponsors and to thank everyone who assists us in the work we do, in raising the awareness of NSW Police Legacy and raising the funds that makes our work possible.

We very sincerely thank each and every one for all their support. Our police family continues to be strengthened in so many ways, with growing levels of service and welfare support, all made possible by people who care and want to help others.

I particularly need to acknowledge and thank our friends and colleagues at the Police Association of NSW and Police Bank for their generous financial sponsorship, practical business assistance and never-ending support of the people and families our charity is there to care for.

September celebrated a number of significant events honouring our police and importantly those that we love and have been lost to us.

A beautiful National Police Remembrance Day Ceremony on the 29th received significant media coverage. Our young police legatees, Thomas Chell, Eaden Kenny, Amelia and Jemima Donnelly and Eliza and Callum Stewart represented our charity and families, laying wreaths with the dignitaries in honour of their lost parents and all fallen officers. For all our police legatees and families who also attended either the service in Sydney or at other ceremonies held across the State, thank you; we understand the occasion is an emotional one, but special and very symbolic of a proud policing profession served by someone close to you.

Each year the Commissioner's Scholarship is presented to a young police legatee to assist with furthering their education. Congratulations to Year 10 student Brendan McKenzie who was the successful recipient this year of the \$5000 award.

Our Blue Ribbon Ball was held in a new venue this year and was an outstanding success celebrating policing, past and present and in what has been a significant year, the Anniversary of 100 years of Women in Policing. It was also an opportunity to see the original Polair One, NSWPF's first helicopter, before it was transported to the NSW Police Academy to be put on permanent display.

On Sunday, 27 September, NSW Police Legacy was very proud to join the NSW Police Force and our police family partners to dedicate the NSW

Police Force Service Memorial. Situated in a lovely and quiet sunny corner of the Sydney Police Centre (cnr Goulburn and Riley Streets) the Memorial honours NSW police employees, both sworn and unsworn, who have died while serving or were unable to continue work because of an injury or illness and subsequently passed away as a result.

Commissioner Andrew Scipione, NSW Deputy Premier and Minister for Justice and Police, Troy Grant and the senior police executive joined our police families, friends and colleagues to formally unveil and dedicate the Memorial.

The names of 79 police officers and unsworn members have been inscribed on the memorial in a pattern symbolising the sillitoe tartan. Each person commemorated is recognised for their contribution to the NSW Police Force and dedicated service to the community.

As a starting point, 29 September 2006 was selected for the initial inscriptions, however additional names of those who have passed away prior to 2006 are now sought and invited by way of an application which can be on the NSW Police Force web site: www.police.nsw.gov.au or by contacting our office.

A design competition was conducted across the Police Force and wider policing family earlier in the year, which led to a final collaborative design based on the submissions of Ms Amanda Duncan, Superintendent Darryl Tuck, Constable Brody Mulry and our own NSW Police Legacy Director, Inspector Cath Cole.

It is a beautiful and fitting Memorial with special personal meanings to many with our NSW Police Legacy families. If you have the time, please pay a visit and for those families who wish to have a loved one's name included, we encourage you to make contact with us and consider the application process.

So, in what has yet again been a year of growth and inclusion of many more police families, NSW Police Legacy continues to work hard to remain accountable, efficient and most importantly able to make a difference.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and our wonderful staff, may I wish you all the very best for a joyful and merry Christmas and we look forward to a year where we continue to work with and for you, and in support of each other.

POLICE BOXING PRESENTATION

On Wednesday 11 November, Paul Bousfield Chairperson of NSW Police Legacy got in the training ring at the Sydney Police Centre gym, not to fight of course, but to accept a rather large cheque for \$100,000. The funds were the proceeds from the NSW Police Boxing Night held in August and another \$50,000 was presented to Police Citizens and Youth Club (PCYC).

At the presentation, top individual fundraisers were acknowledged and presented with a small trophy in recognition of their individual fundraising results. Marcus Droga, a Macquarie Bank employee and the only non-

police competitor who entered the ring at North Sydney Leagues Club raised over \$13,000. His employer Macquarie Bank matched his fundraising dollar for dollar bringing in a total of \$26,000 for the event alone. Beyond Blue Ambassador Allan Sparkes raised over \$8,000 and Angelo Memmolo raised over \$8,000. Congratulations and thank you to all the boxing competitors and the organising committee for once again putting on a fantastic night in support of our charity and PCYC.

WELCOMING OUR NEW DIRECTORS

In 2015 we welcomed three new Board members to our Board of Directors. Inspector Catherine Cole, Raff Del Vecchio and John Yates QPM.



Catherine Cole joined the Board of NSW Police Legacy in May 2015. She joined the NSW Police Force in 1982 and has a breadth of policing experience. Currently she is the Staff Officer to the Assistant Commissioner for Human Resources and holds the rank of Chief Inspector. Cath also has eight years' experience in the not for profit sector and has been working with NSW Police Legacy for the past five years in a voluntary capacity.



Raff Del Vecchio joined the Board of Directors as a Community Representative in September 2015. This is his second appointment to the Board after having served as a Non-Executive Director between May 2010 and September 2013. Raff is currently the Executive Officer and Company Secretary of Mary Aikenhead Ministries which has corporate and legal responsibilities for iconic health, education and research institutions including St Vincent's Health Australia and the Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute.



John Yates QPM also joined the Board of Directors as a Community Representative in September 2015. He is currently the Global Head of Security for Scentre Group in Australia and New Zealand, and Westfield Corporation in the United Kingdom, United States and the emerging markets. John retired from the Metropolitan Police (Scotland Yard) in November 2011 after a 30 year career. He held a number of the most senior positions in UK Policing.

His last role was as the UK's most senior counter terrorism officer and as the senior advisor to the Prime Minister and Home Secretary on all law enforcement related security matters. He also led the UK's response to the South East Asian Tsunami for which he was awarded the Queen's Police Medal.

ANNETTE DUNN JOINS THE POLICE LEGACY OFFICE



"I started working at NSW Police Legacy in August 2015. I am loving every moment, it is such an amazing organisation. I feel very lucky to be part of the team, and all the fantastic things it does for the legatees. I have been overwhelmed by the welcome and support that I have received since joining.

My background is in Marketing and Events. I have a Masters in Tourism Management and a Degree in Marketing. I was previously Director of

Sales and Marketing in the hospitality industry. I have worked in hotels globally looking after their marketing, sales, and organising events. I am delighted to be able to bring my knowledge and experience to the not for profit sector.

I am looking forward to meeting you all, and getting to know you and your family. Please say hello at any of the events.

A SPECTACULAR EVENING AT THE BLUE RIBBON BALL

The Blue Ribbon Ball was held on Saturday the 26th of September at the Australian Technology Park in Eveleigh, a new venue for the event which had been held at the Westin in Sydney in the last few years. The change in venue allowed us to unleash our creativity with a 1920's theme and display an array of police vehicles. Close to 600 guests attended the evening dressed in their best 1920's attire. On display was the Polair 1 Helicopter, the Marine Police Command Jet Ski, two Highway Patrol Vehicles, the Harbourside Local Area Command Police Porsche, the Vintage Police truck, Ford and Mini Cooper, and the Trivett vehicles, a McLaren, Aston Martin, Rolls Royce and Bentley. It was a visual feast of police toys and guests enjoyed getting their photos taken in the helicopter and police cars.

Master of Ceremonies Ben Fordham entertained us throughout the evening along with the NSW Police Force Band who even dressed to theme during their last performance.

Our generous sponsors Hyundai kindly donated a Hyundai Accent 5 door Hatchback to raffle and proceeds from the Hyundai raffle alone raised in excess of \$20,000. Angie Fraser was the very lucky winner who won the car on the night. The Ball raised close to \$90,000 for Police Legacy and we would like to thank all of our guests and sponsors including the Police Association of NSW, Police Bank, Hyundai, Sparke Helmore Lawyers, Scentre Group, Henry Davis York, Mounties Group and TAL for their ongoing support and loyalty to our police family.



A ROYAL ENCOUNTER

ELISE BALDWIN

Elise Baldwin is the widow of Former Assistant Commissioner Douglas Baldwin. On the 17th of August, we sat down with Elise over a cup of tea and reminisced about what it was like to be the wife of an Assistant Commissioner.

"I was 21 and living in Bowral with my family when I met my Doug. My next door neighbours suggested we go on a date together to which I said yes. We went to a dance in Bundanoon and during our first jazz waltz I knew he was the one for me, it was as simple as that. He was already in the Police Force and boarding in Sydney at the time so his parents were happy because he rarely visited and all of a sudden he was coming down every weekend.

It was 1942 and there was a war going on but his mother told me not to worry because he wouldn't go. Doug was already in the Police Force and she was sure he wasn't going to leave. But he decided to get his pilot's licence. It cost him all of \$40. He wrote to the Air Force and said he could fly and that he wanted to go to war. So he left the Police and we got married. He had two days leave before going to Adelaide for his training. I went with him of course. I fell pregnant and stayed until I was ready to pop and then came back to Bowral and stayed with my mother until the war was over.

He became a Flight Lieutenant in the Air Force and was gone for the rest of war. He joined an American Squadron and flew out from Darwin for Japan. Fortunately he made it through. He crashed once into the sea. The engine in his plane just stopped and they went down in the middle of the ocean. He was picked up by a Destroyer, very cut and bruised and with a sore back that came back to give him grief later in life, but he was incredibly lucky to have survived.

When he came back from the war he went back into the Police Force and had a wonderful career. When he was a Country Superintendent I used to go with him travelling around. I used to visit all the ladies in the police stations. I drank so many cups of tea while he was meeting with the people in charge. He was in charge of Kings Cross at one stage too. I remember we used to walk down the main street in Kings Cross and all the criminals knew him, they would say 'Good Morning Mr Baldwin' and then he'd tell me what their offence was as we walked past.

We moved to Newcastle for a year when he was offered a position up there. I wasn't happy at first but he found us a very nice house and there were lots of social appointments to go to. We went to everything we were invited to. We went to so many balls together that I had to start



writing down what I wore to each one. I cried when we moved back to Sydney, I had come to love it so much. But we came back when he was offered the job of Assistant Commissioner.

He always had ambition. He always came top or second in all of his exams. When he became Assistant Commissioner I truly believed he deserved it. He was such an honest man, took everything in his stride and loved the job so much. They even named one of the police boats after him; the Douglas Baldwin. He couldn't believe it! We had a nice little ceremony on Georges River and he would always laugh when he heard, "the Baldwin's going out for a search and rescue", although I think he was secretly thrilled. When he retired they gave him the Baldwin signage off the boat.

Doug received a beautiful invitation to Government House when Queen Elizabeth and Prince Phillip visited in 1973. The Queen presented Doug with Royal cuff links. That was a definite highlight of his career.

Doug passed away in 2000 at the age of 85. He had a beautiful police funeral. He was a wonderful man, much better than me, I don't know how he put up with me. He's the one who dragged me to church and never ever swore. We were very much in love. We loved dancing together. Right up until the end of his life, if we heard something good on the radio we would get around the lounge room."

On Thursday 12th of October His Excellency General The Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Ret'd) Governor of NSW hosted a Garden Reception at Government House in the presence of Their Royal Highnesses The Prince of Wales and The Duchess of Cornwall. As one of the organisations that the Governor holds patronage of we were very lucky to have been invited. Senior Sergeant Paul Bousfield Chairperson of NSW Police Legacy attended the reception and took Elise Baldwin. It was a beautiful occasion for Elise to meet Prince Charles and Camilla.

A VERY HOT CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON



It was an extraordinarily hot Sydney day with the temperature reaching a staggering 41 degrees when 350 guests descended on Doltone House at Darling Island Wharf for the Annual Police Legacy Christmas Luncheon on Friday 20

November. 13 buses negotiated the heat and collected legatees from as far as Orange, Goulburn, the Northern Beaches and the Blue Mountains to come together, catch up with friends and make new ones.

The Christmas luncheon is an opportunity for our legatees to reconnect with one another and for us as an organisation to celebrate our achievements from throughout the year, as well as acknowledge those

who helped us along the way. During the lunch we acknowledged and thanked our sponsors including the Police Bank and the Police Association of NSW, our dedicated fundraisers, particularly those involved with the Kokoda Trek Program, and our volunteers. We also celebrated our new life members, Former Commissioner of NSW Police and Former Director of NSW Police Legacy Ken Moroney APM, and Former Directors of NSW Police Legacy Sidney Berkowitz, Mark Elm and Jeff Beard.

Flowers were also presented to our ever-growing group of amazing legatees over the age of 90. 14 legatees over the age of 90 made the effort to come to the luncheon despite the trying heat which would have left many others at home. We would like to thank everyone for making the day such a success and for contributing to the wonderful loving family atmosphere that the day exuberated.

GRAEME DONNELLEY CUP

The Graeme Donnelly Memorial Cup was held on Saturday 27 September in Remembrance Week at the Collegians Rugby League Field. The Wollongong and Lake Illawarra Branches of the Police Association of NSW along with the Local Area Commands put on a spectacular day. We remembered our colleagues who have passed away, Graeme Donnelly, Nick Skomarow, Col Stevenson, Ray Schuberg, Steve Tier and Pat Carney who was a well-known Police Rugby League player whilst in the job. Their widows, Kerry, Coralie, Amanda, Kim and Susan along with Nat Donnelly were present on the day. Also in attendance were their extended families including

sons, daughters and grandchildren. The families all got involved in presenting trophies, playing in the games and being part of the police family.

The day raised funds for Police Legacy and the local Police Citizens and Youth Club. Local businesses showed their support and we would like to thank the sponsors who made the day possible. Over \$12,000 was raised on the day and close to 1,200 people came out to celebrate the police family together. A special thanks to NSW Police Legacy director Sergeant Bob Minns for enthusiasm and role in making this even a great success.



ILLAWARRA POLICE CHARITY BALL

On Friday 31st July the Illawarra Police Charity Ball, the longest continually running police ball in NSW celebrated a major milestone with its 30th anniversary. The ball is not purely a police event. Each year an average 300 people attend representing a broad cross-section of the Illawarra, from emergency service personnel to business representatives and members of the community.

The ball is regarded as a community celebration which aims to provide a great night out, while at the same time raising much-needed money for local charities. This endeavour is assisted each year by generous sponsorships and donations from a variety of businesses throughout NSW. To date, the ball has raised over \$300,000 for local charities and will continue building on this tremendous amount.

The Illawarra Police Charity Ball began with one woman's vision. In 1985, then-sergeant Beverley Lawson, of the Wollongong Patrol, wanted to hold a function that would see local police and the community come together for a fun and social evening. The central purpose of this function however, would be to raise much needed money to support local charities.

The first charity ball was held on Friday, August 1, 1986, at The Fraternity Club, Fairy Meadow, with 200 people in attendance. Raffle prizes included a \$1000 travel voucher from Ansett, a microwave oven and \$200 worth of house paint. Guests were entertained by Con and the Latin Beats. Importantly, proceeds from the night aided the Bulli Hospital palliative care ward and the Wollongong Cancer Awareness Support Group. Both causes were close to Bev's heart, she being a cancer survivor who, at the time, had six months left to complete of a five-year remission. But she said the charities were chosen to coincide with Cancer Awareness Year, not because of her personal experience.

"When we were considering these options, I thought about people having to travel to Sydney daily for their treatment; I really don't know how some of them get up there, or more specifically how they cope," she said at the time. "We would like to make the ball an annual charity

event and if there are charity groups in the area who would like to be considered, we would be pleased to hear from them," she added.

In 1996, Bev Lawson became the first female Deputy Commissioner of NSW. At the time of her death from a stroke in January 1998, aged 57, she was Australia's highest-ranking female police officer, reaching Deputy Commissioner, and someone of whom the Police Service of NSW was immensely proud. Bev Lawson and her family were strong supporters of the charity ball, even as she rose through the ranks of the NSW Police Force. Her vision of a community working together to benefit those in need still remains strong and has been adopted by the current committee.

In 2015, the Illawarra Police Charity Ball celebrated its 30th anniversary on Friday 31st of July at University of Wollongong, Grand Hall, the venue testimony to the growth and popularity of the event since those early days at the Frat. This year's Ball saw over \$5,500 raised for NSW Police Legacy.



DAISY WILLIAMS GOES TO WASHINGTON

POLICE LEGATEE

January 25 2005. My sister held the retro video camera and I tightened my ponytail and marched straight up the most important man in the room. It was my dad's 39th birthday and in the sea of hundreds of friends and families, I knew that my report on the day would be incomplete without his opinion. With way too much confidence for a 9 year I tapped the then Police Commissioner Ken Moroney on the back and asked him if I could interview him. After the grilling Mr Moroney turned to my father saying to watch out for me, I was an Alan Jones in the making.

Fast forward to January 25 2016. This would have been John Williams' 50th birthday. It will also be my first day of college studying Journalism in the capital of America, Washington D.C. 10 years since dad's 40th birthday and I will be doing exactly what my dad knew I would be doing and I can't help but think it's not just a coincidence.

I will begin my exchange program at Washington College in January 2016. Personally and professionally I will be given the opportunity to flourish and this is thanks to police legacy. They are letting me live my

FOR MEN KILLED ON DUTY

Why did they raise you – young and strapping lads
raise you to handsome fullness of proud youth?
Sharing each day the lives you made complete,
teaching you honor and courage, hope and truth?

Why did they suffer pain, and tears and heart ache
denying themselves as any parent would,
working each day to do the best they could for you
so many things that made your lifetime good?

And why must they suffer – wives who knew the torment
of sending you every day to uncertain fates,
bravely accepting whatever should lay before them
living their lives in the shadow of death that waits?
Reproaches and blameless blame will remain their legacy
till they like a nightmare slowly fade away
as time heals the scars of searing wounds so painful.
But they won't forget that their men died today.

Rhonda W Rice
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dreams, dreams my father always had for me, and I am ever so grateful for it. The unfortunate loss of my dad left a huge hole in my heart, but legacy has helped provide the love and financial support and made that hole a little smaller. I like to think that he is looking down on me and sending me his love through Police Legacy. It makes me feel connected to them and therefore closer to him.

I am so excited to begin my journey and make him, my mum, legacy and everyone who has supported me proud. I am so grateful and again thank you to police legacy for making my dreams come true.



THANK YOU

EASTERN BEACHES LOCAL AREA COMMAND

Our friends from the Eastern Beaches Local Area Command must be acknowledged and thanked for their efforts in raising funds for our charity at their Masquerade Ball in August. They raised an extraordinary \$25,000, funds which will assist us continue to provide the benefits and services we do to our police family.

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LOCAL AREA LUNCHES

Legatees of all ages are very welcome to attend these events. If you are from another area, you are more than welcome to attend, please advise the NSW Police Legacy office on 9264 1311.

Invitations will be sent two weeks prior to the below dates via post or email if we have the appropriate details. If you don't receive any invitation, or to update your mailing details, please contact the office.

- **Northern Beaches** - Thursday 28 January
- **MacArthur** - Tuesday 2 February
- **St George** - Wednesday 3 February
- **Orange/Bathurst** - Friday 5 February
- **Sydney Central** - Thursday 11 February
- **Newcastle** - Friday 19 February
- **Wagga Wagga** - Friday 26 February
- **Hawkesbury/Penrith/Blue Mountains** - Sunday 28 February

IN MEMORIAM

This month we remember Marie Magill, 94 from Narromine, Edna Lucas, 101 from Lane Cove, Dulcie Howard, 90 from Mayfield Newcastle, Gloria Lynch, 89 from Seaforth and Evelyn Cagney, 98 from Valentine Newcastle. Our thoughts and prayers go out to their families and friends.

THE GIFT OF LEAVING A BEQUEST



In 2013 Grahame George Kerslake updated his Will and Testament and decided to leave an interest in his estate to NSW Police Legacy. Upon notification of his passing in February 2014, we received notification of his generous gift. The funds received from the sale of the

Estate will enable us, for the first time, to investigate investment options to secure our financial independence for the future.

Grahame Kerslake's bequest is a wonderful example of how just a few words in your Will can make the world of difference to the work we do at NSW Police Legacy. It is a powerful act of generosity that shows that you care about the police families who in the future, may become a part of our police family.

There are several kinds of bequests you could consider including leaving the residue of your Estate to NSW Police Legacy, a percentage or your Estate, a specific amount of money or consider making a memorial bequest to honour an individual or family. We strongly recommend you seek the advice of an independent solicitor or qualified legal advisor before changing your will.

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