# "THE CCLO CATCH UP"

#### Summer Issue

#### A Message from the Board of Management

We are now heading rapidly towards the end of another very successful year for the Board and CCLO. The Annual General Meeting was held recently, and once again we have a full complement of Directors willing to take up the challenges for 2016. Ian Radford was appointed Secretary at the AGM. Ian is a retired Pharmacist, business owner and has been actively involved with many community organisations over many years. He comes to us with significant business skills and I and the other Directors look forward to working with him next year.

The Annual Report is available on our website www.cclo.com.au. You will see from a glance that we finished the last financial year well, with CCLO being positioned to be very sustainable into the future, particularly as we see the roll-out of the National Disability Insurance Scheme from July 2016.

We have just learned that we were successful in our bid for funding through the 2015 Community Building Partnership Scheme. We have been allocated \$15,000 which will go towards construction of an awning over the outdoor area of our supported accommodation home in Lily Lane, Woongarrah Waters. Congratulations to Cathie La Delle, Vice President, who undertook the task of applying for this grant.

The mega event of the year is upon us! The CCLO Christmas Party will be held on Saturday 19 December at Wyong Golf Club and I know I speak for all our residents and staff when I say, we are really looking forward to seeing you all at this wonderful event. Santa will be in attendance so presents are a must.

On behalf of the Board of Management I would like to wish all our residents, families, carers, staff and management, a very Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow Directors for their efforts over the past year. We have a wonderful Board of Management, all with big hearts, and they do a fantastic job.

Judy Andrews Chairperson

#### VALE CHRIS SCOLES

It is with great sadness we advise that Chris Scoles, loved partner of Jeannee Kop (CCLO Client) passed away at Wyong Hospital on the 23<sup>rd</sup> November.

He was a true gentleman and will be sadly missed. Our sincere condolences to Jeannee and Chris's Family.

#### From the CEO's Desk

Another year has all but passed and here we are about to celebrate Christmas 2015.

The year has passed very quickly and I am celebrating my second Christmas with CCLO.

What an exciting year it has been! In many respects it has been a roller coaster of a year with numerous announcements out from Government as to when the NDIS will roll out on the Central Coast.

Well we now have certainty of that date being July 2016 although we, CCLO are already accredited to NDIS and are successfully interacting with them.

Overall though for us 2015 was a year of positives building on the initiatives taken the previous year by the Board. The 2015 year saw us, to name a few;

- Complete the purchase of our Canton Beach
  Property
- Expand our Supported Accommodation Numbers
- Expand our Community Support Activities
- Overhaul and update our Financial Reporting capabilities

• Pass our Third Party Verification for Service Delivery There is much more in the pipeline too as we look to insulate ourselves from complete dependence on Government/NDIS supports.

The Hunter Area was a trial site for the introduction of the NDIS and quite a number of NFP's in that area have had to either close down or merge their charitable activities, the change and financial imperatives of the NDIS causing this. We, CCLO, on the other hand see no such necessity to merger or fear the changes. We have a healthy balance sheet, great dedicated staff and a talented and supportive Board.

We look forward to continuing our activities playing to our core strength of supplying Supported Accommodation to the disabled. A successful organisation is only seen to be so, due to the talented and dedicated people within it, those that go above and beyond expectations to deliver that success. I am proud to be part of CCLO, one of those successful organisations.

I would now like to take this opportunity of wishing all those Clients/Families/Staff/Management and Board all the very best for Christmas and the New Year. **Kevin Johnston CEO** 



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# Happy 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday Chris

We have been very lucky in October with 2 milestone Birthdays!

Chris celebrated his 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday at the Diggers Club at Long Jetty with a special luncheon with Family, Staff and fellow Clients on the 10<sup>th</sup> October. Chris loved his presents especially his rainbow cake, jelly and pavlova!



## **Carols at Warnie's Cafe**

The Clients from Lily and Wakool attended the Carols at Warnie's Café on Friday evening the11<sup>th</sup> December and everyone had a wonderful time.

The highlight of the evening was spending time with Santa!



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## Happy 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday Antony

Antony also celebrated his 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday with a special luncheon at Gennaro's at the Grand Hotel with CCLO Staff, Clients and Family on the 21<sup>st</sup> October.

Antony enjoyed his party with a special 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday cake and presents. Antony's son, Cody loved the strawberries off the top of the cake they were his favorite.

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

According to the NDIA in their July – Sept 2015 Quarterly report, there have been (in the trials sites) fewer low and medium cost packages, but more high cost packages with almost half the scheme's funding going to 10% of participants.

### **Birthday Celebrations!**

December Lee-anne Hollis 12-12, Robynne Douglass 27-12

January Kim Wright 11-1, Kellie Knight, Gary Doran 12-1

February Troy Hollis 13-2, Michelle Campbell 17-2, Vivien Van Der Kroft 20-2, Tracie Lawer 21-2, Lee Duggan 26-2

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