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Peninsula Health welcomes new Chief Executive Officer

Ms Sue Williams has joined Peninsula Health as our new CEO.

She brings to the health service a strong background in health and health service management.

Since 2013, Sue has been the General Manager Healthcare Division of the Spotless Group. Prior to that, she was a Partner in the Health and Human Services Division of KPMG 2011-2013 and from 2001-2011 she had various roles with Healthscope culminating in the role of Chief Operating Officer Hospitals.

From 1998-2001, Sue had senior positions with North Western Healthcare Network including Chief Nursing Officer RMH, New Millennium Nursing Project and Chief Nursing Officer Western Hospital.

Sue’s earliest qualifications were in Nursing, but she has added to this a Bachelor in Business Management and a Master of Business Administration from Monash University. In 2009, she undertook the Advanced Management Program at Harvard University.

Board Chair Ms Nancy Hogan said that Sue’s combination of clinical and management experience made her a perfect fit for the role.

“We are looking forward to Sue leading Peninsula Health into the future,” said Ms Hogan.

Ms Hogan also thanked Acting CEO Mr David Anderson and the Peninsula Health Executive for their efforts.

“The Board has very much appreciated his willingness to undertake this role and to provide the leadership that is required,” said Ms Hogan.

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“He and the Executive Directors have all worked extremely hard to ensure that Peninsula Health has continued to deliver on our Strategic Plan, including the completion of the $25M Mornington Centre, Stage 1 of the Peninsula Cancer Centre and the $81M Frankston re-development which will be completed at the end of the year,” said Ms Hogan.
Cancer patients across Frankston and the Mornington Peninsula now have more access to chemotherapy services following the opening of the first stage of the Peninsula Cancer Centre.

Stage 1 of the $3 million centre was officially opened on 30 June by The Honourable Bruce Billson, Federal Minister for Small Business and Member for Dunkley.

Minister Billson was able to secure a $650,000 funding grant through the Federal Government’s Community Development Grants Program which funded the redevelopment. Ongoing running costs will continue to be supported by the Victorian State Government.

The first stage of the cancer centre project involved the redesign and expansion of the existing Oncology Day Treatment Centre in the Integrated Health Centre on Hastings Road.

At the opening, Peninsula Health Chair Ms Nancy Hogan said that:

“This enhancement of the Oncology Day Unit is the start of something big."

“This is part of a five year vision from our Director of Cancer Services Dr Romayne Holmes."

“We are currently developing a cancer service plan for the Peninsula. This will identify the services that are needed for today and for the future, where they are needed and when they are needed. From the service plan we will know what other services and equipment we will require to support the growth,” said Ms Hogan.

Frankston Hospital Chief Operating Officer Brendon Gardner said that the refurbishment means that more patients will be able to be treated.

“The unit now has five more treatment chairs, bringing the total number to 15, which are spread across two light, bright areas,” Mr Gardner said.

“There are also two procedure beds, each of which has their own dedicated, patient-friendly procedural rooms.

“As well as larger treatment capacities, the expansion has added a new patient resource room that will provide a dedicated space for patient education and information sessions, all the while maintaining the privacy and dignity of patients and their relatives,” said Mr Gardner.

Cancer is the leading cause of death in Victoria. It is estimated that cancer diagnoses will increase by a staggering 60 per cent over the next 10 years.

Peninsula Health cancer services currently provides 8,000 chemotherapy treatments per year through the Oncology Day Treatment Centre and has a further 4,000 visits to its two outpatient clinics at Frankston Hospital and Rosebud Hospital.

In addition to this Peninsula Health also provides genetic cancer screening services, inpatient services, surgical oncology and palliative care.

Over time additional Oncologists and Haematologists will be recruited to support the program as it grows.

More cancer services, more treatments: Oncology service expands
Our triathlon champion

Deb McDonell is a force to be reckoned with. The Associate Nurse Unit Manager of the Chemotherapy Day Unit at Frankston Hospital has recently been selected to represent Australia at the 2014 International Triathlon Union World Championships in Canada.

Deb first got into training for triathlons through one of her chemotherapy patients who asked her and a number of other staff members to attend a charity boot camp session.

“One of the day unit patients had been attending a local boot camp. Her trainer was conducting a charity session with all the proceeds going towards a cancer charity,” said Deb.

“A few of us went along to help support the cause and I ended up getting hooked. Eventually I wanted more of a challenge and started training for and competing in local triathlons,” said Deb.

A quiet achiever, Deb then went on to compete in qualifying rounds across the country which led her to being selected for the World Championships in the 54-59 age group.

Once in Canada, she will undertake a 750 metre swim, a 20 kilometre bike ride and a five kilometre run.

Alongside being a triathlete, Deb is a well respected member of the Chemotherapy Day Unit at Frankston Hospital.

Deb first joined Peninsula Health as a Chemotherapy nurse in 1999. “I was here when the Chemotherapy Unit first opened and have seen it move and grow over the years,” said Deb.

Having worked in a number of chemotherapy roles across different health services since then, Deb has honed her skills to become a first class nurse before returning to Peninsula Health in 2010.

She says that what she loves most about being an Associate Nurse Unit Manager is that she gets to work with and care for patients whilst still being in a senior role.

“I really love interacting with the patients and helping them. It is a very rewarding experience being able to make someone’s treatment just a little bit brighter when they’re going through a tough time,” said Deb.

Deb is currently training for her World Championship debut and leaves for Edmonton, Canada in late August.

Deb in the Oncology Unit with patient Gerri Schwarze
Fifteen months ago Dorothy Rouse was diagnosed with Leukaemia.

After visiting her local GP and undergoing a routine blood test, the 85 year old’s GP immediately sent her to Frankston Hospital Emergency Department. Her tests had come up with alarming results.

Dorothy and Keith have been a strong team throughout Dorothy’s treatment.

Dorothy said that if it wasn’t for the support of the nursing team she doesn’t know if she would have made it this far.

“They are so pleasant and so caring. They really lift you up and help you stay positive,” said Dorothy.

Dorothy and Keith, who recently celebrated 62 years of marriage, are now planning a trip to Queensland later this year to visit their family and five great-grandchildren.

“I have my ups and downs. Quiet often I will have what we call a ‘sooky’ day where I am just sad. But it’s just part of living with cancer,” said Dorothy.

“Keith has been a massive support for me and helps me do the things I can’t do any more. We work as a team,” said Dorothy.

The nature of Dorothy’s cancer means that she will have to have the treatment for the rest of her life. Following her diagnosis and starting on the treatment Dorothy said that she has sometimes had to face her own mortality.

“You don’t realise how human you are until you get sick like this,” said Dorothy.

“I love life and I’m not ready to go yet. Even though I have my bad days I try to maintain a positive outlook.”

Keith said that the whole experience has been a bit frightening for the couple. However, the warmth and support they have received from the Chemotherapy Day Unit Nursing team has helped them stay positive throughout their journey.

“I have nothing but admiration for the [Frankston] Hospital. The nurses and doctors are the nicest group of people I have ever met in my entire life,” said Keith.

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Dorothy and Keith, who recently celebrated 62 years of marriage, are now planning a trip to Queensland later this year to visit their family and five great-grandchildren.

“Planning the trip has given us something to look forward to and focus on. It has helped take our mind off the illness and give us a positive goal,” said Dorothy.
For the first time in Victoria, ground-breaking surgery to ease the suffering of long-term asthma sufferers is available at Frankston Hospital.

The revolutionary new surgery reduces the effects of asthma attacks on chronic asthma sufferers for whom traditional medications do not work.

Professor David Langton, Peninsula Health Director of Thoracic Medicine performed the procedure for the first time in July. Harvard Professor of Medicine, Dr Armin Ernst, who pioneered the procedure, was one of the Professor Langton’s colleagues attending the surgery.

“Frankston Hospital was honoured to have Professor Ernst with us during this important surgery. His knowledge and insights greatly benefited the surgical team and provided a fantastic opportunity for staff to learn from a world renowned specialist,” said Professor Langton.

The bronchial thermoplasty procedure involves inserting a bronchoscope, or small tube, down the patient’s airway and into their lungs whilst they are under anaesthesia. A heat probe is then used to treat the muscles that cause bronchospasm.

“By weakening these muscles they will no longer be able to cause wheeze and asthma attacks,” said Prof Langton.

Frankston Hospital is now the only hospital in Victoria which performs the surgery.

According to Asthma Australia, around 80 per cent of patients who underwent trials for this procedure found benefit.

Debra Clarke is one of two patients who Professor Langton performed the surgery on for the first time.

First diagnosed with asthma at 15 months of age, the 53 year old mother of three has spent her entire life suffering from its effects.

“I’ve had asthma for as long as I can remember and nothing has ever been able to relieve the constant wheeziness. I’ve never been able to be as active as I want to be. I never played sports. Even in school I used to hide my head in my bag to take my puffer for fear of being labelled as not normal,” said Debra.

As a chronic asthma sufferer Debra has spent her life continually on medication to try and relieve the constant heaviness in her chest.

The revolutionary device allowing the surgery to take place
“I’ve had all the traditional medication and tried all the experimental trials I could, including going onto chemotherapy medication,” said Debra.

“I am now at the point where the constant use of cortisone steroids is having a significant toll on my body. My hair is thinning, my skin is weak and I am constantly covered in bruises. I have had to give up so much of my quality of life including my job because of my asthma.

“One of the side effects of the use of steroids to treat asthma is getting diabetes. My dad, who was also a chronic asthma sufferer, passed away from steroid induced diabetes at 59. I really don’t want that to happen to me,” said Debra.

Debra says that she hopes the surgery will reduce her reliance on the cortisone steroids, minimise their effects on her body, and reduce her risk of getting diabetes.

“There are only a few specialists in Australia who currently perform the bronchial thermoplasty. This very new and specialised procedure was approved for use in Australia by the Therapeutic Goods Administration in 2013. Since then it has been performed on around 16 other patients in hospitals in Adelaide, Brisbane and Perth.

“Within six months I’m expecting to see my quality of life improve dramatically.

“I’m just looking forward to doing those things we take for granted like breathing and walking with ease and without the fear of suffering an attack,” said Debra.

The bronchial thermoplasty is currently only available for patients following a specialist review. Patients must have severe and persistent asthma that is not well controlled despite taking currently available medications.
Clinical trial helps chronic asthma

Terri-Anne Moore has spent the last 12 years of her life suffering from severe and uncontrollable asthma with no working treatment available to her.

Now thanks to an innovative new clinical medication trial taking place at Frankston Hospital, Terri-Anne is breathing easy for the first time in years.

Terri-Anne first started having asthma symptoms when she was living in Japan 12 years ago. What began as a suspected case of bronchitis (a viral condition) turned into Terri-Anne being diagnosed with asthma, a chronic and incurable condition.

"After I was diagnosed my condition began to progressively deteriorate as each year went by," said Terri-Anne.

"It got to the point where normal medications didn't work for me and I was being hospitalised two or three times a year for conditions such as pneumonia and severe chest infections," said Terri-Anne.

Terri-Anne’s condition impacted almost every part of her life from her physical capabilities to her ability to see friends socially.

"It was just so debilitating, I was constantly tired and couldn’t sleep at night. I could barely walk up a flight of stairs let alone visit friends because I just wasn’t able to breathe,” said Terri-Anne.

This all changed for Terri-Anne when she started treatment in a life-changing clinical medication trial at Frankston Hospital.

Facilitated at Frankston Hospital by Director of Thoracic Medicine, Professor David Langton, Terri-Anne is part of an international clinical trial testing the effects of a new medication on patients who suffer from uncontrollable asthma.

Professor Langton explains that this new medication is a monoclonal antibody which blocks the interleukin pathway – a pathway which causes inflammation in the airways of asthmatic patients. It is being used as an add-on therapy for patients with severe asthma not controlled with the conventional puffer treatments.

"Participants are assessed every fortnight for physical changes such as lung capacity, heart rate and blood pressure. They also fill in an electronic diary as part of the trial so that we are able to get daily data on the effectiveness of the medication," said Professor Langton.

Now receiving the fortnightly injections, alongside eight other
Clinical trial helps chronic asthma patients breathe easier

participants, Terri-Anne is experiencing relief that she hasn’t felt in years.

“It is literally a miracle treatment. Every time I have the injection I feel a noticeable difference almost instantly,” said Terri-Anne.

“The night after my first injection was the first night I had slept through the night in years. I’m not fatigued anymore. I can be more physical without getting puffed or having to have my asthma puffer and my voice has actually changed because I’m not wheezing all the time.

“It really has changed my life, I’m active. I’m getting healthy and I’m a new person. It is quite literally a breath of fresh air,” said Terri-Anne.
New look for the Mental Health Unit

The Peninsula Health Mental Health Inpatient Unit entrance has had a colourful new facelift.

Patients and visitors to the Frankston Hospital based service are now welcomed with the warm colours of Aboriginal and mosaic art work thanks to the contributions of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Team and the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Intersex and Queer Community Advisory Group (GLBTIQ CAG).

The revamped entrance features a Womin Djeka (Traditional Welcome) poster which acknowledges and pays respect to the traditional people of the land. The welcome is complimented by Aboriginal art work panels which were developed from a surfboard decorated at an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Youth Surfing Camp.

Peninsula Health Cultural Ambassador Shane Wright said that the welcome and artwork are a positive step in the Closing the Gap initiatives taking place at Peninsula Health.

“The Womin Djeka poster and Aboriginal artwork is part of an ongoing initiative to enhance cultural safety across Peninsula Health,” said Shane.

The GLBTIQ CAG contributed to the entrance’s bright new look by hand making a mosaic. Members of the CAG constructed the mosaic using donated tiles and materials.

Ms Bronwyn Lawman, Operations Director Peninsula Health Mental Health Service said that the Aboriginal artwork and the mosaic have had a really positive impact on the space.

““The refurbished entrance has made the Mental Health Unit a welcoming and brighter place,” said Bronwyn.

“We have been able create an inviting space that people feel comfortable in and enjoy being in and we would not have been able to achieve that without the support of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Team and the GLBTIQ CAG,” said Bronwyn.

The Mental Health Unit was also able to purchase new furniture for its foyer area which has added to the space’s positive and refreshed look.

Frankston Hospital Stage 3 update

Progress is well underway for the newest addition to Frankston Hospital. The project, which will add three new wards and a new Emergency Department to the site, has continued to grow out of the ground over the past six months.

More recently the project has seen the facade of the building be put on, the windows installed, the resuscitation area framing put up and the roof capping underway.

Two new ICU beds funded by the project are also about to be opened. The new beds will bring the ICU’s capacity up to 15 beds.

One of the most recent developments is a purpose built training area built inside the existing hospital for our staff to use to acclimatise themselves to the new building’s environment.

The training area consists of a mock emergency cubicle and a mock ward room. Training sessions will be run for staff so they are familiar with the space and know where everything from the light switches to the specialised medical apparatus are.

These cubicles are also a great way to give our community an insight into how the new building will look and feel once completed. In June the cubicles received a visit from the Frankston Rotary Club who is donating $30,000 for a new ventilator for the new Emergency Department.

Our next update to you should include handover from the builders. Stay tuned for the next update.
Having been a nurse in one for over 25 years, Gail Van Summeren is no stranger to Emergency Departments.

Beginning as a junior nurse in Melbourne, Gail has worked in Emergency and Critical Care based nursing all over the world before settling at Peninsula Health.

Currently working in Rosebud Hospital Emergency Department, Gail has spent the past three years working towards becoming a Nurse Practitioner.

“The opportunity came up three years ago for me to become a Nurse Practitioner. Since then I have completed my Masters degree and have been working in a candidate role,” said Gail.

In order to become a Nurse Practitioner Gail must be endorsed by the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency in addition to completing her Masters of Nursing (Nurse Practitioner) and training in a candidate role.

“The candidate role has allowed me to consolidate my clinical skills in the Emergency Department in preparation for Nurse Practitioner endorsement,” said Gail.

Nurse Practitioners are a new breed of nursing staff that provide a holistic style of care to patients from the start to end of their treatment.

“The role of a Nurse Practitioner is providing patient care from start to finish,” said Gail.

“As a Nurse Practitioner I have more responsibility and training in applying advanced nursing practice. I take on the responsibility that in the past has been delivered by both the Doctor and the Nurse.

“It will mean that I can order diagnostic tests, treat and discharge patients as necessary instead of having to call on a doctor.

“In some cases this might mean that simple treatments that in the past might have involved long waits for patients can now be performed by the Nurse Practitioner, which can lead to a patient being discharged home or admitted to a hospital bed faster,” said Gail.

Peninsula Health currently has seven accredited Nurse Practitioners working in fields such as Mental Health, Stroke, Renal Services (Dialysis), Palliative Care, Oncology, Aged Care and Hospital in the Home. There are currently six candidates, including Gail, seeking endorsement.
Local volunteers have done it for the fifth time in a row at the Minister for Health Volunteer Awards held during National Volunteers Week in May.

The Peninsula Health Tai Chi Volunteer Leaders were recognised by The Honourable David Davis MLC, Minister for Health for their fantastic volunteer work within the community.

The group now joins the ranks of four other Peninsula Health volunteer groups and individuals who have also received the award over the past five years.

“Thanks to the hard work of our volunteers and their enormous contributions to the community, Peninsula Health is the only health service in Victoria to receive volunteer recognition five years in a row,” said Jan Child, Peninsula Health Chief Operating Officer.

“We are incredibly proud of the Tai Chi volunteer leaders and all the impressive work they do. They help hundreds of people every year stay healthy, connect with others and build lasting friendships,” said Ms Child.

The Tai Chi Leaders Group is made up of seven volunteers who have spent the past 15 years working tirelessly to help improve the lives of our community members. They are the sole organisers of community Tai Chi classes which are run six times a week across the Mornington Peninsula and attract over 80 participants.

In addition to their fantastic efforts as volunteers, they were among the first groups to be specially trained by Arthritis Victoria to further enhance their program.

Many of today’s Tai Chi volunteers began as participants of the program and their fantastic experiences led them to wanting to contribute more to the group and community.

“The dedication of the Tai Chi leaders is truly remarkable. Their commitment to their community is something that should be recognised and their recent award confirms this,” said Ms Child.

The Minister for Health Volunteer Awards is held annually and recognises and celebrates volunteers who have demonstrated outstanding dedication and commitment to public healthcare in Victoria.

This is exemplified by the Tai Chi group’s work which not only seeks to promote physical wellness but also provides a wonderful opportunity for social inclusion for members of our community.

Photo shows: Tai Chi Group Leaders Maryanne MacPhee and Doris Hilton (front) with Minister for Health The Hon David Davis and members of the Peninsula Health Community Participation Team.
Elizabeth Maguire and Betty Ellis marked significant achievements this year with each of them celebrating 30 years of volunteering for Peninsula Health.

Each of these wonderful ladies have dedicated the past 30 years supporting our community and our hospitals.

Elizabeth Maguire, who recently retired from the group, was a Pink Lady at the Frankston Hospital kiosk. She was the Tuesday Duty Officer and her commitment to running a well-organised kiosk and her passion for raising funds for the hospital was truly admirable.

Betty Ellis is renowned for having a good head for figures and great sense of humour. Betty has been a very active and much loved member of the Rosebud Auxiliary and Op Shop, showing great dedication and community spirit through her fundraising for Rosebud Hospital.

Betty and Margaret’s achievements were recognised alongside 24 other volunteers presented with long service awards at this year’s Annual Volunteers and Auxiliaries Appreciation Day. This included eight volunteers presented with awards for 15 years of service, 11 volunteers for 20 years of service and three volunteers for 25 years of service.

The annual event, which has been now running for eight years was hosted by staff, Board Members and Executives to celebrate the hard work and tireless contributions of the 850+ volunteers who faithfully dedicate their time to every aspect of Peninsula Health.

More than 300 volunteers attended the event and enjoyed lunch and entertainment by ‘The Beachy Boys’ and the traditional conga line.

“It takes a special person to find the time to help others. Volunteers are those special people and it is through their efforts and because of their commitment that we are able to provide the best services possible to our community. Peninsula Health thanks all volunteers and is deeply grateful,” said Acting Chief Executive, Mr David Anderson.

Peninsula Health would like to thank everyone who came and would like to again congratulate all volunteers who received long service awards.

Long service award recipients:

15 years:
Margaret Carlin
Violet Dimac
Audrey Hughes
Maryanne MacPhee
Mary McCartney
Enid Millar
Glenda Sellenger
Anthony Stroud

20 years:
Boyd Standing
Dawn Standing
Eric Parkin
Pamela Parkin
Joy Rydel
Helen Harrison
Dorothy McCarthy
Doris Hilton
Christine Hughes
Peter Runacres
Rosemary Shannon

25 years:
Julie Foster
Shirley Ridgway
Sybil Vorbach

30 years:
Elizabeth Maguire
Betty Ellis
Blue Ribbon $50,000 police memorial dedicated at Rosebud Hospital

The Victoria Police Blue Ribbon Foundation dedicated a life-saving facility at Rosebud Hospital in memory of a police officer who died in the line of duty in 1935.

The emergency resuscitation area at Rosebud Hospital was named in memory of Constable Clyde Smith who was killed in the line of duty at Frankston on 5 January, 1935.

The dedication was made possible through a donation of $50,000 from the Victoria Police Blue Ribbon Foundation’s Peninsula Branch.

34 year-old Constable Smith was performing traffic control at the intersection of Bay and Davey Streets, Frankston when his partner accidentally discharged his weapon and shot Constable Smith. He died later that day leaving behind his wife and five children.

“The Blue Ribbon Foundation maintains the important link between the community and its Police Force. The work of the Blue Ribbon Foundation enables us to honour police officers who have fallen in the line of duty and provide funding to public hospitals, such as Rosebud Hospital, to support the amazing work they do and the services they provide,” said Mr Bill Noonan, Chairman of the Blue Ribbon Foundation.

“This dedication is a permanent reminder of the work and sacrifice of our police members and in particular, Constable Clyde Smith. It also reminds us of the great work done in our community by organisations like the Blue Ribbon Foundation,” said Peninsula Health Board of Directors Chairperson, Nancy Hogan.

The Blue Ribbon Foundation Peninsula Branch, led by Rhon and Darryl Nation, has been fundraising for over a year to reach the goal of $150,000 for Peninsula Health’s Emergency Departments at Frankston Hospital and Rosebud Hospital.

“We’re proud to see the naming of this facility in Rosebud Hospital’s Emergency Department,” said Darryl Nation, President of the Foundation’s Peninsula Branch. “Symbolically it puts Constable Smith back on duty and serving his local community,” he said.

The family of Constable Clyde Smith, as well as many distinguished guests attended the ceremony.
Thanks to Peninsula Partners

Our services would not be possible without the support of our community. Peninsula Health would like to thank the generous community members who make a regular monthly donation as part of our Peninsula Partners program. Your kind-heartedness enables us to purchase additional and much-needed equipment which directly helps those we provide care for in the community.

This year we are delighted to report that regular donations from Peninsula Partners have enabled us to purchase four surgical head lights for Main Theatre and two fall-out mats for our Acute Aged Mental Health ward at Frankston Hospital.

The headlights are used by surgeons for many important operations including cancer-related breast surgery, thyroid, and ear, nose and throat surgery; while the fall-out mats are used as a falls-prevention tool for elderly patients who are acutely unwell and are considered to be high falls risk patients.

We provide care to more than 1,000 people in the community each day which means your regular gift helps improve lives every day.

Becoming a member of our Peninsula Partners program is an easy and flexible way to support Peninsula Health on an ongoing basis. Donating regularly helps us plan ahead and enables us to make the best possible use of your ongoing gift.

How much you would like to give each month is entirely up to you. It might be $5, $10, or $50 - every donation makes a real difference and is very much appreciated.

You can securely provide details of the credit card or bank account that your donation will be deducted from and each month your chosen amount is automatically debited from your credit card or bank account. Your regular donation is secure and can be changed, paused or cancelled at any time.

Donations over $2 are tax deductible and at the end of the financial year you will receive a statement to assist you with your tax return.

If you would like to be part of the Peninsula Partners program, please call Shirlene Thomas on 9788 1284.

I would like to help build a healthy community

MAIL TO: Peninsula Health, Fundraising, PO Box 192, Mt Eliza 3930
CONTACT: P 9788 1502 E fundraising@phcn.vic.gov.au

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Address________________________________________
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I enclose a gift of [ ] $50 [ ] $100 [ ] $200 [ ] $ ___________ (gift of your choice)

Debited from my [ ] Visa [ ] Mastercard OR [ ] I have enclosed a cheque/money order (Payable to Peninsula Health).
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☐ Please send me more information about supporting my community with a regular monthly gift

Tick here if you do not wish to receive any further information from Peninsula Health
$1,000 donation to Frankston Men’s Shed

The Frankston RSL Women’s Auxiliary have generously donated $1,000 worth of Bunning’s vouchers to the Frankston Men’s Shed.

The Frankston Men’s Shed gives men who may be retired or have lost contact with friends and relatives the opportunity to participate in woodworking.

“We chose to donate to the Frankston Men’s Shed in appreciation for their work towards assisting Veterans in the community,” said Catherine Bernhardt, Honorary Secretary of Frankston RSL Women’s Auxiliary.

“It benefits Veterans to meet, work together, develop friendships and participate in making gifts and toys among other things for charities. This enhances quality of lifestyle, a form of occupational therapy and also integration into the community,” said Ms Bernhardt.

The donation will go towards purchasing tools, sanding floats and paint brushes that are lighter and easier to use.

“The new tools will enable men suffering from conditions such as arthritis to continue to work with their hands, improving their mental health and wellbeing,” said John Baarsma, Men’s Shed coordinator.

We are always grateful to those in the community who choose to support Peninsula Health.

We have received the following donations $100,000 and over:

$500,000 from the Southern Peninsula Community Fund Inc. for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

We have received the following donations $20,000 and over:

$50,000 from the Victoria Police Blue Ribbon Foundation Peninsula Branch for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$33,000 from the Rosebud Hospital Auxiliary for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$30,000 from the Rotary Club of Frankston for the purchase of a servo-ventilator for the Emergency Department at Frankston Hospital

We have received the following donation $5,000 and over:

$9,500 from the Lions Club of Dromana to purchase a Hoverjack Air Patient Lift machine for Rosebud Hospital

$9,144.74 from The Baths Restaurant for the Rosebud Hospital Emergency Department

$7,000 from the Rosebud Hospital Kiosk Auxiliary for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

We have received the following donations $2,000 and over:

$4,806 from Mr Peter Warren, Rosebud Rock ‘N’ Rods Festival organiser, for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$4,700 from Studio Sorrento for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal; proceeds from the Midsummer Night’s Dream Art Show

$4,499.97 from Emergency Department staff; proceeds from a staff fundraiser for the Frankston Hospital Emergency Department

$4,000 from Mr & Mrs Gjergja for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$2,500 from Mr & Mrs Gjergja for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$2,500 from Mr Nathan Kelley for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$2,500 from Mr Donald Clifton for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$2,226 from Woolworths Rosebud West for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal as a result of proceeds from their in-store Treadmill Challenge

$2,000 from the Rotary Club of Sorrento for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$2,000 from the Flinders District Lions Club for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$2,000 from the Southern Peninsula Uniting Church Opportunity Shop for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

We have received the following donations over $1,000:

$2,000 from the Hellenic Association of Mornington Peninsula Aged Citizens Club for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$2,000 from the Sorrento-Portsea RSL Women’s Auxiliary for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$2,000 from the Peninsula Boys Car Enthusiasts for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$2,000 from Angel Op Shop for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$2,000 from the Estate of the Late Joan Couper for the Palliative Care Unit

$1,000 from Mr & Mrs Stephens for the Palliative Care Unit, in memory of Ms Annette Shaddock

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$2,000 from the K.I.D.S Auxiliary for the Paediatric Unit at Frankston Hospital

$2,000 from Dromana Dee’s for the Chemotherapy Unit at Rosebud Hospital

We have received the following donations $20,000 and over:

$50,000 from the Victoria Police Blue Ribbon Foundation Peninsula Branch for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$50,000 from Rotary Club of Rosebud-Rye for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$33,000 from the Rosebud Hospital Auxiliary for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

We have received the following donations $1,000:

$1,000 from Mrs Franklin for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$1,000 from Mrs Barton for Frankston Hospital

Thank you

Mrs Williams for Frankston Hospital

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$1,000 from Angel Op Shop for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$1,000 from Sue Thompson for the Palliative Care Unit, in memory of Mr Robert Thompson

Mr Collins for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$1,000 from the Estate of the Late Joan Couper for the Palliative Care Unit

$1,000 from Mr & Mrs Stephens for the Palliative Care Unit, in memory of Ms Annette Shaddock

$1,000 from Mr & Mrs Gjergja for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$1,000 from the Lions Club of Dromana to purchase a Hoverjack Air Patient Lift machine for Rosebud Hospital

$1,000 from The Baths Restaurant for the Rosebud Hospital Emergency Department

$7,000 from the Rosebud Hospital Kiosk Auxiliary for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$9,500 from the Lions Club of Dromana to purchase a Hoverjack Air Patient Lift machine for Rosebud Hospital

$9,144.74 from The Baths Restaurant for the Rosebud Hospital Emergency Department

$7,000 from the Rosebud Hospital Kiosk Auxiliary for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$4,806 from Mr Peter Warren, Rosebud Rock ‘N’ Rods Festival organiser, for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$4,700 from Studio Sorrento for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal; proceeds from the Midsummer Night’s Dream Art Show

$4,499.97 from Emergency Department staff; proceeds from a staff fundraiser for the Frankston Hospital Emergency Department

$4,000 from Mr & Mrs Gjergja for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$2,500 from Mr & Mrs Gjergja for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$2,500 from Mr Nathan Kelley for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$2,500 from Mr Donald Clifton for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$2,226 from Woolworths Rosebud West for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal as a result of proceeds from their in-store Treadmill Challenge

$2,000 from the Rotary Club of Sorrento for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$2,000 from the Flinders District Lions Club for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$2,000 from the Southern Peninsula Uniting Church Opportunity Shop for the Rosebud Hospital CT Scanner Appeal

$2,000 from the K.I.D.S Auxiliary for the Paediatric Unit at Frankston Hospital

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