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July - October 2009

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Saturday 7th November 2009



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Music by The Oceanites

Dress: Formal / National

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### From the Editor

I plan to gradually change the scope of the contents of our newsletter. I would like to cover issues like the stories of outstanding achievements and challenges of migrants who live in Western Australia.

Furthermore, it would also be good if articles on the significant cultural events could be provided by the various community organizations. This would give rise to the promotion of understanding of different traditions and cultures that the Australian Asian Association represents. It would also give a positive perception of togetherness which is good for the advancement of multicultural aspects of the wider community.

Suggestions are most welcome. I am looking forward to hearing from many more members.

Thank you,

**Tholla Chan, Deputy CEO**

# SERVICES AVAILABLE FOR THE COMMUNITY

## ▶ SETTLEMENT GRANTS PROGRAM:

*Funded by the Department of Immigration and Citizenship.*

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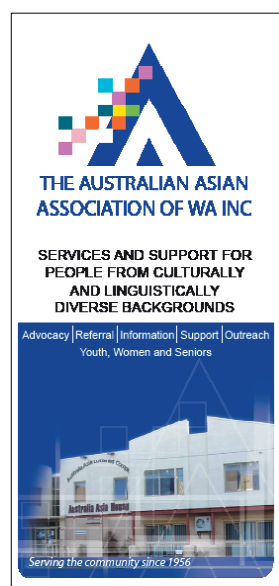
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# Executive Committee 2009 - 2010



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I am of Goan / Indian extract and completed my Honours in Microbiology and Chemistry from St. Xavier's College. I then worked in Cancer research in India and Saudi Arabia, before migrating to Perth. As my line of research was not available in the West, I completed my Bachelor of Education and my Post Graduate Preliminary Masters in Educational Leadership from Curtin University, before taking up my first teaching position at New Norcia. At about the same time having an interest in multicultural affairs I became part of the team at the Australian Asian Association of Western Australia, one of the largest conglomerate bodies in Western Australia, where I am currently President. I have a lovely wife Santhini and two of the cutest, naughtiest boys in the West, Aidan and Aaron. I live an excited and action paced life and would feel like being caught in a nasty traffic jam in the fair city of Mumbai if I ever slowed down.



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THOLLA CHAN, B.A in English; and Teaching Qualifications, B. A. Political Science, Dip. TESL, Post Grad Librarianship (Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand) Tholla was the President of the Cambodian Welfare and Cultural Centre (CWCC) in Perth from 1990 to 1996. She met Olga Ramasamy at AAA in 1990 when she came to get secretarial assistance and became a member ever since and has served on the Committee for several years.



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## President's Message



My Dear extended family

It is with a very great sense of joy that I greet you in my first term as President. I thank you for all the trust that you have placed in me and I promise to raise the bar even higher.

The 52nd Annual General Meeting was held on the 20th August 2009. There were many nominations received for office bearer and committee member positions. The large gathering of membership present at the meeting voted and the ballot box determined the make up of the new committee. I take this occasion to congratulate all the members of my new committee, representing many ethnic groups from around the world, for having the trust of the electorate and being voted in. I feel confident that they will support me in my vision and implementation of the Strategic Plan. I also wish to thank the outgoing committee and the many people who nominated but were not successful at the ballot. Lastly I wish to thank our dear members for your attendance and constant support of your association, which is growing from strength to strength. In my message I shall endeavour to keep you abreast of the many events, decisions and implementations as they occur from one reporting period to the next.

As many of our members would be aware the upper level of the building, houses the offices of many of our conglomerate members. The offices of Health and Community Care (HACC), Community Aged Care Packages (CACAP) and The Chilean Consulate General also occupy office space on this level. I am pleased to welcome two new groups: The Afghan Association and The Bangladesh Youth who have been allocated office space in the complex.

Your Association is the recipient of many grants from Federal, State and Local Governments. These grants help to run many of the programmes that a large volume of our members have come to depend upon, including the CACAP, HACC and the Settlement Grant Programme (SGP) from the Department of Immigration which helps to settle new migrants and refugees under Australia's Humanitarian Programme. We are pleased to announce to our members that we have received a letter from the Hon Justine Elliott (MP) that we have been awarded the Community Partners Programme Grant (CPP) worth \$65,000. I will keep you informed of the work done within the realms of the funding.

We run two offices, one in Gosnells in the South Eastern Corridor and the other in Joondalup in the

Northern Corridor. Our office in Gosnells provides a point of contact and support under the Emergency Relief Programme. The computer facilities in this office have been upgraded. The email address is **[austasia3@inet.net.au](mailto:austasia3@inet.net.au)**. We are desperately seeking volunteers for this office. It is indeed a good cause. If you think you can help the poor and needy please call Balwinder at the office **9328 6202**.

The association is currently in the process of designing a new website. It is almost ready to be uploaded to the host server. Your input in the form of choice for Domain Name would be greatly appreciated. Please call the office if you can help.

I was greatly delighted to be part of our community member celebrations, which included the Burmese Tribal Refugee Association hosting the birthday of Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, the Peoples Republic of China celebrating their 60th Anniversary, and The Thai Association hosting the Thai National Festival at Russel Square in Perth. AAA is continuing to grow in strength across many dimensions both Federally and State and I wish to thank you and our family of members for your unstinted support. Could I strongly urge you to support our Telethon Dinner Dance on the 7th of November at the Embassy Ballroom. It will be a great night to remember. I have received the forms for the Multicultural Communities' Service Awards. If you believe your community can be nominated please contact me through the office and I shall be delighted to nominate you.

If there is any other matter I can be of personal assistance to you, I will be happy to do so.

Thank you once again

Unity in Diversity

**Mel. Fialho**



First Executive Committee Monthly Meeting September

## CEO'S Report

As conveyed in the President's Report the Annual General Meeting held on the 20th of August attracted approximately 90 members making it the largest gathering at an AGM since the early nineties. It is very heartening when the membership shows an interest in the affairs of the Association.

AAA was pleased to support the Thai Festival Committee through the Thai Australia Association in presenting an excellent event – Thai Festival 2009. In spite of the rain Russell Square was packed to capacity and all the food stalls were empty by 4pm. Congratulations to the Festival Committee and the Thai Australia Association for a great Public Relations exercise – marketing Thailand.

The Bangladesh Youth Association – a very vibrant youth group – celebrated the Durga Puja at AAA over the long weekend. It was very refreshing to see the complete dedication and involvement of the youth in the organisation of the event and the cultural show. Their presentation of "Bollywood" is the best I have seen to date!!!

Once again we have groups on the waiting list for office space. Some have paid the bond in advance to ensure that they get the first offer if a room falls vacant. All the new tenants are very active and AAA House is now a hub of activity with language classes, cooking classes and the office space put to good use.

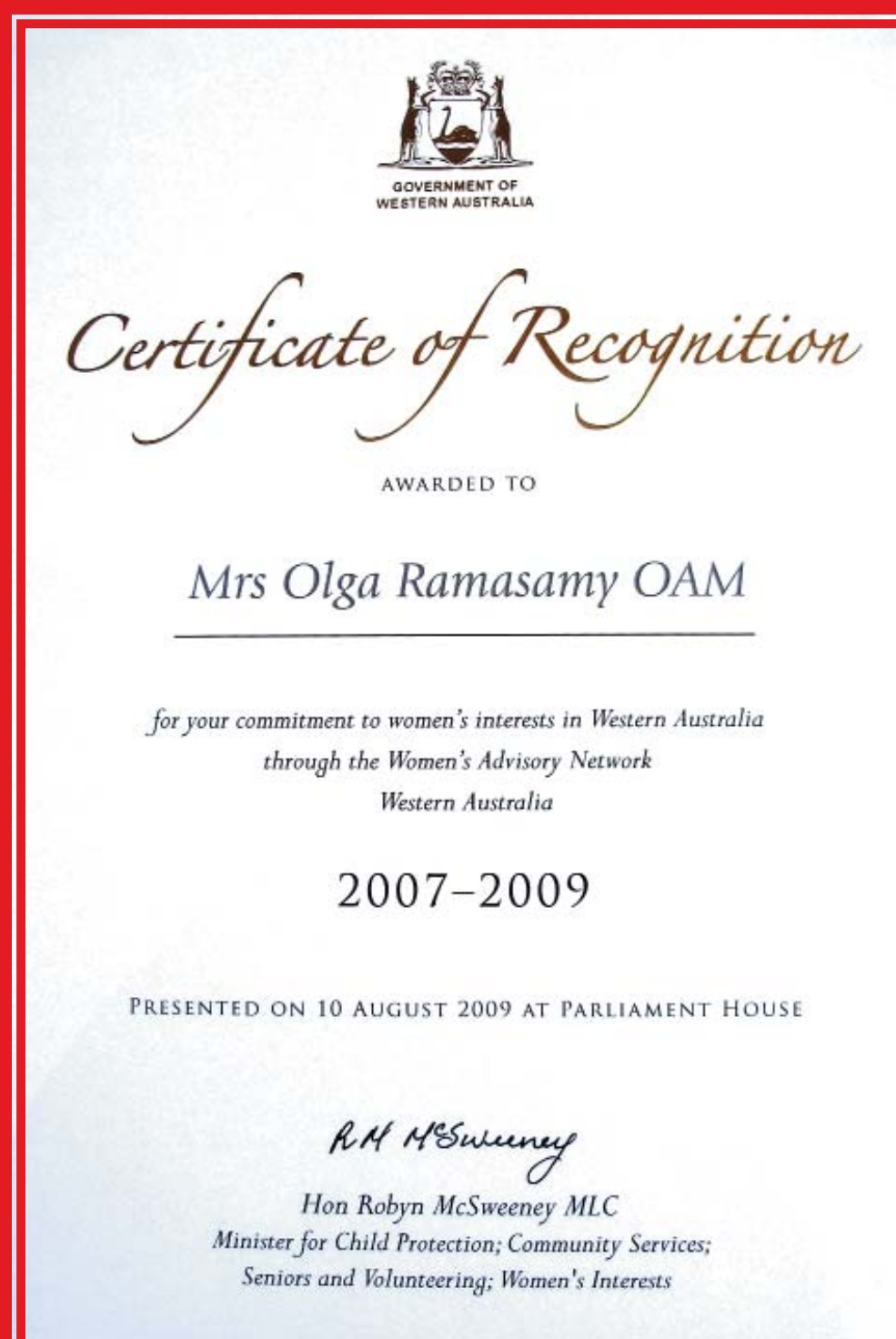
The nine months of 2009 have flown so fast. We are once again in the throes of applying for funding for the Harmony FolkFest 2010. We made a tentative booking for the Burswood Theatre, but received the bad news last week that they have had to give it out for a live show lasting a month – over the same period.

I was away for two weeks on a quick trip to Sri Lanka and came back well rested and ready to start the round of grant applications for 2010. All vacancies in the CACP and HACC programs have been filled and referrals are waitlisted. We need to apply for more places. We have started work on the SGP grant for the Joondalup Office.

We are very disappointed that all our efforts to have the grant, which was withdrawn by Minister Castrilli, reinstated were unsuccessful. We appealed to the Hon. Premier, but was turned down. Only AAA missed out in this government's efforts "to reform the sector". Unfortunately without grant funding we are unable to undertake the programs and provide the services.

We are hoping to keep 'knocking at the door' hoping it will open for us soon.

**Olga Ramasamy OAM**  
**Chief Executive Office**





## AAA - Joondalup - SGP, funded by DIAC

### Women's Health and Wellbeing Session

AAA through its Settlement Grant Program held a very successful information session on women's health and wellbeing at Jenolan Way community centre in Merriwa. The presenters were Helen O'Sullivan from Department of Health and Sonya Schultz from Breast Screen. The session was attended by 19 women from different communities residing in Joondalup and surrounding suburbs, with the help of interpreter's women were able to ask questions on issues of breast and cervical cancers. The women were happy with the information they received with many promising never to miss their Pap smear and breast screen appointments.



## CPP – Community Partners Program

*Funded by Department of Health and Ageing*

We are happy to announce that AAA received funding to carry on the CPP project for 2009 - 2010.

We will be working with different ethnic communities to organise information workshops throughout Perth metro and some rural areas in order to provide relevant information on the access and utilization of aged care services.

We will engage in dialogues with age care service providers as well in order to promote appropriate Age Care services for people from CaLD background.

If you are interested to find out more about the project, please contact the CPP Coordinator, Tholla Chan on **9328 6202**.

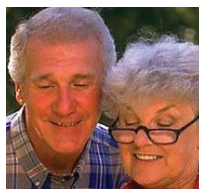
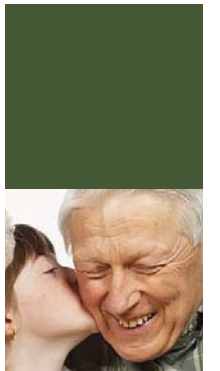
# Gosnells Seniors Care Expo

## Ageing with assistance in the Gosnells Community

Keep up to date with all services available  
Hear what the professionals say  
Get helpful hints and free advice

Alzheimer's Australia WA  
Amaroo Care Services Inc  
Council for the Aged  
Gosnells Support Services  
Senses  
Silver Chain  
Surgical House  
Women's Health Services  
Uniting Church Homes  
and more....

**Saturday 17 October**  
10am - 2pm  
Gosnells Football Oval  
Terence Street, Gosnells



# HACC - Activities at Australia Asia House



## HACC and CACP Staff Training Session at AAA

Triple A Care, as a provider of aged care services to CALD target communities in WA attempts to maintain a workforce that is competent and fully equipped to deliver a very high standard of care. This requires the Management to ensure that the Carers (staff) undertake regular training modules to keep up to date with modern service delivery methods. Featured below Carers from Home and Community Care and Community Aged Care programmes at a Manual Handling Session.



### CARERS NEEDED

Our HACC and CACP programs have been very successful that carers are on demand.

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Please contact Chris on **08 9228 98 33** or email your resume with a cover letter to [cpp.coordinator@iinet.net.au](mailto:cpp.coordinator@iinet.net.au)



## FIRST AUSTRALASIAN REFUGEE HEALTH CONFERENCE

1-2 September 2009,

was held at PERTH Convention & Exhibition Centre, PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA. It was concurrently held with the 19th annual The MHS Conference, 1-4 September 2009 and 3rd WA Transcultural mental Health Conference, 2-4 September 2009.

Tholla Chan, the deputy CEO, attended only one day of the Refugee Health Conference on Tuesday 1st September 2009.

She had an opportunity to listen to many outstanding speakers who are experts on refugees' general and mental health issues. Here are some key points covered by the keynote speakers:

1. Dr. Peter Flett, Director General, Department of Health gave the opening address at the Australasian Refugee Conference. Dr. Flett talked about appropriate services for refugees, different perceptions of illnesses among refugees and a network of migrant health service centre in WA for example, Refugee Clinic at PMH, Home visits by community health nurses who link patients with Migrant Health Services, Ishar Multicultural Women's Health Centre Inc.
2. Kim Mulholland, a Professor of Child Health and Vaccinology, gave a talk entitled "The health consequences of human rights violations among refugees in Australia."

He made an observation that during the Howard's Government, Australia had lost international respect, innocence and compassion due to harsh policies towards refugees who landed on our shores.

He proposed that we should now make Australia a model for humane reception and resettlement of refugees:

- a) Begin a national program to systematically follow up refugees and their needs into the next generation.
  - b) Face up to the problem of racism and deal with it, i.e, applying zero tolerance of racism in school.
3. Dr. Jill Benson's talk was on Working across cultures- challenges and joys for professionals in delivering refugee health services.

Dr. Benson is Director of Health in Human Diversity Unit, Discipline of General Practice, University of Adelaide. She touched on several issues with regards to delivering appropriate health services to refugees especially doctor and patient relationship. She discussed Cultural Awareness Tools, one of which, is Narrative Therapy in delivering health services to refugees. She placed a great emphasis on resilience, strengths and successes of refugees. She encouraged health professionals to look at the refugees' positive attitudes such as courage, love of family, hope, humour and trust. She went on to warn of COMPASSION FATIGUE!

4. Dr. Carmen Lawrence gave a talk on "The Power of Indifference"

Dr. Lawrence gave a very good description of how government policies were formulated surrounding refugee in-takes, treatment and resettlement; and also the political nuances according to the government of the day and the media's contribution to the public discussion which may affect the government responses to the refugee crisis. She brought to people's attention the danger of the feeling of indifference that may be generated by the media and the government.

**COUNSELING SERVICE AVAILABLE at  
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for individual counseling every Wednesday  
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**For appointments please call 9328 6202**

## Te Rangatahi Maori Club Inc.



Te Rangatahi Maori Club was a member of the Australia Asian Association family and thanks to the Australian Council, Association, Kulcha Multicultural Arts Of WA, Healthways, OCMI, ArtsWA, Lotteries commission, we

were able to build this Maori War canoe here in Western Australia.

Melbourne Maori community asked for the waka to go to Melbourne, for the purposes of uniting Maori and the Indigenous people. All the funding bodies of WA had the same thoughts in mind but extending that to our multicultural family. The same Waka has been requested for Queensland by the New Zealand consulate. As indigenous people would say, "the waka is on its journey".

We are having our annual general meeting Thursday 1st of October and hoping to continue the relationship we have had with Australian Asian Association for many years.

Keep Healthy and Well..  
**Wairangi Paki**

## INDONESIAN YOUTH WELCOMED TO PERTH

In August, a group of 25 young Indonesians was formally welcomed to Perth at Parliament House by Youth Minister, Donna Faragher. The 25 Indonesians were part of a group of 80 dispersed throughout Australia.

"The Australia-Indonesia Youth Exchange Program provides young people in both countries with a first-hand experience of living in and being active in another culture. It also enables participants to gain practical experience in the development of skills related to their individual academic studies or professional pursuits. Established in 1981, the program has fostered many exchanges between the two countries".

Later in the year, a group of Australian young people will make reciprocal visit to Indonesia.



SWAMI - VIVEKANANDA FOUNDATION  
celebrate DURGA PUJA 2009



Mrs. Magalutchmee Pyanan (cultural Secretary of Swami - Vivekananda Foundation) performing traditional dance on stage



## INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR JOB CAPACITY ASSESSMENT



### WHAT IS A JOB CAPACITY ASSESSMENT?

A Job Capacity Assessment is an appointment with a skilled assessor who will assess your capacity to work, taking into consideration your individual circumstances. Wherever possible, you will be referred to services that can help you find and maintain work.

### WHY DO I NEED A JOB CAPACITY ASSESSMENT?

- A Job Capacity Assessment is required if you have barriers to work and wish to apply for certain income support payments, such as Newstart Allowance or the Disability Support Pension.
- If you need help to find and maintain a job or have part time or no capacity to work, this will be identified during your assessment.
- Employment and related services are available to help you prepare for, find and sustain work. These services include Job Network, Disability Employment Network, Vocational Rehabilitation, Personal Support Programme or Job Placement, Employment and Training. Wherever possible, the assessor will connect you directly with services that can assist you.

### WHAT HAPPENS AT THE ASSESSMENT?

- Your assessor will talk to you about any barriers or health related issues you may have to finding and keeping a job. Your assessor will also discuss possible referral options to an employment or related service with you.
- In most cases, the assessment will involve a face to-face discussion between you and the assessor. Most assessments will take place in a private location at the assessor's workplace.
- A friend, relative or advocate can attend the appointment with you and, if you prefer, you can request to have a male or female assessor to conduct the assessment. You will need to advise the person who is making your Job Capacity Assessment appointment if you have a preference about the gender of your assessor.

### HOW LONG WILL THE ASSESSMENT TAKE?

There is no set time period for completing the assessment as this will vary according to your individual needs. However, on average an assessment may take between one and two hours.

### WHAT SHOULD I TAKE TO THE APPOINTMENT?

- Take any medical information that may impact on your capacity to work, unless you have already given this information to Centrelink or your employment or related service provider.
- If you have any new medical reports that you believe have not been provided to Centrelink or your employment or related service provider, it is important that you take these to the appointment. It is not necessary to take X-rays or scans to your appointment.

### WHAT IF I NEED AN INTERPRETER OR HAVE SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS?

- If required, your assessment provider can arrange a qualified interpreter, including an Auslan sign language interpreter, to assist at your assessment. You will need to advise the person who is making your Job Capacity Assessment appointment if you require an interpreter or have special requirements.

### WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THE ASSESSMENT?

- Wherever possible, you will be referred to an employment or related service to help you find and maintain work. In most cases, referral details will be provided to you at the completion of your assessment.
- Your Job Capacity assessor will prepare a report about your work capacity. This report will be provided to Centrelink, and where applicable, a decision will be made about the type of income support for which you are eligible. The report will also inform Centrelink and/or your employment or related service provider about your ability to look for work, and any appropriate support or services that you require.
- Any income support decision will be made by Centrelink, not the assessor.
- For more information about Department of Employment and Workplace Relations services go to [www.workplace.gov.au](http://www.workplace.gov.au) or call **13 62 68**.

### WHAT HAPPENS IF I CAN'T ATTEND OR MISS MY APPOINTMENT?

- Please contact the Job Capacity Assessment provider in advance if you are unable to attend an appointment and need to make another appointment. The telephone number to call is listed with your appointment details.
- If you don't attend the assessment and do not have an acceptable reason, the Job Capacity assessor will advise the agency that referred you to the assessment. Centrelink may stop your income support payment or reject your claim for a payment.

### COMPLAINTS

- If you have concerns about how your assessment was conducted you should firstly speak to a person in the organisation that conducted your assessment.
- If you are still concerned after doing this, you can call and lodge a Job Capacity Assessment complaint with Centrelink's FreeCall™ Customer Relations Line on **1800 050 004\*** or Centrelink's TTY Customer Relations service on **1800 000 567** (only for people who are deaf or have a hearing or speech impairment and have access to use a TTY phone) and your complaint will be investigated.

### PRIVACY

- Job Capacity Assessment providers are required to protect your privacy and provide a confidential service.
- Any personal information collected or held about you is protected by law. Your information can only be given to someone else in special circumstances as allowed or required by Commonwealth law or when you give permission.
- You may make a request under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 to obtain or inspect your Job Capacity Assessment report.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO [www.jca.gov.au](http://www.jca.gov.au)

The information contained in this publication is intended only as a guide.

\* *Calls to 1800 numbers are free of charge, but calls from pay phones or mobile phones to 1800 numbers may be charged at a higher rate.*



# AGED CARE NURSING SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

*scholarships*

## Aged Care Nursing Scholarships available

Royal College of Nursing, Australia (RCNA) is pleased to announce that undergraduate and postgraduate applications are now open. The scholarships are funded by the Australian Government and administered by RCNA. They provide financial assistance for undergraduate nursing study and postgraduate educational nursing study programs or courses, including relevant accredited tertiary level or TAFE level courses, workshops and conference participation in Australia.

### ► Aged Care Nursing Scholarship Scheme: Undergraduate

Undergraduate scholarships are available to people who can demonstrate a commitment to aged care and wish to undertake undergraduate education at an Australian university in 2010. The scholarships are only available for courses leading to a qualification to practice as a Registered/Division 1 Nurse.

- The Scholarship is valued up to \$30,000 to assist in meeting costs incurred while studying undergraduate nursing.

Undergraduate applications close Friday 25 August 2009.

### ► Aged Care Nursing Scholarship Scheme: Postgraduate-Continuing Education

This program is open for applications for financial assistance in the form of a scholarship valued at:

- up to \$15,000 for Registered/Division 1 Nurses studying for their Masters
- up to \$10,000 to assist both Registered/Division 1 Nurses and Enrolled Nurses working in aged care facilities to undertake further education in 2010.

Postgraduate applications close Friday 25 September 2009.

To download the application and guideline form, please visit [www.rcna.org.au](http://www.rcna.org.au)

We thank you for your support in distributing this information. Please do not hesitate to contact the scholarships team on freecall 1800 116 696, or email [Scholarships@rcna.org.au](mailto:Scholarships@rcna.org.au) if we can be of further assistance.



Australian Government  
Department of Health and Ageing

## October is Australia's Breast Cancer awareness month

### Did you know...

Mammograms can detect breast cancers before they can be seen or felt. All BreastScreen WA mammograms are reviewed separately by two specialist doctors. Women, 50 years or over, are invited to attend this professional high quality accredited FREE service.

For an appointment phone **13 20 50**

Metro locations: Cannington, Fremantle, Joondalup, Midland, Mirrabooka, Padbury, Perth City and Rockingham

[www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au](http://www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au)



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Helping Deliver a Healthy WA



# AUSTRALIAN TAXATION SEMINAR at AAA

You may have heard about the Business Tax Break which was introduced by the Australian Government on 13th December 2008.

To help you better understand the introduction of the Business Tax Break, we are organising a series of workshops across Australia. These workshops will be run by representatives from the Australian Taxation Office who will answer your questions on these new measures.

In your area, the next workshop is scheduled to be held at **the Australian Asian Association, 275 Stirling Street, Perth, on Monday 12 October 2009 at 3.00 pm.** The session will run for 90 minutes including question time. Information will also be available in Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, Khmer, Korean, Thai, Turkish and Vietnamese languages.

Admission is free for everyone and refreshments will be provided. You are welcome to bring along your friends or other members of the community.

Please confirm your attendance and numbers to our contact officers named below, or to the Australian Asian Association on **9328 6202.**

For more information, please contact Bunthan Chan on **9268 5279** or Katharina Deng on **9268 8362.**



## How can you tell if this seat is dangerous?



**Before you buy new or used, check it meets safety standards for children's products**

The Department of Commerce provides advice on the special rules and standards that apply to children's toys and nursery furniture. We help ensure that dangerous or unsafe products are banned or recalled.

## How can you tell if it's a dream job or a scam?



**Self employment schemes are sometimes too good to be true**

WA ScamNet is designed to help you avoid being exploited by scammers. 'Work from home using only your computer', 'make large amounts of money quickly with little effort' or job ads that ask for payment to register or to get more information, are probably a scam.

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# Textile Clothing and Footwear Resource Centre of WA



Providing support and resources for Designers and Industry The Textile, Clothing and Footwear Resource Centre of Western Australia Inc (TCFWA) provide a valuable resource for the design industry. Since being established in 1998, the centre has been so successful, that it now receives requests from across Australia and overseas, from organisations and designers wishing to be involved.

Providing business skills and industry mentoring, a helpline service and development of specialised industry workshops to better equip those operating in the industry is one of the main areas that TCFWA has been recognised as a leader and role model organisation across Australia and overseas.

Designedge Fashion Incubator and co-ordinating trade missions to national and international fashion exhibitions are further examples of the great work the centre has been involved. Fashion trade events have included Australian Fashion Week, Fashion Exposed, World Boutique, Hong Kong Fashion Week, Singapore and Bali Fashion Weeks and more recently India International Garment Fair.

TCF Global is a community project aimed at networking designers and fashion organisations from across the world in addition to providing linkages to TCF Global village community projects providing micro enterprise support for women to start a small sewing business. TCF Ormoc, Philippines is one example where TCFWA through the donation of sewing machines and equipment has assisted 21 community sewing centres to commence which has provided 130 men and women the chance to start a small sewing business. TCFWA has just recently despatched a 2nd container of donated sewing machines, textiles and equipment to assist in establishing more sewing centres and further equip existing centres.

The brainchild of TCFWA is Founder Carol Hanlon, who is also CEO of the Belmont Business Enterprise Centre (BEC). Carol said "TCFWA remains the first of its kind in Australia and was established to provide support for the textile, clothing, footwear and leather industry".

"Having 27 years experience in the fashion industry in Victoria both as a fashion designer, clothing manufacturer, I am very aware of how difficult it can be to get started and survive in the industry and I created TCFWA to provide more specialised support and focus to better assist designers and the fashion TCFL industry in WA."

The TCFWA centre is located at the Belmont Business Enterprise Centre Inc. and currently has in excess of 1,500 businesses listed and receiving services, indicating that there is a real need for this resource.

TCFWA also provides support and specialised resources such as a trade library containing International fashion publications, label and textile directories and trend directions and advice and guidance for textile artists, designers and raw material suppliers. TCFWA has also been instrumental in a number of business skills development projects that have provided support to Indigenous and CaLD diverse women to start textile, sewing and fashion related businesses.

TCFWA is a non profit community organisation which is supported by Memberships, Sponsors, supporters and volunteers and through fee for service through the delivery of numerous range of programs and projects.

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# CAMBODIAN BUDDHIST TRADITION Pchum Ben – Celebrating Ancestor’s Day



On Saturday 19th September 2009, the Cambodian Buddhist Society of WA (CBSWA) celebrated their old tradition called PCHUM BEN at their monastery located at 56 Scott Road, Kelmscott.

It is a very special event in the Khmer Calendar. The purpose is to commemorate the spirits of the dead especially their ancestors and relatives who had died. It is the occasion for people to remember their loved ones through generosity by offering donations to the Buddhist monks who have been residing in their monastery during the rainy season.

It was our pleasure to welcome some distinguished guests who attended our function, especially, the President of the Buddhist Council, Dr. Jake Mitra, his wife, Cecilia Mitra, and the Vice - President of the Buddha Light International, Mr. Adrian Seow, Mr. Paul Carreno, Executive Member of the Australian Asian Association.

The highlight of the tradition is normally on the 15th day of the waxing moon during the tenth month of the Khmer calendar, called Pheakrobotr.

The festival does not just begin and end on one day. In fact, it lasts 15 days, each of which is called a day of Kan Ben. A Ben is an offering. The word of Ben is derived from Sanskrit pinda, or balls of rice to be offered to the souls of the dead via the Buddhist monks.



Mr. Adrian Seow, Mr. Paul Carreno, Dr. Jake Mitra and Mrs. Cecilia Mitra

During the first 14 days, people take turns **offering food** to the monks of their local pagoda in the hope that their offering will reach the souls of their ancestors and friends by virtue of the monks’ sermons.

In the early morning of the last day of the Pchum Ben Festival, visitors can join the throngs at the pagodas and take photos of local people of all ages in traditional costume. Women especially, put on their best **traditional dress**, and come wearing their silk, embroidered blouses and scarves, bearing offerings, candles and incense.

Num Onsam and sweet Num Korm (steamed cakes wrapped in banana leaves) are taken to pagodas during the festival to share among participants. **Num Onsam** is a kind of cylindrical cake of glutinous rice wrapped around a mixture of pork, beans and other ingredients. **Num Korm** is shaped like a pyramid and made of rice-flour and filled with a coconut and palm sugar mixture.

Money offered to monks goes towards the construction or renovation of temples and community development such as the construction of bridges and schools, tree planting, or as donations to needy families.

Khmers believe that fraternal feelings are fostered with the exchange of food and Num Onsam and Num Korm cakes.

This ensures that visitors to any pagoda during the Pchum Ben festival will be **warmly welcomed** and invited to taste these cakes and enjoy the festivities.

Inscriptions in stone on the walls of our temples left by the Cambodian King Yaçovarman (889-910) tell us that he built numerous monasteries during that period, and that pinda were offered, not only to “abandoned souls” - souls with no family to make offerings to them - **but also to souls of combatants who had died for their country.** It can be compared to the spirit of ANZAC Day commemorations.

***From the Committee of the CBSWA Inc.***



# Thai Australian Association of WA (Inc)



## About us

The Thai-Australian Association of Western Australia Inc, was established in 1980 to foster cultural understanding between Thai and Australian people.

The objects of the Association are to:

- foster goodwill and connection between Thailand and Australia,
- assist Thai migrants to integrate successfully into Australia society, to assist Thai students adapt to a new context and to make Thai visitors welcome.
- cultivate understanding and fellowship amongst all Australian through the promotion and appreciation of Thai language and culture,
- develop within the Association a spirit of friendship and co-operation and to further the spiritual, intellectual and material development of members through mutual aid and understanding
- To act as a referral point for Thai residents of Western Australia with social issues including domestic violence and family problem;
- raise funds to enable the Association to work on behalf of the membership and Thai community.

## Our Financial Resources

The Association endeavours to further its aims in assisting the Thai community by seeking financial support from a range of sources.

The Association's revenue is derived from annual events, grants and donations and from membership fees.

The Association is grateful for the generous support of its patrons and sponsors. Grants and donations, generally for cultural events, are received from the Royal Thai Embassy, Thai Airways International, as well as businesses and individual sponsors.

The Association currently provides a number of informal services (including advice, mediation, advocacy and support), to its financial members and to other members of the Thai community in Western Australia. The Association also arranges functions of particular interest to members and their families and members of the general community and provides opportunities for members of the Thai community to share their interests and culture with other Western Australians.



The Committee 2009-2010

The Association acknowledges the support it receives from State Government departments and agencies, especially the Office of Multicultural Interests and Lotterywest, which assists the organisation to better meet the needs of its members.

The Association continues to develop its financial base for the future and is pleased to have developed a variety of sources of income and support. Nevertheless, as a voluntary organisation it continues to actively seek support and funding for its important work and activities.



## Meet our President Ms Saowarak Srisukkho

### BACKGROUND AND EMPLOYMENT

Saowarak was born and educated in Bangkok and arrived in Perth in 1987, enjoying success both as a restaurateur, as well as continuing in her profession as a teacher.

#### 1988

Thai language teacher: John Curtin SHS, Adult Education  
Thai cooking instructor: John Curtin SHS, Adult Education

#### 1993 - 1995

Thai language teacher, Kelmscott SHS

#### 1993 - 1996

TEE Chief Examiner, Curriculum Council of WA

#### 1990 - 1997

Lecturer in Thai Language and Culture, Curtin University

#### 1998 - 1999

Thai lecturer; ADF, Special Air Services Regiment, Swanbourne

#### 1999

Japanese teacher, Leeming SH

#### 2000 - 2004

Japanese teacher, Belmont City Collage

#### 2001 - 2009

Japanese teacher, Cloverdale PS and Education Support Centre

#### 2004 - 2009

Japanese teacher, Padbury PS

#### TAAWA Committee 2008 - 2009

Event Co-ordinator, Loy Krathong Festival, and King's Birthday Gala Dinner

#### 2008

Newsletter Editor

#### 2009

Pageant Director and Sponsorship, Songkran Festival



# THE PERTH AMATEUR SOCCER WORLD CUP

**OPENING DAY**

**SUNDAY 11**

**OCTOBER 2009**

09:00 am	Zimbabwe vs Burma - Masters
10:15 am	Sth Africa vs Vietnam - Masters
11:30 am	Croatia vs Bosnian - Seniors
13:15 pm	<b>OPENING CEREMONY</b>
15:00 pm	England vs EL Salvador - Seniors

The PASWC 2009 (Every Saturday and Sunday from October 11, to December 6) reunites 1000 participants from over 30 ethnic communities from all ages playing around 80 matches over 8 weekends in a Senior, Master and Junior Divisions.



**Lathlain Park**  
**(EFTEL Oval, the home of the mighty Perth Demons)**

## COUNTRIES PARTICIPATING

### Seniors (Open)

Afghanistan, Australia, Bosnia, Chile, Colombia, Croatia, El Salvador, England, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Morocco, Poland, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, Ukraine and Zimbabwe.

### Masters (over 35)

Australia, Burma, England, South Africa, Turkey, Vietnam and Zimbabwe.

### Juniors (under 18)

Congo, Eritrea, Liberia, Somalia, South Africa and Zimbabwe.



Imagine the drama created by players and fans all over the world as they celebrate their passion for soccer, the most popular game in the world. Soon, it will also happen in Perth.

The brain child of the Latin American Association, the event seeks to bring as many communities together as possible using "the world game" as its vessel for interaction.

The event which is run purely by volunteers has a broad and wide-reaching appeal amongst WA communities. The event attracts both sports fans (not just soccer fans) as well as non-sports fans.



Given the sports growing profile in Australia, the upcoming 2010 FIFA Soccer World and the participation of the Australian team in the 32 finalists the PASWC event personifies the very best football WA has to offer whilst encouraging good will and harmony amongst the participating communities.

The Perth Amateur Soccer World Cup (originally the "Ethnic World Cup") was first held in 1991 by its

originator the Latin American Association of WA Inc. And it is held at what is now become the home of the event, Lathlain Park (EFTEL Oval, the home of the mighty Perth Demons) in the Town of Victoria Park.

Since its inception the event has gone from strength to strength, it is now recognised as one the biggest multi-cultural sporting events, as a highly regarded competition that's has a permanent place in the calendar of many football (soccer) followers in WA.

Apart from a celebration of football the PASWC is about friendships, cultural respect and admiration, breaking down stereo types and a celebration of coming together in the greatest country in the world, Australia!

This year, the PASWC 2009 will provide a venue for the emerging African communities here in Australia allowing them to take part in one of the largest multicultural sporting event in the State of WA and possibly Australia with teams from Congo, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Morocco, Sierra Leone, Liberia, Somalia, South Africa and Zimbabwe.



## SWAMI-VIVEKANANDA FOUNDATION

### Presents MAA KALI FESTABLE on 17th October 2009

TO CELEBRATE - Divine mother goddess Kali (First time in Australia)

**Date:** 17th of October 2009

**Time:** 9:00 PM to Till 6:00 AM

**Venue:** Australian Asia House  
275 Stirling Street, Perth WA

We are cordially inviting you all

Contact: Dr. Ajoy Chatterjee (President) Swami – Vivekananda Foundation  
Sanjoy Dhar (Secretary) Swami – Vivekananda Foundation

I bow unto the divine couple, who is the cause of the creation of this Universe. I seek Shelter of their lotus feet, who remove the fear of life and death. I worship the eternal one whose wish has generated this world Who is detached from all virtues, in spite of being the Lord Of Maya. I bow unto the Goddess who created this world (as per the wish of Brahman), the Mother of millions of

Universe. I meditate up on Shivji, the master of the three worlds (Heaven- above, Earth - ground and Paataal - beneath the ground), Bhagavan Shankar who is an idol of mercy and grace; I remember Ambika who is the giver of all auspicious things, who is the one who up holds the universe, who is with the most auspicious beautiful face, who is divine and endless.



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Manitha Neyam Trust

ICCR  
Indian Council for Cultural Relations

Contact: Buwani: 93109665/0412365571 Ranthi: 93320480  
Bamini: 92595797; Seetha Vijayan: 9389 9801  
www.manithaneyam.org

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25th October 2009  
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**Highlights**

- Miss Noppamaht Beauty Contest
- Door prizes
- Spot prizes
- Best dress prizes
- Food Fair
- Music and DJ all day

**Ticket Prizes (\$5/ticket includes free Entry)**

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**Contact:**  
Khun Seefah, for food fair on 93678897  
Khun Somjit (Koi) for Miss Noppamaht contest on 9368 5223  
Khun Saowarak for more info on 9367 9698 / 0428969811



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