

# Craniofacial Australia Newsletter



## “It’s the possibility of having a dream come true that makes life interesting”

Paulo Coelho

Harry has ensured his dream came true. The boys in blue welcomed Harry & Co into Lightning Ridge on Wednesday July 27th, nearly four months after commencing his journey from Murray Bridge to Lightning Ridge. ABC National Radio has covered Harry along the way and Jen Douglas from ABC Open has produced a wonderful video of Harry & Co and their journey. To view head to <https://www.facebook.com/Harrys-Trek-1576664709316716/> continued page 2.....



## New Email

In keeping with the new website please note our new general enquiries email address is [info@acmff.org.au](mailto:info@acmff.org.au)

## AFL Winner

Congratulations Mr Brian Pedler winner of the “2016 Toyota AFL Grand Final Raffle”



## Rex Who?

Meet Rex Symons our dedicated charity collector still going strong after 16 years continued page 5.....

## What’s On

**AFL Grand Final Lunch  
Adelaide Oval  
October 1st  
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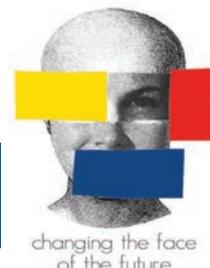
## Inside this month’s newsletter

**Harry’s done it - find out how he achieved his dream....  
2016 Toyota AFL Grand Final Day Luncheon - BOOK NOW  
Who is that Man? - Meet Rex the face behind nearly 16 years of dedicated fundraising for Craniofacial Australia**

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# Murray Bridge to Lightning Ridge

Rolling into Lightning Ridge on Wednesday 27th August, Harry Vidal finally achieved his dream. This humble man from South Australia, who set off some 4 months earlier from Murray Bridge had not only gained many supporters and freinds along the way but the admiration of those he met. At final tally Harry had raised \$21,390.60. Outstanding!!!!

This would not have been possible without the support of the many people and businesses along the way who were generous with their dontations and time in assisting Harry reach his goal. A huge thank you from Professor David the team at the Australian Craniofacial Unit and staff at Craniofacial Australia for your efforts. Funds raised will go a long way in benefiting patient care and support.

For those who missed Harry's travels, take a look back over the facebook page and stay tuned for Harry's next adventure in 2017. Harry & Co had so much fun, they are returning next year with a new destination and an even bigger goal. We will also be putting together a book on Harry's journey and aiming to have ready in time for Christmas.

Thank you Harry & Co, an inspiration to all.



# Speaking Engagement

On 13th July, ACMFF partnered with the Association of Financial Planners Foundation (AFA) at their 2016 SA Roadshow.

The AFA holds regular events to bring the community of financial advisers together to share strategies, leadership & professional development to better serve the Australian public in delivering financial advice.

Members of this group are encouraged to live by their philosophy and spirit of giving back to the Australian Community by giving a donation during this one day event. It was a pleasure to be advised that Craniofacial Australia was the fortunate recipient as local charity for the event.

Our CEO, Bob Snewin was invited to provide a short presentation during the Roadshow to raise awareness of Craniofacial Australia to the AFA members. Following the presentation, members were asked to pledge an amount to be donated.

We were advised of an approximate figure of just under \$5000 raised... Keep tuned ... for the final figure.



CEO Bob Snewin presenting at the Association of Financial Planners Foundation (AFA) 2016 Roadshow.



## From our CEO Bob Snewin

A sincere thank you to all Craniofacial supporters who gave so generously in the month of June. The funds were gratefully received and will go to assist the children who face numerous operations.

We finished the 2015/2016 financial year in a very sound position due to a wonderful bequest that we received in late May, a significant amount of donations via the June Newsletter and general donations during the "tax time" period.

In July we conducted our annual Craniofacial Race Day Luncheon attracting not only our usual supporters but welcoming new supporters, who all assisted in raising funds that will be used toward patient care and support.

The Craniofacial Australia website has undergone a revamp to make it more interactive and user friendly resulting in a very professional presentation of ACMFF.

Our events team have planned some exciting events over the next 6 months, including a Patients Christmas Picnic which we are very excited about. I urge you to support these functions, they are not only fun, they raise much needed funds for the Australian Craniofacial Unit.

Best wishes

Bob Snewin

# Upcoming Events

## AFL Grand Final Lunch

Adelaide Oval

October 1st

Tickets can be booked at:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/2016-toyota-grand-final-luncheon-tickets-27211023905>

## Melbourne Cup Lunch

Botanic Gardens Restaurant

November 1st

Tickets can be booked at:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/melbourne-cup-lunch-tickets-27233248379>

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2016 Toyota AFL Grand Final Lunch Tickets \$160 per person

**TICKETS INCLUDE**  
Breakfast Canapés 10.30  
Pre Drinks 11.30  
Lunch & Beverage Package  
3 Course Set Menu  
In Room & Oval Telecast of AFL Breakfast & Game Day

Special Guest Presenters  
Meet & Greet Players  
Fundraising Auction & Raffle

For bookings contact  
8267 4128 | [gameday@acmf.org.au](mailto:gameday@acmf.org.au)

Saturday 1st October 2016  
10:30 am - 5:30 pm  
In: M'Kool-Bar Room  
Adelaide Oval

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Supporting the future of the face

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## CINEMA CLUB OFFER

2 MOVIES FOR THE PRICE OF 1

\$19 - Great Value

September

## 2016/17 ENTERTAINMENT BOOK



To arrange your copy contact our office on 8267 4128 or go online to our website and follow the link..

Craniofacial Australia\* & Adelaide Combined Lodges  
**Cinema Club**

Tickets only \$19 for 2 Movies

At the Mitcham Cinema  
119 Belair Road Torrens Park

Another Great Double Movie Night  
Sunday 25th September 2016 @ 6pm

**BRIDGET JONES's Baby**  
Comedy Breaking up with Mark Darcy (Colin Firth) leaves Bridget Jones (Renée Zellweger) over 40 and single again. Feeling that she has everything under control, Jones decides to focus on her career. Suddenly, her love life comes back from the dead when she meets a dashing and handsome American named Jack (Patrick Dempsey)

**Sully True Story:** Film stars Tom Hanks & Directed by Clint Eastwood. On Jan. 15, 2009, Capt. Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger (Tom Hanks) must land US Airways Flight 1549 in New York's Hudson River after the plane strikes a flock of geese and gliding his plane along the water in the Hudson River, saving all of his 155 passengers.

Australian Cranio-Maxillo Facial Foundation trading as Craniofacial Australia CCP653. Supporting the work of The Australian Craniofacial Unit through patient care, education and research.  
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# Who is Rex Symons?

Rex Symons can be found trading the pavement door knocking from coast to country. He has been the authorised collector of Craniofacial Australia for 16 years. Rex believes in the time old face to face method of charity collection. Spending time chatting to people & explaining where, what and who we are to the general public is one of Rex's best assets.

Visting homes, workplaces and country fairs, Rex has become a well known and much respected collector. Accompanying Rex on some of these field trips are former patients who can relate their journey to those interested in donating to our cause.

In today's world, with it's face paced high tech ways to donate, you will still find Rex walking the streets on foot. He is knocking on doors, dressed in his authorised uniform and badge, ensuring the world is aware of the miracles that Professor David and the team at the Australian Craniofacial Unit are performing.

To date Rex has collected close to \$190,000.00.



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Please email me the newsletter



Please post me a copy of the newsletter



Please remove me from your list



If you would like to make a donation, please complete the slip below & return to our office. Thank you!

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Town/Suburb  P/code

Phone (optional)  Email

Cheques should be made payable to 'ACMFF'. All donations over \$2 are tax-deductable

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# CEO's Race Day

The annual Craniofacial Race Day was held at the Chariman's room SAJC Morphettville, on Saturday 23rd July, 2016. This year 90 people attended this exclusive invite only lunch to help raise valuable funds for the Australian Craniofacial Unit. The raffle finalised on the day, saw one lucky winner receive an experience of a lifetime, a trip for two to Turnbull Stakes Day in Victoria. Mrs Wytkin the lucky recipient is off to "Behind the Scenes @ Flemington" in November. The winner of this year's best dressed lady went to Jazmin Semola. Thank you again to Brenton Wilkinson, CEO of the SAJC Morphettville, for his generous hospitality and assistance in making this day a great event. To the staff on the day, thank you for your professional service.



Best Dressed Jazmine Semola

Those who missed out, keep your eye out for our next event: **THE MELBOURNE CUP LUNCH. Tuesday 1st November @ Botanic Gardens Restaurant. reservations can be made by calling 8267 4128** as they say, "there is nothing like a day at the races".



## SAJC Morphettville



Gourmet food served @ SAJC



We are now on Instagram as well as Facebook & Twitter. Why not follow us and like our pages, all the while keeping up to date with the latest at Craniofacial Australia.



## Property of the Month



7 Malcolm Road, Flagstaff Hill

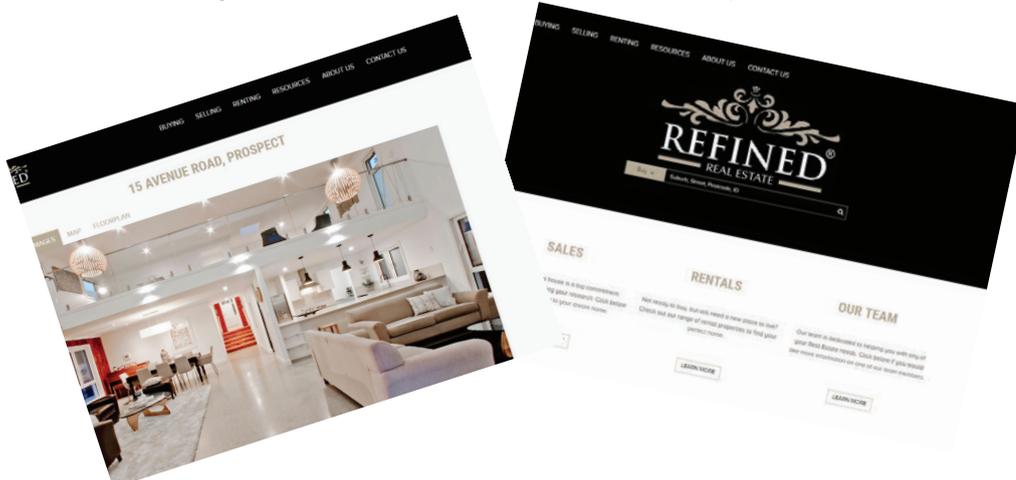
### If you have a family – We have the house!

A modern floor plan designed over two levels, will appeal to growing families and also couples searching for a bit of extra space and multiple living areas. Situated in one of Flagstaff Hill's most desired locations. sitting proudly on the high side of the road, be sure to add this one to your inspection list.

**Call John Karras to arrange Inspection**  
**Ph: 0412 484 894**

### New-Look Website!

Over the last few weeks we've had a revamp of our website, and we're finally up and running! We've tried to keep the things you loved about our old one, and re-created it into something more aesthetically pleasing and easier to navigate. Take a look and let us know what you think!



# A Ferret Named Phil

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*A great read for every family. Only \$19.95 and a portion of proceeds from the sale of this book goes to the  
the  
Australian Craniofacial Unit*

My name is William Reimer, I'm a 22 year old children's author from Glenelg.

Bullying is an issue that affects all children on some level, especially those that have been dealt some form of mental or physical challenge. I personally believe the best way to eradicate the effects of bullying, is to build within children an unshakable self-confidence. This is of course, much easier said than done and there are many ways to try to achieve this, however, it's absolutely vital. It's about being able to step up and say "Hey! I know who I am, I know what my strengths are and you're not going to bring me down". These are the traits I wanted the leading characters of my children's book to have. They say once you become empowered from within, nothing on the outside world can affect you - this is something that I deeply believe.

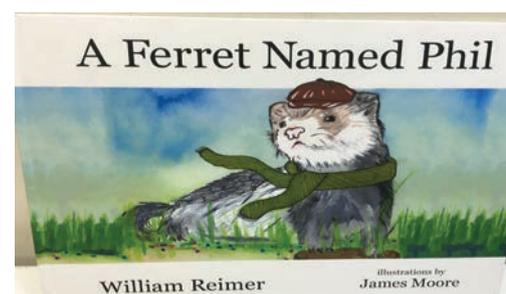
A few years back in Year 11 I was given an assignment to write a short story. Being an average student, I left it to the last minute and wrote the story the night before it was due. I finished it that evening, and it flowed really quickly. The title just popped into my head. Mem Fox had already taken every other animal under the sun so I chose a ferret and "Phil" made a lot of sense to me. Whilst my teacher loved the story, it stayed in a drawer in my room and remained forgotten for some time. A few years later I was working around some hospitality jobs which started to really get me down. Late one night, I rediscovered the first draft of this story, so I began to chat with mums that I knew, and reached out to Facebook groups to share the concept of my story to see if there was any interest. I started to receive several really heartbreaking personal stories from parents and teachers – and so much encouragement to finish my book and see it published. What did I have to lose? I was 21 years old, I'd just pick myself up, dust myself off and look for another job if worst came to worst. Plus I was far too impatient to wait months, (if not years) to hear back from the traditional style publishers! So I rewrote the story about 16 times, went from bank to bank and was rejected about 6 times, before eventually catching a break. Finally I published the first edition of "A Ferret Named Phil".

My story is about a small ferret who overcomes a big bully without resorting to violence. It's a simple story, with a lot of heart. I worked closely with a local artist James Moore to try to capture the gorgeous illustrations of the old classical children's books, as I felt these were the ones that had real staying power. James and I actually met in kindergarten and I reconnected with him to work on the illustrations.

In the opening pages of my book I begin with an affirmation, "May this lighthearted book spark that much-needed conversation about bullying. May it encourage discussion of the many different ways to address it, and may it empower those who face it." I hope that my book will make it easier to bring up the anti-bullying discussions early on in their childhood. I want every child to feel empowered and inspired when they read Phil's story. Hopefully it can set off a little spark inside them that makes them walk a little taller and not let anything stand in their way when there's something they want to achieve in life.

The amazing feedback and testimonials I have received from parents and teachers across the country has been most heartwarming too. The fact that it's already being used in schools as an anti-bullying resource reaffirms to me that I made the right decision to quit my job a year ago to pursue this book. I plan on writing and publishing many, many more books like A Ferret Named Phil - books that can entertain, empower and inspire.

William Reimer



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# Come and join us for the Craniofacial Australia Christmas Picnic

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NOVEMBER 12TH @ 12PM

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# Ladies book early for our Melbourne Cup Lunch

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Exclusive Lingerie by Simone Perele  
Canapes served  
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2 Course Lunch  
Accompanying Wines

Pre Dinks 11.30 Concludes  
3.30pm  
Televised Race Coverage  
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# Battle of the Brains

Bring a team or join a table.  
\$20 per person

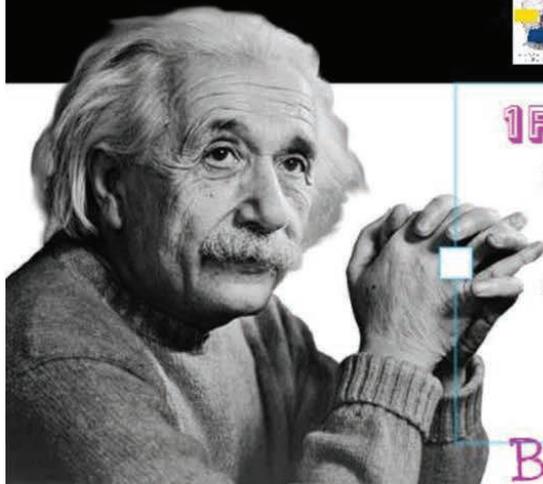
# QU?Z DAY

\$500.00  
FIRST PRIZE  
Battle of the Brains

Nibbles & Soft Drinks  
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No Alcohol Provided



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