

Get Smart



Community Conference

February 17th 2007 9.30 till late
Ballan Mechanics Hall, Inglis Street, Ballan
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**Places
filling
fast**

The good news and the bad news is that **Kevin Sheedy** replaces Jim Stynes

Unfortunately Jim Stynes was unable to commit to our conference. We were disappointed about this given Jim's commitment to young people. However the **good** news is that we have booked Kevin Sheedy.

'Sheeds' has a remarkably fertile imagination, an insatiable desire to be different and the determination and confidence necessary to push his case, no matter how bizarre it may sound.

Some of us on the steering committee are not what you would call avid footy fans. However in researching Kevin Sheedy we have come to understand that he is a fabulous public speaker and an inspiring and innovational leader.

He has been a catalyst for many changes: respect for interstate football during the 1980's, an expanded interchange bench at the state and club level, a new level of versatility among players, the growing influence and confidence of Aboriginal players, clever manipulation of the draft (which included off-loading three senior players including then-teenager Tony Delaney for untried 16-year-old Matthew Lloyd) and apprenticeships in football. This should not be missed.

KEVIN SHEEDY is one of the Australian Football Leagues most enduring coaches, and arguably the most imaginative in the history of the craft. A player and coach for more than 36 years, Kevin has an unsurpassed record of involvement in eight Premierships and in 1998 Kevin broke the record for coaching more professional AFL games than anyone else in history.

Be prepared to be both challenged and inspired!

UNBEATABLE VALUE **thanks to our funding bodies**

This conference is fabulous value. The calibre of speakers we have is second to none. You also have the opportunity to try out belly dancing, drumming, art, and bocce. Be entertained with living stories theatre group. Be inspired by Kevin Sheedy and his stories.

Childcare can be provided. Teenagers are catered for and welcomed.

Book NOW. You can download booking forms at mconline.com.au. Forms can be picked up at Shire offices or your local community house.

If you would like further information or are having difficulty filling in forms please phone Stacey Noonan at Moorabool Shire on 53667100.



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BRINGING OUR STORIES TO LIFE

LIVING STORIES THEATRE COMPANY creates theatre which mirrors the culture in which we live and work.

We would generally begin a performance very simply, mirroring moments of the audience's experience. As the dialogue between the actors and the audience grows we hear stories from members of the audience and we enact them using dialogue, music, movement and mime.

We reflect the life and concerns of working groups of people who come together

for a specific purpose, such as a conference. This enables individuals to view their own experience from a new viewpoint and the audience to experience the world from someone else's perspective. In doing this we enable people to appreciate the way others approach the same or similar events or problems. This can enhance people's capacity to discuss difficulties and to find more fruitful solutions. It can also enable people to reflect on the development of their work and their approach to others.

This inevitably involves find-

ing and making links with people who haven't connected before, becoming aware of points of difference between members of the audience, and finding new ways of thinking about one another and how we can work together.

People's stories are honoured and the life of the community is dignified and celebrated. The humorous perspective with which we can view ourselves and our lives becomes apparent.



Drumming and stress management

The key elements of this revolutionary approach to stress management is that it takes participants out of their heads and into their bodies. This is because it is in the head or more specifically, the mind, where stress manifests itself.

Encompassing a unique blend of movement and silence, *Overcoming Stress* has emerged as one of the most powerful and innovative programs currently on offer to organisations,

having evolved out of years of experience with similar programs in the private sector.

Ian Oshlack is one of Australia's best known group-work facilitators. For the past 14 years he has run workshops in relationships, stress management, creativity, team building and meditation around Australia and New Zealand. His groups have helped hundreds of people on the

path of self discovery by allowing them to rediscover and resolve their issues around the way they live their lives and relationships.

Ian is the author of numerous best selling books including *Intimate Relating, A Survival Guide to Retrenchment, Redundancy, Recession and the Whole Damn Thing* and the upcoming *Stress: Deal with it.*



Writing funding proposals with Genevieve Timmons

These sessions will be lead by Genevieve Timmons, who has assessed thousands of funding proposals in her work as an executive with several Australian philanthropic foundations. She has delivered hundreds of training seminars and public addresses, nationally and internationally, on the subject of effective grant-seeking and grant management. She draws on more than 20 years of experience working on both sides of the table as a suc-

cessful grantseeker and grantmaker.

Genevieve worked for the Reichstein Foundation for over ten years, after working in the community sector in Victoria for twelve years in the areas of social policy, research and community development. She has a Masters Thesis on effective grantmaking for community advocacy and social change. Genevieve is a Fellow of the Williamson Community Leadership Program, and has com-

pleted a Senior Fellowship at the Johns Hopkins International Fellows in Philanthropy Program in Baltimore, USA .

She is a warm and entertaining presenter. She is no stranger to Moorabool Shire and is well remembered by local residents for assisting them to write the proposals that got the dollars to bring their projects to life.

These sessions should not be missed



Women footy coaches? What the...?

Woman footy coaches. Can you imagine it? Well that's exactly what Ray Maclean may get us to do. Ray Maclean is a Director of Leading Teams Australia and has worked as a leadership and management consultant for the last 14 years. He also coaches and mentors a number of senior sporting executives. Ray spent five years in the RAAF as a training and leadership officer .

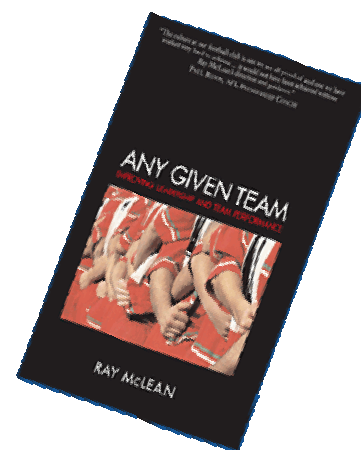
Ray has acquired powerful techniques and strategies

that have been successfully applied by many of Australia's elite sporting teams and corporations, to develop outstanding team results. He has worked with St George Illawarra, Adelaide Crows, The Waratahs and Sydney Swans, Sydney Kings, the Australian Basketball Teams, HSBC, Sensis, Country Fire Authority and Toyota.

The clear and concise messages delivered by Ray McLean for improving team

performance are resonating beyond business and elite sport, revolutionising the way we approach team activities in general. He has been accredited for turning around the culture in a number of underperforming teams that have since seen their results soar to new heights. Be prepared for some straight talking and some ideas that will provide us all with new challenges.

Maybe even women footy coaches!



Art farty with Lou Callow

Art provides a great way to get your message across. It can get people thinking and doing things differently. Art appeals to young people, children and people who aren't sporty. Art can stimulate debate, bring colour and movement to your community. Art can involve new people in your group. Art can help bring different groups of people together around a common aim.

When it all gets too much for your head at the conference, pop along to the art space with Lou Callow. Lou will have some great ideas for making lanterns for your next Barbecue. Come along and make some for Café Bohemia in the evening.

In addition you may like to make a shoe for the upcoming Wombat shoe exhibition. Bring along a shoe to deco-

rate or there will be some there for you work on.

Feel free to talk to Lou about how community groups can add more creativity to their activities. She is a wealth of information. Lou is a creative spirit that will help you to rediscover yours.



Making smart communities even smarter

There will be a number of themes in this conference. One will focus purely on funding proposals. How to write them. Tips to getting it right. Networking. Meeting the people who can assist. Then have a go at putting pen to paper.

Another theme will centre around volunteers and community participation. How do we get new volunteers? Did you know more people are volunteering but in dif-

ferent ways? Learn about these new ways. How can we be more creative and innovative? How do we support volunteers?

Another theme is the other "bits and pieces" that you requested. Risk management, project planning, masterplans, media savvy and more.

The fourth theme centres around creativity and connections. There are a number of exciting activities de-

signed to reinvigorate, inspire and get you thinking outside the square. Be prepared to drum, dance, paint or perform.

And when your head starts to spin have a game of bocce or carpet bowls.

It is impossible to attend all sessions so get a few of you together from your Committee or group. You can then take advantage of all there is to offer.



Get smart and get creative



Community Development Team

Community Conference

February 17th 2007
Ballan Mechanics Hall
9.30am till late

Project Aims

Provide a conference where experiences and knowledge can be shared among people involved in community groups and committees in and around Moorabool Shire.

Facilitate the development of an ongoing exchange of information between community groups within the Shire.

Explore practical ways for communities, state and local government, local agencies and service providers to work better together for the benefit of communities,

Identify possible future training and networking opportunities for community groups and committees

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Booking forms & conference program

These are available from Moorabool Shire Offices and they can be downloaded from:
www.mconline.vic.gov.au

Cost

\$20.00 per person. This includes lunch, dinner and Kevin Sheedy talk.

Wine beer champagne will be available to purchase in the evening.

Guest speaker only

If you wish to come along to the Kevin Sheedy session only the cost is \$15.00.

Refreshments will be available to purchase.

Where can I make payments?

You can make payments at either Ballan or Bacchus Marsh Shire offices. Payment needs to be made with cheque, credit card or cash with a completed booking form.

Need more information or forms?

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