

2010 AUSTRALIAN SMALL BUSINESS CHAMPION AWARDS

Christina's Community Pharmacy named Champion Pharmacy

Christina's Community Pharmacy from Earlwood has been named Champion Pharmacy at the Australian Small Business Champion Gala Dinner and Awards Ceremony held on Saturday 20th November at the Westin Sydney.

The Australian Small Business Champion Awards is the only national program of its kind to recognise the achievements and performances of small businesses.

Forty small business categories including two entrepreneur categories and two business growth categories were presented on the night. Award recipients were delighted to receive their gold Champion statuette, certificate and national recognition. In addition, having their passion, dedication, commitment and hard work celebrated amongst their peers was an experience they will never forget.

Small businesses from across Australia delivered an impres-

sive array of entries, with national winners representing a broad range of industries from all states and territories.

One of the aims of the Small Business Champion Awards is to encourage excellence. "The Small Business Champion Awards is a celebration of small business and its contribution to the Australian way of life", said Steve Loe, Managing Director of Precedent Productions and founder of the awards. "I congratulate all the winners and finalists who entered the awards as they displayed passion, innovation and entrepreneurial spirit," said Mr Loe.

The Awards are proudly presented by Precedent Productions, a small business in its own right and supported by the Associate Sponsors Growth By Design, Australian Certified Chartered Accountants, Australian Defence Force – Defence Reserves Support, Sports Rewards, Guava Latino Keratin, Castaway Financial Forecasting Systems and Australian Businesswomen's Network.



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NEW KOGARAH CHILD HEALTH CENTRE ONE STEP CLOSE

Kogarah families will soon enjoy their new purpose-designed Early Childhood Centre with final plans presented to Member for Kogarah Cherie Burton.

Ms Burton today met with representatives of Kogarah Council and early childhood health staff from St

George Hospital to inspect the plans and discuss the next steps. She said the groups were actively working to finalise plans and commence work on the redevelopment

The proposal involves a \$200,000 refurbishment of the old Belgrave Street Library, funded by the NSW State Government, to enable services to be delivered in a safe and convenient location.

"The NSW Government has a long and successful history of providing health services to families with young children," Ms Burton said.

"Kogarah has the second highest newborn registration rate in the St George district.

"The new facility will be located in the heart of the CBD and will be close to public transport, making it easier for local families to access services."

Ms Burton said the new centre would also be a bonus for early childhood health staff who would provide services in a modern facility specially designed for their clinical and support services.

The original Kogarah Early Childhood Centre was established in the 1930's and was located at Montgomery Street. In 1964 the Service moved to the corner of Gray and Kensington Streets.

"Early Childhood Centres provide childhood health checks, parenting groups and home visits," Ms Burton said.

"The Government is committed to ensuring that all mothers, babies and their families receive the best possible care and this new Centre will provide exactly that."



Annual Greek Gala Fundraiser for Lifehouse

More than 300 of Sydney's Greek community will gather at The Grand Roxy Reception Lounge in Brighton Le Sands on Saturday 27 November 2010 for the Annual Greek Gala Fundraising Night.

The Event will be hosted by the Nia Karteris and John & Simone Bertuzzi.

Nia Karteris said the event will be a fundraiser for Lifehouse at RPA which is the vision of Professor Chris O'Brien who died in June 2009 after a 2 year battle with brain cancer.

"By supporting Chris' vision for Lifehouse at RPA, we will be taking a huge step forward in helping improve the care and outcomes for patients and families affected by this disease."

"We aim to raise \$1 million over the next few years to ensure Chris' vision is fully realised"

Lifehouse at RPA Chief Executive, Timothy Dugan said "Lifehouse has been extremely fortunate to receive financial support from the Greek Community through the Annual Greek Gala and I would like to express our sincere thanks to Nia Karteris and John & Simone Bertuzzi for their commitment to continue this fundraising."

"Chris' vision for an integrated cancer centre incorporating clinical care, research and education has not diminished with his passing, but now falls to us to honour and fulfil."

Considerable progress has already been made toward the construction of the Chris O'Brien Cancer Centre, with work continuing on the detailed architectural design in conjunction with project directors Capital Insight, and architects Rice Daubney.

