



# New South Wales Secondary Deputy Principals Association Inc.

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## ILLAWARRA BRANCH Newsletter October 2007 (3 Pages)

Hi Folks,

Welcome to Term 4. A busy term- just like Terms 1, 2 and 3!

The major news this term is the local conference, to be held on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November at Shellharbour Links Golf Club (Please note the change from Kiama Golf Club). The program for the day looks interesting. We welcome the opportunity to hear from Phil Hirst, Shellharbour SED on the current DET agenda. There will be ample opportunity to seek answers from Phil on all those difficult questions that have been worrying you all term. Our second speaker is Michael McQueen from Nexgen. Michael will talk about educating Generations X and Y. This presentation was given at State conference and the consensus of opinion of those who attended was that it was an excellent presentation and well worth a re-run at our local conference. It focuses on generation differences and how teachers can successfully engage students of generations X and Y in learning. The cost of this presentation (\$20 per head) will be covered by the local association so there will be no extra cost to schools. Session 3 will be a group sharing session entitled *Welfare Initiatives that Work*. Di Trist has generously agreed to chair this session. We are asking all DPs to share welfare initiatives that they are using in their school that work well. Some suggestions include: anti bullying and harassment programs, roll call initiatives, return from suspension programs etc. This session will be informal. You may like to bring a handout if you feel it helpful. It should be a great program and an enjoyable day so we hope to see you there. If you are attending it is essential you return the fax back form by the due date as we need to notify the venue.

Don Wilkinson and myself will be attending the state congress of the DP Association on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November. If there are issues you would like us to raise at this meeting please speak to us at the conference. We are pleased to advise that we have decided to keep the conference fees at the same level for the fourth year in a row. Fees will once again be \$200 per school with two deputy principals and \$100 for those with one. These fees support all our activities and I'm sure you will agree they are very modest, given they entitle you to attendance at three conferences with all morning teas, lunches, and venue costs. Could I also point out that the Association is a non-profit organisation established for the benefit of our members and indirectly for the benefit of our students and public education.

On the staffing front we welcome Kim O'Sullivan (ex Ingleburn High) and John Spicer (ex Kanahooka High) who have recently been appointed as DPs at Kanahooka High. Also congratulations to Claire McInerney who has been appointed to Lake Illawarra High. Congratulations also to Tony Lane from Bomaderry High who has also been appointed DP at Vincentia High.

Hope to see you all at The Links in a few weeks!

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### Term 4 Conference Registration

The Links Golf Club  
Shellharbour

Friday 23rd November 2007

#### Program

9.00am-9.20am	Coffee and Registration
9.20am – 11.00am	Director's Report – Phil Hirst
11.00am-11.30am	Morning Tea
11.30am-1.00pm	Next Gen
1.00pm- 1.45pm	Lunch
1.45pm-2.45pm	Welfare Strategies that Work – Chaired by Di Trist
2.45pm – 3.00pm	Evaluation.

**Cost** – included in your annual fee

- includes lunch, morning tea and venue costs (including accommodation)
- please return registration forms to Alan McInnes at Warilla High on the above fax number by **Monday 19th November** .

I will be attending the term 4 conference

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_