

OzVPM Monthly Newsletter

Welcome to the OzVPM monthly newsletter update for JUNE 2007 - an email based newsletter keeping you informed of the latest news and developments at www.ozvpm.com

June 2007 Edition



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO US!

This month marks our 5th birthday which is quite amazing! The last five years has been an amazing journey which has seen many opportunities to travel and train all over the world, to write extensively and to meet so many people who like myself are passionate about the work of both volunteers and volunteer program managers.

Most importantly the feedback we continue to receive suggests that we have made a difference—which is the reason we started in the first place! So THANK YOU to everyone who has been a part of the OzVPM story to date—and I look forward to continuing to grow with the sector in the years ahead.

To celebrate our birthday, we are currently working on an update of our website which we hope to launch in July. We also have an online birthday card posted on our website, so please make the time to read the comments left to date and leave a birthday wish of your own. Follow the links from <http://www.ozvpm.com>

2007 Retreat Details

Bookings for this year's Australasian Retreat for Advanced Volunteer Management, which will be held from September 25–27 in Hobart, Tasmania are **NOW OPEN**. The Retreat will this year be limited to just 52 people, and a program is now available on the <http://www.vpmretreat.com.au> website.

Sha Cordingley Retires

One of the big stories to break over the past month has been the resignation of Volunteering Australia's CEO Sha Cordingley. Having had the opportunity to work closely with Sha during my time as President of VA, I wanted to take the opportunity to acknowledge the significant contribution that Sha has made not only to the development of VA itself but also to volunteering in Australia, and I wish her well in her future endeavours. Julie Pollard is the new temporary CEO of VA

Local Government Charter

Over the last month I've been involved in the launch of a volunteering Charter in my local government area. As far as I am aware it is the first 'local' government compact / charter to be developed in the country. Contact me if you'd like more details.

Andy Fryar—Founder & Director, OzVPM



JUNE HOT TOPIC

As we celebrate our 5th birthday, our June Hot Topic looks at what's changed in the past half decade — but more importantly what hasn't! Read Andy's thoughts at <http://www.ozvpm.com/hottopics.htm>



TURN YOUR ORGANISATION INTO A VOLUNTEER MAGNET VERSION II

LAST CHANCE TO CONTRIBUTE

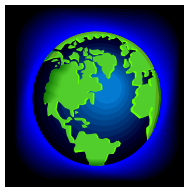
OzVPM Founder Andy Fryar, along with Rob Jackson and Fraser Dyer from the UK, are embarking on a new version of their very successful 2004 e-book 'Turn your organisation into a volunteer magnet' and they want **YOUR** involvement!

The original publication was downloaded thousands of times and spawned national training tours of the same name across Australia, NZ and the UK.

The basic concept of the project is that 'on the ground' volunteer managers share their success tips for attracting and retaining volunteers with one another — or in other words, the ways that they make their programs 'magnetic'

So here's your chance to be a published author!

All the details about how to get involved can be found at <http://www.ozvpm.com/magnet.htm>



AROUND THE TRAPS

Volunteer Awareness Week (NZ)

June 17-23 is Volunteer Awareness Week in NZ. Promotional materials and a toolkit are available from the VNZ website.

<http://www.volunteeringnz.org.nz>

Declining volunteer rates in Canada

Leading Canadian volunteer experts Linda Graff and Paul Reed have launched a website and series of audio discussions examining the decline of volunteering in that country. Visit <http://www.canadawhocares.ca>

New Corporate Volunteering Award (Australia)

As part of the 2007 NAB Volunteer Awards, Volunteering Australia is pleased to introduce a new national award that recognises excellence in employer-supported volunteering programs. Nominations close June 8, so be quick! Visit <http://www.volunteeringaustralia.org>

AAVA VPM Award Closing Soon

A reminder to you all that the first AAVA Volunteer Manager Award of Excellence is closing soon. Visit www.aava.asn.au and don't forget that SA based VPM's can apply for scholarship funds through AAVA

Young people & volunteering (Australia)

Volunteering Australia have recently launched a new subject guide titles Young People & Volunteering. Visit <http://www.volunteeringaustralia.org> for more details

2007 National Volunteering Survey released

Vol Australia have released their 2007 national survey on volunteering issues. Click on link below.

http://www.volunteeringaustralia.org/html/s02_article/article_view.asp?id=372&nav_cat_id=1&nav_top_id=1

New Queensland initiatives announced

Valuing Volunteers: the Queensland Government Policy on Volunteering was launched during National Volunteer Week. Also announced was a new Queensland Office for Volunteering to lead implementation of the vol policy.

<http://www.ozvpm.com/resourcebank/documents/ValuingVolunteers.PDF>

Volunteering Territory

In an interesting new move, Volunteering SA have taken over the leadership of VPM funding in the Northern Territory, which has been a role undertaken for the past several years by Volunteering Australia.

New Maori Volunteering Report launched

A new report released in NZ gives a better idea about the Maori perspective of volunteering. Click on link below

<http://www.worldvolunteerweb.org/news-views/news/doc/new-report-on-maori.html>

AVM to launch Today! (UK)

The new Association for Volunteer Management are having a launch event in London today (June 4th). Congratulations to everyone who has been involved in this initiative

Energize Hot Topics now Podcast (USA)

Susan Ellis and the Energize website have this month started producing the Hot Topics from that site as a podcast, so why not start downloading and take a listen

<http://www.energizeinc.com>

Look Out TASMANIA ~ Here We Come ~

OzVPM Director Andy Fryar and Martin J Cowling will be presenting a one day 'Turn Your Organisation Into a Volunteer Magnet' workshop in Hobart on June 28th and Launceston on June 29th

Enquiries can be made through Volunteering Tasmania or more information can be found at <http://www.voltasinc.com/file.php?id=199>

BOOK OF THE MONTH

Volunteering By People With Disabilities

By Filiz Niyazi

A guide with a mission: to change perceptions of people with disabilities from the "cared-for" to carers themselves. Identifies the main attractions of volunteering to the disabled and shows how volunteering is empowering to the volunteer.



Click here for more details:

http://ozvpmbookstore.com/store/solo.php?fzg_navGrpBtn=1-202-E-1

LOOKING FOR A NEW JOB?

Did you know that the OzVPM website posts more than 300 vacancies in the volunteer management field in Australia and NZ each year?

Jobs are updated regularly and can be found on the jobs section of our site

http://www.ozvpm.com/referralnetwork/referral_posvac_master.htm

Are you an OzVPM Newsgroup member?

Our newsgroup boasts more than 400 volunteer managers from right across Australia and NZ (And further afield). To join, send a blank email to ozvpm-subscribe@yahoogroups.com or visit <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ozvpm>

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