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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Albert Coates Memorial Trust provides tertiary level scholarships for health professionals in regional Australia.

The Trust honours the life of Sir Albert Coates through publications, education programmes and associated educational awards.

Trust programmes are supported by donations, bequests and fund-raising activities.



ABOUT THE ALBERT COATES MEMORIAL TRUST

The Albert Coates Memorial Trust is a volunteer-run, Ballarat-based organisation which, since 1998, has raised funds to present scholarships for medical purposes, with a strong emphasis on regional areas. The scholarships are awarded in areas of interest and relevance to the life and achievements of Sir Albert Coates, the Ballarat-born surgeon of the Thai-Burma Railway.

During World War 1, Albert Coates served in Gallipoli, Egypt and Flanders as a medical orderly and with the Intelligence Corps. At 46 he volunteered for duty in World War II and went as Senior Surgeon with the 2/10th AGH of the 8th Division to Malaya. Captured by the Japanese in Sumatra he was taken to Burma. As a surgeon on the infamous Thai-Burma railway, he saved hundreds of lives and gave inspired leadership to those with whom he served.



REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

DON MOSS FRACS FACS

HON. CHAIR

The purpose of the Trust is to honour the life of Sir Albert Coates via publications, educational presentations and educational awards, and this has again been successfully achieved during this year.

The Coates Oration for October 2016, was given at Federation University in Ballarat, by Lieutenant General David Morrison AO (Retd). He was Australian of the Year 2016 and previously Australia's Chief of the Army. His address centred around his work on gender equality in the Armed Services, and was extremely powerful. Over 200 people attended, with the Coates dinner held immediately afterwards.

In June 2017 a lunch-time lecture was delivered for the Trust by Kate Torney, the CEO of the State Library of Victoria. Kate spoke of the many roles of a public library in the digital age, with a challenging and stimulating address.

The Trust continues to coordinate multiple scholarships for medical, nursing and paramedic students. For this year an additional scholarship was available at Notre Dame University, in addition to those at Aquinas (Australian Catholic University), Federation University, Melbourne University/RACS Anatomy, Melbourne University Rural Clinical School, and multiple scholarships for nurses via the Department of Health.

We could not have been successful without the funding support from the Australian Legion. This was funding set aside to assist Veterans and their dependents, and is used to advance the education of our young men and women, who indeed are the "future".

Sadly, Win Gherardin, died in June 2017. Win was one of Sir Albert's daughters, and a strong influence in the formation of the Trust. She was a founding Trustee, a long-standing Committee member, and Patron over the last year. Her twinkling eyes and gentle humour lightened many meetings, but her enthusiasm and drive for the cause was not to be underestimated! It was always extraordinary to have such a close relative involved in the Trust, and we will miss her immensely. Fortunately Walter Gherardin continues to be our Trust Patron.

There have been several changes in the Committee. Lorna Morgan, original Committee member has retired for health reasons. Lorna worked as a theatre sister with Sir Albert Coates at Fairfield Hospital. Jock Prodger has also retired, having been a long-standing Committee member, with valuable contacts with the Australian Legion.

An addition has been Dr. Ed Davis, who had an extensive career in the RAAF and the Army, rising to the rank of Colonel as Director of Medical Services in the Army for Victoria. Ed has more recently served as a Medical Administrator in public and private hospitals and will prove a valuable addition to our scholarship programme.

Each member of the Committee serves in an honorary role in the many tasks needed to support the scholarship and education programme, and I remain grateful for their support. I feel confident that Sir Albert Coates would be pleased by the expanding scholarship programme, in turn illustrating the lasting contribution of a remarkable man to the Australian community.

Don Moss
Hon. Chair



SECRETARYS REPORT

ROGER TRUDGEON

HON. SECRETARY

Over the past year the Coates Trust has continued to expand its range of scholarships, conduct programs designed to heighten awareness of Albert Coates and raise funds for the scholarships named in his honour.

The Coates Trust Committee meets monthly at Ballarat Legacy and we are very grateful to them for hosting our meetings. Membership of the trustees of the Coates Trust has remained the same through 2016/2017. Don Moss continued as Chair of the Trustees and the committee, with Bruce Clark as Treasurer and Roger Trudgeon as Secretary. In June we lost a founding Trustee and committee member with the passing of Winifred Gherardin and we acknowledge her enormous contribution and commitment to the Trust. Win's good counsel and positive support at all times is much missed.

Arrangements were finalised with the University of Notre Dame to provide a scholarship to second year students in the Doctor of Medicine course. Students undertake a medical internship in Ballarat and the scholarship assists with the costs involved.

The Trust expanded the range of awards offered at the Mount Pleasant Primary School. Thanks to generous donations from Walter Gherardin and Robyn and Arthur Coates, who provided highly commended awards in addition to the prizes supported by the Sebastopol Bowling Club. For the first time the school held an exhibition of all the student projects in the art room at the school.

The Trust maintains contact with the Veterans' Branch of the Department of Premier and Cabinet to confer on matters of mutual interest in our funding relationship with the Victorian Veterans' Council (VVC).

The funds generously provided by the Australian Legion of Ex-Service Men and Women are invested through the VVC. These funds underpin most of our scholarships.

The Coates Trust is registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission (ACNC) and complies with the various annual reporting requirements. Recent developments with online reporting, completed by the secretary, have streamlined this process.

With the increase in postage costs the Trust is looking for ways to reduce mailing costs by encouraging supporters to receive newsletters via email. Whilst not for everyone, we acknowledge those who have taken up the email option and encourage others to do so.

The website, updated regularly by the secretary, continues to provide another avenue to alert people to the Albert Coates story and the work of the Trust.

The Coates Trust relies on the collaboration and commitment of the committee members and many others beyond it to achieve its objectives of providing scholarships and raising awareness of the legacy of Sir Albert Coates. This involvement is greatly appreciated. Thanks to Alison Freeman for her excellent catering services, Virtual Bean for website support and to High Tech Printing for all its support.

Roger Trudgeon
Hon. Secretary



TREASURER'S REPORT

BRUCE CLARK OAM

HON. TREASURER

The Trust has performed very well in this present financial climate. All donations received during the year, ranging from major donations to those made by supporters, are gratefully acknowledged.

In particular, the Trust appreciates the on-going and significant support of the Legion of ex-Service Men and Women, in cooperation with the Victorian Veterans' Council.

In the current low interest rate climate the income received by the Trust was down 14.52% for the year but it has been able to contain expenditure by a reduction of 17.60%.

It is pleasing, however, to report that of the \$35,544 received in donations 74.47% was applied to scholarships and the balance was carried over to the next financial year. The Trust's equity has increased by 6.68% for the year.

Finally, the low interest rates currently available in the market are expected to continue for the next financial year which, of course, has an impact on the Trust's sources of income.

FINANCIAL REPORT

ACMT Financial Report 2016 -2017

Objectives	Outcomes 2016 -2017	
To provide substantial Scholarships at Primary, Tertiary Graduate and Post-Graduate Levels, focusing predominantly on the Medical Profession.	10 Scholarships awarded totalling	\$26,470
To seek Donations and Income at Private, Institutional and Corporate Levels to sustain ongoing Scholarships.	Total Income for the financial year	\$49,150
	<i>Donations</i>	\$35,544
	<i>Interest</i>	\$4,998
	<i>Functions</i>	\$8,232
	<i>Book Sales</i>	\$377
To minimise Operating costs of the Trust.	Total Expenses (excl. Scholarships)	\$11,502
	<i>Oration & Luncheon</i>	\$6,291
	<i>Printing</i>	\$2,897
	<i>Misc. Other</i>	\$2,314
To continue to grow the Trust's Equity.	Total Equity	\$181,099
	<i>Increase</i>	\$11,316

DONATIONS

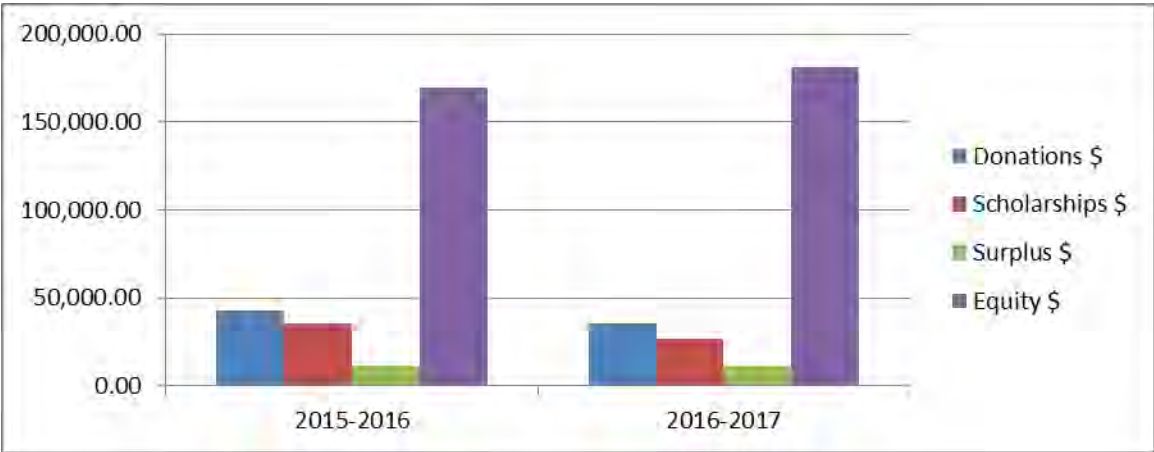
ACMT Donations for financial Year 2016 – 2017

Donor	Purpose	Amount \$
W. Gherardin	Mt. Pleasant Primary	500
Various	ACMT - General	706
B. M. Moss Senior	Rural Health	1,000
H. M. A. S. Perth	ACMT - General	1,000
W & D Finance	Bio Medial Scholarship	2,750
Australian Legion (V. V. C.)	Rural Nursing & Medical Scholarships	29,588

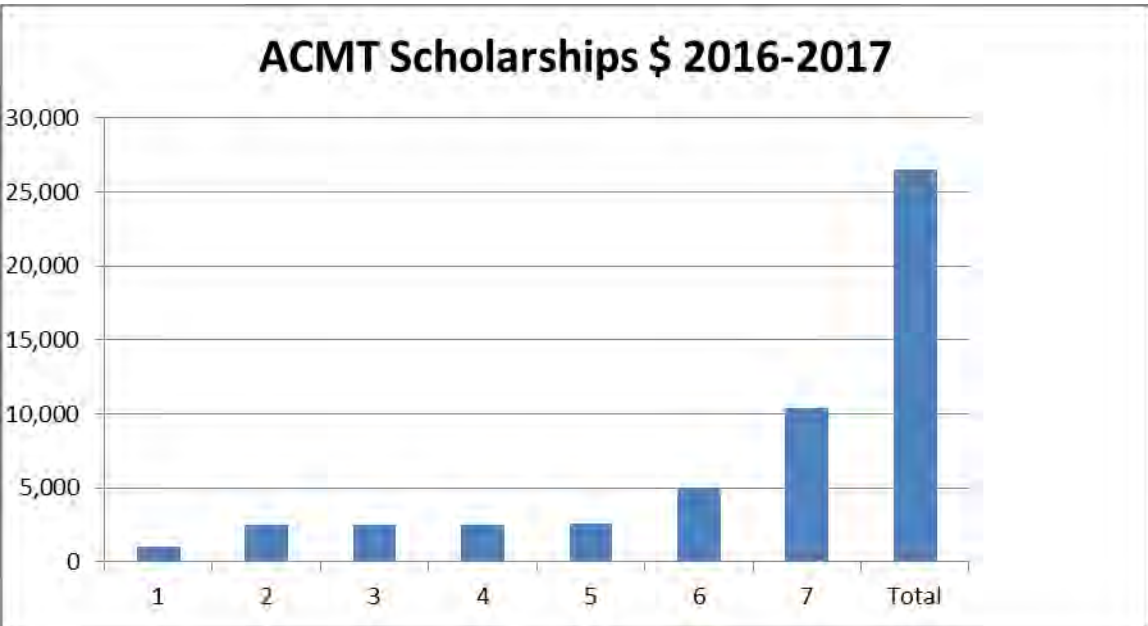
Total Donations \$35,544

FINANCIAL COMPARISONS

ACMT- Financial Comparison 2016- 2017 with Previous Year



SCHOLARSHIPS SUMMARY 2016 - 2017



- 1 Mt Pleasant Primary School Awards- Gherardin & Coates (3 at \$330, 1 at \$100)
- 2 Rural Clinical Health- Legion/ ACMT (Melbourne University) \$2,500
- 3 Medical- Legion/ACMT (Notre Dame University- Ballarat) \$2,500
- 4 Nursing & Paramedic- Legion/ ACMT (Aust. Catholic University) \$2,500
- 5 Rural Nursing- Legion/ ACMT (South Gippsland) \$2,590
- 6 Surgical Anatomy- Legion/ ACMT (Melbourne University) \$5,000
- 7 Rural Nursing- Legion/ ACMT (Central Gippsland) \$10,380

Total Scholarships awarded 2016-2017 \$26,470



AUDITOR'S REPORT

RUDY NOVOTNY

HON AUDITOR

AUDITOR'S REPORT (Summary) FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2016-2017

In the Treasurer's and Auditor's opinion the attached Statement of Profit & Loss and Balance Sheet for the ACMT is properly drawn up and gives a true and correct view of financial affairs and operations for the Year.

The Total Equity of the Trust as at 30/06/2017 is \$181,098.86, (Including the James Pryor Fund of \$17,222.70). The above also includes a projected GST refund of \$88.62 for the June 2017 quarter. The Trust has no financial liabilities, the \$4,000 Liability reported last year has been cleared!

Income & Expenses (Summary).

	2015- 2016	2016- 2017	Change
Income	\$57,500.42	\$49,150.45	-14.52%
Expenses	<u>\$46,084.97</u>	<u>\$37,971.95</u>	-17.60%
Surplus	\$11,415.45	\$11,178.50	
Donations	\$42,826.10	\$35,544.00	-17.00%
Scholarships	\$35,400.00	\$26,470.00	-25.23%
Equity	\$169,783.24	\$181,098.86	+6.68%

Comments and Financial Highlights for the audit period:

- As expected, General Donations have declined last year due to lower Interest Earnings.
- The Trust has NO financial Liabilities to report.
- Scholarship applications were lower last year, the target area by rotation was the Gippsland Region, also the 3 annual FUA Scholarships have this year fallen into the August 2017 period!
- The Trust is fortunate to have a \$24,271 Scholarship carryover into the new financial year (VVC/ Legion \$20,864, Ballarat Club/ James Pryor \$3,407). This is critical for Cash flow as Scholarships have already commenced for the new financial year.

10 Scholarships/ Awards for 2016/17

▪ Surgical Anatomy- Legion/ ACMT (Melbourne University)	\$5,000
▪ Rural Nursing- Legion/ ACMT (South Gippsland)	\$2,590
▪ Rural Nursing- Legion/ ACMT (Central Gippsland)	\$10,380
▪ Mt Pleasant Primary School Awards- ACMT, 3 at \$300, 1 at \$100	\$1,000
▪ Rural Clinical Health- Legion/ ACMT (Melbourne University)	\$2,500
▪ Medical- Legion/ ACMT (Notre Dame University-Ballarat)	\$2,500
▪ Nursing & Paramedic- Legion/ ACMT (Aust. Catholic University)	\$2,500

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Rudy Novotny
Hon. Auditor/ Trustee

TRUSTEES 2017



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Hon. Secretary



Don Moss
FRACS FACS
Hon. Chair



Bruce Clark OAM
Hon. Treasurer



Rudy Novotny
Hon. Auditor



Marie Pryor

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Vale Win Gherardin

Patron and a Founding Trustee
of the Albert Coates Memorial
Trust

Winifred Frances Gherardin, 20.12.1926 - 27.06.2017

Win Gherardin was a Trustee for the Albert Coates Memorial Trust and served on the Committee since its inception. She was a strong supporter of the work of the Trust which was to financially support nurses, doctors and paramedics in training. Win will be remembered by members for her warmth, good sense, wisdom and friendship. As one of Albert Coates' three daughters, Win brought an important link to the Coates family in the work of the Trust.

When the sculpture of Sir Albert was being created by Louis Laumen, Win was able to give accurate advice on physical features to assist the sculptor in getting details of face and physique. Win and her husband Walter, were the vital link to the family archives which helped with the 1998 Gold Museum exhibition on Coates and underpinned numerous articles and publications. Win's links to the world of nursing ensured the Trust was well connected as its various scholarships were developed.

Win took a strong interest in the programs at Mount Pleasant Primary School which Sir Albert had attended from 1900. She answered questions sent to her by the students and was thrilled with the quality and ingenuity of projects developed each year. Win was unfailingly generous in her recognition and support of the work of Trust members over the years and her positive attitude and commitment to the Trust will not be forgotten.

The following is an excerpt from the eulogy given by Dr Tony Gherardin.

During the uncertainty of the time her father, Albert Coates, was away during the war and following the Fall of Singapore was captive for three years 'Win left school at 16 and enrolled at Stott's Business College. Skills she learned there she never forgot and in latter years she could take efficient shorthand. She volunteered at the Victorian Society for Crippled Children during this time, and assisted at one of the large Servicemen's canteens.

'However, Win was now able to pursue a dream she had wanted to do for some time, to become a nurse She commenced training at the Royal Melbourne Hospital in 1945, thus beginning her lifelong association with the hospital. Training involved long hours, and hard work, but the friendships of her nursing colleagues, have stood the test of time. By 1950 Win was ready to take on the world. Like many post-war Aussies, Win boarded a ship to England. She worked for nursing agencies, stayed in share-flats, toured in Europe, came face to face with art, culture and a wide world,.....

She went back to nursing work in the 1970s, this time as a teacher in the RMH Preliminary Training School, teaching the basics of nursing care and TLC, and lecturing on the history of nursing.

As time went by, she also involved herself in other activities and causes, the Nurses Memorial Centre was a passion for Win, as was her advocacy for the Graduate Nurses Association of RMH, her energy and commitment sustaining those organisations in times of difficulty. She became involved too of course with the Albert Coates Trust, a love and a cause in which she never lost devotion. Win had an extraordinary selflessness. She had an instinctive sense of need in others. She had an irreverent sense of humour too. She loved a good joke. She will be greatly missed in this world, but loved forever. Dr Tony Gherardin **Taken from the Eulogy given by Dr Tony Gherardin at the Service of Thanksgiving for Win Gherardin and printed with permission.**



Win enjoyed meeting with and celebrating the student scholarship winners



...and engaging with speakers and guests at Coates Luncheons and Orations



Unveiling the plaque in the Albert Coates Complex at Federation University, Ballarat

At right:
At the Gold Museum exhibition with L to R: Win's sister Dorothy, Win, Elsie Minchin, and brother Bill Coates.



SCHOLARSHIPS

UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE
& ROYAL AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE
OF SURGEONS



Mr Don Moss, Dr Aaron Stanes, Mr Roger Trudgeon



Above: Ms Suellen Tapsall made the introductions

At left: Assoc. Prof. Frank Gaillard delivered the Occasional Address



At left: Ms Shirley McIver, Mr Barry Lonsdale, Mr Don Moss, Ms Gwenda McManus, Mr Roger Trudgeon at the ceremony.

At Right: Prof. Mark Edgar University of Melbourne



Dr Aaron Stanes addressing the audience after receiving the Albert Coates Memorial Prize, 2016

Scholarship sponsored by the Australian Legion of Ex-Service Men and Women

University of Melbourne and Royal Australasian College of Surgeons

Postgraduate Diploma in Surgical Anatomy — Albert Coates Memorial Prize, 2015

Value: \$5000

Recipient: Dr Aaron Stanes

The Annual Conferring Ceremony, 2016, for Post Graduate Diploma of Surgical anatomy, RACS, at the University of Melbourne was held on 5th September, 2016, at University House.

Introductions were made by **Ms. Suellen Tapsall**.

The Occasional Address was delivered by **Assoc. Prof. Frank Gaillard**, Consultant Neuroradiologist & Director of Research, Department of Radiology, Royal Melbourne Hospital, and first recipient of the Albert Coates Memorial Prize in 2001.

Prof. Mark Elgar conferred the awards. **Mr Roger Trudgeon**, Secretary of the Coates Trust, spoke on behalf of the Albert Coates Memorial Trust and gave a brief history of Albert Coates' life and achievements. **Mr Don Moss**, Chair of the Coates Trust, presented the award.



SCHOLARSHIPS

AND SPONSORS

2016 - 2017



Sponsor: Australian Legion of Ex-Service Men & Women

Regional Nursing Scholarships administered by the Department of Health Victoria — Gippsland Region 2016 -2017



Sir Albert Coates Regional Nursing scholarships 2017

Recipient: Amy Aeschlimann Masters of Nursing Practice, Emergency Nursing

Value: \$ 10,380

Recipient: Vanessa Jenkins RIPERN training (Regional and Isolated Practice Endorsed Registered Nurse)

Value: \$ 2,590

School of Nursing, Midwifery and Healthcare - 2nd Year undergraduate scholarship Federation University Australia (Ballarat) 2017

Recipient: Liza Scicluna Currie

Value: \$2,500

Notre Dame University - New Scholarship 2017

Recipient: Jacqueline Nguyen Khuong

Value: \$2,500

Australian Catholic University, (ACU) Ballarat 2017

Recipient: Amber Duncan

Value: \$2,500

Sir Albert Coates Surgical Scholarship, University of Melbourne Rural Clinical School 2016

Recipient: Nayan Bhindi

Value: \$2,500

Sponsor: The Ballaarat Club



School of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences - Jim Pryor Visual Arts Scholarship, Federation University, Ballarat 2017

Recipient: Lauren Matthews

Value: \$2,500

Sponsor: W & D Finance



School of Applied and Biomedical Sciences - W & D Finance Biomedical Scholarship, Federation University, Ballarat 2017

Recipient: Liam Hanrahan

Value: \$2,500

From **Mark Hocking** ACU Nursing & Paramedicine, 2016-17

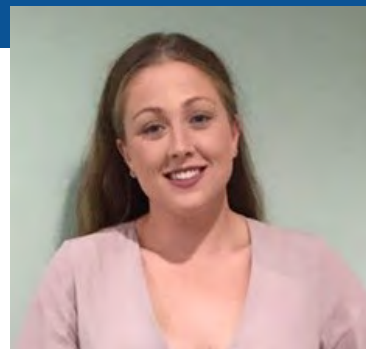
I would like to take this opportunity to formally thank you all for your generous donation Receiving this scholarship has been a huge honour for me and my family and has done much to help in relieving the financial strain associated with tertiary education. I will aim to continue to practice the values and attributes that this scholarship represents throughout my continuing studies and professional career and strive to make proud those who have supported me.

This semester I have used the majority of the scholarship to fund accommodation costs while on placement for my nursing and paramedicine degrees. In early September I travelled to Donald to work for three weeks at the East Wimmera Health service campuses in Donald and Charlton. I have also travelled to Echuca and Bendigo for Paramedicine placements and will travel again to Kyabram and central Geelong in early December. Your support has enabled me to afford accommodation and travel costs as well as purchase the necessary text books to assist me in successfully completing my course units.

A WORD FROM THE AWARDEES



Lauren Matthews - 2nd year
Visual Arts scholarship recipient
Federation University Australia



Amber Duncan - 2nd year
Nursing scholarship recipient
Australian Catholic University

Dear Roger and other members of the Albert Coates Memorial Trust,

I am writing to you to say thank you as the recipient of the Jim Pryor / Ballaarat Club Visuals Arts Albert Coates Scholarship.

Receiving this scholarship means the world to me and it has already made such a difference in my studies and in my burgeoning practice as a visual artist.

This scholarship and the funds awarded with it has enabled me to set up a small ceramics studio at home - including the purchase of a pottery wheel, tools and other necessities. I am now able to work at home and develop my technique and ideas outside of the classroom.

Please also pass on my thanks to the Ballaarat Club. I am truly honoured to receive this scholarship and I am inspired by the story of Sir Albert Coates.

I look forward to meeting you all at the Albert Coates Oration and presentation ceremony.

Kind regards and many thanks,

Lauren Matthews

2nd Year Visual Arts Student

Since completing my first semester of my second year, my studies and placements have made me a very busy student!

I have just finished some paramedic placements in Metro and Rural Branches, where I have learnt and gained so much more in knowledge and skills, and I couldn't have achieved this without this Albert Coates Scholarship.

I look forward to future studies and placements for Nursing and Paramedicine, and I look forward to seeing how these learned skills can help me in my career in the Army!



Liam Hanrahan
2nd year
Biomedical Science
scholarship recipient
Federation University
Australia



Liza Scicluna Currie
2nd year
Nursing scholarship
recipient
Federation University
Australia



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COATES ORATION AND SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION 2016

Lt. General David Morrison AO, retired Chief of Army, and 2016 Australian of the Year presented the 2016 Albert Coates Oration at Federation University Australia on October 10th.

He spoke passionately about gender equality in the army (citing an example around which his presentation was based) and is committed to racial, sexual and ethnic diversity and inclusiveness in the armed services.

He acknowledged that Elizabeth Broderick, an Australian lawyer who was the Australian Sex Discrimination Commissioner from 2007 - 2015, had influenced his thinking.

He suggested strongly that those soldiers who could not accept women as equals in the services should 'get out'.

The number of women joining the army has risen by 2% since that time.

Having retired from his position as Chief of the Army, Lt. General Morrison is now committed to championing human rights as Chair of the Diversity Council Australia.

Following his address General Morrison spoke to many of the guests present, particularly with the students who had received awards.



Dr Sam Henson, Head of Campus
Federation University Australia



Mr Roger Trudgeon
Hon. Secretary, Albert
Coates Memorial Trust



Dr Paul Hemming, Chancellor,
Federation University Australia



AWARDEES with LT. GEN. MORRISON AO



Above: Dr Nayan Bhindi receiving his award from Dr Don Moss, Chair Albert Coates Memorial Trust
Front row L to R: Grant Holmes (Post-graduate Critical Care), Danielle Tartaglia (Post-graduate Emergency), Lt. Gen. David Morrison AO, Stacey Moll (Nursing, Midwifery, Healthcare), Nayan Bhindi (University of Melbourne, Surgery, Rural Clinical School), Elisabeth May (Visual Arts)
Back row L to R: Mark Hocking (Nursing/Paramedics), Joseph Dawson (Biomedical Science).



Brendan McCarthy



Grant Holmes



Ellie Bowditch

The Oration Dinner was held after the Coates Oration, at the Albert Coates Complex, Federation University Australia, Mount Helen Campus.

Don Moss, Chair ACMT, congratulated the awardees and spoke on behalf of the Trust.

A highlight of the Dinner was a report by three scholarship recipients who thanked the Trust for its support and spoke of their experiences with internships which were financially supported by the Trust.

Brendan McCarthy and **Ellie Bowditch**, School of Rural Health University of Melbourne (2015), and **Grant Holmes**, Emergency and Critical Care Nursing Post - Graduate Training (2016), spoke during the evening about experiences in their fields.

It was clear from their words that the support of the Trust made a difference in their ability to complete their studies and achieve their career goals.



Don Moss, Chair, ACMT

Kate Torney CEO

State Library

Victoria

Kate Torney, State Library of Victoria Chief Executive, recent speaker at the Albert Coates Lunch, encouraged the audience to be advocates for libraries. She emphasised that to tell people about the many aspects of a library and its value to a community is important if we don't want to lose it.

She cited the example of the United Kingdom where 40% of libraries are closing. Ms Torney also commented on the digitisation of library material and said that libraries were redefining themselves to meet the needs of a digital age. The Victorian State Library is continuing to digitise its collection, however books in their present form would remain a large part of the library.

LUNCH WITH SPEAKER



The Mount Pleasant Primary School

MUSEUM IN A SUITCASE

PROJECT



On Monday 19th December, 2016, an exhibition of the **Albert Coates projects** completed by Year 6 students at Mount Pleasant P.S. was presented at the school. The suitcase used by the students formed part of the exhibition. The creativity and quality of the projects continues to inspire us. The Trust awards first prizes for a girl and a boy. This year five awards were presented,

three first \$300.00 prizes and two \$100.00 prizes. The judges considered the creativity of the projects, quality and presentation, and the student's knowledge of Albert Coates' life and work. The Trust thanks teachers, Paul McAloon, Sage Pyke, Jenny Dyer and Principal, Phil Gladman for their support of the project.

YEAR 6 STUDENT PROJECT WINNERS



Penny Jones

First prize winner, **Penny Jones** created a beautifully made sculpture of the head of Albert Coates, finished in a bronze colour and combined it with a poster of information.



Oscar Haywood

Oscar's project was an intricate time lapse photoshoot of over 2000 images on how a commemorative Coates poppy wreath was made, which had historical facts about Albert Coates incorporated behind each poppy as it was added.

First prize winners: **Penny Jones**, and equal first **Oscar & Sebastian Haywood**. Highly Commended: **Josh Taylor** and **Tahlia Breheny**



Sebastian Haywood

Sebastian's project was a superbly scripted and filmed newscast interspersed with news items, from the field, about Sir Albert Coates' life. Sebastian played each part in the newscast. His broadcast, with music, was entitled: **SEB NEWS**. Photograph: Still taken from video supplied by Mt Pleasant Primary School



Josh Taylor

Highly Commended **Josh Taylor** created a most inventive board game based on surgical operations where you used tweezers to remove objects from the board game box and these linked back to facts about Albert Coates.

Generously sponsored by the Sebastopol Bowling Club
Walter Gherardin
and
Robyn & Arthur Coates

Photographs/text: Elizabeth Trudgeon



Tahlia Breheny

Highly Commended **Tahlia Breheny**, wrote a song about Albert Coates and sang a section of it, unaccompanied, for the class. She had a beautiful voice and performed the piece with conviction and emotion.

Albert Coates was born on the 23rd of January 1895. He was born in Ballarat. Albert Coates was the child of Arthur Coates and Annie McEustice.

SPONSORS

The Albert Coates Memorial Trust is grateful for the support of organisations which have sponsored scholarships and the many individuals who have given financial and practical support.



Victorian Veterans Council



The Australian Legion of Ex-Service Men and Women has been the most generous contributor to the Trust's work through a major corpus of funds administered by the **Victorian Veterans' Council**.

These funds underpin very significant awards in rural emergency and critical care nursing and training for Rural and Isolated Practice Endorsed Registered Nurse certificate (RIPERN) and a number of other scholarships offered by the Trust.



W & D Finance continues to generously support the sponsorship of the Biomedical Science scholarship at Federation University Australia.



Since 2000, **Federation University Australia (Ballarat)** has been a key supporter in helping coordinate the promotion, selection and presentation of Coates Trust scholarships.

In presenting the Coates Oration, it has kindly sponsored the production of invitations, mail outs and other costs. The Trust gratefully acknowledges the ongoing generosity of the University.



Since 2001, the Trust has worked closely with the **University of Melbourne** and the **Royal Australasian College of Surgeons** in formally presenting the Sir Albert Coates Scholarship in the Postgraduate Diploma in Surgical Anatomy.

The graduation ceremony at University House and social gathering afterwards is a great opportunity for Trust members and Coates family members to meet with academic staff and graduates of the course.



The Trust appreciates the support of the **Ballarat Club** which generously funds the Jim Pryor Visual Arts Scholarship, Federation University Australia.



The Trust appreciates the generous support of the **Sebastopol Bowling Club** which sponsors the Mount Pleasant Primary School **Museum in a Suitcase** project awards.



The Trust is grateful to **Ballarat Legacy** for hosting the meetings of the Coates Trust and assisting in a variety of other ways.



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