

#### White Ribbon Ambassador Newsletter - Tasmania

**June 2016** 

## Thank you for your commitment to preventing men's violence against women

Hi xxx

June started out as a wet and cold month in many states, but this didn't stop our Ambassadors from getting out and about in support of the Campaign. This edition we have another Q&A to share with you, along with a recap of what some of our Ambassadors have been up to around the country.

We thank those of you pre-2013 Ambassadors who have reached out to us regarding Re-committals and to those awaiting to hear from us, we appreciate your patience as we continue to work through the Ambassador Re-committals. Just another reminder, if you came on board as an Ambassador before 2013 and haven't yet recommitted, send us an email at <a href="mailto:ambassadors@whiteribbon.org.au">ambassadors@whiteribbon.org.au</a> ASAP and we will fast-track your Recommittal process.

Please continue to share with us your thoughts regarding each newsletter and send through articles or pictures that you think would make for good content in our next edition. We look forward to making each edition a bigger and better representation of the hard work our Ambassadors are putting in towards making a future without men's violence against women a reality.

As a side note, we also want to thank those Ambassadors who wrote in and posted words of support in light of the recent media focus on White Ribbon.

## Ambassador Q&A with Andrew Nikolic



This month we speak to a White Ribbon supporter, former Member for Bass Andrew Nikolic AM CSC, who has been actively raising awareness about the Campaign both at a local and federal level. Click <a href="https://example.com/here-to-read-the-normal-read-t

#### **Featured Event**

The Western Bulldogs vs Geelong, White Ribbon Game







On the 18th June, the Western Bulldogs took on Geelong in a nationally televised game in support of White Ribbon. An impressive number of Ambassadors, Advocates, supporters and Myer staff turned up to volunteer at the game by selling White Ribbon merchandise and engaging AFL fans in conversations regarding men's violence against women. We thank all those who volunteered for your wonderful contribution!

The game itself was full of symbolism with the white ribbon emblazoned on the Bulldogs' guernseys, banner and game ball, as well as awareness raising advertising throughout the match. Additionally, supporters held up 52 white balloons at the start of the game in acknowledgment of the number of women killed by domestic and family violence in Australia, annually. A huge thank you to the Western Bulldogs for your tremendous level of support in spreading the message about the importance of standing up and speaking out about this insidious social issue.

# Ambassadors in the media: representing & reflecting the Campaign



Ambassador Clint Newton has signed up for the Vinnies CEO Sleepout to spread awareness about homelessness and violence against women. Click here to read the article in full.

#### Ambassador Educational Tools



In light of recent events, we think this piece by the Diversity Council, Australia, highlights some important points about speech as a form of action. We encourage you to have a read of "Can't take a joke - We need the courage to call it".

#### **Tweet Of The Month**



An inspiring pre-game clip by the Western Bulldogs and White Ribbon Advocate Simone O'Brien . Click here to watch in full.

Remember to follow us and use the hashtag #WhiteRibbonAmbassadors to keep up-todate with events and discussions

#### **Upcoming Event - July**

White Ribbon Night: 29th July



White Ribbon Night is around the corner so it's time to start planning your event. This year we have suggested three themes: **Feast**, **Film and Footy**, but don't feel restricted to just one theme - let your creative juices flow. Get your family and friends together for a night and help White Ribbon raise funds for vital prevention work in schools, workplaces and communities. Together, we can build a future free from violence and abuse.

Click <u>here</u> for more event inspiration or to register your event.

Interested to know what other White Ribbon Events will be on in your area? Visit the our Events page to find out!



### Domestic and family violence is the principal cause of homelessness for women and their children.

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare. (2013).

Specialist homelessness services 2012-13, cat no. HOU 273.

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#### **White Ribbon Committee Update**

Men's violence against women - whether it occurs in or beyond the workplace impacts the health and safety of women at work, their wellbeing and productivity.

Come to Breakfast

Hear Tas. Fire Service Regional Chief Jeff Harper (AFSM) speak about implementation of the White Ribbon Workplace Accreditation program. Learn how your workplace can effect positive cultural change.

When: Friday 22nd of July 7:00am-8:30am Where: Hotel Grand Chancellor Cost: \$40 (Pre-Payment)

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