



Newsletter

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Message from the President

Eight years of understanding and researching the needs of Ballarat's most vulnerable, five years of aggressive action to educate our community through documentary and hard work, three years of creating structure and developing our ground projects has seen the SoupBus and Scholarship Fund become not just a reality but has given opportunity to involve and unite a community.

300 volunteers strong with another 200 ready to be trained in the New Year, is not just exciting but extremely overwhelming.

All members of the On Track Foundation Inc. Board, Charity Ball Committee, Soup bus Committee & Scholarship Fund Committee, are all active members of our volunteer list and share the same passion that is within us all, the passion to give to others, especially those in need.

The 2010 On Track Foundation Charity Ball was another huge success for our sustainability, but for those unable to attend we will organise an encore screening of the new Documentary as well as a volunteer's day (drinks and BBQ) thanks to the Regent Theatre and the Lake View Hotel.

I personally am extremely grateful to all our volunteers, supporters and sponsors and very much look forward to the opportunity of personally making contact with you all during our social occasions early next year (February/March)

There is no better gift than the gift of giving, and given the festive season is upon us, it is a time that all should reassess.

Assess what, one may ask? The difference between what one wants and what one needs. Offering your time to assist another is indeed priceless and never forgotten.

Once again I thank you all, and look forward to working with you all on our current projects and new ones that are on the drawing board.

I wish you and your families a very safe and happy Christmas.

Yours Sincerely

Craig Schepis

SoupBus Volunteers

2011 will see changes to the current rostering system. If you are a driver please check your e-mail for the remaining shifts in of December and January dates.

Further information for all volunteers will be available in the new year so keep an eye on the [SoupBus Web Page](#).



SoupBus OH & S Update

A copy of the SoupBus OH & S Manual is now on the Bus. It is located on the front dashboard behind the steering wheel. If you haven't read it please take 5 minutes before your next shift and do so.



On behalf of the On Track Foundation Board we wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and a safe New Year

Announcements

- ❖ 2011 SoupBus Ball
Saturday 26th November
- ❖ **Reminder to all**
Volunteers to meet at the Men's Shed each shift
- ❖ Coin collection tins will be located at all Ballarat Branches of the Bendigo Bank early in the new year
- ❖ **Scholarship fund to support a student at St Patrick's College in 2011**
- ❖ Additional Swags on order for SoupBus

Congratulations to Ellie & Shannon who became engaged over the weekend. Ellie and Shannon met on the SoupBus 18 months ago.





Ball 2010

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Soup & Bread Vintage Facebook Clothing Line

Soup & Bread Vintage's Mission is to provide hot-to-trot, good quality and affordable vintage clothing. We also aim to get the whole community involved in helping fund the efforts of On Track Foundation, by either purchasing, donating clothes or even just spreading the word.

Check out this fashion label by local Ballarat Uni Student Meg Spencer on [facebook](#). All profits are donated to the Foundation to continue to fund the SoupBus

