

Introducing Jane...

Jane Crowe has started with Standing Tall this year as our new Program Administrator and is settling in quickly. Many of you may have already met her already on your mentoring days, she is looking forward to meeting more of you as she continues to settle in.

Jane is a local girl, growing up in Heywood and going to school at Good Shepherd College here in Hamilton.

Jane has spent the last 8 years living in Adelaide, working for Mission Australia's youth services in the southern suburbs, bringing to us lots of experience, both in Youth Work and Administration.

Jane's really happy to be here and be involved in the Standing Tall program, and is excited to continue meeting more of you! So please make her feel **welcome!!!!**



STANDING TALL News

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welcome to standing tall 2012...

A warm welcome back to all our committed mentors. We have started the year with twenty-two active mentors and mentees and have had a lot of interest from new students wanting to join the program. Jane and I are busy going through the old files finding mentors that have not being active for a while and bringing them back on board.

We ended the year last year with great news regarding funding. We are in a comfortable financial position having won \$90,000 of the state government engage funding and also having received the



kind donation of \$2,000 from the Hamilton North Rotary club. A big welcome to Jane who I know is going to be a great asset to the program and I thank her for her tireless work. Congratulations to Carly Quinn on her recent marriage. We look forward to seeing photos and maybe sharing them with you all in the next newsletter.

Also we were sad to see Jackie Elliot our youngest recruit leave us to take up a job in Ararat. She was a great inspiration to the program and I know that she will remain a strong supporter of the program.

We look forward to sharing another productive and rewarding year with you all at Standing Tall.

*mentor tip- what you do during your regular visits with your mentee matters less than the fact that you are spending time together and providing your mentee with support and care.



It's a Girl...

As most of you know, Casey finished up with Standing Tall at the end of last year to go off and have baby number 3.

On Wednesday 15th February, Willow Jane Manson entered the world, weighing 8lb10 and 50.5cm in length.



Both Mum and Bubs are doing well.

Congratulations to Casey and Adam and their family.

Tracey of course was very excited to get cuddles with Willow.

RED CROSS CALLING

Once again a number of our mentors and mentees are taking part in the annual Red Cross Appeal this March.

Red Cross is always there for people in need, providing relief in times of crisis and care for the most vulnerable in Australia and around the world.

Over the month, along with thousands of volunteers across Australia, our participants will be knocking on doors, collecting money for the Red Cross Appeal, so if they knock on your door, please give generously to this valuable cause!



Standing Tall is going online...

Our new website will be up and running soon...

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