



RC Altona's Great Day At Bunnings

On Saturday, 14 June the RC of Altona attended a community day hosted by Bunnings Warehouse in Altona where they invited community organisations in the area to display.

President of RC Altona, Therese McKenney-Campbell arranged through Bill Dagg and Roger Fasken (our District Contact for ShelterBox) for a ShelterBox to be delivered the tent was erected (providing quite the opportunity for fellowship) The display was great and we had approx 80-100 people through the Shelterbox. Also on display was information in relation to the Club's participation in a bike ride to raise money for a heart machine for the Royal Hospital along with some information on Donations In Kind, Club brochures and Expression of Interest forms as it was a great opportunity for a membership drive.



The day was shaping up to be a good one but actually it got even BETTER!!!

Captain Ben Gronow of St John Ambulance was in attendance on the day alongside his beautiful Mercedes Sprinter with new equipment. The RC of Altona had, only this year been fundraising to assist in purchasing this ambulance. Ben said that he had only picked it up on Wednesday and he was still polishing the dirt off it, to keep it NEW. It was nice for Bunnings and the community to see the results of Rotary's fund-raising efforts, particularly given that some of these funds had been raised at Bunnings' weekend BBQs hosted by the RC of Altona.

But it gets BETTER!!!

Bunnings was offering five community organisations \$1,000 to go towards their efforts. The prize was drawn by retired Western Bulldogs' champion, Chris Grant, who commented that his son had been in hospital on a heart machine and the hospital had mentioned to him that the heart machines had been donated by Rotary. The prize was drawn... drum roll...The RC of Altona's name was drawn! The money will go towards another ShelterBox given the RC of Altona's display drew the most attention due to the ShelterBox and tent.

A FANTASTIC day!!



Above: The cheque

Left: Therese and Captain Ben Gronow of St John Ambulance with the new van