

Rotary Club of Darwin North

*Pride of Workmanship Awards***"Do it once, do it well"****Rotary raises funds, awareness for so many**

Rotary Club of Darwin North has been recognising the Top End's top citizens for more than 40 years.

Twenty-eight businessmen formed the club in February 1964 and members have carried their tradition of meeting regularly since then.

In the early years community service seemed to be projects where members got their hands dirty such as; fly-wiring pensioner units at

Tuckwell Court, fencing a children's playground at Nightcliff, Sending Stud bulls to New Guinea and Melville Island, building a mobile food and drink stand later installed at rodeo grounds and building a barbecue and shelter at Lake Alexander.

The club progressed to raising large amounts of money with projects like a permanent chocolate wheel at Darwin Show.

This ran for 20 years from 1965 to 1985 and allowed it to purchase two ambulances for St Johns, a vehicle for the Council for the Ageing, a bus for the Drug Referral Centre and to hold a Christmas party for children at the Leprosarium each year.

"To raise funds we ran car raffles in the Mall, a chocolate wheel at Casuarina Square each weekend and hired ourselves out to run drink

stands at functions like the Darwin Festival," the club's vocational services director Alistair King said.

"Now we tend to rely on other activities and the hire of our mobile grandstands for our fundraising.

"The funds we raise now are mainly spent on a wide range of community activities as well as recognised Rotary programs worldwide.

"Nevertheless we never fail to provide Christmas hampers to the needy, and no club president will ever forget the look of pleasure on the faces of the parents of the Australia Day baby when they receive our gift of the Auntie Billie Cup; or those workers to whom we present a Pride of Workmanship Award; those people with disabilities who receive our Shine On Award for their service."



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Congratulations to our Practice Manager

Marie-Claire Boothby

for being awarded the

"Rotary Pride of Workmanship Award 2007"

for her fundraising efforts in the

Cancer Council NT's "Relay for Life"

Well Done Marie-Claire

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Marie-Claire rallies her team and raises \$43,300 for Cancer Council NT



Marie-Claire Boothby and The Pink Planners celebrate at the Relay For Life.

**Marie-Claire Boothby
Partner and practice
manager
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Marie-Claire Boothby rallied her colleagues to walk around the clock to raise money for cancer.

"The Pink Planners" raised \$43,300 for The Cancer Council through the Relay for Life and were named the top corporate fundraiser.

They contributed to a grand total of more than \$172,000 for cancer support services in the NT.

Marie-Claire saw the Relay for Life as a great way to raise awareness of cancer and help

support the Cancer Council.

She had also seen her mother and several clients deal with the disease.

Forming a team and walking around the clock was a great team-bonding experience for her staff.

Marie-Claire is also committed to All Financial Services' motto - "improving the quality of people's lives through a living financial plan".

She takes great pride in her work and in the role she has held for the past nine years.

IT specialist Patrick Classen nominated Marie-Claire for the Pride of Workmanship Award for her dedication and commitment.