

## San Innovation 2022 launches with a bang!

Coming together in person now seems like a rarity - so we were thrilled to welcome 80 guests to the Clinical Education Centre at Sydney Adventist Hospital for the inaugural San Innovation Talks in June 2022.

Guests were treated to an elegant evening which featured five leading clinicians and showcased the current and emerging expertise through technology and research, which is keeping the San at the forefront of private hospital care.

In collaboration with the San and the Australian National University (ANU), speakers on the night included Professor Gavin Marx, Associate Professor Payal Mukherjee, Professor Henry Woo, Dr Stephen Pillinger, as well as Professor Tristan Yan and a welcome video by Brett Goods, CEO, Adventist HealthCare Limited. We were delighted to also welcome Emeritus Professor John Watson, AM, Consultant Neurologist and Chair, Medical Advisory Committee and Professor Paul Fitzgerald, Director, Australian National University School of Medicine and Psychology, who shared more about our partnership with ANU.

For many, this night was not only an opportunity to come together but also a chance to meet San Foundation's Managing Director Judy Tanna face-to-face, as well as welcome newer staff members Lucette Harper, Kate Fath and Emelia Kellaway.



Hon Paul Fletcher MP,  
Prof Henry Woo and  
Emeritus Prof John Watson AM



Lucette Harper and  
Judy Tanna



San Foundation Board Member  
Greg Hing and Lisa Armstrong



Prof Paul Fitzgerald and  
Emeritus Prof John Watson AM

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The end of the financial year is a hectic and joyous time for the San Foundation team, and 2021-2022 was no different. It is the time of year when supporters of Sydney Adventist Hospital "give back" to the hospital that cared

for a family member, friend, or community member in a time of need. Each heartfelt pledge of support helps to ensure that the hospital remains at the forefront of world class medical care for generations to come, and we are all so fortunate to be part of such a generous and forward-thinking community.

In June we were able to launch the inaugural San Innovation Talks event, where we were delighted to welcome our valued supporters back to the San for this special occasion, that highlighted the innovations and ground-breaking research that continues at the San. The event speakers shared with us how they were harnessing technology and research to advance patient care and it was a wonderful evening to also share our partnership with ANU. These talks will now become an annual event each June in the Clinical Education Centre, and we look forward to welcoming even more valued supporters in June 2023.

While supporting ongoing innovations is important, your generous donations also allow us to continue to assist the hospital with more immediate challenges presented by the national nursing shortage. The Nursing Scholarship Program funded by the supporters of San Foundation continues to strengthen the loyalty and quality of education available to the highly valued nursing staff here at the San.

September is Prostate Awareness Month, and we will be turning our attention to helping educate our community about the world-class care offered in both the Integrated Cancer Centre and the Prostate Centre of Excellence. Prostate Cancer has now surpassed Breast Cancer as the most common diagnosis amongst members of our community. Our Spring Appeal will focus on the experience of receiving this diagnosis, the level of care available and how philanthropic support will enable the San Foundation to continue to improve care for these patients through investment in medical technology, research, and patient care.

As always, please do reach out if you are interested in supporting any of the important services being provided at the San, and we love hearing from you.

My warmest regards,

Judy Tanna  
Managing Director

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## Our San Graduate nurses start their rounds

Through the generosity of our community, and with thanks to your support, a record number of 58 new graduate nurses have been welcomed at the San in 2022!

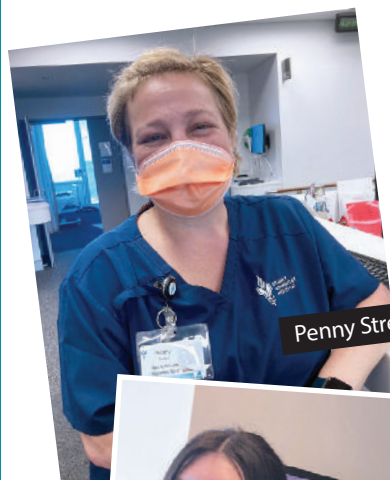
Completing a 12-month program, in different clinical areas, these new nurses have arrived at the commencement of their career and despite all the challenges they faced during a pandemic, they are enthusiastic, eager to learn and maybe even a bit nervous.

With three rotations, this program allows our graduates the chance to experience and immerse themselves in different areas across the hospital to help find the specialty area where they'd like to focus.

As we move through the year, these 58 new graduate nurses have settled into our teams and are well on their way of consolidating their knowledge and developing new skills.

*Vanessa Wilson -*

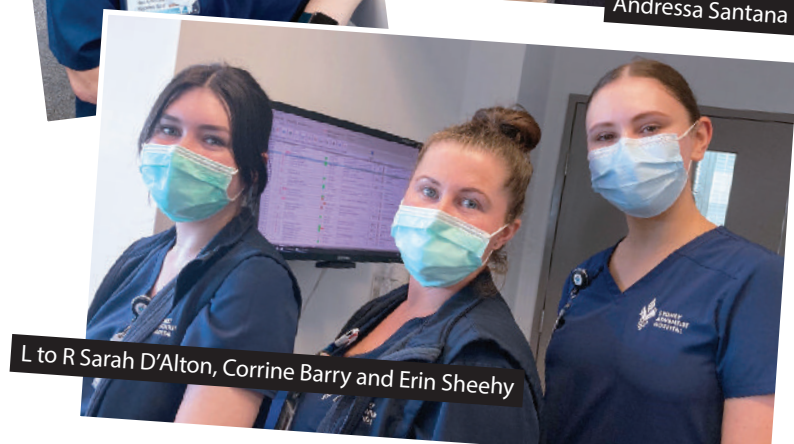
*"My experience at the San has been very supportive and I have had the opportunity to work within a multidisciplinary team that supports my growth and development in several key areas of the hospital."*



Penny Street



Andressa Santana



L to R Sarah D'Alton, Corrine Barry and Erin Sheehy



# We give thanks to our frontline workers

As we slowly emerge and adjust to the new world with COVID, San Foundation was proud to be a part of providing a small gesture of thanks and recognition to our frontline workers. At the height of the pandemic, they ensured our patients were looked after, working tirelessly to support our community.



Bags full of goodies from a range of sponsors were given to staff as a small token of thanks and appreciation.

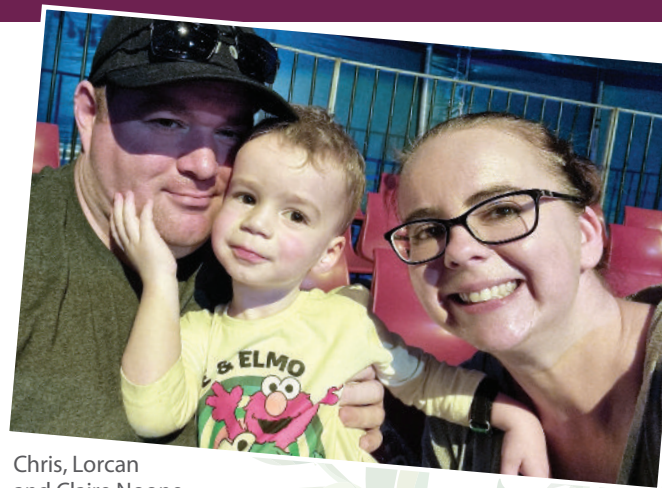


## COMMUNITY SUPPORT

### A patient gives back

In 2019, Claire and Chris Noone's little boy, Lorcan spent his first few days in the Special Care Nursery. Forever grateful for the wonderful care they received by Nursing Unit Manager Coralie and her amazing team of angels, Claire raised over \$2,000 for the ward by walking 100km earlier this year.

The money raised has purchased two new lead aprons for staff so they can safely x-ray sick babies. Thank you, Claire, for raising money for such a great initiative.



Chris, Lorcan and Claire Noone

### In memory donation

Last year, in memory of patient Errol Pushong, a blanket warmer was kindly gifted to the Renal Dialysis ward by his wife, family and friends. Grateful for the care received, this blanket warmer was welcomed by both staff and patients. It brings an added level of comfort for patients undergoing dialysis treatment for extended periods.

Lydia Yu, NUM,  
Renal Dialysis Ward



### Community knitted together by love

Donations come in all shapes, sizes and now colours! Two of our very own talented Volunteers Marissa and Robyn have generously donated these beautifully handmade items to the San Foundation's Hub office. These heart-warming creations have been lovingly received by patients and are a cheerful gift to brighten up any day.

In-kind donations like this are a wonderful reminder of ways you can support the San, and we are so very fortunate to have such talented supporters in our San community.



*If you would like to raise money for a particular area at the San, by doing a walk, morning tea or something creative, please contact the San Foundation team who will happily assist.*





## Kindness is contagious!

Since the launch in December 2020, over 1,600 kind-hearted people have purchased a Pay It Forward hot drink voucher at San Café. These vouchers provide a small gesture of thanks or thoughtfulness and a way to give back and show a random act of kindness to an appreciated staff member.

Recently San Foundation had the pleasure of delivering Pay It Forward vouchers to our hospitality department who continue to keep us safe, clean and help us in the fight against infection. These acts of kindness were very well received by the team who appreciated the thoughtfulness of the unexpected gift.

Thank you to our wonderful community for your support in making someone's day that extra bit special!

*"Jessica Hough works on Kress 4 where she goes above and beyond for the patients every day. She also does an awesome job as a trainer for our new staff. We are so lucky to have Jess as part of our Hospitality team".*

Di Martin, Hospitality Manager

## 5,000 Care Packs

Our emergency care packs have been going strong since 2019 and have proven essential on the wards for unexpected admissions, particularly through our Emergency Care department. To date, close to 5,000 bags have been distributed to patients on the wards.

These packs include a toothbrush, toothpaste, comb, and other essential items that help provide comfort during stressful periods. It is one less thing to think about in the first few days of admission. More compact packs containing toothbrush and toothpaste have become more popular, particularly in Maternity.

Funded by San Foundation supporters like you, these packs provide a much-needed service to our patients.



San Volunteer Maureen

## Annual Memorial Service

On Friday 28 October 2022, our Annual Memorial Service will again be held online.

We invite all our family, friends, and San community to join us in this special tribute and to share their memories and stories with us on the day.



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