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District 21 - Central Coast

\$16,600 for Central Coast Kids

Freemasons on the Central Coast together with **Central Coast Bulldogs** presented cheques to **Central Coast Kids In Need (CCKIN)** and **Save Our Kids From Suicide (SOKS)** each for \$8,300 on Friday 6 March at the Wallarah Bay Recreation Club.



This follows the successful fundraising event on Saturday 16 November 2019 attended by over 130 guests at the Wyong Leagues Club.

The event organised by **Freemasons on the Central Coast** together with **Central Coast Bulldogs (Masters Team)** and **Gosford North Rotary** raised \$16,600 (including a contribution of \$6,000 from the NSW & ACT Freemason Grand Charity, Masonicare) to support **Central Coast Kids in Need (CCKIN)** and **Save Our Kids From Suicide (SOKS)**. >>>



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These are two well-known local charities and both provide an enormous contribution to the welfare of youth and their families on the Central Coast.



Graeme Ingall, Freemasons on the Central Coast, with Lester Pearson and Lance Harrigan, Gosford North Rotary SOKS project.



Geoff Bown, Freemasons on the Central Coast, presenting a cheque to Lorraine Churchill for Central Coast Kids in Need.

The event was hosted by well-known local radio personality, Sarah King. A live auction was conducted by local identity, Rod Amos with many items, including a variety of raffle prizes, being donated by generous donors. The Jamie Lindsay Band provided live music.

During the evening, guests heard from a young couple who had been the beneficiary of assistance from CCKIN following the premature birth of their child. CCKIN put them up in accommodation near the Prince of Wales Children's Hospital during the entire period their baby was receiving intensive care. Distance limitations meant that Government Health Care financial assistance would not cover these costs.

Guests also heard from Gosford North Rotary about the work the SOKS program and Lifeline were providing to youth on the Central Coast in preventative suicide education. The Committee was extremely grateful to the Wyong Leagues Club for providing the venue and assistance with artwork and programming.

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In a postscript to the event, a young boy from the Coast who is receiving treatment for cancer donated a signed Soccerroos Jersey as an auction item for the event. As it happened the Wyong Leagues Club made the successful bid of \$500 for the Jersey. As the ultimate act of generosity, the Club had the Jersey framed and donated it back to the young boy. Following its success, the Committee has agreed to host another event at the Wyong Leagues club on Saturday 12 September 2020.



The fundraising organising committee.

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