Tradition Meets Evolution: Meals on Wheels Association of Tasmania Inc has been in a state of change for quite a few years (forever really). Our Board, once a Board of Management, changed to a Board of Governance. What does that mean? Our Board must act in the best interest of the organisation, set and monitor a strategic plan, review and develop policy, ensure that the organisation complies with regulatory and funding requirements. The Board ensures that the organisation has the financial and human resources to function effectively and efficiently and promotes the aims and objectives of the organisation in the broader community; build the infrastructure of the future.

The day to day management of Meals on Wheels is overseen by our CEO, Sean Burk, and it is the Board of Governance responsibility to provide the CEO with clear delegation to ensure the organisation is managed properly, services are efficiently and effectively delivered and the overall culture of the organisational environment is positive.

So to Evolution: The State Office has finally moved, there is a new home – ‘Management’ has been separated from ‘Operational’. We listened to YOU. The State Office environment did not allow for it to perform to its optimum, productivity can now increase in a measurable sense, a new and performance based mentality fostered. Priorities within organizational activities can be realistically set, energy focused and resources strengthened to ensure employees and volunteers are working toward common goals.

So THANK YOU for your kindness, patience, assistance and words of encouragement as this move took place. Moving a State Office is not simple, easy or without unforeseen dangers. Merging the resources of power, telephone, computer, communication systems and physical relocation of years’ accumulation is difficult when it is seamless and is anything ever seamless? Our wonderful staff, led by Sean, kept their smiles, laughter and positive attitude in dealing with the daily commitments. To those Co-Ordinators, all around the State of Tasmania, who co-ordinated, fixed, managed and got on with all the ‘coal face problems’ associated with their day to day provision of a meal – THANK YOU – you are Co-Ordinators extraordinaire your tolerance was greatly appreciated and is sincerely acknowledged.

Please visit the new State Office, use the facilities for your meetings, and talk to Sean about maximising the benefits for your Group.

‘...... Live for the present and plan for the future ....’

SHAREN WHITE
Kristy – Administration Officer (Finance)

Sharon – Southern Assessment Officer

Leesa – Administration Officer

Meeting Room available for all groups to use whenever needed.

Please keep your newsletter contributions coming in to State Office... Thank you!!

Like a challenge??

Hobart

Hobart Lord Mayor Damon Thomas with two Hobart Meals on Wheels volunteers Stephen and Sandra at the 2014 City of Hobart Volunteer Recognition Awards.