

GOLDEN KEY ASIA PACIFIC CONFERENCE

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Golden Key International Honour Society hosted its latest Asia Pacific conference in Melbourne from the 2 to 4 February 2006. I was selected to attend as a delegate on behalf of the La Trobe Golden Key's Executive Committee.

The conference was very inspiring and motivating as we had various workshops and presentations by successful people. Among them was a remarkable presentation by Peter Sheahan, who was credited in 2003, as NSW MBN Young Entrepreneur at 19 years of age running a multi million-dollar hotel. Tony Wheeler, Co-Founder of Lonely Planet gave an enlightening and inspiring presentation about his experiences during the 1960s when he and his wife roamed the globe and established their business. The other co-founder Maureen Wheeler is a La Trobe graduate!

Delegates attended personal development workshops, covering resume writing, job interviews, networking, writing for impact and community service opportunities. Workshops also catered to graduates. It gave all of us a really good opportunity to socialize, make new friends and learn about other cultures, as we had delegates coming from New Zealand, Malaysia, South Africa (including friends from our sister chapter at 'Witts'), Canada and USA. In conclusion, it was not only a valuable experience but also a great way to communicate with Golden Key members from all over Australia and Asia Pacific countries.



Golden Key International Honour Society aims to build a community of academic achievers by providing opportunities for individual growth through leadership, career development, networking and service.
www.latrobe.edu.au/goldenkey/

Oxfam TRAILWALKER 100kms - teams of 4 - 48 hours

Oxfam TRAILWALKER is an opportunity to be a part of an exciting endurance event. The event originated in Hong Kong in 1981 as a military training exercise for the Queen's Gurkha Signals, an elite regiment of Britain's armed forces. It has now become an international event held in Hong Kong, the UK and Australia. To date, Oxfam TRAILWALKER has raised over \$45 million internationally towards our work around the world.

TRAILWALKER participants are tested both mentally and physically as they traverse the 100kms course through some of the most challenging and beautiful bushland in Australia. This is done in teams of four and completed in under 48 hours! Not an easy feat. The event requires over 500 volunteers and couldn't be run without the vital help of these people.

The 2006 Event

This year's event will be the largest TRAILWALKER ever held in Australia and we hope to raise more than \$ 1.75 million to support our programs overseas and here in Australia. The event will start at Jells Park on Friday 7th April and teams will pass through seven checkpoints along the trail before reaching the finish line at the Summit of Mt Donna Buang before 10am on Sunday 9th April.

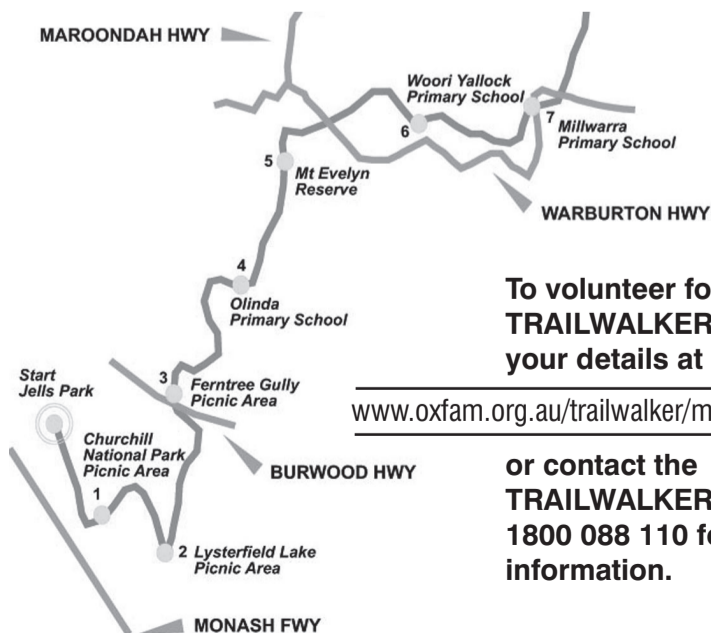
Where the Money Goes

Oxfam Australia works in 26 countries across East and South Asia, Africa, the Pacific and Indigenous Australia, in partnership with local communities to overcome poverty and injustice. The money raised from Oxfam TRAILWALKER goes towards implementing long-term programs that will have a lasting impact on poverty and enable people to lead dignified, independent lives. To find out more about our work and the difference this money can make please visit our website at www.oxfam.org.

How to Get Involved

Oxfam TRAILWALKER is a huge logistical exercise and during the three days of the event, over 500 volunteers work in various roles including Marshals, Drivers, Computer operators, Physiotherapists and Podiatrists just to name a few. Whether you're a walker or volunteer TRAILWALKER is all about teamwork. It's a great way for friends to bond or for work colleagues to develop team spirit. From surgeons to secretaries, Australians from all walks of life will be taking part and raising money for Oxfam Australia - Why not join in!

Trail and Checkpoint Overview



To volunteer for Oxfam TRAILWALKER register your details at

www.oxfam.org.au/trailwalker/melbourne/volunteer

or contact the TRAILWALKER team on 1800 088 110 for more information.



Sub FM – www.subfm.org La Trobe Campus Radio 88FM

La Trobe's own campus radio station SUB FM provides an opportunity for members of the University to be involved in the broadcast medium of radio.

SUB FM operates on a narrow cast (1 watt) license from its studio based on the Union Hall balcony. It broadcasts on the frequency 88FM to the campus perimeter. The station also streams its broadcast live throughout the world via its web site www.subfm.org. The internet stream and Internet based media technologies provides an amazing opportunity for students to interact with people from other countries as well as allowing the station to be heard and accessed throughout the world. The station is very focused on keeping abreast with the development of net based broadcast technology and its current identity tag is "SUB FM - 21st Century Broadcasting".

Individuals can become members of the radio station by contacting the Station Manager Simon Knight. A single membership fee of \$15 for the year applies.

SUB FM is an entry level organization which means that all members receive as part of their membership, the training that is required for them to get up and running with their own show. No experience required!

Sub Fm currently broadcasts 24 hours a day, 7 days a week with the bulk of its announcers operating from 8am to midnight Monday to Friday during semester.

Sub FM also operates a recording studio where bands and musicians can make high quality recordings, the studio rate is \$25 per hour.

For further information you can contact the station manager Simon Knight on (03) 9479 3835 or by email at s.knight@latrobe.edu.au.