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Above: Healthy Communities personnel at the Nov 14 2007 launch. From left at rear: Prof Kevin Ronan, Prof Brenda Happell, Assoc Prof Stewart Lockie, and Prof Kerry Mummery. Front, from left Prof Sandra Taylor, Pro-Vice Chancellor (R & I) Prof Jennelle Kyd.

## Welcome!

Welcome to the first issue of In Touch, the CQ Healthy Communities newsletter from our web site by clicking [here](#).

Following the successful November 14 2007 launch of Healthy Communities, the momentum of the initial interest shown in developing further interested partners.

This newsletter will be one way of making sure we all stay up to date.

The aim is to not only relate news and developments from within your organization to promote events relevant to particular Healthy Communities.

Details on how you can contribute to the newsletter can be found [here](#).

## Launch of Healthy Communities

The official launch of the Healthy Communities research network at Central Queensland University's Rockhampton campus. It was a day of different community, government, non-government and academic perspectives in a successful half-day symposium.

Pro Vice Chancellor of Research and Innovation at CQU Prof Jennelle Kyd gave a welcome to all. Prof Kyd outlined the general thrust and vision of the network over to Assoc Prof Stewart Lockie, Coordinator of Research and Innovation in Healthy Communities and explained their multidisciplinary approach.

Coordinators of the various themes – Prof Brenda Happell, Prof Sandra Taylor – then gave presentations highlighting past achievements and future collaborations within their respective themes, namely Mental Health, Behaviour and Environment, and Human Services and Community Development, with a discussion of Prof Kevin Ronan's Cross Program Strategy. The day concluded with an invitation for attendees to ask questions.

Video streaming links to the day's presentations can be found at <http://www.healthycommunities.cqu.edu.au/FCWViewer>

A picture of the presenters at the launch is to the left of this section.

## Web site off and Running

The Healthy Communities web site is now officially off and running following the launch including video streaming links to presentations recorded at the launch.

Visitors to the site can also subscribe to the Healthy Communities CQ Healthy Communities Research Network mailing list.

CQU staff can sign on to the [internal mailing list](#).

News items relevant to Healthy Communities can be found on the [news page](#).

Articles and information relating to research within Healthy Communities can be found on the [research page](#).

Details on how to access all the above can be found by following the links on the [home page](#).

### Useful web sites

<http://www.cqu.edu.au/>  
Central Queensland University's home page

<http://www.health.qld.gov.au/>  
Queensland Health

<http://www.health.gov.au/>  
New Australian government's Department of Health and Ageing

<http://www.healthycommunities.cqu.edu.au/>  
CQ Healthy communities

<http://www.adobe.com/products/reader/>  
Download Adobe's latest version of its PDF Reader here

The web site address is: <http://www.healthycommunities.cqu.edu.au/>

## Contributing to In Touch

If you wish to highlight an event or important milestone in [Healthy Communities](#), please forward all details to James Lockie. You can also post information you would like mentioned to the address: [CQU Rockhampton, Bruce Highway, North Rockhampton](#)

Please note that images will be scaled down to fit within the newsletter. .doc or .rtf formats. Importantly, other than basic .doc or .rtf format, that is, free of any restrictions or constraints (such as macros), easy transformation into the format of this newsletter.

Note also that articles may be edited to fit within the format of the newsletter.

## Getting In Touch

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## Where to From Here

Here at CQ Healthy Communities we are certainly keen to explore the possibilities shown in the various research themes. So please, keep in touch. If your organisation is planning in the community health research area, let us know as people as possible about it.

Join the [mailing list](#), [visit the web site](#), or send the information to us.

We are in the process of planning various events to better engage with both the CQU community as well as potential stakeholders. Possibilities under consideration include regular information sessions for interested community/government partners, public seminars, and various other showcase activities.

If you have some ideas of your own, feel free to [tell us!](#)

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

a.k.a. 10 Things You Wanted to Know about Healthy Communities... ask...

### 1. What is Healthy Communities?

Healthy Communities is not a new research centre. Acting in the areas of health and well-being, Healthy Communities is a research focus in order to highlight and build upon its research focus. The focus is on Queensland and the International Education Institute.

### 2. Does Healthy Communities have areas of focus?

Yes. Healthy Communities has three target or focus areas: Health; Lifestyle, Behaviour and Environment; and Human Resources.

### 3. Who are the key personnel?

Assoc Prof Stewart Lockie ([s.lockie@cqu.edu.au](mailto:s.lockie@cqu.edu.au)) is the CQ Healthy Communities Director. Dr. Bruce Happell ([b.happell@cqu.edu.au](mailto:b.happell@cqu.edu.au)) is coordinator of the Mental and Physical Health. Dr. K. Mummery ([k.mummery@cqu.edu.au](mailto:k.mummery@cqu.edu.au)) heads Lifestyle, Behaviour and Environment. Sandra Taylor ([s.taylor@cqu.edu.au](mailto:s.taylor@cqu.edu.au)) is coordinator of Human Resources.

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### 4. What is the overall aim of Healthy Communi

The broad scope of Healthy Communities is continuing a across the three university faculties with the involvement community partners. The aim then is on focused collabor (physical) capacity.

### 5. How can I be part of Healthy Communities?

Join the mailing list to receive or post information; visit information; take part in any community forums or even

### 6. What is the mailing list called and how do I

There are two mailing lists, one aimed at CQU staff and the university. The latter mailing list is called the CQ Healthy subscribe to that mailing list at: <http://mailman.cqu.edu>

CQU staff can subscribe to the Healthy Communities Int <http://mailman.cqu.edu.au/mailman/listinfo/healthy-com>

Access the web site at: <http://www.healthycommunities>

### 7. How can I subscribe?

Either go directly to the mailing list web address or contact 49309371 and ask to be added to the membership list.

### 8. Does Healthy Communities provide financial

No. While direct funding for projects is not available from provided to underpin requests for funding from CQU or e

### 9. Will Healthy Communities be hosting confer

Discussions are taking place regarding the establishment guest speakers from all interested stakeholders. Once a list.serve will be notified.

### 10.Can I promote health related events hosted Communities?

Absolutely. You can send information to [James Douglas](#) Communities newsletter. You can also post information a [Research Network mailing list](#). CQU staff can post to the have subscribed.

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## Events/News

Here is a link to a PDF listing events taken from the Que useful to keep on hand.

[Queensland Health 2008 Calendar of Events](#)

Note that you can also add your organisation's events to the page hosting the PDF.

You can access that page [here](#).

