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MEDIA RELEASE

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RESUSCITATION ROOM GETS NEW EQUIPMENT

Thanks to the support of the Victoria Police Blue Ribbon Foundation, Wimmera Health Care Group has purchased new equipment for the emergency department.

Horsham Branch President, Les Power, said that over the past two years the Horsham Branch had raised more than \$40,000 for Wimmera Health Care Group.

“The Blue Ribbon Foundation’s head office in Melbourne has matched our local fundraising efforts by providing a further \$40,000 to Wimmera Health Care Group” Mr Power said.

Wimmera Health Care Group’s Chief Executive, Chris Scott, said that the \$80,000 donated by the Victoria Police Blue Ribbon Foundation had enabled the emergency department to purchase a brand new ECG machine, along with three cardiac monitors for the resuscitation room“.

“Some of our equipment in the resuscitation room needed updating, and thanks to the Victoria Police Blue Ribbon Foundation, we have been able to do that” he said.

Wimmera Health Care Group’s resuscitation room has been named in honour of Constable George Howell who died in the line of duty on 1 February 1952.

Mr Scott said that there was a strong partnership between the Blue Ribbon Foundation and Wimmera Health Care Group. "They are very committed to supporting our hospital and we are extremely grateful for that support" he said.

The Horsham Branch of the Blue Ribbon Foundation will be holding its third annual Black Tie Gala Ball, featuring the Victoria Police Show Band, in the Horsham Town Hall on Saturday 8 August. Deputy Commissioner Kieran Walshe will be a special guest at this year's Ball. Limited tickets are still available. To avoid disappointment, people should contact Sue Papst, Horsham Branch Secretary on ph. 5381 0481 or mob. 0427 823 615 to secure their tickets as soon as possible.

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