



Forum at The Station, Wallaroo, South Australia

## 4 Discussion Paper ...

The Phase 2 consultations comprises the Project Team holding forums to explain and discuss the Discussion Paper. There is a questionnaire for your contribution (needed back before 16 December!) on the back of the Discussion Paper.

Thank you to everyone for their great contributions, ideas and thoughts and thanks especially to those people who travelled hundreds of kilometres to attend forums in various locations around Australia.

So far, Model 4 has shaped up as the organisation of choice with people preferring its openness and capacity for promoting diversity. Other main areas of:

- Lobby for change, providing policy advice and seeking to break down stigma and address discrimination are seen as priority roles for the new organisation.
- Consensus seems to also be shaping around paying board members sitting fees similar to those paid by the Commonwealth Department of Health & Aging.
- Having a 3 year term of tenure for board meetings with staggered commencement.
- Appointing a CEO with lived experience of mental illness.
- Having a phased approach to developing the work areas of the organisation.
- Taking a planned approach to establishing the advisory groups i.e. three in the first three years and a further three groups in the next three years.
- The new organisation represented by a board member and the CEO / staff member holding at least one member forum in each state and territory each year.



Some of the Melbourne forum participants!

## P Heading Home ...

It's been a wonderful experience travelling around (Ryde, Kogarah, Newcastle, Mt Gravatt, New Farm, Bundaberg, Cairns, Darwin, Alice Springs, Perth, Geraldton, Adelaide, Wallaroo, Brunswick, Melbourne, Burnie, Devonport, Hobart, Canberra) and meeting so many people, but now it is time for the Project Team members to head home, get the report prepared, relax for Christmas (sure, sure) and greet the new year.

On behalf of everyone in our Project Team - Leanne, Ross, David, Ruth, Claire and Doug - we wish you and yours a safe and healthy new year and look forward to your contributions to the establishment of your new peak organisation in 2010.

## What Happens Next ...

The timeline for the next phase of the project is:

**Meeting with Reference Committee .... 28/1/2010**

**Emailing / mailing summary to mailing list ..... February 2010**

**Contributions for summary to be received by ..... 12/3/2010**

**Final presentation of report to the Department of Health and Aging ..... 23/3/2010**



Emily and guests at The Station, Wallaroo, South Australia



## : Can We Contact You?

Do you want to receive copies of documentation and newsletters via email or mail? Please let us know if you're not already on our mailing list.

Contact sheets that were completed during Phase 1 and Phase 2 consultations will be ultimately given to the new peak organisation so that the organisation can contact you in relation to the establishment, board voting, membership etc.

If you DO NOT wish for your details to be forwarded to the new organisation please let us know and we'll remove your details.



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