

Wednesday Women

Service badges for blood donors

Fifteen blood donors received badges of service at the 45th annual meeting of the Gosford branch of the Red Cross Society.

Sister Convy of Gosford District Hospital blood bank and Sister Elms of Wyoming Hospital presented the badges.

Recipients of badges for 50 to 100 units of blood were Mr K. Lovelock, Mr P. Neil, Mr G. Armour, Mrs A. Grinton, Mr A. Hewitt, Mr R. Brown, Mr L. Cox, Mr W. Cocksedge, Mr G. Davies, Mr J. Harris, Miss N. Hunter, Mrs L. Morrison, Mr F. Mountfort, Mr L. Parsons and Mr R. Reid. Mrs D. Woods, representing Zone Six Red Cross, congratulated the donors on behalf of headquarters.

Guest speaker for the annual meeting was Mrs Pat Garven, Director of the National Tracing Bureau.

Mrs Garven gave an interesting review of her organisation's work both during the war and in peace times.

More recently, the National Tracing Bureau

has been more involved with the migrant population of Australia.

Both the secretary and president of the Gosford Red Cross presented encouraging reports at the meeting and other branches were quick to extend congratulations to the Gosford branch's financial success as outlined by the branch treasurer.

Before the close of the meeting, office elections were held and as a result Mrs E. Margin is president of the Red Cross for 1979-80.

Patrons are Mrs G. Rowlands and Mrs K. Douglas.

Other leaders of the group are secretary, Mrs J. Blowes, treasurer Mrs J. Hayward and publicity officer, Mrs D. Smith.

WOMENS CENTRE SURVEY

Surveys will be conducted by the Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre in the Gosford, Woy Woy and Berkeley Vale areas over a four week period

The short, comprehensive survey is being conducted to gauge whether the centre is meeting the needs of women in the community.

The survey will also determine what knowledge local women have about the centre.

House-to-house interviews for the survey will be conducted on a random basis and should only take 15 minutes to complete.

Questions will be anonymous and will involve the needs of women and their small children. The survey was con-

ducted by a group of volunteers who work at the centre in Gosford and also Debbie Vial, a social work student studying in the Gosford area.

The Central Coast Women's Health Centre have asked for the cooperation of the community on this important project.

Pam Grinter, secretary at the centre said: "Should you be approached, we would appreciate your cooperation in helping us know how our centre can be of service to you in the future.

Films needed for nursing home patients

An appeal has been launched by a Gosford man for old eight millimetre movie film suitable for showing to local nursing home patients.

Mr Harold Silver is hoping to build up a library of interesting films to be shown at nursing homes.

It could be a film of a holiday, in Australia or overseas, or of some interesting activity.

Mr Silver believes many people probably have old films packed away which they no longer use, but which could help to pass the time for elderly people confined to bed.

Anyone who can assist may contact Mr Silver, after hours, on 246265.

