

A big boost for hospital

THE 2010 Mayoral Charity Dinner, in aid of Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital, was a great success with our city demonstrating its tremendous community spirit on Friday night. During the evening, Mark Shepherd, Hospital general manager and I announced that initial counting indicated \$59,000 was raised. I extend my appreciation to the many government representatives, businesses, licensed clubs, service clubs, community organisations and residents there on the night, as well as those who pledged financial donations and contributed goods and services for the auction and raffle. My sincere thanks to Bankstown Sports for their extremely generous sponsorship. Their valuable support ensured we raised as much funds as possible to support this worthwhile cause.

EARLIER in the day, I attend-

ed a special assembly marking Sefton High School's 50th Anniversary. Past and present members of the school community came together to celebrate the school's achievements during the past 50 years. Jason Clare MP and Minister Barbara Perry MP were among the guests.

ON Saturday, I was pleased to attend celebrations marking the official opening of Liberty Plaza and participate in the ribbon cutting ceremony along with Jason Clare MP and Tony Stewart MP. A large crowd was there to enjoy the festivities at the new shopping complex located on Chapel Road South. Deputy Mayor Khal Asfour and Alan Ashton MP were among the guests.

THIS Friday, September 3, the



From the
Bankstown
Mayor's
Desk
**Cr. Tania
Mihailuk**



Mayor Tania Mihailuk with Helena Bailey, Bankstown Hospital general manager Mark Shepherd and celebrity MC for the night Mike Bailey; and (below) with representatives from the hospital auxiliary enjoying the Mayoral Charity Dinner

Greenacre Senior Entertainers are holding their Father's Day Concert. The free concert begins at 11am and will be held at the Greenacre Citizens Centre. A light lunch will be served after the show. For more details, contact Hilda on 9709 4146 or Marianne on 9790 1569.

LAST Wednesday, was National Meals on Wheels Day and the council acknowledged the occa-

sion with a morning tea for our Meals on Wheels volunteers. I was pleased to go along to the morning tea and thank our volunteers for the time, commitment and support they give to delivering meals.

ALSO last Wednesday, I attended the launch of Bankstown Banquets. This initiative aims to promote social connections and healthy living for seniors by organising a monthly outing to a restaurant. The council was pleased to support the establishment of the project through our community grants program.

ON Thursday night, I attended the running of the Bankstown City Cup at the Bankstown Paceway. Daryl Melham MP, Alan Ashton MP and Councillors Khal Asfour, Linda Downey, Alex Kuskoff, Ian Stromborg and Allan Winterbottom were also enjoying the racing action. Thank you to President Les Bentley and the Bankstown Harness Racing & Agricultural Society for their hospitality.

