

UNIFORM FOR THE PRIME MINISTER

It seems that sometimes we all need a uniform. The Prime Minister, Mr Kevin Rudd recently visited a South Australian mining site and required some form of identification.

We were happy to help and personalized his uniform for the VIP tour of the mines. We got a real kick out of seeing Mr Rudd in "The Advertiser" newspaper wearing his uniform.

If someone important is planning to visit your workplace, ask us to supply something with your logo on it.



CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR HOLIDAY CLOSURE

Please note we will be closed from -

Friday 19th December 2008 and will re-open on Monday 5th January, 2009

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our customers and friends a successful and prosperous 2009.



MARINO UNIFORMS

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Welcome to our First Newsletter

Since our merger in February we have had a very busy and exciting year. During the transition we have kept both trading names, but as from 1st January 2009 we will be known as Marino Uniforms. Our new sign has been erected and is clearly visible from both directions of South Road.

Now we have joined together, we will continue to provide uniforms and embroidery for many South Australian and Australian companies — some are iconic giants and some are boutique businesses, but we supply so much more.

In our newsletters we hope to provide you with exciting snippets of what is happening in our business and some interesting things our customers are up to.

We look forward to supporting you all again next year - thank you for choosing us to supply your uniforms.

Uniforms for the Christmas Pageant

We took particular pride knowing that we have helped out a number of the marching bands in the pageant with their uniforms.

Also a big congratulations to Grace, daughter of Lisa from our Sales Department, who took part in the "Christmas Bells" float on Pageant day. It's every girls dream come true!



Finalists in Australian Awards



Tricia Borgas receiving the award

We were thrilled to be finalists in The Australian Industry "School and Industry Partnership Awards". We have a wonderful association with Thebarton Senior College who have modelled a virtual business on Marino Uniforms as part of their Certificate II in Business.

In conjunction with other colleges and schools around Australia, they run a program called the "Virtual Business Enterprise" where students are able to learn all aspects of working in a business.

We were very proud to be finalists in this Australia Wide competition.

Staff Profile : Wendy Hodge

Many of you will know Wendy who works tirelessly to process customer orders, whether it's to have new or updated logos confirmed or co-ordinating your orders with our Embroidery Department.

As promised in our merger letter earlier this year, Wendy now has her own desk. It was presented to her and she cut the ribbon with much fan-fare.

Wendy's patience, perseverance and dedication is truly appreciated by all.



People who inspire us : Statewide's CEO



Frances Magill

Frances Magill has been the Chief Executive Officer of Statewide, one of South Australia's leading superannuation funds, for over 18 years. Ms Magill has seen Statewide grow to become one of the most successful South Australian based organisations.

Ms Magill's commitment to her team, and in particular her enthusiasm for supporting the role which women play in the business, is demonstrated by the generous parental leave entitlements available to staff including up to 16 weeks paid leave.

In 2006 Ms Magill received the SA Great South Australian of the Year Business Award and is also the holder of the title of 2000 Telstra South Australian Business Woman of the Year.

Earlier this year, Ms Magill was recognised along with only a handful of other women as one of the top 50 Super Leaders of Australia by leadership coach Carmel Parnos. Ms Magill says the greatest lesson of her career is that people matter most.

This is evident in the supportive and flexible environment at Statewide where team members receive a full uniform each year, saving them thousands of dollars on work clothes. Statewide's uniforms have been provided by Marino Uniforms (formerly Arjay Uniforms) since 2000 with each team member having the opportunity to choose from a large range of pieces.

Ms Magill continues to lead Statewide into success, with Statewide recently receiving a national award from Rainmaker in the category of Personal Super Fund of the Year – Value Choice.

Uniform Fact

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Did you know that we receive orders for our uniforms from as far away as Florence, Italy.

City to Bay Fun Run

Adelaide Digital Hearing Solutions took part in the City to Bay Fun Run for their 8th year and were the "obvious stand outs" in the massive crowds in customised t-shirts with their distinctive corporate colours of orange and green.

We usually supply corporate suiting for the staff at Adelaide Digital Hearing Solutions and this year we also supplied t-shirts that advertised their unique logo in a fun and clever way.

Adelaide Digital Hearing Solutions is a very progressive South Australian Hearing Company offering tests and fitting of hearing aids from their 74 branches throughout country and city locations.

Congratulations on having such an enthusiastic, healthy and pro-active workforce.



University Award in SA Growth Industry



This year we sponsored a group of final year engineering students from The University of Adelaide. They embarked on an ambitious project to design and build a coaxial helicopter platform for surveillance purposes.

They were well rewarded for their efforts when they took out the award for "Best Project with Defence Potential".

Congratulations to the students who will now take up positions in Australian and Overseas Engineering and Defence Companies.

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PRICE RISE NEXT YEAR

We have put it off for as long as we can, but please be aware as from 1st January 2009 there will be price increases.

