



VIEW Clubs of Australia

The History of VIEW

Key milestones 2000-2010

2000

- Presidents from the 19 original clubs attend Vaucluse House, along with 13 inaugural members for the 40th year of VIEW celebrations.
- The first country Convention is held in Armidale.
- 5,500 new members sign up in 2000 – a 40 per cent increase on 1999.

2001

- The Oath of Office is formulated for National Councillors and Zone Councillors.
- The first club in WA is formed in Perth and called First Wave.

2002

- Zone boundaries and labelling introduced.

2003

- 57 resolution issues are received in the lead-up to Convention
- VIEW becomes a consultative partner for Business & Professional Women, which concerns developing financial security for women.

2004

- Balgowlah VIEW, the first VIEW club inaugurated, closes on 8 August.
- Electronic recording of history is introduced.

2005

- Two new awards categories are introduced – the National President's Award for Outstanding Service within VIEW and the George Forbes' Award for Excellence in Volunteering

2006

- George Forbes passes away, 1 August, 2006, aged 91 years.

2007

- First National Executive meeting held in Melbourne.

2008

- First club formed in the NT – Katherine
- Telstra Connected Seniors Grant awarded to VIEW to encourage seniors' understanding of mobile phones and the internet

2009

- VIEW obtains a further \$50,000 Telstra Connected Seniors grant.
- New Resolution process introduced. A new research arm of the Resolutions Sub-Committee will further allow VIEW to use its voice to put forward submissions to Government on issues affecting women.
- VIEW joins the Australian Bosnian Women's Cultural Assoc and Muslim Women's National Network of Australia to facilitate cross-cultural understanding and dialogue.
- All VIEW members present at Convention were able to cast an individual vote for the first time.