

THE ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIAN AND BÉKÉS CITIZENS



Ausztráliai
és Békési Polgárok
Egyesülete

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The Association of **AUSTRALIAN AND BÉKÉS CITIZENS**

The Association of Australian and Békés Citizens was founded in 2011 by a Hungarian confectioner, Zoltán Juhász whose interest in Australia goes back to his childhood. Zoltán Juhász and his family live in Békés that is why the association is located in this small town in South-East Hungary. Our aim is to build links between Australians and Hungarians and we are also trying to be active as a charity organisation.



Juhász Zoltán

CHARITY EVENT

One of the most significant programmes organised by our association is The Australian Charity Event. It has already been held twice. The 1st Australian Charity Event took place on 13th October, the 2nd was held on 28th October. More than 200 guests including the representatives of the Australian embassy attended the event. Unfortunately, His Excellency, Dr. Brendon Charles Hammer could not participate in this occasion, but a video message was sent to our guests by him and the Australian embassy was represented by Mrs. Alison Louise Drury in 2018.

All funds raised from the tickets, the raffle and the live auction were invested in the support the Association provide to the Children's Department of the Békés County Central Hospital. This is Hungary's fourth biggest hospital. Our association decided to raise money for its children's department some years ago and we have been working together with the hospital since then. Thanks to our generous members and supporters these events can be considered as successful: one million forint (in 2018) and 1,3 million forint (in 2019) was raised for the Children's Department. This was not the first time funds had been raised for the Békés County Central Hospital by our Association. The Association of Australian and Békés Citizens committed itself to charity and to support the Central Hospital.



Dr. László Kiss-Rigó



Péter Fekete

Both of the charity events started with speeches held by the patrons including Mrs. Alison Drury, Dr. László Kiss-Rigó, the Bishop of Szeged-Csanád, (who is our honorary president. He used to live in Australia and his family still lives there), by Péter Fekete, the State Secretary for Culture, by Gábor Izsó, the mayor of Békés, by Zoltán Juhász, the founder and chairman of the Association and Dr. László Becsei, the director of the Békés County Central Hospital. After the music and dance performances performed by local students and artists



Dr. László Becsei

dinner including traditional Australian and Hungarian dishes was served. The charity event was spent in a very friendly atmosphere with live music performed by the Band Grund, with dancing and talks.

Our Australian guests visited the Békés County Central Hospital on the following day. They spent much time getting to know the Children's Department that was introduced to them by dr. László Becsei and by dr. József Kövesdi, the Head of the Department.



Donation Giving Ceremony (Zoltán Juhász, Dr. László Becsei, Dr. József Kövesdi)

A II. AUSZTRÁL EST FŐVÉDNŐKEI ÉS VÉDNÖKE:

Dr. Brendon Charles Hammer
az Ausztrál Államszövetség
magyarországi nagykövete



Dr. Kiss-Rigó László
az Ausztráliai és Békési
Polgárok Egyesületének
tiszteltbeli elnöke



Fekete Péter
Kulturáért felelős államtitkár



„Úgy érezzük, hogy amit teszünk,
csak egy csepp a tengerben.
Anélkül a csepp nélkül
azonban sekélyebb
volna a tenger.”

Teréz anya

Részvételi díj: 9000 Ft/fő

Támogatójegyek kaphatók

A bejelentkezés utolsó dátuma:

2019. szeptember 23.

A bejelentkezés után a részvételi
díjat nem áll módunkban
visszatéríteni.

Megértésüket köszönjük!



Meghívó

„Együtt gyermekeinkért”
Jótekonysági est Békés városában
a Békés megyei gyermekek egészségéért

Az Ausztráliai és Békési Polgárok Egyesülete
meghívja

Önt és kedves családját
a 2019. szeptember 23-án, szombaton
19.00 órakor kezdődő

II. AUSZTRÁL JÓTEKONYSÁGI ESTRE

a Békés Városi Sportcsarnokba.
(Békés, Jantyk Mátyas utca 21-25.)

A jótekonysági est nyereségét a
Békés Megyei Központi
Kórház Gyermekosztálya
részére ajánljuk fel.

Az est programja:

18.00 VENDÉGFOGADÁS

19.00 ELNÖKI KÖSZÖNTŐ
Juhász Zoltán elnök
Ausztráliai és Békési Polgárok
Egyesülete

BESZÉDET MOND:

Dr. Brendon Charles Hammer
az Ausztrál Államszövetség
magyarországi nagykövete

Dr. Kiss-Rigó László
a Szeged-Csanádi Egyházmegye
megyéspüspöke

Fekete Péter
Kulturáért felelős államtitkár

Dr. Becsei László
a Békés Megyei Központi Kórház
főigazgató- főorvosa

19.30 AZ EST FELLÉPŐI

- Békés Városi Ifjúsági Fúvószenekar
Bagoly László vezetésével
- A Szegedi Kis István
Református Gimnázium,
Szakgimnázium, Általános Iskola,
Óvoda és Kollégium Leánykara
- Békési Cigány Folklor
- Sárréti Táncsport Egyesület

20.00 VACSORA
Svédasztalos hideg-meleg vacsora
magyar és ausztrál ízekkel

Az est alatt a zenéről a GRUND
zenekar gondoskodik

Kapcsolat:

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Farkas László: 0630/9434741

A jegyek megvásárolhatóak:

Juhász Cukrászda: Békés, Széchenyi tér 4/2.

„EGYÜTT GYERMEKEINKÉRT”

II. Ausztrál Jótekonysági Est a Békés megyei gyermekek egészségéért



Az Ausztráliai és Békési Polgárok Egyesülete
2019. szeptember 28-án (szombaton)
jótekonysági estet szervez
a Békés Városi Sportcsarnokban.

A II. Ausztrál Jótekonysági Est nyereségét a Békés Megyei
Központi Kórház Gyermekosztályának támogatására fordítjuk.

A jótekonysági est díja: 9000 Ft/fő, amely tartalmazza
az üdvözlő italt és a büféasztalos hideg-meleg vacsorát
magyar és ausztrál ízekkel.

A zenéről a GRUND zenekar gondoskodik.

A jegyek 2019. augusztus 28-tól
megvásárolható az alábbi helyen:

Juhász Cukrászda,
Békés, Széchenyi tér 6.



The Australian Charity Events in pictures



ABOUT BÉKÉS

Békés is a small town in Békés County. Békés County is located in south-eastern Hungary, on the border with Romania. The county lies on the Great Plain and it is a flat area with good soil. Agriculture is of great importance in this region. The county seat is Békéscsaba. Békés is one of the biggest towns in the county, it is very close to its county seat. The town has a population of 19. 000 inhabitants. The area of the present town has been inhabited since ancient times, due to its good soil

and proximity to rivers. The River Körös runs through the town. Békés is also called as the town of the bridges, as more than twenty can be found here. 'The Australian Point' is located in the town next to the Juhász Confectionery. It was erected in 2017.



The Australian Point in Békés (Dr. Brendon Charles Hammer, Zoltán Juhász, Gábor Izsó)

ABOUT GYULA

Gyula is one of the most famous towns in Békés County. It is located in the Great Hungarian Plain on the River Fehér-Körös. This town is well-known for its medieval castle and its thermal bath. Gyula belongs to the most visited towns in Hungary, it is very popular with not only the Hungarian but also with the foreign tourists. Ferenc Erkel, the composer of the Hungarian national anthem, and Albrecht Dürer the Elder, the father of the world-famous painter, Albrecht Dürer, also were born in Gyula.

The most important tourist attractions are the Gyula Castle, the Thermal Bath, the Birth House of Ferenc Erkel, the 100-year-old confectionery and the Town Hall.



BÉKÉS COUNTY

CENTRAL HOSPITAL

Békés County Central Hospital (BMKK) is the fourth biggest health care institution of Hungary, it is the major health care facility in Békés county that provides health care service to its whole population, to more than 300 000 residents. The hospital provides outpatient and inpatient medical treatment, too. (Inpatient medical services: 4202 cases, outpatient medical services: 29752 cases)

Békés County Central Hospital came into existence on 1st April 2016 after the two most significant health care institutions (Réthy Pál Hospital and Clinic in Békéscsaba and Pándy Kálmán Hospital in Gyula) had been integrated. Both of the hospitals had a long history of medical treatment.



HISTORY

The Dr. Réthy Pál Hospital was founded in 1864. It is located in the county seat of Békés county and it has been providing patient treatment mostly in the county seat, Békéscsaba and in its neighbourhood since 1864.

The Pándy Kálmán Hospital in Gyula was founded in 1864 and it has been providing inpatient treatment since then.

These two hospitals together (called Békés County Central Hospital, BMKK since the integration) are the major provider of healthcare to the residents of the county with 50 different medical specialties including outpatient treatment and health care at I-III level.

CHILDREN

By the opening of the new children's department in 2019 a dream came true for the hospital. The health care service to children was provided in an old building (from 1953 to 2019). This situation could be regarded as unique in Hungary, because the maternity ward and the children's department were about 3 km far from each other that caused big difficulties for both the patients and also the employees. The institution's aim is to make the children's department a cozy place for the little patients that is why the decoration of the department is of great significance. The decision was made to make the wards, the waiting rooms and the consulting rooms more comfortable by decorating them with well-known fairy tale characters and with characters taken from the well-known Hungarian folk tales.

Hungarian folk tales used to be very popular with kids, but unfortunately, nowadays children aren't so familiar with them anymore.

Decorations based on these folk tales would be able to attract the children's interest and encourage them to find out more and more about them.

The hospital intends to build a 'bridge' between old and new, between the different generations. The past could be symbolized by the decorations based on the Hungarian folk tales, the characters from the fairy tales could refer to the present. Local artists (who work for theater and puppet theatre) would help to design them.

The most important purpose of the project is to make the hospital friendlier and cozier for the small patients, but working together with the community to achieve this is also of great significance.

It is also very important to pay attention to the environment. Using environmentally friendly products and being environmentally conscious play a very significant role in the project. As the project takes place in a hospital, hygienic standards must be taken into consideration that is why only sterile, washable materials will be used.

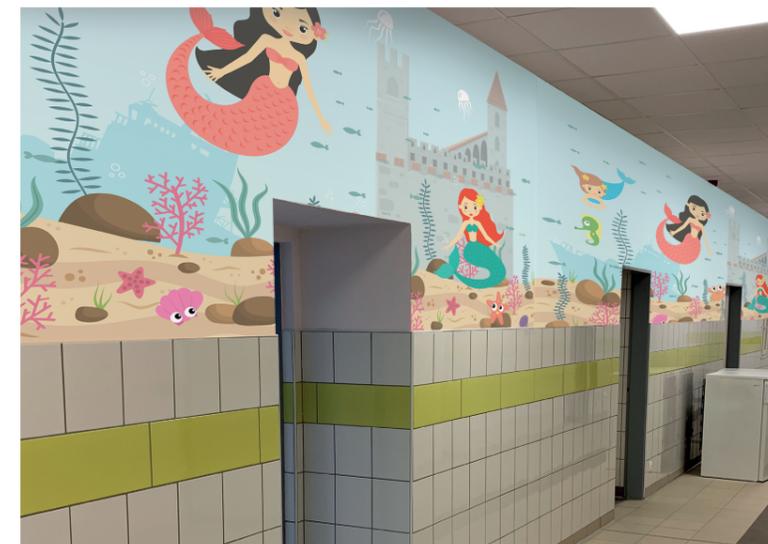


The work has already started (two rooms have already been decorated), but unfortunately the project had to be stopped because of lack of financial support.

The project would cost about seven million forints, the first part of this amount (1, 3 million) has already been raised by the Association and hopefully the Third Australian Charity Event will be successful, too and we can raise some more money to help the hospital to continue the project.



The children's department in the Békés County Central Hospital (Dr. Csaba Sándor, László Farkas)



THE PROJECT WE RAISE MONEY FOR

Plans

