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### **Remembrance through Research**

*On Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2009, Kedron-Wavell Services Club Inc along with the Kedron-Wavell Sub Branch RSL was proud to present the Gallipoli Medical Research Foundation with a \$50, 000 cheque.*

As supporters in the past, both Kedron-Wavell Services Club Inc and Kedron-Wavell RSL Sub Branch Inc are increasing their contributions over the next four years to bring the amount of support to a grand total of \$50,000! This outstanding pledge, places Kedron-Wavell RSL Services Club and RSL Sub-Branch in the platinum category of the Foundation's Precious Metals Circle.

The Gallipoli Medical Research Foundation, located at Greenslopes Private Hospital, supports the efforts of researchers to find causes, cures, better management methods and improved medications and treatments of a range of major conditions which affect the health of veterans and the Australian community at large. The Foundation is an initiative of Greenslopes Private Hospital and is supported by the University of Queensland Faculty of Health Science, School of Medicine and Ramsay Health Care. The Gallipoli Medical Research Foundation was launched in May 2005 and the Gallipoli Medical Research Centre was officially opened in June 2007.

Currently, the Gallipoli Medical Research Centre accommodates the Centre for Immune and Targeted Therapy, including a Living Tumour Bank, the Liver Research Unit and the Gallipoli Medical Research Centre Clinical Trials Unit. Plans are in hand to expand the Research Centre and more research teams will be added. This capital expansion is being made possible with financial support from the Federal Government and the Foundation's major partners, including Kedron-Wavell Services Club and the RSL Sub Branch.

With a longstanding relationship with the hospital, both the Services Club and the RSL Sub Branch value the work the Gallipoli Medical Research Foundation does and are proud to be a contributor to such a worthy cause.

'We are very pleased to know that the funds will go towards enabling their invaluable research to continue, as a tribute to the Australian veteran community and I look forward to continuing the strong relationship with Greenslopes Private Hospital through the Foundation.' Chris Sartori, Secretary Manager of Kedron-Wavell Services Club Inc commented

The Foundation's vision is to become an internationally renowned centre of excellence in health and medical research, improving future health standards for the Australian community. In doing so, the Foundation will provide a lasting legacy to the veteran and war widow community, and the wider Australian community.

**Image attached.** Paul O'Brien, President of Kedron-Wavell Services Club and Greg Peake, President of the Kedron-Wavell RSL Sub Branch present the cheque for \$50,000 to Richard Lizzio, Chairman of the Gallipoli Medical Research Foundation and Robynne Milne, Executive Officer of the Gallipoli Medical Research Foundation.

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