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Aims of the Association:

- ◆ To provide the opportunity for individuals and their families to share their experiences and to support one another.
- ◆ To provide accurate and up-to-date information about Cardiomyopathy, when it is available, to members, their families and those in the medical profession.
- ◆ To increase public awareness of Cardiomyopathy.
- ◆ To foster medical research in this area.

From the editors

Hello all. A warm welcome to the 103rd edition of the Cardiomyopathy Association of Australia Ltd. newsletter. It is hard to believe we're already halfway through the year!

We've had a busy few months in our family with the arrival of Dannalee's third child, Sophie Jean in January and Elise's wedding in April. It's lovely to finally be able to celebrate special family events together with the easing of COVID19 restrictions.



L to R: Elise, Carly, Dannalee

We were all saddened to hear of the passing of Joan Kerr, a very valued member of the CMAA and terrific support to our President Alistair Kerr.

We will include a tribute to Joan's contributions to the CMAA in the next edition of the newsletter.

We are eager to include some updated member's stories in future editions so if you'd like to have your story published in the next edition of the newsletter please email Carly on cbannan@outlook.com. Sharing your story is a terrific way to connect with other members and to create a sense of community within our Association. Given that cardiomyopathy is such a varied disease which impacts upon people's health and lives in so many different ways it's reassuring to read stories from members who can relate to what others may be experiencing within our community.

We are very fortunate to have Leigh Bell joining our Exec. Committee at the CMAA and taking on the role of State Contact. Leigh and her family have a long association with the CMAA and we are thrilled to have her on board. Welcome, Leigh!

We also wish to extend our enormous gratitude to David and Anne Abbott who have now stepped down from their role as Queensland State Contacts. David and Anne have been involved with the CMAA for many years and their contribution has been so valued. Stay tuned in the next edition of the newsletter for a note from our President Alistair Kerr with some history of the Abbott's involvement in the Association.

If you have any questions you'd like answered by Dr. Mark Ryan please forward these to Dannalee via email on dannaleemmarshall@gmail.com Dannalee has settled in well as a mother of 3 with new baby Sophie Jean being a dream bub so she'd love to receive questions from members to share with Dr. Mark and include in the newsletter.

Wishing all of the members of the CMAA good health and happiness.

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Since the last edition of the newsletter, the very valued Anne and David Abbott who were our Queensland State Contacts have since resigned from the position. Anne and David's contribution to the CMAA was highly appreciated and an article highlighting their involvement will be included in the next edition of the newsletter.



We wish to extend a very warm welcome to Leigh Bell who has kindly offered to take on the role of State Contact for the majority of states. Leigh can be contacted via the following:

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