

## **COYLE**

**Tony Coyle**

**Hazel Coyle**

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The Community Advice Bureau in Dingley Village is delighted to nominate our Chairman Tony Coyle for the 2002 Citizen of the Year for the City of Kingston.

He became involved with the C.A.B. in 1982 and has been Chairman for many years.

For many Chairpersons, attending a monthly meeting is the extent of their involvement, but the C.A.B. sees Tony almost daily.

His major role has been in the liaison with Foodbank Victoria's push for a service to be established in the southern suburbs, and this was opened in Dandenong in 1997.

Fundraising has been another endless task for Tony, and it would be difficult to list the extent of his work in this area.

His current project is liaison with the charity golf event, the "Bob Shearer Charity Golf Classic". The inaugural event was held at Sanctuary Lakes Golf Club in January 2001 and will again be held in February 2002.

Tony's dedication to the C.A.B. is tireless and he spends endless hours either at the C.A.B., or working on one of it's current projects.

Since the C.A.B. has commandeered his time for almost 20 years, it is difficult to talk about past achievements, although we are aware that they include working with the local Church, St. Marks Dingley Village, and the Lions Club. Tony was awarded a Paul Harris Fellowship at the Rotary Club of Dingley Village in 2000 for his service to the community.

In his spare(!) time Tony is a keen golfer, Carlton Football Club supporter, and belongs to a local writers group and has been known to turn out some beautiful poetry.

In this, the International Year of the Volunteer, Tony would be a most appropriate person to be Citizen of the Year in Kingston. He is currently working on a project to reward our volunteers with a trip on Port Phillip Bay later in the year.

Our office is available for any further information you require.

Yours sincerely,

Beverley Burdett  
Public Officer

**TONY COYLE** Came to Australia in November 1960 from Ireland.

Tony and Hazel married on 3.10.1970 and moved to Dingley in May 1971.

Tony spent his working life in Real Estate –

- J.R. Buxton
- Deacons            - Moorabbin
- Dingley Village

He has been involved with St Marks Church for many years, first attending the Hall and working towards the building of a Church 1975 (?), and the Parish Council.

Tony retired in 1990.

He became involved with the C.A.B. in 1982 and has been the Chairman for many years. During his years with the C.A.B. he was heavily involved with the Committee of Foodbank Victoria's push for a Foodbank to be established in the southern suburbs, and was partially responsible for Foodbank Victoria – South East, in Dandenong, being opened in March 1997. In April 1999, after many months of meetings and long hours spent with members of Rotary Club of Dingley Village, Tony and the Rotary Club held a very successful fundraising Charity Ball to raise funds for the C.A.B.

A new charity golf event was launched on September 11 at Sanctuary Lakes Golf Club which organisers believe will become one of the biggest of its type in Melbourne – the “Bob Shearer Charity Golf Classic”, with the C.A.B. being nominated as one of the two recipients. Tony has already spent many hours with the organisers and this will increase as the nominated date for the event, Monday January 8<sup>th</sup> approaches. Tony's dedication to the C.A.B. is tireless.

Tony was President of the Lions Club in Noble Park during the early 1970's.

Tony is a keen golfer, having played at Kingswood, is a keen Carlton supporter (but we don't hold that against him ... too much) and is a keen traveller.