

# What's Happening at Your Health Service

## REDEVELOPMENT

Stage Three of our redevelopment is nearing completion with external work almost completed. The line marking commenced last week and finishing touches are being completed inside. Some regulatory inspections and testing are yet to be undertaken; once these have been passed to the satisfaction of the relevant bodies we will receive an official handover and will be able to occupy the facility. REDHS has a plan for public tours ready to go as soon as official handover occurs; unfortunately the notice for registration for public tours will be short. The "Official Opening" of all of our new facility will occur in mid June. It is hoped that the finer details will be finished by then, including the planting of the grapevines which were grown from cuttings from the original plants and the time capsule which is to be buried.

Again we ask for suggestions for the time capsule. If there is any particular item that community members think should be included please contact the Health Service.

## SUSTAINABLE FARM FAMILIES PROGRAM

REDHS, in conjunction with Western District Health Service and the Department of Primary Industries, will be running the third year of the Sustainable Farm Families Program (SFF) for a group of Rochester and Elmore farmers on Thursday 22 April.

Developed to bring better health, wellbeing and safety to people on the land, SFF is a program of practical, straightforward information and advice for participants. It involves individual health assessments and group discussion of issues of interest to farm families. The program is run over a three year period with annual assessments to review healthy lifestyle changes by participants and advice offered on practical tips for improvements.

## INFECTION CONTROL AUDIT RESULTS

The Department of Health introduced new "Cleaning Standards for Victorian Health Facilities" in 2009. As part of this program all public health care facilities must submit three external cleaning audits per year.

The first audit for 2010 was completed last month with an overall score of 95%, a very pleasing result. Very high risk areas scored 98.7% and the high risk areas scored 94.7%, both well above the acceptable quality level. The next external audit is due in August 2010.

