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To: PWD members/friends

## PWD ACT has a new President!

PWD ACT said goodbye to our President of six years Mr. Craig Wallace on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2005. Craig has moved on to bigger and better projects, however he will still maintain his role as Chair of the Disability Advisory Council and vice President to People with Disabilities Australia.

All of PWD Staff, Board Members and Committee Members would like to say a big thankyou for all your wonderful and dedicated work towards Disabled People's Initiative/ People with Disabilities ACT we could not have achieved all our work without your drive and commitment to the disability sector.

PWD would like to welcome Mr. Dennis Stabback as our new president. Dennis has had involvement at the committee level of PWD for a number of years and we all look forward to working with him and continuing the good work of our organisation.

## 2005 Management Committee

President	Dennis Stabback
Vice President	Ian Reynolds
Secretary	Donna Hodgson
Treasurer	Paul Robertson
Committee Member	Michael Johnston
Executive Officer	Megan Kelly

## PWD Bulletin

This bulletin has been introduced as an easy read, compact and timely way of keeping members and allies informed about advocacy work, issues and coming events. It is issued monthly and as needed.

PWD will continue to publish the *Disability Reporter* once a year with detailed analysis and information on disability issues. Contributions welcome.

## Your views - we're listening!

We strongly encourage people with disabilities to send feedback directly to us on systemic advocacy issues.

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## PWD New Theatre Company



Dramatic Realisations is a new mixed ability theatre company aiming to break new ground in showcasing the talent of committed and passionate performing artists (who may happen to have a disability).

Dramatic Realisations is not a disability project, it is an inclusive theatre company aiming to produce work of a high artistic standard.

Dramatic Realisations is a 'mixed ability' theatre company, encouraging everyone to participate in a meaningful way. The only requirement: a passion for theatre.

The theatre company will be launched with a debut performance at this year's Canberra Disability Arts Festival in December.

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## Consumer Strengthening Project

Over thirty people will attend PWD's Community Strengthening Workshop on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2005 (there are no more places available). The aim of this workshop is to provide initial training in consumer representation to people with disabilities and to explore aspects of successful lobbying.

PWD is developing a skills register of people with disabilities who would like to take part in our work by represent people with disabilities on a committee, being part of a focus group, commenting on proposals from time to time or participating in consultations. Please contact us if you would like to be on the skills register – we need you!

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