

AGTV Network Report for the AGM 2010

- All 12 Networks are active. Please peruse the list of selected activities on the next pages, which are taking place within and beyond our Networks in Victoria. It is certainly inspirational to read this list and a wonderful source of motivational ideas for us all to consider.
- Nine Networks submitted Annual Reports for the AGM. *These are tabled.*
- The February NW Leaders PD was held on February 19th at the Goethe-Institut. The day proved extremely valuable for all involved. Network Leaders clarified the goals for 2010 and their leadership roles in working collaboratively within and across Networks and with the Committee and Goethe-Institut. The highlight was the workshop by Melissa Bond from South Australia who presented an engaging, practical activity inspired by Eurovision. *Minutes to be tabled.*
- The AGTV Network Leaders Annual Conference and PD was held on Friday 10 September at the Darebin Arts Centre. *Minutes of this activity to be tabled.*

The Conference was very successful indicated by the positive feedback. Topics covered included: Looking back and looking forward, plans shared for 2011, strategies to promote participation and collaboration, ideas to promote German beyond the Network.

The most worthwhile aspects of this PD were the networking, the sharing of experiences, ideas and resources, the recharging of batteries and feeling connected and valued.

What would we do without the wonderful volunteer AGTV Network Leaders?

Thank you so much for giving up so much of your personal time to improve the teaching and learning of German. Your efforts and dedication are certainly appreciated. Congratulations on your achievements and for reaching so many teachers and students through your hard work.

The team behind the Networks must not be forgotten. Thank you to:

- Eva Schulz, Torsten Schulz, Joanna Jamroz and the team at the G-I, including numerous Praktikanten, who have assisted with many aspects including Conference and PD logistics.
- Vice-President, Brigitte Ankenbrand, other members of the AGTV Executive and the Committee for their continued support and commitment.
- Catherine Gosling, AGTV President, who has put hours on end into promoting and supporting the teaching and learning of German. Without Catherine's commitment, dedication and support, the AGTV would not be so successful. We cannot thank Catherine enough for her effort, insight, support and inspiration. I truly appreciate her advice, her amazing writing skills, the clarity of her thought and the amount of time she puts into this voluntary role. Thank you for being there, Catherine, to assist me and many others regardless of the time of day!

“Vielen, vielen Dank” to all involved in the Networks in 2010.

It has been a tough year for LOTE teachers and let's hope that the newly launched Languages Strategy will have some positive impact on our programs! I just know that we can only exist by sticking together and supporting each other. That is the strength of our Networks.

We are a role model for all LOTE's and other Networks to aspire to and once again must be proud of our achievements and continued success.

Liz Ray, November 2010

Activities within AGTV Networks for Teachers and Students of German 2010

NB: This list of activities for students and professional development for teachers is by no means complete!

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Annual Network Leaders Conference and PD 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sharing resources, ideas and experiences for all Networks
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E-communication - all NW's • Contact with RPO's (Geelong, Outer Eastern, Southern Metro, Gippsland, KAN, NW Metro, Inner Eastern) • Meetings held at RC's (Geelong, Wimmera, KAN, NW Metro, Inner Eastern, Gippsland, Outer Eastern) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poetry Competition – all NW's • Exchanges (Geelong, Ballarat, Calder, Gippsland, Wimmera, Outer Eastern, Inner Eastern, NW Metro, Southern Metro) • German School Film Festival (Outer Eastern, Inner Eastern, NW Metro, Wimmera, Gippsland)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stranded in Germany – volcano in Iceland (Geelong, Southern Metro) • AGTV VCE PD – all NW's • Teachers at National Conference – 12 NW's • Rumpelstilzchen Concert – 8 NW's • Barossa trip (Outer Eastern) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PD with RPO's (KAN, Geelong, Gippsland) • German Day Out – all NW's • Presenters at National Conference – 9 NW's • Tear 12 Forum – 9 NW's • BJR Exchange (Wimmera)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education Night (Geelong, Southern Metro) • VCE Holiday Classes (Geelong, Gippsland) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VCE Weekly Conversation Classes (Geelong) • Year 10 G-I/AGTV Scholarship (Geelong, Wimmera)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sponsors for Poetry competition (Geelong, Inner Eastern) • Cuckoo Restaurant (KAN, Outer Eastern, Southern Metro) • Fundraising for exchange (Geelong) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • German Clubs for venues (Geelong, Gippsland) • ACER Language Certificates (Geelong) • Nikolaus activity (Geelong)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SAGSE Scholarship winner/s (Geelong, NW Metro, Inner Eastern) • Sovereign Hill Trail development (Ballarat) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cross-age tutoring – includes SC to PS (Geelong, Gippsland, Outer Eastern) • LOTE week celebrations (NW Metro)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food: Pfannkuchen, Kartoffelpuffer, Brezeln, Lebkuchen, Bratwurst, Bauernfrühstück, Lebkuchenhäuschen (Southern Metro, NW Metro, Geelong, Outer Eastern) • "What works for me" PD (Wimmera) • Filming PL – flipcams, easispeak (KAN) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • German Craft – Hampelmann, Marienkäfer; plays; cultural activities; cooking – strudel, cookies, gingerbread heart decoration; Year 10 and Primary Schools LOTE day (Outer Eastern) • German Week (Outer Eastern) • Next Gen Film Festival (Outer Eastern)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • German Cultural & Language Tour (Outer Eastern) • Year 9 Regional Day & German Play Competition (Gippsland) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PD with Multiplikatorin (Inner Eastern) • Next Gen Film Festival (Outer Eastern)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oktoberfest activity (KAN) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hofbräuhaus visit (NW Metro, Southern Metro, Outer Eastern)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • German Assistant (Geelong, Monash Whitehouse, Wimmera, Calder) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • German Cuisine Education Week (Southern Metro)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pen-pals – letters, film of school & Australian objects (Southern Metro) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pen-pal exchange across Year 7 (Calder)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • German castles project (Outer Eastern) • Mask making (Outer Eastern) • Year 11 immersion afternoon between 2 schools (Outer Eastern) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zoo excursion (Geelong, Outer Eastern) • St Martin's Day (Southern Metro) • LOTE day – PS & Year 10 (Outer Eastern)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Survey for blog with sister school (Geelong) • Promoting German in our schools/communities (Wimmera, Southern, Calder, Geelong) • Certificate 2 in Language – VET/RMIT – introduced at Marist-Sion in 2010 (Gippsland) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invite native speakers to school (Most NW's) • German Club film festival (NW Metro) • Websites: Fuse, Language perfect, About.Com, Storybird, Wordle, EL Easton, Goethe-Verlag.com/tests (Wimmera)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pen-pals with Swiss school (Geelong) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PD online (Wimmera)

AGTV VCE Report for the AGM 2010

Many thanks to the team behind the VCE activities this year, especially Brigitte Ankenbrand, Kylie Wallace, Katja Schubert, Maja Herr, Clare Fleming, Ursula Fisher & Pat Ritter.

Catherine Gosling provided valuable behind the scenes work for the team. It has been a very big year for this team as we have taken on new projects.

Our activities were:

- February PD – We had a team of 6 presenters and a total of 39 participants. 19 evaluations were received. This event is very popular at the start of each year.
- VCE at the PD Buffet in May at Scotch College. The VCE team conducted this event alongside the popular Middle Years Program and had a small number of participants (approximately 12). It was a very successful day for those who attended the workshops.
- A senior practice exam was produced for sale through the Goethe Boutique.
- A Year 12 Student Forum was held at University High School in August. More than 100 students and teachers attended representing 27 schools and 9 networks. The event was a huge success. The booklet produced was extremely valuable for all involved in VCE, and we must thank Catherine for putting the booklet together.