



## Editor's Note

It takes a quiet moment to gather ones thoughts and realise that another year end is nigh. This year has been one of highs and lows, yet as a nation we have pulled together and assisted those in need. The additional quake in Christchurch in February left the nation in further shock and dismay. It is however enlightening to see the ongoing recovery and the team spirit that has been evident in times such as these.

We are now in the throes of the Rugby World Cup, providing us all with much needed respite. I say that with trepidation after viewing the first half of the All Blacks playing Argentina on Sunday, 9th October. Luck and skill was with us to the end, and as they say, you either win or loose. We wish them well with their next game.

We are into our third show this year with the beneficiary charity being Burns Support Group Charitable Trust. The show is an old classic, 'Beauty and the Beast', and we hope you all enjoy it. You may have noticed a few small changes in our shows this year, as we are looking to make the shows more colourful and interactive. Your feedback is always welcome, as we constantly strive to put on a true children's show, but also try to entertain their caregivers.

The team at Burns Support Group Charitable Trust will be with us on the day and its president George Stephens is looking forward to meeting the audience and enjoying the show. George is also a senior fire risk management officer with the New Zealand Fire Brigade, and we are indebted to his commitment to such a worthy charity.

A special reminder, our upcoming final Christmas show for the year on 3rd December is 'A Christmas Tale' in aid of Ronald McDonald House Auckland.

As always, we at Southern Stars Charitable Trust do enjoy entertaining so many children and their caregivers. We strive to remain true to our motto 'Helping Kids to be Kids'

Best Wishes

The Team at Southern Stars Charitable Trust

## Pantomime Live Performances 2011

Saturday 15th October	Beauty and the Beast	10am, 1pm & 4pm
Saturday 3rd December	A Christmas Tale	10am, 1pm & 4pm

★ For more information please phone 09 361 4599

Southern Stars Charitable Trust presents "Kids In Show Seats" benefit show in aid of children charities

VENUE: Logan Campbell Centre, ASB Showgrounds, Greenlane Rd West, Auckland

FAMILY TICKET: \$30 (entitles 1 Adult & 2 Children 0-14)

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## Southern Stars Christmas Pantomime

The live performance pantomime 'A Christmas Tale' on 3rd December 2011 in aid of Ronald McDonald House Auckland is held at the Logan Campbell Centre, ASB Showgrounds, Greenlane Road West.

For tickets visit:  
[www.southernstars.org.nz](http://www.southernstars.org.nz)  
 or call (09) 361 4599.



**SOUTHERN STARS CHARITABLE TRUST**  
 PRESENTS  
**A Christmas Tale**  
 A Live Performance Pantomime  
 in Aid of Ronald McDonald House Auckland  
**3rd December 2011**

**PERFORMANCES**  
 10 am, 1 pm & 4 pm

**VENUE**  
 Logan Campbell Centre,  
 ASB Showgrounds,  
 Greenlane Rd West, Auckland

**Prices**  
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## New Zealand Down Syndrome Association

In June this year, Southern Stars worked together with the New Zealand Down Syndrome Association to raise funds for their annual self advocacy camp in November at Vaughn Park, Long Bay. We also assisted them to raise the necessary funding to produce a special early reading DVD featuring Dr Susan Foster-Cohen, one of our countries foremost experts in early intervention with children with development delay.

Below is a picture of Zandra Vaccarino, the National Executive Officer of the NZ Down Syndrome Association presenting a certificate of appreciation accepted by Martin Mahler on behalf of Southern Stars Charitable Trust.



## Koru Care California Adventure

Earlier this year, in July, Southern Stars again worked with Koru Care NZ Charitable Trust to support their annual trip of a lifetime for 26 deserving children. This great charity plans, organises and fundraises for these wonderful trips to both Disneyland and the Gold Coast Adventure. These trips are for severely ill and disabled children from throughout New Zealand, and gives these children some respite from the many challenges they continually face. Each year, 26 special kiwi kids to the USA where they visit to Disneyland and other theme parks as well as entertaining and educational visits to the California Highway Patrol and the LA Coast Guard. Southern Stars appreciates the opportunity to support the great work of Koru Care NZ through our KISS programme, and in turn help make lasting memories for those 26 deserving children.



The kids ready to go at the Departure hall of the Auckland International Airport



Some of the kids with Mickey Mouse at Disneyland in California

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### Support Southern Stars Charitable Trust

Southern Stars Charitable Trusts aim is to help children from throughout New Zealand through its K.I.S.S (Kids In Show Seats) programme. We receive great support for our show days from Avis and Cut Above and if you would like to know about how YOU can support us with our work in the community, visit our website [www.southernstars.org.nz](http://www.southernstars.org.nz) or call 09 361 4500 We welcome your support.