The resolution listing for the 1960's and 1970's has been compiled from newspaper articles and VIEW magazines of the period.

Initially motions were submitted in either Section "A" or Section "B" but this process wasdiscontinued when National Council became self-governing.

Section "A" consisted of proposals which, after discussion FOR and AGAINST would, if resolved, be submitted to The Smith Family with recommendation the rules be amended to incorporate the decision.

Section "B" consisted of suggestions for matters upon which V.I.E.W. Clubs could raise theirvoice. After discussion FOR and AGAINST, proposals would, if resolved, be referred to the appropriate Department or Minister concerned.

Resolutions Debated at Convention

<u>1965</u>

- 1. That no money shall be spent by Clubs, or debts incurred without the authority of theClubs Committee.
- 2. That any person wishing to hold an entertainment or function for the purpose of raising funds must first notify the Committee. Such a function to be held under the supervision of a Club member and monies raised or gifts donated at such function would be included in the proceeds for the day.
- 3. That State Councillors be given the right to address any Club meeting in her districthaving first advised the President of her intention.
- 4. That there be an Assistant Treasurer in the Club Committee of ten who could be thirdProgramme member.

<u>1966</u>

- 1. That more women police be recruited and used in administration, thus releasing male police for foot patrol.
- 2. That blood groups be listed on motor licences.
- 3. That all school children wear yellow raincoats.
- 4. That the poor justice meted out to deserted wives be rectified.
- 5. That the inadequate schooling facilities for mentally and physically retarded children be addressed

<u>1968</u>

- 1. That the joining fee for initial membership of the V.I.E.W. Club organisation be \$1.20 payable to the club which would supply the member with a badge and manual and retain 50cents.
- 2. That the V.I.E.W. Club member joining a second or more V.I.E.W. Clubs be required to pay a joining fee to each club of 50cents.
- 3. That Club Delegates draw their expenses from their own clubs.
- 4. That a fixed amount (to be set by Council) be paid annually by zoned clubs into a central fund to cover State Councillors expenses.
- 5. That there be stricter censorship on publicity in matters relating to sexual promiscuity and drug taking.

<u>1971</u>

- 1. That there be a national minimum wage for all
- 2. That there be a valuation put on a wife's contribution to the home.
- 3. That there be an allowance for the housewife or more tax deductions in recognition of her service to the family and the community

- 4. That there be a housekeeping allowance for working women and greater facilities for child-minding
- 5. That discrimination against women be removed making it easier for women to obtain finance to buy a house
- 6. That sales tax on contraceptives be abolished making them cheaper
- 7. That the probate tax be eased
- 8. That VIEW Clubs support the establishment of Medic Alert in NSW
- 9. That jail sentences be introduced for 'drug pushers'
- 10. That the Government undertake to establish special remedial facilities for students with dyslexia
- 11. That child-minding costs be made tax deductible for mothers without partners.

<u>1972</u>

- 1. That there be abolition of the means test
- 2. That there be stricter censorship on publicity concerning sexual promiscuity and drug taking
- 3. That V.I.E.W. Clubs of Australia protest to the Minister for Health to re-open the Cancer Detection Clinic in the new Section of Wollongong District Hospital
- 4. That drivers' licences should include blood groups and drug reaction allergies.

<u>1973</u>

- 1. That the Government stage a National education and publicity campaign against venereal disease.
- 2. That women and girls report rapes and assaults so offenders can be caught and treated.
- 3. That Trade Unions conduct secret ballots.
- 4. That all new public buildings be built with disabled access

<u>1974</u>

Section "A"

 That Convention Day be devoted entirely to the presentation and discussion of Resolutions, with the addition of a formal opening. From 170 Clubs with between 11,000 and 12,000 members only 10 Resolutions are accepted. If existing programme is modified more time could be devoted to Resolutions

Section "B"

- 2. That there should be more policemen walking the beat.
- That chiropractors, osteopaths and chiropodists be recognised in regard to medical refunds and/or taxation benefits. Amendment That the motion be altered to read: THAT Chiropractors, osteopaths, chiropodists, acupuncturists and naturopaths be recognised in regard to medical refunds and/or taxation benefits
- 4. That Federal and State death duties be abolished. Amendment: That the motion be altered to read: That Federal and State death duties be abolished and that any estate be taxed only once.
- 5. That regulations should be tightened up on security in the handling and identification of passengers' luggage on planes. Passengers must show proof of ownership before being allowed to take luggage
- 6. That the government grant registered charities such as The Smith Family a concession rate of postage

- 7. That the dependents of invalid pensioners receive increases in allowance with each pension rise.
- 8. That every child commencing school should be required to present a certificate stating he/she has been immunised against Diphtheria, Polio, and Whooping Cough etc.
- 9. That people who are superannuated and not able to receive an aged pension should be able to receive the side benefits, which pensioners receive.
- 10. That people who are superannuated and not able to receive an aged pension should be able to receive the side benefits, which pensioners receive subject to a means test
- 11. That union members vote by secret ballot
- 12. That V.I.E.W. Clubs ask for more stringent penalties to be imposed, also a longer term of imprisonment to be served before parole and more extensive psychological treatment and assessment be carried out before parole be granted for violent and sexual crimes against women and children.
- 13. That V.I.E.W. Clubs of Australia support any move to make it harder for people to acquire unemployment benefits
- 14. That we seek the re-opening of post Offices for duties on Saturday mornings

<u>1975</u>

Section "A"

1. That V.I.E.W. form a sister club system to join City and Country Clubs on an annual basis

Section "B"

- 2. That where a woman or girl wishes to make a complaint about rape, she should be interviewed by women police. If there is no female police officer available a female welfare officer or female doctor should be present at the interview.
- 3. That a tax deduction may be claimed for money paid to the Ambulance Fund
- 4. That all packaged frozen and perishable foods should be clearly dated.
- 5. That the fact that a person injured in an accident is a pensioner should not be published.

Amendment the motion be altered to read: That the age of an adult, injured in an accident and, if applicable, the fact that he or she is a pensioner should not be published.

6. That all poisonous substances are labelled with a repulsive pictorial symbol in addition to the words "not to be taken" and a national advertising campaign be launched to familiarise the public, particularly children, with the symbol of danger.

Amendment the motion be altered to read: All poisonous substances are labelled with a repulsive pictorial symbol in addition to the words "not to be taken" and a national advertising campaign be launched to familiarise the public, particularly children, with the symbol of danger. Further, that the antidote be printed on the label

- 7. That payment of child endowment for the first child be reviewed and increased.
- 8. That a hostel or half-way house with private rooms and a councillor be set up for children sixteen years of age who are discharged from State homes or orphanages, for them to live in whilst adjusting to their jobs.

Amendment that the motion be altered to read: Under the auspices of Social Welfare Department, a hostel or half-way house with private rooms and a councillor be set up for children sixteen years of age who are discharged from State homes or orphanages, for them to live in whilst adjusting to their jobs.

- 9. That urgent attention be given to entertainment facilities for teenagers in all communities.
- 10. That pensioners should receive a concession on car registration.

Amendment that the motion be altered to read: Aged and invalid pensioners should receive a concession on car registration

- 11. That the "walk" light at pedestrian crossings, where the street is wide, should stay green longer
- 12. That local councils and town planning authorities be encouraged to set up advisory committees of women to assist in the planning of community facilities. Amendment that the motion be altered to read: Local councils and town planning authorities be encouraged to set up advisory committees to include women to assist in the planning of community facilities.
- 13. That the destination of all buses be displayed on the back as well as the front of the vehicle.
- 14. That country car rallies should not be permitted on open country roads.
- 15. That the Food Standard Committee react more promptly to published evidence of the marketing of harmful substances in or associated with foodstuffs.
- 16. That union members vote by secret ballot before any decision to strike
- 17. That the NSW Government do something to improve the railway services between city and country trains to and from inland areas
- 18. That a referendum be held in NSW to allow people a chance to either approve or disapprove of daylight saving, similar to the referendum held in Western Australia this year.

<u>1976</u>

Section "A"

1. That representatives from Clubs be permitted to attend Annual Convention, as interested spectators, if space permits. Many club floor members are most interested in Annual Convention procedure, resolutions etc. and are denied the opportunity to "sit in" on this most important occasion in the V.I.E.W. year

Section "B"

- 2. That we protest against all forms of restriction on production, particularly of food, and urge That increases in production be passed on to consumers in decreased prices,
- 3. That there be some legislation put forth to stop television channels giving too graphic film screening of tragedies and of the people involved.
- 4. That in future planning all councils be required to install restrooms in all parks and public buildings to accommodate the handicapped who must use a wheelchair.
- 5. That the "Three R's" be re-introduced into all school syllabuses
- 6. That consideration should be given to the entitlement of widows, under 50 years of age, to a pension.
- 7. That all motorists contemplating the towing of a caravan, boat or trailer hold an endorsement on existing licence
- 8. That there should be less "ockerism" (i.e. poor grammar) in TV and radio commercials.
- 9. That Local Government provide regional clinics for the desexing of cats and dogs t a minimal fee.
- 10. That more post boxes or receptacles are needed throughout the city and suburbs.
- 11. That the Australian Broadcasting Commission retain its independence by refusing to consider financing its production by advertising.
- 12. That the media be asked to suppress the finer details when reporting incidents leading to the death of young people, as in the cases of death after the "sniffing" of aerosol packaged products.
- 13. That all medical funds, private and government, be requested to include in items payable That of prosthesis for mastectomy patients. These are in the form of bras and other breast forms ranging in price from \$20 to \$80.
- 14. That the means test be abolished in the case of pensioners.

<u>1977</u>

Section "A"

- That club publicity officers be permitted to pay from club funds for a small monthly bulletin to be placed in their local newspaper.
 Amendment that the motion be altered to read: Club publicity officers be permitted to pay from club funds for a small monthly bulletin to be placed in their local
 - newspapers, the cost of which not to exceed the cost of posting notices to members.
- 2. That the term of office on Committee be optional for 3 years in lieu of 2 years.

Section "B"

- 1. That V.I.E.W. Clubs of Australia make representations to relevant Government Ministers, urging that camping and caravanning areas situated on Crown Land along the NSW Coast be increased in size and not reduced, and in some cases closed, as is presently the situation.
- 2. That where 'stop' and 'give way' signs are erected on side roads visible identification be placed for the benefit of motorists using a through road.
- 3. That the wives of men on superannuation pensions receive the full pension after her husband is deceased.
- 4. That drivers' licences be issued with identifying photograph of licence holder. Amendment that the motion be altered to read: Drivers' licences be issued with identifying photograph and blood group of licence holder.
- 5. That Third-Party Property car insurance be compulsory
- 6. That all pensioners in receipt of a concession card receive a 50% rebate on the Government charges to register a vehicle in New South Wales one such rebate per pensioner couple.
- 7. That the Department of Education re-assess their present system of awarding School Certificates and Higher School Certificates.
- 8. That uniform legislation covering full ambulance transportation throughout every state of Australia be introduced.
- 9. That lights or reflecting strips etc. be placed on the sides of trucks or trains to make them more visible to motorists when negotiating level crossings at night.
- 10. That single, deserted or widowed fathers who have care, custody and maintenance of their children be entitled to the same benefits as supporting mothers or that greater income tax relief be given if employing a full-time housekeeper.

<u>1978</u>

- 1. That both the Government (Medibank) and Private Health Insurance Funds give consideration immediately to implement the payment of benefits covering medical costs incurred by mentally ill people.
- 2. That the regulation regarding the safety of children in cars be amended to enable Police to enforce same.

As the regulation is worded at present, if parents claim that the child is, or was distressed, the said child does not have to be in a seat belt or seated in the back seat if no seat belts are fitted.

3. That all Medical Funds be asked to include benefits for hearing aids - H.C.F., M.B.F., Medibank etc.

At present no provision of benefit is available to many people of all ages who suffer this affliction and who, on medical recommendation, have to buy a hearing aid at great cost if their condition is in-operable.

4. That we press the Government to make available low-cost facilities for desexing of cats and dogs.

- 5. That a rebate be allowed by Medibank and all Hospital Funds for non-hospitalisation in any three-year period, with a proviso that fund contributions will not rise because of such rebate.
- 6. That heavier penalties for drug peddling be imposed e.g., longer jail sentences.
- 7. That voting in all elections be non-compulsory for all who have reached the age of 70.
- 8. That compulsory National Service Training for all young men should be brought back and also introduced for young women, with exemptions in in both cases, where deemed necessary.
- 9. That a basic knowledge of English be made a condition for Migrants wishing to enter Australia.
- 10. That the Australia Day holiday be held on January 26th each year and not on the Monday following.

<u>1979</u>

- 1. That representation should be made to the Health Commission of N.S.W. for two qualified ambulance officers or one trained officer plus a driver for each ambulance on call in both country and city areas.
- 2. That the Minister for Corrective Services be requested to ensure stricter supervision of the parole system and parole refused hardened criminals.
- 3. That the means test on civilian widows, deserted wives and husbands with dependent children pensions, be relaxed to allow earnings to be greater. Many pensioners are on the poverty line due to penalties on earnings.
- 4. That paid maternity leave by Government Departments be cancelled.
- 5. That pedestrians be encouraged or enforced to keep to the left on public thoroughfares and stairways, and "keep to the left" signs reintroduced.
- 6. That bus stops be numbered.
- 7. That the Government assist the N.S.W. Voluntary Rescue Organisation by paying the premium on third party and personal insurance whilst they are engaged in rescue operations and comprehensive insurance on all rescue vehicles and equipment used by them.
- 8. That a protest be made against legalising casinos.
- 9. That all sales tax be reduced on cosmetics, especially therapeutic cosmetics.
- 10. That a law be passed that all public buildings (by public meaning every building except private homes), when constructed, be provided with the means to facilitate the movement of handicapped and elderly persons. The 'means' to be a ramp as well as, or instead of, steps and stairs, handle bars, and lifts in all storied buildings.

<u>1980</u>

<u>1981</u>

- 1. That harsher penalties be imposed on all illegal drug offenders.
- 2. That the freedom now extended to dangerous people in gaol to attend weekend sports and games be curtailed.
- 3. That captions be shown on television for at least twenty hours per week.
- 4. That chiropody be an added benefit to persons receiving the full Aged Pension.
- 5. That all street names be correctly and uniformly placed and clearly visible day and night to all drivers.

- 6. That V.I.E.W. Clubs of Australia urge the Department of Motor Transport to make Third Party "Property Damage" Insurance compulsory.
- 7. That the amount which one receives on a fixed income be raised to include fringe benefits.
- 8. That all School Children, commencing at kindergarten classes, be taught and encouraged to have greater knowledge and pride in our country.
- 9. That the Government raise the amount of money that a pensioner can earn without having to pay tax.
- 10. That it be necessary for motorists to have a special licence to tow caravans and trailers.
- 11. That before sixteen and seventeen-year olds are granted unemployment benefits, there should be a Means Test on the parent, or parents' income.
- 12. That it be made law all toilet doors slide or swing out.

<u>1982</u>

- 1. That the Constitution of the V.I.E.W. Clubs of Australia not be altered, added to, changed, or any part thereof be deleted unless the above alterations, additions, changes or deletions be first put to Convention by domestic resolution
- 2. That first offenders be housed in separate Sections in all jails to protect them from the violence and degradation forced upon them by hardened criminals.
- 3. That representations be made to the State Superannuation Board to index pensions paid from the State Superannuation Fund on the basis of movement of the Average Weekly Earnings instead of the CPI as at present, and adjustments made following publication of those figures instead of annually under present procedures.
- 4. That the Department of Education be urged to reconsider their decision to phase out pedestrian flagmen at crossings on school routes by not replacing these men or women when they retire.
- 5. That the Department of Youth and Community Services be urged to reconsider their decision that Government Youth Workers should not act on students who play truant for less than 10 days.
- 6. That bulldogging and calf roping be banned in NSW
- 7. That V.I.E.W. Clubs of Australia lodge a strong protest with the Canadian Government condemning the brutal method used in the culling of baby seals in their territory.
- 8. That V.I.E.W. Clubs protest strongly against the legalising of marijuana.
- 9. That all drivers' licences carry a coloured passport size photo of the licensee, to be renewed at regular intervals. Amendment that the motion be altered to read: All drivers' licences carry a photo and blood group of the licensee.
- 10. That the State Government should make it compulsory for all vehicles, during rain, fog or misty weather, to use headlights on low beam in daylight hours especially in fog. Failure to do so should result in a substantial fine.

<u>1983</u>

1. That the National Convention be held in various major country centres, firstly on a trial basis and if satisfactory, to alternate with different centres. To decentralise and bring the National Convention closer to a greater cross-Section of Clubs in New South Wales.

Our pledge says "Promote the interest of V.I.E.W. isn't this what we would be doing?

2. That profit from state lotteries be channelled back into state hospitals as this was the purpose of the lotteries when they were formed in 1932 in addition to present funding levels provided by State Government. Hospitals need additional funding.

If this is not made clear, the government may use profit from the state lotteries for this purpose, but also cut back on the present funding level which comes from consolidated revenue and consequently, hospitals may not be in an improved financial position.

3. That in the interest of public safety at large, all long distance trucks and coach drivers be required to possess first aid skills in the form of the St. Johns Ambulance Certificate.

As these drivers are constantly covering the national road system and are in constant touch with their colleagues and the police through CB radio, this gives them the opportunity to save lives in a cooperative and humanitarian manner. Since they are the only help available on lonely country roads the first aid that they could give is very vital.

4. That the Federal Government issue identification cards with photographs and blood groups to all Australian residents.

They would supply a ready means of identification in transacting business, applying for welfare benefits, tracing injured and dead persons, applying for passports and driving licenses, detecting illegal immigrants and instant information of blood group in case of an accident.

5. That drivers be covered by Property Damage Insurance as well as Third Party which is already compulsory.

Many young drivers buy cheap cars, their comprehensive insurance premiums are far too expensive so they opt out of any insurance therefore if they cause an accident with another car, the other owner finds it almost impossible to recover any expenses for repairs to their cars.

- That the Health Department investigate the effect of Monosodium Glucomate on the health of Australians. It is a flavouring in almost all tin cans and packed foods.
 It has been banned in America since 1970. It is believed to cause allergies, hyperactivity in children and could be responsible for the onset of cancer.
- 7. That V.I.E.W. Clubs of Australia request the Federal Minister for Education to abandon the existing pre-requisites to qualify for a grant under the Tertiary Education Assistance Scheme and the grant be allocated on the same basis as Youth Unemployment Benefits.

It discriminates against the more progressive youth in the community.

- 8. That the Housing Commission allow payment of rents to be made at Post Offices. Difficulty and trauma unnecessarily placed on the aged and infirm in reaching the nearest Commission Office.
- That the Maritime Services Board conduct a media campaign each summer on boating safety, particularly concerning speed boats and water skiing, and that the test for a license to navigate a vessel at speed should include a practical test.
 A license to navigate a vessel can be obtained from age 16 with no experience

whatsoever and no practical tests. What is needed is to be sure the license holder knows exactly what the rules mean on the water and that he can control a vessel.

10. That we bring to the notice of Government the right of every school child to receive equal funding from Government sources. That is that funds be granted on a per capita basis.

We believe that parents have the right to choose the type of school their children attend. Government should make a basic grant per child irrespective of whether the grant is to a Government or independent school. 11. That polio and triple antigen immunisation should be made compulsory before a child is allowed to commence school, unless the parents have received medical advice to the contrary.

A large number of children are nowadays commencing school without being immunised and these diseases which were never seen in the past are now becoming more prevalent.

<u>1984</u>

Section "A"

1. That the two (2) year restriction on Committee Members be lifted in a case of difficulty in filling any position — with a limit of three (3) years.

Section "B"

- 1. That we object to the lenient penalties handed down in respect of serious crime.
- 2. That alcohol advertising should be banned from T.V.
- 3. That a provision be written into the conduct of the Court system so that anyone being questioned may be allowed to give a short explanation, if necessary, instead of answering only 'yes' or 'no'. This should apply especially in cases of sexual assault.
- 4. That all branch Police Stations be manned again 24 hours a day.
- 5. That aged people on superannuation receive the same fringe benefits as other aged pensioners.
- 6. That greeting card manufacturers are requested to ensure that cards and envelopes of the postal preferred size are so indicated with the words "Post Office Preferred", and those cards and envelopes outside official requirements are marked "Additional Postage Required" where the stamp is placed.
- 7. That we should protest to the Prime Minister at the Federal Government's intention to make a submission to the Remuneration Tribunal Review Board recommending that Members of Parliament be permitted to be accompanied by his or her de facto partner when travelling abroad on study and investigation tours related to his or her duties.
- 8. That we retain the Australian flag in its present form.
- 9. That it be made compulsory for plastic food wraps to be marked either safe or unsafe for use in microwave ovens.
- 10. That Federal and state rail authorities be asked to place luminous strips and/or lights on sides of all rolling stock. So that they can be seen by motorists at unlit railway crossings, preventing many fatal accidents.

<u>1985</u>

Section "A"

- 1. That the Term of Office for Committee be held for one, two or three years.
- 2. That the system of voting at National Convention seems unfair on motions presented. Why must it be 60%?

Section "B"

- 1. That it be compulsory for all drivers of registered motor cars and motor bikes to be insured against damage to other vehicles.
- 2. That National Service should be brought back, not only for young men, but for young women as well
- 3. That labels attached to consumer articles be easily removable without any trace of residue

- 4. That it be made compulsory for unemployed persons to give at least one day per week to a local council or selected charity in order to qualify for unemployment benefits.
- 5. That luggage trollies be available on every platform where country trains terminate
- 6. That a clear warning should be marked on labels of dispensed medication where alcohol and common medication must not be taken whilst tablets etc. are being used.
- 7. That all adults be issued with Identification Cards with photograph
- 8. That the State Rail Authority give consideration to reverting to the old system of having male and female toilets clearly marked on all trains. Also, a "Ladies Only" compartment placed next to the Guard's van after peak hour services.
- 9. That the Minister for Education be requested to disallow the inclusion of Homosexual Literature or its teaching at any level into the Education system

<u>1986</u>

Section "A"

- 1. That members of National Executive may if elected serve two years on National Executive, irrespective of their number of years on National Council.
- 2. That members of National Council Executive, with the exception of National Presidents, may, when their term of office is completed, be allowed to stand again for election as Zone Councillor after a minimum period of one year, however they are then ineligible to nominate for any office on National Executive.

Section "B"

- 1. That the sale of Rhus trees (or shrubs) be prohibited, and that they be declared a noxious plant by the N.S.W. Government.
- 2. That we retain the present Australian flag.
- 3. That there be an immediate revoking of the two new Juvenile enforcement Laws introduced last September which are:
 - a) The Juvenile Cautioning Program.
 - b) The Prison Remission Scheme.
- 4. That proof of vaccination booster shots be recorded when enrolling young children at school.
- 5. That V.I.E.W Clubs raise their VOICES in support of moves to ensure that committed criminals serve the full term of their sentences.
- 6. That more stringent censorship of the increasing bad violence portrayed in the entertainment segment of the media e.g. T.V., videos and movies, should be adopted as a means to control the growing violence in our Society.
- 7. That children under the age of 14 should be given more consideration as regards to their wishes by the Family Law Court, to help relieve their frustrations, anger, depression, and the general feeling of being overlooked, because they have rights as well as parents. At present children have NO RIGHTS until 14 years of age in the Family Law Court.
- 8. That due to the ever-increasing violent crimes committed in this country we strongly recommend the re-introduction of Capital Punishment for certain crimes.
- 9. That we desperately need a full University in the Western Suburbs of Sydney.
- 10. That more control be exercised in the handout of public monies.
- 11. That a photograph or thumb print or both, be included on I.D card.
- 12. That parents and/or guardians be held responsible for damages caused by their children who are under the age of 10 (ten) years.

<u>1987</u>

Section "A"

1. That MOTION 1, page 11 of the Constitution be amended to read – All members of National Council Executive may, when their term of office is completed, be allowed to stand again for election as Zone Councillor after the minimum period of one year.

Section "B"

- 1. That when any government is elected to power it is mandatory that they serve in full the term for which they have been elected.
- 2. That a warning plus the phone number for checking on stolen or encumbered vehicles be placed on registration papers.
- 3. That all bus stops be numbered along any route as they are in Queensland
- 4. That the State Government be asked to request local councils to introduce and implement a regulation directing that, houses and other buildings display a large street number in a uniform position.
- 5. That we demand that the State Government and the N.S.W health Department treat as a matter of urgency the shortage of beds and trained staff in public hospitals leading to a decline in health services available.
- 6. That the Commonwealth Government recognises that pressure garments prescribed by a doctor experienced in the treatment of burns are an essential garment to aid in the healing process.
- 7. That concern expressed at vandalism and hooliganism in our community suggests a program of civic responsibility be undertaken by government authorities with appropriate media support similar to the anti-litter campaign.
- 8. That a cycle proficiency test, conducted by the police, should be taken by all primary school children before being allowed to cycle to school. This has proved to be very successful in the U.K.
- 9. That V.I.E.W. Clubs voice their protest to Telecom against the extension from 9.00pm to 10.00pm before cheaper rates for trunk calls apply
- 10. That unmarried mothers receiving the supporting parents benefit be paid benefits in respect of the first child only. This should not affect widowed, divorced or separated parents.

<u>1988</u>

- 1. That the time for cheaper STD telephone calls be brought forward from 10:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and the cheaper rate calls time apply between 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m.
- 2. That a mobile mammography service be provided for women living in rural Australia.
- 3. That the walk sign on traffic lights be increased by at least 30 seconds.
- 4. That State Rail be asked to supply warning lights at all level crossings on country roads to prevent the unnecessary loss of life on these crossings.
- 5. That people who call upon rescue services as a result of carelessness, or the lack of normal precautions should be subject to a charge, e.g. families who set out in pleasure craft without water safety devices, amateur bush-walkers, without maps, compass, rock-fishermen without ropes etc.,
- 6. That the government provides adequate funds to the ABC to enable it to operate effectively without any corporate sponsorship.
- 7. That fringe benefits be extended to all aged retirees whose incomes are similar to that of qualifying Age pensioners.
- 8. That third-party property insurance be compulsory for all registered motor vehicles.

- 9. That in all new buildings and existing buildings where possible change rooms with toilets attached be made available to children under the age of 10 years accompanied by an adult.
- 10. That the law must ensure that the severity of punishment matches the severity of the crime. In the case of horrific deeds criminals should serve their full term.
- 11. That the law be changed so that the rights of citizens can be protected from home intruders.
- 12. That child victims of sexual assault should be able to give their evidence on video, away from the court-room and defendant.
- 13. That lap belts as in aeroplanes be made compulsory on coach tours.
- 14. That we as members of V.I.E.W. seek to have further public discussion on irradiation before it is introduced into Australia.
- 15. That those involved in the film industry be urged to adopt a more responsible attitude towards the production, distribution and screening of films depicting unnecessary violence and that book publishers and distributors be asked to exhibit a similar sense of responsibility.

<u>1989</u>

- 1. That Australia Day be held on that day throughout Australia.
- 2. That V.I.E.W. Clubs of Australia request the Federal and all State Governments to put in place mandatory policy that all future foreign ownership of land in Australia be restricted to a pre-determined period of leasehold only.
- 3. That manufacturers be urged to use as little packaging as possible on items of food & clothing.
- 4. That the increases in mortgage interest rates should be included in the C.P.I.
- 5. That removal of disfiguring birthmarks should not be classified as cosmetic surgery and therefore should attract full Medicare rebate.
- 6. That chlorine bleached paper products used in food production and packaging and personal. Amendment that the motion read: With unbleached or dioxin free paper and the public be educated to the benefits of such dioxin free products.
- 7. That raised symbols be placed on paper money, squares, dots or triangles to enable blind people to feel paper money of various denominations.
- 8. That the department of main roads be asked to use yellow paint for lane marking on all roads.
- 9. That the law be amended to give greater rights to the victim as against those of the offender, where an intruder enters the home with the intention of committing a felony.
- 10. That the federal attorney general, in his review of the copyright act, be strongly urged to consider the interests of Australian readers at present disadvantaged by the international cartel of book publishers under the protection of this act.
- 11. That the government rejects recommendations to deregulate food and food labelling standards.
- 12. That the government ensures that all beaches and foreshores remain permanent public property and that adequate, convenient public access is maintained.
- 13. That all railway stations be made more accessible to all disabled people.
- 14. That the state government make motor vehicle third party property damage insurance compulsory.
- 15. That audible signals be installed at all pedestrian crossings

- 1. That the people of Australia be given more information on proposed developments such as the multi-function polis which are funded and staffed by other countries, as we feel too much is being done of which the general public is unaware.
- 2. That if uniformity of road rules and regulations existed between the States all drivers would conform to the same standard of rules.
- 3. That a change be considered regarding distribution of political party literature at elections, whereby voting options be displayed in each cubicle at polling booths, thereby still ensuring privacy and fair coverage for each candidate.
- 4. That daylight saving have the same starting and ending times in all States, we ask that this be discussed at the next Premiers' Conference.
- 5. That the Federal Government not sign or ratify the United Nations Treaty "Rights of the Child" until further widespread investigation of its implications, is carried out.
- 6. That buses used for school students, be fitted with flashing red lights turned on, when students cross busy roads vehicles in both directions must stop 'til children are safely across in rural areas.
- 7. That country rail services be restored and upgraded.
- 8. That Australia should have a bone marrow transplant bank, or register.
- 9. That Telecom discontinue advertising.
- 10. That when applying for or renewing a driver's licence, one should have a visual field test as well as a visual acuity test.
- 11. That a requirement be introduced and made known to prospective migrants of the need to become Australian citizens within a specified time.
- 12. That all consumers boycott/complain about products that are over packaged.
- 13. That the age at which juveniles are named when they are charged for violent physical attacks resulting in injury to victims be lowered to 16 years and they receive punishment as for adults. Their cases to be heard in open court and not in the Children's Court.
- 14. That all ballot papers for any election be filled in with ball point pens and not pencil.
- 15. That the A.I.D.S. virus should be declared under legislation as a notifiable disease.

<u>1991</u>

- 1. That it be made illegal for children to be used for door to door selling, collecting or soliciting sponsorship.
- 2. That the Education Department be asked to allow before and after school child minding centres to be established in areas other than classrooms at all primary schools, staffed by appropriate persons and paid for by parents of the children involved.
- 3. That a commitment be made to appoint women to Government committees and offices where such committees and offices deal with matters affecting women.
- 4. That the sales tax on sun creams be eliminated.
- 5. That Telecom's involvement in pornography be discontinued immediately, e.g. listing in 005 Section.
- 6. That the visually impaired be consulted when new coins are designed.
- 7. That Police Officers attending traffic accidents and other problems involving the movement of vehicles be issued with torches that can double as traffic signals and be changed from red to green as required.
- 8. That men involved in sexual attacks on children should, together with psychiatric therapy, have their sexuality medically repressed.

<u>1990</u>

- 9. That tourist coaches be fitted with seat belts for all as a safety measure in the advent of an accident.
- 10. That the Federal Government implement stricter censorship over bad language, pornography, sex and violence in the print and electronic media
- 11. That driving licences be endorsed at the time of issue to signify automatic and/or manual competence.
- 12. That State Governments should amend the Adoption Access to Information Act to delete the administration fee of \$50.00 required to register a contact veto.
- 13. That all non-English speaking migrants or new Australians enter into an agreement with the Australian Government before leaving their homeland that on arrival they will take regular (preferably weekly) lessons in English at a centre to be established in their area for a period of up to a year after their arrival.
- 14. That sentences for crimes of violence against women should be appropriate and entail truth in sentencing and, if necessary, life imprisonment thus affording the convicted no opportunity to repeat the offence.
- 15. That no change to be made to the Australian flag.

<u>1992</u>

- 1. That all toxic chemicals be transported by rail wherever possible
- 2. That all wool bales be loaded to enable their containment within the confines of steel gates on all transporting vehicles, when the load exceeds one bale in height
- 3. That should members of Parliament, elected on a party ticket, choose to leave that party during the course of the parliament then a by-election be held to replace them.
- 4. That legislation be enacted to set noise levels within entertainment venues to the same standard of safety that is required in the work place.
- 5. That State and Federal Governments be asked to exercise greater control of suggestive and explicitly pornographic material so evident in the print and electronic media.
- 6. That foreign ownership of Australian land be prohibited and replaced by leasing only.
- 7. That the age of consent be maintained for women.
- 8. That the 'How to Vote' leaflets should cease to be handed out at polling stations, and that instead a leaflet for each candidate be displayed in each polling booth.
- 9. That no change be made to the Australian flag without a referendum.
- 10. That it should be mandatory for all owners of vehicles to take out third-party property damage insurance when registering their vehicles
- That those persons on fixed incomes and superannuation should receive concessions and tax relief granted at all levels of government to other pensioners, e.g. phone, medical, motor vehicle charges, rates etc.
- 12. That building regulations in all States require the installation of self-contained smoke alarms.
- 13. That the Federal Government makes monies available to the Microsearch Foundation of Australia for research into all aspects of microsurgical techniques.

<u>1993</u>

- 1. That prior to a referendum being taken with regard to the adoption of a republic it is imperative that there is a full discussion of the outcome of such constitutional changes.
- 2. That all premiums paid for private health insurance be made tax deductable and the gap between Medicare and private health cost be closed.

- 3. That it should be an offence against the law for representatives of both the print and electronic media to make direct contact with law breakers who hold police at bay with weapons, whether they have hostages or not.
- 4. That no foreign country be allowed to test weapons of any type in Australia and that the recent invitation extended to Japan be withdrawn.
- 5. That increased funding be allocated for research into the cause and treatment of breast cancer.
- 6. That the Widow's Pension be reintroduced for women who are under 60 and have no dependent children under 16 years of age.
- 7. That the Law with regard to the giving of a guarantee for the security of a loan from a lending institution or private lender be amended to limit the guarantee to the original amount of loan applied for. No further borrowings to be covered by the said guarantee and the guarantor to be notified of all or any matters pertaining to the said loan.
- 8. That individuals convicted of heinous crimes of violence and sexual abuse must have their papers recording sentence endorsed never to be released.
- 9. That Medicare covers the cost of a Bone Density Study used in the diagnosis of osteoporosis.
- 10. That urgent re-evaluation for funding for Base Hospitals to be Carried out.
- 11. That all under-age children who vandalise public and private property should be charged and in consequence do community work.
- 12. That all self-funded retirees be entitled to benefits that are enjoyed by persons in receipt of a social security pension.
- 13. That the Australian Government be urged to press the United Nations to classify the systematic rape and brutalisation of women in areas of conflict as a war crime.
- 14. That all immigrants be screened for TB with a follow-up X-Ray at 12 months and that new and more accurate tests of detecting TB be adopted immediately they are available

<u>1994</u>

- 1. That an urgent review of the existing arrangements be undertaken whereby young people may obtain the Homeless Youth allowance without reference to or even informing their family where they are.
- 2. That truth in sentencing be factual and consistent.
- 3. That the importation of violent video games together with the accessibility of such to young people be restricted by law.
- 4. That syringes, needles and test strips required by insulin dependent diabetics be made available free of charge.
- 5. That toxic waste should not be disposed of in unused mines.
- 6. That noise levels within entertainment venues be set at the same standard as that already required in the workplace.
- 7. That under no circumstances should an inheritance tax be reintroduced.
- 8. That the current \$10 or \$5 notes be redesigned both as to colour, size and texture.
- 9. That the Attorney General be encouraged to continue to make amendments to the Family Law Act to ensure that a child's relationship with grandparents is protected notwithstanding parental divorce and/or separation.
- 10. That Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) be taught in all schools as part of the compulsory curriculum.
- 11. That draft NSW Health Department guidelines be adopted giving patients the right to refuse treatment which prolongs or supports life.

- 12. That children should not be permitted to take part in demonstrations.
- 13. That irrespective of cultural persuasion people who live in Australia must conform to the prevailing laws and regulations.
- 14. That the estimated 120,000 sufferers of Lymphoedema be given some government financial assistance to obtain the compression garments vital for their afflicted
- 15. That the flag raising ceremony be reinstated in both primary and secondary schools.

<u>1995</u>

- 1. That the Federal Government be required to extend Category 3 in Nursing Homes to include persons suffering from Alzheimer's disease, and all forms of dementia, who do not currently meet the criteria.
- 2. That the Federal Government encourage and support private medical insurance by offering tax incentives for membership fees
- 3. That the signed wishes of any person concerning the removal of organs for transplantation after death, be respected at all times and in all cases as would the wishes expressed in a will.
- 4. That members of Parliament, both State and Federal, should be financially penalised if they resign mid-term.
- 5. That the Prime Minister and/or any Member of Parliament of any party does not discuss in public Australia's domestic matters while on a State visit to a foreign country
- 6. That people who participate in 'risk' activities such as abseiling, boating, bush walking, rock fishing etc., should have some form of insurance and be responsible for the cost of rescue.
- 7. That care and accommodation is provided for severely intellectually and/or physically disabled members of society, particularly after the demise of the parent or carer.
- 8. That the tax threshold should be the same for both pensioners and independent retirees
- 9. That the Federal Government assumes the responsibility for the standard age of entry into Year 1 in all States.
- 10. That there be a program of breeding native birds for export by licensed breeders.
- 11. That a program be established to educate the general public as to the hazards of the use of marijuana
- 12. That there be a cessation of the importation of goods made with child labour
- 13. That the percentage of the profits that is dedicated to the community from gambling institutions be increased.
- 14. That persons residing in Australia, who are not naturalised and are convicted of a serious offence under the Crimes Act and sentenced should be deported to their country of origin.

<u>1996</u>

- 1. That persons under the age of 18 years, when convicted of serious crimes should be named.
- 2. That every means possible is employed to bring about the cessation of the use of land mines internationally.
- 3. That all States of Australia enforce the laws that prevent children being exploited in the production of fashion clothing.
- 4. That all signage should include an English version of the text.
- 5. That motorised scooters (Gophers) carry compulsory 3rd party insurance.

- 6. That former Prime Ministers' privileges and entitlements be limited to a fixed period.
- 7. That there be no parole for prisoners sentenced to life and whose papers are stamped 'never to be released'.
- 8. That the victim and the victim's family should have the right during the trial process to give evidence on the effects the crime has had on their lives.
- 9. That families of children receiving treatment in hospital qualify for transport and accommodation benefits regardless of distance from home.
- 10. That the system of voting be examined to ensure that an individual can only vote once.
- 11. That each State's Government House be retained as the full-time residence of the incumbent Governor.
- That VIEW Clubs endorse the decisions taken at the Police Minister's Conference on 10 May 1996 for specific legislation to be put into place to ensure national Gun Control legislation.
- 13. That VIEW Clubs endorse the legislation to retain the National Flag.

<u>1997</u>

- 1. That schools implement mandatory monitoring of information that can be accessed and/or download from the Internet.
- 2. That land be only leased to other than Australian nationals.
- 3. That the time allowed to traverse roads at pedestrian crossings be an achievable time for the frail, physically disadvantaged and the elderly.
- 4. That single-use baby napkins be manufactured so that they may be disposed of in a manner that is environmentally sound.
- 5. That a National Council for Education implement a national policy on the standardisation of the grade of entry into secondary schools.
- 6. That a uniform syllabus be established nationally that includes Australian history in the curriculum.
- 7. That persons suffering from insulin-dependent diabetes be included in the free needle exchange program.
- 8. That we endorse the Federal Minister for Health's endeavour to ensure that all children be fully immunised prior to entering the school system.
- 9. That the government funding be not only retained but increased for education regarding eating disorders.
- 10. That a National Authority be established to train, encourage and inform medical staff in the management of the process of organ donation.
- 11. That separate facilities be available for minor offenders in State and Territory penal systems.
- 12. That parliamentarians are not privileged regarding access to superannuation benefits.

<u>1998</u>

- 1. That the NSW Department of Community Affairs, or its equivalent body in each State, should make the public aware of the possible intimidation of the elderly by their families and have the power to implement any necessary action.
- 2. That manufacturers be forced to use 'Truth in Labelling' on all products.
- 3. That women and girls involved in criminal activities receive no special consideration by the courts because of their sex.

- 4. That in the interests of good government, our politicians be urged to display a higher standard of responsibility and courtesy during sessions of state and federal parliament which is appropriate to their office and community expectations.
- 5. That all drivers be required to take a driving test as well as a medical test yearly, from the age of 80 years, and that licences be automatically surrendered at the age of 85 yrs.
- 6. That before pest control substances and insecticides are used in quantities above the small amounts normally purchased in aerosol cans of approximately 200-300gms, adjoining neighbours be notified.
- 7. That seating be provided in Medicare offices, with a numbering system (as in RTA centres), because most people collecting rebates are generally recovering from some form of illness, and find it distressing to stand in line for lengthy periods, especially the elderly.
- 8. That sufficient health inspectors be employed to enforce the laws regarding the handling of food.
- 9. That if persons illegally trespassing with criminal intent in a person's home is injured, they should not have the right to sue the owner.
- 10. That lifeguards, who are employed by local government, when patrolling beaches be given increased powers so that penalties can be imposed on persons who disobey their instructions regarding safety.
- 11. That when a firm or company closes down or is closed down employees are paid all entitlements due to them before banks or major creditors receive any monies. This particularly refers to the superannuation monies that, by law, all employees are forced to contribute.
- 12. That the driver injured in any motor vehicle accident, whether at fault or not at fault, be fully covered by Compulsory Third Party Insurance as are the passengers.
- 13. That all telephone marketing be restricted to office hours only
- 14. That some degree of water restriction be permanently in place, to be increased or decreased, according to the season.
- 15. That dental care be included under Medicare.
- 16. That there be, nation-wide, a concerted effort to educate the population in all manner of water conservation methods available and of practical application for the home and garden. And furthermore that there be a legal requirement for all domestic and public buildings to install rainwater tanks and to design and construct such buildings and landscapes so that the maximum collection, both rain water and run-off, would be conserved and made full advantage of through disbursement of run-off into well-constructed gardens rather than into storm water drains, a practice which in itself causes environmental damage.

<u>1999</u>

- 1. That new born babies abandoned at birth by their natural mother and father, should be able to be legally adopted after three months, without the need of applying for a court order, as is the case at the moment.
- 2. That when drivers have to relinquish their driving licence because of incapacitation they should be issued with a card similar to a driving licence which acknowledges their years of driving and also acts as identification.
- 3. That members elected to Parliament as representing a particular party be required to serve full term as members of that party or resign from Parliament.
- 4. That it be made compulsory for all vehicles when being driven in rain or fog to have their lights switched on. Amendment that the motion read: It be made compulsory for all vehicles when being driven during poor visibility conditions to have their headlights switched on

- 5. That the media should be morally and ethically accountable for accurate, responsible reporting. Amendment that the motion read: The relevant media regulatory authorities (Australian Press Council and the Australian Broadcasting Authority) be given increased powers to ensure that their judgements on misleading and inaccurate media statements are enforced, and to impose substantial fines where necessary. Reason for amendment: The motion is a 'Motherhood' statement. For resolution to be effective it needed teeth.
- 6. That Public Holidays should be taken when they fall due.

<u>2000</u>

- 1. That people of the opposite sex should not be subjected to sharing a hospital ward, bathroom or toilet except in an emergency.
- 2. That there be a complete overhaul of all guidelines for the protection of children.
- 3. That there be a greater awareness by all mobile telephone users of the potential for their telephones to cause interference to electronic communications. This to be delivered by a concerted and cohesive campaign run by Government and telecommunications companies, similar to health hazard warnings introduced by cigarette manufacturers. Example: an explosion could occur at a petrol station if a mobile is not switched off on approach.
- 4. Hat all hearing impaired apprentices be entitled to monetary assistance with the purchase of their hearing aids, similar to the financial assistance given to individuals who are on the dole.
- 5. That the Federal Government simplify the method for funding for aged care facilities in order that less time is spent on documentation and more time is spent on resident care.
- 6. That standards for verbal communication by Emergency Service Operators be introduced in order to decrease response time for assistance and mitigate complications in an emergency.
- 7. That it be unacceptable to entertain pleas of diminished responsibility in personal injury cases where the perpetrator is under the influence of alcohol or drugs which he/she has knowingly self-administered.
- 8. That there be uniformity of street names.
- 9. That a new classification be introduced into the Classification Act to protect children under the age of 8 from exposure to on-screen violence in television programs and video games and more information be available for parents to assist in the implementation of this classification.

<u>2001</u>

1. That Commonwealth and State departments of Education continue to increase programs to enhance literacy and numeracy for children and young people esteem so that learning difficulties are identified and addressed at all stages and all ages of development.

Amendment the motion be altered to read:

- a) Commonwealth and State Department of Education continue to increase programs to enhance literacy and numeracy for children and young people so that learning difficulties are identified and addressed at all stages of development or
- b) Commonwealth and State Departments of Education note VIEW Clubs of Australia's position on the importance of literacy programs for children, youth and adults to ensure development of essential communication skills and enhanced self thereby contributing to the development of well-adjusted people and effective transition to work.

- 2. That the Commonwealth Government ban any experiments or research into cloning of human beings thereby limiting the possibilities of birth defects and unknown complications so that natural reproductive processes might be better resourced.
- 3. That Australian governments and courts address community and police expectations re punitive sentencing for repeat offenders so that they are not released back into the community to be recharged time and again thereby allowing police better utilisation of their time and taxpayers money.
- 4. That Courts in Australia are consistent in determining sentences for offenders of violent crimes to further reduce risk and harm for both victims and perpetrators thereby creating a more cohesive and safer Australian community.
- 5. That Commonwealth and State governments review the impact of the GST on site fees for long term caravan park residents (in particular low-income earners, self-funded retirees and pensioners) to ensure affordability of this housing option so residents may continue living in this accommodation.
- 6. That Commonwealth and State governments increase funding support for research and to raise public awareness about ovarian cancer and ensure this disease is managed at an earlier stage.
- 7. That Commonwealth and State governments and health authorities review discharge procedures in all metropolitan hospitals to accommodate the cost of the return transfer of patients previously air lifted from rural/regional hospitals thereby minimising disruption and cost to rural patients returning home or to a regional hospital after treatment.
- 8. That health authorities test all new babies for hearing to ensure early detection of abnormalities.

<u>2002</u>

- 1. That the Commonwealth Education Minister facilitate the development of a National uniform School Curriculum so that children moving interstate are not disadvantaged.
- 2. That the Ministers for the Environment regulate hazard reduction procedures in all national parks, state forests and private wooded property requiring grassed and mowed buffer zones between bushland and settled areas to reduce the potential damage from bushfire, and to give fire authorities power to override landowners to insist on the implementation of prescribed hazard reduction measures.
- 3. That Ministers for Health amend legislation to prevent the instructions of a deceased in relation to the donation of their organs from being overridden by their next of kin.
- 4. That the Presiding Officers of Parliaments of Australia establish a parliamentary superannuation scheme that is comparable to the private sector.
- 5. That Ministers for Family and Community Services implement safeguards to ensure the safety of children in care.

<u>2003</u>

- 1. That local councils and water authorities consider legislation to enforce the installation of 'water saving' shower heads, rain water tanks and in some cases waste water treatment systems in new and renovated buildings, houses, offices and factories.
- 2. That the Commonwealth Health Minister reclassify birth marks in the cosmetic surgery category to enable sufferers to have access to a higher Medicare rebate.
- 3. That financial assistance be provided, by the Commonwealth, to grandparents taking on full time care of grandchildren that provide support in circumstances that have required grandparents to take on legal care.

- 4. That the Departments of Road transport make mandatory the provision of warning lights at school 40kph zones. *Additional information: Motions on this topic were received from four (4) Zones and were combined by the Resolution Sub-Committee*
- 5. That VIEW Clubs of Australia encourage the Commonwealth Department of Health to increase government funding to raise awareness and service support in rural and regional areas for post-natal depression to ensure new mothers receive adequate care.
- 6. That the Commonwealth Health Minister reclassify birth marks in the cosmetic surgery category to enable sufferers to have access to a higher Medicare rebate.

<u>2004</u>

- 1. That the Commonwealth Government require all fresh food products be clearly marked with country of origin details at the point of sale to consumers.
- 2. That the Federal Government legislates to change the Healthcare Act to ensure uniformity within States and Territories regarding the funding and supply of external breast prosthesis, giving equality to all breast cancer survivors without compromise.
- 3. That the Federal Government to legislate for restrictions on individuals or states harnessing of river flows for their financial gains.
- 4. That nurses are trained in the hospital to eliminate the shortage of nurses in our hospitals and provide hands on training.
- 5. That the Federal Government legislate to ban all advertising and sponsorship in regards to the issue of alcohol advertising so that our young adults and children are not adversely influenced.
- 6. That the Federal Government legislates for Medicare funding for breast prosthesis so that all women who have had mastectomies are not financially disadvantaged.

<u>2005</u>

- 1. That the Australian Government provide low income earners with improved access to dental care by: a) establishing free or subsidised access to dental care through Medicare or a similar scheme and b) the reintroduction of school's dental programs and c) programs to attract more students to take up dentistry. *Motions on this topic were received from three (3) other Zones.*
- 2. That the Australian Government provide scholarships and incentives to medical students who commit to work in rural, regional or remote areas for five years after graduation as Medical Practitioners.
- 3. That the Council of Australian Governments establish a national warning system for bushfires, creating a single national body with responsibility for bush fire management.
- 4. That the Federal and State Governments provide scholarships for rural and regional students to study medicine where the scholarships would carry an obligation for the student to return to a rural or regional area to work for at least 5 years after their graduation, reducing the shortage of general practitioners in these areas.
- 5. That State Governments increase availability of emergency accommodation for women and their children in crisis, particularly in rural and regional Australia.

<u>2006</u>

1. State and Territory Governments re-establish permanent homes for the mentally ill so those suffering a mental illness have access to suitable and supervised housing.

- 2. That State and Territory Governments introduce mandatory assessment of sight, hearing, speech and gross motor skills of children, so that any medical problem is diagnosed prior to school and appropriate treatment is identified.
- 3. That the commonwealth minister for Health increase funding for prostate cancer testing and awareness so that fewer men lose their life to this disease.
- 4. That the State and Territory Governments increase funding for improved child protection so that Australia can match or exceed world best practice and more children are kept from harm.
- 5. That the Commonwealth provide funding for a media campaign to increase public knowledge of the process of organ donation so that few families deny the wishes of anorgan donor and more organs are available for transplant.

<u>2007</u>

- 1. That the Federal Government legislate changes to the criminal justice system that forbid plea bargaining where a child is seriously abused or killed.
- 2. That the Minister of Transport legislate that all primary school students be entitled to a free bus pass and/or to review the travelling distance so that students are not disadvantaged.
- 3. That the Federal Government fund and implement an ESL (English as a Second Language) scheme that will ensure all new immigrants to Australia have a basic knowledge of written and spoken English.
- 4. That the State Governments provide a standard seniors/pensioners card that will ensure that seniors' cards are accepted nationally.
- 5. That the Federal Government legislates for dental care to be covered under Medicare to reduce waiting lists for free dental treatment and to promote good dental health for all Australians.

<u>2008</u>

- 1. That all Australian pre-school and kindergarten children between the ages of 3 and 6 years old be tested for defective vision including colour vision.
- 2. That the Federal and State Government through the Council of Australian Governments, develop and implement a national strategy for accommodation, rehabilitation and support services for young disabled Australians with high and complex support needs so that, regardless of where they live within Australia, they are treated equitably and with dignity.
- 3. That the Federal Government legislates a uniform standard (of communications) so that emergency numbers are consistent and effective wherever you live.
- 4. That the Federal Government be compelled to have a national approach to eliminating the blinding eye disease called trachoma or sandy blight in Australian populations.
- 5. That to enable young Australians with high and complex support needs to be able to live their lives with dignity and where possible independence, that as a matter of priority, State and Federal Governments work together to provide appropriate accommodation for young people who are currently accommodated in aged care facilities, and ensure that no further young Australians are moved into aged care facilities in future.

<u>2009</u>

1. That seat-belts be made compulsory for all children travelling to school or excursions on designated school buses.

- 2. That the Federal Government develops intervention and prevention strategies, in consultation with the community that will address the issues surrounding domestic violence.
- 3. That the Australian Government legislate against retailers' practice of offering highcost goods on terms of "no deposit, no interest and nothing to pay" for an extended ("honeymoon") period.
- 4. That the Federal Government amends its criteria for the allowable deductions under the Education Tax Rebate in order to specifically include tutoring costs for curriculum subjects and tutoring related to school achievement, particularly for children with disabilities.
- 5. That a national policy be introduced for the licensing of drivers over 75 years and that this policy involve an annual medical examination and on-road testing, with compulsory refresher driving lessons where deemed necessary before the re-issue of a driver's licence.

<u>2010</u>

- 1. VIEW Clubs of Australia advocates more equitable representation of women in leadership positions and calls for the Commonwealth government to:
 - a) Establish targets to increase the membership of women on all Boards and advisory bodies; and
 - b) To analyse and report every two years on the representation of women in leadership roles.
- 2. That to reduce alcohol related crime and anti-social behaviour VIEW Clubs of Australia urge all State/Territory governments to implement comprehensive policies to strengthen and regulate licensed premises and trading hours.
- 3. VIEW Clubs of Australia call on State/Territory governments to implement uniform proactive education programs in order to address the increasing incidence of unacceptable, offensive behaviour and cyber bullying.

<u>2011</u>

- 1. That VIEW Clubs of Australia support a national approach to ban advertising of online betting during televised sporting events and to lobby the Australian Association of National Advertisers to use their influence to ban such advertising.
- 2. That a Drink Container Deposit Levy (CDL) be enacted in all States and Territories.
- 3. That the National Health and Medical Research Council issue an advisory stipulating the amount of victim D required for all Australian's to enjoy good health, and that a public health program commence to ensure all Australians receive the daily recommended Vitamin D amount.
- 4. VIEW Clubs of Australia calls on the Australian Government to develop a National Agenda for Children promoting a bipartisan and cross jurisdictional arrangement between all levels of Government in order to create improved educational outcomes for children with an emphasis on alleviating poverty and disadvantage.

<u>2012</u>

- 1. VIEW Clubs of Australia call on the Australian Government to implement the Gonski Report to achieve real equality in educational opportunity for all Australian children.
- 2. VIEW Clubs of Australia call on the Federal and State governments to develop a long-term national housing plan, which is gender aware and responsive, to combat Australia's housing affordability crisis.

- 3. VIEW Clubs of Australia resolve that the importance of the Advance Health Directive document be promoted, and that a nationally-recognised Advance Health Directive form be made readily available in appropriate public places throughout Australia.
- 4. That VIEW Clubs of Australia lobby the State and Federal Governments to initiate an OPT OUT or Presumed Consent regulation whereby organs may be removed from deceased persons for the purpose of transplantation if they have not expressed an objection to donating their organs.

<u>2013</u>

- 1. VIEW Clubs of Australia urge the Federal Government to ensure that the Low-Income Superannuation Contribution (LISC) is maintained to protect the superannuation savings of the 3.6 million Australians on low incomes.
- 2. VIEW Clubs of Australia call on the Australian Government to recognise in legislation and policy the role of community groups in supporting better educational outcomes for Australian children and young people.
- 3. VIEW Clubs of Australia recognises the role of extracurricular activities in supporting better educational outcomes for Australian children and young people, and calls on Governments to address inequities in this area.

<u>2015</u>

- 1. VIEW Clubs of Australia urge the Federal Government to address the problem of obesity, particularly among young children, through a comprehensive national education strategy which focuses on a back-to-basics practical approach.
- 2. VIEW Clubs of Australia urge that more funding be made available to create a centralised data distribution centre and find more effective ways to combat the incidence of domestic and family violence.

(If domestic violence is going to be treated with the seriousness it deserves it needs to be treated as a whole of Government issue.)

- 3. VIEW Clubs of Australia call on State and Federal Governments to look at improving the educational outcomes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island young people in partnership with community and philanthropic organisations with particular emphasis on Aboriginal girls to assist in closing the gap in educational performance between Aboriginal and other Australian young people.
- 4. VIEW Clubs of Australia calls on State and Federal Governments to recognise the health impact of high sugar content in processed foods and to regulate the "added sugar" content of these products.

<u>2017</u>

- 1. VIEW Clubs of Australia urge all State, Territory and Federal Governments to implement the five-point plan "Safety First in Family" to fix Australia's family law system as outlined by Rosie Batty on 15 June 2016 to the National Press Club as part of the Justice for Kids Campaign.
- 2. VIEW Clubs of Australia call on Australian Governments at all levels to address the disparity in educational outcomes for students with a disability and continue to support and resource these students to maximize their education potential and transition to meaningful post school pathways such as tertiary education and/or employment.
- 3. VIEW Clubs of Australia call on State and Federal Governments to regulate gambling advertising on television to ensure they are not shown during family viewing times.

4. VIEW Clubs of Australia call on State and Federal Governments to legislate **regulatory systems which ensure patient access to cannabis and cannabis-related**drugs to ease their suffering.

<u>2019</u>

- 1. VIEW Clubs of Australia call on the Federal Government to increase and accelerate efforts aimed at reducing child poverty across Australia, in line with Australia's commitment to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal of reducing child poverty by at least half by 2030. This should include a National Child Poverty Strategy with targets and measures to achieve them, developed in partnership with the States/Territories and the community.
- 2. VIEW Clubs of Australia call on State and Federal governments to acknowledge the growing number of older homeless women and to meet their need for dignity in retirement by investing more resources into social and affordable housing.
- 3. VIEW Clubs of Australia call on the Federal Government to implement legislative and policy measures for wage parity; to support benefit payments, minimum wage and penalty rate increases to keep pace with inflation and CPI; and support changes to paid parental leave to include provision for superannuation payments.

<u>2021</u>

- 1. VIEW Clubs of Australia call on State and Federal governments to increase funding and resources to provide for an increase in public and social housing; to meet the desperate shortage of accommodation to assist women and children in crisis and provide safe, affordable housing for the homeless and victims of domestic violence.
- 2. VIEW Clubs of Australia call on Australian governments to ensure all young people have access to high quality, targeted careers education in primary and secondary schools that help them to prepare for the future world of work, and plan meaningful careers.
- 3. VIEW Clubs of Australia call on State and Federal Government to implement a plan to reduce unnecessary plastic packaging in all areas of retail manufacturing and ban single use plastic bags.