



The J.O. & J.R. Wicking Trust

Benefactor history - John Oswald Wicking: 1918 - 2002

John Wicking was one of the great modernisers of Australian business. He is known as a great achiever in every sense and led an extraordinary life. At the outbreak of World War II John Wicking volunteered and joined the A.I.F. where he was regrettably captured and sent to a prisoner of war camp in Germany.

After surviving World War II he returned home, married Janet Thompson and established a successful property in Euroa. However, his professional and leadership skills became apparent to many business leaders and he was enticed back to the city.

With Janet forever by his side, they helped so many people in so many walks of life. Philanthropists and benefactors to many institutions, schools and charitable organizations, particularly in areas of the arts and the blind.

John Wicking, among his many professional achievements, was a Director of Bowater Scott and Norwich Union Insurance, and Chairman of Western Pacific Investments, Webster, Cheetham and Kiwi International.

John and Janet Wicking provided immense moral and financial support to the Association for the Blind (now Vision Australia Foundation) for over 40 years. Mr Wicking was a board member of the Association for 18 years including 12 years as president.

John was awarded an AM in 1986 for his services to industry and the blind; a fitting tribute for his considerable achievements. John thoroughly enjoyed his clubs, The Athenaeum Club which he visited occasionally and The Australian Club. On retirement, he derived great pleasure from the Aussie Club where he was made an honorary life member in 2002.

Beneficiaries

John and Janet Wicking were notable philanthropists and benefactors to many institutions during their lifetime, particularly in the areas of the arts, microsurgery and most notably, vision impairment.

The Wicking Trust seeks to achieve enduring, positive impact in the areas of vision impairment, care of the aged, problems associated with ageing and Alzheimer's disease. The Wicking Trust has partnerships with Vision Australia and the Bernard O'Brien Institute of Microsurgery, both of which are named in the John Wicking's Will.

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