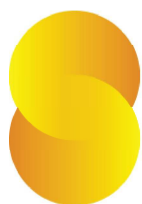


[Subscribe](#)[Share ▼](#)[Past Issues](#)[Tran](#)

If you can't read this email, view it online



**SIGHT
FOR ALL**
A SHARED
VISION



December 2016 Newsletter



Another incredible year of sight-saving achievements & event highlights!

Throughout 2016, Sight For All has been training 10 Fellows across Cambodia, Lao and Myanmar, and another Fellow from Myanmar right here in Australia. We have also provided equipment to hospitals in Bangladesh, Cambodia, Lao, Sri Lanka and Myanmar, and raised over \$100,000 of funds through our unique events. It has been an incredible year and we hope you enjoy reading more about it in this newsletter!

Sight For All's key focus is to provide eye-care projects free of charge to our partner countries in Australia and Asia. A fundamental ingredient of our work is to provide sustainable training in the form of hands-on sub-specialty fellowships. Upon completion, our Fellows have the skills and knowledge to treat patients in their chosen sub-specialty area. Through these educational projects, Sight For All is enabling our Fellows to save the sight of thousands in their country.

In September this year, Dr Aye Moe Htet from Myanmar came to Adelaide to undertake a 12-month Corneal Fellowship at the Royal Adelaide Hospital and Flinders Medical Centre. Dr Htet's journey to this point is truly inspiring. We'd love for you to learn more about Dr Htet's story by watching her interview filmed for our **2016 Christmas Appeal**



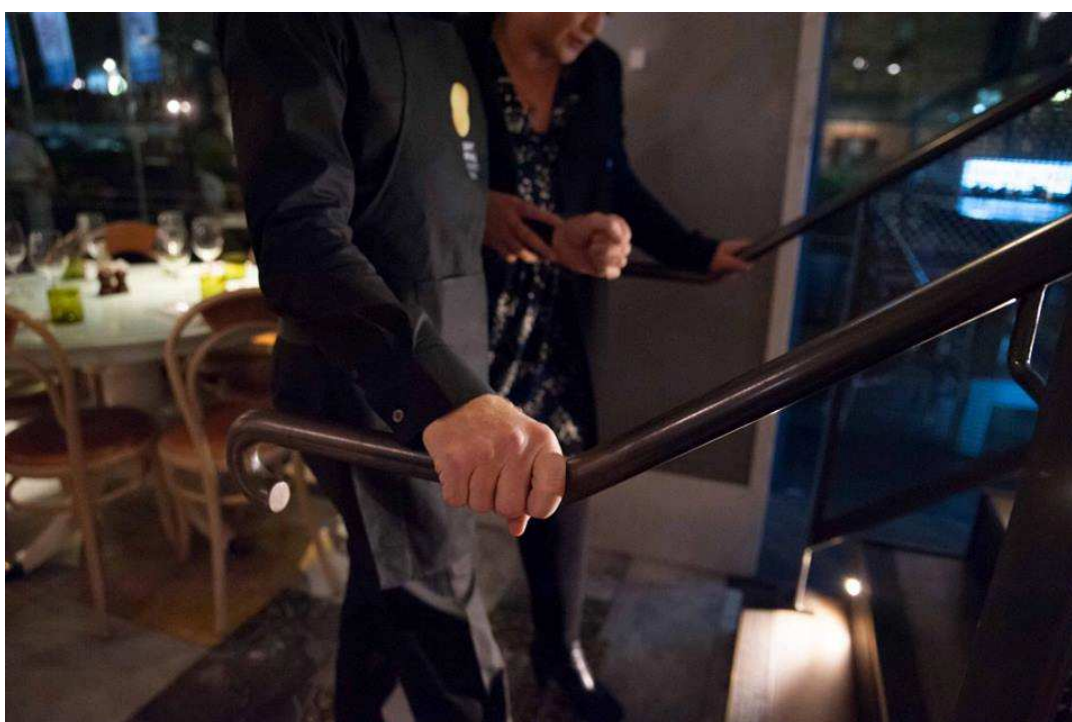
We look forward to sharing more of Dr Htet's journey with you over the coming months as she continues her Fellowship in Adelaide.

An overview of our 'eventful' year!

Sight For All events play a huge role in funding our sight-saving work in Australia and overseas. Without our event supporters, the hard work of our Events Committee and volunteers, and our extremely generous sponsors, we would not have achieved the event success of 2016!

One Night For Sight

With the success of our first One Night For Sight, a unique dining in the dark experience held in September 2015, we decided to host another of these exclusive experiences in May this year. As their other senses kicked into overdrive, guests enjoyed a once in a lifetime experience! Many thanks goes to our supporters **Sean's Kitchen, Uber Adelaide** and of course our event guests. One Night For Sight raised an incredible \$30,000, which went towards the purchase of a diagnostic device for Cambodia. If attending a future One Night For Sight event is something you would like to experience, please contact Beth Rackham via email - marketing@sightforall.org



The Very Slow Long Lunch

The Very Slow Long Lunch has become a signature Sight For All event and this year's event did not disappoint! Our biggest lunch yet, attended by 300 guests in the Old Ram Shed at the **Adelaide Showground**, raised nearly \$100,000. The lunch was again sponsored by **Inservio** and featured a warm and hearty feast served up by the fabulous **Emma Reeves Catering**, beautiful furniture from **JAKS Hire and Events** and country chic theming from **EMKHO!**

The day was capped off with a **Hains & Co** gin bar featuring some of Adelaide's best craft gins and boutique tonics. A big thank you to all our incredibly generous sponsors, donors, our MC, our auctioneers, the Sight For All Events Committee, the volunteers who helped out on the day and of course the guests - we couldn't do it without you! To see all the photos from this year's lunch [click here!](#)



Golf For Sight

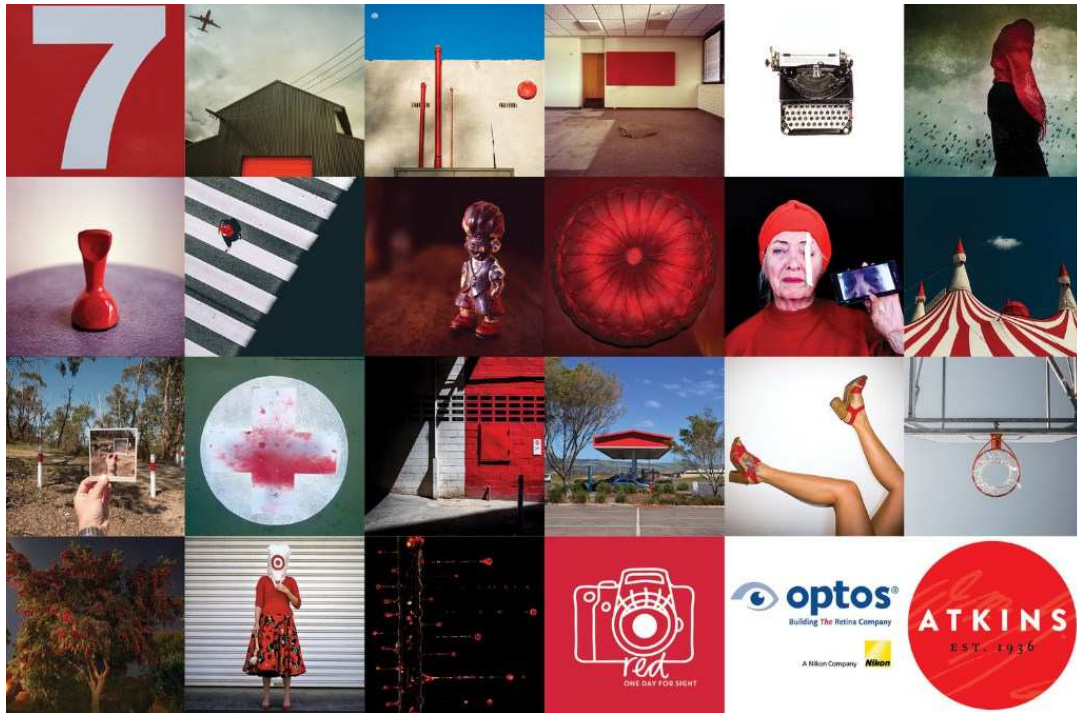
Sight For All hosted our first fundraising golf day, Golf For Sight, on Friday 28th October at Kooyonga Golf Course. The Ambrose competition was accompanied by a variety of on-course catering including drinks from **Drakes Supermarkets** and **Bickfords**, **Hewitson** wine tasting, **Sean's Kitchen** beer & cider tasting and a hearty BBQ from **Revolution Roofing**.

The golf game was followed by a lunch where guests heard from two speakers, Jodie Van Deventer, CEO of The Committee For Adelaide, and Lara Damiani, Film Maker at Think Films. The event was a great success with the generous support from our guests, wine sponsor **Hewitson** and hole sponsors **Gliderol** and **Sean's Kitchen**. Golf For Sight will return bigger and better in 2017 - keep your eye out for a 'Save the date' which we will be sending out soon.



One Day For Sight

On October 13, World Sight Day, Sight For All's photographic competition opened to the public for entrants to submit their photo which reflected this year's theme of **'RED'**. With generous support from our event partners **Atkins Photo Lab** and **Optos, a Nikon Company**, One Day For Sight raised awareness and funds that will go towards Sight For All's sight-saving activities. From the entries, our fantastic judges Lisa Slade, Narelle Autio and Hugo Michell chose the final exhibition selection. Our 2016 winner Tony Kearney was announced at the One Day For Sight Launch which took place on Tuesday 29 November. The **'RED'** exhibition will run throughout December to the end of January at the Adelaide Festival Centre and thereafter at the Adelaide Airport. If you'd like to purchase one of the incredible images, please head to the **Atkins website** to order online. You can also visit our **Facebook page** to view a live video from the evening and see a slideshow of the 33 finalists. A big thank you to our sponsors and congratulations to all of our entrants!



Join our vision and help us save-sight, alleviate poverty and positively impact the lives of thousands! By joining **Vision 1000** this Christmas, as an individual, family or business, you can allow Sight For All to grow our projects in Australia and Overseas. **Click the 'Join Today' button for more information!**



Sight For All events have a huge impact on our sight-saving projects: case Study Dr Phayvanh Sayalith



From 2013 to 2015 Sight For All conducted teaching in paediatric ophthalmology at the National Ophthalmology Centre in Vientiane, Lao. Dr Sayalith attended many of the teaching sessions including lectures, clinics and surgery. As a third year resident, Dr Sayalith was selected as an ideal candidate to undertake a Sight For All In-Country Paediatric Ophthalmology Fellowship. Dr Sayalith had shown an interest in and skills for paediatric ophthalmology and commenced her two-year Fellowship in 2015.

Sight For All Visionaries realised that Dr Sayalith would benefit from an Enhanced Observership in Australia, to gain exposure to a busy paediatric ophthalmology unit. Dr Sayalith has just completed her time at the Royal Children's Hospital in Melbourne, under the supervision of Sight For All Visionary Dr James Elder. Dr Sayalith has learnt valuable knowledge and skills that will enable her to establish a

successful unit at NOC. This is yet another example of our hands-on sustainable approach that will enable our colleagues to ultimately teach their own Fellows, and within a short period of time save the sight of thousands.

Dr Sayalith stayed with Dr Elder and his wife Kate during her time in Australia. We thank the Elders for taking such great care of Dr Sayalith, and our wonderful supporter and Ambassador, Manny Stul, whose donation to Sight For All made this project a reality.

Sight For All's Executive Officer, Judy Bickmore, caught up with Dr Sayalith in Melbourne just prior to her return home. Dr Sayalith told Judy that she'd had the most rewarding time in Australia and that her learning and skills have been heightened because of the experience. Dr Sayalith's experience demonstrates how Sight For All's sustainable educational projects are making a lasting impact on the eye-health of a developing country.

Dr Sayalith's In-country Fellowship will continue in Lao throughout 2017 and is being funded by proceeds raised from The Very Slow Long Lunch 2016. To all the guests of the event, we say a huge 'thank you' for your attendance and support. Your contribution is greatly assisting the eye health of children in Lao.

Thank YOU for YOUR support!

Because of You we have a lot to be grateful for, and we want to say a big thank you to all of our supporters, Vision 1000 members, sponsors, donors, Visionaries and volunteers. Thank you for helping Sight For All make a difference to the lives of thousands of individuals, their families and their community.

On behalf of the Sight For All Board, staff and volunteers we want to thank you for being a part of our sight-saving journey. **We wish you a very Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year!**

Sight For All's eye care professionals are all volunteers and any support in helping us achieve our goals is much appreciated. Give the gift of sight this Christmas!



[Unsubscribe](#) | [Update Subscription Preferences](#)