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From the CEO's Desk

Honorary memberships: I would like to announce two new Honorary memberships to ACA.

Dr Angela Lewis: Angela has been recognised for Honorary Membership for her contributions to ACA over an 8 year period. Angela has been with ACA since its inception and has donated hundreds of hours of personal time to our journal Counselling Australia and the ACA Ezine through her regular columns. Angela is the only original, besides myself, contributor and reviewer of the journal left.

She has contributed a monthly column to the ACA Ezine on IT matters for many years as well as contributing a similar column to Counselling Australia. On top of that Angela has regularly contributing articles that cover IT from a counselling perspective since 2000; one of her more controversial articles being on chat rooms for cannibals. Angela has also helped many of our individual members over these years at no cost with IT problems on a voluntary basis. Angela completed her PhD at Deakin University in October 2006.

Dr Robert Scott: Rob is also an original member who first started private practice in Cairns (far north Queensland) in the mid 90's. Rob is being recognised for his contribution to the industry in regard to raising the profile of counselling and ACA within the commercial sector. Rob has been successful in generating work throughout Queensland and Australia for counsellors in positions traditionally held by other allied health professionals.

Rob has also had counselling recognised nationally by large multi-national insurance companies. Rob is now rolling out a new Lifestyle program called Dream Team (you may have seen the adds on TV) which is again providing employment opportunities for counsellors, firstly in Queensland and then throughout Australia. Rob is also responsible for developing the Wellbeing mental health program that has been adopted within many workplaces and city councils around Australia. Rob received an Honorary PhD in recognition for this work from James Cook University.

Congratulations to both Rob and Angela.