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hairperson of the City Mission Board, Missionet Laing, cut the giant birthday cake.

The tawns in front of Parliament House would a great setting for a picnic aftercon. The mission provided a free sausage zele and drinks, balloons and face painting the kid's and an excellent concert band ayed happily away in the background.

The mission's flagship as it were, "The fission Belle", an early model fire-truck ecorated with mission logos, stood by and atched several hundred family and friends that up a relaxing and sun baked afternoon of elebration.

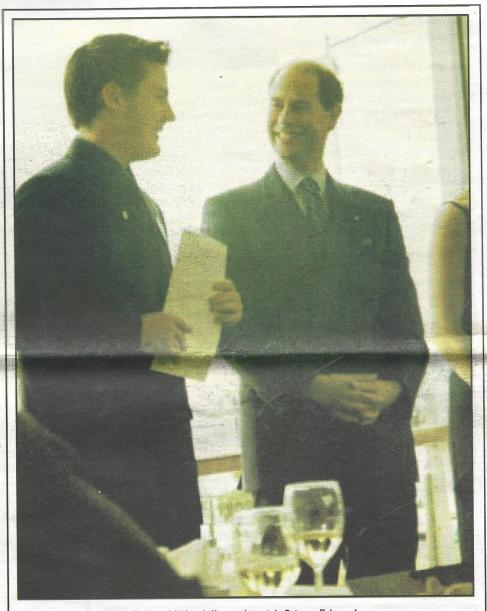
The mayors of surrounding cities, Hobart, Penorchy and Clarence, have all hosted eceptions for valued business supporters of the mission in those areas, as well as longterm donors.

The annual report of the mission has taken be form of a short history, unfolding the fasinating story of the places and pioneer workrs that formed the foundation of this great hristian charitable organisation.

— Colin Dean



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Richard Woodall speaks with Prince Edward

Golden awards

"Australia is a magnificent country. I think you are very fortunate. Serve Australia well because the future of every country depends on the spirit of its boys and girls," said the then Duke of Edinburgh (later **King Edward VIII**) in 1920.

He was speaking at the presentation of gold Duke of Edinburgh awards and his words were repeated on Monday, 25 November, at The Strand in Williamstown, Victoria, when His Royal Highness **Prince Edward**, the Earl of Wessex, himself a Duke of Edinburgh gold awardee, presented gold awards to four young Australians.

The recipients were Clare Dunin, from Ruyton Girls' School; Charlotte House, an independent awardee; Chris Toolley from Braybrook College and Scouts Australia; and Richard Woodall who gained his award through Boys' Brigade.

Prince Edward said, "The Duke of Edinburgh award is designed to be a challenge. Well, you have achieved it. It is an international award for young people. Many people may say, 'I can do that'. The difference is, you know you can."

The award, begun in 1956 and available now in 100 countries, is for young people aged 14-25 who must achieve in the areas of physical recreation, expedition, service, skills and a residential project. Last year, 1,813 people achieved the gold award.

Speaking of the award Richard Woodall, 18, a member of Mitcham Baptist Church, said, "My relationship with God definitely improved and I made lots of new friends. It's the people you make friends with that make it so great."

- Helen Woodall