

South Australia

Angus says thanks

The Donor Mobile has been busy visiting various schools, businesses and locations across South Australia.

During a Donor Mobile visit at St Peter's College, blood donors were able to see exactly who they were helping with their life-saving blood donations. Three-year-old Angus Bond and his mother Jessica, called by the school to say thank you to the boys as they donated blood.

Angus has already had 43 blood transfusions. He has Diamond-Blackfan Anaemia, one of the rarest bone marrow failure diseases. His bone-marrow can't produce red blood cells and he needs a blood transfusion each month.

Angus has a close connection to the school because his father, Jeff, is an alumni of St Peter's. Angus certainly felt at home on the campus and he had a great time catching up with the big boys at the school.

SA Donor Service's Manager Alex Frolow said that



Angus and Jessica Bond with students from St Peter's.

recipients like Angus reaffirm the importance of the work of the Blood Service.

"Angus is one of many who need SA to collect 2,600 blood donations each and every week.

"The Bond family have been champions in promoting the importance of blood donation, and their efforts, as well as those of St Peter's College, are to be commended."

New South Wales



Chris happy after donating.

Chris Allen – 100 not out

One of Lismore's most dedicated blood donors has made his 100th blood donation this month, having saved the lives of more than 300 people along the way.

Chris Allen has made a remarkable milestone as a volunteer life-saver, and he is putting the challenge out to the rest of the Lismore community to beat it. Chris gave his first blood donation at the age of 17 at Lismore Army Barracks. At the time, there was a desperate shortage of blood.

"They rounded up everyone at the army barracks and took them up to the donor centre. I was on a bed next to a fellow by the name of Mr McKenzie, and he was there giving his 100th donation. From that day on I made it my goal to give 100 blood donations." he said

He achieved that goal this month.

"I've got nine grand children now and I like to think that if anything ever happened to them they would get the best help that is available. If you give, then I think you can expect the best in return." he said.

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