

## Geraldine Doogue supports aged care nursing

**H**ighly respected journalist Geraldine Doogue was officially welcomed as patron of The Rodmell Fund for Aged Care Nurse Education late last year, at the Garden Room of Annesley, Bowral.

The Rodmell Fund was established in 2002 to commemorate the life of Australian nursing educator and administrator Joyce Crosson Rodmell OBE (1917 – 2000). It was formed by Moss Vale residents Jan and Robert Jones to provide further education to nurses working in aged care in the Southern Highlands, but has subsequently helped nurses in other parts of rural Australia where aged care facilities have critical shortages of staff and virtually no further educational opportunities. It now embraces the local government areas of Wollondilly, Wingecarribee, Goulburn-Mulwaree and Upper Lachlan.



Rodmell president Jan Jones said: "Ms Doogue's wonderful intelligence, high interest in investigating and reporting on subjects of humanitarian and social significance, and her natural warmth and concern for others, makes her the perfect patron for Rodmell."

ABOVE: RODMELL COMMITTEE MEMBERS WELCOME GERALDINE DOOGUE AS THEIR NEW PATRON (LEFT TO RIGHT): JOANNE McGRATH, RAEWYN BOLTE, MARY CLARK, GERALDINE DOOGUE, ANN GILL AND JAN JONES. ROBBIE ARRIEULA ABSENT.