

This was in the herald Sun on Tuesday in the Sports section....

#### MEDIA DIGS DEEP FOR CLARKO

Its not often a coach is stuck for words, especially after his side has walloped Collingwood. But Hawthorn's coach Alastair Clarkson wasn't saying a word at Saturday's after match conference until some money changed hands.

Clarkson produced a tin and said he wasn't talking until members of the media emptied thier pockets and made a contribution.

"Cash for comment, it's probably illegal." He quipped, "I am not going to talk until you all empty your pockets."

But it was all for a good a cause. Clarkson is a close friend of Graham Barnell, who has a rare, aggressive form of Leukemia.

He is now being treated in the US, but the cost is more than \$400,000.

The Hawks coach helped organise a tin rattle outside the MCG on Saturday.