

***Notebook* magazine to close**

News Magazines announced today that the last issue of *Notebook* magazine will go on sale in October.

Notebook magazine was launched in 2005 by Federal Publishing Company (FPC) and was acquired by News Limited as part of its purchase of FPC in 2007.

News Magazines' chief executive officer Sandra Hook says: "Closing a title is never an easy decision. The staff has worked extremely diligently in a very competitive environment and I want to acknowledge the loyalty of *Notebook's* readers and advertisers."

"The closure of *Notebook* will allow us to devote more energy to our core food, home and fashion titles, our market leading digital properties *taste.com.au* and *vogue.com.au* and other investment areas including digital applications that are being developed," said Ms Hook.

News Magazines has found positions for a number of staff but some redundancies are anticipated.

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