

The Networker



Rotary Friends and Friends of Rotary,

"Literacy is a bridge from misery to hope. For everyone, everywhere, literacy is, along with education in general, a basic human right.... It is the road to human progress and the means through which every man, woman and child can realize his or her full potential."
Kofi Annan Secretary-General of the United Nations 1997-2006

For 110 years, Rotarians have served in countless ways and I continue to be amazed at the myriad of service projects planned and carried out by individual Rotarians and clubs. However, Rotary now encourages clubs to focus their efforts, particularly those involving international service, in six critical areas:

- Peace and conflict prevention/resolution
- Disease prevention and treatment
- Water and sanitation
- Maternal and child health
- Basic education and literacy
- Economic and community development

These are the areas in which our energies should now be focussed. In time it is hoped that Rotary will become known as the prime go-to organisation for people or groups wanting to rectify these significant humanitarian problems. The recently announced change to the Rotary Calendar of special observances designates specific months

March is World Literacy Month



to highlight these areas of focus. The new calendar will commence on 1st July 2015.

This year, March is still designated as World Literacy Month. Next year it will be Water and Sanitation Month and September will become the month in which we emphasise the importance of Basic Education and Literacy. September has been chosen to align with UNESCO's annual International Literacy Day on 8th September.

Combating illiteracy has been a major focus of Rotary International since 1986 – and for good reason. UNESCO estimates that worldwide, 67 million children have no access to education, and more than 775 million people over the age of 15 are illiterate, about two-thirds of them are women. Millions more are functionally illiterate, without the reading and writing skills necessary for everyday life.

Since 2002, Rotary International has partnered with the International Reading Association to advance literacy in communities worldwide by providing books and educational materials, by building and supporting schools, by mentoring students, by training teachers and by establishing literacy programs for children and adults. RI and the IRA know that literacy is an essential ingredient for reducing poverty, improving health, encouraging community and economic development, and promoting peace.



DG Murray takes a class in basic literacy at Trinity Grammar School Early Learning Centre

On the following link you will find examples of successful literacy projects and resources for clubs wishing to empower people and communities around the world through literacy.

<https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/document/literacy-project-guide>.

In recent years, District 9800 Rotarians have supported the Aboriginal Literacy Foundation by donating picture books, easy fiction and non-fiction books for children aged 0-12 years.

At this year's District Conference we will be launching our new literacy program – a partner-

ship with the Smith Family and its *Lets Read* program. *Let's Read* provides disadvantaged parents and carers with reading books and encourages them to have fun reading with their young children. Children who are read to regularly at an early age enter school with larger vocabularies and more advanced comprehension skills. (Mol & Bus, 2011). Without books to stimulate learning in the home, disadvantaged children don't have the same shared reading time as their more advantaged peers. Alarming, by age six disadvantaged chil-

dren are around seven times more likely than other children to be doing badly at school.

By purchasing the research based "*Lets Read*" reading packs, our Rotary Clubs will be able to help children to develop their early literacy skills. It would be a wonderful if every club showed a commitment to improving literacy rates in Australia by making a contribution to the program.

And speaking of the Conference, you should be aware that there are many reasons for joining us in Hobart from 12th -14th March. The conference will be *Illuminating Rotary* with outstanding speakers to inform and inspire you as well as market place displays and videos of numerous Rotary programs. There will be some superb entertainment headlined by Colleen Hewett and her band and many opportunities for networking and fellowship. Irene and I look forward to seeing you in Hobart.

Murray Verso
District Governor 2014-2015

Rotary Expo on Australia Day

By Rowan McClean, District Chair International Service

In order to attract new members, as a first step non-Rotarians need to be aware of Rotary and the excellent work it does to help needy individuals and communities at home and abroad. All indications are that this level of public awareness is very low.

Currently the District has 55 RAWCS-registered projects in 17 countries, 2 RABS projects, DIK operations that ship some 50 containers of goods to various lesser-developed communities each year and clubs support for ROMAC, Interplast, RAM and other international projects such as Ebola prevention and treatment through funding.

A display of District offshore projects was held last May at what has been an annual International Service / RAWCS display at International House, but the attendees have been almost all Rotarians and this led to a decision to trial project displays in the public arena.

Club International Service Directors and project managers of endorsed projects in D9800 were invited to showcase their international projects as part of Australia Day celebrations at Lake Weeroona, Bendigo, an event coordinated by the Rotary Club of Bendigo Sandhurst with support from other clubs in the Goldfields cluster and Assistant Governors, Grant Hocking and Greg Noonan.



World of Difference, Seven Women and separate projects being managed by clubs were displayed, including some from Melbourne-based clubs. PDG John Wigley was on hand to explain how the Rotary Foundation operates and District Governor Murray Verso also attended the function to support the initiative.

The weather was excellent and a very large crowd attended the celebrations. In walking around the lake, all attendees passed the international projects display which was very visibly Rotary branded. Handcrafts and clothing from Timor Leste, Cambodia and Nepal were on sale and projects in a range of Asia/Pacific and African countries were on display. Interest and enquiries were constant, and project managers were able to explain what was being done to help needy people through each project.



Most importantly, many people were invited to contact their local Rotary club and to attend meetings. Excellent pamphlets outlining Rotary activities and contact details for Goldfield cluster clubs had been printed for the event. Contacts were made with several previous Rotaractors who had lost touch with the organisation but had an interest in perhaps getting involved again. There were people who expressed a need to make a contribution to others less fortunate. There were others whose recent circumstances had changed which has created more time for them to become involved. We asked them, and are confident that some new members for local clubs will result from the event.

The event was really worthwhile, and has acted as a sound pilot for a similar event proposed for Melbourne's CBD in July/August this year. Planning for the Melbourne event is underway, and details will be advised when finalised.

An Experience of a Lifetime! – Rotary Youth Exchange

By Vanda Mullen, Youth Exchange Chair



Congratulations to our recently returned 2014 Outbounds!

The District Youth Exchange Committee hosted a debriefing day for the recently returned exchange students at International House on Sunday 8 February.

Each student gave a short presentation about his or her year of exchange overseas and everyone was most impressed with their stories of courage, achievement and great learning, as ambassadors for Rotary. The returned students spoke with great pride and gratitude to Rotary for providing

them with the best year of their lives. Of special significance on the day was an important keepsake for them, their D9800 Youth Exchange certificate that was presented to students by DG Murray.

We are now seeking nominations for Host Clubs for the arrival of Inbound students in July 2015.

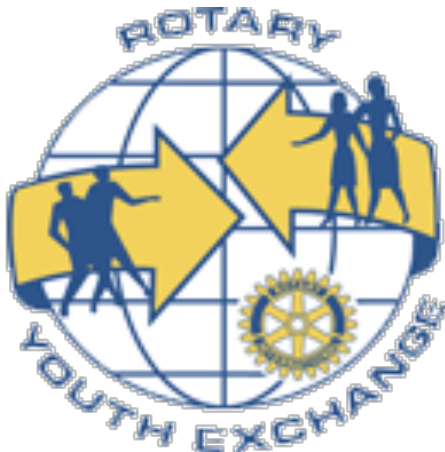
Also, please consider selecting an Outbound student from your local school or community group for Rotary Youth Exchange during 2016. The closing date for student applications is Thursday 2nd April 2015.

Why not consider accepting the role as the sponsor club for your chosen outbound applicant. All you need to do is nominate a club counselor to mentor your applicant. Please note that there will be no cost to your club.

Please refer to the D9800 Youth Exchange website:

www.rotaryyouthexchangeaustralia.com.au for further information.

Pictured: DG Murray and Youth Exchange Chairman Vanda with the recently returned Outbound students at International House during their De Brief Program on Sunday 8th February.



The Work of Rotary in Timor Leste

From the Rotary Club of Balwyn

The Rotary Liaison Officer was first established in late 2002 through the RC of Footscray to deal with the logistics of clearing containers of goods sent from Australia.

Daryl Mills assumed the role in Timor Leste in December 2003. Since then the funding of his work has been largely uncertain. Initially a few clubs reimbursed Daryl's expenses. In 2011, with Daryl's future as liaison officer in the balance, the RC of Balwyn committed to the funding of the role for 5 years. LO LOGISTICS was established as a company in Timor Leste.

In 2014 a number of Rotary clubs contributed to the purchase of a new vehicle for the use of the Liaison Office. It demonstrated that with a small contribution from a number of sources, much can be achieved.

With the commitment of the RC of Balwyn coming to an end in June 2015, it is time for clubs to consider whether this service in Timor Leste should continue and if so what commitment they are able to make to ensure the service continues.

There are dozens of Rotary clubs who have undertaken projects or sent supplies to Timor Leste. The Liaison Office will have played a part in these projects with advice, co-ordination, and logistics.

What does the Liaison Office do?

1. Manages the containers and humanitarian aids that are sent to Timor. The liaison officer receives a container about once per week.
2. ROMAC – Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children.

About 30 children with life threatening conditions receive the much needed surgery each year.

3. Darryl also runs between 30 and 50 projects initiated by Rotary and other NGOs concurrently.

Timor Leste-Some facts

"Between 1975 and 1999, during the Indonesia occupation, approximately 100,000 to 250,000 East Timorese were killed. A UN-backed referendum resulted in East Timor's independence, but anti-independence militias killed 1,400 Timorese and displaced 75 percent of the population before peacekeeping forces could arrive. Unrest left most of the country's infrastructure, including housing, irrigation, drinking water systems, schools and almost the entire electricity grid destroyed."

Domestic unrest in 2006 led to the displacement of a further 150,000 people, some of whom remain in refugee camps even today. Unresolved political and social tensions contribute to the continued instability and uncertainty of East Timor's future.

Today over 75 percent of East Timorese live in rural areas, and 37 percent live on less than \$1.25 per day (UN 2008). Most are subsistence farmers with plots too small to support their families and over 80 percent of households subsequently don't have enough food for approximately two months a year.



Daryl Mills, unloading a container in Dili.

DG Murray Verso adds:

As District Governor, I would ask all Clubs in District 9800 to consider offering on-going support to Daryl and the Rotary Centre Dili. If each Club in the District contributed just \$1,000 per year we would ensure that Daryl's work in East Timor continues.

Your contribution however large or small should be forwarded to an account managed by The Rotary Club of Balwyn:

Name: Rotary Timor Leste L O

BSB No: 633-000

Account No: 152124566

GSE Team from USA

By our Roving Reporter

The incoming Group Study Exchange Team from District 6840 in USA was welcomed at Milano's Restaurant last week.

Team Leader Carl Michel introduced his team from Southeastern Louisiana and the Mississippi Gulf Coast: Chris Vignes, Alex Michael, Kait Sukiennik, and Matthew Winterkorn. The team gave us a lively presentation about themselves and their district, but questioning revealed that although they had already sampled Aussie beers and wines, they have a lot to learn about Aussie Rules and Cricket.

In his welcoming address, DG Murray Verso introduced them to some Aussie words and simple phrases, which they will no doubt find useful.



This exciting group of young citizens show that the GSE program is thriving and giving excellent rewards to all who participate. They present themselves as excellent ambassadors for their country, and we are sure they will enjoy their visit to Australia.

A full report will follow later, but you can see photos of the welcome dinner arranged by RC Brighton Beach at:

<https://picasaweb.google.com/106224275621582639712/GSEWelcome2015?authkey=Gv1sRgCL2e-LnwrOfUxgE>



Our photos show Team Leader Carl Michel and his team, with the sun setting over the bay behind them, then Carl with a Rotary 110 years birthday cake, and entertainment from Clarissa Martinez.

Come play with the kids – in Nepal!

By Peter Hall, RC Kyneton

Yes, you may have seen this heading before. A Networker article twelve months ago attracted several volunteers including World Peace Clown Susan Carew, who joined us with her clowning antics in Kathmandu and Pokhara and in remote villages even further west.

This was in support of a 10-day training program for teachers of schools of Ghara village and surrounding areas. We also delivered a holiday program for children of Paudwar village. Fun and games for all. Your background doesn't matter – you're sure to find a way to interact with the children, singing songs, playing games, whatever you fancy. We've had reading and story-telling, kite making and circus tricks.



Not only do the children enjoy these holiday programs – they gain a rare opportunity to interact with and converse with native English speakers. Teachers and former teachers are, of course, especially welcome, but you're bound to have some skills to entertain the kids. And if you have children of your own, why not bring them? They'll gain a lot from the trip, and that's an even better way to give the local children access to our language.

We will also be able to observe and contribute to another 10-day training program for those Ghara teachers, and a 6-day refresher program for teachers of Histan and Ramche schools who began their training in October.

The training is delivered by LEARN ("Lifting Education, Advancing Rural Nepal"), an NGO established last year under the sponsorship of RAWCS-registered project 'Nepali Village Initiatives' (43-2009/10), operating as "Quality Education Nepal".



Trip dates have yet to be confirmed to suit the volunteer team, but will be in April and maybe running into May. A minimum of three weeks is needed to reach the remote villages. We hope, at Paudwar village, to witness a Bhumi-puja, a local cultural celebration which will be staged with full regalia this year to be captured for a documentary film.

Volunteers cover their own travel expenses (last year these amounted to less than \$2,500 including airfares), with full travel insurance provided by Rotary.

Please visit our website at www.nepalaid.org.au or call Peter Hall on 03 5424 1453 for more details.

OAM for Prahran Rotarian

By Graeme Newton, RC Prahran

Thanks to the sharp eyes of our Club optometrist Helen Robbins, who spotted a familiar face in a Boroondara Leader press article!

So called "Jim Thomas" was awarded an OAM in the Australia Day Honours list, but was it modesty on his part or slack journalism that misnamed our own Jim Smith as James Thomas?

Congratulations Jim on this wonderful award, which is recognising your achievements and service as follows:

Mr James Thomas SMITH, Hawthorn Vic

For service to animal welfare organisations, and to the community.

Director/Councillor, RSPCA Victoria, since 1984; Chairman, Audit, Risk and Finance Committee, since 2008; Honorary Treasurer, 1984-2008; Honorary Life Member, since 1992. Chairman, RSPCA Victoria Foundation, since 1980s.

President, Rotary Club of Prahran, 1997-1998; Director, Vocational Service, current; Club Mentor, current; Secretary; Treasurer; Sergeant; Community Service Chair; New Generations Chair; Member, since 1980.

Chair, Rotary Districts Conference Organising Committee, Rotary District 9800, 2001, Paul Harris Fellow Sapphire award.

Former Partner, MSI Ragg Weir Accountants, retired 2013. Fellow, Institute of Chartered Accountants.

That should earn him a big fine at Monday's meeting!

Jim humbly accepts Medal

JIM Thomas says there are plenty of people more deserving of an Australia Day honour than he is.

Mr Thomas, from Hawthorn, has spent more than 30 years devoting his time and energy to the RSPCA and to the Rotary Club of Prahran.

Yesterday he was awarded the Medal (OAM) of the Order of Australia.

Mr Thomas, an accountant, has spent 30 years with the RSPCA, handling many of the behind-the-scenes roles that don't always get noticed.

He was the Chairman of the Audit, Risk and Finance Committee from 2008-2014, Honorary Treasurer from 1984-2008 and an honorary Life Member since 1992.

He has been involved with Rotary since 1980.

Mr Thomas said there wasn't one standout moment in his time with the organisation, but there were still many high-



lights, including organising a food hygiene course for people living in Prahran's Horace Petty housing estate.

"It's a shock to get something like this," he said of the OAM.

"I'm very proud and there are a lot of things that I've been associated with.

"But I've also seen so many more worthy people than me over the years and so I wish to accept this on their behalf."

Working together to improve literacy worldwide

For most of us, reading and writing are as natural as breathing. But nearly 800 million adults worldwide lack the literacy skills needed to complete a job application, understand a child's report card, or read a prescription.

Rotary International and the International Reading Association know that literacy is an essential ingredient for reducing poverty, improving health, encouraging community and economic development, and promoting peace. Since 2002, RI and the IRA have combined their resources and skills to advance literacy in communities worldwide by

- Providing books and educational materials
- Building and supporting schools
- Mentoring students
- Training teachers
- Establishing literacy programs for children and adults



The Rotary International and the International Reading Association Literacy Project Guide

is designed to help Rotary clubs and IRA reading councils to select and carry out literacy projects that meet their community's needs. You'll find examples of successful projects along with contact information, resources, and local and international service opportunities. You can download it at:

<https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/document/literacy-project-guide>

Black Rock man aids Tibet villagers

By Tony Thomas, RC Central Melbourne Sunrise

Tibetan Village Project Australia Inc. (TVPA) is a not for profit, non political, non religious organization established almost a decade ago by Don Cullen after he had travelled to Tibet enjoying high altitude trekking and working with local Tibetans. Don felt he could help the local people to show their dignity and under the banner of TVPA set out helping to establish medical clinics, an orphanage, educational facilities and green houses. It soon became apparent that by helping the Tibetans help themselves, a number of these projects, in a very short period of time became self sufficient.



Don Cullen of Black Rock, Melbourne, and a member of the Rotary Club of Brighton North, started the organisation after visiting the country numerous times over the years and has spent the past ten years working on the program full time.

His program was among the recipients of aid from the \$114,000 raised in total by the open-garden weekend Garden DesignFest last November. Four Bayside gardens were among the 28 involved.

Some of the Tibet projects Cullen established over the years are greenhouses, which produce fresh vegetables. The greenhouses extend the growing period from 3 months to 10 months per year. The produce is used for orphanages, schools and remote villages.

Ten medical clinics last year provided medical assistance to over 25,000 patients, free including traditional medicines.

Other programs include schools, orphanages, animal breeding, and sanitary projects, with others implemented as required.

Don travels to Tibet twice a year, and takes a small group with him to view the projects and to visit historical sites.

Read more about Tibetan Village Project Australia Inc. at www.tvpaustralia.org.au



Photos show Don before Lhasa, with kids in a project greenhouse, with Tibetan friends and a project medical centre in action.

Hawthorn Craft Market

By David Baker, RC Camberwell

The Rotary Club of Camberwell has been selected the City of Boroondara to take over the day to day management of the Hawthorn Craft Market in the heart of Camberwell. The Market has a proud history, was established in 1979, and is one of Melbourne's longest running makers' markets. In fact, it's an iconic feature of the cultural and community fabric of Boroondara. The Market provides an outlet for craftspeople, artisans and designers producing high quality and unique products, to showcase their wares on the 1st Sunday of each month (excluding April- 2nd Sunday).

Around 40 stallholders sell a wide range of individually designed and handcrafted items including- Jewellery, Cards, Beauty products, Toys, Food, Fashion, Accessories, Plants and Homewares.

Entry is free. Opening Hours are 10am-3pm

Venue- Parkview Room (next to Camberwell Library)
340 Camberwell Road, Camberwell

Market facilities include the Ignite Cafe offering tea, coffee, drinks, gourmet sweets, savoury snacks and more. The not for profit cafe is run by the Jesuit Community College. There's ample local parking close to the venue. Rotarians, family and friends are encouraged to take a look and support this Rotary Club of Camberwell community fundraising initiative. It's just over the road from the Camberwell Sunday Market- which our Club also supports.

2015 calendar of Market dates will be available at

www.hawthorncraftmarket.org.au <https://www.facebook.com/HawthornCraftMarket>

Enquiries: admin@hawthorncraftmarket.org.au



What month is it?



The RI Board has modified Rotary's calendar of special observances to designate specific months highlighting the Areas of Focus.

The new special observance months are:

September: Basic Education and Literacy

October: Economic and Community Development

December: Disease Prevention and Treatment

January: Vocational Service

February: Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution

March: Water and Sanitation

April: Maternal and Child Health

May: Youth Services

The NEW Rotary Theme Months take effect from JULY 1 2015.

Young Writers get Published

From "Rotary Weekly"

In Jamaica, 11-year-old Jordan Allwood read his classmates a story about a lonely puppy who finds a new family.

"The puppy grows into a big dog, enjoys walks along the beach, and survives a frightening autumn day when he is caught in a trap before being rescued by his family." Jordan's story is one of hundreds that were written by children ages 7-11 for a writing contest organized by the Rotary E-Club of the Caribbean 7020 and supported by clubs in 10 Caribbean nations.

The best stories, including Jordan's, were published in "The Butterfly StoryBook," produced by the club and sold through Amazon.com. Rotary members and others are encouraged to donate copies to school libraries. Proceeds are used to support other literacy efforts.

In July, Rotary International and the International Reading Association (IRA) selected the Butterfly StoryBook project and a summer mobile library project run by the Rotary Club of Ellensburg Morning, Washington, USA, to receive two \$2,500 awards from the Pearson Foundation. The awards recognize projects in which Rotary clubs and local IRA-affiliated reading councils collaborate to strengthen literacy in local and international communities. Rotary and the IRA have been project partners since 2002.

Diana White, a past district governor and member of the Rotary E-Club of the Carib-

bean 7020, says she got the idea for the story contest after a visit to the headquarters of Rotary International in Britain and Ireland (RIBI), which holds a number of well-publicized youth contests every year. White said a project that involved drafting rules and promoting a contest was perfect for the e-club. It turned to clubs throughout the district to solicit entries from local schools.

In 2013, the contest's first year, 200 children contributed stories. This year, 300 young writers took part. Each club selects three local winners, who receive certificates. Then a panel of judges from the e-club chooses 10 stories from among all of those to include in "The Butterfly StoryBook." Each of those young authors receives \$50 in books.



Two winning story writers in St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands, proudly receive their autographed copies of "The Butterfly StoryBook 2014."

Photo Credit: Diana White, Rotary E-Club of the Caribbean



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Speaker Bank Update

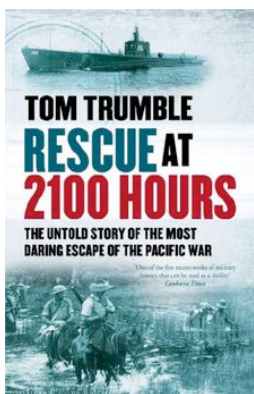
By Jill Weeks, Speaker Bank Committee

Thanks to the following Rotarians for their feedback:

David Shave, from the Rotary Club of Yarra Bend:

Some months ago, we had a speaker called Tom Trumble. He is an author, with a specialty of military history. His presentation was compelling, he is particularly erudite.

Rescue At 2100 Hours, Tom Trumble



February 1942. The Japanese invasion of Timor had begun and attempts to evacuate a group of 29 Australian airmen, charged with keeping an airfield operational until the last moment, were thwarted.

Under the leadership of Bryan Rofe, a 24-year-old meteorological officer, the airmen made for remote jungle along the northwest coast. All attempts to rescue

the group failed. Using diaries of the airmen and wartime records, Rofe's grandson Tom Trumble brings to life one of the greatest stories of survival and escape of the Second World War'.

Contact: Tom Trumble Mobile: 0400-021 109
Email: tom.trumble@gmail.com

Ian Johnson from the Rotary Club of West Footscray:

More Praise For Jeremy Scott: '.... we had an excellent speaker last week, Jeremy Scott, speaking on A Broken Heart to a Ride Around The World. I can highly recommend him'.



The Long Road From A Broken Heart, Jeremy Scott

As a toddler Jeremy Scott was too sick to run around a field with his friends. Open heart surgery as a four year old changed all that and from an early age he

realised every day in life was a blessing. Thirty four years after that life changing operation and with no previous cycle touring experience or training, he set off on an incredible solo 52,000km bicycle ride around the world that would take over 2 ½ years to complete.

For more information about his journey and recently published book 'The Long Road From A Broken Heart' see Jeremy's website www.jeremyscott.com.au or to book a talk please email jeremy@jeremyscott.com.au or call 0475 514 601.

Who watched 'Homicide', 'Division 4', 'Matlock Police', 'Cop Shop', 'Number 96', 'The Sullivans', 'The Flying Doctors'?

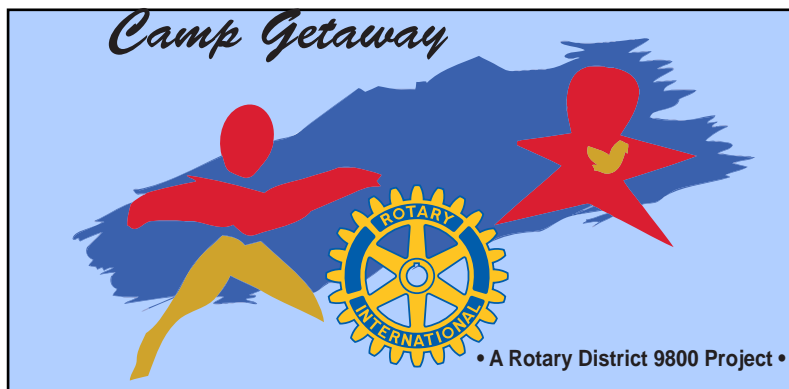


Entertaining, Amusing, Informative, Excellent Speaker! Ian Crawford has spoken at the Rotary Club of Canterbury and this week he spoke at the Rotary Club of Hawthorn. His presentation is excellent! This may be a good presentation for a partner's meeting. Ian usually speaks for approximately 1 hour. At the Rotary Club of Hawthorn Ian spoke for 45 minutes.

'Crawford Productions And The Dramas Of Early Television!', Ian Crawford

Ian's speech spans the late 1930s to the late 1980s, and is particularly about Crawfords and the travails of the company, the collapse of radio drama following the arrival of television, the company's efforts to get drama onto TV, early TV series and serials, along with an **inside look** at such moguls as Sir Frank Packer, Kerry Packer, and Sir Reginald Ansett.

Contact: Ian Crawford Email: crawfy59@hotmail.com



A good roll-up of Rotarians from various D9800 clubs were on hand at Camp Getaway (Rotary D9800) on Saturday January 31st to continue work on the foundations for the new kitchen, and also to welcome DG Murray Verso to do the official 'turning of the first sod' for the kitchen project.

DG Murray had to 'fight' Leon Scott, RC Eaglehawk, for control of the excavator and auger to complete the 'sod turning'. Suffice to say, DG Murray was a dab hand at the controls of the excavator!

Earlier, Leon Scott, in the tradition of omelets, showed that you have to break more than eggs, to get a new kitchen built; as he manoeuvred a small excavator into the current kitchen to assist with digging the footings.

Three working bees in recent weeks have seen a small band of dedicated Rotarians make a huge impression on really getting the new kitchen underway. The teams have been led by Leon Scott who has the practical skills to motivate others to progress this exciting project. - **Wayne Smith, Chair Camp Getaway**



Camp Getaway caters for those of all abilities and mobility, provides a meeting place for support groups, and offers those who need it most a sanctuary away from their daily struggles. Whilst disability and related support groups have priority for booking dates, Camp Getaway welcomes bookings from family groups, church groups, clubs, special functions, business meetings, and recreational groups. All enquiries are welcome. Contact Manager Dowell Mitchell on 03 5439 7228 <http://www.campgetaway.com.au>



The New Broomance - Swachh Bharat

By Dr. Rekha Shetty

Swachh Bharat Abhiyan (English: Clean India Mission) is a national campaign by the Government of India, to clean the streets, roads and infrastructure of the country.

Sweeping changes are expected as the idea of Swachh Bharat has taken the world by storm. Now what is needed is action, more action!

Japan was a winner in the World Cup, though they lost the first match they played. They caught the world's attention, when all the Japanese fans and players cleaned up their part of the stadium after the match! They set a new gold standard for civility and educated cleanliness. Japanese teachers and students stay back half an hour after class to clean up the classroom and keep it ready for the next day. One of the airlines requests passengers to do the same to get the aircraft ready for the next flight. The idea of cleaning up should become the job description of every person around the world. The feeling that 'others' will clean up after you is what creates all our hygiene problems. Gandhiji cleaned his own toilet. NRI's clean their own toilets when they live abroad. But in many areas around the globe, since someone else is doing it we are totally careless.

Let every reader adopt his own street with five members on a Swachh Bharat Committee:

1. To adopt cleaning, greening and composting bio-dependable waste as a regular practice
2. To build close bonds between neighbours and to mentor and teach young people special skills: sports, art, dance, music and stories.
3. To help economic development of disadvantage domestic helper, working in the street.
4. To build close relationship with officials of public utilities and government to ensure problems on the street are solved fast.

Every toilet, every park, every vehicle should be cleaner when you leave it, than when you enter it. Let us start with our own homes and offices. Let us set an example by picking up pieces of paper or plastic thrown in front of our homes. Example is the most powerful motivator. Keep your own doorstep clean.

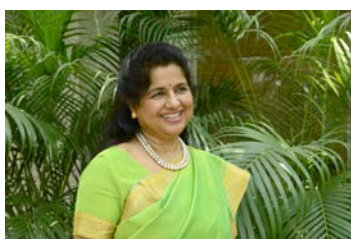
For years activists have used the pictures of Gods to prevent people using street toilets. Let us involve religious leaders to get across the message that cleanliness is next to Godliness. Let us start with our religious places. Let religious leaders make people see cleaning up as seva (volunteer work)

The Singapore Government achieved a clean Singapore by fining those who litter. The Japanese are doing it by making it a part of education and mindset. In all Rotarian communities, let us use every possible method: psychological, social, economic and religious methods to make Swachh Bharat a reality!

<http://mindspower.com/suggestions-on-swachha-bharat-mission>



Prime Minister Narendra Modi dumps garbage into a bin during the launch of 'Swachh Bharat Abhiyan' in Valmiki Basti.



Dr. Rekha Shetty is the Chairperson of the Rotary Action Group for Population and Development, an author, entrepreneur and original thinker. A Ph.D from Madras University, on the subject of innovation, she began her career with a brilliant academic record with two university ranks. She is the author of "Innovation Sutra" and "Everyday Happiness Mantras"

Women's Empowerment and Good Global Citizenship

These days, when the going gets tough, women “increase the peace.” From U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton to Liberia’s President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, the international community has learned that women’s leadership can contribute a different voice to fostering peace, alleviating poverty, and fighting for the rights of the oppressed.

Countries like Canada and Sweden that are known for promoting peacekeeping; drafting and staffing international law; and providing humanitarian aid are also deeply democratic and gender-friendly, with significant participation by women in diplomacy, decision-making, and civil society.



If empowering women does encourage good global citizenship, we need to know how and why: Perhaps, then, there is a link between women’s empowerment and good global citizenship.

But the relationship between gender and foreign policy needs to be assessed more carefully. Extraordinary leaders may be exceptions or distractions from more important drivers of foreign policy – like a country’s own development, culture, or human rights record. Individual female leaders and diplomats like Margaret Thatcher or Condoleeza Rice have been just as aggressive as their male counterparts and not necessarily sensitive to humanitarian issues or traditional “women’s concerns.” It may be important to give women greater access to decision-making as a matter of fairness, but we cannot assume it will magically transform global problems – especially as any new group entering power tends to conform to established norms.

And if empowering women does encourage good global citizenship, we need to know how and why: is it leadership, grassroots pressure, improved consciousness, or something else that has an effect on how countries behave?

Read more from the Rotary Action Group for Population and Development at

<http://www.rifpd.org/blog/425/does-women-s-empowerment-encourage-good-global-citizenship>

Australians Fight Polio

Australians have made significant contributions to polio eradication. Past RI President Clem Renouf had the vision to involve Rotary in the effort, and Rotary member Jenny Horton has spent her life on the front lines, immunizing children against the disease. Susanne Rea, organizer of the World’s Greatest Meal, which raises money for PolioPlus, reflects on her country’s contributions in a blog post in honor of Australia Day, 26 January.

- [Read Rea’s blog post](#)
- [Find out more about the World’s Greatest Meal](#)
- [Read about Rotary’s release of \\$34.8 million for polio immunization activities](#)



Promoting Membership with New ideas

By Ryan Hyland, Rotary News

Strengthening Rotary's membership is not just important for incoming district governors, it's critical. That's the message they received from several key speakers at their training event, the 2015 International Assembly in San Diego.

For membership to grow, leaders must be willing, for example, to ease stringent club meeting protocols and make other efforts to accommodate a younger, digitally oriented demographic.



Seventy percent of Rotary members are 50 years or older, while half of the world's population is under 30, according to Rotary leaders. The contrast shouldn't be something to fear, but rather something to embrace, said Rotary member Michael McQueen, a bestselling author who studies social

change, youth culture, and cultural issues and whose consulting firm, The Nexgen Group, specializes in demographic shifts and social trends.

To engage this young demographic, McQueen says that staying relevant is crucial. He shared three key ways that enduring organizations can do that: recalibrate, re-engineer, and reposition.

But relevance does not involve compromise, McQueen stressed; the values, priorities, and commitment of Rotary should never change. "Any organization that is willing to compromise its DNA in order to stay relevant never lasts. After all, if you don't stand for something, you'll fall for anything," said McQueen, a member of the Rotary Club of Crows Nest, New South Wales, Australia.

Full Story:

<https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/member-news/news-features/promoting-membership-new-idea-even-some-challenge-tradition>

Photo: Rotary member Michael McQueen, a bestselling author and founder of The Nexgen Group, talks to district governor-elects on 20 January about keeping Rotary relevant.

Photo Credit: Rotary International/Monika Lozinska

INNOVATIVE AND FLEXIBLE CLUB PILOT

By John Hewko, RI General Secretary

The RI Board of Directors is expanding the Innovative and Flexible Club pilot from 200 to 1,000 clubs beginning 1 July 2015 through 30 June 2017.

Feedback from Rotary surveys and focus groups has shown that prospective and current members wish for flexibility to become or stay involved with a Rotary club. The Board would like more supporting data on how allowing clubs flexibility affects membership and club operations.

The Innovative and Flexible Club pilot, will evaluate the impact of various changes to meeting format, leadership structure, membership qualifications and requirements on a club's ability to sustain and increase membership, implement successful programs and service projects, and support The Rotary Foundation.



To participate in this pilot, clubs must:

- Have chartered before 30 June 2010
- Be in good financial standing
- Have at least 20 members
- Not be participating in the 2011-17 membership pilots

The deadline for submitting a pilot application form is 31 March 2015. District and club officers will be notified of clubs selected to participate in June 2015.

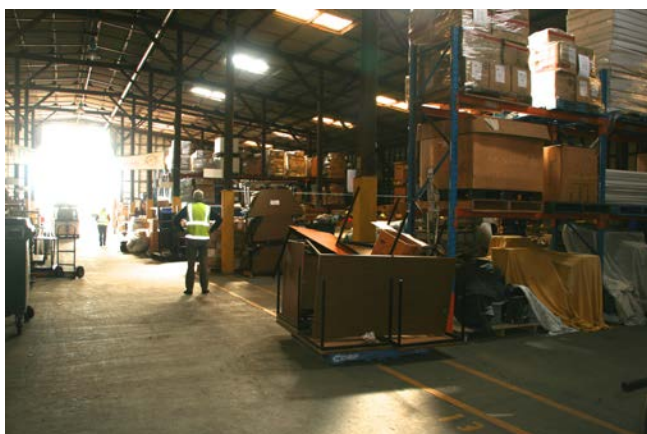
Please contact us at ripilotprograms@rotary.org with any questions.

Rotary Donations in Kind

By David Dippie, RC Keilor

Frequently Asked Questions

Donations In Kind Stores share the same principles and objectives which are covered in the general FAQ's document. Each Donations In Kind Store is autonomous and there are variations in the way they operate. Refer to the individual Store FAQ's sheet for these details.



Basic Information

Location, personnel, opening hours, etc. are covered on our website www.rotarydik.org. It may be possible to open the Store at other times by negotiation, but please remember that the Store is run by volunteers who are already making a substantial commitment.

Store Objectives

- **Support for Club Projects:** This is the main reason the Store exists; to help Clubs help others.
- **It's a Partnership:** The Store can only exist if Districts and their Clubs support it. The Store exists because of the effort of many people over many years to create one of the most cost effective ways to help people.
- **It operates as a Project:** As a very effective recycling project and when time is available it helps organizations with similar aims to Rotary.

Store Visits

One of the most effective ways to learn about the opportunities the Store provides is to visit. It has been designed to host District and Club Meetings and many Clubs take the opportunity and enjoy the experience.

How can my Club get involved?

Help to find donations. Inspect potential donations in your area. **Arrange for goods to be shipped** to the Store. **Provide labour** to load goods to be shipped to the Store. **A visit to the Store** is the best way to understand what is available. Consider a Club or Cluster Meeting, or a working Bee. **Use it as a Membership opportunity** as it's an excellent example of the power of Rotary. **Provide other Clubs with Potential Projects.** **Help to Manage the Store.** There are many worthwhile roles that can be done from home. **Use the Store as a source of material for your project.** **Run your own project.** You can make a meaningful contribution from as little as \$100. Over the last 14 years \$16 of goods has been shipped for every dollar invested in freight. **Help fund the Store** and be a silent partner in every project.

Who funds the Store?

Until we find a sponsor some Rotary Clubs have made the commitment to fund one month's rent and others contribute what they can. Without their help the Store would not exist. Contributions to the running costs also come from the donations Clubs make when they use the Store to pack a container and Clubs who see this as a great International Project. At present only one District makes regular contributions. 2014-15: Rent \$48,000 Running cost including collecting goods \$15,000

Club Container Procedure

The Store has limited space and on average ships 1.5 x 20' containers each week and as a result we have to agree on a shipping date before we can allocate a





space. When the Store receives the information above they will arrange a meeting with the Club Project Manager to discuss the project. When all of the issues have been resolved a shipping company will be selected who will provide details on the shipping dates available together with the costs.

When the shipping date has been agreed on, a storage space will be allocated and the date established on when storage can begin, when the container will arrive and the Club packing date.

DIK Inc. Clubs who fund one month's rent have free use of the Store. Clubs who donate \$1000 at the beginning of the year may be allowed to ship more than one container for free, by negotiation. For the others it is \$1,000 per container. This fee helps defray the Store running expenses.

Shipping to Timor Leste

Each of the DIK Stores tends to specialise in shipping goods to particular countries, as this is the most efficient way to operate. This Store ships goods for Clubs throughout Australia to Timor Leste. Seen in isolation it may appear that we concentrate too much on this country, but if you look at national shipments you will see it is balanced. We make regular shipments on demand, usually every 3-6 weeks. There are no restrictions on the size of the shipment and the charge is \$205/m3 (Jan 2015).

Helping other organizations

Rotary lacks the resources to help all of the people we would like to, so it is logically to help other organizations with similar goals if we can. If they want to send a container they generally fund the shipping and work through a Rotary Club. Shipments to Timor Leste are the exception where the Store will do the due diligence and the groups contribute directly to

the cost of shipping the freight and to the Store running costs.

It's your Store that provides great opportunities to help others and as the largest DIK Store it provides Clubs with the best opportunity in the world to help people this way. Many people have made a major effort to create this opportunity and your support will allow it to prosper and continue to provide this service for future generations.

We look forward to helping you help others



Photos: Loading school desks and chairs for Timor, beds from St Vincents Hospital in use in Cambodia, and fun at the Xmas lunch for the volunteers!

Rear Shed 40, 400 Somerville Road West Footscray
VIC 3012 (A Multi-District DIK Store)

Postal Address: PO Box 4139 West Footscray VIC
3012 Telephone: 0428 550 574

Email: dik.vic.rotary@gmail.com

Website www.rotarydik.org

Welcome New Members

Chris Woods, District 9800 Attendance Officer, has notified us of Clubs with the following new members since Xmas:

Altona: Daniela Guertler

Bendigo Next Generation: Vincent Fitzpatrick

Canterbury: Matt Miller

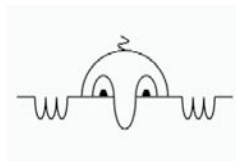
Eaglehawk: Shane Vincent McLeod

Flemington: Del King

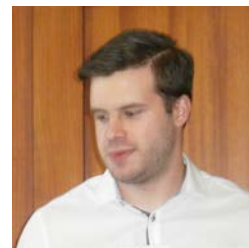
Hawthorn: Stephen Bowtell

Keilor: Liz Beattie

Malvern: Dorothy Gilmour



Wot no photos?
Yes, one of Stephen
Bowtell, Hawthorn.
(right)



Will Irene and Murray drive to the District Conference in Hobart? Or will they book aboard the Spirit of Tasmania like everybody else? Rotary is full of surprises, isn't it?

keynote speakers

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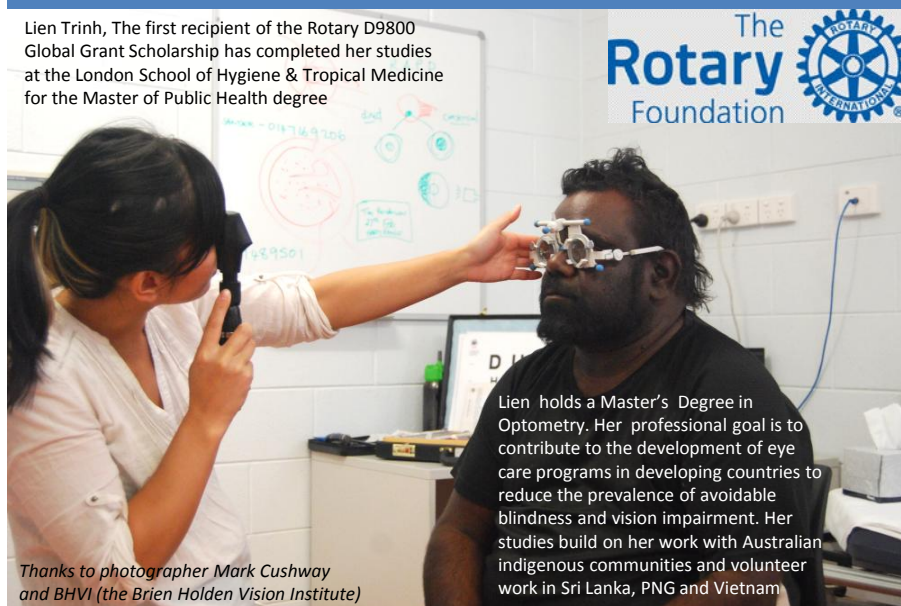
See Tasmania



Notices and Events

BECOME A ROTARY GLOBAL SCHOLAR

Lien Trinh, The first recipient of the Rotary D9800 Global Grant Scholarship has completed her studies at the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine for the Master of Public Health degree



Thanks to photographer Mark Cushway and BHVI (the Brien Holden Vision Institute)

Lien holds a Master's Degree in Optometry. Her professional goal is to contribute to the development of eye care programs in developing countries to reduce the prevalence of avoidable blindness and vision impairment. Her studies build on her work with Australian indigenous communities and volunteer work in Sri Lanka, PNG and Vietnam

**Think globally
Make a difference
Become a leader**

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INVITES VICTORIAN
APPLICANTS TO
APPLY**

ROTARY POST GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

VALUE: UP TO US\$ 60,000

Rotary District 9800 has designed a targeted Post Graduate Scholarship to focus on overseas study for a Masters degree, to a value of up to US\$ 60,000.

The Scholarship has been designed to benefit the profile of our best applicants in recent years and acknowledges the underlying strength of Victorian university graduates. The new Rotary Foundation Vision focus enables our D9800 to design its own focused Scholarship. The field of study must fit one of the Rotary Foundation's 6 Areas of Focus – **SEE SIDE BAR:**

Applicants are invited from persons normally resident in Victoria and must be made through a Victorian Rotary Club. Lineal descendants of current/recent Rotarians are ineligible.

Applicants must be eligible for Global Grants which are awarded through a globally competitive process.

The Scholarship is more flexible than the previously offered Ambassadorial Scholarship in that scholars select their university while the time lines between selection and commencing study can be much shorter.

Applications close 15 March 2015

For further details contact:

Dennis Shore
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OR

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Rotary offers prestigious international scholarships of up to US\$60,000 for graduate students pursuing careers in fields that support:



Peace and conflict prevention/resolution



Disease prevention and treatment



Water and sanitation



Maternal and child health



Basic education and literacy



Economic and community development

Find out more at http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/global_scholars

Notices and Events

International Women's Day Breakfast

March 5, 2015, 7:00 am, at Crown Palladium

Book now to secure your seat or table at early bird prices....save \$10 per seat.

Corporate tables also available with marketing and promotion benefits

More information and Booking at <http://www.rotarywomen.org.au/iwd-melbourne-breakfast-2015>



Combined Farewell for the 2015 GSE Teams

Enjoy a 2 course LUNCH as we review the achievements of the team from Louisiana and bid them farewell. Also join us for your introduction to our outbound GSE team

D'Olive View Receptions, 454 Point Cook Rd, Point Cook, 3030

Saturday 21st March 12.30pm for 1.00pm RSVP:13/3/15

Cost: \$40 per person (2 courses) Drinks at bar prices.

Bookings can be made by: Clicking this link: <http://www.trybooking.com/GYRK> and pay online

or by contacting Chris Woods at cwoods.rotary@hotmail.com or on Mob:0401 650580



Ladies Designer Samples

\$10.00 - \$20.00 **Saturday 28 March** 9.30am – 4.00pm 534 Bridge Rd Richmond

All proceeds to Rotary Club of Richmond Community Projects www.rotaryrichmond.org.au



Rotary Liaison Officer in Timor: Daryl Mills

Many clubs in District 9800 carrying out project work in Timor Leste have worked with our Rotary Liaison Officer Daryl Mills. Daryl is about to make his annual visit to Melbourne. To hear Daryl's latest Report to Rotary, attend a meeting of the Rotary Club of Balwyn on: **Tuesday 31st March**, 6.15 for 6.45 pm Green Acres Golf Club Kew \$30.00 per head

RSVP to: richardseeley@bigpond.com by 24th March, 2015



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Anzac 2015 Centennial Tour 15th - 29th April, 2015

The Rotary Club of Balwyn, District 9800, the Rotary Club of Goksu and District 2420, invites you to join the Rotary ANZAC Centennial Tour Gallipoli 2015... **FEW CABINS remaining**

http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org/news/1742/anzac-2015-centennial-tour/?type_fr=36



Rotary Leadership Institute - Dates updated to June 2015

The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is a multi-district leadership development program which seeks to have Rotary Clubs identify those Rotarians who seem to have the potential for future club leadership

More: http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org/news/1627/rotary-leadership-institute/?type_fr=36



Model United Nations Assembly - 29 to 31 May

MUNA, **29th May to Sunday 31st May** will be at the district's own Camp Getaway in Axedale.

The Model United Nations Assembly simulates the workings of the UN Assembly by having teams of two students represent a particular UN country in debates on matters of world political and social concern..

The cost of the program for 2013 was \$285/person and \$150 for an Exchange Student added as a 3rd member. See more at:

http://www.rotarydistrict9800.com.au/news/1591/model-united-nations-assembly-dates-updated-for-2015/?no_follow=1



World of Difference Gift Cards

Cambodia is the 4th poorest country in our world. Choose a gift to help in a meaningful way. Gift cards available from \$8 (school uniform and shoes) to \$860 (a cow) with lots of options in between. All money donated is used in Cambodia without administration charges . <http://wod.org.au>



Concerned about alcohol and drugs?

The Australian Drug Foundation has recently published new resources to help parents discuss drugs and alcohol with their children. **The Other Talk** is about Australian families talking openly about alcohol and other drugs. **Safe Partying Guide** is a pocket-sized leaflet for children aged 10+ covers safe partying tips, facts about alcohol and drugs. For free copies contact the Australian Drug Foundation on 1300 85 85 84 or druginfo@adf.org.au. www.TheOtherTalk.org.au



RYPEN

The Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment is a Rotary sponsored District New Generations program. Year ten and eleven students, from schools across District 9800 attend a weekend long camp designed at developing their potential through a mixture of lecture style sessions and adventure-based learning.



Its aim is to communicate to young people a series of ideas, problems and social experiences which will assist them in forming their own values and moral standards. A program of thought provoking speakers, social situations and personal challenges is offered. District 9800 Rotaractors act as facilitators for the camp, leading groups of students and running the sessions.

A Rotary club acts as the host club for the camp and provides the catering for the weekend while enjoying an excellent fellowship opportunity for its members. Camps are held in October and March each year.

Dates for 2015:

20-22 MARCH 2015 closing date for applications: 27th February

17-19 OCTOBER 2015 closing date 19th September

Location: Weekaway, Kitchenhams Road, Lancefield

Cost per participant: \$385 per participant (incl GST).

If you need to know more about RYPEN, a member of the committee would be pleased to talk to your club or committee about sponsoring a student, or being the host club.

- See more at: <http://www.rotarydistrict9800.com.au/news/1595#sthash.XOTjFFHb.dpuf>

<http://www.rotarydistrict9800.com.au/news/1595>




Rotary merchandise is available from the Rotary Down Under shop at http://www.rdushop.com.au/index.php?route=product/product&product_id=32835

These lovely "End Polio Now" tee shirts are only \$10 each.

You can find Rotary Meeting Requirements, Presentation & Giftware, Clothing & Accessories, Plaques & Trophies and lots more.



Western Emergency Relief Network (WERN)

Rotary 
A Community Service Project
of the Rotary Clubs of
Bacchus Marsh, Melton
Valley, Sunshine and
Wyndham

WERN is a non-profit organization changing lives every day for those marginalized in our society or suffering trauma through emergency circumstances. We help trauma victims recovering from such devastating events as fire and flood.

WERN also assists in situations such as family violence, refugees and the homeless. WERN is made up of people and organizations who care and want to make a difference.



WANTED
Can you
help with
Donations,
Time
or Skills?

- Do you want to make a difference to lives of others?
- Do you want to help people in crisis?
- Can you afford a few hours per month with like-minded people helping others?
- Can you assist our valuable program through financial or physical assistance?

If you want to get involved, know someone who could help or you wish to donate furniture, bedding, electrical or whitegoods please contact below representatives.



With grateful appreciation to Eastern Emergency Relief Network

WERN Manager, Boris Schwartz M. 0427 821 243.
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8 Jamieson Ct. Eynesbury 3338
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Dates for your Diary

Rotary's 110th Birthday 23 February, 2015

District Conference 12-14 March, 2015
http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org/notices_and_events_regul ar#sthash.Z3b1knU6.dpuf

Global Grants Deadline 15th March 2015 For details, visit http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/global_scholars

Multi District PETS Training Saturday 28th – 1st March
http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org/notices_and_events_regul ar#sthash.Z3b1knU6.dpuf

Rotary and Friends @ Work Month April 2015

Anzac 2015 Centennial Tour 15th - 29th April
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Our Contributors



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Tony Thomas writes prolifically for "Quadrant" and "The Networker"



Rowan McClean is District International Service Chairman. He enthuses over RAWCS



David Dippie is a Past President of Keilor Rotary Club. DIK is his passion.



Vanda Mullen chairs the District 9800 Youth Exchange Committee with exuberance and style.



Jill Weeks runs the District Speaker Bank, and the program for Hawthorn RC.



Peter Hall of Kyneton RC recommends a Nepal adventure for young and old!



Wayne Smith succeeded Paul Kirkpatrick as Chair of Camp Geta-way. His background is in civil engineering.



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District 9800		Attendance		Membership				
2014/2015		January-15		At July 1 per RI	January-15			
Club	Cluster							
		No. of Mtgs	Month %		Start	End	Net gain /loss 14/15	% Change
Melbourne Park	Heritage			29		35	6	20.7%
Bendigo-S'dale	Goldfields S			22		25	3	13.6%
Melton Valley	Westside	3	100%	16	18	18	2	12.5%
Brunswick	Heritage			19		21	2	10.5%
Yarra Bend	Riverside	2	79%	19	21	21	2	10.5%
Altona City	Hobsons Bay	1	43%	21	23	23	2	9.5%
Balwyn	Eastside	3	73%	59	64	64	5	8.5%
Collingwood	Heritage	2	50%	14	15	15	1	7.1%
Gisborne	Calder	4	53%	28	30	30	2	7.1%
Richmond	Heritage	1	17%	31	33	33	2	6.5%
Wyndham	Chirnside	4	69%	31	33	33	2	6.5%
Brighton North	Beachside	2	66%	48	52	51	3	6.3%
Footscray	Gateway E	3	50%	48	51	51	3	6.3%
Bendigo Next Gen	Goldfields S	3	62%	17	17	18	1	5.9%
Castlemaine	Calder	3	54%	34	36	36	2	5.9%
Woodend	Calder	2	73%	17	19	18	1	5.9%
Albert Park	Port Phillip	3	51%	58	61	61	3	5.2%
Kew	Riverside			52		54	2	3.8%
Point Gellibrand	Hobsons Bay			26		27	1	3.8%
Malvern	Stonnington	4	53%	30	30	31	1	3.3%
Bendigo South	Goldfields S	3	71%	34	35	35	1	2.9%
Kyneton	Calder			42		43	1	2.4%
Melbourne	Batman	2	61%	233	234	234	1	0.4%
Altona	Hobsons Bay	1	77%	26	26	26	0	0.0%
Bendigo S'hurst	Goldfields N			59		59	0	0.0%
Brighton Beach	Beachside	2	55%	21	21	21	0	0.0%
Brimbank Central	Gateway W	4	72%	29	29	29	0	0.0%
Camberwell	Eastside	3	73%	75	75	75	0	0.0%
Carlton	Heritage	2	78%	37	37	37	0	0.0%
Caulfield	Beachside			10		10	0	0.0%
Docklands	Batman			6		6	0	0.0%
Eaglehawk	Goldfields S	3	81%	36	36	36	0	0.0%
Essendon	Gateway E			63		63	0	0.0%
Essendon North	Gateway E	3	100%	23	25	23	0	0.0%
Fitzroy	Heritage	1	41%	22	22	22	0	0.0%

Flemington	Gateway E	3	75%	29	28	29	0	0.0%
Glen Eira	Beachside			18		18	0	0.0%
Hoppers Crossing	Chirnside			20		20	0	0.0%
North Melbourne	Batman			20		20	0	0.0%
Port Melbourne	Port Phillip	1	69%	15	15	15	0	0.0%
Prahran	Stonnington			26		26	0	0.0%
Southbank	Batman			22		22	0	0.0%
Sunshine	Gateway W	3	67%	12	12	12	0	0.0%
Toorak	Stonnington	1	50%	24	24	24	0	0.0%
Tullamarine	Gateway W			10		10	0	0.0%
Werribee	Chirnside	3	81%	38	38	38	0	0.0%
West Footscray	Gateway E	2	71%	21	21	21	0	0.0%
Yarraville	Hobsons Bay			14		14	0	0.0%
North Balwyn	Eastside	3	86%	73	72	72	-1	-1.4%
Hawthorn	Riverside	2	79%	48	46	47	-1	-2.1%
Glenferrie	Riverside			40		39	-1	-2.5%
Keilor	Gateway W	3	57%	38	36	37	-1	-2.6%
Brighton	Beachside	2	48%	110	107	107	-3	-2.7%
Bacchus Marsh	Westside			36		35	-1	-2.8%
Kangaroo Flat	Goldfields S	2	63%	30	29	29	-1	-3.3%
Melton	Westside			26		25	-1	-3.8%
Canterbury	Eastside	2	72%	50	47	48	-2	-4.0%
Daylesford	Westside			24		23	-1	-4.2%
Cent Melb. S'rise	Batman	3	69%	46	44	44	-2	-4.3%
Echuca-Moama	Goldfields N	4	76%	23	23	22	-1	-4.3%
Bendigo	Goldfields N	3	60%	66	63	63	-3	-4.5%
Keilor East	Gateway W	1	85%	41	39	39	-2	-4.9%
Boroondara	Eastside	3	52%	15	14	14	-1	-6.7%
Williamstown	Hobsons Bay	3	49%	29	27	27	-2	-6.9%
E-Club of Melb	Batman			13		12	-1	-7.7%
Moonee Valley	Gateway E	3	57%	11	10	10	-1	-9.1%
C'stone / E Malv	Stonnington	2	78%	54	49	49	-5	-9.3%
Melbourne South	Port Phillip			20		18	-2	-10.0%
Rochester	Goldfields N	4	88%	9	8	8	-1	-11.1%
Laverton Pt C'k	Chirnside	3	83%	23	21	19	-4	-17.4%
St Kilda	Port Phillip	1	43%	12	8	7	-5	-41.7%
Clubs Reporting			48		48			
No. of Members				2441		2447	6	0.2%
% Average			65.8%					
Clubs Reporting At- tendance			68%					
Clubs Reporting Membership						68%		