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Rotary District 9800

A publication for
Rotarians and
all community
minded people

DG's Message

What a wonderful organization Rotary is, the opportunities for service each Rotarian has to change people's lives and the outcomes of our efforts is the magic of Rotary.

Every Rotary year we have our annual monthly focus on areas of service and September holds a special importance and attention towards New Generations or our new name for the Avenue of Service now known as Youth Service.

Youth Service holds a particular importance for all Rotarians, Clubs and Districts throughout the world as we continually offer Leadership and personal development opportunities and training for our next generations. This development and training is our community's future and Rotary has always invested heavily in this Avenue of Service. Our Rotary International President Ron Burton has a particular focus towards, and involvement with, our Youth Programs and encourages us all to support our future leaders and their development.

Annette and I have had the great pleasure of Bendigo hospitality this week as our Goldfield's Cluster visits commence. Bendigo is a wonderful part of the state and the Rotary Clubs in the Greater Bendigo area are all very different but work closely together on a range of programs. All Clubs have a diverse range of programs and continue to serve their communities well and of course continue to be welcoming to all visitors. I am sure you would also



be most welcome should you find yourself visiting in the area. Why not drop in to one of their meetings and enjoy some of their famous country hospitality.

Just before we say good bye to Membership month for the coming year we should all remember Membership is a responsibility of all Rotarians, all year round, not only in recruitment but also in developing a warm, welcoming and active Club environment for all members. This inclusive fellowship practice when implemented well is the glue that holds our Clubs and the Family of Rotary together.

If we truly welcome our new Members and provide them with our Rotary knowledge and opportunities we won't only solve our retention issues but also the recruitment needs as well. Of course more Rotarians in our Clubs eases the workload on each of us and gives many more opportunities for service to our communities and those in need.

Best wishes to you all as you go forward and become engaged in Rotary Service.

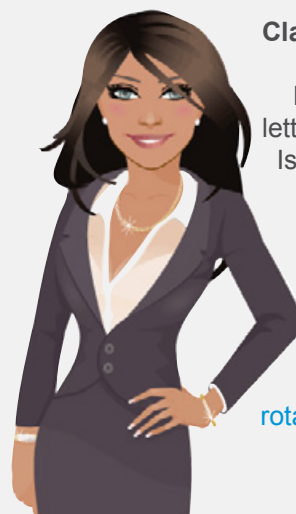
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BUCKING THE TREND

at RC of Crawley

By Tony Thomas, RC Central
Melbourne-Sunrise

Across Australia, Rotary Clubs are struggling to halt declines in their membership, except one, which is so confident about its model that it expects to add a further 20 members by the end of the Rotary year.

That's the style of the Rotary Club of Crawley (ROC), chartered in February 2010, which operates out of the University Club of Western Australia.

The club is moving into a consolidation phase. It has had a spectacular first three years' growth, which has included raising well over \$1m for its charities.

Membership is now 95, after the peak of 110 a year or so ago. It is WA's second largest Rotary club.

Says President James McLeod (aged 29), "I am confident we will have membership of 120 by June 2014 and we will keep that level by ensuring all members' energies are harnessed. We have seven inductees next week and jumps in membership like that are not uncommon."

A pitfall to quick growth is that you attract some people who are enthusiastic at first. However, later they find they don't have the capacity to be a committed Rotarian, "We have taken a view on what sort of people we want in our club, and are now focusing on attracting, engaging and retaining the right members" he says.

The youngest member today is 20 and the oldest 78. Roughly, 30 members are under 30 years; 25 are aged 30-50, and 40 are over 50 years. McLeod believes the age profile of the club is 20 years lower than the Australian norm.

It's estimated over a third of



Rotary Club of Crawley student scholarship member Kristine Ong (left), with Stephanie Haynes and her fund-raiser soft toys for white lion conservation in Africa.

members have links to UWA as students, staff, alumni or managers.

The club offers two-year scholarships to young people – generally of university age – to join the club and be given a mentor. Currently there are 17 of these scholarship holders. In their first year, Rotary fees, breakfast costs and incidentals are covered. In the second year the fees are covered but only half the breakfast costs.

The program is considered a success with at least half a dozen scholarship awardees continuing on with regular club membership after the end of their scholarship duration. "Others have travelled from Perth to further their careers, and we see that as a good outcome and hope they will maintain Rotary connections."

In four years the club has raised over \$1m for charities.

Last May the club's 'A Night to Remember' gala for 250 guests at the Hyatt Regency raised over \$330,000 for Teen Challenge. This is a charity focused on youth drug rehabilitation (it has an 85% success rate for those completing the course). Host was 'Enough Ropes' Andrew Denton and tables cost \$5000 (corporate) and

\$2750 (private).

The previous 2011 gala was responsible for raising \$700,000 for Teen Challenge.

McLeod says the club has smaller projects raising anything from \$1000 to \$10,000 supporting causes in East Bali, Malawi and of course locally. The club is especially proud of its partnership with Lockridge senior high school and the RYDA (Road safety) program.

McLeod: "This year's focus is to remove the need for each specific cause to require its own fundraising effort. Instead we're aiming to raise a target amount like \$100,000 through a handful of events and support any causes from that pool."

The club's sponsored young people have included huge success stories, like, Akram Azimi 26, an Afghan refugee kid 13 years ago, was a club Youth Scholarship holder and went on to become 2013 Australian of the Year, honored for his work with WA indigenous children. He spoke at the Australia Day Awards in Canberra. "That guy is a super-star," McLeod says.

Michael Sheldrick, a club scholarship holder and polio campaigner,



became Young West Australian of the Year in 2013. Michael is now in New York working for the not-for-profit Global Poverty Project. A polio campaigner, he personally met then Prime Minister Julia Gillard and persuaded her to take up the polio fight at the 2011 Commonwealth Heads of Government meeting, resulting in \$120m in governments' contributions.

McLeod is proud of the club's work for disadvantaged children and youth. A generous philanthropist gifted a 12 seat corporate suite at Perth Arena for all concerts (such as Elton John's) and sport events which include the Perth Wildcats home games and the Hopman Cup. The club fills the seats with children and families from Variety, Starlight Foundation and Ronald McDonald house.

The club's perpetual Bendat Scholarship is funded by annual earnings on a gift from The Bendat Family Foundation. It assists with up to \$8,000 of education costs for one young member per year. Current holder is Scott Nodwell, who works for Anglicare and is currently putting together an art exhibition fund raiser for the Street Connect program assisting Perth's homeless or at-risk young people.

A DIFFERENT STYLE

At the August 8th breakfast meeting of the Rotary Club of Crawley (which I attended) there were 48 present, with the recent average being around 50.

President John McLeod says, "We'd be happy with 50% attendance by anyone who is involved in project work or assisting to run the club behind the scenes. My goal is to increase our attendance level to 60%, or even 75% so we can consistently have 60 members attend each meeting."

I was wowed by the high-class venue at the University of WA Club; by the finely cooked omelettes we were served; and a high-energy video (from The Rotary Foundation) on Indian women's microfinance schemes. A well-printed program for



Rotary Club of Crawley President James McLeod and his wife Katherine, at the 'Night to Remember' fund-raiser ball last May. With 250 guests at the Hyatt Regency the club raised over \$330,000 for Teen Challenge.

the meeting was on each table.

One of the club's sponsored members, a young woman with a disability, visited each table selling raffle tickets and White Lion cuddly toys at \$20 to raise funds for her upcoming trip to the white lion preservation in Timbavati, South Africa. One member bought six.

The speaker was UWA vice-chancellor Paul Johnson who talked for 20 minutes without notes, and after questions he was elevated to Patron of the club.

McLeod says that younger generations tend not to feel comfortable with things like Sergeant sessions, Grace and toasting the Queen. "We've elected not to include those aspects of Rotary to give time for our members to build relationships with each other. We just have the hour from 7.30am to 8.30am, so we are very deliberate on how we use our available time.

"We give our members the flexibility to choose how they want to participate in the club. If they are active on projects or club administration, we don't mind if they choose not to have 100% attendance at meetings. Most of our current and prospective members have family and employment commitments that make it difficult for them to get to every meeting."

The University Club has 5000

members. It supports the Crawley Rotary club as part of its own charity giving scheme. The breakfast, worth \$35 commercially, is covered by \$30 admission, and a couple of dollars of the \$30 goes to the Rotary club's working capital.

The club's board has an aversion to dragged-out proceedings: the club's policies include, "Minimise the management structure".

Committees or 'teams' aim to be always led by two people, not one, with responsibilities shared amongst many. The club insists that each committee has the authority to resolve any day-to-day issues, so the board can focus its energy on viability, partnership strategies, and major funding approvals. A committee submission is normally dealt with in a few minutes.

President James McLeod is a private client advisor with Capital Partners, a boutique wealth manager for family groups. As President, he succeeded Holly Ransom, aged 22, an analyst with Rio Tinto who recently addressed the Rotary International Convention in Portugal and who, at the time of writing, is in California giving presentations on topics such as leadership to a group of 500 young students from around the world. In 2012 she was chosen as one of "Australia's most influential 100 women" by the Australian Financial Review.

The second president was Lindsay McLeod, James McLeod's father, a financial planner.

Co-founder and first president was Jaap Poll, who served for an 18-month term. He was strongly supported behind-the-scenes by a team of senior Rotarians that included David Goldstone, regarded by some as the architect of the club's formation.

President-elect for 2014-15 is Peter Lawrance, an auctioneer, realtor and charter member, also a senior member of the club.

McLeod says, "We still have a lot of work to do to get the club really humming; we are not there yet. My feeling is that given our size of our



membership base we should be a lot more involved within the Perth community.

"This Rotary year we have seen a great increase in fundraising activities and our challenge is to sustain that for the year and beyond."

ATTRACTING YOUNGSTERS

One of the 17 youngsters on two-year scholarships as Crawley Rotary Club members is Kristine Ong, 22, a Singapore-born final-year economics and commerce student, with a focus on a marketing career.

She says that by having her membership and \$30 weekly breakfast costs subsidised, she is spared a burden that would be difficult on her low disposable income.

"I don't feel that I'm with older people here, as they're all so vibrant and lively that you can't even tell the difference! Not only are they my mentors and friends, but they are like family to me," she says. "Whenever I've encountered a few career and personal problems, I can always ask someone here for advice from their mature viewpoint, and I always get the support I need. Interview techniques, for example, and how to deal with people who are giving me a hard time. Rotarians tell me success secrets from their own careers that help me understand issues, and they challenge me to make my aspirations become real. "I'll definitely be taking a continuing interest in Rotary as my career moves on."

Kristine says that the club has also given her the chance to use her skills to give back to the community. "The club may be a young club, but we are sincere and to do our best to make this a better world for our future generation," she says.

Kristine has been a vigorous helper on club projects, taking on roles normally done by high-level club members. These include polio eradication funding, Teen Challenge for addicted teenagers through a Katie Perry Pop-Up Clothing Event, the club's Youth Team, the club's premier fund-raiser A Night to



Remember, and most recently, the preservation of white lions in Africa by Steph's Big Cats Conservation Project.

"I am also helping club member Annie Weaver and the youth team she manages to encourage high schoolers to reach their potential. It's amazing what Annie is doing," she says.

A breakfast meeting of the Rotary Club of Crawley, chartered in February 2010, the club operates out of the University Club of Western Australia.

Rotary Youth Program of ENrichment

The next RYPEN camp will be held on the weekend of

Friday 18 to Sunday 20 October 2013.

at: Weekaway, Kitchenhams Road, Lancefield

The cut off for applications is Friday, 20 September 2013.

Cost per participant: \$286.00 (incl GST).

[For more information about RYPEN please read our RYPEN page.](#)



Local Medico takes on fresh challenge



Dr Murray Verso will retire from medicine after more than 36 years to pursue an exciting opportunity with Rotary.

Picture: JOE MASTROIANNI

By **NICOLE VALICEK**
Williamstown Star

AFTER 36 years of service as a general practitioner in Williamstown Dr Murray Verso recently said goodbye to a career in which he treated thousands of patients. Dr Verso hung up his stethoscope at the end of June after four decades as a community doctor.

He started studying medicine at Melbourne University in

1967 and graduated in 1972. Dr Verso became a partner at The Clinic in Williamstown in 1977 alongside fellow GP Dr Arthur Franks. The 65-year-old said it had been an enormous privilege to work as a general practitioner and to get to know people in the local community, but that it was now time for him to seek new challenges away from medicine.

Dr Verso has been a member of the Williamstown Rotary Club since 1981 and will take up a voluntary appointment as the District Governor of the 71 Rotary Clubs in Melbourne and rural Victoria making up Rotary District 9800.

“Being a GP is privilege because you get to see people in all facets of their life, from the joy of childbirth to the sadness of watching a life ebb away and death and all the emotional highs and lows of life in between,” he said.

Dr Verso said he will miss the friendships and relationships with people built up over many years. He also delivered about 500 babies throughout his career and had the pleasure of treating the children of mothers and fathers he helped bring into the world in the 1970s and 1980s.

“Over the years I’ve seen many changes in medicine and society but the relationships with the people will be the thing that I miss most of all,” he said. Dr Verso and Dr Franks have sold their medical practice, The Clinic, Williamstown to two younger doctors.

Dr Franks and the other doctors in the practice will continue to work there. And Dr Verso may yet stage a comeback, saying he hoped to return to medicine on a part-time basis in two years’ time after his stint as District Governor.



MUNA

FACEBOOK POST

Neville John Rotary District 9800

Let it be known that Neville Page (MUNA Chairman) has just advised from Canberra airport that the District 9800 MUNA team has WON the National MUNA event. I’m just excited writing this, imagine how they feel. Please pass this message on and let people know what a wonderful program the Model United Nations Assembly is.

Watch out for a full report on the success of the weekend in Canberra - in your Networker.

Club Vision'ers livin' the dream

It was the year of 'Make Dreams Real' that Club Vision was discovered by our Rotary District. And fair to say that some clubs who have visioned and then implemented the outcomes of their vision session have lived the dream.



Our district now has a good complement of trained facilitators who bring with them much experience in facilitation, visioning and strategic planning.

We are fortunate that they enjoy being part of d9800's Club Vision program and work with enthusiasm. And too, it is a privilege to work with clubs who take on the challenge of a Club Vision process but we hope that it is a long term investment for their club.

Indeed some of the feedback we get from participating club members and now Assistant

Governors who are invited to be part of the sessions for those clubs who are within their stewardship is gratifying.

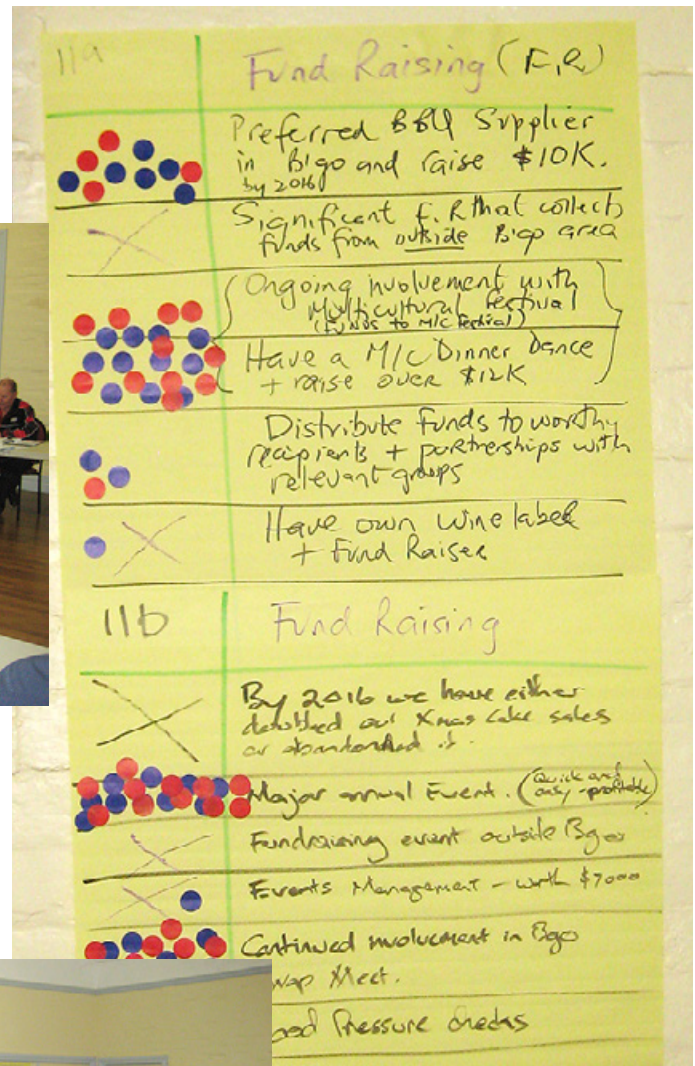
Feedback our facilitators have received includes:

Very useful program to get members thinking ahead

Positive response of all involved

Well presented. Group very responsive. End result should be excellent

Efficiency of process!



Some great ideas came out of the session

We need to think big more often!

Opened up our minds for future thinking and planning.

Rich comments, discussion, helped me learn more about how members, colleagues think, create and apply themselves to Rotary

Inspiring and thought provoking

Amazed at the ideas that came out! Excellent to help our club

The willingness of all members to participate



District 9800 2013/13		Attendance		Membership				
Club	Cluster	June-13		July 1	June-13			
		No. of Mtgs	Month %		Start	End	gain /loss	% Change
Port Melbourne	Batman	3	71%	13	13	15	2	15.4%
Melbourne Park	Heritage	5	60%	27	27	30	3	11.1%
St Kilda	Stonnington	5	61%	14	14	15	1	7.1%
Toorak	Stonnington	5	69%	28	28	30	2	7.1%
Kew-on-Yarra	Yarra	5	86%	18	18	19	1	5.6%
Flemington	Hobsons Bay	3	84%	26	26	27	1	3.8%
Gisborne	Calder	5	75%	27	27	28	1	3.7%
Brimbank Central	Gateway	4	71%	32	32	33	1	3.1%
Richmond	Heritage	5	67%	32	32	33	1	3.1%
Kew	Yarra	4	88%	37	37	38	1	2.7%
Werribee	Port Phillip	5	77%	38	38	39	1	2.6%
Footscray	Hobsons Bay	4	50%	52	52	53	1	1.9%
Albert Park	Batman	5	59%	56	56	56	0	0.0%
Altona	Port Phillip	5	60%	25	25	25	0	0.0%
Altona City	Port Phillip	5	60%	23	23	23	0	0.0%
Balwyn	Eastside	5	70%	69	69	69	0	0.0%
Bendigo	Goldfields	5	46%	70	70	70	0	0.0%
Bendigo Sandhurst	Goldfields	5	68%	57	57	57	0	0.0%
Bendigo-Strathdale	Goldfields	5	64%	26	26	26	0	0.0%
Boroondara	Eastside	5	60%	15	15	15	0	0.0%
Canterbury	Eastside	4	68%	42	42	42	0	0.0%
Caulfield	Beachside	4	84%	11	11	11	0	0.0%
Central Melb. Sunrise	Batman	5	77%	47	47	47	0	0.0%
Chadstone / East Malvern	Stonnington	5	71%	49	49	49	0	0.0%
Collingwood	Heritage	4	63%	16	16	16	0	0.0%
Docklands	Batman			4		4	0	0.0%
Echuca-Moama	Goldfields	4	78%	24	24	24	0	0.0%
Fitzroy	Heritage	4	50%	25	25	25	0	0.0%
Glen Eira	Beachside	5	84%	16	16	16	0	0.0%
Glenferrie	Yarra	5	67%	47	47	47	0	0.0%
Hawthorn	Yarra	5	78%	47	47	47	0	0.0%
Hoppers Crossing	Port Phillip	5	81%	21	21	21	0	0.0%
Kangaroo Flat	Goldfields	4	63%	24	24	24	0	0.0%
Keilor	Gateway	5	69%	39	39	39	0	0.0%
Keilor East	Gateway	5	72%	40	40	40	0	0.0%
Kyneton	Calder	5	71%	41	41	41	0	0.0%
Laverton Point Cook	Port Phillip	5	62%	26	26	26	0	0.0%
Malvern	Stonnington	5	67%	34	34	34	0	0.0%
Melbourne	Batman	5	48%	233	233	233	0	0.0%
Melton	Westside	5	80%	29	29	29	0	0.0%
Melton Valley	Westside	4	83%	17	17	17	0	0.0%
Moonee Valley	Gateway	5	51%	13	13	13	0	0.0%



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Club	Cluster	June-13		July 1	June-13		gain /loss	% Change
		No. of Mtgs	Month %		Start	End		
Prahran	Stonnington	5	66%	22	22	22	0	0.0%
Rochester	Goldfields			8		8	0	0.0%
Sunshine	Westside	5	60%	17	17	17	0	0.0%
West Footscray	Hobsons Bay	5	66%	23	23	23	0	0.0%
Williamstown	Hobsons Bay	5	61%	29	29	29	0	0.0%
Woodend	Calder	4	73%	24	24	24	0	0.0%
Yarraville	Hobsons Bay	5	75%	22	22	22	0	0.0%
Brighton	Beachside	3	51%	108	108	107	-1	-0.9%
North Balwyn	Eastside	4	86%	78	78	77	-1	-1.3%
Camberwell	Eastside	5	69%	77	77	76	-1	-1.3%
Brighton North	Beachside	5	69%	52	52	51	-1	-1.9%
Bacchus Marsh	Westside	5	61%	38	38	37	-1	-2.6%
Carlton	Heritage	5	85%	38	38	37	-1	-2.6%
E-Club of Melbourne	Batman	4	32%	37	37	36	-1	-2.7%
Bendigo South	Goldfields	4	60%	31	31	30	-1	-3.2%
Point Gellibrand	Hobsons Bay	5	69%	31	31	30	-1	-3.2%
Essendon	Gateway	5	55%	73	73	69	-4	-5.5%
Eaglehawk	Goldfields	4	80%	18	18	17	-1	-5.6%
Wyndham	Port Phillip	5	80%	27	27	25	-2	-7.4%
Southbank	Batman	5	65%	26	26	24	-2	-7.7%
Melbourne South	Batman	4	76%	25	25	23	-2	-8.0%
Brighton Beach	Beachside	5	60%	23	23	21	-2	-8.7%
Daylesford	Calder	5	80%	31	31	28	-3	-9.7%
Brunswick	Heritage	4	43%	30	30	26	-4	-13.3%
Essendon North	Gateway	5	89%	26	26	22	-4	-15.4%
Tullamarine	Gateway	4	40%	19	19	16	-3	-15.8%
North Melbourne	Heritage	4	61%	28	28	23	-5	-17.9%
Bendigo Next Generation	Goldfields						0	
Castlemaine	Calder						0	
No. of Clubs Reporting			67		67			
No. of Members				2491		2466	-25	-1.0%
% Average of Those Reported			67.5%					
% of Clubs Reporting Attendance			94%					
% of Clubs Reporting Membership						94%		
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Ten years ago East Timor had no schools, they were all destroyed in the war for independence and there was no education system.

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NOTICES AND EVENTS

Sept
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There's still time

ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE HAS A COURSE SCHEDULED FOR

Sunday, September 8

AT MONTAGUE CONTINUING EDUCATION CENTRE -
100 MONTAGUE STREET SOUTH MELBOURNE

Registration 8.30 am

"Having leadership skills does not alone assure good Rotary Leadership. An effective Rotary Leader must also have Rotary knowledge, perspective about where Rotary has been, where it is now and a vision of what Rotary can be."

Ask your club presidents or Vicki Teschke at vicki.t@tacobill.com.au
or phone 9690 2077, 0412 525 055 for nomination and registration forms

Every club is dependent upon Rotarians who feel confident and informed enough to lead us into the future and attendance at RLI will help with this!



Sept
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Yarraville Rotary Celebrates 10th Anniversary

You are cordially invited to come celebrate our 10th Anniversary

With DAVE O'NEIL, Booze Bounty,
Raffle and Silent Auction.

Tuesday, September 10

YARRAVILLE CLUB, 6.30-9.00 PM

\$40 per ticket includes meal.

Book a table (Max. 10 people) by Friday, Sept. 3

Call Carol to book: 0412 455 061

yarravilleis10@gmail.com

Sept
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MILES FOR SMILES FUND-RAISING EVENT

Thursday, 12 Sept - 7-10 pm

Level 89 Eureka Tower, 7 Riverside Quay, Southbank.

Hosted by Brian Nankervis.

COCKTAIL ATTIRE

\$75 pp early bird ticket or \$85 pp normal price.

Click to see the poster to link to the website.....

or book at www.trybooking.com.au/cetx

In February 2014, Peter Jones and Don Havelberg will embark on a 6500 mile charity ride on two Royal Enfield motorbikes through eight countries over 50 days.

See more at: <http://www.milesforsmiles.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2013/07/2013-MILES-FOR-SMILES-LAUNCH-EVENT.pdf>



NOTICES AND EVENTS

Oct
3

ARH Hat Day - FUND-RAISING EVENT

"The Millinery Association of Australia is running a Cocktail style showcase of Australia's Premier Milliners Spring Collections to be held at the Leopard Lodge, Melbourne Zoo on

October 3 - 6.30pm for 7pm

Entertainment includes a performance with a jungle beat by DANCE CENTRE, a millinery fashion show and a \$350 millinery voucher for the best dressed race wear.

Hats will be available for sale after the parade.

There are only 120 tickets available - book early. Ticket cost is \$65.00 and the venue, show and menu for the canapés will provide real value for money.

The TRYBOOKING Rotary CodeBuyers to select "Rotary Booking" YES.... details on the attached Invitation."

Ron Adams D9800 ARH Committee phone 9821 0444 or r.g.adams@bigpond.com

Oct
7

A ROUND AT ROYAL MELBOURNE

Your chance to play at Australia's number 1 rated golf course.

Monday, October 7

Plus the chance to win a

BIB STIWELL BMW

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This is an opportunity for you to invite Friends, Colleagues or maybe your Top Clients to participate in our Ambrose Event.

Registration at 11 am and finishes at 8 pm.

\$295 per player

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ANY
TIME

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Is something on on your mind?

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ROTARY DISTRICT 9800 - Events Calendar

For a full Notices & Events calendar, visit the following link:

http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/notices_and_events_future

To submit Notices & Events, please send Clarice all the details at:

clarice@rotarydistrict9800.org.au





WHEN: SUNDAY 17th NOVEMBER 2013

WHERE: THE CITY2SEA 14km FUN RUN

Starts at the Arts Centre, travels around Albert Park Lake and finishes by the sea at St Kilda.

HOW: We need 400+ volunteers to work

on the day in return for a donation of between \$30 and \$60 per person depending on the role allocated. We need all Metropolitan Clubs to arrange at least 10 people to participate. This can be members of your Club, or from a group that can help themselves raise funds eg local school, Scouts etc.

CONTACT:

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City2Sea Event Coordinator
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Rotary in the news

OUR FOUNDATION

MAKING A MEASURABLE DIFFERENCE

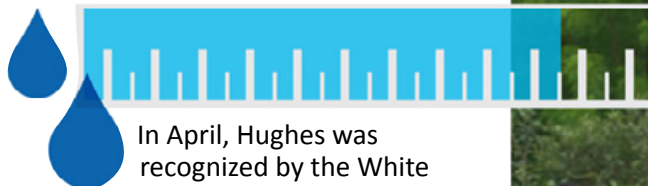
Create sustainable projects by evaluating long-term impact

Walter Hughes wanted to prevent Guinea worm disease, a painful condition caused by a parasite that infects people through contaminated water. By creating a project that included measurable goals and tools to analyze effectiveness, Hughes and a team of Rotarians helped eradicate the disease from Ghana.

“Short-term and long-term goals are critical,” says Hughes, of the Rotary Club of Rocky Mount, Virginia, USA, who worked with Rotarians from clubs in Canada, Ghana, Switzerland, and the United States. “We needed to be able to provide clean water to villages affected by Guinea worm. The team established strategies to ensure that new wells worked over the long-term, for example, tracking the number of people trained to repair the mechanical parts. They also worked with health officials to monitor cases of the disease.”

As Rotarians begin using the new grant model, sustainability is taking center stage, along with the need to ensure a project’s measurability and effectiveness. How this is done can vary, but some general principles will help you create project goals and determine whether you’re meeting those goals.

Set achievable goals that align with the project’s area of focus and build evaluation into your plan. Think simplicity and focus on collecting the data that will indicate whether you have met the project’s goals.



In April, Hughes was recognized by the White House as a Champion of Change for his work with Rotary in fighting Guinea worm disease. “Measuring a project can help us to change the world,” Hughes says

PICK THE EVALUATION METHOD THAT BEST MEASURES YOUR PROJECT’S GOALS. METHODS INCLUDE DATA ANALYSIS, SURVEYS, AND CASE STUDIES. IN CHOOSING AN EVALUATION METHOD, CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

- Purpose of the evaluation
- Audience (for example, club members, sponsors, media)
- Information needed and available sources
- Best way to collect the information
- Time frame for data collection



Walter Hughes (center) helps to eradicate Guinea worm in Ghana by providing clean water. Read more about his work in Ghana.

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New Generations Programs

The role of the District New Generations Committee is to recommend, co-ordinate and support clubs in District 9800 to deliver effective Youth Service programs that provide innovative and practical opportunities to assist and motivate young people in our communities to acquire learning and life skills.

District Chair: Neville John
(Central Melbourne Sunrise)

Summaries of the programs are:

YOUTH EXCHANGE

The Committee co-ordinates and facilitates reciprocal 12 month secondary school exchanges between students sponsored by Rotary Clubs in District 9800 and Rotary Clubs in other Districts overseas. The objective is to provide a unique and effective Rotary supported educational and cultural opportunity, whilst promoting goodwill, peace and understanding.

ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD (RYLA)

RYLA is a weeklong residential program for 18 to 25 year olds and is aimed at encouraging and developing leadership, personal development and social skills - so participants can more effectively contribute to their communities. RYLA provides opportunities for young people to gain a better understanding of their own strengths and appreciate the unique qualities and abilities of others. Rotary clubs nominate, sponsor or part-sponsor a participant. The RYLA program includes a dinner on Thursday 28 November 2013 to which all

Rotarians are invited so awardees can relate their experiences to sponsoring club members. RYLA Camp dates are Sunday 24th to Saturday 30th November 2013.

ROTARY YOUTH PROGRAM OF ENRICHMENT (RYPEN)

RYPEN is a program for year ten and eleven students who attend a weekend camp designed to develop their potential through a mixture of lecture style sessions and adventure-based learning. It aims to communicate a series of ideas, problems and social experiences that will assist them in forming their own values and moral standards. Rotaractors and Rylarians act as leaders for the camp and a Rotary club hosts a Rotary meeting on the Saturday evening to showcase the concept of a Rotary meeting.

Two RYPEN camps will be held over the periods Friday 18 to Sunday 20 October 2013 and Friday 21 to Sunday 23 March 2014.

MODEL UNITED NATIONS ASSEMBLY (MUNA)

This program simulates the workings of the United Nations Assembly by having two senior students from a number of schools represent a particular UN country in debates on matters of world political and social concern. The assembly is about building bridges of goodwill for world peace and understanding through a personal involvement in the acceptance of situations that reflect the opinion of 'adopted' countries which may be completely contrary to their own views. Students are challenged by the

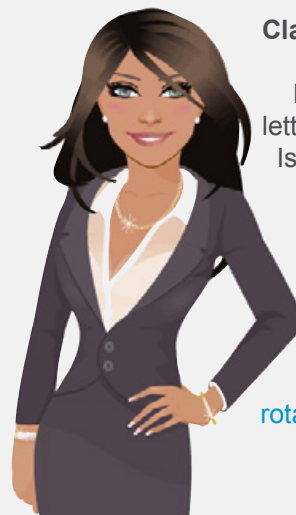
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opportunities of extended research, debating and public speaking skills by addressing a wide range of contemporary and world-focussed issues. The program extends over a weekend and it is chaired and judged by Rotarians. The venue will be Camp Getaway from Friday 2nd May to Sunday 4th May 2014.

SCIENCE PROGRAMS

This committee promotes sponsorship by Rotary clubs and selects students nominated for two programs:

THE NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE FORUM (NYSF)

Students who have completed Year 11 and are thinking of pursuing a career in science, engineering or technology attend this prestigious program. The forum is fully residential for twelve days in January each year.

THE SCIENCE EXPERIENCE

Is a 2-3 day program conducted over the summer months and implemented by participating universities in Melbourne and regional Victoria for year 9 students interested in Science. There is no selection process and students only need to obtain endorsement from their local Rotary club to enrol.

ROTARACT

Rotaract is a Rotary-sponsored service organisation for young people aged 18 to 30. There are more than 8,400 Rotaract Clubs in about 170 countries and geographical areas. All Rotaract efforts begin at the local level, with members addressing their communities' needs. Mentoring is provided by the sponsoring Club to enable vocational and professional development for individuals and assist in leadership growth. Member Clubs in D9800 also assist with RYPEN and MUNA programs and other Rotary projects, and undertake fundraising and humanitarian projects of their own. The District Rotaract Representative (DRR) in D9800 is Clare Blackman.

The DRR liaises between Rotaract

and Rotary Clubs, the District Rotaract Committee and Rotary International and their main aim is to improve and strengthen the Rotaract program in the District, as well as providing advice and support to Rotaract Clubs in implementing their projects and activities.

Rotaract Clubs in D9800 are the Rotaract Clubs of: Tullamarine, Monash University-Caulfield and University of Melbourne.

INTERACT

Interact is a service Club for people aged 12 to 18, sponsored by a Rotary Club, which provide support and guidance. Interact has more than 10,700 Clubs in 109 countries with 200,000 young people involved. Interactors develop a network of friendships with local and overseas Clubs and learn the importance of developing leadership skills and personal integrity, demonstrating helpfulness and respect for others, understanding the value of individual responsibility and hard work and advancing international

understanding and goodwill.

Interact clubs in D9800 are the Interact Clubs of: Aitken College, Balwyn High School, Camberwell Grammar School, Manor Lakes P-12 College and Albert Park Secondary School.

EARLYACT

Earlyact is a service Club for primary school students sponsored by a Rotary Club. The mission and operation of Earlyact is closely linked to the ideals of Rotary and to promote goodwill, understanding and peace through active participation, so that with committed citizenship and effective leadership they can improve the quality of life of their school, local and global communities. Involvement in an Earlyact Club teaches values such as caring, respect, empathy, responsibility, tolerance, citizenship, compassion, friendship and leadership.

Earlyact clubs in D9800 are: Baden Powell College and North Balwyn Primary School.

Rotary Youth Program of ENrichment

The next RYPEN camp will be held on the weekend of

Friday 18 to Sunday 20 October 2013.

at: Weekaway, Kitchenhams Road, Lancefield

The cut off for applications is Friday, 20 September 2013.

Cost per participant: \$286.00 (incl GST).

[For more information about RYPEN please read our RYPEN page.](#)

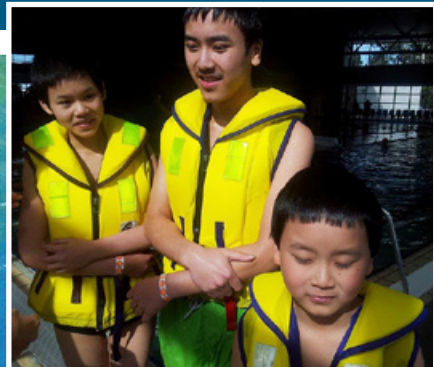


WESTSIDE CLUSTER

SPLASH! Recently arrived migrants from landlocked countries invariably have poor water safety skills. A Westside joint cluster project is giving these recent arrivals life skills and improved water safety awareness. This exciting project started as part of Rotarians at Work Day in 2013 and will continue in 2014.

Westside cluster consists of 4 clubs geographically located along the western highway, Sunshine, Melton, Melton Valley and Bacchus Marsh.

Sunshine Rotary is a smaller club that has two very successful international projects in Somoa and Thailand. In Somoa, several villages and schools have been assisted over the years and the latest project is to help set up a resort that will employ local people.



Park in Melton where \$14000 was raised to aid two local charities, the Gap on Graham and Combined Churches Caring. Both charities help the needy and homeless in Melton and districts.

Melton Valley Rotary as well as the Harness Racing evening, is a very active participant in local, national and international communities. They are most widely recognized for their indomitable work raising funds for Foundation with their delicious and well-priced fruit cakes. Last year over \$15,000 was raised for foundation in this manner. Melton Valley also has two major international projects in Tonga and increasingly in Zimbabwe.



Melton Rotary celebrated its 40th year last year. Amongst their many local projects they are working closely with the south Sudanese community helping them to integrate and gain access to local resources. They are also looking to do help with literacy and education in South Sudan.

A joint project with Melton Valley rotary was the massively successful Harness racing night at Tabcorp



Bacchus Marsh Rotary is the largest club in the cluster and increased their membership by 5 in 2012-3. They are best known for their iconic Art Show and Golf Day which each support many local charities. A special event this year was a dinner with Stefano de Pieri which was a great social event and fundraiser. Their environmental programs are also first class with local members restoring the Federation Trail.

All cluster clubs heavily commit to district youth programs.

We are also setting up an emergency relief centre in the west, in cooperation with local agencies, to help those in need with furniture and white goods.

The West is well served with Rotary clubs of this calibre.

OUR TEAM WINS NATIONAL MUNA



The Rotary District 9800 team came in 1st Place at the National MUNA Assembly at the Old Parliament House in Canberra recently.

The team consisted of Peggy Gusah from Point Cook Senior combined with Jenny Xue and Farah Iyer from Mac.Robertson Girls School to make a 3 person team.



All the girls had previously competed at our District's own MUNA event at Camp Getaway held this year at the end of May and hosted by the Rotary Club of North Melbourne.

At that event Peggy won the best debater award was part of a team sponsored by the Rotary Club of Laverton Point Cook and Jenny and Farah won the best team award and were hosted by the Rotary Club of Albert Park. This district have had quite a bit of success at the Canberra MUNA but this is the 1st time we had sent a three person team and it was clear to all those that did attend our own event that this team would be a formidable one.

But make no mistake, had these girls not won anything they still would have had a great experience in Canberra.

They were in awe of debating in the same assembly room as men of the statue of Robert Menzies and other important people in the history of Australia. As well as that on the Friday they had a meeting at the New Zealand High Commission, then off to Duntroon where they were shown around ending with lunch in the Officer's Mess. They then went on with the schedule as arranged by the Canberra Sunrise Rotary Club which started with a tour of the ANU which included a lecture on Terrorism in Indonesia and then after dinner on Friday a talk by an Australian Diplomat of 40 years' experience.

After debating on Saturday they were again taken to the ANU for a formal Dinner with a professor speaking on Sovereign Rights and Human Rights. Our 3 girls in particular took it all in and just loved the whole experience. As soon as the professor had finished they all went straight over to talk to him for another quarter of an hour. No other students did that.

Our district should not just be proud of the magnificent result of winning such a competitive event with other students from all over Australia but we should be even more proud of the way they represented our district by the general conduct and the way they interacted so well with everyone involved with the event. It is also worth noting that our students were the only students that were attending Government Schools. Also, Peggy has parents from Nigeria, Jenny's are from China and Farah's from India and they all represented Iran. Peggy's mother took a bus overnight to arrive on Saturday morning in time to see her daughter debate (brilliantly) in the Old Parliament House and then enjoy the formal Saturday night dinner before going straight to the bus to go back home.



It would be great if it would be possible if next year's conference committee could fit these three girls into their agenda because just last week Peggy spoke at the Laverton Point Cook club and the experience could only be described as entertaining and inspiring.

Anyone interested in getting a glimpse of these three young ladies in action can do so by looking at the three Youtube clips that can be seen by searching Canberra MUNA Neville Page, or using the link

<https://www.youtube.com/user/nevillepage1>



NOTICES AND EVENTS

Sept
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MILES FOR SMILES FUND-RAISING EVENT

Thursday, 12 Sept - 7-10 pm

Level 89 Eureka Tower, 7 Riverside Quay, Southbank.

Hosted by Brian Nankervis.

COCKTAIL ATTIRE

\$75 pp early bird ticket or \$85 pp normal price.

Click to see the poster to link to the website.....

or book at www.trybooking.com.au/cetx

In February 2014, Peter Jones and Don Havelberg will embark on a 6500 mile charity ride on two Royal Enfield motorbikes through eight countries over 50 days.

See more at: <http://www.milesforsmiles.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2013/07/2013-MILES-FOR-SMILES-LAUNCH-EVENT.pdf>

Sept
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ROTARY CLUB OF BRIGHTON

Charity Golf Day

We are pleased to announce that the Rotary Club of Brighton are holding their Annual Charity Golf Day on

Monday the 30 September 2013

At the Huntingdale Golf Club.

It should be another successful day with a light lunch beforehand, an opportunity to have some tips from a professional golfer while warming up, the Golf game and then enjoy a gourmet BBQ and drinks. We will also have our prizes, an auction and a bit of fun on the night, during our presentations

A registration form is available, click on the link, and if you would care to join us please complete and return it to secure your spot.

Ivan Vojlay, Golf Committee: H 9592 9400, M 041 621 0002

<http://www.rotarybrighton.com.au/event/4500/rotary-brighton-charity-golf-day>

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ARH Hat Day - FUND-RAISING EVENT

"The Millinery Association of Australia is running a Cocktail style showcase of Australia's Premier Milliners Spring Collections to be held at the Leopard Lodge, Melbourne Zoo on

October 3 - 6.30pm for 7pm

Entertainment includes a performance with a jungle beat by DANCE CENTRE, a millinery fashion show and a \$350 millinery voucher for the best dressed race wear.

Hats will be available for sale after the parade.

There are only 120 tickets available - book early. Ticket cost is \$65.00 and the venue, show and menu for the canapés will provide real value for money.

The TRYBOOKING Rotary CodeBuyers to select "Rotary Booking" YES.... details on the attached Invitation." <http://www.trybooking.com/DDGB>

Ron Adams D9800 ARH Committee phone 9821 0444 or r.g.adams@bigpond.com



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A ROUND AT ROYAL MELBOURNE

Your chance to play at Australia's number 1 rated golf course.

Monday, October 7

Plus the chance to win a

BIB STIWELL BMW

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This is an opportunity for you to invite Friends, Colleagues or maybe your Top Clients to participate in our Ambrose Event.

Registration at 11 am and finishes at 8 pm.

\$295 per player

EXTRA DINNER GUESTS \$75 pp.

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Gold Coast Conference

Weekend 7-9 March, 2014

John Blackman has again been secured as MC.

There is an outstanding list of key note speakers being engaged, including Lieutenant General David Morrison, head of the Australian Army and Nigel Chamier, Chairman of the 2018 Gold Coast Commonwealth Games Committee.

Rotary marketplace, will be located in the conference centre

Hotel accommodation has been pre-booked at Jupiter's as well as several apartment complexes within walking distance.

Kick off on Friday with the "Hawaiian Nights" cocktail party

The gala dinner will be held on Sunday evening in the Pavilion Ballroom. Saturday evening has been reserved for club dinners.

Early bird registrations will open on 1 September, 2013 - Remember: Gold Coast, Famous for Fun.

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WHEN: SUNDAY 17th NOVEMBER 2013

WHERE: THE CITY2SEA 14km FUN RUN

Starts at the Arts Centre, travels around Albert Park Lake and finishes by the sea at St Kilda.

HOW: We need 400+ volunteers to work

on the day in return for a donation of between \$30 and \$60 per person depending on the role allocated. We need all Metropolitan Clubs to arrange at least 10 people to participate. This can be members of your Club, or from a group that can help themselves raise funds eg local school, Scouts etc.

CONTACT:

Ian Salek (RC Glenferrie)
City2Sea Event Coordinator
Email: isalek@bigpond.net.au
Mobile: 0418 176 494





Rotary in the news

ROTARY APPROVES \$500,000 EMERGENCY GRANT FOR SOMALIA

Rotary has approved a \$500,000 Rapid Response grant to the World Health Organization (WHO) to address a recent polio outbreak in Somalia. The outbreak occurred in the Banadir region of Somalia, where a large number of children had not been vaccinated against polio due to inaccessibility.

countries, outbreaks such as the one in Somalia are to be expected," says Dr. Hamid Jafari, director of Polio Research and Operations at WHO. "So long as the budget for the new [Polio Eradication and Endgame Strategic Plan](#) is fully funded, we're well-equipped to pursue endemic and outbreak priorities

the [Global Polio Eradication Initiative](#) in April.

Japan's emergency grant will pay for more than 5 million doses of oral polio vaccine for supplementary immunization activities in November and December, expected to reach more than 2.8 million children under 10.



As of 14 August, 110 cases of wild poliovirus have been reported in the Horn of Africa—100 cases in Somalia and 10 in Kenya. This is the first outbreak in Somalia since 2007 and in Kenya since 2011.

The Rotary grant will cover operational costs, including human resources, training, and transportation of health workers, aimed at immunizing children under 10 in all accessible areas of Somalia in August.

To date, five vaccination campaigns have been held in Somalia, three in Kenya, two each in Ethiopia and Yemen, and one in Djibouti. Additional campaigns are planned through the end of the year.

Drawing on lessons learned from previous polio outbreaks, the first vaccination campaign was carried out within a week after the first case was confirmed.

"Until polio transmission is interrupted in the endemic

simultaneously."

Rotary's emergency funding for responses to polio outbreaks in Somalia and other countries has been critical to ensuring that immunization activities proceed without interruption, thereby minimizing the risk of the disease's further international spread.

In addition, the governments of the United Kingdom and Japan recently announced financial commitments of \$15.3 million and \$1.3 million, respectively, to fund similar emergency vaccination campaigns in the Horn of Africa.

The United Nations has warned that without further intervention, polio could quickly develop into an epidemic across East Africa and put countless lives at risk. The UK's assistance will allow WHO to immunize 6.1 million people most at risk from the disease in Somalia, northern Kenya, and other countries in the region. This new funding is in addition to a \$457 million pledge to

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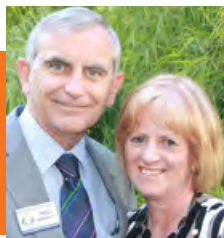
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What's in a Name?

District 9800 Governor
Ross Butterworth and
Annette



We have seen the 5th Avenue of Service, known previously as New Generations, be renamed by Rotary's Council of Legislation to Youth Service earlier this year. To me this brings a special focus for Clubs on the enriching programs of Youth Service that are the hallmark programs of Rotary.

Youth Exchange, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards and Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment are three stand out programs along with Model United Nations Assembly, National Youth Science Awards and several others aimed at the personal development of our future generations. Our Rotary and Community Leaders of tomorrow require our support and guidance whilst they themselves grow and develop.

Rotary's investment today will ensure community service and a focus on helping others continues as a legacy to our children and their children for generations to come. Australian Rotary Clubs have supported Youth Exchange for many years and particularly in District 9800. This outstanding program faces challenges going forward and requires innovative thinking to maintain it's rightful status as one of Rotary's finest programs.

As Clubs age a reluctance to accept inbound students can reduce opportunities to host students from overseas and yet we know when Clubs do host they are enriched by the culture of the students, the energy of the students and

the rewards that come when you change someone's life. We can continue such service in many ways and strategic partnerships are just one of these ways. With School students still keen to participate and with communities still wishing to send their young people overseas to grow with the experience that living in another culture brings, Rotary needs to continue our Youth Exchange Programs to support families wishing to add to their children's life experiences as it is these experiences that benefit our communities in the end.

Rotary has many networks with which to form strategic partnerships that ensure this valuable program remains a pre-eminent program of Rotary, we don't necessarily need to rely on our previous resources of Rotarian families for hosting. The communities around our Clubs offer opportunities that they can tap into for hosting, including the Youth Exchange Alumni – families of returned students, families of students on exchange and other like-minded community groups, such as Girl Guides and Boy Scout Groups. Do you have other options for hosting you have seen successfully operating elsewhere and would like to share? Please drop me a line at dg@rotarydistrict9800.org and add to the opportunities we present to our future leaders.

Best wishes to you all as you go forward and become engaged in Rotary Service - keep turning Conversations into Actions.

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Rotary shines at Medical Museum



One of the USA's best medical museums is in Chicago: The International Museum of Surgical Science.

With some logistical difficulty, I got there from my lodgings on the opposite side of this mighty city, and enjoyed the ambience.

The elegant lakeside mansion housing the museum was built in 1917, to mimic Le Petit Trianon of Versailles, for a family whose fortunes were derived from matches - the sort that come in boxes.

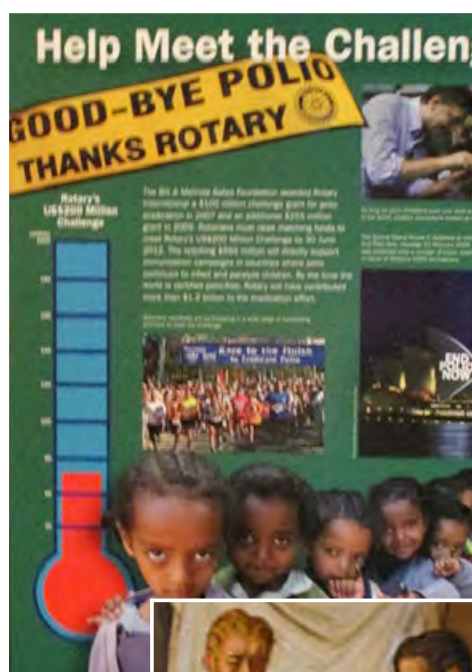


Among the exceptional artifacts are an Austrian amputation saw with reversible blade (c. 1500); original X-rays taken by radiology pioneer Emil Grubbé (c. 1910); the Lindbergh perfusion pump, which enabled doctors to keep organs functioning outside the body, invented by the renowned aviator Charles Lindbergh and Nobel Prize-winning surgeon Alexis Carrel (1935); and a unique collection of heart valves donated by Dr. Juro Wada (c. 1960-80).

The art on the walls is also brilliant - some of it requires the observer to have strong nerves.

Checkout these samples:

After wandering around having a good time, I came to the exhibition in the foyer: a



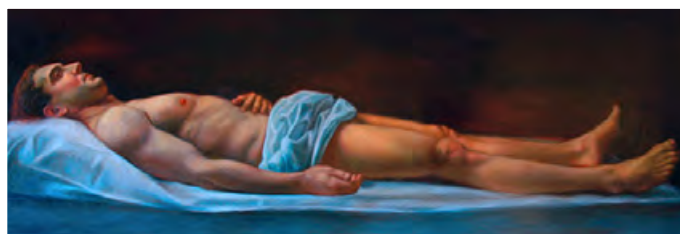
splendid account of Rotary's international fight and success against polio.

Alongside it was an actual "iron lung" used to help victims and ghastly shots of the deformities that polio could create in the human skeleton.

It made me feel proud to be part of the Rotary International body that has done such good work on the polio front. Plus, I was impressed that Rotary in Chicago has done such a good job on the public relations front.

Marketing and PR is something all Rotarians need to be conscious of.

*Tony Thomas,
RC Central
Melbourne Sunrise.*



Vision health overseas



Melbourne eye surgeon, and Glenferrie Rotarian, Mark Ellis swaps his Hawthorn Eye Clinic for East Timor and the nearby Indonesian Island of Sumba biannually, but his penchant for travelling isn't to see the sights.

With both countries lacking eye specialists despite suffering from a high incidence of avoidable eye diseases, Dr Ellis is heading up pro-bono programs aimed at restoring eye care to locals.

"The conditions are very hot and there are occasional electricity blackouts. But there's literally no one on the

island of Sumba who does eye care," Dr Ellis said.

"The people are so appreciative. They can't see at all but now suddenly can lead a productive life."

Kew resident Patrick Gorman has nominated Dr Ellis for the Care and Compassion Medal in this year's Pride of Australia Awards.

"I'm sure there are people much more worthy than me but it is wonderful for the needs of these people to be recognised," Dr Ellis said.

Pride of Australia recognises Victoria's unsung heroes - those people who go above and beyond to help others.



CLUSTER PROJECT

I thought everyone would like to know of a project we have recently completed.

The Presidents in the Bayside Cluster (Caulfield, Brighton, Brighton Beach, Brighton North and Glen Eira), have agreed that their Clubs will support a Primary School student, resident of Elsternwick, with the purchase of two modified bicycles - as a cluster project.

The student has the rare genetic disorder Charco-Marie Tooth Disease which has caused a loss of muscle function in a lower leg, including the ankle and foot.

The student wears ankle and foot orthotics and needs two modified bikes as a standard bike is too difficult for the student, especially on a slope. One bike is used at school to keep up with classmates on, quite long, regular walks to the park. The other is for use at home.

This Cluster Project was initiated by Rotary Club of Caulfield Past President John Lord and current President Faye Kirkwood. "A very worthwhile project for all the clubs involved."

The photos show the two bikes that have been modified for the student's use with Rotary Club of Glen Eira President Alan Samuel.



Faye Kirkwood, President 2013 - 2014.
Rotary Club of Caulfield.



Looking For A Cheap, Easy And Practical International Project?



Ten years ago East Timor had no schools, one of the country's top priorities was to build schools and Rotary Clubs have been very active in this area. Through Donations In Kind, Clubs have also helped

equip hundreds of schools. The industrious team at Computers 4 Kids have 100 computer systems ready for immediate delivery and eighteen groups are looking for our support.

Your Club can make the difference; your Clubs name can be on the door

**You can send one computer for \$60.00
or
Sponsor a Computer Training Centre;
computers, desk and chairs,
the lot for around \$1000.**



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dik.vic.rotary@gmail.com



CLEAN WATER

Another international effort by the Rotary Clubs from District 9800 in RC Melbourne, RC Brighton Beach and RC Brighton North.

Clean, sustainable water for 4000 families in Lubang

Bringing clean water to a community is always a significant event. When that change is brought about using clean, renewable energy, even better! This is what happened in a recent project in the Pulili, Lubang and Cabra Islands in the Mindoro region of the Philippines (District 9800). The communities are located in the Pacific's fragile "Coral Sea of Triangles", noted for the huge number of corals and arid land.

Water shortage is a fact of life here, especially in the summer when many of the usual water sources dry up. Even during the wet season many residents spend a significant portion of their day collecting water for drinking, cooking, crop/livestock propagation and other domestic purposes.

Arnolfo "Arno" Sigman is typical. He and his son walk upwards of 2 km daily to collect water and carry it back to their homes. In other households women often spend up to three hours every day trudging back and forth to get water.

Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS) Chair for Water and Sanitation (Ruth Carlos-Martinez) joined forces with the RCs of Melbourne and Lubang and consulted with SIBAT a firm of renewable energy engineers. They assessed the terrain and came up with a distribution system driven by solar power and wind turbines to provide water access for 23 housing clusters on both islands.

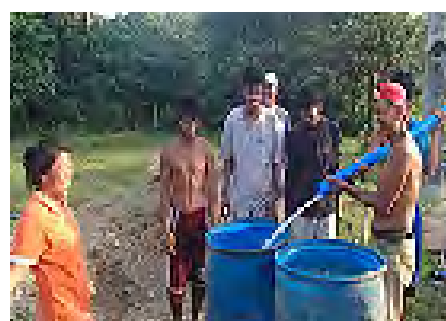
Major project activities included design and installation of the power source, development of a deep dug well and installation of a complete water distribution and storage system, including a submersible pump, water tower tanks, transmission and distribution pipelines, robust tap stand collection areas and bio sand water filtration systems to ensure the water is safe to drink.

A critical factor in the project was sustainability. A community group was formed by SIBAT to ensure adequate training for all factors, including a disaster and tsunami watch. Minimal tariffs are collected for the water to ensure funds are available to pay the PO (People's Organization) and funds are set aside for future maintenance.

With a total cost of \$57,000 the project was completed in January 2013. Cluster tap stands now provide clean water across the villages of Lubang and Cabra Islands, greatly reducing the time Arno and the villagers spend collecting water.

In a subsequent visit to Lubang by the RC of Melbourne with Ruth Carlos-Martinez, the community expressed its most sincere appreciation to the Rotary Foundation, the RCs of Melbourne, Brighton Beach, Brighton North and Lubang as well as the local government for providing them with safe, clean water.

From: <http://wasrag.wordpress.com/2013/08/19/clean-sustainable-water-for-4000-families-in-lubang/>





NOTICES AND EVENTS

Sept
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ROTARY CLUB OF BRIGHTON

Charity Golf Day

We are pleased to announce that the Rotary Club of Brighton are holding their Annual Charity Golf Day on

Monday the 30 September 2013

At the Huntingdale Golf Club.

It should be another successful day with a light lunch beforehand, an opportunity to have some tips from a professional golfer while warming up, the Golf game and then enjoy a gourmet BBQ and drinks. We will also have our prizes, an auction and a bit of fun on the night, during our presentations

A registration form is available, click on the link, and if you would care to join us please complete and return it to secure your spot.

Ivan Vojlay, Golf Committee: H 9592 9400, M 041 621 0002

<http://www.rotarybrighton.com.au/event/4500/rotary-brighton-charity-golf-day>

Oct
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ARH Hat Day - FUND-RAISING EVENT

"The Millinery Association of Australia is running a Cocktail style showcase of Australia's Premier Milliners Spring Collections to be held at the Leopard Lodge, Melbourne Zoo on

October 3 - 6.30pm for 7pm

Entertainment includes a performance with a jungle beat by DANCE CENTRE, a millinery fashion show and a \$350 millinery voucher for the best dressed race wear.

Hats will be available for sale after the parade.

There are only 120 tickets available - book early. Ticket cost is \$65.00 and the venue, show and menu for the canapés will provide real value for money.

The TRYBOOKING Rotary CodeBuyers to select "Rotary Booking" YES.... details on the attached Invitation." <http://www.trybooking.com/DDGB>

Ron Adams D9800 ARH Committee phone 9821 0444 or r.g.adams@bigpond.com

Oct
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Annual Charity Golf Day

The Rotary Club of North Balwyn - on

Friday October 4, 2013

Freeway Golf Course, North Balwyn

the proceeds from which will support VIOLENCE FREE FAMILIES.

VIOLENCE FREE FAMILIES is a Rotary initiative established to help reduce violence in the home and wider community. It will develop programs of prevention, public education, improving professional standards and support programs in schools. One in three women and one in four children will experience violence in their lifetime, it being the leading cause of premature death and injury among women aged 15 – 44 years. Children in particular always suffer whether as victims or witnesses.

See entry form attached, click to download from district events webpage or call Adrian Ranson 0418 177 100, 0460 1822.



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A ROUND AT ROYAL MELBOURNE

Your chance to play at Australia's number 1 rated golf course.

Monday, October 7

Plus the chance to win a

BIB STIWELL BMW

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or see... http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/notices_and_events_future

This is an opportunity for you to invite Friends, Colleagues or maybe your Top Clients to participate in our Ambrose Event.

Registration at 11 am and finishes at 8 pm.

\$295 per player

EXTRA DINNER GUESTS \$75 pp.

Oct
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ROTARY CLUB OF CHADSTONE/EAST MALVERN

2014 Make or Break for Australia

CELEBRATING VOCATION MONTH

Presenter: Terry McCrann

Well-respected Australian columnist The Herald Sun in Melbourne, The Daily Telegraph in Sydney and Brisbane's Courier Mail, The Weekend Australian, and the Sunday papers.

Wednesday October 9th

6.00 pm for 6.30 pm, Matthew Flinders Hotel, Warrigal road, Chadstone

\$25.00 per person Includes 2 course meal, Drinks available at bar prices

RSVP by Monday 7th October 5pm

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Oct
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The Greatest Is Love

A STORY TO TOUCH YOUR HEART AND MAKE YOUR SPIRITS SOAR

Starring Glenda Linscott with Roland Rocchiccioli

SPECIAL CHARITY PERFORMANCE OF A NEW AUSTRALIAN PLAY BY ROLAND ROCCHICCIOLI

Sunday, October 20, 2013

MELBOURNE TOWN HALL

Bookings www.RCCMS.org.au

A project of the Rotary Club of Central Melbourne-Sunrise Inc. supporting Rotary Projects in Melbourne.

PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY THE CITY OF MELBOURNE.



NOTICES AND EVENTS

Oct
25**Bahay Tuluyan**
FUNDRAISING GALA

TRIVIA NIGHT 2013

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

7 p for 7.30 start

THE PAVILION, ST BERNARD'S SECONDARY COLLEGE

8 HAMPTON STREET, ESSENDON

\$25 EACH (\$20 CONCESSION FOR STUDENTS AND PENSIONERS)Bookings online at www.kangan.edu.au/bahaytuluyan*Bring along a supper basket and purchase your beverages at the bar.*Mar.
2014**2014 District 9800****Gold Coast Conference****Weekend 7-9 March, 2014****John Blackman has again been secured as MC.***There is an outstanding list of key note speakers being engaged, including Lieutenant General David Morrison, head of the Australian Army and Nigel Chamier, Chairman of the 2018 Gold Coast Commonwealth Games Committee.***Rotary marketplace, will be located in the conference centre***Hotel accommodation has been pre-booked at Jupiter's as well as several apartment complexes within walking distance.**Kick off on Friday with the "Hawaiian Nights" cocktail party**The gala dinner will be held on Sunday evening in the Pavilion Ballroom. Saturday evening has been reserved for club dinners.***Early bird registrations will open on 1 September, 2013 - Remember: Gold Coast, Famous for Fun.**

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TIME**Do you have a letter for Clarice?****Contact the Editor**

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Is something on your mind?

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clarice@rotarydistrict9800.org.au**ROTARY DISTRICT 9800 - Events Calendar**

For a full Notices & Events calendar, visit the following link:

http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/notices_and_events_future**To submit Notices & Events, please send Clarice all the details at:**clarice@rotarydistrict9800.org.au



WHEN: SUNDAY 17th NOVEMBER 2013

WHERE: THE CITY2SEA 14km FUN RUN

Starts at the Arts Centre, travels around Albert Park Lake and finishes by the sea at St Kilda.

HOW: We need 400+ volunteers to work

on the day in return for a donation of between \$30 and \$60 per person depending on the role allocated. We need all Metropolitan Clubs to arrange at least 10 people to participate. This can be members of your Club, or from a group that can help themselves raise funds eg local school, Scouts etc.

CONTACT:

Ian Salek (RC Glenferrie)
City2Sea Event Coordinator
Email: isalek@bigpond.net.au
Mobile: 0418 176 494





Rotary in the news

Perched in the rugged mountains of central Ecuador, the village of Tingo Pucará seems an unlikely place for artistic inspiration to strike. But Tony Riggio never leaves his camera behind—and his photos of Tingo Pucará illustrate what can happen when Rotary members and young

Engineering Sustainable Water Solutions in Latin America



High school students from the Builders Beyond Borders program help install pipes that will carry water to the mountain town.

Photo Credit: Photo by Tony Riggio

people team up on a water project. Riggio has been leading youth expeditions to Central and South America since 2001, when his daughter participated in a program of Builders Beyond Borders (B3), a nonprofit based in Connecticut, USA. Construction projects have included hurricane shelters in the Dominican Republic, bridges in Nicaragua, and classrooms in Costa Rica. Water and sanitation are always primary components.

“People don’t believe what you tell them sometimes—that things are how they are in parts of Central and South America,” says Riggio, a member of the Rotary Club of Westport. “Water is such a precious commodity.”

In April 2011, Riggio traveled to Tingo Pucará—one of five B3 project sites across Ecuador that season—to build pipelines in a joint effort with the Peace Corps and Engineers Without Borders. The village stands at an altitude of 12,600 feet, with

the nearest spring about 4,900 feet down a steep path.

Historically, faced with a lack of potable water and arable land, the men of Tingo Pucará have headed to the lowlands to find work, leaving the women to transport water for cooking, washing, and drinking. Before the project was completed, the 26 village families had as little as 15 minutes of running water per month, sent from a neighboring area when available.

The engineers designed a pumping system to draw water from the spring-fed stream, and the B3 team, made up of high school students and adult advisers, worked with locals to install the pipes, which now bring running water to homes.

“For our kids, that project was not very rewarding—until the last day, when we got to turn the water on,” says Amy Schroeder-Riggio, executive director of Builders Beyond Borders and Riggio’s wife. “When you’re doing a water project, you are laying the pipe, you’re covering it over, and

it doesn’t even look like you were there. But when they turn the water on and everybody’s crying, it’s an incredible moment.”

Collaborating with the worldwide networks of the Peace Corps and Rotary boosts credibility and facilitates relationships, Schroeder-Riggio says. In 2008, B3 built a school for hearing-impaired students in San Marcos, Guatemala, with help from a local Rotary club. This year B3 teams will partner with the Rotary Club of Georgetown, Guyana, on five construction projects, including community centers and a sand bridge that will connect coastal islands to medical facilities.

“These organizations make the world go ’round,” Schroeder-Riggio says.

“The heart of it is our kids. It’s about building character, their relationship with these leadership programs. It lines up nicely with Rotary.”

by Sallyann Price

This story originally appeared in the March 2013 issue of The Rotarian

DON'T FORGET

On Monday 23 September, 2013 the District Foundation Committee have arranged a Foundation Seminar which will be an interactive forum for you and any other interested Rotarian in your club.

There will be opportunities to learn about how to apply for a District or Global Grant, help to select a project in an overseas country and how to be involved in a Vocational Training Team project and much much more...

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2013-2014 ROTARY DISTRICT 9800 FOUNDATION – GRANTS SEMINAR

Monday 23th September 2013 – 5.30 for 6.00 pm

Venue: Graduate House, 220 Leicester Street, Carlton (phone 9347 3428)

Opening at 6 pm - evening to be concluded by 8.30 pm

Light food, tea and coffee, soft drinks available from 5.30 pm

Cost: \$20/registration fee (Clubs – consider covering the cost of your delegates as it is a great investment in your future programs)

Parking is available at Graduate House, “Members” Car Park, Grattan Street (entrance off Bouverie Street) *Melway Map 2B D11 (press the button on the far wall if the gate is not open)*

This seminar will be useful for Club Presidents, Foundation & International Chairs and any member with an interest in developing a Rotary Foundation District or Global Grant project.

Subjects to be covered include:

- How to qualify your club to apply for a Foundation Grant
- District Grants: What are they? How to apply
- How Grants are financed by club funding to the Annual Program Fund
- Global Grants
- How to build a Global Grant Humanitarian Project
- Elements of a successful Global Grant submission
- Submitting your Global Grant application online
- The Resources of the District Foundation Subcommittee

Learn more about:

- How your club can fund a Rotary Global Scholar of your choosing to study overseas
- How your club can participate in the GSE program
- The Royce & Jean Abbey Award and Scholarships
- Levels of Foundation contributions

RAWCS representatives will be able to assist your club in selecting a project.

Club attendance at this seminar will qualify the Club under section 2 part C of the Club Memorandum of Understanding to be able to submit either an application for a District or Global grant to the District Grants Committee.

Please complete and return this Registration Form to Philip Rowell by 17th September via either email: prowell@bigpond.net.au or by mail to 6 Rose Court, Brighton. Vic. 3186.

Cheques payable to Rotary District 9800.

Name	Position	Email	Amount