



ROTARY CLUB of CLAYTON Inc.

District 9810 Victoria, Australia

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(No meeting on public holidays)



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Upcoming Club Program

Date	Speaker	Chairperson	Desk	Visitors
4 th April	Monash Heart – Anne Mennen & Dr Sarah Hope.	Jim Cochrane	John Drosis	Warren Fricke
11 th April	Conference Feedback – John & Gaye Barnes.	John Drosis	Warren Fricke	John Goldspink
18 th April	Committee Meetings / Club Assembly	Warren Fricke	John Goldspink	Reddy Kandadi

Presidents Report

Last week we met at the Mulgrave Country Club with other members of our cluster to hear the GSE team from California speak. Low key, yes, interesting yes and different to prior nights. It was a most enjoyable night with addresses from young people who are leading in their professions.

Last night I had the pleasure of having at my home a very different group of young people, the Melbourne Scottish Fiddle Club and to see them having huge fun with what amounts to most of them, a hobby. Some say today's youth is different to years back, it was not apparent last night, they just need the opportunity to shine and we Rotarians can give them opportunities via our many programmes. No matter what we do, it should be enjoyable so we will all want to repeat it and build on it. The fun those fiddlers have is infectious and makes you want to be involved.

We can learn much from the younger folk. Google Melbourne Scottish Fiddle Club and you will see why they were at my home then follow the many interesting links on it, one has details of a special concert on at MLC on Sunday April 10th which will appeal to all interested in seeing what youth can do and hear virtuoso fiddle and harp playing by Chris Stout and Catriona McKay over here from the Shetland Islands where fiddling is an ancient tradition.

My grandfather was a Shetlander and many of his home made fiddles will be playing on stage at that concert.

Bill Sides

Rotary Four Way Test

"Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the Truth?
2. Is it Fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?"

Last Meeting & Notes

Last Meeting (29/03):

This week the club attended the GSE 2011 District 5240 and 9810 welcome Dinner at the Mulgrave Country Club.

In January 1964, the RI Board of Directors and The Rotary Foundation Board of Trustees approved [Group Study Exchange](#) as an official Rotary program. Thirty-four teams from 17 pairs of districts participated in the first round of exchanges during the 1965-66 and 1966-67 Rotary years. But young people had been traveling the globe with support from Rotary clubs well before this decision. In 1950, six young men from England went to New Zealand, led by English Rotarian Geoff Morton and financed by clubs in Yorkshire. They traveled the country, staying with Rotarians along the way.

Rotarian Ralph Vernon proposed a similar endeavor in 1955 to clubs in northern New Zealand, who wanted to commemorate Rotary's golden anniversary with a district wide effort. District 39 (now districts 9910, 9920, 9930, and 9940) created the Rotary Overseas Travel Award program, and John Ledgerwood, of the Rotary Club of Hamilton, led the first team on a trip to Great Britain. The program was so successful that district leaders in New Zealand decided to continue it after the anniversary celebrations had ended. Over the next few years, teams from New Zealand traveled to Canada, India, Japan, Sri Lanka, and the United States. New Zealand Rotarians welcomed visitors from these countries as well as from Pakistan.

In the early 1960s, the Trustees began considering programs for non-Rotarians that would promote international goodwill and understanding. One plan was for small groups of young business and professional men to travel from one Rotary district to a district in another country.

Harold T. Thomas, a New Zealand Rotarian who served as RI president in 1959-60, shared information about the Rotary Overseas Travel Award with the Trustees. Soon after the Board and Trustees approved Group Study Exchange, Vernon and other Rotarians with experience in group exchanges and vocational training were invited to finalize the details of the new Foundation program. In the nearly five decades since, more than 70,000 young men and women have traveled the globe as part of Group Study Exchange teams.



THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

1. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
2. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
3. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
4. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

The GSE Team were introduced by Kay Gordon as a team of young professionals whose commitment has been great, arising early in the morning and going to bed late each night with very heavily filled days. The team has on one day visited Wholesale Market, Wineries, RACV Club Dinner with the day being focused on vocational and non vocational visits. Other visits have been to Motor Cycle Grand Prix, Classic Car, Koalas and penguins where they were putting headsets on and off, turning left and right advising the game keeper was having a bit of fun with them. They have also visited Swinburne University, Knox Miller Homestead, Ozone Shopping Centre (Knox City), in the evening the Salvation Army for a wonderful dinner, this was to see about the Disaster Work that is done. They then went to a garage for cheese and beer supper. Visited the Rotary Club Rowville, Telstra GOC, (Global Operations Centre) where there was a lot of talking going on, there was a flick of a switch and walls changed to clear panels so that the whole centre could be seen. They were going the next day to Synchrotron, GSESIC. Yarra Valley to see the fire disaster, Churchill Island Homestead to a Fresh Food market.

Alicia Baker lives in Santa Barbara and works in human resources for the American Red Cross. Her job involves many administrative functions in addition to employee relations. She earned a Bachelor's degree in Political Science from Azusa Pacific University located in Los Angeles area. In her spare time she enjoys hiking and jewelry making. She is close with her family who live scattered along the west coast from central California to Oregon, She has gained knowledge of the works of Red Cross Response work, eaten their food but believes the Salvos here do better. She has done a great amount of training having driven the response bus from California to Pennsylvania where she has worked knee deep in disaster. She has been involved in teaching youth about natural disasters, CPR, First Aid.

David Vo five years in Rotaract knows about Rotary from attending Rotary meetings. David works as a Quality Assurance Engineer for a software company called Citrix Online. In his spare time he enjoys reading non-fiction books and food magazines. David enjoys cooking and even has a group of friends who meet monthly for a large meal. To stay fit he rides his road bike and does night hikes with his Rotaract Club. He has a BA in Economics (Business) from the University of California, Santa Barbara, he builds and collects torches and pens.

Amy McVicker is a Native Californian and a teacher. She began her career in Colorado after graduating from the University of Denver in 2005 with two majors in English and Spanish along with a minor in English She spent time teaching Spanish in Denver and more recently taught English in Quito in Ecuador before returning to California to live with family in Oxnard California. She enjoys volunteering and making jewelry. She also enjoys walking her dog which is an Australian Kelpie, Hiking, bowling, roller skating and Cultural activities.

Aaron Meidam is a Cellar Master and General Manager of a custom winery called In Vino Veritas. He is Certified in Culinary Arts, Food Technology and Hotel Management. He also has extensive study in wine making and food pairings. Aaron calls Lake Nacimiento home. Located on the Central Coast of California, and is a short distance from the mountains, he enjoys all kinds of water and snow sports in his free time.

Kevin Nunn the GSE Team Leader has been a member of Camarillo Noontime Rotary Club for over 5 years, but has been involved since he was 8 years old. His family is as busy as he. His wife Masako teaches Japanese language at a California University, he has two children, Michelle a student at SOKA University in southern California and Michael a freshman in high school. Kevin is a co-owner in a Family Business, Camarillo Plumbing, including Aire Serv. Heating and A/A. Kevin thanked everyone for the language lessons he has had such as

Special Announcements

15th April – Tom & Angela Portelli Wedding Anniversary.

27th April – John & Gaye Barnes Wedding Anniversary.

29th April – Jon & Phuong Breisch Wedding Anniversary.

30th April – Deb Simmons Birthday.

Dead Horse (Tomato Sauce) and many others. Spare time he advised he enjoys the Motor Cycle culture with his father and brother, talked a little about the differences between Australia and California. We drive on the wrong side of the road, have our light switches upside down and Australian Hand Dryers are weak theirs you just put your hands in and they are dry. America has big meals but they don't eat all day. He then had all the Presidents up on stage to sing together "It's a Small World After All" and also asked those attending to join in. He advised the host families have been great showed the bottom front of his shirt embroidery. Talked about the fun that has been had and exchanged banners and souvenirs.

Follow the teams journey while in Australia by following the attached link:-
<http://carotarygsetoau.wordpress.com/>

Thank you to Glenys Pattison for taking the notes this week.

Meeting Notes:

- Jon Breisch informed the club that the Annual Changeover this year will be on the 27th June at Hemisphere. Time is 6:30 for a 7:00 pm start. More details to follow.

Apologies = John Goldspink, Georges Ah-Tye, Ed Allchin, John Drosis, Michael Ellinger, Warren Fricke, Reddy Kandadi, Bronwen Lamond, Craig Merson, Katherine Merson, Tom Portelli, Richard Simmons, Rukshana Verzijl, Ralph Zuccaro & Lesley Zuccaro.

Make Ups = None.

Leave of Absence = None.

Visitors = None.

Think Foundation Thoughts

April: Magazine Month

This week's Foundation Thought is about ...

Peace. —A skeptic might ask: "How can Rotary be a real force for peace? It has no jurisdictional power. It is not a religion. It has no army or tanks, and it insists on being nonpolitical." Such a viewpoint looks at peace as something that can be ordered or militarily enforced, as if it is only the responsibility of governments. Rotary has always approached peacemaking systematically — it has sought to break down the barriers that cause people to point fingers at one another. By trying to understand peoples' points of view and reaching across lines of race, religion, and culture to become partners in service to all mankind, tensions are reduced and friendships are increased. Humanitarian aid has been Rotary's answer to hunger, sickness, illiteracy, and economic disaster — the seeds of conflict. — From *A Century of Service: The Story of Rotary International* by David C. Forward

Important Club Dates

Thursday 07/04/11 to Saturday 09/04/11 – 2011 District 9810 Conference.

Sunday 17/04/11 – Rotary Club of Clayton 46th Birthday.

Thursday 21/04/11 – 90th Anniversary of Rotary in Australia.

Saturday 23/04/11 – Monash Farmers Market. See Craig Merson for details and if you wish to be put on the roster.

Sunday 07/05/11 – Annual District Assembly at Hemisphere.

Monday 27/06/11 – Annual Changeover at Hemisphere. More details TBA

District 9810 News

Congratulations to PP Merv Ericson who was selected as District Governor Nominee Designate (2013-14).

Merv is a Past President of the RC of Richmond (D9800) and a Member of the RC of Monash. He was GSE Team Leader to D1130, Central London, in 2007 and has served on the GSE Committee for close to three years. As Branch Manager of Pinewood Community Bank Branch, Bendigo Bank, Merv is well known to many Rotarians within the District.

We wish him well during his journey towards a successful year as District Governor 2013-14.

D9810 District Assembly

During 2011/12

- Are you on the Club Board?
- Are you in a Club Officers Position?
- Are you managing a Club Project?
- Are you serving on a Club Committee?
- Are you a new Rotarian?
- Do you want to Reach Within to Embrace Humanity?

Answer "Yes" to one or more of the above questions then you should make time to attend the D9810 District Assembly.

When: Saturday 7 May—8am-1pm
(Presidents-Elect Session concludes 3pm)

Where: Hemisphere Conference Centre
488 South Road, Moorabbin (Mel 77 H5)

Signs and guides will be available directing you to car parking and the registration area. Registration opens at 8am when tea and coffee will be available. Assembly will commence at 8:45am and conclude by 12:45pm except for Presidents Elect and any others who are advised separately.

DGE Juliet Riseley and her District Leadership Team look forward to strong participation in the 2011 District Assembly as we prepare for the coming Rotary Year.



Rotaract Club of Monash

Club Meeting Details:

The Club meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the Month at 7:30pm
Mulgrave Neighbourhood House
36 - 42 Mackie Road, Mulgrave
(Melways 80C3)

Upcoming Rotaract Events:

Rotaract Roster:

Date	Rotarian to Visit
6 th April	John Drosis
20 th April	Michael Ellinger

If you cannot attend on the night you are rostered, please organise a replacement to take your place.

Upcoming Events in Monash

Mulgrave Fun Day

Saturday 16 April 2011

11am - 3pm

Wellington Reserve, Mackie Road
Mulgrave, Melway Ref 80 C3

MC for the day - Colin Bogaars will be hosting The wonders of Fredrico Boogies's Magic Circus!

Paul Jamieson and Bongo the Cheeky Monkey have performed and been a great attraction at the Mulgrave Fun Day for the past few years.

Sail the Caribbean on the Pirate Ship and be dropped off in the magical world of the **Grimstone Laboratory** where your imagination can run wild!

Other activities and attractions are:

- Recycled arts workshop
- Painting workshop
- Face painting
- 6ft long Goanna to see

Come and join in the activities at the Wellington Reserve Community Centre, home to the Mulgrave Girl Guides, Mulgrave Scout Group and Mulgrave Neighbourhood House.

Proudly supported by the Monash Weekly.

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Upcoming Events in Kingston

HEART of Kingston - Charitable Trust Art Show

**Friday, 6 May 2011
to Wednesday, 11 May 2011**

The community is invited to drop and enjoy the inaugural 'HEART of Kingston Charitable Trust Art Show' at Woodlands Golf Course from May 6 to 11.

All proceeds from the Art Show will go to the Kingston Charitable Trust and Family Life.

This six day event is proudly presented by Aspendale Rotary Club, Kingston Council, Bendigo Community Bank Parkdale and Mentone East branches, Woodlands Golf club and Parkdale Secondary College.

The Art Show will exhibit up to 350 pieces from professional artists across Kingston and the wider region.

LOCATION: Woodlands Golf Course, White St Mordialloc

CONTACT NAME: Helene Brown **PHONE:** 9772 0123

EMAIL: artshow@aspenderotary.org.au

WEB: http://www.kingston.vic.gov.au/Page/page.asp?Page_Id=2836&h=0

Where other Clubs Meet

A Rotarian can attend the weekly meeting of any Rotary club around the world. This is a "make-up" and counts as attendance credit when you are not able to attend a meeting of your own club.

Details for all District 9810 clubs can be obtained in the district directory or website www.rotary9810.org. Details for clubs around the world are available in the RI Directory (held by the club secretary) and on the RI website (www.rotary.org)

Reminders

Please ensure that the club is aware if you will be missing a meeting. Contact **Ralph Zuccaro** on **0408 991 741** by **4 pm** on the **day of the meeting**, if you are not going to be present.

Contributions for inclusion into the Bulletin should be passed to michaele@netspace.net.au by Thursday evening of each week.

Please remember if you cannot perform your rostered job, it is your duty to find a replacement to take your place.

Joke of the Week

Farmer Frank had a chicken farm divided by a busy road. The traffic sped along and killed many of his chickens which were crossing the road.

The council helped by erecting a sign that there was a school crossing and asking the drivers to slow down.

The drivers ignored the sign, continuing to mow down his chickens.

Frank put up a sign of his own which had immediate results. The sign said: 'Nudist colony. Watch out for chicks.'

Rotary International News

Rotarians respond to Japan earthquake, tsunami

By Ryan Hyland and Dan Nixon
Rotary International News -- 25 March 2011

Rotarians have been finding a number of ways to help victims of the devastating earthquake and tsunami in Japan that killed thousands and left hundreds of thousands more homeless. In response to the disasters, The Rotary Foundation established the [Rotary Japan Disaster Recovery Fund](#), which will support long-term recovery projects in the affected areas. More than US\$500,000 has been donated since the fund opened on 11 March.

"It is encouraging to know that our overseas Rotary friends care about us," says Yuzaburo Mogi, president of the Rotary Club of Tokyo. "I am confident that the people of Japan will overcome this great disaster, and we are hopeful that we can get over the various difficulties soon."

District governors in Japan are running a fundraising campaign to send money to the governors in affected areas. Mogi says that Rotarians who wish to help Japan should contribute to the Foundation's [recovery fund](#). (Rotarians and non-Rotarians can [donate online](#)) The first Matching Grant project to receive support from the fund was approved a week after the disaster. Clubs in districts 3350 (Cambodia and Thailand) and 2820 (Japan) are using a total of \$65,650 to help provide food and drinking water for 15,000 people at an evacuation center in Ibaraki.

Other responses have included:



The Rotaract Club of Tokyo is encouraging Rotaractors around the world to post messages of support on Twitter for survivors of the Japanese earthquake and tsunami. *Photo courtesy of Rotaract Club of Tokyo*

- Three Rotary districts in Japan are using district funds to help. District 2610 (Ishikawa and Toyama) has developed an emergency relief project to provide public housing for up to 500 families evacuated from the disaster areas. District 2840 (Gunma) shortened its presidents-elect training seminars from two days to half a day and donated the remaining funds earmarked for the seminars to relief efforts. And District 2680 (Hyogo) set up a contribution box during its district conference, raising about \$7,500 for recovery efforts.
- The Rotaract Club of Tokyo launched the Cheer Tohoku project to rally the support of Rotaractors around the world, asking them to use Twitter to send messages of support to survivors in northeast Japan. The club is also using Twitter to post photos of Rotaractors holding up short messages they've written. "We thought we could make use of the worldwide Rotaract network to show people in the stricken area that we care," says club president Ai Takahashi.
- The Rotary Club of Akashi, Hyogo, sent a private airplane carrying a load of medical supplies to the Rotary Club of Sukagawa, Fukushima, which delivered them to a hospital near Fukushima Airport. The governor of District 2640 (Wakayama and parts of Osaka) and six Rotarians also brought 1,000 blankets to Rotarians in the Fukushima region.

Rotary Foundation alumni respond

Alumni of Rotary Foundation programs are also supporting Japan's recovery efforts:

- Rotarians and friends of Rotary in District 3330 (Thailand), an area extensively damaged by the 2004 tsunami, are among those who have felt especially moved to respond. The district's Rotary Foundation alumni association worked with local Rotary clubs to raise \$15,000 in contributions.
- A Group Study Exchange (GSE) team from District 6450 (Illinois, USA) was in Tokyo when the earthquake struck on 11 March. Japanese Rotarians "provided our team with unbelievable kindness and generosity" throughout the exchange, says team leader Bob Blackburn. He adds that they "cared for our well-being during and after the earthquake," including ensuring that the team didn't miss its flight home to Chicago. "My wife and I offered the Westmont Rotary club [Illinois] an opportunity to match our \$500 contribution to District 2750 [part of Tokyo and Pacific Islands] for disaster relief efforts, and they responded with an additional \$4,500. Plus, our GSE team members have pledged an additional \$425, for a total of \$5,425. Rotarians always come to the aid of others in an emergency. Please help our friends in Japan any way that you can."
- Former GSE team members and others in District 5450 (Colorado, USA) are also mobilizing support. "We were involved with the outbound and inbound teams to Japan's Sendai area last year and have been heartbroken to learn about the tragedies experienced by their friends," says Past District Governor Mike Oldham.
- Miho Fukuhara, a former Rotary Peace Fellow from Japan, is temporarily leaving her post as a United Nations and intergovernmental affairs officer at UNICEF headquarters in New York City to join the Japan Committee for UNICEF for five weeks. "I never thought of myself being sent to Japan for emergency response work," says Fukuhara, who managed and coordinated reconstruction programs in Iraq for Peace Winds Japan earlier in her career. "It is really sad to see the situation, but I will do my best."



The Taste of Gold Farmers market, formerly held at Holmesglen TAFE Waverley Campus, has reopened at a new site and in a new format.

**Where : Monash University Clayton Campus Car Park
Enter: Wellington Road main entrance, Melways Ref
70.F12**

When : Every 4th Saturday in the month (except December)

Next Market: will be on the 23rd April 2011

Time : 8:30am to 1:00pm

For those of you who enjoyed the Holmesglen market, many of your favourite stalls from Central Victoria are at the new market.

If you haven't experienced the "Taste of Gold", the range of produce straight from the farm covering seasonal fruit and veggies as well as organic and specialty foods will de-light you.

The "Taste of Gold" Monash Farmers Market is a Community Project where all profits go towards supporting people in need and community projects.

Our all weather site has plenty of parking. Come along for a great community experience and take away a "Taste of Gold".

For more information visit
www.rotarymonash.org. or
www.tasteofgold.com.

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