

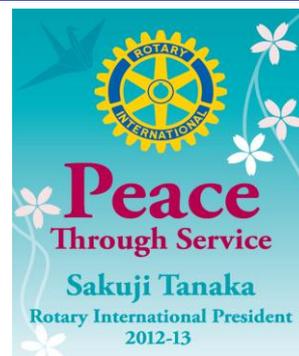


ROTARY CLUB of CLAYTON Inc.

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
8 th April	Donate Life Victoria – Tawny Farrugia	Warren Fricke	Reddy Kandadi	Bronwen Lamond
15 th April	National Youth Science Forum opportunity for science students - Samantha Davies	Reddy Kandadi	Bronwen Lamond	Cheryl O'Toole
22 nd April	Meeting Committee reports and Board Meeting	Bronwen Lamond	Cheryl O'Toole	Glenys Pattison

Presidents Report

Hi Members and Friends,

Hope you all had a wonderful Easter break.

Huge thanks to members Warren, Sha, Pramen, John, Gaye, Richard and Cheryl and also to our daughter Justine and nephew Leo and our other collector Teresa for joining us to collect for the Uncle Bobs Club Good Friday Appeal. We set up at 8.30 am on a calm slightly cloudy morning after the terrible windy Thursday we had all experienced. We had 7 people per shift with 3 each side of Beaconsfield Parade and Ralph at Kerford Street.

There were 2 shifts of 3 1/2 hours each with fairly steady traffic through most of the day. We have a number of stories to share with members on Monday meeting many interesting people during the time. I actually felt we were quieter than last year but the next day we received a call from Uncle Bobs advising that we had raised over \$5,500 which was around \$600 more than last year.



What a fabulous achievement and we hope to do it again next year and hope to also top this year's amount. It was also great to hear that the Children's Hospital had achieved more than the amount they had hoped for with the total over \$16M.

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?"

Many thanks to Cheryl and the generosity of her son and staff at The Good Guys for again donating items to assist us help members of our community. Cheryl arranged the Digital Radio for the Stepping Stones at Monash Child and Adolescent Psychiatry unit after a



request from Kerry Mulligan who is a very dedicated teacher at the unit. Cheryl was unable to drop it off so thanks to Warren for doing so during the week.

It was great to get a phone call from Heather during the week saying she was home and feeling stronger and looking forward to returning to Rotary, hopefully this Monday. We look forward to welcoming Heather back again.

It was also great to have Glenys back also feeling well enough to be able to climb those dreaded stairs. Glenys has arranged a very interesting guest speaker program for us to continue to enjoy and thanks to her for all her efforts.

We will have another movie night in place of our normal meeting on Monday 29th April, movie to be announced. Please invite your family and friends to join us when the details are announced.

We are currently applying for Street Stall opportunities in an effort to raise some funds for the club, again details will be announced as soon as confirmed.

Many thanks

Lesley

Last Meeting & Notes

Last Meeting (25^h March):

This week our guest speaker was Gaye Barnes who is an honorary member of our club. Gaye spoke about her recent trip to India. Attached is a copy of the presentation made by Gaye and also some photos.

My National Immunization Day started on 23rd February in Delhi, with 5 other Rotarians partners from our District, when we were met by members of the Polio Plus Committee for a briefing meeting. Here we were given literature and our End Polio Now vests, scarves and caps.

The next day we drove to Moradabad in Uttar Pradesh, which is known to be a "hot spot" for the polio virus. It rained all morning and continued to rain when we were met by local Rotarians. We then joined a Polio rally in the rain with banners and loud speakers announcing the polio immunizations which were happening the next day. After the rally we visited a village health camp which was accessed via back streets and following the rain, through lots of mud. Our bright yellow vests and foreign appearance was as big a draw as the little clip on koalas we provided to each child as a reward.



Whilst in Moradabad we also visited the General Main Hospital to meet the head medical superintendent who explained the importance of the polio immunization program and of the

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.

desperate needs of the local community. Later, we were invited to attend the local Rotary meeting where we were asked to stand, introduce ourselves, and talk about our



involvement, or should I say our husband's involvement with Rotary. We discovered that between the 6 of us this involved 125 years of service. We finished with a very tuneful rendition of Advance Australia Fair.

Sunday morning, we started the National Immunisation Day at the local railway station. We waited for the trains to pull in, and through the open windows, asked the Mothers whether their children had been vaccinated, or, we checked their little "pinkie" to see if it was painted purple with a texta which was the way

of telling whether they had received their 2 drops. I recall, as I stood on the station, seeing a young man in his early 20's, sitting on the ground crippled with polio. I was instantly struck with the tragic irony of the situation, the 6 of us actively vaccinating young children as he looked on - this young man, in the prime of his life, completely encapsulated for me, the motivation behind our trip to India, and further cemented the massive importance of this wonderful thing Rotary has done and is doing, to rid the world of such a terrible affliction.

We were then driven to the local bus station where a Rotary club had set up a booth for more immunizations. There were other stops at road side booths manned by Rotarians and volunteers. The local Rotary teams had already been through most of the villages, and marked the walls with chalk and arrows pointing to where a baby lived so it was easier for us to find them. Also they marked the wooden doors with a team number to show if the child had or needed to be vaccinated, and the date we were there, they were so well organised. They were the lucky ones!!!!



The unfortunate state of the Nomadic slum villages of Moadabad was distressing. We witnessed the mobile medical centres and observed the desperate need for fresh water in these areas. Moradabad has a population of approximately 1 million people. Within this area there are 60 slum villages of extreme deprivation. Each village occupied by anywhere between 300 and 800 people. They have no access to safe drinking water, the food supply is both inadequate and of poor standard, sanitation facilities are mostly non-existent and their general living conditions are filthy. Access to medical facilities is extremely limited as also is any possibility of even a minimal education.



The living conditions in these villages are atrocious. Amongst naked children at play, a multitude of dogs and cows roam unfettered, scrounging for food amongst the scattered piles of discarded rubbish. Untreated sewerage waste runs freely in the streets. Houses as we know them are non-existent, what passes for accommodation is dirty and torn tents. Fresh running water does not exist; cooking facilities consist of dirty pots where women squat on the

ground under what little shelter is available.

A Rotarian and past district Governor Sudhir Gupta is desperately attempting to improve the living conditions of these unfortunate people. However, with limited financial resources the task is extremely difficult, none the less he is determined to make as much impact as possible. It is his intention to set up more mobile medical camps which can move amongst

Special Announcements

8th April – Simon Richards Birthday.

15th April – Tom & Angela Portelli Wedding Anniversary

the villages. Each camp medical team would consist of 2 Doctors, a nurse and a pharmacist who can visit two sites daily covering a population of approximately 800 people per site. All medical supplies, bandages etc would be supplied by Rotary.

Improved sanitation is also an immediate aim, and to that end he intends to construct a minimum of 4 toilets with a septic tank at each site together with the means to adequately maintain them. Clean drinking water is of course a necessity, as it is presently non-existent. Deep bore wells are required together with the pumps necessary to make them functional. Shallow bores are useless for drinking water but useful for cleaning and washing. Water pumps must be paid for, currently at a cost of \$500 per pump. Collectively we were so appalled by the general conditions of these poor people that we are determined to assist as best we can.



Certainly we had some wonderful experiences over the 2 days we spent in Mumbai, and it was both fascinating and enthralling to be able to visit one of the New 7 Wonders of the World - THE TAJ MAHAL in Agra.

But the real purpose of our trip was to participate in the National Immunization Day for Polio in Moradabad, and be part of a team of many hundreds of thousands of Rotarians and Health Workers who delivered those 2 precious drops of polio vaccine to each child to somewhere around 170,000,000 children that weekend throughout India.



We were treated as celebrities by all the Rotarians from District 3100, who made sure we were well looked after. We were fated as special guests at briefings, at Rotary meetings, project sites, a street rally where we led the parade, numerous booths on the

Sunday, where we saw the "poorest of the poor" in the slums, and conditions that would no doubt have led to outbreaks of polio. How these people survive with no water or sanitation is beyond me, but somehow some do, The Rotarians all say that to have a polio free India you need a polio free Moradabad.

Polio Eradication is so close with only 3 countries remaining polio endemic, Afghanistan, Pakistan and Nigeria, and of course India has been polio free for the last 2 years There is still much to be done, and substantial funding is still needed to finish the job that Rotary started in 1985.

Following our presentation at the District 9810 Conference in Wangaratta, we were overwhelmed by the generosity of clubs and Rotarians We raised sufficient funds to support 2 Matching Grants to provide 2 water pumps and 4 toilets to 35 of 60 slum villages, and 20 Monthly Medical Clinics.

AND special thanks to you - The Rotary Club of Clayton for being a part of these Grants.



In addition to our District 9810 support, a National Immunization team of Rotarians from the Netherlands is also working on a Matching Grant to assist a further 25 villages with pumps and toilets. In total, these pumps and toilets will help up to 50,000 people in the villages. We will continue endeavours as funding is still required for more Monthly Medical Clinics.

Funding is also required for Vocational Training Teams to train the village people in matters of health and hygiene.



One really memorable moment for me was when I was handed a baby girl, only 15 days old. She was swaddled up in blankets, and all I could see was a mop of thick black hair, and a little mouth the size of a pea. I wondered, how was I going to get the vaccine drops into her small mouth? She had bites and sores over her face, and her breathing was very congested. But, I gave her those 2 precious drops and I hope and pray that she will survive to receive her

second dose in 12 months time. How lucky are we???

This was my second immunization experience (the first in 2010 in Hyderabad), and I felt so proud to be connected to Rotary and especially with those 5 special ladies, and to be a part of this great Rotary initiative.

Thank you.

Gaye Barnes.

Meeting Notes:

- Lesley Zuccaro gave an update on the health of Heather Norling. Heather is doing well and is now at Cedar Court. The plan is for Heather to be back home on the 2nd April.
- Lesley Zuccaro reported that Bunning's in Notting Hill are looking for BBQ dates to be filled in 2014. The days available are Friday, Saturday and Sundays.
- Lesley Zuccaro reported that the club has been asked again by the Uncle Bobs Club to collect for the Royal Children Hospital Good Friday Appeal on Friday 29th March. The location is the same as last year which was on the corner of Beaconsfield Parade and Kerford Road, St Kilda. The shift times will be 9:00am - 12.30pm & 12.30pm to 4pm. If you can help on the day, please let Lesley know.
- Lesley Zuccaro informed the club that there is an opportunity to hold a Street Stall at Bunning's in Notting Hill. Days of choice are Saturday & Sunday and the hours can be chosen. If anyone is interested they should contact Lesley. Jean Cochrane is currently making Fig Jam to sell at the stall. Other items can be cakes, but they must be clearly labelled.
- Lesley Zuccaro also announced that the club along with Bunning's are looking at doing a joint project for the Monash Child and Adolescent Psychiatry unit. More details to follow.
- Lesley Zuccaro informed the club that the District 9910 Conference will be in Bendigo next year from the 21st to 23rd March. 10 Rooms have been booked at the conference centre for our club, as we will be supporting and helping out during the event.
- Bill Sides reminded the club that we still need to buy or build a BBQ trailer with the government grant we received last year, which will run out in September this year. If you have any good BBQ trailer ideas can you please contact Bill. Jim Cochrane advised Bill to contact Carac Trailers.
- Reddy Kandadi gave a report on his visit to the Monash Rotaract meeting last week. Reddy has also visited Westall Secondary College and the John Monash Science School promoting the New Generations projects.
- John Barnes reported that the club is still waiting on a receipt from the Monash Childrens for the Humidifier so we can receive the District Simplified Grant.

Apologies = Heather Norling, Dianne Sides, Bronwen Lamond & John Goldspink.

Make Ups = Bronwen Lamond (Conference).

Leave of Absence = Craig and Katherine Merson.

Visitors = Gaye Barnes (Honorary Member).

Think Foundation Thoughts

April: Magazine Month

This week's Foundation Thought is about ...

Peace. —Hope is the expectation of better things — a polio-free world, a world without hunger, universal peace. It is the spark that keeps a man going, whatever his station. Without it, life is nothing more than existence in despair. — *1986-87 RI President M.A.T. Caparas*

Important Club Dates

Wednesday 17/04/13 – Club 48th Birthday.

Monday 29/04/13 – Movie Night at Pinewood Cinema. Movie to be advised.

Monday 01/07/13 – Club Changeover at Mulgrave Country Club.

District 9810 News

RC Rowville Lysterfield Business Breakfast with Brett Clothier

"Integrity in the Business of Sport"

Brett Clothier has been the Australian Football League's Integrity Manager since August 2008. His appointment was the first of its kind in professional sport in Australia.

As Integrity Manager, Brett oversees the AFL's entire integrity program including the enforcement of the league's rules with respect to gambling, match fixing, player conduct and anti-doping.

Prior to working at the AFL, Brett worked in thoroughbred horse racing as Legal Counsel for the Integrity Services Department at Racing Victoria Limited. Brett started his legal career at Minter Ellison in Melbourne as a media lawyer in 2001.

When: THURSDAY 18th April 2013

Time: 6:45 FOR 7:00AM START and 8:45AM FINISH

Where: Kingston Links Golf Course Function Centre.

Cost: \$60 PP – Includes Full Breakfast.

Bookings Close: Friday 12th April. Daryl Moran – 0404069751

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
17 th April 2013	Bronwen Lamond
1 st May 2013	Cheryl O'Toole

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

Upcoming Events in Monash

Chinese and Vietnamese FREE Community Event

Join your community for a celebration of culture:

Saturday 20 April, 2013

2pm - 7pm

Clayton Community Centre, Cooke Street, Clayton

Featuring theatre shows at 3pm & 5pm

- Vietnamese Comedy Phil and Me + music and dance (bookings essential, Ph: 9541 3130)
- Tai Chi classes
- Chinese story time in the library (4pm)
- Library book buy: suggest Chinese/Vietnamese books
- Food: provided by D & A Chinese and Vietnamese restaurant
- Free Chinese massage, Craft stalls, Music, dance and karaoke

Upcoming Events in Kingston

Power of Food seminar

Thursday, 18 April 2013

7:30 AM - 9:30 PM

Bayside Church is proud to host Dr Damian Kristof's Power of Food seminar.

Damian is a qualified chiropractor and naturopath and was the presenter of TV3's Down Size Me program. Damian has the ability to reshape and transform the way you view food and health.

What we put into our bodies on a daily basis can have the most nourishing or detrimental effects on our health. Damian's revolutionary, yet simple approach to food will empower and inspire you to make the best possible choices with what and how we eat.

- Discover the power of food
- Unlock the secrets of health through food
- Increase personal performance through better food choices
- Learn the secrets of losing or gaining weight

LOCATION: The Bayside Centre, 99-101 Argus St, Cheltenham

CONTACT NAME: Bayside Church **PHONE:** 03 9585 2455

EMAIL: info@baysidechurch.com.au

WEB: <http://baysidechurch.com.au/>

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.9810rotary.org.au 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 **Bronwen Lamond** on **0439 339 645 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

A little boy goes to his father and asks, “Daddy, how was I born?”

The father answers, “Well, son, I guess one day you will need to find out anyway. Your Mum and I first got together in a chat room on Yahoo. Then I set up a date via email with your Mum and we met at a cyber cafe. We sneaked into a secluded room and Googled each other.

There your mother agreed to a download from my hard drive. As soon as I was ready to upload, we discovered that neither one of us had used a firewall, and since it was too late to hit the delete button, nine months later a little pop-up appeared that said, ‘you’ve got male’.”



Rotary International News

Lessons learned from the International H2O Collaboration

By Arnold R. Grahl
Rotary News – 20 March 2013

Dozens of broken hand pumps dot villages in Ghana — evidence of well-intentioned efforts gone awry because sustainability wasn't built into the projects that installed them. Perhaps fees weren't collected to fund repairs, or local officials weren't recruited to manage and oversee continued operations. School latrines also fail at a high rate, as projects often overlook the fact that they must be emptied periodically.

These are just two of the findings from a recent review of the International H2O Collaboration, a partnership between Rotary International and the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) that is beginning its fifth year.

As part of the partnership's commitment to sustainability, it hired an independent contractor, Aguaconsult, to review the more than 15,000 measures — from water systems and hygiene training to wastewater treatment plants — funded by the partnership in Ghana, the Dominican Republic, and the Philippines.

Sustainability index

The review included the creation of the WASH Sustainability Index, a tool designed to assess the long-term success and sustainability of these projects. The tool eventually will be available for Rotarians to use in planning more effective water and sanitation projects.

Water and sanitation projects often are measured by the systems built and the number of people they are expected to serve. But experts are finding that these numbers don't tell the whole story. Other conditions must be in place for projects to outlast their initial funding. These so-called soft elements include reliable management, long-term support, sound financial planning, training, and supportive government policies.

The WASH Sustainability Index essentially is a series of questions that determine whether these soft elements exist. To grade each action, Aguaconsult applied these questions to three levels of project involvement — individuals and organizations responsible for managing a service or system; local governments, nongovernmental organizations, and public agencies that provide support or oversight; and government and regulatory agencies that set policies, adopt technical standards, and conduct periodic review.

"The Aquaconsult team made a valiant effort in attempting to quantify the uniquely qualitative aspects of sustainability," says Sean Cantella, of Relief International, an organization that worked with USAID to implement the index in Ghana. "They should be applauded for their novel effort to look beyond simply counting the number of facilities in order to estimate the likelihood that facilities will be available for the long term."

Report findings

Aguaconsult's report had high praise for Rotarians' expertise, noting that equipment like wells, pumps and water systems have been well designed and meet all technical standards. But it found weaknesses in most other areas. Among the findings and conclusions:

- Collecting tariffs or user fees is important for long-term success. In many of the projects reviewed, user fees were either not collected or were set too low to provide enough money to replace worn-out equipment and parts. Considering the life cycle of equipment, and having frank discussions about what costs will be faced and by whom, can help projects avoid failure.



María Magdalena Gonzalez pours filtered water into a pan for cooking in her home near Bonao, the Dominican Republic. Rotarians installed filters as one of many projects under the International H2O Collaboration. *Photo by Alyce Henson/Rotary International*

- Implementing projects in an institutional or policy vacuum increases the risk they will simply “fall through the cracks” once the project partners leave. In some communities, no agency was assigned to oversee results. Rotarians should involve relevant authorities from the outset and ensure that newly built systems are registered and integrated with other public works so they receive support and monitoring.
- The ability and willingness of local agencies to provide long-term follow-up are critical to sustainability. Ghana and the Dominican Republic have a national program for promoting hygiene, and their health ministries have strong urban branches. But such support is often absent in rural areas. In the Philippines, rural community-managed systems were found to suffer from a “lack of political will.” Training local government staff to manage and administer projects, and improving supply chains and services, can help.
- Advocacy aimed at correcting policy or capacity gaps is an important and valid investment in long-term success.

World Water Day

The H2O Collaboration is one example of how Rotarians are working year-round to provide access to safe drinking water and proper sanitation. On 22 March, Rotarians will join the observance of [World Water Day](#). Established by the United Nations in 1992, the day highlights the importance of fresh water and the need for sustainable management of water resources. This year’s theme is water cooperation.