

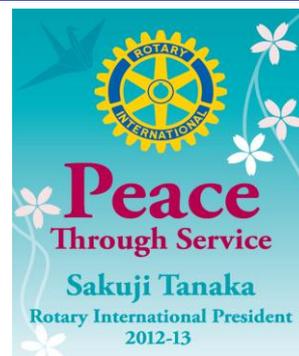


# ROTARY CLUB of CLAYTON Inc.

District 9810 Victoria, Australia

## Weekly Bulletin 2012-2013

Meets every Monday from 6:30pm at L'unico Restaurant  
319 Clayton Road, Clayton (Melways 79C2)  
(No meeting on public holidays)



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### Upcoming Club Program

Date	Speaker	Chairperson	Desk	Visitors
17 <sup>th</sup> December	No meeting - Replaced by Christmas Dinner on the 15 <sup>th</sup> December.			
21 <sup>st</sup> January	No Meeting - Replaced by fellowship meeting at Safety Beach on the 20 <sup>th</sup> January.			
28 <sup>th</sup> January	No Meeting - Replaced by fellowship meeting at Six Acres on the 27 <sup>th</sup> January.			

### Presidents Report

Hi Members & Friends,

On behalf of our members I would like to express our thanks to Dianne and Bill for hosting us last night for our Wonderful Christmas Celebrations. Thanks all for bringing along a lovely selection of food to share. The Kris Kringle was a hit with many funny and appropriate items received by all. The review of our Mauritius trip was arranged by Bill and Dianne and we hope our members gained a feel of our trip after seeing the highlights, it is indeed a wonderful place to visit.

On behalf of our Club I was very pleased to award Michael Ellinger, our twice award winning bulletin editor, a Paul Harris Fellow with Sapphire. When I was advised that I needed to nominate a member for a Paul Harris fellow it took me no time to decide that Michael was my choice. After becoming President and having to write a president report every week I have now begun to appreciate the continual effort, hard work and commitment Michael demonstrates to produce each week the outstanding bulletin we all get to read. He also maintains our web site



## 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?"

and contact list and has been carrying out this role for 10 years now. Well done Michael, congratulations and thanks for doing such a wonderful job for us.



This, for me, is a time of reflection over the last 6 months. We have had such a busy, active and very affective 6 months and together we have been able to reach out and help so many. We have a wonderful team of members who care passionately about our local and International community and we certainly make a difference.

I look forward to the following 6 months as president and look forward to getting back into Rotary at the first Bunning's BBQ on Sunday 13th January at Notting Hill and again on the following Saturday 19th January at South Oakleigh. We have a full roster and thank all members who will attend.

Sunday 20th January will be our first family day / meeting for the year at the home of Jim & Jean at Safety Beach, details to follow.

Followed the next week Sunday 27th January by an open day at 6 Acres Vineyard at Silvan. We would like you invite your friends and family along on this day to help us celebrate (post) Australia Day so mark it down in your diaries. Again details to follow.

I would like to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a safe, happy and prosperous New Year. See you in 2013.

Many thanks  
Lesley

## 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.

## Last Meeting & Notes

### Last Meeting (10/12):

This week we were lucky enough to have two guest speakers. Our first guest speaker was Carolyn Lee-Smith who is a Program Manager from EDAS – MonashLink. EDAS stands for Eastern Drug and Alcohol Service. EDAS provides free and confidential alcohol and other drug counseling, support and education in Melbourne's eastern metropolitan region.

Carolyn spoke about all the different type of services which are provided by EDAS – MonashLink which include:-

- Family Focus Project
- Dual Diagnosis Project
- Services for Professionals
- Services for Schools
- Cautious with Cannabis

The main reason of the visit from Carolyn was for the presentation of a cheque of \$1,200 by Frank Golotta through the Rotary Club of Clayton towards the work performed by EDAS – MonashLink for people with a gambling addiction. Frank is the owner of Lunico's and is a very keen sponsor of various charities. Carolyn explained that the money which was sponsored will go towards a Drumming Program which has been set up to provide people with a gambling addiction an alternative activity to help them with their problem.

Our second guest speaker for the night was Jon Breisch who spoke about and showed pictures of his recent 6 months that he spent with his family in Europe. Due to time constraints on the night, Jon only spoke about the first half of his trip and has promised to tell us the remaining half in the new year.

The first three months of the trip was spent in Germany with the main base for the family being in Stuttgart where they lived in an apartment in a city called Bissingen an der Tech. The older girls (Charlotte and Kelilah) went to school there and Elyssa went to Kindergarten. The girls settled in school quite quickly and made some nice friends. They participated in most of the class activities and tried their best to speak German. Jon explained that the school hours were 7:30 am to 12:30 pm on Monday, Wednesday & Friday and from 7:30 am to 3:30 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Jon spoke about the different activities and sights around Stuttgart and one particular place of visit was the Mercedes-Benz Museum (pictured). Stuttgart is home to the Mercedes-Benz brand and the international headquarters of Daimler AG. The current building, which stands directly outside the main gate of the Daimler factory in Stuttgart, was designed by UN Studio. It is based on a unique cloverleaf concept using three overlapping circles with the center removed to form a triangular atrium. The building was completed and opened on 19 May 2006.



Jon also mentioned that the family went to the various spring festivals in the area and visited a park where children were allowed to paint on Buses with water paints. The family also went to visit Legoland in Günzburg, Bayern.

The first point of call on their trip of Europe after leaving Stuttgart was the Island of Sylt which is the fourth-largest German island and the largest German North Sea island. Sylt is situated at 9 to 16 km off the mainland, being connected there by the Hindenburgdamm. Southeast of Sylt the islands Föhr and Amrum are located, to the north lies the Danish island Rømø. The island of Sylt extends for 38 km in a north-south direction and on its northern peak at *Königshafen* is only 320 m wide.

## Special Announcements

**19<sup>th</sup> December – Lesley Zuccaro Birthday.**

**19<sup>th</sup> December – Ed & Margot Allchin Wedding Anniversary.**

**28<sup>th</sup> December – Jon Breisch Birthday.**

At this point time had run out, so we now eagerly wait for part two of Jon's Family Holiday Adventure.

Before the meeting was closed President Lesley swapped Rotary banners with Rajendra Rijal and thanked him and his daughter Sha for visiting our club.

### Meeting Notes:

- Jim Cochrane explained how he and John Barnes picked up 2 trailer loads for the special Christmas run this week from Toorak to Dixon House. Jim also mentioned that there will another run this Wednesday.
- The club will be holding two more BBQ's at Bunning's in 2013. The first will be on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2013 at Bunning's in Notting Hill and the second will be on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January at Bunning's in Oakleigh South. The roster was passed around during the meeting looking for volunteers to help out over the two dates.
- It was decided that during January the following dates and locations will be used for our meetings. There will be two meetings held on the 20<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> (Both are Sundays). The 20<sup>th</sup> (replaces the meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup>) will be at Jim & Jeans home at Safety Beach and on the 27<sup>th</sup> we will get together at 6 Acres Winery where we will also celebrate Australia Day as Monday 28<sup>th</sup> is a public holiday. More details on timing will follow at a later date. There will be no meetings on the 7<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> January. The first meeting back at Lunico's next year will be the 4<sup>th</sup> February.
- The clubs Christmas Break-up will be on the 15<sup>th</sup> December and will replace the meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> December. It will be a dinner and will be held at the home of Bill & Dianne Sides starting from 6:00 pm. There will be a KK on the night and names were drawn by members to see who they would be buying a present for.
- Warren Fricke spoke about the presentation of Book Vouchers to Clayton South, Clayton North & Clarinda Primary schools. Warren is looking for members who can support with the presentations. The dates are Clayton North on the 11<sup>th</sup> December, Clayton South on the 19<sup>th</sup> December and Clarinda on the 20<sup>th</sup> December.
- Reminder on the 9810 District Conference which will be from Friday 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> March 2013 in Wangaratta at the Performing Arts Centre. For more details on the conference you can go to the following location  
<http://2013conference.9810rotary.org.au/>  
To book your place go to [www.trybooking.com/29736](http://www.trybooking.com/29736)

**Apologies** = Bronwen Lamond, John Goldspinks & Katherine Merson.

**Make Ups** = None.

**Leave of Absence** = Glenys Pattison.

**Visitors** = Rajendra Rijal (RC of Pashupati (Nepal)), Sha Rijal (Daughter of Rajendra), Carolyn Lee-Smith (EDAS – MonashLink) & Frank Golotta (L'unico's).

## Think Foundation Thoughts

### December: Family Month

*This week's Foundation Thought is about ...*

**Supporting the Foundation.** —I believe in donating annually to The Rotary Foundation because it's *my* foundation. If I don't do it, then how can I convince others to give? —  
*District Governor Atmaram "Ram" Gawande*

## Important Club Dates

**Monday 24/12/12** – No Club Meeting (Christmas Eve).

**Monday 31/12/12** – No Club Meeting (New Years Eve).

**Monday 07/01/13** – No Club Meeting.

**Sunday 13/01/13** – BBQ at the Bunning's store in Notting Hill.

**Monday 14/01/13** – No Club Meeting.

**Saturday 19/01/13** – BBQ at the Bunning's store in Oakleigh South.

**Friday 15/03/13 to Sunday 17/03/13** – District 9810 Conference in Wangaratta at the Performing Arts Centre.

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## Message from Theja Kandadi

Dear Dianne,  
Thank You for the present you gave me yesterday.  
This is picture of the puzzle assembled.

From, Theja



## District 9810 News

### The Victorian Gnome Festival 2013! Australia Day 2013 January 26th From 10am – 4pm

Entry  
Adults \$2, School Children \$1  
Toddlers Under 4 Free



at the PETER SCULLIN RESERVE MORDIALLOC

Presented by the Rotary Club of Mordialloc in association with City of Kingston

## 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)

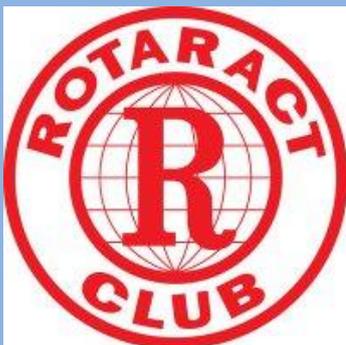
### Upcoming Rotaract Events:

- Rotaract Gala Ball on the 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2013 which will be held at the Sebel at Albert Park. Money raised is going towards "Still Born". (See flyer attached to this bulletin)

### Rotaract Roster:

Date	Rotarian to Visit
16 <sup>th</sup> January 2013	Jon Breisch
6 <sup>th</sup> February 2013	John Drosis

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



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## Upcoming Events in Monash

### Monash Carols by Candlelight 2012

**Sunday 16 December 2012**  
**Jells Park, Wheelers Hill, (Mel: 71 K7)**

Mark it in your diary now - the Monash Carols by Candlelight will be held at Jells Park on Sunday 16 December.

We invite our local community to pack a picnic rug and join with us in celebrating the festive season.

The **main concert** will get underway at 8pm, with the Monash Concert Band, Kristian Gregory, Kirsten McMillan, Zoe Rasmussen and Southern Voices Choir among the performers.

Santa will make a special appearance and Channel 9's Pete Smith will once again comper the evening's celebrations.

Candles, glow novelties, drinks and snacks will be available for purchase throughout the evening.

Prior to the concert, a special **Kids Zone** event will kick off at 4pm. This event will include free kids rides, craft activities and face painting. Children will be able to have their photo taken with Santa, so don't forget your camera.

The pre-show entertainment, featuring "Ranger Roo's Park Adventure Show", will begin at 7.15pm.

**Event:** Monash Carols by Candlelight

**Date:** Sunday 16 December

**Time:** Main Concert 8pm, Kids Zone 4pm

**Venue:** Jells Park, Wheelers Hill (Melways reference 71, K7)

**Parking:** Limited parking is available.

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## Upcoming Events in Kingston

### Carols By the Bay

**Sunday, 16 December 2012**  
**6:30 PM - 10:30 PM**

Celebrate Christmas Kingston style at Council's Carols by the Bay extravaganza. Join the thousands of families and individuals at the FREE festivities at Peter Scullin Reserve with Kingston's magnificent foreshore as a backdrop.

Pack a picnic tea, lay out your rug on the lawn and soak up the festive atmosphere at this annual event which attracts thousands of people every year. Please remember that this is an alcohol free and dog free event.

**LOCATION:** Peter Scullin Reserve

**CONTACT NAME:** Kristylee Clark **PHONE:** 9581 4754

**EMAIL:** [kristylee.clark@kingston.vic.gov.au](mailto:kristylee.clark@kingston.vic.gov.au)

**WEB:** [http://www.kingston.vic.gov.au/Page/page.asp?Page\\_Id=214&h=0](http://www.kingston.vic.gov.au/Page/page.asp?Page_Id=214&h=0)

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## 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](http://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](http://www.rotary.org))

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## 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](mailto: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.**

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## Joke of the Week

An 80-year-old man is having his annual check-up and the doctor asks him how he is feeling. "I've never felt better!" he replies. "I've got an 18-year-old bride who's pregnant and having my child. What do you think about that?"

The doctor considers this for a moment, then says, "Well, let me tell you a story. I know a guy who is an avid hunter. He never misses a season, but one day he's in a bit of a hurry and he accidentally grabs his umbrella instead of his gun. "So he's in the woods and suddenly a grizzly bear appears in front of him. He raises up his umbrella, points it at the bear and squeezes the handle. The bear drops down in front of him, suffering a bullet wound in its chest."

"That's impossible! Someone else must have shot that bear," the man said. "Exactly," said the doctor.



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## Rotary International News

### Scuba enthusiasts dive deep for adventure

by Paul Engleman  
The Rotarian -- December 2012

On a dive trip in 1991, members of the International Fellowship of Rotarian Scuba Divers decided to take a group photo – under water.

"We practiced our formation on deck, then dived in, organized our pyramid, and took the photo," recalls Judith Kaufman, one of the original members of the fellowship. "I suggested the caption 'Surface Above Self.'"



Robert Ewald, a member of the fellowship, photographs a grouper. *Photo by Dan Shepherd*

The motto stuck. Gordon Stevenson, a member of the Rotary Club of Taupo Expresso, New Zealand, had founded the fellowship a year earlier. In those days, membership totaled about 10 people, according to Robert Ewald, a member of the Rotary Club of Louisville, Kentucky, USA, and editor of the group's newsletter. The fellowship has since grown to 117 members.

### **Under the sea**

Kaufman enjoys seeing the unusual life-forms under the sea. "And best of all, these species are not in cages or tanks. You can interact with them, photograph them." In addition to the sense of adventure that diving provides, she says, "the quiet and serenity are rejuvenating – a total absence of cell phones and traffic noises. The only sound you hear is your own breathing."

Although you need to be a strong swimmer to be a diver, the process of diving is not physically demanding, Kaufman explains: "Very little 'swimming' is involved in scuba diving. Your goal is to achieve neutral buoyancy, and thus a relaxed flutter of the fins propels you to your desired location."

"Once you get under water and get comfortable in the environment, nothing can be easier," Ewald says. "You adjust your weight to be neutral, and it's like flying. Effortless." The most difficult part, he notes, is climbing back into the boat.

Divers with physical disabilities often find the feeling of weightlessness exhilarating. One of the best programs for these divers, Ewald says, is Diveheart, headed by Jim Elliott, a member of the Rotary Club of Downers Grove, Ill., USA, and a scuba fellowship member.

Bruce Solari, president of the scuba fellowship, says that he and his wife, Johrita, both members of the Rotary Club of Anaheim, California, USA, have been on 10 dive trips since joining the fellowship a decade ago. His list of destinations indicates a preference for the Caribbean – Curacao, Bonaire, Roatan, Little Cayman, British Virgin Islands – but the couple also have splashed down in the Indian Ocean.

"We love the freedom and adventure that diving brings," Solari says. "We have seen wondrous creatures big and small – everything from whale sharks and manta rays in the Maldives to pygmy seahorses in Indonesia that are so small you need a magnifying glass to see them."

### **Giving to charity**

On each trip, Ewald says, the fellowship makes donations to charitable organizations in the area. "We usually select these charities by working through local Rotary clubs," he says. That practice began with the group's first trip in 1991, says Solari, who estimates that its donations have exceeded \$100,000 since then.

Most of the group's members are from the United States, but it also draws people from Brazil, England, Germany, Italy, Spain, and New Zealand. The fellowship schedules two diving trips annually – one in which participants stay on land, and one in which they live aboard a boat. Each year, the divers on the current trip select the destination for the following year.

"The fellowship has given us the opportunity to go to places that we never would have traveled to on our own," Solari says. "And we have developed strong friendships that have enriched our lives."

The Monash Rotaract Club  
cordially invites you to

*On a Starlit Night*  
*Charity Ball*

proudly supporting the  
*Stillbirth Foundation Australia*

Saturday 2nd February 2013

7pm till Midnight

The Sebel Hotel, Albert Park

Dress- Black Tie

Tickets

[trybooking.com/35025](http://trybooking.com/35025)

Adults \$140 Students \$120

RSVP- 14th January 2013

Early Bird by 1st December \$120

Three course meal  
Beer, Wine & Soft Drink

Silent Auction

Live Entertainment



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