



ROTARY CLUB of CLAYTON Inc.

District 9810 Victoria, Australia

Weekly Bulletin 2010-2011

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
20 th December	Annual Christmas Party at the home of Bill & Dianne Sides (6:30pm)	Dianne Sides	Richard Simmons	Rukshana Verzijl
10 th January	Meeting at Village Green with RC of Glen Waverley & Wheelers Hill	Richard Simmons	Rukshana Verzijl	Lesley Zuccaro
17 th January	Fellowship Meeting at Bill & Dianne Sides Home	Rukshana Verzijl	Lesley Zuccaro	Ralph Zuccaro

Please Note: No Meetings on the 27th December & 3rd January.

Presidents Report

Christmas is a time when everybody seems to over-indulge, express best wishes to all their friends and neighbours and spend much money on gifts, drinks and socialising. It is also a rare time when some families get together. Once Christmas was strictly a Christian celebration whose ancient origins are increasingly being buried by commercialism. Even non-Christian countries like Japan swap cards, gifts and the like complete with crosses, angels and Christian icons just like here. I guess what it really means is that regardless of religious backgrounds, people do love the break and opportunity to let their hair down and meet, greet and give others gifts. Let us all join in and enjoy ourselves over Christmas but don't overlook those people less fortunate than you by pledging some gifts to worthy charities.

On Monday, we will have a Christmas message and a fun Christmas meeting with an International flavour at my home. Dress up or bring a curio from abroad and bring along a sample of food and drink from abroad to share.

If I don't see you there, have a very Happy Christmas and wonderful and prosperous New Year.

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 (13/12):

This week our guest speaker was Glen Vincent. Glen is Chairman of the Conference Committee and is a member of the Rotary Club of Manningham.

Glen gave us an update on the upcoming District 9810 Rotary Conference in Adelaide from the 7th to 9th April, 2011. The Conference will be held at the Adelaide Convention Centre, North Terrace Adelaide, a purpose built Conference venue located in the heart of the city. A range of hotels and variety of excellent restaurants, cafes and shops are all within easy walking distance. Adelaide Airport is located approximately 8km west of the city or just 15 minutes from Adelaide's Central Business District. A taxi fare from the airport to Adelaide Convention Centre is approximately \$20 - \$25. There is a regular shuttle bus service to and from the airport.

A feature of this year's Rotary District Conference will be the introduction of a Global Village. The Global Village is primarily designed to showcase District 9810 projects both local and global. District Conferences provide an ideal opportunity to meet and exchange ideas with Rotarians from District 9810. Inside the Global Village, located in the main Foyer, all attendees will come daily to learn about new projects and how to become more involved with other Rotarians who share their interests or concerns. The Global Village has a special regional theme and décor and incorporates regional food and wine samples and local arts and crafts Exhibitions. The Global Village is an exciting showcase of Rotary programs and projects combined with displays of quality South Australian products aimed at giving Rotarians a unique South Australian experience while visiting the Adelaide. The Global Village is also the meeting place for delegates and provides access to a wide variety of information on projects categorised under Healthy, Educated and Safe Communities plus event sponsors, social and leisure and healthy lifestyle opportunities.

The opening of the Conference will be on the Thursday evening, which includes Tim Costello as the guest speaker. This will be followed up with a welcome supper, which will be a great opportunity to catch up with fellow Rotarians. The supper will include locally sourced finger food, wine, beer and soft drinks. The closing of the conference will be on the Saturday, followed by the Gala Dinner on the Saturday night. The theme of the dinner is "Garden Party".

Keynote speakers at the conference will include:-

- **Valerie Browning** - Inspirational Australian nurse Valerie Browning lives and works with the nomadic Afar people of Ethiopia. The Afar region is one of the poorest places on earth where temperatures hit 60 degrees and one in three children die before the age of five. Valerie has been described by Channel 9's *60 Minutes* as "one of our unsung national treasures". She has lived among the Afar nomads for more than 20 years and has worked tirelessly to improve their lives.
- **Peter Baines** - Working with the NSW Police in Forensic Services, Peter Baines is a leader in his field and was sent to Thailand after the Boxing Day tsunami. He worked identifying victims and returning bodies to their families. Seeing the many children orphaned by the tsunami Peter wanted to contribute in a more meaningful way, and so he founded the Hands Across the Water charity (HATWA). His first project was to fund the construction of an orphanage. Since then Peter has raised \$2 million, built a second orphanage and purchased a rubber plantation to

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.

ensure a sustainable and regular income stream.

- **John Blount (Rotary International Director (2009-2011))** – John T. Blount is a dentist, in private practice for the past thirty-two years in Sebastopol, California. He is a graduate of Loma Linda University School of Dentistry with a D.D.S. degree and Loma Linda School of Arts and Sciences with an undergraduate degree in history. He and his wife of thirty-five years, Patti, are both members of the Rotary Club of Sebastopol, CA and are major donors and bequest society members of The Rotary Foundation. John has served on several organizational committees that deal with Rotary International's future, including "New Models of Rotary Clubs", "Rotary Action Groups", three RI President nominating committees, and Vice Chair of the 2008 International Institute. He has been a membership coordinator and a member of several RI task forces on public relations, new generations, and membership.
- **Simon Bryant** - He began his cooking career in several Thai and Indian Restaurants in Melbourne, before moving to Adelaide in 1995. Simon has been with Hilton Adelaide for more than 10 years, commencing as a Commis Chef, followed by 18 months as a Chef de Partie in The Grange with Cheong Liew and rapidly working his way up to Senior Sous Chef of The Brasserie. It is in The Brasserie where Simon has emerged as one of Adelaide's hottest young chefs and was promoted to Executive Chef overseeing 33 staff, 2 of the states leading restaurants, a quick service deli, and as South Australia's largest hotel, the largest catering and room service operations in the state. Simon's television career started in 2004 with appearances on the ABC series Beat the Chef. It was here he was discovered and offered the co-host role on the now hit series on ABC1 The Cook and the Chef with local food icon Maggie Beer. Having just celebrated 100 episodes of the Cook and the Chef, another series will be filmed in 2009.

To find out more information about the conference you can go to the following web page - www.d9810adelaideconference.com

Our club is holding nine rooms at the Oaks Horizon at 104 North Terrace. The Oaks is immediately opposite the convention centre. Bill has asked that members requiring a room should contact the hotel directly. The phone number is 08 8210 8000. Once you have secured a room please let Bill Sides know. For more information visit this web page -

<http://www.oakshotelsresorts.com/oaks-horizons/>

Meeting Notes:

- Jim Cochrane & John Barnes gave an update on our involvement in the car parking for the Australian Women's Open Golf next February at the Commonwealth Golf Club. The date for the golf is from the 3rd to 6th February 2011. The car parking this time will be at the Mavis Hutter reserve in Oakleigh South. The cost for the car parking will be \$8 per car. A roster will be put together to cover the four days and this will be broken up into two shifts, 6:00 am – 10:00 am & 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Two people will be required at the Golf Course & five parking the cars. Golf Australia will provide ropes, porta loo & marquee.
- Jim Cochrane gave an update on the Foodbank collection during the week with the help of Bob Millen & John Barnes. Jim also reported that Dixon House appreciates the clubs commitment and support.
- Glenys Pattison reported that our meeting on the 10th January will be at the Village Green with the Rotary Clubs of Glen Waverley & Wheelers

Special Announcements

28th December – Jon Breisch Birthday.

1st January – Angela Portelli Birthday

2nd January – Ralph Zuccaro Birthday.

Hill. The time will be 6:00 for 6:30 pm start and the cost will be \$22 per person, excluding drinks. If you wish to attend, can you please let Glenys know ASAP.

- Bill Sides gave an update on the presentation of Book Vouchers to Clayton South, Clayton North & Clarinda Primary schools. Bill Sides visited Clayton North, Warren will visit Clayton South and Jim Cochrane will visit Clarinda.
- Ralph Zuccaro reported that Warren Fricke provide a Christmas tree to the Monash Adolescent unit at the Monash Hospital during the week.
- There will be no meetings at L'unico Restaurant from the 20th December until the 24th January.

Apologies = John Goldspink, Lesley Zuccaro, Warren Fricke, Craig Merson & Bronwen Lamond.

Make Ups = Heather Norling, Bill & Dianne Sides (Farmers Market). Warren Fricke (Monash Adolescent unit)

Leave of Absence = None.

Visitors = Glen Vincent (Rotary Club of Manningham & Guest Speaker).

Think Foundation Thoughts

December: Family Month

This week's Foundation Thought is about ...

Foundation grants. Nueva Esperanza is a sustainable community in Honduras created for families devastated by Hurricane Mitch. The community was established with the help of a US\$445,000 Rotary Foundation grant. The project provided eye and dental care, medicines, medical equipment, books, computers, and other benefits to the community. The effort enabled women to receive microcredit loans to help generate income, such as a handmade paper business.

Important Club Dates

Monday 10/01/11 – Meeting at Village Green with the Rotary Clubs of Glen Waverley & Wheelers Hill. The time will be 6:00 for 6:30 pm start and the cost will be \$22 per person, excluding drinks.

Saturday 22/01/11 – Monash Farmers Market. See Craig Merson for details.

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

District 9810 News

Group Study Exchange Welcome Back Dinner

You and your partners are invited to attend the D9810 Group Study Exchange Welcome Back Dinner on Thursday February 3rd 2011.

The California Group Study Exchange with D5240 commenced on Friday 1 October in Santa Barbara, and concluded in Las Vegas on Sunday 31 October 2010.

The Special Focus Team on **Water and Wildfire** was led by Rotarian Tony Haining, who, together with team members Bryony Grice (Manager Sustainable

Irrigation), Karen Mead (Trauma Physiologist) Kenn Beer (Road Safety Engineer) and Andrew Leitch (Wine Maker) had a very successful month in California.

The enthusiastic team members are eager to speak of their experiences with their Host Families, their Club days, and most importantly, of their Vocational days.

WHEN: Thursday 3 February 2011

At 7:00 pm for 7:30 start

WHERE: Wheelers Hill International Motor Inn

Jells Road, Wheelers Hill

Melways Reference: Map 71 - J1

COST: \$36.00 per person for a 2 course dinner. Drinks at bar prices.

Bookings to be made by 28 January 2011

CONTACT: To be advised

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:

➤ TBA.

Rotaract Roster:

Date	Rotarian to Visit
2 nd February	Georges Ah-Tye
16 th February	John Barnes

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

Upcoming Events in Monash

Australia Day 2011

Wednesday, 26 January 2011

Monash Civic Centre, 293 Springvale Rd, Glen Waverley

Monash will come alive this Australia Day. A flag raising ceremony and breakfast will be held at Monash Civic Centre from 8.45am to 11am and will include speeches from dignitaries and Australia Day ambassador Wesa Chau. Past events have included: Open Days, Bush Walks, Sausage Sizzles, Demonstrations and Dance Classes! For more information please contact the Events Officer on 9518 3547, or email events@monash.vic.gov.au.

Upcoming Events in Kingston

Christmas Twilight Farmers' Market

Wednesday, 22 December 2010

4:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Buy all your Christmas provisions directly from the producer. Stalls include fresh fruit and vegies, meats, cheeses, breads, pasta, dips, gourmet treats and much more.

LOCATION: Sir William Fry Reserve, Nepean Highway Highett

CONTACT NAME: Mandy Baigel PHONE: 9581 4746

EMAIL: mandy.baigel@kingston.vic.gov.au

WEB: <http://www.kingston.vic.gov.au/link/farmersmarket>

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

A woman was driving home from a business trip when she saw an elderly woman walking on the side of the road in a remote area.

She stopped the car and asked the woman if she would like a ride. With a silent nod of thanks, the woman got into the vehicle.

Resuming the journey, the driver tried in vain to make small talk with the elderly woman. She just sat silently, looking intently at all she saw, studying every detail, until she noticed a brown bag on the seat next to the driver.

"What's in the bag?" asked the old woman.

Looking at the brown bag, the driver said: "It's a bottle of wine. I got it for my husband."

The old woman was silent for another moment or two, then speaking with the quiet wisdom of an elder, she said: "Good trade."

Rotary International News

Kentucky Rotarians raise \$142,000 for polio eradication

By Arnold R. Grahl
Rotary International News -- 23 November 2010

The 2010 Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games in Lexington, Kentucky, USA, in September marked the first time the games have been held in North America and Kentucky Rotarians were there in force, spreading the news about Rotary's good works and raising money for polio eradication.

Rotarians from throughout the state, and some from other parts of the world, provided the main volunteer workforce for food and beverage stations throughout the Kentucky Horse Park, home of the 16-day competition considered the "Olympics" of the equestrian world.

Through an agreement with event concessionaire Buona Companies, 8 percent of the concession proceeds went to Rotary, allowing volunteers to raise \$142,000 for Rotary's [US\\$200 Million Challenge](#). Rotary volunteers worked a total of 2,829 eight-hour shifts, logging 22,632 volunteer hours.

"The event provided tremendous Rotary exposure," says Robert Ryan, governor of Rotary International District 6740 and a member of the Rotary Club of Lexington. "We helped welcome the world to the games."

The World Equestrian Games are held every four years and this year featured athletes and horses from more than 50 countries competing for world championships in eight equestrian disciplines. More than 500,000 people attended the games, which were broadcast on NBC sports and internationally through the European Broadcast Union.

Rotarians also staffed a booth in the trade show area, handing out literature and copies of a poster of Kentucky Derby-winning jockey Calvin Borel, a participant in Rotary's ["This Close" polio eradication public awareness campaign](#). Volunteers gave out souvenir pins featuring the Equestrian Games and End Polio Now logos in exchange for a \$5 donation to polio eradication.

"We were very busy the entire time, but it wasn't a burden," says Sara Callaway, a member of the Rotary Club of Frankfort. "I like to do volunteer work for things I believe in."

"Clubs were encouraged to use the event as a club project to meet their \$2,000 annual goal for Rotary's challenge," Ryan says, noting that Rotarians received credit for their club for each shift they worked or recruited friends or family to work. Individual Rotarians earned [Foundation recognition points](#).



Top: District Governor Robert Ryan (right) presents RI President Ray Klinginsmith with a certificate during the World Equestrian Games. *Photo courtesy District 6740*
Bottom: Kentucky Rotarians prepare to serve participants at one of the larger food stations. *Photo by Peggy Asseo*

"I heard from one Rotarian volunteer that by taking part and meeting other Rotarians from all over the country and world, he felt very comfortable going to and visiting other Rotary clubs where he hadn't before," Ryan says. "This event helped break down barriers within Rotary."

RI President Ray Klingensmith and his wife, Judie, attended the opening ceremonies of the games, helping kick off the volunteer effort. John Germ, Rotary Foundation trustee vice chair, and his wife, Judy, worked several volunteer shifts. Ryan's aide, Dean Hammond, coordinated the volunteer pool, while Past District Governor Tom Ashford also provided support.

Local Rotarians opened their homes to Rotarians who traveled from other areas to volunteer.

The Lexington Rotary club plans to raise additional funds for polio eradication by auctioning off several items, including a basketball signed by Klingensmith and University of Kentucky men's basketball coach John Calipari, fliers autographed by Borel, and several commemorative baseball caps signed by Calipari.