



# ROTARY CLUB of CLAYTON Inc.

District 9810 Victoria, Australia

## Weekly Bulletin 2011-2012

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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## District 9810 Award Winning Bulletin for 2010/2011

### Upcoming Club Program

Date	Speaker	Chairperson	Desk	Visitors
5 <sup>th</sup> December	Round up of the events in the last week – Various Members	Dianne Sides	Richard Simmons	Ralph Zuccaro
12 <sup>th</sup> December	Membership & Interest Night – John Barnes	Richard Simmons	Ralph Zuccaro	Lesley Zuccaro
19 <sup>th</sup> December	No meeting – Replaced by Christmas Break up on the 17 <sup>th</sup> December			

### Presidents Report

If you could have bottled the energy from the Interact Club Charter Night you would have enough energy to power Australia for the next 20 years as there are 70 plus in the club. Certificates were presented to about 40 as a few were on a project.

Also the Club attended the Central Clusters Foundation Seminar held on the 29<sup>th</sup> November instead of the normal Monday night and we obtained and were given reinforced information from Foundation.

Don't forget our Bunning's BBQ at Oakleigh South (see Bronwen for the Roster).

It's always a full time of the year as we approach Christmas and it seems to get busier before the break.

Yours in Rotary  
Jon Breisch

## 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 (29/11):

This week Jon Breisch, John Barnes, Heather Norling, Bronwen Lamond, Jim Cochrane, Jean Cochrane, Ed Allchin, Dianne Sides, Bill Sides, Ralph Zuccaro, Lesley Zuccaro and Glenys Pattison attended the Central Clusters Foundation Road Show at the Baton Rouge Quality Inn which was run by the Rotary Club of Rowville-Lysterfield.

### Meeting Notes:

- On the 12<sup>th</sup> December we will be holding a Membership and Interest Night where the guest speaker will be John Barnes. The meeting will be in our normal venue. This night will be a great opportunity for members to invite guests and potential Rotarians along.
- The meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> December will be cancelled as we will be having our Christmas Break-up party on the 17<sup>th</sup> December at the home of Bill & Dianne Sides. Dianne will approach the members individually with regards to what dishes they would like to bring along. Further details and timing still to be advised.
- Reminder on the BBQ at Bunning's on the 11<sup>th</sup> December. A roster has been produced and passed around at the meeting. For further details you can contact Bronwen Lamond.

**Apologies** = John Goldspink, Reddy Kandadi, Warren Fricke, John Drosis, Michael Ellinger, Craig Merson, Katherine Merson & Tom Portelli.

**Make Ups** = Reddy Kandadi, Warren Fricke & John Drosis (Synchrotron), Michael Ellinger, Katherine Merson & Craig Merson (Monash Farmers Market).

**Leave of Absence** = None.

**Visitors** = None.

## Think Foundation Thoughts

### December: Family Month

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

**Supporting the Foundation.** Past RI President James L. Bomar asked: —What is the value of the life of one child saved? No one will ever know, but if the child were our own, the price tag would be marked: Not for Sale – this life is invaluable. Rotarians and The Rotary Foundation will pay any price; make your annual gift today.

## John Monash Science School Interact Club Charter Night Update

On Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2011 some members of our club visited the John Monash Science School, Building 84 at Monash University Clayton and were privileged to see the largest club in District 9810 have its charter night. No it was not a Rotary Club and it was not even a Rotaract Club. It was the John Monash Science School Interact Club, which is now officially the third Interact club in District 9810.

The John Monash Science School Interact Club was chartered with 78 students



## 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.

who range from the age groups 14 to 18 and cover years 10, 11 & 12 at the John Monash Science School.

The difference with this Interact Club was that normally a Rotary Club would go around to the different schools in the area trying to sell the idea of an Interact club, but in this case the John Monash Science School came to the Rotary Club of Clayton. Not the whole school, but two people. They were Natasha Madan, a student at the school and Sally Cheah-Johnson the Assistant principal.

When Sally & Natasha visited the club back on the 25<sup>th</sup> July 2011 after an invite from Bill Sides, they spoke to us and we discussed with them the concept of forming an Interact Club at the school. Sally is a past Rotary Exchange student from Malaysia and the daughter of a Rotarian so no explanations were needed about Rotary. But after hearing Natasha speak, it seemed to her pressing every button to make Interact happen. With very minimal input from our club, just an e-mail agreement that it was desirable, Sally & Natasha went ahead and sought interest among the students and got 60 positive responses! The John Monash Science School caters for high achievers so the Rotary Club of Clayton was confident that we were dealing with students who both think & perform and could make a big success of Interact. Sally also pointed out that the students also needed hands on experience and not just the classroom theory. Sally was confident that Interact could provide that.

So the seeds were laid for the Interact Club and the work began. Supporting Sally & Natasha (the soon to be Charter President) were Bill Sides (until he went on vacation) and then the job was taken over by John Barnes & Reddy Kandadi all from the Rotary Club of Clayton. Also providing support was Morgan Roberts from the Rotaract Club of Monash. After many visits and meetings it was time to charter the John Monash Science School Interact Club.

The Master of Ceremonies for the Charter night and also the Vice-President for the Interact Club was student Benjamin Nisselle-Griffiths. The night started with us being entertained by the John Monash Science School Choir who sang two lovely songs. It was then time for the Principal of the John Monash Science School, Mr Peter Corkill to officially welcome all the Guests (which included District Governor Juliet Riseley, Rotarians from various clubs & Rotaractors from the Rotaract Club of Monash), Parents and Students. Peter also spoke briefly about how the John Monash Science School started and explained it is a co-educational school devoted to the pursuit of excellence in Science, Mathematics and associated technologies and It is the result of a unique partnership between the Victorian Government and Monash University.

Next to speak was Sally Cheah-Johnson the Assistant principal who explained how the Interact Journey began after the many visits to her office by a very chirpy and inspirational student called Natasha Maden. Sally explained how excited Natasha was after she had found out about Interact during her interview with the Rotary Club of Diamond Creek for the National Science Forum. Sally also told the story about Natasha and her visit on that cold rainy night back in July to the Rotary Club of Clayton.

The official Charter Ceremony was started by John Barnes providing a brief history of Rotary and how Interact fitted into the picture. Then John gave a quick explanation on what was involved with getting the John Monash Science School Interact Club up and running. John then introduced District Governor Juliet Riseley who spoke briefly on how she was honoured to be part of the charter ceremony and all the good work put in by all to get to this night. Juliet proceeded with the official Charter Ceremony and presented the charter certificate to the President of the John Monash Science School Interact Club, Natasha Madan. Juliet also presented Natasha with the Presidential Collar and Pin. Then came the time for Juliet with the help of Jon Breisch (President of the Rotary Club of Clayton) and Natasha (reading out the names), to present the

## 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.**

certificates to all the new charter members of the John Monash Science School Interact Club. Pins were also presented to the office bearers. Unfortunately not all the members could attend the night due to other prior commitments, but there were still enough there to fill the front of the room. Once the handing out of all the certificates and pins was completed, the group stood together and many photos were taken.

The night was completed by President Natasha Madan telling her story "Planting the Seeds", on how the Interact Club was started and formed. Natasha explained her goals for starting up a interact club and now she made sure they were completed. Natasha also presented the two community projects, one local and one overseas the club will be involved in. The local project will see the club being mentors for grade six students at a primary school and the overseas project is related to AIDS prevention at an orphanage. Natasha then on behalf of all the members of the John Monash Science School Interact Club then thanked everyone for being part of their Charter Night.

The night was then finished off with plenty of fellowship between all the guest, parents and students over coffee, tea, cakes & biscuits.



## John Monash Science School

The John Monash Science School (JMSS) is Victoria's first specialist secondary school focussed on science, mathematics and associated technologies.

Formed as a result of a unique partnership between the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD) and Monash University, the school will accommodate students from years 10, 11 and 12 (VCE) by 2012.

First proposed in 2002, and in planning from then until its opening in 2010, the JMSS began with 200 Year 10 students in the first cohort. The maximum capacity of the school is 640 students.

Three prominent Monash Academics Professor Rob Norris (Dean of Science), Professor Gordon Sanson (Director of eEducation) and Professor Dick Gunstone (Faculty of Education) first proposed the idea of building a dedicated specialist science school on the Monash Clayton Campus to the Minister of Education the Hon. Lynne Kosky in 2002. After lengthy negotiations, a Business Case was developed in 2005 and the project was approved and budgeted in 2007. The current site was approved and the first sod was turned in 2008. The building was completed early in 2010, and the official opening was held in July 2010, officiated by the Minister for Education, the Hon. Bronwyn Pike.

The school is a unique facility and education service. It the first school of its kind in Victoria and one of only three such schools in Australia.

The facilities and infrastructure are multi-storey and based on a "learning commons" design to facilitate the school's learning pedagogy. The school hosts leading-edge technology resources. The school has provided an ideal opportunity to incorporate the governments recently announced technology standards within school design, rather than by retrofit.

Monash University has provided the site for the school building – in the Science, Technology, Research and Innovation Precinct (STRIP) at the Clayton campus. Monash University has also provided project officer support in the development years and access to the academic staff to liaise and work with the school in planning the curriculum.

A key objective for the school is to become nationally and internationally recognised as a centre of excellence in the sciences. Not only will this contribute to Victoria's long term economic growth and prosperity, but will also meet the major policy directions of the Australian Government in 'Backing Australia's Future'.

The curriculum at JMSS is fresh, challenging, stimulating and allows students to explore the cutting-edge of scientific knowledge and understanding in the areas of Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Earth Science, Mathematics, Engineering, Biomedical Science, Geography and Computer Science, among others.

The curriculum is designed to allow students to integrate knowledge across these arbitrary boundaries and explore new ideas in much the same way as science researchers do from day-to-day. Therefore the opportunity to create new studies into the future for the Victorian Essential Learning Standards (the VELS) and the Victorian Certificate of Education (the VCE), using themes and constructs from Monash University, the new National Curriculum and the International Baccalaureate, is real.

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## Important Club Dates

**Sunday 11/12/11** – BBQ at Bunning's Oakleigh South, 1126 Centre Road. See Bronwen Lamond if you wish to be put on the roster.

**Saturday 17/12/11** – Christmas Break-up party at the home of Bill & Dianne Sides. Time TBA.

**Saturday 21/04/12 & Sunday 22/04/12** – 9810 District Rotary Conference.

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## District 9810 News

### The Rotary Club of DINGLEY VILLAGE

#### CHRISTMAS JEWELLERY SALE

**SATURDAY  
10th DECEMBER 2011**

**10.00 am – 4.00 pm  
at  
Dingley Village Community Centre  
31b Marcus Road, Dingley Village  
Melway Ref: 88 F6**

**Devonshire Tea/Coffee Available  
Credit cards accepted**

**Enquiries: Veronica Podbury Mobile: 0403 196 545  
Val Glenn Mobile: 0488 444 147**

**All proceeds to Rotary Club of Dingley Village Projects**

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## Rotaract Club of Monash

### Club Meeting Details:

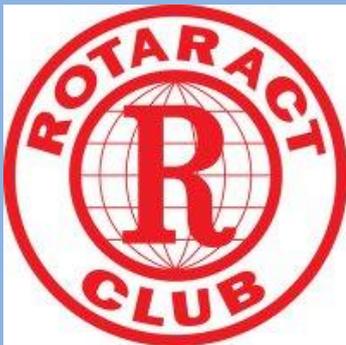
The Club meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the Month at 7:30pm  
Mulgrave Neighbourhood House  
36 – 42 Mackie Road, Mulgrave  
(Melways 80C3)

### Upcoming Rotaract Events:

### Rotaract Roster:

Date	Rotarian to Visit
7 <sup>th</sup> December	Warren Fricke
1 <sup>st</sup> February	Reddy Kandadi

***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

**Sunday 18 December 2011**

4pm - 10pm  
Jells Park, Wheelers Hill.

Carols By Candlelight is an annual, high quality community concert. It is an evening celebration of the festive season that also celebrates and reinforces our sense of community. Now in its 23rd year, this Monash tradition is reputedly the largest in the eastern region.

Activities within the festival include: Carols by Candlelight, Stage Entertainment and free children's activities.

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## Upcoming Events in Kingston

### Mordialloc Carols by the Bay

**Sunday, 18 December 2011**  
**6:30 PM - 10:30 PM**

Each December Kingston's magnificent Mordialloc Carols by the Bay is a highlight of Melbourne's annual Christmas Celebrations. Every year 1,000s of people travel to Peter Scullin Reserve in Mordialloc (Melways Ref 92 E1) to hear their favourite Carols.

This year's concert will be held on Sunday 18th December. The pre-concert entertainment commences at 6.30pm and the main Carols begin at 8.15pm. Reserved seating in the front of the stage (ideal for seniors) will be available later in the year.

No dogs, no alcohol, no chairs except for the perimeter of the park.

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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.rotary9810.org](http://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](http://www.rotary.org))

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## 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](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 older man approached an attractive young woman at a shopping mall.

"Excuse me, I can't seem to find my wife. Could you talk to me a for a couple of minutes?" The woman, feeling a bit of compassion for the old fellow, said "Of course, sir, do you know where your wife might be?"

"I have no idea, but every time I talk to a woman with a figure like yours, she seems to appear out of nowhere."

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## Rotary International News

### Rotary partners with world's largest postgraduate water education institution

By Arnold R. Grahl and Wayne Hearn  
Rotary International News -- 28 November 2011

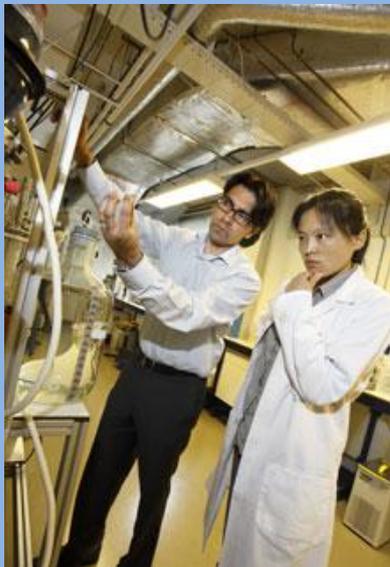
Rotary clubs will be helping train engineers and scientists to solve problems in water and sanitation, particularly in developing countries, through a new strategic partnership between The Rotary Foundation and UNESCO-IHE Institute for Water Education.

Through the partnership, the Foundation will offer packaged grants that Rotary clubs may use to select and sponsor scholarships for professionals in the water sector. Up to eight students a year may be chosen for any of three master of science programs at the institute in Delft, the Netherlands.

Both the institute and Rotary share a vision of making water and sanitation more accessible and more sustainable for all people, particularly the poor. The partnership directly supports Rotary's water and sanitation area of focus.

"This strategic partnership with UNESCO-IHE enables Rotary to work with a globally recognized leader in the training of water professionals at a time when such experts are desperately needed in many parts of the world," said Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair William B. Boyd. "By identifying high-quality, high-potential candidates for these scholarships, Rotary clubs will play an important role in addressing a serious global problem."

"Eighty percent of diseases in the developing world are caused by the lack of water and appropriate sanitation," said UNESCO-IHE rector András Szöllösi-



Since 1957 UNESCO-IHE, the world's largest postgraduate water education facility, has provided master of science degrees and promoted PhDs to more than 14,500 water professionals from over 160 countries. *Photo courtesy UNESCO-IHE*

Nagy. "The cooperation with Rotary is an important milestone in the large-scale, global capacity building required to tackle this crisis."

Since 1957 UNESCO-IHE, the world's largest postgraduate water education facility, has provided master of science degrees and promoted PhDs to more than 14,500 water professionals from over 160 countries. The institute also promotes research and capacity building projects, manages a worldwide network of educational institutions and organizations in the water sector, provides professional expertise on water education, and plays a role in setting international standards for postgraduate water education and continuing professional training.

### **Sustainability**

By focusing on postgraduate degree programs, The Rotary Foundation is making a long-term investment in water and sanitation, helping equip students with the research, managerial, and technical skills they will need to solve domestic problems by thinking globally. Working with the institute is a particularly good investment for the Foundation: most of the institute's students are from developing and emerging countries where the need is the greatest, and 87 percent of the program's graduates are still active in the field a decade later.

Rotary Foundation packaged global grants support large, international projects with sustainable, high-impact outcomes in Rotary's [areas of focus](#). Because the initial work of finding a strategic partner and designing the general framework of the project has already been done, Rotarians can focus their talents and energies on the implementation.

One hundred Rotary districts are participating in the Future Vision pilot, a three-year test of the Foundation's streamlined grant structure, which began 1 July 2010. All districts will begin using the model on 1 July 2013.

The Foundation has previously approved strategic partnerships with [Mercy Ships](#), [Aga Khan University](#), and [Oikocredit International](#). Pilot clubs and districts interested in packaged global grants with UNESCO-IHE can find more information, which will be posted [online](#) soon.

## **ALWAYS WANTED TO KNOW MORE ABOUT ROTARY?**

**But not sure where to find it out.....**

**Then this program is just for you!**

The Rotary Leadership Institute is a 3 part series for Rotarians to *provide a quality education in Rotary knowledge and leadership skills for voluntary organisations.*

It operates through a 3 part series of "facilitated discussions" run by a team of trained District 9810 Facilitators.

The next series of Rotary Leadership Institute will be held on Sundays 19<sup>th</sup> February, 18<sup>th</sup> March and 29<sup>th</sup> April at Parkdale Secondary College.

Cost is \$50 for the full series which includes lunch and morning / afternoon tea for each day.

*We have had many Rotarians complete RLI during the past 18 months and always sharing very positive feedback on the benefits gained of broadening not only their knowledge, but importantly – the understanding of the many aspects of Rotary; most particularly The Rotary Foundation and Membership.*

We encourage you to be a part of this excellent Rotary education program and learn of many opportunities and projects through sharing the experiences you have gained in your club.

Please contact the District 9810 Rotary Leadership Institute Chair - Jenny Coburn on 0407 689 777 or [jdowsettcoburn@gmail.com](mailto:jdowsettcoburn@gmail.com) to register for this program.



**Do you need a small boost to your enthusiasm at the end of a busy year?**

**Would you like a sure-fire way to enthuse new and prospective  
(as well as existing) members?**

**Would you like to hear some great ideas for enabling young members  
to join your Rotary Club?**

**When was the last time you heard a speaker who made your blood  
'fizz' with excitement?**

**Would you like to hear the background to a 'good news' story?**

**If you answer 'yes' to any one of these questions – then,  
do we have a great opportunity for you?**

**The Rotary Clubs of Box Hill Central and Montrose & District invite you to join us on  
Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December at a venue (TBC) in Box Hill (7.00pm for 7.30)  
to hear from Michael Sheldrick – a 23 year old member of the  
Rotary Club of Crawley (WA)**

**Some of us heard him speak on Wednesday and we are seizing the opportunity  
to share this with you before he returns to Perth next week**

**Come along, and be inspired!  
Listen to a new way of doing some things!  
Imagine the possibilities and reap the rewards!**

**For more information, please contact:**

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