



ROTARY CLUB OF CLAYTON

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Tonight: Joint Meeting
Rotary Awareness Month.

Upcoming Meetings

Date	Speaker	Chairperson	Desk	Visitors
31 st Jan	Joint Meeting with Mount Waverley Mr Tony Charlton AM PHF. Bruce County Motor Inn, 445 Blackburn Rd. Mt. Waverley 6.30pm for 7pm.			
5 th Feb	Ray Adams will speak to us about his trip late last year to "The Tender Foot Self Help School" in Kenya Partners night	Michael Ellinger	Jon Breisch	Bob Minter
12th Feb	TBA			
19 Feb	TBA			

Please organise a replacement if you are unable to attend on rostered days above.
APOLOGIES: Please phone apologies to John Barnes – 9544 2866 by Monday 4pm.

Coming Events

29th January Golf Day (Spring Valley Golf Club)

Fellowship functions will occur around once every 6 weeks.

A Small program for fellowship this still to be confirmed.

~~4th February~~ - A day at Safety Beach Jim & Jeans. (Now changed to the 15th April)

March – Shepparton conference

April- A Picture Night.

Rotaract Roster

Date	Rotarian to Visit
29 th Jan	Jon Breisch

Previous meeting

Last Meeting: Bill Sides Home.

Apologies:

Make Ups:

Guests:

Birthdays: 15th Feb Michael Ellinger, 24th Feb Jim Cochrane, 29 th Mary Goldspink.

Wedding Anniversaries

General Business

Last meeting the 20th of Jan was at Bill & Dianne Side home which was an enjoyable night of scrumptious Haggis & Taddies, Soup, Pasta and mouth watering dessert and international committee benefited.

Ride to Conference this year (850Km) 24-29 March 2007, Are there any takers to sponsor Bill. International Rotary Convention Salt Lake City 14 June 2007.

The Rotary Club has Adopted Village from RAMS is (HURIS) – New Ireland.

Poowong Dairy Farm day will now be around September.

Forms for Working with Children check valid for 5 year. See Bill Sides

Board Meetings are held every 3rd Monday of the Month.

Dixon House requires, some invalids to teach English Kathryn Shedden is running the program there.

Rotaract club of Clayton Needs help with numbers of people aged 18 to 30 years.

ROTARY CLUB OF CLAYTON

Meets every Monday 6.15 for 6.30pm at Clayton RSL
163 Carinish Rd, Clayton (Mel 79 D3)

President: Glenda Rose
Secretary: Bill Sides

December 2006

INVITATION

Friends

Our Annual Charity Golf Day will be held again this year at Spring Valley Golf Club on Monday 29th January 2007

You are invited to join fellow Rotarians from Clubs throughout Victoria, guests and sponsors for a wonderful day of golf and fellowship.

We would be very pleased for your Club to field a team(s) of four to compete for the awards on the day.

Individual entries are welcome. The organizing committee will place these players in teams.

Would you please bring this invitation to the attention of members in your Club who may wish to participate?

- Cost \$70 per player, includes entry, lunch, after game snacks
- Lunch & Registration from 11.30am
- Shot Gun Hit-off at 1.00pm
- Presentations at 6.00pm

An entry form with details of the day is enclosed.

If further information is required please do not hesitate to contact me on phone/fax 9544 3489 (B) or 9836 1202 (H) or 0417 548 534 (M) or

wfricke@bigpond.net.au (email) or

c/- 282A Huntingdale Rd, Huntingdale 3166

Yours sincerely

Warren Fricke

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President
R.C. of Clayton
Glenda Rose
Dear Glenda,

On behalf of the President and members of the Rotary Club of Mt. Waverley I have much pleasure in inviting the members and partners of the R.C. of Clayton to join us at our unique Australia Day celebration meeting on **Wednesday evening January 31st, 2007**. Our club has enjoyed the company of your members over the years, at previous joint Meetings and we sincerely hope your club is able to accept our invitation for our 2007 Rotary Australia Day celebration meeting.

The Guest Speaker and Australia Day Ambassador at this 2007 meeting will be **Mr Tony Charlton** AM PHF.

Tony's working career has been in the forefront of radio and television broadcasting in Australia for almost forty five years. He has had an extensive career as a presenter, and producer with GTV9 and 3AW, including the coverage of numerous Olympic and Commonwealth games on both television and radio. Mr Charlton was associated with the successful organisation, in league with The Age, of premier golf tournaments, World Conferences and Sporting Championships. Likewise he has been MC or Presenter at many Sports functions, Armed Forces Services, and Australian Royal Command Performances. More recently he has been host of the Australian Dance sport Championships. Tony is also associated with many major Charities, currently being Chairman of the Alfred Hospital Foundation.

In previous years our club has been fortunate to have enjoyed some fine guest speaker's and excellent, fun Rotary meetings celebrating our country Australia.

This is an early notice, but as you will appreciate early planning is needed to organise a **successful evening, particularly when there is a significant holiday period during the lead up to the** date of our unique celebration of Australia Day. Consequently I would be most pleased if you could reply with your club's decision by October 20th.

Looking forward to meeting with you on the evening of January 31st, 2007.

Yours in Rotary

Neville Wallace

Past President
Australia Day Convenor

President 2006 / 2007
Bill Klusco



Upcoming District events.

	Next month...
	Next year...
23/2/2007 (Fri)	24-hour Rotary Club meeting
24/2/2007 (Sat)	24-hour Rotary club meeting
29/3/2007 (Thu)	District Conference
30/3/2007 (Fri)	District Conference
31/3/2007 (Sat)	District Conference
1/4/2007 (Sun)	District Conference
9/6/2007 (Sat)	Chelsea Art Show
10/6/2007 (Sun)	Chelsea Art Show
11/6/2007 (Mon)	Chelsea Art Show

Hi everyone,

In the lead up to tonight's District meeting @ Clayton RSL, I would love to take this opportunity to ask you to mark this date into your diaries....

SUNDAY 11th FEBRUARY 2007 - BLIND CRICKET MATCH
Rotary/Rotaract District 9810 vs Victorian Blind Cricket Association
To be held at Vision Australia's Cricket Ovals, Kooyong
10am-4pm
A great opportunity to bring your families and friends ... bring a picnic, make it a relaxing (and amusing!) day out.

More details to follow; watch this space!

Robyn Kensley :)
Rotaract Club of Clayton & DDDR 2006-2007

The Four Way Test

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?

Rotaract International Dinner Dance.

‘A Brighter Future for Children Worldwide’

Charity Speakers:

- **Interplast**, Keith Maxwell (Rotary Club of Noble Park)
- **Wheelchair for Kids**, Adrian Clifford (Rotary Club of Mount Waverley)
- **RAWCS (East Timor Roofing Project)**, Tim Hewitt (Rotary Club of Lilydale)

All money raised will go to the Interplast, Wheelchair for Kids & East Timor Roofing Project.

More information about these projects is available through the Rotary website

Date: Saturday 17th March 2007

Time: 6:30pm for 7:00pm start

Venue: Karralyka Centre

Mines Road

Ringwood East Vic 3135

Melways Ref: 50 A6

Cost: \$45 per head

includes a 3-course meal and Tea & Coffee with Chocolates
(Drinks are at bar prices)

Dress Code: Semi-Formal

Silent Auction and Raffles throughout the night

RSVP: Saturday 10th February 2007

Rotaract Club of Noble Park's Vice President/ Secretary,

Lee-Anne Green 0411 952 800

or via email: noblepark_rotaract@yahoo.com.au

Payment will be required ASAP, or by arrangement with Lee-Anne Green.

Cheques to be made payable to:

The Rotaract Club of Noble Park Inc. and be sent to PO Box 124, Noble Park Vic 3174

The laws of golf

LAW 5: No matter what causes a golfer to miff a shot, all his playing partners must solemnly chant "You looked up," or invoke the wrath of the universe.

One plus one are two

Theorem: $1 + 1 = 2$

Proof:

$$n(2n - 2) = n(2n - 2)$$

$$n(2n - 2) - n(2n - 2) = 0$$

$$(n - n)(2n - 2) = 0$$

$$2n(n - n) - 2(n - n) = 0$$

$$2n - 2 = 0$$

$$2n = 2$$

$$n + n = 2$$

or setting $n = 1$

$$1 + 1 = 2$$

Meeting Closed on the 20th Jan at 9:20pm

Relevant Rotary Web sites.

<http://www.rotary.org/>

<http://www.9810.rotary.org.au/>

www.rotarnet.com.au

Other club websites of interest.

<http://www.rotary-belleville.org/index.htm>

<http://www.rotaryclubofbrisbanemidcity.org/contents/home.asp?>

<http://www.rotary.org/newsroom/rotaryworld/index.html>

Ra Ra's Ramblings – Week 29 2006-07

Week commencing: Monday 15 January 2007

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BEST WISHES TO DGE DICK and SUE GARNER

I am sure all Rotarians and members of the Family of Rotary join Jill and me in extending their best wishes to DGE Dick and Sue as they prepare to depart for the Rotary International Assembly in San Diego. We look forward to your safe return and an update of Rotary for the year 2007-08

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DROUGHT RELIEF

As mentioned in my last Ramblings, I have been talking with various Rotarians of District 9810, the Governors of Districts 9780 and 9790 and other welfare based organizations investigating how best our city based clubs can assist the drought affected rural

communities. The following responses have been received. If you have other thoughts on how we might assist please share them with me.

MESSAGE on DROUGHT RELIEF from Pres Les Coleman – RC of Cheltenham

Subject: Woolworths National Drought Action Day - Good EFFORT Safeway!!

Help the farmers and do your shopping on Tuesday 23rd of Jan!!

On Tuesday 23 January 2007, Woolworths (Safeway) will be donating its entire supermarket's profits for the day to the drought relief. The funds will primarily be used by the Country Womens Association for immediate support for rural families with the remainder to help fund research into sustainable farming practices. This is expected to be in excess of \$3 million dollars.

So if you do your normal shopping on the 23 January you will helping farming families who are current doing it tough.

Please pass this on to as many people as possible.

DG Bob: How about all 1400 Rotarians of D9810 and their extended Family of Rotary getting behind this program.

RESPONSE Re: DROUGHT RELIEF from RC of TEMPLESTOWE

Rotary Club of Templestowe has initiated talks with Rotary Club of Yea as to how we might help them and perhaps combine in some joint projects.

A joint meeting is planned for Feb 14th to discuss further.

I will keep you informed as to the outcome.

RESPONSE Re: DROUGHT RELIEF from RC of MANNINGHAM

PP David Anderson and I have discussed at length the RC of Manningham's wish to provide support to communities in the drought affected communities, in particular, the Wimmera, and PP David has attended a number of meetings convened by the Victorian Farmers Federation, also present were representatives of St Vincent de Paul, Uniting Care, the Department of Education and Training, and the Gardiner Foundation. I have also been involved in the discussions and anticipate being in a position to report in the next Ramblings.

THOUGHTS ON DROUGHT RELIEF from Pres Ken Greenberg – RC of Braeside

Braeside Rotary conducted a Xmas Hamper Raffle and forwarded a cheque for \$1000.00 on to the Rotary Club of Castlemaine for distribution amongst drought affected families to help out over Xmas. It my understanding that RC Castlemaine were going to assist with something similar.

We would be glad to assist you in a smaller financial way in any other assistance package. Holler out if you want any help!

THOUGHTS ON DROUGHT RELIEF from PE Kevin Hall – RC of Warrandyte

Some thoughts on drought relief for rural regions

One thing that suffers in times of financial stress caused drought is social interaction I wonder if city based clubs could sponsor some of our country based clubs in drought areas e.g. Wimmera/Mallee region to invite local farmers (and their wives) to a weekly club meetings

Probably need to sponsor 2 farmers (couples) to each meeting so as to let farmers know they are not alone with their problems. This would show statewide support, provide some social activity for hard hit rural families and create new Rotary inter club ties. Our club meal cost is \$25/head so perhaps each club in District 9810 could provide \$100/ for each alternate month for 6 months to a drought stricken country district to be used by that district to invite local hard hit non rotarian couples to a dinner meeting. Rotary may also pick up a few new members from this.

I also think we could look at giving financial support to BeyondBlue to further their work in rural regions. Maybe Rotary can help to subsidise telephone call costs or help in the training of telephone councilors or work with Landmark Co. who I believe are training their rural staff to offer counseling services to distressed rural people.

MESSAGE from RC of Bayside

Bowling with Bayside!

The third annual Bayside Lawn Bowls evening is on again! Come along and play for our perpetual trophy. We will be holding the event at Beaumaris Bowling Club (Martin Street, Beaumaris) on Friday February 16 from 6.30pm. Entry cost is \$20, which includes a BBQ. Drinks at bar prices. Children also welcome (\$5 entry). Funds raised on the night will be used to support our Annual Backpack Project. Please contact either Katie (0412 737 144 or katherinebruce@yahoo.co.uk) or Claire (0438 300 473 or claireparsons@optusnet.com.au) if you can make it!

Bayside's New Home

From Wednesday January 24, the Rotary Club of Bayside will be meeting at Cibo (400 Hampton Street). Meetings will begin at 6.30 for 7pm.

Australia Day Breakfast

The RC of Aspendale - Australia Day Breakfast will be held at The Kingston Club, Mordialloc Sportsman's Club, 528 Nepean Highway, Mordialloc at 7.30am on Friday, January 26th 2007. Guest Speaker is Stan Alves, A.F.L Premiership Palyer and A.F.L Coach plus ABC Commentator. Tickets \$25ea. Contact Raymond J. Smith on 9772.2933 or email

sbw@hotkey.net.au

MESSAGE From RC of CLAYTON

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MESSAGE from RC of BORONIA

The RC of Boronia are conducting their 2007 Charity Golf Day on Monday 5th February 2007 at Eastwood Golf Club in Kilsyth. 8:00 AM & 1:15 PM shotgun start Stableford event. Cost \$45 (\$30 for Eastwood members. Proceeds to be shared with Knox State Emergency Service

Rotary PUBLIC IMAGE 24 Hour Meeting – 23/24 February 2007

Please note that the venue for the 24 Hour Meeting is The Box Hill Town Hall, in Whitehorse Road, Box Hill (Melway47 E9), when I work out how to do it I will include a map in Ramblings.

Exciting News

Patties Foods Pty Ltd have come board as a major sponsor for the 24 Hour meeting providing a significant mixture of their savoury and sweet products for catering, these will be available at a modest cost with the proceeds going to The Rotary Foundation

Other Sponsors

Others providing sponsorship to defray the fixed costs of conducting the 24 hour meeting are Moores Legal, and McPhail & Partners- Accountants. Sponsorship opportunities are available, interested parties should contact either AG Pam Trevan, RC of Dingley Village (Email- ptrevan@bigpond.com) or DG Bob

MESSAGE from DGN John Barnes

Now is the time when clubs elect the office bearers for 2007-08 including the President Elect who will be the President for 2008-09 the year DGN John Barnes when will lead our District. As DGN John intends extending an invitation to your President Elect 2007-08 to join him at the Presidents Elect Training Seminar on 4 March 2007 an early response with contact details would be appreciated.

GSE - ASSISTANCE with VOCATIONAL DAYS for INBOUND TEAM from D2410

The GSE Committee is seeking your assistance in arranging Vocational Days for the Team arriving from D2410 Sweden/Latvia in early March 2007.

As outlined above the team comprises members with Vocational interests in the following areas:

- 1. Meldra - Personal Human Resources, Publishing Houses**
- 2. Verners - IT and telecommunication sphere, meet local IT & T experts**
- 3. Charlotte - Newspapers in Sweden are going through a very rapid change. The focus has shifted from making of newspapers, for a certain group of readers, to a broader view of communication and information use for a partly new audience. This includes fast and updated news on web sites and also making of TV/radio-productions. Charlotte wants to understand, compare and exchange ideas concerning the development in Australia, where conditions and media structure might be very different. She also wants to visit small town newspaper. Particular assistance is required to arrange Vocational days for Charlotte.**
- 4. Markus - documentary and wildlife film maker with underwater filming as specialty. The committee would also greatly appreciate assistance in arranging Vocational days for Markus.**

If you can assist please contact either Michael Jacobs on (h) 9759 5141, (w) 9764 8081 or email: mjacobs@miji.com.au or Tony McKenna on (h) 9579 3272, (w) 9552 9777 or email: tony@grandcell.com.au

GSE - ASSISTANCE with Club and Home Hosts for INBOUND TEAM from D2410

PP Jenny Fox (RC of Hampton) and PP Brian McDaid (RC of Croydon) are seeking your assistance with setting the club programs and the home hosting respectively for the inbound team from D2410 Sweden/Latvia. If you can assist please contact Jenny and Brian as a matter of urgency.

VOCATIONAL

Presidents and Vocational directors time to seek out suitable nominations for the upcoming Shine On Awards.

This award recognises outstanding community service by people with disabilities. By their actions they serve as SHINING EXAMPLES to the community. Through their commitment they help in the Rotary spirit of LEAD THE WAY. They provide a significant contribution to the quality of life of others.

There are 2 categories for nomination YOUTH (15 to 20 yrs) and adult (21 and above). All clubs are earnestly requested to seek suitable applicants for this very worthwhile project. There is no cost involved to the clubs nominating potential awardees. Closing date is 25 / 2 / 07. PP Andrew Forgas has previously mailed information to all clubs or alternatively application forms and details can be downloaded from <http://www.shineonawards.org>

District Governors Newsletter

If you would like to include an item in the District Governors Newsletter, please forward copy to our Editor, PP Glenda Sherwin-Lane (RC o Waverley), by the 3rd of each month. Glenda's email address is: gsl-mail@bigpond.net.au or newsletter@9810.rotary.org.au

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT from DGE Dick Garner

GSE 2007-08 to London

The Group Study Exchange in 2007-08 will be held with District 1130 which covers the Central London area of England. Team Leader applications are now open, but close February 9th, 2007

Other key dates for the GSE team selection process and exchange visits are set out on the District Web site. www.9810.rotary.org.au

MESSAGE from DISTRICT COMMUNITY SERVICE

CHAIR – PP John Beaty

RI DISTRICT 9810 WATER SAVING PROJECT

In partnership with South East Water Rotary is organising a project to provide Rotarians, who are customers of South East Water, with an showerhead exchange program providing a new free 3 star water efficient showerhead.

The exchange program will be organised in each Rotary club wishing to participate during March 2007. Full details of the program will be shown on the District website and brochures will be sent to each club in February 2007

Club representatives will have to notify District Community Service Chairman John Beaty of the number of exchange showerheads required in their club by mid February 2007

There are five simple steps to obtaining a replacement showerhead

1. Notify your club representative that you wish to exchange a showerhead (maximum of 3 showerheads per household)
2. Remove your existing showerhead
3. Bring your old showerhead and a copy of your latest South East Water account to the designated club meeting
4. Fill in the details on the water consumption form provided at the meeting
5. Receive your new 3 star water efficient showerhead, take it home and install it.

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Detailed instructions for removing and installing showerheads are included in the Brochures that will be distributed to clubs in February
This is a great opportunity to save up to 12,000 litres of water per person per year. In District 9810, assuming 1,000 members take up the offer we could save 24 million litres of water per year, assuming 1,000 two people households.

If you have any queries please contact John Beaty on <jhbeaty@iprimus.com.au>

NOMINATIONS for District Governor Nominating Committee and DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2009-10

PDG Philip Hedley, in his role as Secretary, District 9810 Nominating Committee, DG 2009/10, has mailed to all clubs a call for Nominations for the DG Nominating Committee and for District Governor 2009-10. Pertinent details are as follows:

The Nominating Committee (refer clause 6 of District Bylaws 2005).

The committee comprises four representatives from Clubs who must be either a Past President or current Club President. (The other members of the Committee are District Governor, District Governor Elect, District Governor Nominee and Immediate Past District Governor).

Nominations must be submitted on the attached form and include a short cv of your Rotary experience. This will be included in any ballot correspondence if more than four Rotarians are nominated.

District Governor 2009/10

If a member of your Club is interested in considering this opportunity to serve Rotary, please encourage the applicant to speak with any member of the College of Governors as to the requirements of the role.

As a minimum, all applicants must:

- Be in good standing in their Club (i.e. financial).
- Have served as President of a Club for a full term or as specified in the Manual of Procedure, and
- At the time of taking office, must have completed seven years of membership with one or more Rotary Club.

Nominations open Monday 19th December and close at 5:00pm Thursday 25th January 2007

Interviews will be held on Sunday, **18th February 2007** and applicants and their partners, if applicable, are required to be available on that date.

Application forms are available from PDG Philip, DG Bob or can be downloaded from the District website. Reference to the detailed requirements as shown in the Manual of Procedure 2004, on the role and responsibilities of the District Governor should be made.

SHEPPARTON 2007 Conference

Jill and I look forward to extending our welcome to you and your family of Rotary as we have fun putting Rotary into Rotarians.

Remember the dates 29th March to 1st April 2007 at Shepparton.

Sponsors

Whilst Mitre 10 are our principal Conference Sponsor others providing tremendous support are Hagemeyer, Michaels Camera and Video, Steamatic, Johns Lyng Builders, the Retzos Group (KFC) and Leader Newspapers.

Our valued sponsors provide much needed support to the District. I encourage all Rotarians and the family of Rotary to make use of the goods and services offered by them.

4 WAY TEST PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

After a successful inaugural year for the Rotary Four-way Test Speaking Competition, District is keen to see the program grow in 2006-7. An Excellent standard of participants was achieved last year, culminating in the finals at the Adelaide conference. Candidates for this year's competition must be in Year 10 in 2007.

Clubs are advised to contact schools immediately classes recommence at end of January 2007 to interest schools in participating. This will enable them to prepare for the competition during February. Candidates must be prepared to travel to conference at Shepparton in the event they make the grand final which will be held on Friday 30th March 2007, the last day of the school term. Please note, the date of the final has been changed, previously reported as Saturday 31st March 2007. Amended applications forms will be available on the District web site within a few days.

Further details will be released late January. In the meantime if you have any queries or wish to obtain application forms please contact PP Kevin O'Donnell of RC of Doncaster Sunrise

YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM 2007/08

Clubs intending to participate in the 2007/08 Youth Exchange Program (YEP) are reminded to submit their Intention Forms and Country choices for the July Inbound students to Committee Secretary by Wednesday 31st January. We have just welcomed home our 2006 Outbounds earlier this month and the 14 Outbounds for this year leave on 18/19 January. They are part of over 325 outbound this year from Australia who represent the most recent of well over 13,000 young Australians who have been sponsored overseas by Rotary Clubs in Australia since the Youth Exchange Program's first exchange by the

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Rotary Club of Myrtleford in Victoria nearly 50 years ago. We look forward to seeing our current participating Clubs continue with their great support as well as invite any other Club to become involved. Further details are available from YEP Committee Secretary Teena Griffiths at teenagrif@hotmail.com or Mobile 0439 038 704 or Committee Chair David Forster at david.forster@ozemail.com.au or on telephone 9846 3130.

PHOTOGRAPHS

DG Bob had received a offer from PP James Cunningham of the RC of Templestowe to prepare a slide show of District/club photographs for the District Conference (to be shown during the plenary session breaks, together with Conference photos) and possibly also at the 24 Hour Meeting.

If you have any photographs of special club events, district events including the special events attended by RIPE Wilf and Joan and Rotary Foundation Trustee Carolyn Jones, or of DG Bob and Jill's visit to your club could you please either email copies to DG Bob via Jill's email address <jillmr@bigpond.net.au> or copy them on a CD and mail it to DG Bob Richards at 98 Bay Road, Sandringham, 3191

DG Bob may even choose a couple of photos for special prizes.

SECRETARIES - A NEW EMAIL ADDRESS TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR YOU

Following discussions with our District Web-master PDG Brian, DGE Dick and District Secretary PP Graham Ackland I have approved the creation of a new address in the District Email system to be used by clubs notifying District of new Members, terminations, PHF recognitions and contact detail changes. The new address is notify@9810.rotary.org.au

This address directs changes to the DG, District Secretary, District Newsletter editor and Database manager, whilst this should simplify the notification of changes to District, you are reminder that membership changes must be reported to Rotary International and the best medium to do so is via Member Access on the Website. Furthermore, if you would like to publicise PHF recognitions in the Rotary Down Under it is necessary to contact RDU direct.

PAUL HARRIS RECOGNITION:

Please could you advise me of any recognition so that they can be included in the DG's Newsletter. Clubs should also advise RDU direct if they would like recognition in Rotary Down Under.

*Please also advise the presentation of Paul Harris Sapphires.
Congratulations:*

PP Haydn Andrews – RC of Mordialloc
Margaret Taylor - Family of Rotary member – RC of Forest Hill.

NEW MEMBERS

Please advise me of the full name of new members, as soon as possible after their induction, for inclusion in Ramblings and the DG Newsletter.

Welcome to:

Peter Roche – RC of Monbulk

Ruth Terry – RC of Monbulk

Maureen McDonald – RC of Mordialloc

Attendance Report

Please note that Margaret Riseborough continues as the District attendance officer and your club attendance records should be provided to Margaret by the 15th of Each Month.

Margaret's email address is: mrisebor@bigpond.net.au

NB: Margaret's postal address has changed and is now – Unit 18, 18-26 Marlesford Cres, Berwick 3806 – the telephone number is unchanged – 9702 0649

INTERPLAST - Club Program Directors,

The District 9810 Interplast Committee can offer to your club first hand information and experience of just what this national body of Volunteer Surgeons and Nurses do. PP Ian Armstrong has just returned from Lautoka in Fiji with a story of the wonderful humanitarian work that one team has just completed for our near neighbours. Combined with the previous visit to LAOS there is now a wealth of examples to show how your hard earned dollar is effectively spent. Using Volunteer Surgeons, providing Hospital Supplies, Teaching the local Doctors the latest procedures all add to an evening of "Rotary at Work" for your club members to experience.

Please add this to your club program and contact the committee via [keith t maxwell@yahoo.com.au](mailto:keith_t_maxwell@yahoo.com.au) or mobile 0418 647 064 to secure a date. Your club members will not be disappointed.

Thank you,

Keith Maxwell, D9810 Interplast Committee Chairman.

ROTARACT INTERNATIONAL DINNER

The Rotaract Clubs of Lilydale and Noble Park are holding an International Dinner on Saturday 17th March 2007, with proceeds going to the East Timor Roofing Project, Interplast and Wheelchairs for Kids. The dinner will be held at Karralyka Centre, Mines Road, Ringwood East 3135 (Melway 50 A6). The cost is \$45.00 per head –includes a 3-course meal with drinks at bar prices. Dress semi-formal. For further details contact Lee-Anne Green (Rotaract Club of Noble Park) on 0411 952 800)

Forthcoming Events

Thursday 25th January 2007 – Nominations close at 5:00pm for District Governor 2009-2010

Friday 26th January 2007 – RC of Aspendale - Australia Day Breakfast – details above

Monday 29th January 2007 – RC of Clayton - Charity Golf Day at Spring Valley Golf Club – details above

Wednesday 31st January 2007. Club Intentions to participate with YEP in 2007/08 due to reach Committee Secretary Teena Griffiths at teenagrif@hotmail.com or Fax 03 9585 1437.

Monday 5th February 2007 – RC of Boronia Charity Golf Day at Eastwood Golf Club in Kilsyth. Cost \$45.00 (\$30.00 for Esatwood members)

Friday 9th February 2007 – Applications close for Leader of the GSE Team to D1130-London

Friday 16th February 2007. Welcome Home Dinner for Returning Outbound Students – Mulgrave Country Club. Contact YEP Committee Secretary Teena Griffiths at teenagrif@hotmail.com or Mobile 0439 038 704

Saturday 17th February 2007 – Selection Interviews for Team Leader of the GSE Team to District 1130 – London.

Sunday 18th February 2007 - Selection Interviews for District Governor 2009-2010.

Friday 23rd and Saturday 24th February 2007 – 24 hour Rotary Club Meeting at City of Whitehorse Town Hall

Wednesday 28th February 2007 – Information evening at SCOPE Wantirna for GSE team to District 1130 – London

Saturday 3rd March 2007 – RC of Sandringham Point to Point Swim

Sunday 4th March 2007 – Presidents Elect Training Seminar (PETS) – Deakin University – Burwood Campus

Saturday 17th March 2007 – Rotaract International Dinner – Karralyka Centre, Mines Road, Ringwood East. Cost \$45.00 per head includes 3 course meal – drinks at bar prices. Further details contact Lee-Anne Green 0411 952 800

Saturday 17th March 2007 – RC of Rowville International Dinner – Cost \$35.00 per head Buffet Meal – Indian Cuisine – BYO Wine and Beer (no Corkage). Live Band and Prizes – at Cinnamon Club, 1291 Nepean Highway, Cheltenham – further details available by contacting Gary Mewburn on 0417 266 627 or Ashley Mison 0411 725 202 Proceeds to Shelter Box Australia

Monday 19th March to Friday 23rd March 2007 – Australian Golfing Fellowship of Rotarians – Annual Tournament - Warrnabool and Port Fairy. Entries close 18 January 2007 Contact David Richards: (03) 5561 1840 E: david.richards@westnet.com.au

Thursday 29th March to Sunday 1st April 2007 – District Conference at Shepparton

Saturday 31st March 2007- Initial Applications to Sponsor Clubs for YEP Students Outbound in January 2008 close.

Thursday 5th April 2007 – Applications close for members of the GSE Team to D1130-London

Saturday 21st April 2007 – GSE Team Member to D1130- London, round 1 selection – all day Saturday April 21st – Scope

Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd April 2007 – RC of Doncaster Sunrise – Walk the Torque 21

Sunday 29th April 2007 – GSE Team Member to D1130- London, round 2 selection- Boronia

Monday 30th April 2007- Sponsor Club Interviews for January 2008 Outbound Students to be completed.

Tuesday 15th May 2007-Final Applications for Club sponsored students for 2008 Outbound Group to be submitted to the District YEP Committee.

Sunday 20th May 2007 – District 9810 Assembly – Venue to be advised

Friday 25th – Sunday 27th May 2007. District YEP Committee Assessment Weekend for January 2008 Outbound Students.

Yours In Rotary
DG Bob Richards

