



# ROTARY CLUB of CLAYTON Inc.

District 9810 Victoria, Australia

## Weekly Bulletin 2009-2010

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
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Meeting at Clayton North Primary School	John Goldspink	Reddy Kandadi	Heather Norling
26 <sup>th</sup> July	* Normal meeting followed by visit to Retrovision (VIP Night)	Reddy Kandadi	Heather Norling	Warren Fricke
2 <sup>nd</sup> August	Guest Speaker (TBC)	Heather Norling	Warren Fricke	Tom Portelli

\* The meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup> July will start at L'unico, then be followed by a visit to Retrovision for the Clayton Football Club VIP Night (refer attached flyer to this bulletin).

### Club Projects / Involvements

#### Clayton Strengthening Project

Our club has been involved via Bob Millen and Glenys Pattison in developing along with others a plan for improving the Clayton area and it was announced on Thursday that the City of Kingston, the City of Monash and the State Government have together put up around \$750,000 as part of a Community Support Grants Program. This will strengthen the Clayton area along the lines outlined in the plan prepared by local groups including Rotary, Clayton Traders and Council. Glenys was visibly amazed such a big application went through so quickly. Final details will soon be revealed at one of our meetings and an explanation of how it is being implemented; watch out for it, we are deeply involved!

### Presidents Report

We do not know how fortunate we are until we meet a person like Peter, one of our speakers last week. A MS sufferer exactly my age but unable to even feed himself, he remained jovial and make light of it. Likewise his carer Paul is amazing. He married Glenys' sister who suffered it, he cared for her for most of

## 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?"

his married life and with her passing continues helping others with MS. The costs MS supporters have and the level of care needed is huge but little known. They came to us not asking for help, rather to help us better to understand MS and they certainly did that.

This week's meeting is at Clayton North Primary School where we will be updated on schooling today and view the end result of a successful grant application made by our club last year.

Remember the Good Guys BBQ's etc. Their successors at that site are Retrovision, for years a trader in Clayton Rd and many club members did very well there. Thanks to partners Craig Merson and the Clayton Football Club, there is an opportunity to grab goods on the cheap and, by our mere presence, support their sponsorship of the Clayton Football Club. We will have the meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> at L'unico, have quick meal then instead of a speaker visit Retrovision for coffee and nibbles and meet face to face a proactive business in our area supporting worthy bodies in Clayton, Their stock (that night only) is cost plus 5% so is very cheap and is going to a great local cause!

Clayton's strengthening programme has just won a \$ M 3/4 grant, we will be deeply involved in its implementation so watch this bulletin and the Trader's Paper 3168 for details.

Bill Sides

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## Last Meeting & Notes

### Last Meeting (12/07):

This week was our guest speakers were Peter Burns & Paul Kelly from the MS Society.

Multiple sclerosis is a puzzle that has perplexed medical science since it was first described by the French neurologist Charcot in 1868. The disease affects the central nervous system and can, to varying degrees, interfere with the transmission of nerve impulses throughout the brain, spinal cord and optic nerves.

Since identification, MS has been the subject of intense, world-wide research but still its cause and cure remain elusive.

A simple explanation is conveyed by the term itself. Sclerosis is a Greek word meaning "hardened tissue or scars" and multiple means many. Recurring episodes of MS can cause many scars to appear in the central nervous system as a result of the breakdown of the myelin, the insulating material that covers the nerve fibres. This can result in impairment of motor, sensory and cognitive functions to a greater or lesser extent.

But multiple describes other aspects of what is often a frustratingly unpredictable disease. Episodes can occur at varying time intervals affecting different areas of the central nervous system. There is no one symptom that indicates the presence of MS. No single test can establish an accurate diagnosis.

It can be benign - in rare cases apparently disappearing altogether after one or two episodes. Or it can progress steadily over many years, bringing about a slow deterioration in an individual's capabilities.

## 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.

Although it is not fully understood why some people are susceptible and others are not, but it is estimated that 18,000 Australians have MS.

### Meeting Notes:

- We now have more stock of club banners. President Bill has asked that they are not to be wasted as they cost the club money, but are a very nice way of sending Clayton Rotary around the world. Members travelling are invited to present them to clubs they may be visiting around Australia or abroad.
- District Directories are now available and can be collected at the next meeting.
- The updated club directory will be out next week now that we have some necessary data that was contained in the District Directory.
- The meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> July will be held at Clayton North Primary School on the corner Clayton Road and Princes Highway. Enter via service road off Princes Highway. The meeting will commence at 6.30 pm and a meal will be provided. Come and see a local school and learn a little about education today. The school has been the recipient of a major grant via Rotary, so come and hear about it and see how it was used.
- Accounts for the membership fees have been handed out and should be paid as soon as possible.
- The Synchrotron Open Day is on again on the Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> August, where volunteers are required between 10 am to 4 pm to help with the BBQ & car parking. For more details contact Bill Sides.
- A Social morning and picnic lunch with some tree planting along with friends of Heatherton Park and Kingston Council is planned for Heatherton Park. This is a follow up to our tree planting last year. There is an area around an unsightly gas extraction well which will be planted. It won't take long to do but the effect will be significant and be a good time to explore the park. Date is Sunday October 10<sup>th</sup>; 10.30 am to 12.30 pm put it in your calendar now.

**Apologies** = Heather Norling, Lesley Zuccaro, Richard Simmons, Jon Breisch, Warren Fricke & Michael Ellinger.

**Make Ups** = Heather Norling (DG Changeover).

**Leave of Absence** = None.

**Visitors** = Peter Burns and Paul Kelly (MS Society).

## Important Club Dates

**Wednesday 21/07/10** – Board meeting at the home of Bill & Dianne Sides starting at 6:30 pm.

**Sunday 15/08/10** – Synchrotron Open Day BBQ & Car Parking.

**Sunday 10/10/10** – Social morning and picnic lunch with some tree planting along with friends of Heatherton Park and Kingston Council at Heatherton Park. Time is 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. For more details contact Bill Sides.

## Special Announcements

**25<sup>th</sup> July – Richard  
Simmons Birthday.**

**27<sup>th</sup> July – Dianne  
Sides Birthday.**

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## District 9810 News

### GSE Team to Istanbul Returns Home

Join with DG David Alexander and IPDG David Forster to welcome home the 2010 District 9810 GSE Team to Istanbul. This is your opportunity to hear the team report on their time in Turkey, an once-in-a-lifetime experience. Were their aspirations and expectations met?

**Your Hosts:** Rotary Club of Boronia  
**When:** Friday 30 July 2010  
**Where:** Knox Club Cnr Boronia & Stud Roads Wantirna (Mel 64 A7)  
**Time:** 6:30 for 7pm  
**Cost:** \$25—drinks at bar prices. Please advise dietary requirements

**RSVP Tuesday, 27 July**

**Enquires to:**  
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## Rotary Classification Opened

If anybody knows someone suitable to be invited to join Rotary and they fall under the classification "**Events Coordination**", can you please contact and inform Secretary Ralph Zuccaro.

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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 Events:

- Non-Changeover Changeover will be held on Wednesday 21 July, with a 7:29 pm start at Mulgrave Neighbourhood House. It will be a normal meeting with some Rotaract themed festivities. Everyone has been asked to wear red for the event.

### Rotaract Roster:

Date	Rotarian to Visit
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Michael Ellinger
4 <sup>th</sup> August	Warren Fricke

***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

### 2010 Winter Concert Series

#### August Winter Concert Put on the Ritz

**15 August, 2:00-4:00pm**

Put on the Ritz is a collaboration of four talented Melbourne artists who have come together to entertain you with their musically stunning cabaret.

Enio Pozzebon on keyboard, Aurora Kurth lead vocals, Vincenzo Ruberto on double bass and Michael Macri on saxophone, have individually worked on/with Shane Warne the Musical, Renee Geyer, Chamber Made Opera to The Singing Waiters.

This talented group has devised for your entertainment a sophisticated Cabaret Show ideally set in the very charming MGA.

Light refreshments will be provided.

#### **Monash Gallery of Art**

860 Ferntree Gully Road, Wheelers Hill

Bookings Essential, 9 - 14 August 9am - 5pm

Phone 9518 3636 or until booked out

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## Upcoming Events in Kingston

### Vintage Clothes

**Friday, 30 July 2010  
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

Join Nicole Jenkins, author of Love Vintage and owner of Circa Vintage Clothing store in Fitzroy, for afternoon tea and a talk about ladies fashions from 1940-1960. Nicole will bring several original garments to illustrate cultural history, design, fabrics and construction. Bring your own classic garments for discussion too! Book now by phoning 1300 135 668 or at any Kingston Library branch.

LOCATION: Chelsea Library, 1 Chelsea Road, Chelsea

WEB: <http://library.kingston.vic.gov.au>

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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

A horse trainer gave his hurdle jockey detailed instructions before the big race. He told the rider: "As you approach each jump lean forward and say 'up and over' in the horse's ear. If you say these words you are on a winner."

The jockey decided against saying this because he thought the other riders in the race would poke fun at him. Off the field went and at the first jump the horse bungled it, crashing through the brush. At the second the same thing happened. The rider just managed to stay in the saddle both times.

He was losing so much ground he decided to follow instructions. At the third he spoke to the horse and the animal cleared the jump like a bird. At every jump the jockey said "up and over" to his mount. They went to the front and cleared away for an easy win.

Back in the mounting enclosure, the trainer greeted him with the words: "What happened at the first two jumps? Didn't you say what I told you to?"

"Yes," lied the rider. "He must be deaf."

"Deaf? Deaf?" replied the trainer. "No, he's not deaf. Blind yes, but definitely not deaf."

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## Rotary International News

### Medical mission touches the 'unreachable'

By Ryan Hyland  
Rotary International News – 6 July 2010

During a massive seven-day medical mission in March, a team of 37 doctors and volunteers from District 3080 provided care to about 50,000 people in the remote tribal district of Mandla, Madhya Pradesh, India.

Organized by Past RI President Rajendra K. Saboo and Vivek Tankha, additional solicitor general of India and past governor of District 3260, several health camps offered medical exams, dental procedures, and surgeries to a population with limited access to health care.

The team included 24 doctors and surgeons, nine volunteers, and four medical assistants.

"This was an exercise where vocational service was at its best, where doctors



Top: Volunteer surgeons from District 3080 operate on patients during a massive seven day medical mission in the tribal district Mandla of Madhya Pradesh, India, in March. *Photo courtesy of District 3080*  
Bottom: Villagers of the tribal district of Mandla of Madhya Pradesh, India, register for Project RAHAT, a massive medical mission, in March. *Photo courtesy of District 3080*

made their knowledge and talents totally available to serve humanity," Saboo said. "We were able to reach the unreachable."

Saboo -- who has organized a number of medical missions since 1998 to countries including Ethiopia, Madagascar, Malawi, Nigeria, Swaziland, and Uganda -- said this effort far exceeded the others in terms of number of patients seen.

Tankha worked with Madhya Pradesh officials to identify the Mandla district as the location for Project RAHAT (Rotary's Active Hands Are Touching). The state government commissioned the support of about 400 medical volunteers.

The magnitude of the effort exceeded Tankha's expectations.

"The patient turnout, voluntary assistance rendered by Rotary and the state government, and the sight of the entire task force working under the banner of Rotary was something which I neither anticipated nor imagined," he said. "This mission presents a perfect example of people's participation towards a healthy society."

The medical camps were organized by treatment type. Four venues -- Mandla District Hospital, Katra Hospital, Yogiraj Hospital, and the local Red Cross -- received new equipment and other enhancements to handle an increased patient load.

The doctors and volunteers performed 3,500 dental procedures and 2,000 major surgeries, including reconstructive surgery, orthopedic work, and eye operations.

Subhash Garg, director of the medical mission and past governor of District 3080, said the many remarkable surgeries included the removals of a uterine tumor for one patient and a cataract for another -- a 105-year-old man.

"After completing this mission, there was a sense from the team of complete satisfaction," Garg said. "All Rotarians involved had a joyous feeling because we were able to contribute something so big."

**RETRAVISION**



**VIP NIGHT**

**6 – 8.30pm, Monday 26th July**

**Store + 50%  
Cost**

**Must present flyer to receive VIP price!  
Friends and family welcome.**

*Only at* **CLAYTON RETRAVISION**  
**1666 Princes Hwy, Clayton**  
**Phone: 9543 3310**



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