

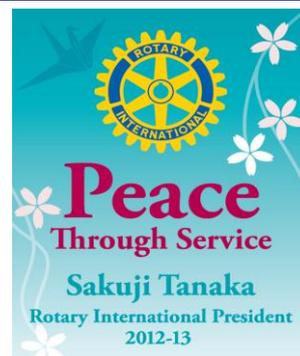


ROTARY CLUB of CLAYTON Inc.

District 9810 Victoria, Australia

Weekly Bulletin 2012-2013

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



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Upcoming Club Program

Date	Speaker	Chairperson	Desk	Visitors
3 rd June	Play Create Elevate - Jacqui Chaplan	Dianne Sides	Richard Simmons	Ralph Zuccaro
10 th June	No meeting – Queens Birthday			
17 th June	Club Assembly & Combined Board Meeting	Lesley Zuccaro	Ralph Zuccaro	John Barnes

Presidents Report

Hi Members and Friends,

Here we are at the start of winter and the last month of the Rotary year.

During the week Ralph and I spent a couple of days at Stawell with my Aunty and Uncle and we visited the Grampians where we went to wonderful look outs with sensational views over Halls Gap.

Please note the following few weeks agenda:-

- 10th - No Meeting as Queen's Birthday Holiday
- 17th - Club Assembly & Combined Board meeting
- 24th - Monash Hospital Clayton to see the humidifiers, Blanket warmer and hopefully Ronald McDonald House with maybe a meal at the kiosk or locally, TBC



Monday 1st July is our Changeover night; please invite your partners to also attend.

The RC of Huntingdale has invited interested members to attend their meeting on Thursday 13th June, where the guest speaker will be Cr. Micaela Drieberg, the Mayor of Monash who will be speaking about Domestic Violence Prevention.

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?"

The meeting will be at the Oakleigh RSL commencing at 7pm sharp Thursday 13th June with meal costs of \$15 (limited menu). As space is limited to 40 attendees in total it will be on a first come first serve basis. We have 4 members attending so far so if you would like to come along also please let me know as soon as possible.

Lesley.

Last Meeting & Notes

Last Meeting (27th May):

This week our guest speaker was Judy Katz, who is the daughter of Ed & Margot Allchin and also the director of Card & Caboodle. Judy spoke to the club about on how "Retail is doing it Tough".

Judy started by telling us that Card & Caboodle had started in 1989 with one store in Lt Collins Street. Now there are six stores with two in the CBD of Melbourne, one at Chadstone, one in the Brisbane CBD, one at Robina on the Gold Coast and one E-store, on-line out of head office in Elsternwick.

Here are some reasons why Judy thinks that retailers today are justified in saying 'times are tough':-

Over-Retailled

- Competition - Melbourne in particular is over retailled.
- City council said same 10 years ago.

Discounting

- Over retailing leads to discount spiral.
- David Jones CEO said profits down due to discounting sales teach customers to wait & not buy at full prices so profit margins become too hard to manage.
- Target last week said they need to re-train their customers not to wait for sales.

On-line Competition

- On line competition Australian Wholesalers & Designers often sell on line to end consumers at same or similar \$ that we can buy for. Overseas companies often sell to end consumer for less than we can buy for.
- \$1000 GST threshold makes Australia look stupid! Rest of world at \$100.
- Not just about GST - also no import duties & some cheat by bringing goods in with fake invoices. Current government wants to increase import tax for over \$10k by 50%.
- On line is very costly to run - Freight costs going up all the time.
- Retail shop rents are very high in Australia, and it is difficult to compete with warehouse rents.

Industrial Relation (IR) Laws

- IR laws difficult to navigate.
- Penalty rates don't fit with today's work/study life. Centres demand we open Sundays & Public Holidays at huge cost to us.
- Increase to super from 9% to 12% is a good idea in long run but costly to business now.
- Bureau of statistics - we have to report on staff changes every quarter for 5 years - more administration costs.

Taxes & Paperwork

- Many small businesses folded when GST came in: 90% out in 1st year; then 90% after 5 years.
- Worry is that more businesses now are struggling with more taxes & more administration costs.
- Payroll tax kicks in at \$500K in Victoria.
- Administration paper work Super - large govt departments are allowed to specify super fund- we are not – so we have 40-50 staff & 12 super funds to pay each month.

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.

To sum it up Judy mentioned that small businesses are generally doing it tough and do not get help from federal government's macro polices. Judy does not believe that these issues will ever go away, but will hopefully become less stressful. Judy also hopes that small business and retail business in general will be supported in the future and continue to employ up to 50% of the working population.

Meeting Notes:

- Lesley Zuccaro advised the club that District Governors changeover will be on Saturday 15th June at Kingston Links Golf Club in Rowville. The cost is \$60 per person and RSVP is required by 1st June. As there is limited space it is important that you get your response in early. People who are going to the changeover should provide their money to Warren.
- Lesley Zuccaro & Heather Norling reminded the club that our changeover will be on the Monday 1st July at the Mulgrave Country Club. The cost on the night is \$35. Final numbers are required one week before the changeover.
- Lesley Zuccaro informed the club that we received a letter from Monash Health asking if we will be interested in running a BBQ on the 26th October to help promote the Childrens Hospital. All funds raised at this event will go towards the Monash Childrens Hospital. More details to follow after the next board meeting.
- Lesley Zuccaro also informed the club that we received a letter from the Clayton Festival committee asking if we would be interested in being part of the street parade at the festival on the 23rd February 2014. There is an information night planned at the Clayton Community Centre on the 19th June for more details.
- Lesley Zuccaro informed the club that John Drosis will remain a full member of the club and Georges Ah-Tye & Simon Richards due to their heavy schedules will become "Friends of the Rotary Club of Clayton". Both Georges & Simon will still get the Bulletin each week and will be able to support with functions and events.
- John Barnes reminded the club that he is still looking for helpers to support the board meetings for the John Monash Science School Interact Club. The dates are listed in this bulletin. Jon Breisch will attend the Board Meeting on the 4th June.
- Dianne Sides informed the club nominations are open again for the Caroline Chisholm awards. If any members know of any good candidates please let Dianne know. This is a local community award in Monash. Our candidate from last year was Rosemary Norman.
- Lesley Zuccaro informed the club that Cess Hodges from the Rotary Club of Huntingdale has invited us to attend their special meeting on Thursday June 13th they are having Micaela Drieberg, the mayor of Monash, as a guest speaker. Her topic is Domestic Violence. The meeting will be held at Oakleigh/Carnegie RSL Club, 95 Drummond St Oakleigh. 6.45 for 7pm
- Lesley Zuccaro has asked for all directors to submit a report for the Annual Report by the 14th June.
- Bill Sides reminded the club that we still need to buy or build a BBQ trailer with the government grant we received last year, which will run out in September this year. It was decided during the meeting that a small committee should be setup consisting of Bill, Jim Cochrane and Richard Simmons to support this project.
- It was good to see Heather Norling attending the meeting this week. Heather is currently at home and will return to the Epworth Hospital on Wednesday (29th) where she will have her kidney removed on the Friday (31st). We all wish Heather a speedy recovery.

Apologies = Glenys Pattison & John Goldspink.

Make Ups = Glenys Pattison (District Assembly), Jim & Jean Cochrane (Foodbank).

Leave of Absence = Craig and Katherine Merson, Sha Rijal.

Visitors = Judy Katz and Margot Allchin.

Special Announcements

**6th June – Padma
Kandadi Birthday.**

**7th June – Georges Ah-
Tye Birthday.**

**9th June – Warren
Fricke Birthday.**

Think Foundation Thoughts

June: Rotary Fellowships Month

This week's Foundation Thought is about...

Celebrating the Foundation. In this excerpt from his poem —After All, 1959-60 RI President Harold Thomas celebrates the good that Rotary does in the world. Congratulations on another successful Rotary year!

Bridges of friendship could be built
Where in war men's blood was spilt
Bridges built in Rotary's way
Bridges built to speed the day
When peace and concord will hold sway
That man may reach his long-sought goal
Neighbours all from pole to pole
One human race with ties that bind
One humane world, one humankind.

Important Club Dates

Saturday 15/06/13 – District Governors Changeover at Kingston Links Golf Club.

Monday 01/07/13 – Club Changeover at Mulgrave Country Club.

Further Australian Support for Polio Eradication

Prime Minister Julia Gillard and Foreign Minister Bob Carr today announced further funding to help eradicate polio – a debilitating disease that continues to strike the world's most vulnerable people, especially children.

Australia will provide \$80 million over four years from 2015 to 2018 to help finish the job and achieve worldwide polio eradication.

This contribution follows a \$50 million commitment to the Global Polio Eradication Initiative from 2011 to 2014 announced by the Prime Minister at the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting in Perth in October 2011.

The Prime Minister and the Foreign Minister applauded the leadership shown by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, the World Health Organization, UNICEF and Rotary International on polio. The Gates Foundation is contributing US\$1.8 billion for *the Polio Endgame Strategic Plan 2013 - 2018*, which is one-third of the total budget.

Australia has a proud history of support for polio eradication. From 1912 to 1972, more than 30,000 cases of paralytic poliomyelitis were reported in Australia, and a number of polio survivors in Australia today still live with the pain and debilitation of post-polio syndrome.

It was Australia's Sir Clem Renouf who, as President of Rotary International in 1978 and 1979, led the international campaign to vaccinate every child against polio. As a result of these early efforts by Rotary, the global community came together in 1988 to launch the Global Polio Eradication Initiative.

Since 1988, there has been a reduction in the number of polio cases by 99.9 per cent. Following the certification of India as polio-free in 2012, polio remains endemic in only Afghanistan, Pakistan and Nigeria. The world now has polio eradication within its reach. This would be the second disease to be eradicated globally after small pox and a major victory for international aid and public health.

The new contribution brings Australia's total commitment to polio eradication to over \$130 million. Our aim is to help eradicate polio and strengthen routine immunisation.

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John Monash Science School Interact Club Update

John Barnes has advised the club that the John Monash Science School Interact Club Board Meetings are scheduled at lunch times (usually at 1:00pm) on the following days:-

July 16
August 6
September 3
October 8

A Rotarian from the sponsor Club has to be present at each of these Board meetings so if any of our members (only need one) are able to attend on these dates would they please advise John Barnes.

District 9810 News

(RYLA) Rotary Youth Leadership Award

Purpose: To deliver an intensive six-day training program for young people aged 18 to 30 nominated by their local Rotary Club for their community youth leadership potential.

The program covers fundamentals and ethics of:

- positive leadership
- communication skills
- problem-solving and conflict management
- Rotary's purpose and service to the community
- building self confidence and self-esteem and
- elements of community and global citizenship.

**RYLA Course 2013
8 July (Monday) to 13 July (Saturday) 2013
YMCA Lake Dewar Lodge
339 Garrards Lane, Myrniong Victoria**



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
5 th June 2013	Bill Sides
19 th June 2013	Richard Simmons

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

Upcoming Events in Monash

Probus Club of Clayton: Trivia Games

**Monday 17 June, 10.15am – noon,
Clayton RSL, 163 Carnish Rd, Clayton**

Here's an opportunity to join with our club members in doing what we do best – having fun. The Clayton Probus Trivia mornings are popular events.

\$1.00, Bookings Required:
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Upcoming Events in Kingston

Round She Goes - Moorabbin

**Event Date:
Sunday 16 June 2013
Starting at 10:00 AM**

**Place:
Moorabbin Town Hall / Kingston City Hall
Moorabbin, VIC**

Round She Goes is a preloved fashion market for women in Melbourne held in Moorabbin. At Round She Goes you can buy preloved designer and quality vintage fashion and accessories from 100 different stallholders. There is also locally designed jewellery and accessories and even some cool craft. Round She Goes has become a not-to-be-missed event in Melbourne.

Where other Clubs Meet

A Rotarian can attend the weekly meeting of any Rotary club around the world. This is a “make-up” and counts as attendance credit when you are not able to attend a meeting of your own club.

Details for all District 9810 clubs can be obtained in the district directory or website www.9810rotary.org.au 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 **Bronwen Lamond** on **0439 339 645 by 4 pm** on the **day of the meeting**, if you are not going to be present.

Contributions for inclusion into the Bulletin should be passed to michaele@netspace.net.au 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

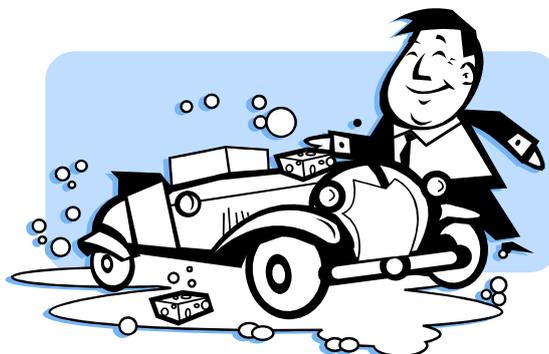
The young boy had just passed his driver's licence test and inquired of his father if they could discuss his use of the car.

His father said he'd make a deal. “You bring your grades up from a C to a B average, study your Bible a little, get your hair cut and we'll talk about the car.” The boy thought about that for a moment, decided he'd settle for the offer and they agreed on it.

After about six weeks his father said, “Son, I've been real proud. You brought your grades up and I've observed that you've been studying your Bible, but I'm disappointed that you haven't had a haircut.”

The young man paused a moment then said, “You know, Dad, I've been thinking about that and I've noticed in my studies that Samson had long hair, Moses had long hair, and there's even a strong argument that Jesus had long hair.”

To this his father replied, “Did you also notice that they all walked everywhere they went?”



Rotary International News

Former General Secretary Ed Futa inducted into Arch C. Klumph Society

By Arnold R. Grahl
Rotary News -- 28 May 2013

During his years as RI's general secretary, Edwin H. Futa was affectionately known for his comic showmanship, which brought an element of entertainment to the announcements he delivered during Rotary's annual conventions and the International Assembly, a training event for incoming leaders. His weather reports and his costumes for the assembly's talent night, from Neptune to Zorro, were legendary.

Earlier this month, Futa was recognized in a different way, for his generous giving to The Rotary Foundation. He was greeted with a standing ovation from Rotary leaders and staff during a ceremony at Rotary International World Headquarters, where he was inducted into the Arch C. Klumph Society. The society honors those who have contributed US\$250,000 or more to the Foundation.

"Everyone assembled here today has felt Ed's genuine love for Rotary and its Foundation," said John Osterlund, general manager of the Foundation, in introducing Futa. "He has taught all of us about the banquet of life."

"For eight years, I had the privilege of working directly for Ed," Osterlund noted. "I learned a considerable amount from Ed and the leadership example he set ... In addition to being my boss, Ed became a friend."

Since his retirement from the post of general secretary in 2011, Futa has continued to serve on the Rotary Peace Forums Committee and as an RI representative to the United Nations. Futa said he gives to the Foundation to support Rotary's peace program because it's an investment in people.

"I believe the people-building aspect is the most important and the most long-lasting aspect of the Foundation," Futa said in an interview after the ceremony. "We can build wells, and wells will crumble after a while. But the legacy people leave, especially well-trained professional people, will last longer than any wells and monuments we could build."

Futa has been a member of the Rotary Club of East Honolulu, Hawaii, USA, since 1979. He recalled how he came to join.

"I knew nothing about Rotary at the time," he said. "I was invited, like many of us are, by my banker to join him for lunch. As one starting a business at the time, I considered my banker an important person. I was surprised most of the people there were people I knew from the community anyway. I felt quite natural in that grouping."

As general secretary, Futa oversaw many changes in Rotary. During his tenure, the Foundation appointed the first woman to serve as a trustee and Rotary elected its first female director. Under his leadership, the Foundation celebrated record giving in 2009-10. He laid the groundwork for the Foundation's Future Vision Plan, the Foundation's new approach to granting funds.

Futa said he feels his biggest contribution was realizing that the strength of the organization is based in the talents of its staff and acting on that knowledge to assist staff to grow as professionals. He said he remains committed to Rotary because it is an effective and positive use of his volunteer efforts.

"I never feel it is a waste of my time," he said. "I always feel satisfied in whatever I am doing with Rotary."



Former General Secretary Ed Futa, a member of the Rotary Club of East Honolulu, Hawaii, USA, greets RI staff members during his induction ceremony into the Arch C. Klumph Society.
Photo by Alyce Henson/Rotary International