



ROTARY CLUB OF CLAYTON

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

President: Glenda Rose
Secretary: Bill Sides

Family of Rotary (District focus) Month

Upcoming Meetings

Date	Speaker	Chairperson	Desk	Visitors
26 th March	Conference discussion	Warren Fricke	Jon Breisch	Bill sides
29 th of March 1 st April	Shepparton Conference at the Eastbank Centre Shepparton.			
2 nd April	Romac			
9 th April	Easter Holiday			
16 th April	TBA			
23 rd April	Notting Hill Hotel Meeting Partners Night			
30 th April	Professor Brian Williams, Director of the Monash Institute of Medical Research			

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

Fellowship functions will occur around once every 6 weeks.

A Small program for fellowship this still to be confirmed.

A day at Safety Beach at Jim & Jeans, on the 15th April

April- A Picture Night.

Rotaract Roster

Date	Rotarian to Visit
26 th March	Neil Rickard

Previous meeting

Last Meeting: Clayton RSL 19th March.

Apologies: John Barnes, Jean Cochrane, John Goldspink

Make Ups: John Barnes Interplast, Jean Cochrane International Night.

Guests: Rob McPherson. (A.G)

Birthdays: 22nd March Bill Sides

Wedding Anniversaries

General Business

Last meeting the 19th of March Was a Committee Meeting and general membership round up.
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 people to teach English Kathryn Shedden is running the program there. Also there is to be a Community Expo on the 22nd of May at Dixon House which requires a BBQ from the hours of 5pm to 7pm.

Thursday 29th March at 6.30pm is the Bill Norling award a few members need for attendance at Chisholm Institute of TAFE Dandenong Campus.

Monash Hospital –Requires a little Landscaping

Collars of office –Requires attention.

Conference –For Dinner Saturday night requires Black pants & Shirt for the Males that are going.

See Warren for tickets for the Monash Community Raffle.

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

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Upcoming District events.

Later this month...

29/3/2007 (Thu) [District Conference](#)
30/3/2007 (Fri) [District Conference](#)
31/3/2007 (Sat) [District Conference](#)

Next month...

1/4/2007 (Sun) [District Conference](#)

Further down the track...

7/5/2007 (Mon) [The Great Wine Auction for Interplast](#)
20/5/2007 (Sun) [District Assembly](#)
9/6/2007 (Sat) [Chelsea Art Show](#)
10/6/2007 (Sun) [Chelsea Art Show](#)
11/6/2007 (Mon) [Chelsea Art Show](#)

A letter was received to President Glenda from Bob Millen as he has been approached by Annette Cook who is the District Commissioner, Monash District Scouts Australia.

Annette has asked if the expertise and reputation of this club could be made available to assist with the re-establishment of Cub Scouts in the Clayton area. 1st Clayton scouts met for many years in their hall opposite the swimming pool. The group closed about 2001

Hello All Members & Rotaractors,

This is a quick reminder to let you all know that this year we have a candidate / Nominee for the “Shine on Awards”.

The Shine On Awards have been introduced to recognise the outstanding service to the community of persons with disabilities. The awards recognize the outstanding community service by people with disabilities who, by their actions, serve as ‘Shining Examples’ to the community. Through their commitment to helping others in the Rotary spirit of ‘Service Above Self’ they provide a significant contribution to the quality of daily life of others in the local and wider community.

The candidate chosen by both the Rotary & Rotaract clubs is Dean Calder. Dean is legally blind and is currently a member & joint President of the Clayton Rotaract Club. He is also involved with the following, Victorian Blind Cricket Association (recently organised the joint cricket match between Rotaract/Rotary & VBCA), Victorian Goal Ball Association, Blind Sports Victoria & Swish Victoria (Blind Table Tennis).

The Shine On Awards presentation will be held on the 6th May, 2007 and are being hosted by the Rotary Clubs of Morwell & Hazelwood.

Venue: Morwell Club,

Helen Street, Morwell (between Catherine & Jane Street)

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?

Membership Discussion Review

Notes from Membership discussion

New member night before June 2007, with a highly interesting guest speaker.

Review past members maybe things have changed in their lives to bring them back to the club.

Ask them why they left for improvements to the club.

Aim at Young professional people in the Clayton area (Monash Uni)

Garden for the Light House Foundation project for the Club and may bear fruit for members.

Multi-national members from new communities which surround the Clayton Region.

Combine projects with these communities`.

Adopt the 2 up project.

Article to Leader Newspapers –PR What's on.

Past Members, Email bulletin

The 1st function that the Membership committee will be performing is a mail out to all the ex-members of the Rotary Club of Clayton to see whether they would like to receive Bulletins and perhaps help with club functions, which was Oked by the board.

The Mail out should be completed by the 27th of March.

Conference Program



Mitre 10 is the major sponsor for our Shepparton District Conference

Invited Keynote speakers include:

• **Ron Barassi (AFL Legend)**

A household name particularly in the football world, but did you know he has recently trekked the Kokoda Track. Ron is going to tell us of the highlights and possibly some lowlights of his adventure, he may even mention football.

• **Pat Mesiti (Motivator)**

Pat has been described as a “Garden Gnome on Steroids”, his passion and dedication to empower and impact on the lives of young people has made him a popular speaker for motivational sessions.

Growing up on the streets of Bankstown in an abusive family environment, Pat has overcome many challenges in life that most people would say are insurmountable; he is an inspiring and entertaining speaker.

• **Erik Rikman (Mayo Clinic)**

Department of Physiology & Biomedical Engineering
Professor of Physiology & Medicine
Mayo Clinic College of Medicine

Erik spoke at the 1999 Conference in Bendigo and has agreed to come back and update us on the wheel of life and where we might end up – possibly where we came from – how fascinating this will be.

• **Kevin Bailey (Consul general for East Timor for Victoria)**

Kevin Bailey among other things is the passionate Consul General for East Timor for Victoria. Kevin spent the beginning of the New Millennium cycling through the darkness of Dili Harbour watching the first sunrise of 2000 over this fledgling nation. He had spent the previous evening with the country’s President Xanana Gusmao & his

Xanana Gusmao & his Australian wife Kirsty Sword-Gusmao. Many things have happened to East Timor since both good and bad, Kevin will recall some and look to the future too. An inspiring passionate man.

• **Renu Sharma Upreti (Women's Foundation Nepal)**

Renu has been likened to Mother Teresa for her work in Nepal as Mother Teresa was in India. Renu is a founding member of the Women's Foundation Nepal, an organization helping women to a better life. The education of girls is not a priority in Nepal and the Women's Foundation is working and has worked to make a difference. Renu will tell some amazing stories of the struggle for women's rights in Nepal. The Foundation Motto is: "A WOMEN'S PLACE IS IN THE HOUSE, THAT'S WHY THEY SHOULD BE IN BOTH HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT"

We are grateful to the Rotary Club of Healesville for sponsoring Renu's trip to Australia to speak to our Conference.

• **Tom Henderson (founder of Shelterboxes)**

Shelterboxes are something is known about in our district as we have embraced this fabulous program. We are fortunate to have the founder of the Shelterbox project Tom Henderson all the way from the UK to speak to us and explain some of the marvellous success of the project, a delightful man giving much time and knowledge around the world to this fabulous Rotary project.

• **Allan Turner (Zaidee Rainbow Foundation)**

The Zaidee Rainbow Foundation set up by Allan & Kim Turner in memory of their 7 year old daughter Zaidee who died of a cerebral aneurism in December 2004. Zaidee and her family became organ donors after family discussions in 2000 that they would register as donors. Zaidee was able to help many families when her organs and tissue were donated following her death.

Allan Turner, Zaidee's dad, will tell us of the journey since then and the formation of the foundation which by wearing of the shoe laces by many sporting clubs and organizations has helped spread the word of how important it is to register as a donor. This is a heartening story of looking forward and keeping the wheel of life turning. There will not be a dry eye following this amazing story.

• **Dennis M Mooney, Chairman and Managing Director, GM Holden Ltd**

Dennis has been Holden Chairman and Managing Director since 1 January 2004. He joined GM in 1978 as a college graduate in training with Oldsmobile Division in Lansing, Michigan, USA and has held many positions with Oldsmobile included detail engineer; project engineer; senior project engineer and business team manager. In 2001, he was named executive director, vehicle performance for GM North America Engineering and later in the same year executive director of Vehicle Integration for GM North America Engineering, the position he held prior to his current assignment.

• **Ritje Rihatinah**

Ritje Rihatinah is a dentist with her principal practice in Nusa Dua, Bali. She also practices in Jakarta and other areas of Indonesia. She has been a Rotarian since September 1989 when she was inducted into the Rotary Club of Bali Sanur in District D3400.

Ritje has undertaken many roles in Rotary including a Rotary Volunteer practicing dentistry at Fundcao Esperanca – Santarem Amazon Brazil, GSE Team Leader to Brazil and Centennial District Governor for Indonesia in 2004-2005. She is currently Co-Chair of The Rotary Foundation solidarity South Asia fund handling the donated money and projects following the tragic 2004 tsunami. She is the Indonesian National Chairperson of PolioPlus coordinating the NID immunizations since the recent outbreak of polio.

• **Esther Wamai**

Esther Wamai was born in West Kenya in 1961 and completed her secondary school education in Nairobi as well as an

Early Childhood Education and Management course. Her marriage did not last, so she was left to bring up a family of boys, sometimes enduring difficult circumstances

In 1996 Esther started The Tender Foot Self Help School with 10 children from the slums of Kangemi. She wanted to help the orphans and other needy children to have an education. She gave them love and support with the idea that even though they were born in a slum it doesn't mean that you don't deserve the chance to pursue your dreams and achieve your true potential. Today, the Tender Foot Self-Help School caters for children from primary to 8th grade, the funding of which comes from UK, Australia and the Kangemi community.

Conference entertainment includes a Sunset Dinner in Queens Park opposite the Eastbank Centre (Thursday evening - 29 March 2007) and a fabulous Silver Anniversary Dinner on Saturday night (31 March 2007) featuring Frankie J Holden and Wilbur Wilde and their On the Prowl Band, hosted by a surprise presenter as MC. Sunday's Grand Finale will be presented by our own Youth Exchange ensemble

Details of your Conference Accommodation are as follows:

TIRANA MOTOR INN.
33-37 WYNDHAM STREET,
SHEPPARTON

We have 6 rooms booked from Thursday 29th March to Sunday 1st April.

As regards Friday night's dinner I will pay Glen Waverley \$47/head and collect the money from you when I see you next. Drinks are pay as you go.

Regards

John BARNES

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JOKE FOR THE WEEK

Paying in advance

A motorist, driving by a Dairy farm, hit and killed a calf that was crossing the road. The driver went to the owner of the calf and explained what had happened. He then asked what the animal was worth.

"Oh, about \$200 today," said the rancher. "But in six years it would have been worth \$900. So \$900 is what I'm out."

The motorist sat down and wrote out a check and handed it to the farmer.

"Here," he said, "is the check for \$900. It's postdated six years from now."

Meeting Closed on the 19th March at 8.20pm

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>

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SHEPPARTON CONFERENCE

Ten (10) days until Shepparton, to celebrate our "25th Anniversary"

Important Reminders.

The Shepparton Conference begins with a "Sunset Dinner" served in Queens Gardens, located on Welsford Street in front of the Eastbank Centre commencing at 6:00 pm on Thursday 29th March 2007. Catering will reflect the "Foods of the World" served from multiple Marquees around the park. Desserts, tea and coffee will follow the Opening Ceremony, which is scheduled to begin, **on staging in the Gardens**, at 7:30 pm and end at 9:20 pm.

Beer, wines, soft drinks and water will be served throughout the night, with the exception of during the actual Opening Ceremony.

All other plenary sessions will be held in the Eastbank Centre on the west side of Welsford Street.

Registration at the Eastbank Centre will be available from midday Thursday, 29th March 2007

Lunch on Friday will be a BBQ in Queens Gardens.

Dress Code

I am encouraging delegates to dress smart casual at all times except at the Saturday night Dinner, see below. **At the Thursday night dinner and opening in the park, keeping in mind that the night air may be a little chilly, male delegates should consider wearing a jacket/pullover and the ladies a jacket or wrap.**

Saturday night is your opportunity to 'dress up' and to let your hair down as Frankie J Holden and Wilber Wilde provide the entertainment. The theme for Saturday night is "Something Silver" and many clubs are well advanced with planning for their theme dress. Program

The outline program is now available on our district website, www.9810.rotary.org.au, by clicking District Conference on the Main Navigation and scrolling down to the Program link.

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 SCHOOLS PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST – Thurs. 22 March at 7:30pm

The Semifinal of our 2007 4 Way Test Schools Public Speaking Competition featuring 6 speakers coming through from three heats conducted over the past two weeks will be held

at Scope Knox on Thursday Night 22 March 2007 at 7:00 for 7:30pm start. It would be great to see a full house turn up to support these wonderful young people. Three speakers will be selected for the final at the Shepparton Conference on Friday 30 March 2007.

Come along to support these young people.

RYPEN – VERY URGENT ANNOUNCEMENT- NEW GENERATIONS CHAIRS –NB

The RYPEN committee met recently, and it was highlighted that a delay in sending out information to clubs could cause clubs to be slow to respond and approach secondary schools for student sponsorship to attend the RYPEN camp. This coupled with the timing of the District conference and school holidays, may impact on camp numbers, as RYPEN is being held the week following the students return to school. This may lead to minimal numbers of students attending the camp.

I therefore encourage **all 'clubs' to act promptly** to approach schools within their club 'catchment' areas to promote and source students to attend.

A reminder also to clubs that the application forms and relevant information is now updated on the district Rotary website and noting the return address for applications is via PP Bill Sides, 25 Mackintosh Road, Wheelers Hill 3150.

Please give this request your urgent attention to ensure the success of RYPEN 2007

MESSAGE from OUR DISTRICT RYPEN COMMITTEE



The District RYPEN (Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment) Camp is being held from Friday 20th April to Sunday 22nd April 2007 at OASIS Youth Camp in Mount Evelyn. Rotary Clubs and local Secondary schools within the District will be receiving updated brochures to distribute to students, aged 14-17. The focus of the camp is teamwork, personal skills, leadership and fun – and promises to be a worthwhile and rewarding experience for all involved. Contact PDG Eric Farmer (Committee Chair) 0411557250 or efarmer@ozemail.com.au for more details.

LITERACY

MARCH IS LITERACY MONTH!

Now that clubs are gearing up for the second half of this Rotary year – have you thought about how your club will celebrate Literacy in March.

The Rotary Club of Clayton – Over 40 years of service in the community

Website - <http://rotarnet.com.au/users/9/98110/index.htm>

At our Literacy Brainstorm in December, some excellent projects were discussed - ones that your club can actively support or develop in your area. Details have been included in previous editions of Ra Ra's Ramblings:

We have also mailed to each Club a proposal from the RC of Healesville. I urge you to consider supporting Healesville's project.

For further suggestions and thoughts in relation to your Literacy Projects:

CONTACT Juliet Riseley District Literacy Committee (Email) jriseley@impaq.com.au

Group Study Exchange (GSE) 2007-08 to District 1130 - London

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

Key dates for the GSE team selection process and exchange visits are set out below:

Inbound exchange dates

District 1130 team arrives in Melbourne on 9 February 2008

District 1130 team leaves Melbourne on 11 March 2008

Outbound Team Dates

District 9810 arrives in London 21 September 2007

District 9810 Team leaves London 22 October 2007

Outbound Team Selection Dates

- **Team Member applications close Thursday April 5th**
 - **Application form on District 9810 & Rotary Foundation Website**
 - **Selection criteria on District web-site**

- **Team Member round 1 selection – all day Saturday April 21st – Scope**
- **Team Member – round 2 selection – Sunday April 29th - Boronia**

MESSAGE from PP John Beaty – DISTRICT COMMUNITY SERVICE CHAIRMAN

World Water Day

22 March is designated by the United Nations Food & Agriculture Organisation as World Water Day "Coping With Water Scarcity"

As we remain in the influence of the drought and facing the prospect of Stage 4 water restrictions, we should reflect on the many millions of the world's population who have no or very little water for basic human needs such as drinking water. Rotarians are invited to look at the website

<<http://www.unwater.org/wwd07/downloads/documents/wwd07brochure.pdf>> and to reflect on 22 March on what we can do as individuals and as Rotary Clubs to help improve this situation.

Have a good day

John Beaty
Chair, District Community Service Committee

MESSAGE from RC of MONT ALBERT & SURREY HILLS – HOT CROSS BUNS

It is that time of year again when our club endeavours to spread good cheer by making available the best "Hot Cross Buns" in Melbourne delivered to your club or representative.

We will be taking orders on the form attached, in packs of 12 buns per pack at the price of \$ 14-00 per pack with \$ 3-00 from each dozen sold being donated to the Rotary Foundation in your club's name.

Orders need to be placed by 5pm on **23rd March 2007** as deliveries will commence on 26 March 2007.

Payment instructions are as listed on the order form, emailed under separate cover to all clubs, in the usual format of cheque, credit card or electronic transfer.

We would appreciate one payment for total club order if possible.

Please return your orders to MASH at P.O. Box 47 Surrey Hills 3127 or Fax 9836 7458. Enquiries to PP Leonie Moran 9899 5836.

MESSAGE from RC of TEMPLESTOWE – GOLF DAY

Treat your Business Associates to a Day of Golf at Rosanna Golf Club in the Yarra Valley

Monday 16th April 2007

a) Charity Golf Day arranged by the Rotary Club of Templestowe – All proceeds to youth programmes and other needy organisations in the community

b) Rosanna Golf Club - Cleveland Avenue, Lower Plenty

Registration and Lunch: 11.30am

Shotgun Start: 12.30pm

Free drinks and snacks on course

Trophies:

Best Ambrose Team score

Second best Ambrose Team score

Best front 9 Ambrose Team score

Best back 9 Ambrose Team score

Longest drive

Nearest the Pin (3 holes)

Ambrose event ensures everybody enjoys the day – male/female, high/no handicappers

Corporate Sponsors:

What better way to get to know your business associates in a great location and enjoy a game of golf together. You get naming rights on one hole, light lunch before play, free drinks during round, evening meal, great prizes and the warm feeling of contributing to worthy youth programs and the community.

(A receipt can be issues and the amount is tax deductible) cost per 4 players is \$550

Individual Entries:

Come alone or make up a four. \$95 per player includes light lunch, green fees and dinner.

Entries should be forwarded to:

Charity Golf Day – Rotary Club of Templestowe

8 Randolph Court, Lower Templestowe, Victoria 3107

Cheques Payable to:

Rotary Club of Templestowe

Phone Enquires:

Dick Holroyd - 9481 7111 (Business hours)

- 9850 7508 (After hours)

**MESSAGE from RC of DONCASTER SUNRISE –
WALK THE TORQUE 21**

WALK THE TORQUE 21 – Press Release

Manningham Council, together with the Rotary Club of Doncaster Sunrise, is inviting people to participate in Walk the Torque 21 - a community event helping keep young people alive to drive.

To be held at Rieschiecks Reserve in Doncaster, the event will run over 21 hours, from midday on Saturday 21 April to 9am on Sunday 22 April 2007.

Manningham Mayor, Cr Ron Kitchingman, said Walk the Torque 21 is a community and fundraising event that will provide funding for local students to participate in driver education programs.

“The aim of Walk the Torque 21 is to raise funds to enable year nine, 10 and 11 students in Manningham to access driving programs which help them to be better prepared, and safer, drivers,” said Cr Kitchingman.

“This means getting teenagers involved in both class room and practical sessions, such as those offered by Melbourne Traffic Education Centre (METEC), where students will learn the risks and choices involved in being a driver or passenger in a car,” he said.

Cr Kitchingman said this event has been organised as part of the work of the Drive Another Day (DAD) committee – a steering group set up by Manningham Council in 2004 in response to the number of P-plater fatalities on local roads.

“Rotary Club of Doncaster Sunrise, which is represented on the DAD committee, kindly offered to organise this event and assist the local community in reducing the number of young people involved in fatal and serious injury crashes in Manningham,” said Cr Kitchingman.

Rotary Club of Doncaster Sunrise member, Jamie Woodford, said the Club was delighted to assist DAD and the community by organising this event.

“The concept of Walk the Torque 21 is simple. Participate, have fun and raise money for a good cause,” said Mr. Woodford.

“To take part you need to register a team of ten or more people and collectively walk, run or crawl for 21 hours from midday on Saturday 21st overnight to 9am on Sunday 22nd April.

“Each team will be required to secure sponsorship and build a car to carry around the track which, just like Formula 1, will be decorated and carry advertising for your sponsors. The aim is for each team to raise at least \$1,000 through sponsorship and good old-fashioned fund raising.

“It will be an exciting 21 hours filled with prizes, a relay event and free entertainment, and is a good excuse to camp out with your friends all night.

“Ladies and gentleman, boys and girls, you need to start your engines NOW. Get your schools, your sporting groups, and your family and friends involved and register straight away,” he said.

Each team will be required to pay an entry fee of \$20 to cover the cost of fund raising books, information, and the team packs that will be provided.

For more information, to register a team, or for advice on securing a sponsor contact:
Wayne Gladman on 03 9497 1422 or
Jamie Woodford on 03 9457 2908
Email: wayne@fraudrisk.com.au

MESSAGE from RC OF MOORLEIGH- MOORABBIN – Golf Day 27th April

Would you like the opportunity to have a round of golf on one of Melbourne's top 3 golf courses??

The Rotary Club of Moorleigh Moorabbin presents The John Hood Memorial 39th Annual Charity Golf Day, to be held at KINGSTON HEATH GOLF CLUB on Friday 27th April 2007.

Cost \$85 – morning or afternoon start times available.

Proceeds to Multiple Sclerosis and local charities.

For more details and an application form, contact Kevin Nixon on 9570 1300.

MESSAGE from RC of BRAESIDE – TRIVIA NIGHT 28th April

RC of Braeside Trivia Night -at South Oakleigh Club, Victor Rd East Bentleigh on Saturday 28th April 2007 at 7.00pm

Tickets \$20.00 /head (tables of 10)-Supper included - Drinks at club prices- Auction items incl.Footy Jumpers

All Welcome, lots of fun - Profits to aid Romac

Phone Marg Longden - 0418 365477, Gayle Stewart - 0414 283814,

Lynne Greenberg - 0405 154603

MESSAGE from RC of HAMPTON – GREAT SOUTHERN TRIVIA CHALLENGE

The RC of Hampton Challenges you to compete in the TENTH GREAT SOUTHERN TRIVIA CHALLENGE and become the holder of the SILVER HOOK AWARD on Saturday 5th May 2007 – 7:30 pm for 7:45pm start at Sandringham Yacht Club, Jetty Road Sandringham (Melway 76 F8)

Cost \$20.00per head/Tables of 10 – light supper provided and drinks at bar prices.

Bookings and information contact Malcolm Baird on 9591 0807 or

email: brembaird@bigpond.com.au

Also a Silent auction with some valuable items available.

MESSAGE from Carrol Farmer – STAMPS

URGENT- URGENT- URGENT

The District Stamp Fund appears to be still lounging in holiday mode!! Funds are currently just over \$2000.00 - well below last year.

Please track down schools, universities large businesses and let's REV UP!! Technology is taking over - be quick!!

ALL envelopes/stamps of any denomination/country can be taken to the next President's meeting which is on Friday, March 2nd and given to Pres. Gonny of the RC of Wantirna - or give me a ring and I'll come & collect.

Keep the (wheelchair) wheels turning PLEASE. C. Farmer.

(DG Bob. This is my challenge, each club aim to bring 2 kilos of STAMPS to the conference, this would mean a collection of about 100 Kilograms of \$3,000.00 plus.)

District Assembly 2007 – MESSAGE from DGE DICK GARNER

The 2007 District Assembly will be held at Deakin University, Burwood Road, Burwood (Melways: Map 61B5) on Sunday **20th May 2007**. Registration is at 8:30 am and the assembly commences sharp **at 9:00 am**. Further details to be provided.

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

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:

Jeff Gouldson – RC of Glen Waverley

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:

Have I missed someone?

MESSAGE from PP Ian Coleman on behalf of BOWELSCAN

"A new Bowelscan Year (mid April to mid June) will be soon with us. Congratulations to the twelve new clubs which participated in the Bowelscan program for the first time, last year.

The new clubs developed partnerships with pharmacies, distributed kits, posters and flyers and placed articles in their local newspapers - some clubs are already forming more partnerships for 2007.

There now 55 suburban pharmacies participating in Bowelscan as shown on our website: www.rotarymanningham.org . In 2006, 1,722 kits were distributed to our pharmacies, double 2005, and 837 completed kits were collected from pharmacies for forwarding to the Pathology Laboratory.

Currently, there are a further 17 clubs expected to join the 2007 program to create awareness that Bowel Cancer is the second biggest killer of men and women 40 years and over, and that early detection can save lives.

Our ARHRF District Committee is arranging to visit the remaining 13 clubs shortly to seek their support too. We again want to double the number of pharmacies participating this year, and hence double kit sales - also an opportunity to recruit new members?

While we want planning to commence soon, PP Kevin Harrison demonstrated in 2005 that with only 2 days lead-time, record sales of 128 kits could be obtained in only two weeks.

Please contact District Bowelscan Program Co-ordinator, Ian Coleman on iancoleman3@optusnet.com.au or 0402 293 229 for details.

For your family's sake ... beat bowel cancer through early detection - \$6 could save your life and that of your community"

MESSAGE from CLUSTER GROUP 7 CLUBS – Function 18th May 2007

“ROTARYS BIG NIGHT OUT”

Wine/dine/dance to the Mordialloc Big Band

Friday 18th May 2007, Kingston City Hall - Cnr Nepean Highway & South Rd, Moorabbin
7.30 PM till Midnight - Tickets \$40.00 each (Tables of 10)
3 Course Dinner - BYO Drinks

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Further details to follow: Enquiries Pres Ken Greenberg – RC of Braeside – 0408 991 181
Email: meldec-interiors@hotmail.com

SHINE-ON AWARDS

PP Andrew Forgas advises that we have 7 applications for Shine On Awards as follows:

Name	Sponsor Club	Age	Disability
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The Rotary Club of Clayton – Over 40 years of service in the community

Website - <http://rotarnet.com.au/users/9/98110/index.htm>

Noonan, Melissa	Box Hill	41	Amputee Right Leg
Calder, Dean	Clayton	25	Legally Blind
Docherty, Dorothy	Ringwood	52	Stroke/Blindness
Kelly, Shane	Box Hill Central	48	Cerebral Palsy
Grosvenor, Marty	Wandin	59	Amputee Left Leg
Bateman, John	M.A.S.H.	55	Intellectual Disability
Cooney, Peter	M.A.S.H.	24	Down Syndrome

There were 32 applicants over 5 Districts so we are well represented.

My congratulations to all clubs for nominating these applicants and best wishes to the applicants.

A ceremony to award certificates and trophies to applicants for SHINE ON awards will be held at **1:30pm on Sunday May 6, 2007** at THE MORWELL CLUB INC. 136 HELEN Street MORWELL .It will be hosted jointly by the RC of Morwell and Hazelwood, District 9820.The RC of Morwell will hold their weekly meeting that night and all attendees are warmly invited to come."

DATA BASE UPDATE

PP Ken Rice, our hard working Database Administrator is about to send to each club an A3 Sheet setting the details currently held on file. When this is received please circulate the list to all members for checking, and to be signed off by the Club Members where possible, as only individuals know 100% of their correct current / preferred details and any impending changes to these details.

Forthcoming Events

Thursday 22nd March – RC of Croydon's Charity Golf Day is being held at Dorset Public Golf Course, Trawalla Road, Croydon with a shotgun starts at 8:00am and 1:00pm. Cost \$30.00 GST incl. Contact RC of Croydon for further details.

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

Monday 16th April 2007 – RC of Templestowe Golf Day at Rosanna – see above for details

Friday 20th to Sunday 22nd April 2007 – RYPEN – see above for details

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

Monday 23rd April 2007 - Whitehorse Charity Golf Day and Gala Dinner at Box Hill Golf Club. Further details Ken Rice, RC Box Hill Central 0419 319 619 or kenrice@kandl.com.au

Friday 27th April 2007 - The Rotary Club of Moorleigh Moorabbin presents The John Hood Memorial 39th Annual Charity Golf Day, at KINGSTON HEATH GOLF CLUB. Cost \$85 – morning or afternoon start times available. Proceeds to Multiple Sclerosis and local charities. Contact Kevin Nixon on 9570 1300.

Saturday 28th April 2007 – RC of Braeside Trivia night - at South Oakleigh Club, Victor Rd East Bentleigh on Saturday 28th April 2007 at 7.00pm Tickets \$20.00 /head (tables of 10)-Supper included - Drinks at club prices- Auction items incl.Footy Jumpers Profits to aid Romac. Phone Marg Longden - 0418 365477, Gayle Stewart - 0414 283814,

Lynne Greenberg - 0405 154603

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.

Saturday 5th May 2007- RC of Hampton – Tenth Great Southern Trivia Challenge at Sandringham Yacht Club at 7:30pm Contact; Malcolm Baird for details 9591 0807 or email: brembaird@bigpond.com.au

Thursday 3rd May 2007- RC of Dingley Village Annual Charity Golf Day – Kingswood Golf Club (Melway 88 D5) Contact: Club Secretary Pam Trevan _ 9551 3516 for further details, Flyer and Registration Form emailed to all clubs.

Saturday 5th May and Sunday 6th May 2007 District Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA) at State Parliament.

Sunday 6th May 2007- SHINE ON Awards presentations will be held on May 6, 2007 at THE MORWELL CLUB INC. 136 HELEN Street MORWELL commencing at 1:30pm

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

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Sunday 20th May 2007 – District 9810 Assembly – Deakin University – Burwood Campus

Saturday 26th May 2007 - 11am-1pm DIY Super Investment Seminar at Rusden Lecture Theatre, Deakin Uni, Burwood featuring Alan Kohler; Kevin Bailey; Helen Breier; MC – Dominic Alafaci. Further details Ken Rice, RC Box Hill Central 0419 319 619,

kenrice@kandl.com.au or soon at www.diysuperseminar.com.

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

Friday 30th June 2007 – District Governors Changeover – Caulfield Racecourse –
further details shortly.

Yours in Rotary
DG Bob Richards

