



ROTARY CLUB of CLAYTON Inc.

District 9810 Victoria, Australia

Weekly Bulletin 2011-2012

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319 Clayton Road, Clayton (Melways 79C2)
(No meeting on public holidays)



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District 9810 Award Winning Bulletin for 2010/2011

Upcoming Club Program

Date	Speaker	Chairperson	Desk	Visitors
5 th March	Trip to Thailand through Vine Ministries – Craig Minty	Jean Cochrane	Jim Cochrane	John Drosis
19 th March	Tibetan Refugee Community – Sandup Tinsbet	Jim Cochrane	John Drosis	Warren Fricke
26 th March	Youth Outreach – Mick Hearn	John Drosis	Warren Fricke	Reddy Kandadi

Note: No meeting on the 12th March.

Presidents Report

Greeting Rotarians,

We had a successful weekend over the 25th & 26th February as we pulled together a team of volunteers for all the weekend functions providing fun and fellowship. The Monash Farmer's market was fairly constant with people ordering the superb egg and bacon rolls freshly cooked while quenching their thirst with our cold drinks. The BBQ at the Police Academy was packed out and a great success. The Clayton festival was fun with a little bit of wind and glorious sunshine. We enriched the neighbourhood with many people looking at our disaster aid box, our wind blown Rotary notes and pictures about Marie Antoinette's pictures trip to the Ghana orphanage. We also obtained some leads to potential new members. Many thanks to all our dedicated volunteers who worked hard over the weekend. It is fortunate that we didn't have any functions on the weekend just gone as we would have been washed out.

During the last 2 weeks of March, Rotary will be providing "Books for Babies" to the Monash Hospital. Most of the funding for this will be coming from the generous management at Lunico's. Many thanks to Frank for his support & generosity!

Also don't forget the Rotary conference which is coming up over the weekend 21st & 22nd April.

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?"

Another full month this month with the Monash Market and grateful thanks to Lesley who has kindly agreed to step into the role of Presidency starting May as I will be taking leave overseas at the end of April. The competent Lesley will be backed and supported like I have been by the many Past Presidents within the club. Looking forward to a great and last couple of months for me.

Yours in Rotary
Jon Breisch

Last Meeting & Notes

Last Meeting (20/02):

This week our guest speaker was Scott Nicholson who spoke to the club about Berry Street. Scott is the Fundraising Manager at berry Street. Also supporting Scott on the night was Victoria Billionis.

Scott started by explaining the history behind Berry Street and how it started. In 1877, infant mortality was high. Not only were tiny lives lost due to illness and poverty, but unwanted children were often abandoned in public places or died as a result of infanticide. Sometimes these tragedies were the result of families in desperate poverty, many others resulted from young girls bearing children out of wedlock.

The attitude of the public at that time was condemnatory...pregnant girls who were believed to have 'sinned' must accept the punishment of pregnancy and should not be helped.

Fortunately in 1877, a group of Melbourne women voiced their concern about the high infant mortality rates and the plight of these disadvantaged pregnant girls and women who had neither homes, hope nor money.

With the assistance of Lady Bowen, the wife of the then-Governor, the women decided to raise money to give shelter to "the unfortunate, the dying babies and the fallen women". Their fundraising drives resulted in the establishment of the Victorian Infant Asylum, which operating from a house in Fitzroy, took in unwanted or illegitimate babies and their mothers were given shelter and support.

The determination and contribution of these courageous women led to the establishment of what has now become one of Victoria's largest and most respected child and family welfare organisation - Berry Street.

Changes in the organisation's name give a fascinating insight into its changing role and changing society attitudes. The word 'asylum' came to have negative meanings and was dropped, the word 'foundling' came and went too and then in 1881, a site on the corner of Vale and Berry Streets in East Melbourne led to the 'Berry Street Babies Home and Hospital'.

From early days, the training of mothercraft nurses in the specialised care of babies played an important role at Berry Street. In 1907, Berry Street implemented a formalised training program that later became the Mothercraft Nurses Training Program which continued until 1975.

As times and philosophies of children's welfare changed, so did the services of Berry Street.

The adoption agency was closed in 1975. By 1992 Berry Street had expanded into the youth and family services area and, in 1994, Berry Street amalgamated with Sutherland Homes for Children.

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.

The founder of Sutherland Homes, Selina Sutherland was known as 'New Zealand's Florence Nightingale' and in 1888 she became Victoria's first licensed 'child rescuer'. In 1909 Selina Sutherland founded the Sutherland Homes for Neglected Children.

The following year, her dream of creating a permanent home for children was realised when another generous and compassionate woman, Auguste Meglin donated her 40 acre property in Diamond Creek to Sutherland Homes. For nearly 90 years, Sutherland Homes was home to thousands of children.

The amalgamation of Berry Street and Sutherland Homes in 1994 created an organisation well-equipped to meet the challenges of child and family welfare in the 21st Century and beyond.

Scott then explained that today, Berry Street is the largest independent child and family welfare organisation in Victoria. They provide an extensive range of services to children, young people, women and families across metropolitan, regional and rural Victoria.

Berry Street's greatest challenges are to help children and young people recover from the devastating impact of abuse, neglect and violence; to help women keep themselves and their children safe from family violence; and to help struggling mothers and fathers to be the parents they want to be; and to contribute to, and advocate for, a fairer and more inclusive community.

There are more than 340,000 reports of suspected child abuse and neglect across Australia each year (over 900 each day) and nearly 35,000 children in Out Of Home Care (6,000 in Victoria). These are strong indicators that far too many children are not having a good childhood.

Berry Street continues to focus in two main areas:

- The rights of all children to a good childhood; and
- Supporting those children, young people and families with the most complex issues arising from their personal experiences of abuse, neglect or violence.

To be effective Berry Street knows that they need to:

- Forge strong relationships with their clients and help restore a belief in themselves and their future – because they know that learning to trust again is the essential step in healing.
- Stick with these children, young people and their families – because we know that they have been let down far too often.
- Help children and young people recover from the trauma of abuse, neglect or violence – because we know that with support and opportunities, children and young people can reach their full potential.
- Look beyond challenging behaviour to identify and build on strengths – because we know every person has strengths that, if acknowledged, will provide a platform for healthy development.
- Include family members and other significant people in planning and caring for children and young people – because they know it is critical to strengthen connections and build positive relationships.
- Respect people's culture and spiritual beliefs – because they know how important these can be in developing identity and a sense of self.
- Involve our clients in planning, decision-making and the way we help meet their needs – because they know that taking control of their own lives builds resilience and independence.
- Acknowledge and promote the human rights of children and young people – because they know that a good childhood is every child's birthright and that this means a better society for us all.

Special Announcements

22nd March – Bill Sides Birthday.

To continue this critical work, Berry Street depends on the support of government, business, individuals, groups and the community. For more information on Berry Street you can visit www.berrystreet.org.

Meeting Notes:

- Dianne Sides gave an update about the Police Academy Open Day on Sunday 26th February. Times for the day are 10:00 am to 5:00 pm and the roster has now been filled. There will be parking available for the volunteers. There will be approx 2,000 people attending and the club will be cooking sausages in bread and we drinks will also be sold on the day. The roster and final details will be sent to the members volunteering on the day.
- Reddy Kandadi gave an update on his attendance at the Rotaract Club of Monash and explained that they are keen to support the Good Friday appeal and be part of the Interact Club roster.
- Lesley Zuccaro informed the club that we received a letter from the Mentone Hockey Club saying thank you for letting them to be part of the golf day. Money raised will be used to purchase equipment which will aid junior development and will also help with facility maintenance.
- Jon Breisch gave an update on the Clayton Festival which is being held on the 26th February between 12:00 to 6:00 pm. The club is planning to set up a stall and promote Rotary. Rotaract will also be in attendance. Various ideas were passed around during the meeting including having a Disaster Aid box displayed and showing photos from Marie-Antoinette Spina visit to Ghana.
- Lesley Zuccaro reminded the club that we will be running the Bunning's BBQ on the 8th April in Oakleigh South and volunteers are required.

Apologies = Heather Norling & John Goldspinks.

Make Ups = Ralph Zuccaro, Bronwen Lamond, Katherine Merson (Golf Parking).

Leave of Absence = None.

Visitors = Scott Nicholson & Victoria Bilonis (Guest Speakers), Cheryl O'Toole (Guest of Glenys Pattison) & Gaye Barnes (Honorary Member).

Clayton Festival Report

Our President Jon and I manned a stand at the Clayton Festival on February 26th in hot and blustery conditions. Jon had put a lot of effort into our display which took a bit of looking after in the conditions.

A Disaster Aid box was in front then some photos from Marie Antoinette's recent talk on her visit to Ghana largely funded from the last Clayton Festival plus some other things our club has done recently. We had three banner boards up of info. It cannot be said that a huge number studied intently what we had on display but our presence was obvious from afar and many people came over, looked and asked questions including a couple of people very interested in membership which we will be following up.

We are in a multicultural area, of that there is no doubt, the people walking past formed a wonderful kaleidoscope of colour and nations. There was ethnic dancing and music all day and we were well positioned outside the Westpac Bank.

Our stand was next to Ronald McDonald House who thanked up for our club's contributions and gave us some free sausages, they were having a sausage sizzle which was a little more modest than the one we had the same time at the

Police Academy.

I think Clayton Rotary is being noticed in the community now and our stand is a worthy exercise. We also made connections with the Probus Club and RSL and numerous local identities all of which is good.



Above is a photo of our stand with Jon and Marie-Antoinette, who is wearing one of the dresses she bought in Ghana.

Bill Sides

District Foundation Dinner Photos





Think Foundation Thoughts

March: Literacy Month

This week's Foundation Thought is about ...

Supporting the Foundation. —Most Rotarians have humanitarian goals they want to achieve. And they know that giving to the Foundation allows Rotarians to do extraordinary things worldwide that they normally couldn't do themselves. Those extraordinary things are what make our Rotary Foundation so critical in today's troubled world, and your support is what makes it possible to continue this vital work. — 2004-05 RI President Glenn E. Estess Sr.

Important Club Dates

Monday 02/04/12 – Movie Night at Pinewood. (Movie TBA)

Tuesday 17/04/12 – Club 47th Birthday.

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

Monday 25/06/12 – Club Changeover. (Venue TBA)

Saturday 30/06/12 – District Governors Changeover at Box Hill Town Hall.

District 9810 News

Players wanted for the Grand Challenge Cricket match between District 9800 and District 9810

Date: Thursday March 8, 2012.

Location: Stradbroke Park #2, corner Belmore and Burke Roads, Kew, Melways K4.

Start time: Game time 11am for 35 overs each. Assemble from 10am.

Cost: \$30 per player covers ground hire, pavilion access and lunch.

Payment to be made on the day.

Attire: Whites (or near whites). No spikes. Sandshoes only.
Contact: All enquiries to Warren Fricke 9836 1202 or wfricke@bigpond.net.au

2012 District 9810 Conference

Saturday & Sunday

April 21 & 22, 2012

www.9810conference.org.au

Convenience

The conference takes place over a single weekend, so there's no interruption to the working week. Travel in each day using the ample public transport and parking available in Melbourne's newest and most exciting precinct, or stay in any of the affordable accommodation close to the conference.

Venues

We have two absolutely superb venues: the Great Hall at the National Gallery of Victoria for a sensational Gala Dinner, and the Peninsula Conference Venue in the heart of Docklands, with fabulous food and wine provided by Award-winning caterers, selected by Jeffrey Tan, Rotary's own Chef par excellence. The cabaret style seat plan allows for easy movement and relaxed atmosphere throughout the Conference. Lunches will be brought to your table. A separate Delegates Conference Lounge gives you even more space and a place to chat.

Speakers

Top quality keynote speakers including George Calombaris (Master Chef judge), Stephen Mayne (challenger of Rupert Murdoch among others), Justice Lex Lasry (trial judge for Melbourne's underworld), Tracy Bowden (journalist and winner of the UN Peace Media Prize) and 9 more excellent keynote speakers. See more details on the [Conference website](#).

Conference is the opportunity to catch-up with Rotary friends and find out more about what is happening in our District and the wider Rotary world.

RIPPR

We are fortunate to be having an absolutely wonderful RIPPR – K R Ravindran from Sri Lanka. Ravi is a past RI Director and he was a key player in the Tsunami reconstruction efforts by Rotary in South Asia. He is definitely one of RI's top communicators and we are in for a special time.

Rotaract Club of Monash

Club Meeting Details:

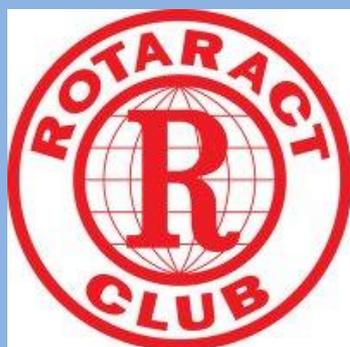
The Club meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the Month at 7:30pm
Mulgrave Neighbourhood House
36 – 42 Mackie Road, Mulgrave
(Melways 80C3)

Upcoming Rotaract Events:

Rotaract Roster:

Date	Rotarian to Visit
7 th March	Craig & Katherine Merson
21 st March	Glenys Pattison

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



Upcoming Events in Monash

Flavours Of Oakleigh

Sunday 18 March 2012
12pm - 6pm
Warrawee Park, Oakleigh.

Celebration of the culture and food of the Oakleigh and surrounding areas that attracts up to 10,000 people. Now in its 9th year the event features live music, the Flavours of Monash stage with cooking demonstrations from local cultural groups and many free rides and activities.

Upcoming Events in Kingston

Mordialloc by the Bay Fine Food, Wine and Music Festival

Saturday, 17 March 2012
11:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Tens of thousands of people turn out every year to enjoy the fabulous performers, chefs and food and wine on hand at the Mordialloc by the Bay, Fine Food, Wine and Music Festival held at Peter Scullin Reserve, Mordialloc (Melways Ref 92 E1).

The festival will run Saturday 17th March 11am – 10.30pm and Sunday 18th March 11am – 6pm 2012.

Every year the music and chefs program is a huge hit and we look forward to what next years festival has to bring.

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EMAIL: kristylee.clark@kingston.vic.gov.au

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. 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 **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 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

Two Irishmen walk into a pet shop in Dingle and go over to the bird section. Gerry says to Paddy, "Dat's dem".

The owner comes over and asks if he can help them. "Yeah, we'll take four of dem dere little budgies in dat cage up dere," says Gerry. The owner puts the budgies in a cardboard box. Paddy and Gerry pay for the birds, leave the shop and get into Gerry's truck to drive to the top of the Connor Pass.

At the Connor Pass, Gerry looks down at the 1000ft drop and says, "Dis looks like a grand place." He takes two birds out of the box, puts one on each shoulder and jumps off the cliff.

Paddy watches as the budgies fly off and Gerry falls all the way to the bottom, killing himself stone dead. Looking down at the remains of his best pal, Paddy shakes his head and says, "Dis budgie jumping is too dangerous for me!"

Moments later, Seamus arrives up at Connor Pass. He's been to the pet shop too and walks up to the edge of the cliff carrying another cardboard box in one hand and a shotgun in the other. "Hey Paddy, watch dis," Seamus says. He takes a parrot from the box and lets him fly free. He then throws himself over the edge of the cliff with the gun and shoots the parrot.

Seamus continues to plummet down and down until he hits the bottom and breaks every bone in his body. Paddy shakes his head and says, "And I'm never trying dat parrotshootin' either!"

Paddy is just getting over the shock of losing two friends when Sean appears. He's also been to the pet shop and is carrying a cardboard box, out of which he pulls a chicken. Sean then takes the chicken by its legs and hurls himself off the cliff and disappears down and down until he hits a rock and breaks his spine.

Once more Paddy shakes his head. "First dere was Gerry with his budgie jumpin', den Seamus and his parrotshootin', and now Sean and his henglin'!"

Rotary International News

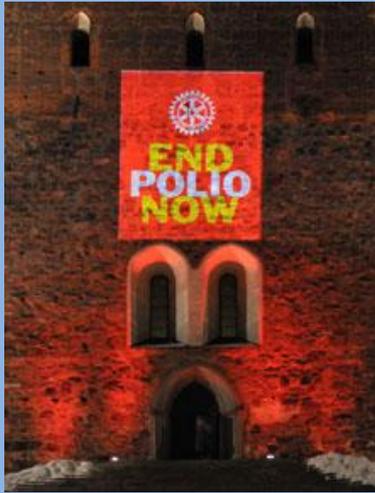
Rotarians have reason to celebrate as Rotary reaches 107 years

By Arnold R. Grahl and Wayne Hearn
Rotary International News - 23 February 2012

Rotarians have significant reasons to celebrate Rotary's 107th anniversary on 23 February.

Major gains have been made in the fight to eradicate polio, Rotary's top priority. In January, India reached a historic milestone by marking a full year without recording a new case of polio. The country has been an epicenter of the crippling childhood disease.

Worldwide, fewer than 650 polio cases were confirmed for 2011, less than half the 1,352 infections reported in 2010. Overall, the annual number of polio cases has plummeted by more than 99 percent since the initiative was launched in 1988, when polio infected about 350,000 children a year. More than 2 billion children have been immunized in 122 countries, preventing 5



The Turku Cathedral in Finland is illuminated with an End Polio Now message on 2 February during a benefit concert. Rotary clubs around the world are lighting up iconic structures with the End Polio Now message the week of 23 February to celebrate Rotary's anniversary

million cases of paralysis and 250,000 deaths.

Also in January, Rotary leaders announced that Rotary clubs raised more than US\$200 million in response to a \$355 million challenge grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. In recognition of Rotary's commitment, the Gates Foundation contributed an additional \$50 million. All of the resulting \$605 million will be spent in support of immunization activities in polio-affected countries.

"We'll celebrate this milestone, but it doesn't mean that we'll stop raising money or spreading the word about polio eradication," Rotary Foundation Trustee John F. Germ told Rotary leaders at the International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA. "We can't stop until our entire world is certified as polio-free."

End Polio Now lightings

In what has become a Rotary anniversary tradition, Rotary clubs around the world are illuminating iconic structures with the End Polio Now message.

This year, light displays center on Pakistan, where Rotary clubs will illuminate Frere Hall in Karachi and the WAPDA House in Lahore. Other lighting sites include the Tower of London; City Government Building in Taipei, Taiwan; Roppongi Hills Mori Tower, Tokyo's fifth tallest building; Federation Square, one of southern Australia's top tourist draws; and two famous landmarks in Brazil -- the historic Sitio Arqueológico de São Miguel das Missões in Rio Grande do Sul, and the Palácio Garibaldi, a neo-classical architectural treasure in Curitiba.

The lightings "carry Rotary's pledge to end polio," says RI President Kalyan Banerjee, a native of India. "But we are not there yet. Rotary and our partners will continue to immunize children until our goal of a polio-free world is achieved. "

ROTARY CLUB OF
Mont Albert & Surrey Hills



Presents the 2012

Hot Cross Buns

\$13 per pack for 1 Dozen Hot Cross Buns

**\$3 per dozen is donated to
"End Polio Now"**

All Orders greater than 5 dozen will be delivered to you at an agreed time.
Orders less than 5 dozen can be collected by Wednesday, 4th April, 2012 at
latest

Email to info@rotarymash.org.au Enquiries: 0450 472 723



Deliveries will be made on Monday 2/4/12 to Wednesday 4/4/12
Please advise if earlier delivery required