

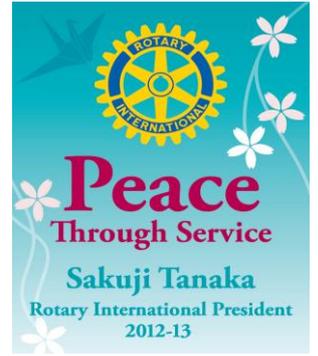


ROTARY CLUB of CLAYTON Inc.

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
13 th May	MUNA experience - Jacky Yang & Kasun Yakupitivage.	Glenys Pattison	Tom Portelli	Simon Richards
20 th May	Board Meeting	Tom Portelli	Simon Richards	Sha Rijal
27 th May	Play Create Elevate - Jacqui Chaplan	Simon Richards	Sha Rijal	Bill Sides

Presidents Report

Hi Members and Friends,

Well here we are well into Autumn, although the recent weeks temperatures make us feel it is still the end of summer.

The Autumn leaves parade their amazing colours then fall all over the ground just to remind us that it is almost mid May.

How the time is flying to the end of this Rotary year but there is a lot of planning and training going on now in preparation which really looks exciting with many shared possibilities on the horizon, We will learn more about this at the upcoming District Assembly.

We have our second street stall coming up this Saturday 18th at Bunning's Notting Hill.

It would be great to have more cakes to display and sell. We will be there from 9am so please drop items off any time during the morning.



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?"

Please do not use packet mixes and if the item has been frozen that must be on the label so the buyer knows not to re freeze.

Please supply as follows:

On a disposable plate

In a freezer bag, or similar, tied off with a tag

Please add a sticker with the following:

1. Rotary Club of Clayton
2. Type of cake
3. Full list of ingredients eg: flour salt eggs nuts, etc
4. Date baked eg 3/5/2013

We hope for better trade for this stall and all funds go to help our club projects.



Many thanks

Lesley

Last Meeting & Notes

Last Meeting (6th May):

This week we were lucky enough to have two guest speakers.

Our first guest speaker was Jade Wong who is a Clinical Audiologist, from "Hearing Life". Jade spoke to the club and explained many things from understanding about hearing loss to the many types of hearing aids that are available.

Hearing impairment is a condition affecting over three million Australians or one in every six people. Whilst as many as half the people over the age of 60 experience some form of hearing impairment, it is certainly *not* a condition confined to later life. Sensorineural hearing loss occurs when damage or trauma affects the nerve endings in the inner ear or along the nerve pathways to the brain. Such trauma can occur from overexposure to noise, the ageing process, use of certain medications and many other causes. The damage not only lowers the overall hearing level, but also can selectively affect understanding of speech, the ability to hear certain frequencies, and other specific symptoms, which are unique to every individual.

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.

A common misconception is that hearing loss is akin to "turning down the volume". However, most commonly, hearing loss affects frequencies of sound differently. This means that people miss parts of words, making conversations hard to follow with much of the speech sounding like mumbling. In more general terms, hearing loss can be grouped into three main "types":

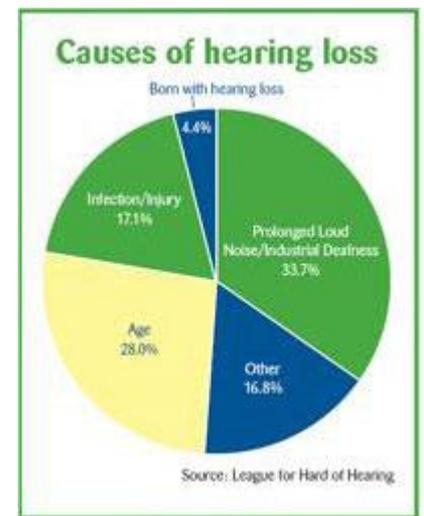
Conductive hearing loss - This is caused by disorders of the outer and/or middle ear. Physical obstructions or abnormalities may block or inhibit the efficient entry of sound waves from reaching hearing nerves located deep in the ear. The result is an overall lowering of volume and an inability to hear faint sounds. These hearing losses are usually temporary and can sometimes be reduced or eliminated by medical intervention or surgery.

Sensorineural hearing loss - This arises from problems with the inner ear and neural hearing loss, associated with how the brain can interpret sounds. In most cases, sensorineural hearing loss is permanent and usually affects both ears. This type of hearing loss is commonly treated through the fitting of hearing aids.

Mixed hearing loss - This is a mixture of both conductive and sensorineural elements and is commonly treated through the fitting of hearing aids.

Our second guest speaker for the night was Geoffrey Spowart from Dulux who spoke to the club about the Rotary Graffiti Removal Strategy. Geoffrey is a manager in Market Development.

Geoffrey explained about Graffiti Removal Strategy where Rotary can get involved and work with local councils, property owners, government agencies, community groups, businesses and volunteers to identify remove and prevent graffiti.



Meeting Notes:

- Lesley Zuccaro reminded the members that the District Assembly is on the 19th May at Deakin University between 8:00am to 1:00pm. All members should attend if possible. Details below in this bulletin.
- Lesley Zuccaro informed the club that we will be holding a second Street Stall at Bunning's Notting Hill on the Saturday 18th May. The starting time will be 9:00am. This will give the club an opportunity to raise much needed funds for current projects. Please get out your cake recipe books and see what you can cook up to bring along to sell. Lesley has suggested any cakes, but no cream.
- 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. If you have any good BBQ trailer ideas can you please contact Bill.
- Lesley Zuccaro gave an update on her attendance at MUNA (Model United Nations Assembly) on Sunday 5th May. MUNA was held at Parliament House. Argentina was the country that the two students we sponsored from Caulfield Grammar represented. The Students names are Jacky Yang & Kasun Yakupitivage and they will be our guest speakers at the meeting on 13th May.
- Lesley Zuccaro informed the club that Heather Norling is back in the Cabrini Hospital again. We all wish Heather a speedy recovery.

Apologies = Heather Norling, Cheryl O'Toole, Reddy Kandadi & John Goldspink.

Make Ups = None.

Leave of Absence = Craig and Katherine Merson.

Visitors = Jade Wong & Geoffrey Spowart.

Think Foundation Thoughts

May

This week's Foundation Thought is about ...

Clean water. Rotarians put 1,250 biosand filters into homes in the Dominican Republic through a US\$150,000 project supported by a Rotary Foundation Matching Grant. This undertaking was part of the Children's Safe Water Alliance, a project of District 4060 that helped bring 19,000 filters — and clean water — to 100,000 people in 300 communities in just seven years. The alliance was the brainchild of Bob Hildreth, past president of the Rotary Club of Puerto Plata Isabel de Torres, Dominican Republic, and past club president James Bodenner and his wife, Susan, both members of the Rotary Club of Rockford, Michigan, USA.

Important Club Dates

Saturday 18/05/13 – Street Stall at Bunning's in Notting Hill.

Sunday 19/05/13 – D9810 District Assembly at Deakin University.

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

District 9810 News

D9810 District Assembly

Sunday 19th May 2013 8:00AM - 1:00PM

New Format

For

A new era in Rotary

Fully Facilitated Cluster Club Breakout Sessions Special Focus Sessions (Secretary / Treasurer / Membership / New Members)

Complete overview

of Local and International Service Projects / Targets / Opportunities Foundation Programs / Giving Targets and District Events

Find

Project Partners Lend a hand to smaller clubs Plan sustainable projects as a Club Team / Cluster Team Network with your opposite number in each cluster club

Develop a cluster marketing plan

Identify what's working / not working / challenge the status quo

Identify experts / where to obtain further information

High Impact Rotary in 2013/14

Are you on the Club Board?

Are you serving on a Club Committee?

Have you been in Rotary less than 12 months?

Do you want to Engage Rotary – Change Lives in 2013/14?

Answer "Yes" to any or more of the above questions then you should make time to attend.

**Deakin University, 221 Burwood Road, Burwood
Register to attend with your President Elect NOW!**



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
15 th May 2013	Glenys Pattison
5 th June 2013	Bill Sides

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

Upcoming Events in Monash

Driving Tips & Road Laws

Presented by the Excel Driving School, supported by Monash PALS.

Back by popular demand! Update your road rules knowledge, and feel safe, confident and happy on the road. Join Excel Drive School in this relaxed, informal session.

Feel free to come on your own or bring along a family member or friend.

Date: Thursday 23 May

Time: 10am–noon

Venue: Clayton Community Theatrette, Cnr Cooke St and Centre Rd, Clayton

Bookings Essential:

9518 3585 (Mon, Wed & Thurs)

9518 3003 (Wed, Thurs)

Cost: FREE

Upcoming Events in Kingston

FLIX FIX: My Fair Lady

Sunday, 19 May 2013

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Shirley Burke Theatre is rolling out a series of cinema screenings catering to a range of ages and tastes.

In this 1964 musical version of George Bernard Shaw's Pygmalion, Professor Henry Higgins (Rex Harrison) transforms cockney flower girl Eliza Doolittle (Audrey Hepburn) into a refined lady in order to win a bet. Winner of eight Oscars, including Best Picture, Best Actor and Best Director. Frock up in your Sunday best, join us and relive the classic costumes and songs of one of the all-time movie musical greats.

LOCATION: Shirley Burke Theatre, 64 Parkers Rd, Parkdale.

WEB: <http://www.kingstonarts.com.au/performing-arts>

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

It was April and the Aboriginals in a remote part of Northern Australia asked their new elder if the coming winter was going to be cold or mild.

Since he was an elder in a modern community he had never been taught the old secrets. When he looked at the sky he couldn't tell what the winter was going to be like. Nevertheless, to be on the safe side, he told his tribe that the winter was indeed going to be cold and that the members of the tribe should collect firewood to be prepared.

But being a practical leader, after several days, he had an idea. He walked out to the telephone booth on the highway, called the Bureau of Meteorology and asked, “Is the coming winter in this area going to be cold?” The meteorologist responded, “It looks like this winter is going to be quite cold”. So the elder went back to his people and told them to collect even more firewood in order to be prepared.

A week later he called the Bureau again. “Does it still look like it is going to be a very cold winter?” The meteorologist again replied, “Yes, it's going to be a very cold winter”. The elder again went back to his community and ordered them to collect every bit of firewood they could find.

Two weeks later the elder called the Bureau again. “Are you absolutely sure that the winter is going to be very cold?” he asked. “Absolutely,” the man replied. “It's looking more and more like it is going to be one of the coldest winters ever.” “How can you be so sure?” the elder asked.

The weather man replied, “Our satellites have reported that the Aboriginals in the north are collecting firewood like crazy, and that's always a sure sign.”



Rotary International News

Council approves dues increase, unlimited e-clubs

By Arnold R. Grah
Rotary News -- 30 April 2013

Representatives from Rotary's 532 districts met in downtown Chicago 21-26 April, approving a number of measures designed to strengthen Rotary, increase membership, and enhance the organization's capacity to serve.

The Council on Legislation meets every three years to consider changes to the policies that govern Rotary International and its member clubs. This year's Council accepted an increase of US\$1 per year in per capita dues, removed limits on e-clubs, permitted satellite clubs, and changed the name of the fifth Avenue of Service to "Youth Service."

The dues increase means Rotary clubs will pay Rotary International annual per capita dues of \$54 in 2014-15, \$55 in 2015-16, and \$56 in 2016-17. Dues for 2013-14 had already been set to \$53.

The RI Board of Directors proposed the increase based on a [five-year financial forecast](#) that projected that Rotary's spending would exceed revenues by \$9 million in 2018 if there were no increase. The result would be a drop in the General Surplus Fund below the level required by the RI Bylaws.

With the increase, spending is projected to exceed revenue by about \$5 million in 2018, according to the forecast, which keeps the surplus fund above the mandated level. Supporters said the increase would be sufficient to keep pace with inflation without necessitating cutbacks in service. Dues are the primary source of funding for Rotary's operations.

During the week, the 2013 Council considered more than 170 enactments and resolutions proposed by Rotary clubs, districts, or the RI Board.

"It has been a pleasure for me to serve you as chair and work with you this week on the legislation before the 2013 Council on Legislation," Council Chair John Germ said. "You have come with energy and thoughtfulness, and you have represented your districts well."

Council Representative William Pollard from Virginia, USA, noted that the representatives were united in a desire to make Rotary a stronger and better organization.

"Rotarians have different viewpoints on various issues and topics, and this is good for Rotary," he said. "I quickly learned that some items that might not be important to my district might be very important to a district in another country."

Among other actions during the week, representatives:

- Allowed districts to have more than two e-clubs. The 2010 Council made e-clubs, which meet electronically, a permanent part of Rotary. Proponents argued removing the limit will bring in new members and will appeal particularly to young professionals, who may be less able to meet in person weekly.
- Approved satellite clubs, whose members meet at a different time and location from their parent club but are still considered members of the parent club. The measure is intended to make it easier for members to develop the core for a new club.
- Increased the number of clubs that can take part in pilot projects from 200 to 1,000. The RI Board uses these pilots, which last for up to six years, to test new ideas, methods, and organizational frameworks for clubs. Pilot clubs that participate in these experiments are fully functioning Rotary clubs but are exempt from some requirements of the Standard Rotary Club Constitution.



Council representatives hold up green cards to demonstrate a yes vote on a motion. *Monika Lozinska/Rotary International*

- Approved changing the name of Rotary's Fifth *Avenue of Service*, currently called "New Generations Service," to "Youth Service." The 2010 Council approved this Avenue of Service for youth, which joined the already established Club Service, Vocational Service, Community Service, and International Service. The name "New Generations" was meant to reflect the need to build the next generation of Rotarians, but proponents of the name change argued Wednesday that the word "youth" is more universally understood, both inside and outside Rotary, and clarifies the fact that these programs encourage Rotarians to empower youth.
- Approved a measure allowing participation in club projects to count toward club attendance requirements. The measure amends the Standard Rotary Club Constitution to require that a member attend or make up at least 50 percent of regular club meetings or engage in club projects for at least 12 hours in each half of the year, or a combination of both.
- Approved a measure allowing Rotarians outside the United States and Canada to receive an electronic edition of their official regional Rotary magazine, if one is available. Rotarians within the United States and Canada were given the option of receiving a *digital version of The Rotarian* by the 2010 Council.
- Approved a measure creating the office of vice governor, who would act as a substitute if the governor became unable to serve. The vice governor would be selected by the district's nominating committee from among the district's past governors.
- Removed the travel reimbursement policy from the RI Bylaws. This will enable the RI Board of Directors to develop a policy that is flexible, able to address emergency travel situations, and able to take advantage of cost-saving opportunities.
- Defeated two measures affecting *Rotaract*, Rotary-sponsored service clubs for men and women ages 18 to 30. The Council rejected raising the age limit to 35, arguing that the older members would have little in common with 18-year-olds. They also argued Rotarians should reach out to include Rotaractors who are reaching the age limit in their Rotary clubs. They rejected establishing lower dues for Rotaractors who want to join Rotary, partly because Rotaract membership records have not been collected by RI.

Douglas Vincent, a representative from Ontario, Canada, said he was a little disappointed the Council didn't adopt more changes, but feels the process serves a valuable function.

"Rotarians are the people who drive the organization," Vincent said. "It's important that representatives from the clubs, in a grassroots fashion, direct the policies and rules that govern Rotary International."

With the Council adjourned, an official report of action will be compiled, sent to clubs, and posted online. Clubs have an opportunity to record opposition to any action. If at least 5 percent of the clubs entitled to vote oppose an action, the legislation is suspended and the general secretary conducts a ballot-by-mail. A majority vote would cause the proposal to be rejected. All Council actions otherwise go into effect 1 July.