



ROTARY CLUB of CLAYTON Inc.

District 9810 Victoria, Australia

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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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District 9810 Award Winning Bulletin for 2010/2011

Upcoming Club Program

Date	Speaker	Chairperson	Desk	Visitors
21 st November	Club AGM	Jon Breisch	Dianne Sides	Richard Simmons
28 th November	Meeting moved to the 29 th November for members to attend the Cluster Foundation Road show	Dianne Sides	Richard Simmons	Ralph Zuccaro
5 th December	TBA	Richard Simmons	Ralph Zuccaro	Lesley Zuccaro

Presidents Report

I hope everybody enjoyed our weather version of an Indian spring this week.

After the information we found out from our guest speaker last week, it would be great to have most of the club with their working with children checks.

The funds raised from the Synchrotron BBQ will go towards Rotary's New Generations programs this year and hopefully we will get about three thousand people attending though the gates to see the excellent facility's at the door steps of Clayton for the science, medical and research communities.

By now I hope we have all our positions allocated for the AGM to be held on the 21 of November.

The Shine On Awards are on next May at the Monash Campus in Berwick. The Shine On Awards are an Australia wide Rotary award program that recognises outstanding service by



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?"

persons with disabilities. The awardees are recognised for not letting their disabilities get in the way in reaching their goals to serve others. Held annually, the inspiring Shine on Awards is coordinated by each of the five Victorian Rotary districts in rotation. If any body knows of any good candidates please let myself know.

At the Presidents meeting there a was a target set of 300 people for the Centurion Club which currently stand at 250 people. Please think about joining (a tax deductible contribution) which will directly help foundation programs with funding though District 9810.

Little known facts of the week:

- 1. Every person has a unique tongue print.**
- 2. An average human drinks about 16,000 gallons of water in a lifetime.**

Yours in Rotary
Jon Breisch

Last Meeting & Notes

Last Meeting (14/11):

This week our Guest Speaker was Sgt Graham Bell who is a Policeman based at the Clayton Police station. Graham spoke to the club about what is required and why it is needed to have a Working with Childrens check.

The Working with Children (WWC) Check commenced operation in April 2006. It contributes to the safety of Victoria's children when they are being cared for, or participating in a range of activities, by seeking to prevent those who pose a risk to the safety of children from working with them, in either paid or volunteer work.

The Working with Children Act 2005 requires that people who work or volunteer in certain child-related work apply for, and pass, a WWC Check. It aims to strike a balance between protecting children under 18 years of age, promoting volunteering and safeguarding the rights of individuals.

Applicant's records are checked for any criminal offences specified in the Act. They are also checked for findings by specified professional disciplinary bodies which are the Victorian Institute of Teaching and the out of home carers Suitability Panel and relevant determinations under the *Health Professions Registration Act 2005* by the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT). Criminal offences not specified in the Act can also be considered if exceptional circumstances exist and there is a significant link between the offence and a risk to the safety of children.

The benefits of the WWC Check include:

- Ongoing checking of a person's criminal record while the person's WWC Check is valid. The department is also advised during the term of the WWC Check of any relevant findings made against a person by the out of home carers Suitability Panel, or against a person currently registered with the Victorian Institute of Teaching and of relevant determinations by VCAT
- Providing employers, volunteer organisations and agencies with the ability to verify the validity of WWC Check cards at any time
- WWC Check cards are valid for five years (unless suspended or revoked sooner because of a relevant change in the holder's circumstances, or voluntarily surrendered by the holder)

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.

- Card holders do not need to apply for a new WWC Check when they change their employer or volunteer organisation, unless they are moving from volunteer to paid work. However, card holders are required to notify the Department of Justice within 21 days of a change in the employer, volunteer organisation or agency they work with, or any additional employer, volunteer organisation or agency they start work with.

A person is not allowed to undertake 'child-related work' if that person is:

- a registered sex offender within the meaning of the *Sex Offenders Registration Act 2004*
- subject to the reporting obligations imposed by the *Sex Offenders Registration Act 2004*
- subject to an interim extended supervision order or extended supervision order under the *Serious Sex Offenders Monitoring Act 2005*
- subject to a supervision order or detention order under the *Serious Sex Offenders (Detention and Supervision) Act 2009*
- a holder of a Negative Notice (because they failed the WWC Check).
- not a holder of a current Assessment Notice and not exempt from the requirement to do so under the *Working with Children Act 2005*.

A person cannot re-apply for a WWC Check until five years after the date of the Negative Notice (unless there has been a 'relevant change in circumstances'). If a person has been given a Negative Notice, the person cannot engage in child-related work, even where that work is being directly supervised.

The Working with Children(WWC) Check involves:

1. a national police records check
2. a review of findings by specified professional disciplinary bodies (currently the Victorian Institute of Teaching and the out of home carers Suitability Panel. Other professional bodies will be included in the future).
3. consideration of any relevant determination by the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal under the *Health Professions Registration Act 2005*.

Broadly, the criminal offences of most significance for a WWC Check are:

- serious sexual offences
- serious violent offences
- serious drug-related offences
- offences against the *Working With Children Act 2005* itself.

The national police records check may reveal criminal history information held by police in Victoria and other States and Territories. Further information can also be sought from other bodies, such as the courts, Corrections Victoria, the Department of Human Services and employers. This information can include circumstances where a court has:

- made a formal finding of guilt in relation to an offence
- convicted you of an offence
- accepted a plea of guilt from you
- acquitted you of an offence because of mental impairment.

It can also include information about:

- any spent convictions you have
- convictions and findings of guilt from when you were a child (aged under 18)
- any charges which are pending against you
- the circumstances surrounding any of these charges or convictions.

Special Announcements

**24th November – Sue
Ah-Tye Birthday.**

The Department of Justice will only use the information obtained through Working with Children (WWC) Checks as permitted by law. The WWC Check Unit is bound by the *Information Privacy Act 2000* and *Health Records Act 2001* to collect, use, disclose or otherwise manage the personal information and health information it holds about an individual.

Meeting Notes:

- E-mail has been sent out by Lesley Zuccaro asking for nominations for the following Office Bearers for the AGM on 21st November with a response required by the 18th November:-
 - President Nominee for 2013/2014
 - Vice President
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
- John Barnes gave an update on the Charter Night for the Interact Club of John Monash Science School which is planned for the 1st December. (Full information in Bulletin).
- Bill Sides reported on the Synchrotron Open Day BBQ & Car parking on the 27th November. Start time will be 9:30 am and should be finished by 4:00 pm. There is an estimate of 3,000 to 4,000 people attending on the day. A roster has been setup and was passed around during the meeting looking for volunteers. Please let Bill know ASAP if you can help out on the day or if you need more information.
- Craig Merson reminded everyone that the Monash Farmers Market BBQ is on the 26th November. Please contact Katherine Merson if you can help on the day.
- Glenys Pattison reminded the club that it is time again for our end of year Christmas Function. She is looking for feedback and ideas from the members on what is the best way and location to celebrate. Glenys has asked if you could let her know by the 21st November.

Apologies = John Goldspink, Katherine Merson, Jon Breisch, Jim Cochrane, Jean Cochrane & Bronwen Lamond.

Make Ups = Jim & Jean Cochrane (RC of Mordialloc's Birthday).

Leave of Absence = None.

Visitors = Sgt Graham Bell (Clayton Police).

Think Foundation Thoughts

November: Rotary Foundation Month

This week's Foundation Thought is about ...

Celebrating our Foundation. —Since 1905, Rotarians have been 'torchbearers,' lighting the way to a better life for many people in many countries. Like Olympic runners, we received a torch from those before us — a torch of service that brings light to the shadow areas of mankind: intolerance, ignorance, disease, and hunger. ... Let people know that Rotary cares and acts.
— 1979-80 RI President James L. Bomar

John Monash Science School Interact Club Update

This is to confirm the details of the charter ceremony of the above Interact Club sponsored by the Rotary Club of Clayton are as follows:

**Thursday 1st December 2011
Commencing 6.00pm**

**John Monash Science School
Wellington Road Clayton**

Melway 70 F10

(This is a new school in the S/W corner of the University grounds and entry is off Wellington Rd just east of Princes Highway)

The 67 potential Interactors would be very pleased if you would join them together with their parents, some of the School community and members of our Club to celebrate this important occasion.

Important Club Dates

Saturday 26/11/11 – Monash Farmers Market. See Craig or Katherine Merson for details and if you wish to be put on the roster.

Sunday 27/11/11 – Synchrotron Open Day BBQ & Car Parking. See Bill Sides for details and if you wish to support and help.

Tuesday 29/11/11 – Clusters Foundation Seminar at Baton Rouge Quality Inn, 1233 Stud Road, Rowville. 6:45 for 7:00 pm start.

Thursday 01/12/11 – Interact Club of John Monash Science School Charter Night. Commencing 6:00 pm at the John Monash Science School.

Sunday 11/12/11 – BBQ at Bunning's Oakleigh South, 1126 Centre Road. See Bronwen Lamond if you wish to be put on the roster.

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

District 9810 News

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CENTRAL CLUSTERS FOUNDATION SEMINAR

The Rotary Club of Rowville-Lysterfield would like to invite you and your clubs to the 2011/12 Foundation Seminar for the Central Cluster.

The details of the seminar are:

DATE: Tuesday, 29th November 2011

TIME: 6:45pm for 7:00pm start

PLACE: Baton Rouge Quality Inn
1233 Stud Road, Rowville

COST: \$25 per head (2-course meal)

These seminars help disseminate a wealth of information regarding The Rotary Foundation and how it affects our District, and it's one that all Rotarians in the District should attend.



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 December	Warren Fricke
1 st February	Reddy Kandadi

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

Upcoming Events in Monash

Monash Carols By Candlelight

Sunday 18 December 2011

4pm - 10pm
Jells Park, Wheelers Hill.

Carols By Candlelight is an annual, high quality community concert. It is an evening celebration of the festive season that also celebrates and reinforces our sense of community. Now in its 23rd year, this Monash tradition is reputedly the largest in the eastern region.

Activities within the festival include: Carols by Candlelight, Stage Entertainment and free children's activities.

Upcoming Events in Kingston

Red Balloon - Artstable

Friday, 9 December 2011
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

How can we deal with something we can't control, like natural disasters? We have distance when we watch it on TV. How can we help them? What if we were in the midst of it ourselves? How do we function after losing everything? Can we say we are lucky to be alive? Can we be the same person we were before? What if there was a secret escape we could go to, to hide away until it was all over...

Artstable is a year long project for young people living with a disability supported by the City of Kingston and facilitated by Rah Rah Productions.

Using shadow puppetry, physical theatre, text and sound, this small ensemble explores some challenging questions through their own expression and understanding of the world around them.

LOCATION: Kingston Arts Centre Theatre

CONTACT NAME: Box Office PHONE: 9556 4440

EMAIL: arts@kingston.vic.gov.au

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

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

Steve, Bruce and Bluey were working on a high-rise building project. Steve falls off and is killed instantly.

As the ambulance takes the body away, Bruce says, "Someone should go and tell his wife."

Bluey says, "Okay, I'm pretty good at that sensitive stuff, I'll do it." Two hours later he comes back carrying a case of Foster's.

Bruce says, "Where did you get that, Bluey?" "Steve's wife gave it to me," Bluey replies. "That's unbelievable! You told the lady her husband was dead and she gave you the beer?"

"Well, not exactly," Bluey says. "When she answered the door I said to her, 'You must be Steve's widow'. She said, 'No, I'm not a widow', and I said, 'I'll bet you a case of Foster's you are'."

Rotary International News

Former Rotary Scholar kayaks across England for charity

By Arnold R. Grahl
Rotary International News -- 7 November 2011

70-year-old former Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholar isn't letting age slow him down. Englishman Peter Woolsey, a 1965-66 scholar to the United States, recently completed a 400-mile solo kayak trip from Kendal, in England's Lake District, to London, raising more than US\$2,500 for Age UK, a charity that provides information, advice, and support to the elderly.

When he was 17, Woolsey completed the same journey through England's network of canals and down the Thames River. As his 70th birthday approached, he decided that repeating the voyage would be an ideal way to celebrate.

"As a youngster, I was fascinated by canals and kayaking, and it grew into a passion which has stayed with me throughout my life," Woolsey says. "I've always felt that age shouldn't be a barrier to achieving your goals."

Early in his life, Woolsey's hobby earned him a job leading groups of British canoeists down the Rhone and Ardèche rivers in France for PGL, an adventure holiday company. After graduating from Manchester University, he set up and managed a water sports center at Miramar on the French Riviera.

Scholarship year

Woolsey was 25 and back in England when his stepfather invited him to a meeting of the Rotary Club of Stockton & Thornaby, Durham, which was seeking candidates for a scholarship. He won it by promising he would visit every Rotary club he could and never turn down an invitation to speak. He made good on his promise, speaking at 84 clubs and four district conferences during his scholarship year. After studying business at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, he used his scholarship experience to build ties between Wharton and the European campus of INSEAD international business school, in France, where he received his MBA. Because of his efforts, students can now earn a degree by doing combined studies at the two campuses.

Woolsey went on to work as a publisher in England, France, the Netherlands, and Switzerland, then created a point-of-sale system for merchants in several countries in Europe. He later launched a company that supplied banking and insurance software to businesses throughout Northern Europe and the Baltic, requiring him to commute between Finland, Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania.

While in Estonia, he became a charter member of the English-speaking Rotary Club of Tallinn International, before moving back to England three years ago. Complications from pneumonia and his constant travels have kept him from seeking out another club, he says. As for his passion for kayaking and canoeing, Woolsey maintains that they're perfect activities for people of any age.

"I always say, if you can get into and out of a bath unaided, then you can probably get in and out of a canoe, so why not try it? I genuinely believe that canoeing and kayaking are two of the most gentle activities you can do, if you use a canal or a quiet river like the Thames."



Peter Woolsey, a 1965-66 scholar to the United States, paddles down the Oxford Canal 6 June on his way to London. *Photo courtesy Peter Woolsey*

Do you work or volunteer with children?

You may now need a
Working with Children Check



The Working with Children Check is a checking system that will affect many adults who work or volunteer in child-related industries. The check is different from a police check and is continually monitored for new relevant offences and findings. It's another way we're protecting Victoria's children.

To find out how it affects you visit:

www.justice.vic.gov.au/workingwithchildren or call 1300 652 879.

Application forms can be collected and lodged at participating Australia Post outlets.

Working with Children Check

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ALWAYS WANTED TO KNOW MORE ABOUT ROTARY?

But not sure where to find it out.....

Then this program is just for you!

The Rotary Leadership Institute is a 3 part series for Rotarians to *provide a quality education in Rotary knowledge and leadership skills for voluntary organisations.*

It operates through a 3 part series of "facilitated discussions" run by a team of trained District 9810 Facilitators.

The next series of Rotary Leadership Institute will be held on Sundays 19th February, 18th March and 29th April at Parkdale Secondary College.

Cost is \$50 for the full series which includes lunch and morning / afternoon tea for each day.

We have had many Rotarians complete RLI during the past 18 months and always sharing very positive feedback on the benefits gained of broadening not only their knowledge, but importantly – the understanding of the many aspects of Rotary; most particularly The Rotary Foundation and Membership.

We encourage you to be a part of this excellent Rotary education program and learn of many opportunities and projects through sharing the experiences you have gained in your club.

Please contact the District 9810 Rotary Leadership Institute Chair - Jenny Coburn on 0407 689 777 or jdowsettcoburn@gmail.com to register for this program.