



ROTARY CLUB of CLAYTON Inc.

District 9810 Victoria, Australia

Weekly Bulletin 2011-2012

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
28 th November	Meeting moved to the 29 th November for members to attend the Cluster Foundation Road Show			
5 th December	TBA	Dianne Sides	Richard Simmons	Ralph Zuccaro
12 th December	Membership & Interest Night – John Barnes	Richard Simmons	Ralph Zuccaro	Lesley Zuccaro

Presidents Report

Many thanks to all that helped with our BBQ's over the week-end, the Farmers Market was about the wettest that I have seen. The rain only let -up for about 10 minutes during the Morning and a river was flowing down to the back of the car park.

On Sunday during the BBQ at the Synchrotron, it was great to meet up with a student who the club will be partly sponsoring from the John Monash Science School. We have one more BBQ to go until the end of the year, which will be at Bunning's on the 11th December.

Do not forget about the Conference in Melbourne next year and make sure you get in early for the early bird prize if you register before the 16th December.

Word of the Week

Voluminous [vo·lu·mi·nous] *adj.* Having great volume, fullness, size, or number; ample or lengthy in speech or writing: voluminous paperwork.

Yours in Rotary
Jon Breisch

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?"

Last Meeting & Notes

Last Meeting (21/11):

This week we held our Club Annual General Meeting (AGM). During the AGM the following positions were announced for 2012/2013:

- President Elect 2012/13 – Lesley Zuccaro
- President Nominee 2013/14 – Heather Norling
- Vice President – John Barnes
- Secretary – Bronwen Lamond
- Treasurer – Craig Merson
- Sergeant – Heather Norling

Congratulations to all those members nominated and voted in.

Also during the AGM, Treasurer Warren Fricke presented the club financial records for the year ending 2010/11. Warren was also thanked by the club for the excellent job he has performed to date.

Meeting Notes:

- Ralph Zuccaro reminded the members that he has some spare forms for the Working with Children check. He has also asked that one you receive or get your card updated that you record it with our Public officer (Tom Portelli).
- Reddy Kandadi gave an update on his visit to the Interact Club at the John Monash Science School and on the Charter Night which is planned for the 1st December. (Full information in Bulletin).
- Ralph Zuccaro announced that on the 12th December we will be holding a Membership and Interest Night where the guest speaker will be John Barnes. The meeting will be in our normal venue. This night will be a great opportunity for members to invite guests and potential Rotarians along.
- Ralph Zuccaro reported that Dianne Sides and he will be attending the open day of the Ronald McDonald family room at the Monash Hospital.
- Bill Sides gave an update on the Synchrotron Open Day BBQ & Car parking on the 27th November. The layout for the tent will be the same as last year, but the direction of the flow of people will be different. Money raised on the day will go towards Rotary's New Generation programs. Start time for members is 9:30 am and all 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.
- Katherine 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.
- The meeting on the 19th December will be cancelled as we will be having our Christmas Break-up party on the 17th December at the home of Bill & Dianne Sides. Dianne will approach the members individually with regards to what dishes they would like to bring along. Further details and timing still to be advised.
- Jim Cochrane advised the members that again we have the opportunity to provide the car parking at the Women's Australian Open Golf next year at Royal Melbourne between the 9th to 12th February. John Barnes and Jim are currently in communication with Golf Australia and will provide more information once it is available.

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.

- Richard Simmons gave an update on the District 9810 Conference. E-mail has been sent to all members regarding the booking details to the Conference. Please see Richard if you are having any problems with registration.
- Jon Breisch informed the club that district is trying to reach a target of 300 centurions by the end of the year. The current figure as of last Presidents meeting was 250. Jon currently has application forms if you would like to renew or join. See article in bulletin on the Centurion Club.
- Lesley Zuccaro gave a reminder on the BBQ at Bunning's on the 11th December. A roster has been produced and passed around at the meeting. For further details you can contact Bronwen Lamond.

Apologies = John Goldspink, Craig Merson, Glenys Pattison, John Barnes, John Drosis & Bronwen Lamond.

Make Ups = Jim & Jean Cochrane (Foodbank), Glenys Pattison & John Barnes (RC of Mordialloc's Birthday).

Leave of Absence = None.

Visitors = None.

Think Foundation Thoughts

November: Rotary Foundation Month

This week's Foundation Thought is about ...

Every Rotarian, Every Year. —The Rotary Foundation enables our clubs and districts to multiply their service efforts many times over. This effect is increasing as the Foundation's humanitarian grant projects become larger in scale to profoundly improve the lives of more people. We can help *Make Dreams Real* for children and their families today by giving at least US\$100 to the Annual Programs Fund through the Every Rotarian, Every Year initiative. And we can help ensure their needs will be met tomorrow by building a strong endowment through contributions to the Permanent Fund. — *2003-04 RI President Jonathan Majiyagbe*

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.

Special Announcements

19th December – Lesley Zuccaro Birthday.

19th December – Ed & Margot Allchin Wedding Anniversary.

28th December – Jon Breisch Birthday.

Centurion Club

The Centurion Club is a convenient and personal way of supporting The Rotary Foundation by way of donating A\$100 per year (or more if you so wish), for as long as you are in a position to do so. This is an opportunity for Rotarians and others to support the humanitarian work of the Rotary Foundation in alleviating abject poverty, educating the illiterate and relieving the scourge of disease.

Your annual donation from only \$1.92 per week (less than the cost of a cup of coffee) is tax deductible and is paid to the Australian Rotary Foundation Trust and is used to finance the work of the Rotary Foundation. Fifty percent of the money you donate comes back to District 9810 after 3 years. Membership is renewable during November (Foundation Month) each year.

The Centurion Club is not only for Rotarians. Anyone is eligible to join and it is not just for individuals - donations can be made on behalf of businesses or other bodies.

Centurion Club members receive a Badge and a Certificate of Membership. A tax receipt is sent to each subscriber by Rotary International South Pacific and Philippines Office.

Important Club Dates

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 17/12/11 – Christmas Break-up party at the home of Bill & Dianne Sides. Time TBA.

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

District 9810 News

TUE 29 NOV

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.

The Rotary Club of DINGLEY VILLAGE

CHRISTMAS JEWELLERY SALE

**SATURDAY
10th DECEMBER 2011**

10.00 am – 4.00 pm

at

**Dingley Village Community Centre
31b Marcus Road, Dingley Village
Melway Ref: 88 F6**

**Devonshire Tea/Coffee Available
Credit cards accepted**

**Enquiries: Veronica Podbury Mobile: 0403 196 545
Val Glenn Mobile: 0488 444 147**

All proceeds to Rotary Club of Dingley Village Projects

Rotaract Club of Monash

Club Meeting Details:

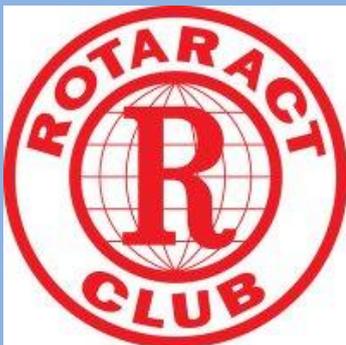
The Club meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the Month at 7:30pm
Mulgrave Neighbourhood House
36 – 42 Mackie Road, Mulgrave
(Melways 80C3)

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

A man feared his wife, Peg, wasn't hearing as well as she used to and he thought she might need a hearing aid. Not quite sure how to approach her, he called the family doctor to discuss the problem.

The doctor told him there was a simple, informal test he could perform to give the doctor a better idea about her hearing loss. "Here's what you do," said the doctor. "Stand about 40 feet away from her and, in a normal conversational speaking tone, see if she hears you. If not, go to 30 feet, then 20 feet, and so on until you get a response."

That evening, the wife was in the kitchen cooking dinner and he was in the den. He says to himself, "I'm about 40 feet away, let's see what happens." Then in a normal tone, he asks, "Honey, what's for dinner?" No response.

So he moves closer to the kitchen, about 30 feet from his wife and repeats, "Peg, what's for dinner?" Again, no response.

Next he moves into the dining room where he is about 20 feet from his wife and asks, "Honey, what's for dinner?" Again, he gets no response.

So he walks up to the kitchen door, about 10 feet away. "Honey, what's for dinner?"

Still no response so he walks right up behind her. "Peg, what's for dinner?"

She turns around and says, "Frank, for the fifth time, we're having chicken".

Rotary International News

The Rotary Foundation enjoys high ratings from charity watchdogs

By Paul Engleman
Rotary International News -- 14 November 2011

Many philanthropists say it is more difficult to give money away intelligently than it is to earn it.

As charities' financial practices make headlines, many donors are concerned about how their money is used.



Rotarians can be confident that their contributions to **The Rotary Foundation** are being well spent.

The Foundation has earned a grade of A+ from the American Institute of Philanthropy, a top rating of four stars from Charity Navigator, and full accreditation from the Wise Giving Alliance of the Better Business Bureau.

Only 2.3 percent of Foundation expenditures go to administrative expenses, and 7.3 percent go to fundraising. The Foundation focuses more than 90 percent of its spending on programs, far exceeding the threshold of 75 percent that independent charity-rating services view as a measure of high efficiency.

That comes as no surprise to Foundation Trustee Steve Brown, who says the organization's grant application and review process contains the safeguards necessary to ensure that funds are used wisely.

Typically, Brown explains, international projects funded by the Foundation involve a sponsor club or district, which partners with an on-site host club or district. Funding may go through the sponsor or host. To implement a project, clubs must spell out what they plan on doing, how they plan on doing it, and what Rotarians' involvement will be. All projects require a detailed budget and often additional supporting documentation before receiving Foundation approval.

Once an approved project is funded, Brown says, a detailed progress report must be presented within one year. The reporting includes verification of what has happened (usually with photos) and requires copies of bank statements showing the flow of funds. The presidents of either the host or sponsor club must sign off on the report.

The Foundation has a stewardship committee that can review a project and impose a resolution if issues occur. If money was improperly spent, a club can be asked to return funds or even have its membership in Rotary International terminated.

"You don't want to have everything controlled from Evanston," Brown says. "We probably have more complaints about our rigorous stewardship than applause for it. But 99 percent of the time, things go the way we expect."

While earning his master's degree at the Harvard School of Public Health in 2006-07, Gani Abazi received a rare second Ambassadorial Scholarship, which helped fund a two-year research fellowship in neurosurgery at Children's Hospital Boston. Your contributions to the Foundation make humanitarian and educational projects like these possible. *Rotary Images/Alyce Henson*

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.