



# ROTARY CLUB of CLAYTON Inc.

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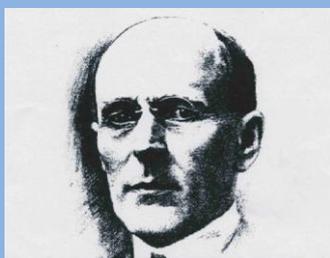
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## Presidents Report

Hello Team,

How are you all this week?

Last week we had our first club assembly for the year, but unfortunately due to the small attendance we did not get the full affect of what is usually expected at a club assembly. From the reports which were provided, it looks as if we are going to have a busy upcoming year ahead. We have two major fundraisers coming up in the next couple of months with the BBQ at the Synchrotron on the 26<sup>th</sup> October and the big garage sale at Safety Beach over the cup day long weekend in November. Also while I remember, at the recent board meeting it was agreed & decided by the board that there will be no meetings on the 3<sup>rd</sup> November and 29<sup>th</sup> December.

Quick reminder that the yearly subs of \$235 are now due and should be forwarded to either Dianne Day or Neil Rickard as soon as possible.

Upcoming dates to keep in mind are:-

08/09 – Trial meeting at the new Clayton Community centre in Cooke street. Same meeting time of 6:15 for 6:30 pm.

<http://www.monash.vic.gov.au/recreation/fitness.htm>

15/09 – Board Meeting.

19/09 – Conference Launch (Volunteers required – contact Jim & Jean for details).

13/10 – Club Forum (This will be a closed meeting – Start thinking of subjects to talk about).

01/12 – DG John & Gaye Barnes visit (This is a partner's night).

That is all for now from the Prez for this week and team, keep up the good work.

## Quote from Paul Harris

### **The Power of Combined Effort knows no limitation:**

“Individual efforts when well directed can accomplish much, but the greatest good must necessarily come from the combined good of many men. Individual efforts may be turned to individual needs but combined efforts should be dedicated to the service of mankind. The power of combined effort knows no limitation – on no occasion has the cumulative power of all Rotary ever been felt. We shall strike a mighty blow some day and we henceforth shall know ourselves.”

## 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?"



## CLASSIFICATION OPENED

A Classification of "Accountant" has been opened, any member who feels they can bring forward a nomination for this classification please pass this name on to Pres. Michael or Secretary Bill; while PP Warren is on Holidays.

## Our Golf Day Sponsor

Our major Golf Day sponsor this year is.

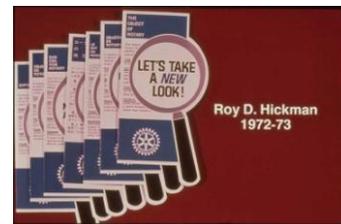


Just a reminder the Jefferson group sells most bands under their umbrella of Companies. **For a fleet discount contact Peter Cochrane**

## Club History 1972~ 73

International President: Roy D. Hickman  
(Birmingham, Alabama, USA)

Theme: Let's Take a New Look -- And Act



**Les Stuzaker** an accountant and golfer.

Club Meetings were at the Monash Hotel at 1.00 PM and this was the last year of the District 980 as it was stretching to the border.

The nearby provisional club of Glen Waverley was formed. Bulletins had covers but general members got ones without them.

Lyn Burns was the club's exchange student to Tagbilara, Bohol, Philippines.

On July 14 at 8.00PM an interest meeting for Rotaract was held with 24 interested in attending another interest meeting with a second one planned for Thursday 3rd August in the 5th Oakleigh/Monash Troop Scout Hall in Clayton Road. Jo Anne Ault was elected the first Rotaract President. By September they had over 27 members.

Wine bottling was held 7 & 8 October with the intention of raising \$2,500.

A special ambulance was bought for Yooralla with chair lift costing **\$7,500, ##** the money raised mostly via a raffle and Government subsidy and also made a contribution that lead to a second vehicle being bought. Bill Dawson chaired the committee which raised this money.

On September 2 a Progressive Dinner was organized by Harry Draffin. The club had reached 300% Foundation by mid September and 100% FAIM.

In late September Rotaract performed their first project, sorting books, about 3 ½ tonnes taken from Ben Baxter's home then sorted at Bill Norling's factory.

A Crazy Whist night was held after an evening Ladies Night and in November a Sunday BBQ was held at Dave Cook's property near Bunyip. .

Mary Anne was an incoming exchange student and Ingrid Norling the outgoing to Ogaki in Japan.

Bill Dawson ran a lemonade drive raising \$ 240 and in November the club ran the Performing Arts Festival involving 11 schools and more than 2,000 students of all ages in a 2 day festival of singing, dancing, music, gymnastics and drama with more than 5000 spectators. .

In December Clayton hosted the District Student Exchange briefing at Monash Uni.

## 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 Trots Night was held at the Showground's on 20th January. In February Dianne Norling returned from her exchange. On Feb 12 the club began meeting at Camelot.

A Car Picnic Trial was held to a picnic ground in the Dandenongs. Waste paper was collected and sold and an evening BBQ was held at Fred Bendix's place. In March Lyn Burns arrived back from her exchange in the Philippines and a raffle raised \$ 1,780 and the first Rotaract Bulletin was issued. In the last 12 months 8 members were lost and 5 gained

The Rotaract Club Charter Night was held April 16th at Camelot at cost of \$6 a head with Charter Presentation by DG Jock Andrews. Then annual Golf day was held at Spring Valley with \$7.50 covering green fees and dinner and 12 members attended the Albury Conference.

On May 7th at a Ladies Night at Camelot a cheque was presented to the Spastic Society for a new ambulance Eve and Jack Kelly were specially mentioned as they had sold 500 raffle tickets. Kevin Beaumont was mentioned for role in starting the Rotaract Club and Jan Marie Belfield was sponsored to RYLA and exchange student Mary Anne Vincencio farewelled on her return to the Philippines.

At last meeting 37 people including exchange student Chisako Latomi from Gifu City in Japan and student counsellor Bill Dawson. Changeover was at Camelot in conjunction with the Rotaract Club. Cost \$6.00 a head including meal and 140 attended. Ray Brede and Bryan Slater were inducted.



**## Note this equals \$59,981.01 in 2008  
Source "Reserve Bank Inflation Calculator"**

## Garage Sale

**Yes members it is on again and we will be making money for a great cause, VITAMAN "A" TO SAVE A LIFE start looking in those closets etc, ask friends, work colleagues and neighbors'. We need goods to sell and want to raise \$3,000. And as per usual have a lot of fun along the way**

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## SYNCHROTRON BBQ IS ON AGAIN

On Thursday we received confirmation we will cook the sausages at the Australian Synchrotron Family Day on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> October. We will receive a donation and have the cost of food paid for.

Neil will start a manning roster and we will start organizing consumerables over the next few weeks.

In the past we have raised \$2,000 to \$4,000 from this event.

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## District Conference, Hobart

The next District 9810 Conference will be held at the Grand Chancellor Hotel, Hobart, Tasmania from Thursday 26 to Sunday 29 March 2009.

The official conference launch will be held on Friday 19 September.

**For all members who are considering attending this conference, now is the time to start planning booking holidays etc.**

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## A for a Life—a Message from Gaye

Hi Everyone,

I would like to thank you all for your wonderful support and the enthusiastic way in which I have been welcomed at all the clubs I have visited to date with John on his official visit.

You have all been extremely friendly and have made my time with you feel very special. I have very much enjoyed having a chat and a cup of tea and, on some occasions, a glass of red! It has also given me an excuse to go shopping and purchase a couple of items on one visit—thanks Leonie!

The acceptance of my special project "**A for a Life**" has been overwhelming! I am so excited with the way it is has been embraced. Your donations now total **\$5,942.00**. I am delighted to tell you that on Tuesday last a transfer of **\$5,000.00 was made to Helen Keller International in New York, as our first contribution to provide Vitamin A capsules to some of the children of Guinea, West Africa.**

WELL DONE EVERYONE! What a wonderful feeling to know that you have saved 5,000 children from going blind due to a lack of Vitamin A and, as a consequence, most likely saved the lives of some 3,500. I look forward to the rest of our Club visits and to catching up with you all before the end of the year..

With love from  
Gaye

**Editors Note: 4159 lives saved so far.**

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## Upcoming Events

### **Tonight: Matthew Reader**

from "Berry Street" talking about the "Bus Project"

### **8<sup>th</sup> September: Meeting at the new Clayton Community Center**

**15<sup>th</sup>: T.B.A.**

### **19<sup>th</sup> Conference Launch**

**22<sup>nd</sup>: Keith Maxwell  
Talking on INTERPLAST**

### **Last Week**

#### **Apologies**

Jim & Jean Cochrane  
John Goldspink  
Dianne Day  
Neil Rickard

John Barnes  
Leslie & Ralph Zuccaro  
Warren Fricke

#### **Make Ups**

John Barnes – District

#### **Visiting Rotarian**

AG Keith Maxwell Noble Park

#### **Visitors**

Margot Allchin

Glenys Pattison

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## Computer Programmers

Jack was a COBOL programmer in the mid to late 1990s. After years of being taken for granted and treated as a technological dinosaur by all the Client/Server programmers and website developers, he was finally getting some respect. He'd become a private consultant specializing in Year 2000 conversions.

Several years of this relentless, mind-numbing work had taken its toll on Jack. He began having anxiety dreams about the Year 2000. All he could think about was how he could avoid the year 2000 and all that came with it.

Jack decided to contact a company that specialized in cryogenics. He made a deal to have him self frozen until March 15th, 2000. The next thing he would know is he'd wake up in the year 2000; after the New Year celebrations and computer debacles; after the leap day. Nothing else to worry about except getting on with his life.

He was put into his cryogenic receptacle, the technicians set the revive date, he was given injections to slow his heartbeat to a bare minimum, and that was that.

The next thing that Jack saw was an enormous and very modern room filled with excited people. They were all shouting "I can't believe it!" and "It's a miracle" and "He's alive!" There were cameras (unlike any he'd ever seen) and equipment that looked like it came out of a science fiction movie.

Someone who was obviously a spokesperson for the group stepped forward. Jack couldn't contain his enthusiasm. "Is it over?" he asked. "Is the year 2000 already here? Are all the millennial parties and promotions and crises all over and done with?"

The spokesman explained that there had been a problem with the programming of the timer on Jack's cryogenic receptacle; it hadn't been year 2000 compliant. It was actually eight thousand years later, not the year 2000. Technology had advanced to such a degree that everyone had virtual reality interfaces which allowed them to contact anyone else on the planet.

"That sounds terrific," said Jack. "But I'm curious. Why is everybody so interested in me?"

"Well," said the spokesman. "The year 10000 is just around the corner, and it says in your files that you know COBOL".

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A Software Engineer, a Hardware Engineer and a Departmental Manager were on their way to a meeting. They were driving down a steep mountain road when suddenly the brakes on their car failed. The car careened almost out of control down the road, bouncing off the crash barriers, until it miraculously ground to a halt scraping along the mountainside. The car's occupants, shaken but unhurt, now had a problem: they were stuck halfway down a mountain in a car with no brakes. What were they to do?

"I know," said the Departmental Manager, "Let's have a meeting, propose a Vision, formulate a Mission Statement, define some Goals, and by a process of Continuous Improvement find a solution to the Critical Problems, and we can be on our way."

"No, no," said the Hardware Engineer, "That will take far too long, and besides, that method has never worked before. I've got my Swiss Army knife with me, and in no time at all I can strip down the car's braking system, isolate the fault, fix it, and we can be on our way."

"Well," said the Software Engineer, "Before we do anything, I think we should push the car back up the road and see if it happens again."

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How do you keep a programmer in the shower all day?  
Give him a bottle of shampoo which says "lather, rinse, and repeat."

## Upcoming Events in district

The Rotary Club of Glen Waverley  
together with Variety 'The Children's Charity'  
and The Jack Brockhoff Foundation invite you  
to join us for our

# Gala Charity AUCTION

DATE: Friday 19th September 2008

TIME: 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start

VENUE: Wheelers Hill International Motor Inn  
242 Jells Rd, Wheelers Hill

COST: \$45 per person

Finger food served on arrival  
plus a sumptuous three course meal.

All proceeds raised on the night go to the Glenallen school,  
Waverley Rd, Glen Waverley to help modify the  
new sunshine bus for the kids.

RSVP: Contact Peter Nicolls  
9800 0000 or 0418 311 048  
or Margaret Riseborough  
0418 992 017

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# Very Special Kids have Very Special Needs!



Jye, and all the kids at the Glenallen Special school are Very Special and they need your help to raise money to buy a new School Bus.



The bus will help transport children from their homes to the school and on excursions.



We are having a Charity Auction night to help raise this money, but we need items to auction.



If you or your company can help by donating Auction Items please contact Peter Nicolls 9800 0000

or 0418 311 048 or  
Margaret Riseborough 0418 992 017



Jye and his friends would be extremely grateful for any help you can give.



Thank You.

Cash donations to the Glenallen Special School are tax deductible.

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# Rotary Foundation Dinner Dance

With

## The New Melbourne Jazz Band



Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November  
6.30 for 7.00pm



Karralyka Centre— Ringwood East

3 course dinner - wine on arrival  
Beverages at bar prices

**\$55.00 per person**

Tables of 10 available

Proceeds to foundation in each clubs name

**Register your club now!!!!**

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