



Rotary International
District 9640 Ltd



Broadbeach Broadsheet



District Governor's Newsletter - July 2011

District Governor's Message

It is a great privilege for me to be writing this message in the first edition of this year's newsletter. I thank you for giving me the opportunity of being Governor of District 9640 for 2011-2012 and I can assure you that Marion and I are looking forward to sharing the year with you.

In the tradition of earlier governors of this district, I have named the newsletter for this year the "Broadbeach Broadsheet". Marion and I live in the centre of Broadbeach in a high rise building that gives us a panoramic view of both the ocean and the mountains. In addition, we look out on some wonderfully creative architecture associated with the Gold Coast Convention Centre, Jupiters Hotel, and the many alfresco restaurants that adorn the Broadbeach centre. It truly is a broadsheet landscape equal to anything we have seen elsewhere in the world.

Rotary is all about volunteer leadership. Accordingly, I was delighted to read recently an article by internationally recognised management expert, Brian Weiss who indicated that volunteer leaders really understand what leadership is about. He writes that they don't have the "boss's big stick" so they have to rely on their own resourcefulness. Weiss (2008) has identified the following characteristics of volunteer leaders that should be manifest in political, religious, organisational and business leaders at all levels:

- Leading is selling members on what you ask
- Clear and frequent communication is paramount
- Operating within member constraints is critical
- You don't ask anything of anyone that you are not willing to do yourself
- You need to work harder than anyone else (but not let anyone know it)
- Praise publicly, correct privately
- See the prize and focus on it [even if you have to take a few steps back from time to time, keep moving forward]

Marion's Column

The Rotary project Learn Grow has one solution to the world's hunger and malnutrition which sees 1 billion people, mostly women and children go hungry and 7 million children die from malnutrition each year.

This Rotary project was started by the Rotary Club of Devonport North in Tasmania. It draws on a data base of 23,000 plants that are nutritionally diverse and good in the diet of people in developing countries. Learn Grow worked with people in education and health in the Solomon Islands to provide books and posters outlining the best food plants to grow rather than importing expensive western foods such as rice and noodles.



• Marion and Graham Jones

All of us are leaders in our field and many of you are undertaking a key leadership role in Rotary this year. *How do we rate ourselves according to Weiss's characteristics?* Perhaps Weiss's framework will provide both a barometer and a guide for the kind of leadership we want in Rotary this year. Hopefully, it will help us to "Reach Within to Embrace Humanity".

Let me conclude this first message by asking all of you to use this *Newsletter* to share what is happening in your clubs. I would welcome receiving articles from you on major events, projects, and presentations that take place in your clubs. I have provided below details on where to send your articles.

I wish you all a very special year and in the words of RI President Kalyan Banerjee "let us write this new page together-with courage, with vision, with confidence, and with love".

They are working in Papua New Guinea, and hope to extend to the Philippines, Haiti and Swaziland.

I have been heartened by 3 donations already to Learn Grow, the project I would like you to support with me. Instead of flowers or gifts when we visit, I would really appreciate a donation to Learn Grow.

Cheques are payable to The Rotary Club of Devonport North and can be sent to them at P.O.Box 363, Devonport, Tasmania 7310

If you would like to know more, go to www.learngrow.org

Please send articles for the NEWSLETTER to DG Graham at graham.a.g.jones@gmail.com

The deadline is the END of the MONTH BEFORE. That is, for the August Newsletter articles need to reach me by Friday, July 29



District Changeover



John for his strong leadership and stewardship of the District during 2010-2011. The ceremonial cutting of the cake made and iced by Sue Randel captured the moment.

In spite of the gridlock traffic produced by the Gold Coast Marathon nearly 150 people turned out for the 30th Changeover of District 9640. What a wonderful setting it was looking over the Marina and the Southport Broadwater and enjoying rich Rotary fellowship.

The event hosted by the Rotary Club of Surfers Sunrise saw the changeover from 2010-2011 Governor John Randel [*Building Communities-Bridging Continents*] to 2011-2012 Governor Graham Jones [*Reach Within to Embrace Humanity*]. John is a member of the Rotary Club of Mullumbimby and is the third member of that club to be District Governor. Graham is a member of the Rotary Club of Southport and is the second member of that club to hold the position.

Attendees at the Changeover came from across the Rotary spectrum with officers of Rotary International, Past District Governors and future Governors, immediate Past Presidents, incoming Presidents, Rotarians and partners from nearly every club in the District, some YEP students possibly for the first time and friends and family of Graham and Marion.

In reviewing the past year, Governor John highlighted the *India Desk Project* where 45 clubs provided 750 desks for school children in India's District 3150 via a matching grant. John also underscored our clubs' generosity to people at home and abroad who were afflicted by unprecedented natural disasters through much of this year. He noted there had been two incoming GSE teams from districts in Missouri and Arizona and six of these team members had subsequently joined Rotary. Along with everyone else these GSE members enjoyed an excellent District Conference in Yamba.

Following John's induction of Graham as the new Governor, District Governor Elect Sandra Doumany and District Governor Nominee Tony Heading were presented with their new lapel badges. In presenting PDG John with his past Governor's Jewel and John and Sue with a "Don Sheil" platter, DG Graham thanked

the Assistant Governors, Company Directors and the Leadership Team. Graham set the scene for the coming year with a three-point charge:

- Enjoy Rotary and bring others with you to enjoy it
- Support each other, humanity and especially young people
- Embrace change; it is ok to take risks

Special thanks to DGE Sandra Doumany for chairing the first part of the meeting, PRIT Brian Knowles for leading us through the inductions and to everyone else who participated in the programme. The proceeds of the raffle went to the Rotary Club of Surfers Sunrise "Wheelchair" project.



Family Fun for a Good Cause at the “Bulls on the Beach Rodeo”

In a feature round of the national rodeo circuit, 70 of the country's top bull riders will descend on the Gold Coast for the fourth annual Bulls on the Beach Rodeo. For one night only, you can watch some of the nation's most daring and fearless bull riders compete for the “best all-round performer”. The Bareback-Bucking-Bronc riding will add further thrills to the evening. This Gold Coast rodeo brings three hours of non-stop fun, exciting and affordable entertainment.

Bulls on the Beach Rodeo, an initiative of the Rotary Club of Gold Coast, will take place once again at the site adjacent to Sea World on the Queensland Gold Coast on 23rd July, 2011. Last year, with a crowd of 3000, and major sponsorship provided by McDonald's and other Gold Coast businesses, Bulls on the Beach was able to raise over \$100,000! The event, run entirely by volunteers, has a number of major beneficiaries including Ronald McDonald House Charities on the Gold Coast; in fact, most beneficiaries are organizations that assist children.

We have capitalized on our strengths, bringing our core manpower and established contacts within the community to build a traditional country rodeo on



• Hold very tight please!



• Clowning around



• Ride him cowboy!

the Gold Coast that is iconic, family friendly and all encompassing. As a result of its success and massive volunteer input, money is raised that can be returned to the local community to support so many worthy causes. Join us for the ongoing thrills and spills of Bulls on the Beach and the continued support to the Gold Coast Community.

The Rodeo starts at 6.30 p.m. on Saturday, July 23.

PP Kate Kimmorley

Our Newest Paul Harris Fellows

Congratulations to all recipients named below and the sponsor Clubs for their continued support of The Rotary Foundation

Sue Lloyd –Sapphire –Alstonville
 John Balding –Ballina
 Jenny Hill –Ballina
 Rob McArthur –4th Sapphire
 –Ballina on Richmond
 Malcolm Daviess –Broadbeach
 Noel Hodges –Broadbeach
 Bill Rex –Broadbeach
 Bill Waller – Sapphire –Broadbeach
 Jacqueline Plaice –Burleigh Heads
 Win Still (wife of PDG Alan)
 –Burleigh Heads

Glen Taylor –Goonellabah
 Craig Baker –Iluka –Woombah
 Carol Wheatley –Sapphire –Lismore
 Paul Denmeade –Lismore Central
 Bob Barnes –3rd Sapphire –Lismore West
 Gary Frith –Lismore West
 Ross Hayes –Lismore West
 Bernice Robinson (wife of Norm)
 –Lismore West
 Norm Robinson –2nd Sapphire
 –Lismore West
 Fay Seiffert (wife of Ray) –Lismore West

Merle Thearle (Late Pat) –Lismore West
 PDG Tony Hayes –2nd Sapphire
 –Murwillumbah Central
 Kathie Heffernan –Murwillumbah Central
 Teresa Dawson –Parkwood
 Trevor Graham –Summerland Sunrise
 Josephine Saunders (Hon)
 –Summerland Sunrise
 Doug Brown –Sapphire –Surfers Paradise
 Stuart Fairley –Sapphire –Surfers Paradise
 Charles Warrell –Tweed Heads South
 Kieran Doherty – Warwick Sunrise

50th Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Lismore West Inc

by PP Norm Robinson,PHF – Secretary & Club Historian



The Rotary Club of Lismore West, chartered on 12th June 1961 as the second Rotary Club in Lismore, celebrated its *50th Anniversary* with a dinner at the Lismore Workers Club on 4th June with an attendance of 160. Guests included District Governor John & Sue Randel (Rotary Club of Mullumbimby); Mr. Thomas George, MP, State Member for Lismore & Mrs. Debbie George; Councillor Jenny Dowell, Mayor of Lismore; District Governor Elect Graham & Marion Jones (Rotary Club of Southport), District Governor Nominee Sandra & Sam Doumany (Rotary Club of Hope Island); Assistant Governor Col & Julie Lee (Rotary Club of Ballina-on-Richmond); and nine representatives of their Sister Club, the Rotary Club of Yamato Takada, Japan.

District Governor, John proposed a toast to the Club saying Lismore West has a proud record of its achievements in all *Avenues of Service* over the past 50 years as well as an enviable reputation for its fellowship and friendship. He presented President Ross Hayes with a *50th Year Certificate* on behalf of District 9640 and another from RI President, Ray Klinginsmith.

President Ross named the following Club ladies as a Paul Harris Fellow for their outstanding support of their Rotary husbands and support of the Club's programs over the years indicated: Bernice Robinson (38 – PP Norm), Fae Seiffert (43 – PP Ray),

Merle Thearle (32 – Late PP Pat). DG John presented the ladies with their *Paul Harris Fellow Certificate*, Pin and medallion. DG John then presented PP Norm Robinson with his second Paul Harris Fellow Sapphire Pin on behalf of Lismore West in recognition of his writing the Club History and organisation of the Club's 50th Anniversary function.

President Masahiko Sakamoto of the Rotary Club of Yamato Takada extend congratulations to Lismore West on its 50th Anniversary and the valuable Sister Club Agreement between the two Rotary Clubs. He then read out a message of congratulations from Mr Masakutu Yoshida, Mayor of Yamato Takada City Council and presented gifts to Lismore West.

A continuous PowerPoint slide show covering the Club's 50 years of service to Rotary, was played in the Dining room and a large historical pin – up display of labelled photos and a table – top display of Club records and memorabilia covering the Club's 50 years, was extensively viewed by the large gathering in attendance.

Lismore West is proud to have provided PP Jim Dowling, PHF as the 1991 – 1992 Governor of District 9640 while Club Charter member, the Late PP Ken Ramsay, PHF had a 100% attendance record for 42 consecutive years of his 44 year membership.

Photos above Left to Right:

DG John Randel presenting President Ross Hayes with a 50th Anniversary Certificate on behalf of District 9640 and another from RI President, Ray Klinginsmith.

L – R: President Ross Hayes; PP Norm Robinson (Club Secretary & Historian); District Governor, John Randel.

Newly named Paul Harris Fellows: L – R: Merle Thearle, PHF; Fae Seiffert, PHF; Bernice Robinson, PHF; DG John Randel; President Ross Hayes.

District Changeover



District 9640 Rotary Foundation News

Demystifying TRF Myths

MYTH Donations to Annual Programs Fund go to America.

ACTUAL Donations, either Club or individual, when received in Parramatta are firstly, converted to US Dollars being the universal currency of TRF. The donation is then credited to either the club or individual member in USD. The overall total donation is then split – 50% to the "Australian" World Fund, 50% to District Designated Fund (DDF). As all funds have been donated in Australian Dollars, they are banked with St. George Bank in Parramatta into these two separate accounts.

Here, the amounts stay for three years, no doubt on term deposits. In the third year, District will request Parramatta to pay for an Ambassadorial Scholar; a GSE Team; Matching Grants and District Simplified Grants out of its 50% allocation in DDF. District also will request payment for a Rotary Peace Fellow; a GSE Team; and "matched" Matching Grants to be paid out of the World Fund allocation. Payment comes out of their respective accounts at the St. George Bank. Some funds may now be going offshore at our request but most probably to undeveloped countries.

Interest on these funds over the three years pays for expenses incurred by Parramatta staff, advertising materials and general office overheads.

One further important point should be stressed. The Australia Taxation Office has granted the Australian Rotary Foundation Trust with a tax deductibility status. This would not have been forthcoming, if donations to the Trust were immediately going to America. Donations to PolioPlus are also tax deductible, even though these funds are sent offshore when required, to the endemic countries for this worthwhile cause.

MYTH Foundation Recognition Points or PHF credits are lost if a member leaves the club or dies.

ACTUAL No. If a member is a former donor and has left the club and is still living, the Club President can get in contact with the ex-member to obtain authorisation and signature to transfer his/her PHF credits to another member or nominated person.

PHF credits from a deceased donor may also be transferred with the authorisation and signature of the surviving family member. The Club President could effect a transfer if there are no surviving members or the club has lost contact with the family.

PHF credits never expire and can be transferred to other individuals e.g. a Rotarian who has achieved a PHF status, may

choose to honour their spouse or other family member as a PHF, by contributing US\$500 and transferring 500 PHF credits that has been accumulated.

In all cases, a Recognition Transfer Request Form needs to be signed and completed. The PHF credits, though, cannot be assigned to a club or District.

MYTH A company donates US\$1000 and is eligible for a PHF.

ACTUAL No. Only individuals can be recognised as a PHF therefore the company would receive a Certificate of Appreciation.

MYTH Every Rotarian Every Year donations forwarded on-line direct to TRF in Evanston are tax-deductible.

ACTUAL Strictly speaking they are not. To obtain a genuine deduction from the Australian Taxation Office, the donation must be payable to the Australian Rotary Foundation Trust and received in Parramatta for a proper receipt.

MYTH Bequests made to the Permanent Fund are eligible for PHF credits.

ACTUAL No. They are not eligible nor are they tax deductible under Australian Taxation law.

MYTH Matching Grant projects cannot be sourced in Australia as it is a developed country.

ACTUAL Yes, they can be, if there is a suitable humanitarian project identified. An Australian club and/or District becomes the host Rotary club and District, which will look after the project and reporting, while the International Rotary club(s) and/or District(s) will be providing the bulk of funding from offshore. In essence, it is the reverse of our normal matching grant procedure.

MYTH Clubs don't need to be concerned to complete the paperwork report and keep receipts, if they participate in a District Simplified Grant.

ACTUAL Most emphatically, they do! The report must be completed, signed and returned by the main Rotarian in charge of the local project, as soon as the Grant funds are spent. Please don't mislay these project report forms, as most clubs seem to.

I hope these myths have been dispelled and this exercise helps the reader to understand the workings of our Charity better.

Doug Brown

DRFCC

Pedalling for Polio

Rotarian Rob Byrne from the Grafton Club, is now pedalling his way north to Cairns in order to raise community awareness of Rotary's fight to eradicate polio.

Hopefully, Rob will raise \$100,000 for the End Polio Now campaign along the way. Rob left Grafton on Friday July 1st and this month will push his way through the Northern Rivers region and the Gold Coast. He is pedalling a fully imported RANS Stratus XP long wheelbase recumbent bicycle, which he describes as a lounge chair on two wheels. Rob hopes to visit Rotary Clubs and other community groups such as Probus, schools and Chambers of Commerce to relate Rotary's involvement in our No.1 project.



If the body is willing, Rob will return via the western side of the Great Dividing Range, hopefully into Victoria and Tasmania. His mission is expected to take twelve months.

The District urges Clubs and members to support Rob's objective by sending Polio donations to PDG Bruce Allen at TRF in Parramatta in the normal manner, but ensure to inform him the donation is part of "Rob's Bike Ride" fund raising effort. PHF credits are obtainable for all donations received.

Doug Brown
DRFCC



Whats Happening:

MID-YEAR ANTIQUES FAIR ROTARY CLUB OF PALM BEACH

This year's FAIR will be held from Friday July 22 to Sunday July 24, and the Rotary Club of Palm Beach invites you to enjoy the magnificent display of antiques, collectibles, jewellery, and books from a bygone era.

WHERE; THE ALBERT WATERWAYS CENTRE, SUNSHINE BOULEVARD, BROADBEACH.

OPENING AT 10 A.M. EACH DAY

Judy Blake

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GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE

We are seeking applications for Team Leader and Team Members to Arizona and Wisconsin/Minnesota in May 2012.

Applications are also open for clubs to host the GSE team from Wisconsin/Minnesota during March / April 2012

Information and forms to download are on the District Web Site www.rotary9640.org by clicking "D9640 Info" on the tool bar then enter "Rotary Foundation" and they are all listed under GSE.

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AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLARS

Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships are highly competitive and are worth over US\$26,000. One scholarship will be awarded by District 9640 and Rotary international this year. The scholarship is for a year's study at an overseas University.

For further information contact Neil Russell on (07) 5594 6649 or simply google The Rotary Ambassadorial web site for an application form.

The scholarship is open to students who have completed at least two years' university study, live in district 9640, are not in Rotary and have no lineal relations in Rotary. Application must be in by September 2011.

RAFFLE AT THE TERRANORA ASSEMBLY

The raffle at the Terranora Assembly on Sunday May 29 was won by DGN Tony Heading from the Rotary Club of Stanthorpe. Thanks to the Rotary Club of Tweed Heads South for conducting the Assembly and the Raffle.

9640 Membership & Attendance: May 2011

ROTARY CLUB	THIS MONTH		YEAR TO DATE		START	PRESENT	CHANGE
	%	RANK	%	RANK			
Allora	0.00	=38	0.00	=51	11	16	+5
Alstonville	89.29	6	75.92	16	24	24	-
Ashmores	69.00	=32	81.38	13	37	38	+1
Ballina	66.70	34	68.02	30	36	37	+1
Ballina-on-Richmond	84.00	=12	83.56	11	25	21	-4
Beaudesert	80.00	=19	85.27	8	21	23	+2
Boonah	75.30	26	74.95	17	42	39	-3
Broadbeach	69.49	=32	68.96	27	50	49	-1
Broadwater-Southport	82.37	16	77.92	14	39	44	+5
Burleigh Heads	0.00	=38	35.82	46	23	26	+3
Byron Bay	0.00	=38	0.00	=51	11	11	-
Casino	85.93	10	47.03	43	15	10	-5
Coolangatta Tweed Heads	78.00	22	73.73	19	28	27	-1
Coomera River Middy	76.20	24	71.30	25	23	21	-2
Coomera Valley	79.17	21	85.93	7	26	24	-2
Fassifern Valley	73.14	30	48.99	41	-	21	-
Glen Innes	76.13	25	73.41	20	38	40	+2
Gold Coast Central	0.00	=38	11.27	48	17	17	-
Goondiwindi	0.00	=38	45.82	44	34	34	-
Goonellabah	0.00	=38	26.36	47	19	24	+5
Grafton	0.00	=38	0.00	=51	19	19	-
Grafton Middy	0.00	=38	6.32	50	23	23	-
Hope Island	0.00	=38	52.54	39	39	41	+2
Iluka	0.00	=38	67.92	31	13	14	+1
Jimboomba	99.00	1	98.95	1	23	22	-1
Kingscliff	80.00	=19	65.06	32	10	9	-1
Kirra Currumbin	83.30	=14	84.18	9	13	15	+2
Kyogle	0.00	=38	42.55	45	12	12	-
Lismore	81.80	18	68.63	28	13	11	-2
Lismore Central	0.00	=38	0.00	=51	14	14	-
Lismore West	96.16	3	94.66	4	39	38	-1
Maclean	90.19	5	83.71	10	41	39	-2
Mermaid Beach	87.80	8	90.16	5	26	28	+2
Mt Warning AM (Mur'bah)	94.70	4	94.89	3	32	33	+1
Mudgeeraba	97.00	2	96.34	2	26	24	-2
Mullumbimby	77.50	23	71.33	24	21	19	-2
Murwillumbah	0.00	=38	82.57	12	34	32	-2
Murwillumbah Central	0.00	=38	63.86	33	20	16	-4
Nerang	85.00	11	70.04	26	16	18	+2
Palm Beach	37.00	37	47.19	42	25	19	-6
Parkwood	84.20	=12	74.80	18	20	19	-1
Robina	0.00	=38	8.91	49	22	21	-1
Runaway Bay	89.29	7	73.25	21	23	25	+2
Southport	0.00	=38	55.56	38	46	47	+1
Southport North	87.00	9	63.50	35	18	17	-1
Stanthorpe	74.50	28	72.42	22	42	41	-1
Summerland Sunrise	58.00	36	50.90	40	12	12	-
Surfers Paradise	75.27	27	57.81	37	23	24	+1
Surfers Paradise Central	0.00	=38	0.00	=51	47	47	-
Surfers Sunrise	74.43	29	63.32	36	48	44	-4
Tenterfield	82.30	17	86.14	6	26	29	+3
Tweed Coast	83.00	=14	63.58	34	15	18	+3
Tweed Heads South	60.00	35	68.05	29	24	19	-5
Warwick	0.00	=38	0.00	=51	19	15	-4
Warwick Sunrise	71.00	31	76.48	15	22	20	-2
Yamba	0.00	=38	71.34	23	22	25	+3
Totals					1407	1415	-13

