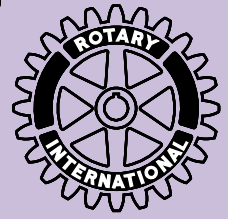




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Get your ASK into gear!!

Whilst this month August is officially Membership Month, this year every month is significant for membership development.

The approach of one new member every month is starting to have impact and most Rotarians can embrace the concept of breaking down one big goal into smaller more manageable goals. A gradual increase is something most clubs can handle.

The "Club within a Club" membership development tool is working too. Many clubs have initiated this program and have been rewarded with great success. Follow the process carefully and it works.

Membership development is often said to be the responsibility of every Rotarian. Yet it is well known that only a small minority of Rotarians in the past have actually done anything about it.

The Club within a Club approach involves all members of the club – everyone can contribute something and this is what makes it a success.

Whether you decide to adopt the approach of a gradual increase in membership – one new member per month – or the large-scale approach of "Club within a Club", is something personal to each club.

But just ASK someone to join.

Together in Rotary Service

DG Neil

DID YOUR CLUB INDUCT A JULY MEMBER?



Rotary Club of Warwick Sunrise President Mike Geisel, left, after the induction of David Angell centre with David's father Rotarian Herb Angell - with 32 years of 100% attendance.

Visit the District Website...

www.rotary9640.org

If you have not looked at our district website recently you may be surprised at the amount of information that is now available.

Webmaster Roy Hornsby welcomes information for the site from the clubs and individual Rotarians

*Advertise your club events!
Check out the yearly planner!*



Community Forums = Community Awareness= Community Service

On Saturday 21st July a very successful Australian Rotary Health Research Fund Seminar was conducted by our District Committee at Kooralbyn International School near Beaudesert. The focus of the seminar was training those present to conduct Community Mental Health Forums.

Another highlight was an address by Dr Jan Nicholson who delivered a paper on her program of school mental health research, PROMAS (Promoting Adjustment in Schools), which is supported by a grant from ARHRF.

She said that mental health problems affect 20% of children and adolescents. This includes children in the early primary school age group.

Her basic research is to identify factors associated with the onset or continuity of children's mental health problems and to assess school's capacity for identifying children "at risk" of mental problems.

Her applied research is directed to preventing mental health problems through school-based interventions.

She clearly demonstrated the value of ARHRF grants to enable research to be conducted into this rather disturbing question with a potential for making a difference.



ARHRF Seminar participants



ARHRF seminar speakers, left to right, District Chairman Martin Zaugg, ARHRF Director Tony Williams, Dr Jan Nicholson and Chairman of ARHRF Terry Edwards

Dr Jan Nicholson, Research Officer at Centre for Public Health Research at Queensland University of Technology addressing the ARHRF Forum at Kooralbyn International School on 21st July 2001.



Presentation of a cheque for \$4,500 by Rotary Club of Grafton Middy to Chairman of ARHRF Terry Edwards (left) Part of the proceeds of a charity auction conducted by Rotary Club of Grafton Middy.


Australian Rotary Health Research Fund
"Rotary cares for the mental health of the community"


2001 CHRISTMAS CARD COLLECTION

Christmas Cards are here
 Australian Rotary Health Research Fund Christmas Cards are being distributed to the Clubs. This is a new collection.

A pack of ten cards costs \$12.00 and represents good value for these quality cards. About \$4.50 per pack sold will be credited to clubs towards their ARHRF contribution for the year. If every Australian Rotarian would purchase just one packet of cards, over \$200,000 would be raised.

This is a very easy way to contribute to the goal of \$25 per member for ARHRF this year

ONLY \$12 GST INC. PER PACK OF 10

CENTURION CLUB



This is worth supporting.

For some time there has been debate over the allocation of The Rotary Foundation (TRF) Credits for Centurion Donations.

The official policy of The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International is that all donations (large or small) to the Annual Program Fund count towards TRF Credits.

Rotarians who donate \$AUD100, as a Centurion, to the Australian Rotary Foundation Trust will receive TRF Credits, Tax Deductibility and the comfort in the knowledge that their money will be used for Humanitarian Projects in the countries certified by the Australian Government.

We urge every Rotarian to support the Centurion program and to place The Rotary Foundation on their list of preferred charities.

Contact TRF Coordinator Dugald Graydon or DG Neil if you would like more information about the Centurion Program.

ROTARY MOVES FORWARD TO EFFECT CHANGE

As Rotary International approaches its second century of service, it faces challenging questions. What will the Rotarians and Rotary clubs of the future be like? How will Rotary Clubs remain meaningful and relevant to their members and the communities they serve? Are the rules formulated by Paul Harris and his successors relevant to today's society? These are searching questions upon which Rotary International has focussed itself in this new project.

Despite the ongoing formation of new clubs, recent trends reveal membership is not being sustained in many existing clubs. In addition, Rotary has experienced diminished success in attracting younger professional and business people. These concerns spurred extensive discussion among the RI Board of Directors and resulted in the development of the New Models for Rotary Clubs project.

Conditions of participation are: -

1. Clubs/ Districts agreed to assume any costs incurred during the 3 year period
2. Provide reports etc to the board during the period
3. That the clubs return to the standard club constitution at the end of the 3 year period pending review of the legislation by the 2004 COL.

Other non-negotiable requirements are: -

- The Objects of Rotary will be included verbatim in the club constitution
- Clubs will pay RI and District dues. (Club dues will be a matter for the club)
- Clubs will formulate a constitution, bylaws and implementation plan, which will be lodged at RI by 1 October 2001.
- At the end of the 3-year period the club will function in accordance with the standard club constitution as in effect at that time.

It will be seen from the above that new pilot clubs can virtually write their own rules as to Territory/Locality frequency of meetings, attendance, club structure etc.

They will have full voting rights in their district; they can attend District Conference and the International Convention.

These may be seen as far-reaching and revolutionary changes in Rotary as we have known them over many years but we need to change if we are to survive.

'The purpose is to offer a modernised, streamline model that, whilst embracing Rotary ideas of service, will appeal to younger professionals who live and work in a faster paced, urban environment'.

There are 16 Pilot Project Clubs throughout Australia, but none of them are in District 9640.

ALTERATIONS IN DISTRICT DIRECTORY

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KYLIE VENARDOS NEW RESEARCH SCHOLAR

Our Rotary District 9640 Cardiovascular Research Scholar is now Kylie Venardos.

Kylie Venardos attended Rivermount College, Yatala for Grades 9-12. she was the female Dux of the School. Between 1997-1999 Kylie completed a Bachelor of Biomedical Science degree at Griffith University on the Gold Coast. She graduated with an honours degree in health science in 2000 and has now enrolled in the PhD program. Her research project is to be undertaken in the Heart Foundation Research Centre supervised by Dr Anthony Perkins and Associate Professor John Headrick. The project is entitled "Thioredoxin medicated cardioprotection and ischaemia-reperfusion injury".

Clubs in our District are encouraged to contribute financially to this scholarship scheme. Donations can be made to our district treasurer, Paul Gillett.

CARDIOVASCULAR RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME

The Scheme was established in 1999 with a commitment by Rotary District 9640 to provide \$20,000.00 towards the cost of a scholarship for a PhD student undertaking research in the Heart Foundation Research Centre at the Gold Coast campus of Griffith University.

Amanda Flood was the first student to be awarded the Scholarship on July 1, 2000.

Amanda's work is directed towards understanding and minimising the no-reflow phenomenon seen when coronary vessels are reperfused. Briefly, many heart attacks are the result of the occlusion of a coronary vessel that supplies blood to the heart muscle. When the blockage is removed by chemical or mechanical means, in some cases blood flow is less than expected. This is the no-reflow phenomenon.

One explanation of no-reflow is that the cells lining the coronary vessels are injured by inadequate blood flow thus causing the blood vessels to constrict.

Amanda has successfully characterised the adenosine receptors in the coronary vessels of the mouse as a prelude to further experiments on the no-reflow phenomenon. This work has been prepared for publication.

Amanda applied for a PhD scholarship from the Heart Foundation and early in 2001 she was advised that she had been successful. Winning this highly competitive national award was at least partly due to the fact that she had been able to progress her research with the support of the Rotary District 9640 Scholarship Scheme.

Ladies Please

At a recent induction of Lorraine Ryan as the 70th President of the Rotary Club of Lismore, there was a unique gathering of ladies present.



The photo above shows Left to Right: **President Fay Hopf** – Rotary Club of Summerland Sunrise, **President Carol Wheatley** – Inner Wheel Club of Lismore (Carol is also a member of the Rotary Club of Lismore), **President Lorraine Ryan** – Rotary Club of Lismore, **President Daisy Smith** – Probus Club of Lismore Combined, & **President Sue Nunn** – Rotary Club of Lismore Central.

In the 70th year of Rotary in Lismore, these lady Presidents represent that every Rotary associated club in Lismore that has lady members now has a female president for 2001-2002.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following new members and trust that they will enjoy good Rotary Fellowship

Michael YARWOOD	Surfers Paradise
Darren TAYLOR	Surfers Paradise
David THOMPSON	South Grafton Sunrise
David ANGELL	Warwick Sunrise
Brian WOODS	Alstonville
Wendi EVANS	Summerland Sunrise
Susan LLOYD	Summerland Sunrise
Colin WALLACE	Summerland Sunrise
Andy TABET	Coomera Valley
Brian GILL	Stanthorpe
Russel PITKIN	Stanthorpe



President Fay Hopf of Summerland Sunrise with new member Wendi Evans

Alstonville President Col Kenway and new member Brian Woods with DG Neil



These are the new member details given to DG Neil to date.

Computa's 4 Kidz

Rotary supporting the Community

Computa's 4 Kidz is a program to help children in our community that are a little less fortunate than most. The aim is to redirect all the existing computer equipment that is not in use or is redundant to people who really can use it.

Target Market. Computers will be supplied to people and non-profit organisations that have been referred to the organisers, the Rotary Club of Goonellabah. Typically these referrals will be from places like Early Intervention Centres, Special Schools, Hospitals, and Rotary clubs.

The first stage supply area will be the New South Wales North Coast area (typically Casino to Byron). Our second stage supply area will be 9640 District. Our third stage supply market area will be everywhere.

Initially the pilot program will be run to iron out any equipment turn around issues.

Equipment. Hundreds of computers will be required. Any donations of equipment, either complete systems or parts of systems are welcome.

To keep costs to a minimum, processing of the equipment will be done by trainees and 'work experience' staff. This is where the program's second benefit is, by giving young kids an opportunity to learn and experience the IT sector.

Help! If you are able to help in any way, or are able to supply any equipment, please deliver to Sky Electronics at 10 Three Chain Road Lismore, or phone (02) 6622-3099 and they can organise pick up.



PROJECT FUNDING

(International projects

Advisory Committee - IPAC)

INTERNATIONAL Projects Advisory Committee (IPAC) was the first standing committee of the Rotary Institutes held in Australia and was set up in 1965 "for the collection and submission of international projects to and from district governors".

Now as an activity of Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS) the committee members are elected by the Council of Governors on a regional basis and are able to aggregate donations and at times assist with the applications for The Rotary Foundation Matching Grants and AusAID funding, when appropriate.

Donations should be forwarded to the committee member responsible for the chosen project made payable to the "Rotary Australia Overseas Aid Fund". The committee member arranges the forwarding of the funds, at regular intervals, to the overseas contact for the project who will send an acknowledgement to the donor. Project Funding has had outstanding success in raising the profile of World Community Service and assisting Rotary, Rotaract, Interact and Inner Wheel clubs to take part in an overseas project matched to the funds they have available, happy in the knowledge that the project has been investigated and approved. Each year Project Funding lists some 90 projects in Africa, Asia and the South West Pacific and receives up to \$A800,000 in financial support annually. The New Zealand equivalent of Project Funding, RNZWCS (Rotary New Zealand World Community Service) also lists projects.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

Now is the time to concentrate on the preparation of your TRF Matching Grants. Applications must be submitted between 15 July and 31 March in each Rotary year and as DG Neil has indicated that his preference is for larger projects, sponsored by several Clubs, within each group, now is the time to have discussions between your group Clubs and your Assistant Governor, to decide upon your preferred project or projects and to commence the application process. As has been reported on several occasions recently, The Foundation received more applications in the 2000 – 2001 Rotary year than it had funds available to process, so these may be brought forward to this Rotary year. This could have a major impact upon available funds for this year, so it is important to submit your applications at an early date and to make sure that all applications are submitted correctly.

To assist you in making your decisions I have listed a number of projects, that I have received from overseas, which are seeking Matching Grant Partners.

1. Rotary Club of San Ildefonso, D-3770, Philippines. Construction of 15 water impounding dams. Cost of project US\$10,000.00; **International Sponsor Amount US\$4,000.00**; Matching Grant to be sought US\$5,000.00 *Four Matching Grants as above required.*
2. Rotary Club of San Ildefonso, D-3770, Philippines. One (1) unit backhoe, Crawler Mounted, Hitachi UH07-7. Cost of project US\$20,000.00; **International Sponsor Amount US\$9,000.00**; Matching Grant to be sought US\$ 10,000.00 **(Completed Matching Grant Application Forms are available from Dug Graydon for these 5 applications).**
3. Any Rotary Club in Papua New Guinea, D-9600, Papua New Guinea. Supply of sporting equipment whether new or used, footballs, baseball bats, balls, basketballs and hoops. Available in **US\$500.00 Modules.**
4. Aid to a new prosthesis manufacturing facility which has been established in Port Morsby, Papua New Guinea. Basic equipment is needed to assist production. Cost of project US\$13,500.00; **International Sponsor Amount US\$6,750.00**; Matching Grant to be sought US\$6,750.00. (Project can be split).
5. Supply of prepacked kit containing essential pharmaceuticals and consumable medical items to cater for the short term requirements of a village population of up to 1,000 people. For delivery in Papua New Guinea. Cost of project US\$4,000.00; **International Sponsor Amount US\$2,000.00**; Matching Grant to be sought US\$2,000.00
6. The provision of 500 bednets to villages in Papua New Guinea together with chemical dips. Cost of project US\$3,750.00; **International Sponsor Amount US\$ 1,875.00**; Matching Grant to be sought US\$1,875.00
7. Supply of 100 School Desks for primary and high schools in Papua New Guinea. Cost of project US\$4,000.00; **International Sponsor Amount US\$2,000.00**; Matching Grant to be sought US\$2,000.00
8. Supply of selected garden tools to supply a village in Papua New Guinea to support dependant village life in the cultivation of domestic crops for home use and small marketing. Cost of project **US\$1,000 modules.**
9. Rotary District 3810, Philippines. Feed the Children – Build the Nation Project. To rehabilitate 50 malnourished pre-schoolers and to conduct classes for mothers on proper food selection and preparation. Cost of project US\$8,000.00; **International Sponsor Amount US\$2,000.00**; Matching Grant to be sought US\$4,000.00
10. Rotary District 3810, Philippines. Garbage into Green Gold II. Environmental approach of segregation, composting and recycling of garbage. Six E System (Education, Engineering, Enforcement, Entrepreneur, Endowment and exultation) to be introduced, comprising 100 families to be organized as cooperatives. Cost of project US\$8,000.00; **International Sponsor Amount US\$2,000.00**; Matching Grant to be sought US\$4,000.00
11. Rotary District 3810, Philippines. To organize the people into a soil-less planting of vitamin A rich vegetables using simple hydroponics. Cost of project US\$12,000.00; **International Sponsor Amount US\$3,000.00**; Matching Grant to be sought US\$6,000.00
12. Rotary District 3810, Philippines. Water for Life. To install a potable water distribution system for 100 residents of Bgy. Cost of project US\$4,000.00; **International Sponsor Amount US\$1,000.00**; Matching Grant to be sought US\$2,000.00
13. Rotary District 3810, Philippines. Concern & Care of the Environment. Get Interactors involved in a common and genuine concern on watershed reforestation and to train them on environmental concerns and awareness. Cost of project US\$4,000.00; **International Sponsor Amount US\$1,000.00**; Matching Grant to be sought US\$2,000.00
14. Rotary District 3810, Philippines. Better Health using Barangay Technology. To provide skills training to 20 families from depressed areas on the preparation and processing of cured meats; provide skills training on the preparation of pickled vegetables, guaranteeing the maximum preservation of vitamins and minerals in the vegetables and to provide skills in the marketing of processed foods. Cost of project US\$8,000.00; **International Sponsor Amount US\$2,000.00**; Matching Grant to be sought US\$4,000.00
15. Rotary District 3810, Philippines. Care for the Elderly in the Community. To prevent health problems for 100 participating elderly people through education and disease prevention activities and to rehabilitate these people through the provision and use of Gymnasiums, sport, recreation and medical care. Cost of project US\$12,000.00; **International Sponsor Amount US\$3,000.00**; Matching Grant to be sought US\$6,000.00
16. Rotary Club of Suipacha, D-4850, Argentina. Purchase of an industrial polythene bag-making machine for a projected workshop for fourteen handicapped people. Cost of project US\$12,000.00; **International Sponsor Amount US\$3,000.00**; Matching Grant to be sought US\$6,000.00
17. Rotary Club of General Viamonte, D-4850, Argentina. Purchase of a winch to be used in the manufacture / repair of tools and spare parts both for school workshops and for other schools and institutions in the area. Cost of project US\$9,000.00; **International Sponsor Amount US\$2,250.00**; Matching Grant to be sought US\$4,500.00
18. Rotary Club of Villa Libertad, D-4850, Argentina. Purchase of instruments for the cardiology unit at the Municipal Hospital. Cost of project US\$16,000.00; **International Sponsor Amount US\$4,000.00**; Matching Grant to be sought US\$8,000.00
19. Rotary Club of Los Polvorines, D-4850, Argentina. Purchase of two CPR dummies, for the training of cadets in Basic life Support and Advanced Cardiac Life Support at the General Lemos Military Academy. Cost of project US\$6,460.00; **International Sponsor Amount US\$1,615.00**; Matching Grant to be sought US\$3,230.00
20. Bursa ULUDAG Rotary Club, Turkey. Supply Medical equipment to Uludag University Medical Faculty Hospital. Equipment includes Laminar Flow Cabin Class II with microprocessor; CO2 Incubator; Top-Bench Centrifuge; Phase Contrast, Inverted Microscope; etc. Cost of project US\$70,000.00; **International Sponsor Amount US\$30,000.00**; Matching Grant to be sought US\$35,000.00. *(This project is being supported by members of the recent Rotary Friendship Exchange Team to Turkey and Clubs who require more information or a guest speaker on this matter should contact the Exchange Team Leader – Chris Wheelahan, Rotary Club of Grafton).*

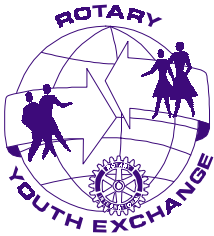
Dug Graydon has information on other possible Matching Grants and he would be pleased to visit your Club to talk about Matching Grants and or assist with the preparation of applications.

A reminder for your diary. The Rotary Foundation District Seminar will be held on Sunday, 4 November 2001, between 10.00am and 3.00pm at Cudgen Leagues Club, Chinderah (near Kingscliff) and every club should be represented at this important District Seminar by at least the President, President Elect, International Service Director and The Rotary Foundation Chairperson.

New Name

At its July meeting the Board of RI decided to discontinue the use of “service centre” in the names of the RI regional offices. Instead each will be a “Rotary International Office”. Collectively, they will be referred to as “RI’s international offices”. The new name for the Southwest Pacific Service Centre is...

“Rotary International South Pacific and Philippines Office”.



AN EMOTIONAL FAREWELL FOR YEP COMMITTEE MEMBERS



(L-R) Bryon Mason, Lyn Mason and Bill Bonner seen here with Committee Chairman Stuart Fairley at the recent District 9640 Briefing Camp. Bryon, Lyn and Bill have retired from the YEP Committee after many years of valued service. They will be missed by that committee.



The Exchangee Song being led by ROTEX members at the YEP Briefing Camp for Outbounders held on the 28/29th July.

The Briefing Camp for our Outbounders was held for the first time at Byron Bay Beach Club. 26 Outbounders and their families enjoyed a weekend of fun, fellowship and instruction

Presidents – Reminder – RAWCS

Every year clubs are required to fill in and submit to the District Governor a *Rotary Club International Service Report Form*. This form is important.

It is to enable Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS) to register with the Government those international projects carried out directly by the clubs in the District.

This report determines the subsidies that Rotary is entitled to receive through AusAID (Department of Foreign Affairs). Only by reporting efficiently and fully will Rotary receive true recognition for service done and the subsidies that are available in the future.

Will you help?

The form appears on the last page of the RAWCS Handbook which can be found at www.rotary.org.au/rawcs if you cannot find the club's hard copy.

YOUTH SUICIDE

PREVENTION COMMITTEE

The Committee has been active in supporting increased awareness of mental health and the destigmatisation of mental illness. A major aim is supporting the Australian Rotary Health Research Fund in this venture.

Two activities were undertaken in this area.

The first was providing assistance to the Schizophrenia Fellowship in the production of a calendar. The calendar showed the work of artists featured in the Mental Health Week Art Exhibition, with poetry provided by members of the Fellowship. The committee was involved recently with the launch of the project for this year and the prize giving for the poetry competition. This project is also to be repeated in the Grafton area with support from the committee. This project is ongoing.

The second significant event in the area of mental health was a Community Forum on Mental Health and Suicide Prevention. This event was run in conjunction with the Gold Coast Safety Week and supported by Queensland Health. Approximately 200 people attended the Forum held at the Robina Community Centre.

The Committee continues to make available guest speakers for clubs, speaking on suicide prevention.

Contact Chairman Peter Watkins 07 55970505 (H)

Email watkins@fan.net.au

Recreational Vehicle Fellowship of Rotarians.

Yarramalong Muster ::::: 20 - 23rd July, 2001.

Have you ever considered joining one of Rotary's Recreational or Vocational Fellowships?

After being members of the Recreational Vehicle Fellowship for about five years and having been unable to attend a previous muster for many and varied reasons, Judy and Dug Graydon attended their first muster at Yarramalong on the Friday afternoon, not really knowing what to expect, except that they were undertaking another experience in Rotary friendship and fellowship.

On their arrival, boss drovers Kevin and Yvonne Blain and the other members who had arrived before them, met them with a friendly smile and welcome and they immediately knew that they were in for a great weekend.

Yarramalong is a beautiful spot, on the creek bank below Moogerah Lake dam wall, set among natural shady trees and has good facilities including hot showers, septic toilets and camp fire sites. There is no electricity.

Friday afternoon was spent setting up camp and then enjoying a friendly relaxed evening with happy hour and an evening meal cooked on, and eaten around, the central campfire. Saturday and Sunday were filled by experiencing the program, which Kevin had meticulously researched, for their enjoyment, by traveling to several historic sites in the Main Range National Park, Lake Moogerah, the Fassifern Valley and Mount French

The boss drovers obviously undertook detailed planning for the muster at Yarramalong, and the Graydons enjoyed the warm welcome and genuine Rotary friendship, that was extended to them. They are now looking forward to the Casino, Jackadgery and Yamba muster and to further experience the fellowship of the Recreational Vehicle Fellowship.

Anyone interested in experiencing the enjoyable aspect of Rotary Recreational and Vocational Fellowships should contact P.P. Don Hall, Glen Innes, 02 6732 5444 Email frandon@northnet.com.au for details.

Bound for Orphanage in East Timor

The Rotary Club of Surfers Sunrise and our District agreed to adopt an orphanage in Dili, East Timor and provide valuable and varied support.

We have now sent the first container load of Donations in Kind (DIK) to Dili. It includes over 40 wheelchairs donated by Surfers Sunrise Wheelchair Aid Program, books, pencils, paper, bikes and cleaning detergents.

The RC of Ashmore donated sporting goods, toys, bedding and clothes.

District 9600 donated 75 cartons of mixed items of aid.

District 9640 donated about 1000 servings of HungerPlus soup and Heather and Ian Yarker funded an ABET Boat (Aussie Boat for East Timor.) The original trial boat displayed at Heather's Seagulls conference was sent last April and now provides a living for 3 families.

Our district funds last year for DIK cartage came from club dues so we can say all clubs helped make the delivery possible. Heather says "thankyou" to everyone.

Five members from the Rotary club of Surfers Sunrise and two from Ashmore club delivered the DIK to the depot at Wolston Park near Ipswich and packed it onto a NQX truck bound for Darwin. There the Army will repack the goods and deliver them to the Orphanage in Dili at no charge to us.

This all became possible when a member of the Australian Forces introduced Des LaRance (Surfers Sunrise) to the orphanage when Des and his team visited Dili to present the 1000th wheelchair last May. Des has plans to get a roof on the remaining structures of the orphanage and to improve the conditions for the 23 orphanage children.

This is a wonderful example of the ongoing partnering with various organisations who respect Rotarians for their ability to provide meaningful service to people less fortunate than themselves.



Loading
NQX truck
bound for
Darwin



Rotarians Do!

Rotary Awareness Week this year runs from 17th to 23rd September.

This is a great opportunity for our Clubs to promote themselves in local communities.

A national advertising campaign using the slogan *Rotarians Do* will be arranged through billboards, newsprint, magazines, educational publications and radio. This is sponsored by the Australian Corporate Alliance Program.

However, clubs are the likely winners if a little effort is put into holding special events during Awareness Week.

Awareness programs could include simple things like local media features, shopping centre displays, radio interviews, community sausage sizzles, and special dinners for invited guests.

Here is a chance for clubs to use imagination and not only promote their club activities in the community but also have fun. Successful programs should be talked about. And Rotary is a success.

Australian Impressionist & Realistic Artists

The ARHRF Art Book is another excellent way to contribute funds. The books have been for sale at the "old" price of \$40.00. But Wait! There is more! Another 1500 books have come out of storage to be sold for just \$25.00 per copy (plus postage of \$6 for the first book; additional books \$1). The only difference with the new books is that they have a plain blue cover.

These books make excellent presents. Why not donate a book to your school as a speech night prize!

Congratulations!

The following students were selected to attend the **National Youth Science Forum** in Canberra in January 2002.

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Nominated by Rotary Club of:</u>
Jolyon Bloomfield	Murwillumbah Central
Rowena Burch	Grafton
Lauris De Clifford	Summerland Sunrise
Elanor Fernie	Alstonville
Rebecca Hobbs	Surfers Paradise
Brian Huang	Robina
Emma Jones	Burleigh Heads
Tracey Knight	Surfers Sunrise
Amy Morrison	Palm Beach
Dominique Orr	Tamborine Mountain
Maxwell Sanson	Surfers Paradise Central
Danielle Wilkins	Coomera Valley

National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) assists students moving into year 12 and wishing to follow careers in science, engineering and technology by introducing them to research and researchers, helping to develop communication and interpersonal skills and fostering discussion of, and interest in major national and global issues. Selection is highly competitive and the very high standard of all the applicants is acknowledged.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION DISTRICT SEMINAR

The Rotary Foundation District Seminar will be held on

Sunday 4th November 2001

CUDGEN LEAGUES CLUB 10am - 3pm

Every club should plan now to be well represented at this seminar.

This is a 'BACK TO BASICS SEMINAR' suitable for everyone - Contact PDG Dugald Graydon

ROMAC

Rotary Overseas Medical Aid for children (ROMAC) is a great humanitarian program that reaches out to countries in our region of the world, helping children who have been cast aside due to the absence of medical skills in their own country. Romac and the skills of Australia's most eminent surgeons are able to save children from medical problems that are destroying their lives.

Romac has no paid staff, only caring Rotarians who provide many hours of their time working closely with surgeons, hospitals and government departments so that the children and their support carers have a trouble free stay in Australia.

All the children Romac brings to Australia are from a completely different culture and the culture separation during their surgery, recuperation and repatriation prior to returning to their home country must always be paramount in our minds for the least possible disruption to occur. We always look to a Rotary Club to act as a Support Carer for the child.

Our present patient 16 year old Anna de Costa from East Timor, with a serious tumour in the leg, arrived at Brisbane airport on the 7th November last year. The size of the Tumour meant that the leg might have to be amputated in order to cure Anna.

Following many cycles of chemotherapy to reduce the size of the tumour Romac friend and orthopaedic surgeon Dr Dickinson made a decision to operate and remove the tumour to save the leg. Further operations and the fitting of a small prosthesis has managed to save the leg of young and beautiful Anna. Throughout this trauma Anna has always been able to keep smiling and managing "at times" to wrap all her Carers around her little finger.

Anna is being cared for by the Connosian Sisters at Coorparoo in Brisbane during her times out of The Wesley Hospital since her arrival. Sister Rosa and the sisters have mothered, encouraged and supported Anna helping her to cope during the long ordeal. Anna is now receiving physiotherapy and clinic attention to monitor her progress for a possible return to her home in East Timor in late September. This will bring great happiness to her family and village and a new life for her.



Anna

Rotarians, please consider supporting this outstanding Rotary program through financial assistance to Romac. There are many more children who require our assistance.

Dr Darrell Price (Australian Medical Director of Romac) has two children waiting to be brought in for surgery during August.

**For further information please contact (Chairman) Bryan Mason.
Phone 07 5531 5179 or (Carers Director) Des Roberts
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Rotary Youth Transition Seminar

A week long camp for young school leavers aged 17-18, this seminar (RYTS) offers guidance to the young awardees in the transition from School to University or working life.

The camp offers an experience to the young people to fit in with a large number of strangers with no worldly influences, and no mobile phone, TV or radio. For one week they must rely on themselves.

Nominate someone now! The cost is \$350 for the week and it covers everything except transport to Camp Bornhoffen in the Numinbah Valley in the Gold Coast hinterland.

Nominations close with Chairperson Judy Aitken on Friday 30th September 2001. The camp runs from 30th November to 7th December 2001 and caters for 80 young people.

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ROTARY DISTRICT 9640 MEMBERSHIP & ATTENDANCE REPORT - JULY 2001

ROTARY CLUBS	Attendance				Membership		No. of Hon Meet
	%ATT.	RANK	%ATT.	RANK	Year To Date	Chng	
Allora	No Details Received						
Alstonville	88.24	10	88.24	10	30	30	-
Ashmore	86.11	12	86.11	12	38	38	-
Ballina	76.60	27	76.60	27	35	35	-
Ballina-on-Richmond	77.70	25	77.70	25	24	25	1
Beauesert	89.40	7	89.40	7	34	34	-
Boonah	95.37	2	95.37	2	34	35	1
Broadbeach	88.92	8	88.92	8	46	46	-
Broadwater Southport	82.00	16	82.00	16	33	33	-
Burleigh Heads	66.17	43	66.17	43	18	19	1
Byron Bay	92.30	5	92.30	5	12	13	1
Casino	72.06	37	72.06	37	30	30	-
Coolangatta Tweed Heads	70.50	41	70.50	41	30	30	-
Coomera Valley	70.63	40	70.63	40	26	26	-
Glen Innes	72.13	36	72.13	36	35	35	-
Goondiwindi	No Details Received						
Goonellabah	84.36	14	84.36	14	28	28	-
Grafton	71.58	39	71.58	39	36	36	-
Grafton Middy	61.06	44	61.06	44	27	27	-
Iluka	85.00	13	85.00	13	13	13	-
Jimboomba	81.00	19	81.00	19	19	19	-
Kingscliff	68.75	42	68.75	42	22	22	-
Kirra Currumbin	74.66	32	74.66	32	15	15	-
Kyogle	No Details Received						
Lismore	93.60	3	93.60	3	29	29	-
Lismore Central	No Details Received						
Lismore West	95.38	1	95.38	1	44	44	-
Maclean	90.00	6	90.00	6	45	45	-
Mermaid Beach	92.40	4	92.40	4	22	22	-
Mt Warning AM (Mbah)	81.82	17	81.82	17	29	33	4
Mudgeeraba	80.61	21	80.61	21	23	23	-
Mullumbinby	71.70	38	71.70	38	29	29	-
Murwillumbah	79.20	23	79.20	23	29	30	1
Murwillumbah Central	80.30	22	80.30	22	45	46	1
Nerang	87.00	11	87.00	11	24	24	-
Palm Beach	83.42	15	83.42	15	37	37	-
Parkwood	79.00	24	79.00	24	23	23	-
Robina	No Details Received						
Runaway Bay	76.00	29	76.00	29	38	38	-
South Grafton	74.20	33	74.20	33	11	11	-
Southport	77.00	26	77.00	26	40	40	-
Southport North	No Details Received						
Stanthorpe	No Details Received						
Summerland Sunrise	81.00	19	81.00	19	27	27	-
Surfers Paradise	73.19	34	73.19	34	64	64	-
Surfers Paradise Central	No Details Received						
Surfers Paradise West	No Details Received						
Surfers Sunrise	No Details Received						
Tamborine Mountain	76.00	29	76.00	29	11	13	2
Tenterfield	75.88	31	75.88	31	25	26	1
Tweed Heads South	88.60	9	88.60	9	16	16	-
Warwick	81.58	18	81.58	18	23	23	-
Warwick Sunrise	76.18	28	76.18	28	20	21	1
Yamba	72.90	35	72.90	35	27	28	1
					1266	1281	15

Golfers Please

The annual District Governor's Cup sponsored by the Rotary Club of Mudgeeraba is being held on Friday 2nd November at the Gold Coast Country Club, Arundel (behind Helensvale Railway Station).

The entry fee of \$65.00 includes a light lunch before hit off.



Called to Higher Service

Anthony EVANS
Rotary Club of Stanthorpe

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