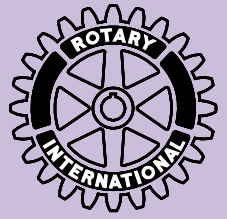




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Programs and Projects

Opportunities for us all to learn more about Rotary programs and Rotary projects, particularly those in which our members are involved, presented itself at the District Conference in Goondiwindi last month.

Whilst the conference speakers covered many areas of great interest, the record number of displays also contained a huge amount of information.

One such display was the Australian Rotary Health Research Fund display presented by District ARHRF Chairman Martin Zaugg of the Beaudesert Club. The main thrust of ARHRF is, of course, the five-year plan to assist research into mental illness. The three Community Mental Illness forums conducted in the District so far this year are a part of the plan.

During this month of May, I encourage every individual and every club to turn their minds to the ARHRF and to bring their contributions up to date. Become a Friend of the Fund. Satisfy your club's financial commitment for the year now, this month, while there is still time to have the contributions recognised in this Rotary year.

Like donations to The Australian Rotary Foundation Trust, personal contributions to ARHRF are tax deductible.

The Conference presentations provided us with a range of activities that we can support right now as well as in the future.

Projects like the Rotahome project in Fiji presented to us by Peter Drysdale, projects in Papua New Guinea, ROMAC, Queensland Institute of Medical Research, and our own Rotary District 9640 Cardiovascular Post Graduate Research Scholarship at Griffith University Gold Coast, are all crying out for our help.

Whilst we are all constantly being asked to do more and to give more as Rotarians, we have to balance our contributions, commitments, time and effort effectively. Priorities like family and work cannot be overlooked.

When it is all boiled down though, Rotary is so essentially personal.

It is a personal challenge, a personal responsibility, a deeply personal feeling.

It will always depend on the personal actions of its members, the personal friendships established, the personal responsibilities undertaken, the personal feelings engendered, the personal devotion to its causes—the feelings Rotarians have for Rotary and for fellow members.

It is the feeling within everyone individually, which gives Rotary its place in the world.

Yours in Rotary Service

DG Neil

GSE – Vocational Opportunities

The following is a letter sent to District Group Study Exchange (GSE) Chairman John Henley by GSE team member to Alaska & Yukon, Brendon Cox.

“Dear John

I have just got back tonight from Sydney. I was selected as the only country representative on a work project committee to design a new consumer alert system to be accessed by our customers. The information that I gained from my vocational days in the Yukon and in Anchorage and the brochures and booklets exchanged were invaluable and we are adopting some ideas from these.

I am also enrolled and six months into a Diploma in Management Communication (a two year course).

I am conducting a stand at Seniors Expo and also at Law Week. All of this has come from my experience in GSE along with the team and the people I met in Rotary and overseas.

Thank you, thank you, thank you. I will never ever forget the phone call while I was sitting on my pushbike from you, saying I was going, my heart was beating so fast.

I have also just got an email from Bunnah the Inupiat guide we had in Barrow, so the friends I have made through this are awesome.

Brendon Cox

PEACE SCHOLARS ANNOUNCED

The Rotary Foundation has announced the first class of 70 Rotary World Peace Scholars selected through a competitive multi-level process to study at the Rotary Centres for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution.

Coming from 32 countries, the 70 Rotary World Peace Scholars represent a wide range of professional fields including law, education, diplomacy, and the military.

They will be undertaking graduate studies in international relations, peace, and conflict resolution at the seven Rotary Centres at the following universities:

Duke University and University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, North Carolina, USA; Sciences Po, Paris, France; University of Bradford, West Yorkshire, England; University of Queensland, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia; International Christian University, Tokyo, Japan; Universidad del Salvador, Buenos Aires, Argentina; and University of California-Berkeley, California, USA.

RI General Secretary Ed Futa and Richard Burnett, chairman of Rotary Centres Implementation Group, addressed a briefing at the UN Millennium Hotel, United Nations Plaza, attended by electronic and print news media from across the world.

“Our vision is to build a group of world citizens who have the skills, as well as the passion, to bring about positive change in the global community,” Futa said. “It is our sincere hope that some years in the future, we will look back upon this day and recognize it as a true moment of change for peace efforts and conflict resolution in our world.”

We have the opportunity to nominate Scholars for the next group of Peace Scholars to undertake a two-year masters level degree program in 2003-2005.

For more information refer to the March Edition of Talon Times or Contact District Scholarships Chairman, Norm Robinson on 02 66895215.

Rotary Charity Bike Ride

The fourth annual Rotary Charity bike Ride started from Sydney on 27th April and will finish on 4th May at the Southport Yacht Club.

Moneys raised go to Father Riley’s “Youth off the Streets” program and other Rotary projects.

Incoming President of the Rotary Club of Mudgeeraba, Glenn Samuel, is the only Rotarian from our District who participated by cycling the gruelling 1,000 kms.



ROMAC NEWS

Mercy Dash for 4 Weeks Old Baby from East Timor

A mother and her four weeks old baby boy, with the aid of a ventilator and under the constant care of a doctor made a mercy dash on a RAAF Hercules from East Timor to Darwin and on to Brisbane by Qantas.

Rotary Overseas Medical Aid for Children, ROMAC’s Northern Region chairman, Bryan Mason said Zozo Dosantos had a right-sided Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia. The Doctors in East Timor advised that Zozo required urgent surgery for him to survive.

Dr Roy Kimble, Paediatric Surgeon at the Royal Children’s Hospital Brisbane carried out the operation on Monday 25th March. He said it was a little more complicated than expected but he was very pleased with the result.

The exercise in bringing Zozo to Brisbane was quite involved for ROMAC as it involved the use of a ventilated Humidicrib that took up a large number of seats in the plane. Besides the crib that weighed 27 kilos there was a battery supply weighing 30 kilos and an E size oxygen cylinder.

Donations to ROMAC can be directed to PO Box 3303, Australia Fair, Queensland, Australia, 4215. Donations are tax deductible.

Australian Rotary Health Research Fund Grants

The following ARHRF Grants have been made in our region. The recipients are willing to speak at Rotary functions at mutually satisfactory times.

Implementation of child mental health promotion in schools \$20,000 - 2000

Dr. Jan Nicholson & Professor Brian Oldenburg
Address: Centre for Public Health Research
Queensland University of Technology
Victoria Park Road, Kelvin Grove, Qld, 4059

Ph: 07 3864 3389 After hours: 0419 024 679
Fax: 07 3864 3369 email: j.nicholson@qut.edu.au

Prevention of depression in adolescents \$15,000 - 2001

A/Professor A. Ralph & Professor L. Flicker grant-in-aid
Address: School of Psychology
James Cook University, Douglas, Qld, 4811

Ph: 07 4781 5159 After hours: 07 4758 1424
Fax: 07 4781 5117 email: Alan.Ralph@jcu.edu.au

Evaluation of the effectiveness of group-based Interpersonal psychotherapy with depressed adolescents \$43,765 - 2002

Dr. Susan Spence
Address: School of Psychology

University of Queensland, Brisbane, Qld, 4072

Ph: 07 3365 6115 Fax: 07 3365 4466
Email: s.spence@mailbox.uq.edu.au

First aid and pre-hospital assessment & treatment of Irukandji (jelly fish) envenomation

\$9,3000 - 1999

Dr. Peter Fenner, Mr Russell Hore & Mr Max Bernstone

\$6,690 - 2000 \$6,690 - 2001

Address: Surf Life Saving, Queensland
PO Box 3747, South Brisbane, Qld, 4101

Ph: 07 3846 4000 After hours: 07 3846 4000
Fax: 07 3846 4008 email: slq@lifesaving.com.au

A portable, intensive-care capsule for transporting critically ill new born babies from their birthplace to hospital in a road ambulance or aircraft

\$15,000 - 2000

Professor John Grant-Thompson
Grant-in-aid

Address: The University of Southern Queensland
Faculty of Engineering & Surveying
West Street Toowoomba, Qld, 4350

Ph: 07 4631 2519 After hours: 07 4631 2519
Fax: 07 4631 2526 email: granttho@usq.edu.au

CPR Training in families of chest pain patients \$8,222 - 2000

Dr. Kevin Chu & Dr. Christopher May

Address: Department of Emergency Medicine
Royal Brisbane Hospital Herston, Qld, 4029

Ph: 07 3253 8111 After hours: 3217 8789
Fax: 07 3253 1643 email: kevinchu@one.net.au

Bicycles, injury & risk taking in adolescence \$18,000 - 2001

Dr. CHC Acton, A/Professor Nixon, A/Professor R McClure &
Professor J Batch

Address: Royal Childrens Hospital
Herston Road Brisbane, Qld, 4029

Ph: 07 3365 5478 After hours: 07 3353 2578
Fax: 07 3353 2578 email: c.acton@mailbox.uq.edu.au

Step out of the ordinary

One very grateful RYLA awardees wrote to DG Neil after the seminar. Here is part of the letter.

“Congratulations and thank you for RYLA. I have never been so empowered, motivated, supported and accepted in my entire life.

I really can't put into words just how grateful I am; I just keep coming to the word “Angels”. The saying “Friends are angels who help you to your feet when your wings have trouble remembering how to fly”, couldn't be closer to my heart. I am learning how to fly.

My goal is to give back to RYLA and Rotary what it has given me. I want to help make a difference and encourage others to “step out of the ordinary” and be themselves for themselves.

Anyway I really wanted you to know just how much of an amazing difference that a week on a camp can make. I hope you are exceptionally proud of the 2002 team, the awardees and yourself for being part of a club such as Rotary that really does make a difference, not just talk about what needs to be done.”

Presidential Citation - Deadline 20th May

Presidents are reminded that the Presidential Citation certification forms have to be submitted to RI by DG Neil by 24th May.

Therefore your forms must be in the hands of DG Neil by 20th May.

Every club is encouraged to submit a form even if it is thought the club may not qualify. This will give Neil an opportunity to assess the situation and maybe show how all criteria can be met.

The forms are on the District website at www.rotary9640.org in writable pdf.

RI President's Representative



PDG Jerry Yu and his wife Karen were the representatives of President Rick King and Cherie at the district Conference. Jerry is a charter member of the Rotary Club of Taipei Hwa Nan. He was District Governor of District 3480 in 1995-96.

Jerry and Karen were wonderfully friendly people who will be remembered by conference delegates for some time.

Reminder about Changeovers

Club Secretaries please refer to the form in the electronic version of Talon Times for April, which calls for information on Club changeovers required by DG Neil.

If you have not yet responded it is now an urgent matter to attend to.

Direct enquiries to DG Neil.

Council on Legislation

The ballot conducted at the District Conference in Goondiwindi for the District Representative to the Council on Legislation in 2004 resulted in -

PDG Dugald Graydon being elected.

PDG David Lee is the Alternative Representative.

Congratulations to both nominees.

PDG Brian Heaton withdrew his nomination before the ballot took place.

Who Has Introduced Three New Members?

Rotarians who have proposed three or more new members this year are entitled to a special recognition pin.

Clubs, please send DG Neil the names of members who qualify for this distinction. Neil will arrange for the pins to be available for changeovers.



Brazil GSE Team.

(L to R)

Jose (Team Leader),
President Wendy
Scarlett (R/C Tweed
Heads South), Angela,
Hohn Archer, Russell
Bath, Rubia, Edmar,
Jussara.

CONFERENCE



Kingscliff Display.



*Patricia Price & Barry Kent -
Palm Beach Club Display.*



(L to R) Dell Maxwell, Karen Yu & Judy Lee.



*"Dressed Lamb" - Lucky Door Prize -
went to Judy Graydon.*



Bush Dance.



*Andrew Maxwell ran the
computer.*



*Rebound South Pacific
GSE Team*



"Sailability" - Display.



"Fashion Parade" - Entertainment



President Graeme Maus - R/C Surfers West and Karen



"Fashion Parade" - Finale



Happy



Bush Band Bando'Coos



(L to R) John & Sue Randel - Receiving Bequest Society, Major Donor Recognition from DG Neil.



Breakfast



RI President's Rep. PDG Jerry Yu & Karen



(L to R) Gillian & DGN Max Worthan.



Pianist Kim Barnham & DG Neil.



Rotaract Presentation.



*Session Chairman
Bernie Morris.*



*Lynne Adams -
Ambassadorial Scholar*



Youth Exchange



*DG Neil presents \$10,000 to
Professor Roger Willis
District 9640 Cardiovascular
Post Graduate Research
Scholarship.*



Flags & Windmill



RYLA Enters



Oklahoma GSE Team

Welcome to New Members

Tim HELDT (Audrey)	Allora
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Steven WILSON (Jennifer)	Ballina On Richmond
Neil JONES	Broadbeach
John RAYNOLDS (Sue)	Casino
Peter CLARKE (Sue)	Kyogle
Jennifer WILMINK (Frank)	Jimboomba
Peter MADDEN (Judy Aitken)	Kingscliff
Cheryle MILLS	Mullumbimby
Janelle JONES	Mullumbimby
Erroll GOULDING (Tracey)	Murwillumbah Central
Peter SCORUPANOVIC (Toni)	Murwillumbah Central
Warren LOCKWOOD (Renata)	Robina
Carmel MURPHY	Runaway Bay
Pamela THOROGOOD	Runaway Bay
Cecilia LEGER (Drew Winson)	Southport North
Carole BULL (Mike)	Summerland Sunrise
Bruce McIVER (Valda)	Surfers Paradise
Phil MANHIRE (Margaret)	Surfers Paradise
Peter CASTLETON (Geraldine)	Surfers Paradise
Suzanne FOSKETT	Surfers Central
Mark URQUHART (Kerrie)	Surfers Central
Michael ROACH	Surfers West
Ian RUSSELL	Tweed Heads South (transfer fr Iluka)
Darren BRAY (Tracey)	Warwick
Norm BETTS (Rhonda)	Warwick
Steven POOLE	Warwick
David COLE (Lorraine)	Warwick

...Changes...

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ELANORA QLD 4221

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Bob & Nan BALDWIN
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Rotary District 9640 Membership & Attendance report for March 2002

Rotary Club of ...	Attendance Membership				Year to Date		
	This month		Year to Date		Start of Year	Present	Change
	%age	Rank	%age	Rank			
Allora	79.20	20	57.14	52	13	14	1
Alstonville	83.63	12	80.88	16	30	29	-1
Ashmore	72.91	38	77.41	26	38	34	-4
Ballina	72.32	40	76.06	28	35	34	-1
Ballina-on-Richmond	88.55	5	72.79	34	24	26	2
Beaudesert	84.50	10	87.34	5	34	33	-1
Boonah	96.77	2	92.14	2	34	39	5
Broadbeach	75.48	31	81.91	11	46	52	6
Broadwater Southport	76.67	28	68.50	45	33	30	-3
Burleigh Heads	80.83	17	75.34	30	18	17	-1
Byron Bay	78.60	22	81.69	12	12	14	2
Casino	72.59	39	72.14	38	31	29	-2
Coolangatta Tweed Heads	63.00	49	67.67	46	30	30	-
Coomera Valley	75.00	34	79.06	21	26	26	-
Glen Innes	83.37	14	78.36	23	35	37	2
Goondiwindi	84.85	8	72.43	36	37	33	-4
Goonellabah	89.00	4	75.19	31	28	26	-2
Grafton	75.73	30	73.29	33	36	34	-2
Grafton Midday	74.80	35	71.16	41	27	32	5
Iluka	79.00	21	80.09	19	13	17	4
Jimboomba	84.00	11	83.72	6	19	23	4
Kingscliff	77.94	25	69.26	44	22	24	2
Kirra Currumbin	86.00	7	81.63	13	15	15	-
Kyogle	69.50	44	65.17	49	11	13	2
Lismore	100.00	1	77.29	27	29	28	-1
Lismore Central	69.04	45	56.57	53	22	21	-1
Lismore West	90.00	3	94.93	1	44	46	2
Maclean	74.40	36	83.23	7	45	47	2
Mermaid Beach	87.00	6	78.99	22	22	26	4
Mt Warning AM (Murwillumbah)	83.50	13	83.14	8	29	29	-
Mudgeeraba	77.65	27	80.43	17	23	23	-
Mullumbimby	81.20	16	81.44	14	29	32	3
Murwillumbah	80.00	19	80.99	15	29	29	-
Murwillumbah Central	84.60	9	80.11	18	45	46	1
Nerang	75.05	33	88.37	3	24	27	3
Palm Beach	74.07	37	75.64	29	37	36	-1
Parkwood	55.10	50	71.70	40	23	24	1
Robina	No Report	51	64.00	50	14	14	-
Runaway Bay	75.06	32	77.82	24	38	42	4
South Grafton	78.00	24	72.46	35	11	11	-
Southport	72.22	41	70.69	42	40	45	5
Southport North	No Report	51	69.30	43	18	18	-
Stanthorpe	65.82	48	67.18	48	46	49	3
Summerland Sunrise	78.25	23	82.32	10	27	28	1
Surfers Paradise	70.45	43	61.49	51	64	66	2
Surfers Paradise Central	77.84	26	79.58	20	58	59	1
Surfers Paradise West	72.00	42	77.82	25	33	33	-
Surfers Sunrise	No Report	51	43.55	54	40	40	-
Tamborine Mountain	82.69	15	82.53	9	11	13	2
Tenterfield	No Report	51	72.17	37	25	24	-1
Tweed Heads South	80.55	18	87.64	4	16	18	2
Warwick	68.75	47	67.44	47	23	24	1
Warwick Sunrise	76.19	29	73.50	32	20	21	1
Yamba	68.90	46	71.93	39	27	27	-
					1559	1607	48

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!