



Rotary International District 9640
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From the Governor's Desk

Rotary International President Elect Jonathon Majiyagbe entertained and enthralled 320 District 9640 Rotary members at the R C of Parkwood this past week.

He spoke warmly on a range of matters including the purpose of Rotary, Polioplus, women in Rotary, the World Centers for the Study of Peace and Conflict Resolution and The Rotary Foundation.

He spoke sensitively and caringly about the need for the work of Rotarians around the world.

"Soon our all-too-brief lives will be over. What is the use of living? To make the world a better place for us having been here", he said.

RIPE Jonathon completed his presentation by saying, "When you make a speech you should stand on one leg -

when the other leg hits the ground you should stop. My other leg has just hit the ground!"

I would like to offer President Margaret Grummitt and Chair of the evening, PRIT Brian Knowles and the

IN MEMORIAM PDG 1988/89 Bob Mann O.B.E.

It is with a heavy heart that I report the sad passing of Past District 9640 Governor Bob Mann in Goondiwindi on Wed 4 Sept 2002.

Bob was President of the RC of Goondiwindi on two occasions, and leader of a District GSE team to the USA. He has the reputation of being a most committed District Governor as he made it his business to attend each and every District meeting be it as far away as Grafton or the Gold Coast. A number of Bob's club members, equally committed, assisted him with the driving. They invariably made it home safely and speedily on every occasion.

He conducted a major transport business, was a Councilor for many years, Deputy Mayor, a retired RAAF Flight Instructor (in both England and Canada), a Mason, a member of the Order of St John and held the Order of the British Empire.

Bob has two brothers and two sisters. His brother, Bill, is a Past District Governor of District 9630. His wife, Lola, resides in Goondiwindi and his daughter and grandson reside in England.

His funeral service will be conducted at the Uniting Church, Goondiwindi at 10.00am tomorrow. This will be followed by a service at the Toowoomba Crematorium at 4.00pm.

Bob was a most remarkable and impressive Australian Rotarian. He will be sadly missed by all with whom he came into contact.

Rest in Peace

members of the RC of Parkwood, my sincere thanks for representing the District so ably in preparing for and during the evening itself.

Judy Aitken, President of RC of Kingscliff has kindly provided me the above notes of the evening.

Ross Smith

Telemarketing

One of the most regular types of enquiries RI receives at the Parramatta office from members of the general public relates to Rotary Clubs and telemarketing.

Whilst most enquirers are supportive of the programs being undertaken by Rotary Clubs and Rotary International, many express concerns about the style of approach employed by professional fundraisers that use telemarketing as their primary means of fundraising.

Rotary International has a clear policy on the use of telemarketing. The policy appears below and can be found in the Code of Policies.

In the interests of ensuring that the tremendous work carried out by clubs is not jeopardized by over zealous professional fundraisers, I ask that all 9640

Rotary Clubs ensure that Rotary International's current policy is being observed.

"49.070. Telemarketing The Board does not look with favor on the use of commercial telemarketing by Rotary clubs and districts for any

purpose, and asks clubs and districts to exercise caution in regard to telemarketing, especially in the event that a commercial telemarketing firm is utilized. Any use of telemarketing must comply with existing Rotary circulation policy, and any use of an agreement with a commercial telemarketing firm must include proper identification and qualifying language regarding the Rotary club or district to be represented. (*June 1998 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 348*)"

Source: Feb. 1998 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 253



Group Study Exchange Application Dates

District 2110 Southern Italy (Sicily) & Malta April/May 2003

Applications for **Team Leader and Team Members** close:

Friday 27 Sept 2002

Details from **District GSE Chair Tony Cosgrove**
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Natty Notions - Community

#1: The opening of the **Yelgun to Chinderah Highway** was recently recognised by the community.

Six Rotary Clubs from northern New South Wales united to make it a great day out as well as a fundraiser for PolioPlus.

Rotarians were the tour guides on twenty donated buses as visitors experienced the road prior to the official opening. The Rotary clubs also attended to the inner (wo)man providing food and drink for the thousands in attendance.

I particularly recognised the Rotary Club of Kingscliff on the day because of its clear commitment to a polished corporate appearance - Rotary hats, shirts and tent.

This was a great interclub project for both goodwill and promotion as well supporting a first class purpose.

#2: Speed-On-Tweed is an initiative of the Rotary Club of Murwillumbah. This exciting project is to take place in the main street of the town on the weekend of 21/22 September 2002.

Vintage racing cars are preparing for speed trials on the street course all weekend. This is to be a major community event supported by the Council and many community groups. Jack Brabham and his award winning vintage

car promise to be major drawcards.

#3: Jazz in the Vineyard is an initiative of the Rotary Club of Stanthorpe at the Ballandean Estate on Saturday 14 Sept 2002. The headline performer will be James Morrison and his band.

I.F.S.R. 2003

Everything is in readiness in Madesimo, Italy, for the Fifth Rotary World Ski Championship.

WANTED

An Enthusiastic Rotarian to promote Interplast and its work as **District 9640 Interplast Chair** in 2003-2004
 A medical Doctor would be ideal but this should not deter Rotarians who wish to play a part in improving the lot of cleft palate victims from applying.
 Contact DGE Max Wortman
 Ph: 55 781574 or Fax 55782949

One of Italy's most famous ski resorts in the mountains of Lombardy will host the **International Federation of Skiing Rotarians (IFSR)** from 15 February to 22 February 2003.

This is a unique opportunity for members and clubs to challenge one another in Nordic and Alpine skiing and so on. It will be a week of sport and genuine fun.

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Paul Harris Fellows

Congratulations to the following recipients in whose name \$US1000 has been donated to **The Rotary Foundation.**

- Michael Clark** RC of Nerang
- Phil Connolly** RC of Nerang
- Bill Nardi** RC of Goonellabah

New Members

A warm welcome to:

- James McGill** RC of Burleigh Heads
- John Boyce** RC of Burleigh Heads
- Lesley Wemyss** RC of Robina
- Greg Saul** RC of Maclean
- Paul Bruce** RC of Surfers Paradise
- Des Charles** RC of Nerang
- Bill Nicholson** RC of Nerang
- Bill Nixon** RC of Nerang
- Barry Nancarrow** RC of Nerang
- Terry Moore** RC of Nerang
- John Liuzzi** RC of Burleigh Heads

DG Official Visits

9 Sep Coomera Valley
10 Sep Southport
16 Sep Runaway Bay
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