

The Bulletin

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Presidents Report 18th-03-14

Welcome to Past President and Rotary shop manageress Di Rollo in accompanying Barbara on this a memorable occasion.

It is always a pleasure to welcome new members and, I as President had the envious task of inducting Barbara English, and presented a folder of Rotary information and lapel pins that we ask are worn with pride. Barbara a past Rotarian from Mosman in Queensland, and since moving to the Mornington Peninsula is one of the charter members of Probus at Dromana comes to us with book keeping skills and a volunteer at our ladies Rotary shop.

Welcome to Rosebud – Rye Rotary Barbara may your time in our club be rewarding and enjoyable.

We certainly need to congratulate Director Jan Alexander for having the foresight to encourage Youth director Claire Burns to implement Business skills in step up coaching training into our clubs Visioning exercise, We have now narrowed our collective priorities that will be introduced over time, using the ideals and objects of Rotary. Our clubs membership need to carefully and methodically introduce such changes, after analysing what needs to be fixed, enter into thorough research, is this going to encourage new members to our club, if not why would we making the changes. Clubs only survive with happy and engaging members and our priority is to attract and engage in conversations with people, we need a plan for this and should be set in concrete, it is every clubs priority, are we conducting our selves in the way we would encourage our guest speakers and other visitors to join. Do we treat our hosts, suppliers with professionalism, dignity and most of all respect? Word of mouth particularly on the Southern Peninsula is very powerful, criticism delivered in the public forum could jeopardise club growth now and into the future.

District assembly April 13th Sunday
(P.e.t.s.- Lee-Saturday-12th)
Lavalla College Traralgon.

The place where district personal give up there valuable time to enhance our knowledge on the avenues of service,

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and projects of 50 plus clubs in the district.

Our club has an opportunity to showcase our clubs activities at this venue.

Kite festival last Sunday have had no official report from the chamber of commerce, but from all reports a large gathering of families once again enjoying a fun filled day, The upper draft wind was just enough to have the sky filled with colourful kites of all sizes. Thanks to Directors Claire and Libby on site promoting another important community project Literacy village, free children's book swap.

Rotarians on warehouse duty I trust you are still looking after our friends of Rotary on Saturday morning's in taking a treat for them to eat for morning tea, Thankyou.

I shall leave it to directors to give a report on District and ride to Conference Bendigo at the weekend past We are all well aware of IPP Neil Stitt sprint race win and Captain Barry Irving keeping all the riders in-toe and safe congratulations. Welcome back to all, thank you for doing our club proud. President *Doug*

This weeks Quote:

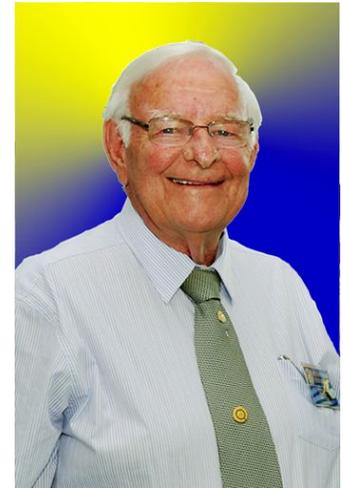
“You only live once, but if you do it right, once is enough.”

Mae West



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Ron D Burton

District Governor: **Tim Moore**
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The Rotary Club of Rosebud-Rye

Meets weekly at the
Rosebud Country Club.

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Tuesdays 6.00 for 6.30 pm.

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Rotary Club of Rosebud-Rye Club Officers 2013- 2014

President: Doug Hellenen
 Immediate Past President: Neil Stitt
 President Elect: Lee Stanford
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 Assistant Treasurer:
 Sergeant at Arms: Julie Davey
 Assistant Sergeant: Mary Claire
 Rotary Warehouse: Damien Jones
 Club Historian: Keith Holmes
 Program Coordinator: Zoe Sterling
 Publicity Officer: Barry Irving, Zoë Sterling
 Fellowship: The Club
 Bulletin Editor: Barry Irving
 Market: Barry Irving, Neil Stitt, Pat Sansonetti.

Duty Roster
 Meeting Roster for the month of March

| Duty: | 18 th . March | 25 th . March |
|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Meeting Chair | Claire Burns | Claire Burns |
| Guest Speaker | | |
| Subject | Club Development | Club Development |
| Cashier | Libby Wilson | Jan Alexander |
| Guest Liaison | Ken Healey | Keith Holmes |
| Invocation & Toast | Zoe Sterling | Neil Stitt |

Saturday Morning Warehouse Roster 9am-1.00pm

| March.22 | March.29 | April. 5 | April.12 |
|----------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| Betty Jennings | Ern Jennings | Barry Osborne | Lee Stanford |

Rotary Market Roster 1st. Saturday of each month.

Friday Site Mark out: Pat Sansonetti,
 Saturday am. Gate:, Pat Sansonetti, Claire Burns,
 Damien Jones.
 Food Van: Barry Irving, Neil Stitt

Coming Events & Visits.

March 11, 18 & 25 Claire Burns Club Development process. April 1 Julie Simpson Police all terrain vehicle.
 April 5th. Rye Foreshore Market.

Rotary Invocation

For Good Food, Good Fellowship and the Opportunity to Serve through Rotary. We Give Thanks.

Loyal Toast : *To Her Majesty the Queen, Australia and Rotary.*

To make you smile**PURE (IRISH) LOGIC.**

Paddy and Mick were discussing cable television. Paddy said "I really do like it, especially all the sport they show."

"Yes," said Mick, "I can sit and watch it for hours."

Paddy then said "But I really cannot like that stupid 'Tour de France'". All they seem to do is ride over the very worst roads; over cobble stones, sand roads, dirt roads, crash into each other, motor bikes and the support cars, let alone the crowds that walk into them; up the mountains in driving rain and then down the other sides in snow or sleet"

Mick said "But Paddy, the winner gets over three million pounds".

Paddy thought about that for a while and then he said "I can understand why the winning rider does it Mick, but what about all the others?"

THAT'S NOT MY JOB!

This is a story about four people, named: Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody.

There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realised that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.

Reports and News March 2014

From the Rotary Opportunity Warehouse

It's no surprise that February saw a slowdown in sales as holiday makers headed home and people started to pay off their credit card bills from their Christmas splurge.

We did still manage to top \$1000 a day in sales on a regular basis, and the longer serving volunteers pointed out to me that they are regularly going to two pages in the sales record they keep on the desk; this hasn't happened in the recent past. The monthly figures support the overall increase in sales as our monthly average has climbed from \$20,357 to \$22,972. This average is second only to the famous Rudd cash splash year. Our hope is that we can maintain this average or continue to grow it of course. Through the last weeks of February and into March I began directly marketing through the local Facebook bulletin boards, of which there are 3 for the Peninsula. This has been an interesting experiment and has certainly increased our potential customer reach. I would have had at least 10-15 questions from users about where we are, opening hours etc. in the end I created a template to answer all such questions. I will continue to use this media to promote sales of items which we are over stocked with, the ultimate aim being to never have to dump good furniture at the tip. I've also used this medium to give the thumbs up to local community providers such as Seawinds, and found an endless source of bed legs through a local guy who recycles beds.

In early March I attended a lunch for Tash, who was a young girl who sadly passed away recently from a rare and debilitating form of cancer. This lunch was served at Seawinds, and I met some good people there and even dragged a couple of new customers along to our shop afterwards.

An improvement has been made to the way we fund the Southern Peninsula Information and Community Support Centre which should streamline the process of donating furniture to those in need, as well as ensuring that all money donated is spent back through the Warehouse.

The newer volunteers have settled in well, and I now have a full team for pick ups and deliveries through the week. Bob is a new driver who works Thursdays and Gary is the Energiser bunny as far as cleaning and sorting out the workspace goes. He is determined to find work locally, but has said that he will still come and help us out too, as have other volunteers who recently started part time work.

The whole team seem to be in good spirits and are coming up with solutions to problems themselves, which is what I like to encourage. Customers have been commenting on an almost daily basis about how good the place looks and I've given credit to the team for maintaining this high standard of presentation. We could always use some more volunteers who are reliable and personable on the shop floor, and I will be meeting with the manager of CRS, an agency which assist with people's rehabilitation after injury or illness, as they are running retail courses which require some placement time. I may also experiment with the Facebook bulletin boards to see if there may be people we can attract through there but I may do this after Easter, as I plan on taking 2 weeks off and travelling to Sydney with my daughter.

In summary I'm pretty happy with how we are travelling and only aim to continue to further increase our foot print in the community and keep encouraging our happy customers to promote us to their friends. If you haven't visited lately be sure to do so but expect to leave with a wad of pamphlets to pass on to friends and family.

Rotary Warehouse Manager *Damien*

The British Penny.

EU Directive No. 456179

In order to bring about further integration with the Single European currency, all citizens of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland must be made aware that the phrase 'Spending a Penny' is not to be used after 31st December 2013 From this date onwards, the correct terminology will be: '**Euronating**'.

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Ride to Conference 2014

Last week Barry and myself completed another ride to conference -this time around Bendigo. As well as the two of us Brian joined us on the last day to drive the sag wagon for the day. And of course the Club Foodvan travelled with us and fed the hungry riders at lunch and morning and afternoon teas throughout the ride. The ride this year was around Bendigo-staying at the Ascot Big 4 Caravan Park and heading out from Bendigo each day. There were 36 Rotarian riders and 5 exchange students including Denny from Dromana/Sorrento who stayed with Barry and myself and was a great kid. In addition there was 15 or so support crew-caterers-we are well looked after in that department-as well as motorcyclists and drivers for the vehicles. The weather was kind to us-I had a swim every day after the ride-with a two or three days getting a little warm for riding in the afternoons but only a couple of spots of rain all week. We visited 3 small primary schools with Harold the Life Education mascot giraffe. I totalled 582 .37 km for the week-5 ½ days-we certainly covered some territory including the hills down towards Harcourt and Maldon and around Lake Eppalock. Barry was the “road boss”-as unable to ride due to his recent hand injury-and kept the riders well under check and supervised the crossing of busy intersections as well as taking photographs and arranging for an article on the ride in the Bendigo Advertiser. We also produced a slide show for the conference after we finished the ride. I also won the annual “sprint” competition so we have a ridiculously large trophy for the year. All in all we worked hard but had a great time and we would like to thank the club for sponsoring us again for the charities of Life Education and Peninsula Teenage Road Accident Group,

PP *Neil*



Photos left: Ride to Conference Chairman Ian Symond presents the sprint trophy to this years winner Neil Stitt.

Right: Harold the Life Education Giraffe rides on the back of the tandem accompanied by the Conference riders into one of three schools that we visited during the ride.

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Conference Report 2014

This year's District Conference was held last weekend at Bendigo and was of the best conferences I have been to with terrific speakers and great fellowship. It was held at the 4 Seasons Hotel in Bendigo which was a great venue. Barry and myself didn't go to the brief Friday night session-we were knocking up a ride to conference slide-show for Saturday- but certainly Saturday and Sunday were terrific. DG Tim and Jane are well known to club members and very friendly people and had a very relaxed conference. Sjaak Custers who hosted our membership night last year was the MC and was also great and there was a fantastic variety of speakers including comedian Jean Kittson on amongst other things her role as an ambassador for organisations including Ovarian Cancer Australia, Champion Surfer Layne Beachley, Dr Jonathon Welch from the choir of hard knocks, Joanna McMillan a dietician with a delightful Scottish accent and some common sense and Holly Ransom a young Rotarian who at 23 is already a past president and had some great ideas about bringing Rotary into the 21st Century. There was also an amazing Rotarian Magician in Jonathon Usher who was fantastic and I would certainly be looking to see him in a full performance at some stage. The Saturday Night Dinner has a Chinese theme and singer Colleen Hewett and although club members enjoyed themselves a lot-Libby is a mean dancer-we didn't do a very good job of dressing up-will have to do better next year. All in all a terrific conference and mark down the last weekend in March next year in Shepparton for the next one.

PP *Neil*



The Mayor of Bendigo addresses the riders at the end of the ride at the civic reception in the Hargreaves Street Mall in Bendigo accompanied by the DG Tim Moore and the "Ripper"



End of the road, the riders assemble to hear the official addresses.

This years ride raised \$50,000 which brings the total for 13 Ride to Conference fund raisers to \$800,000