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DG Bernie's Weekly Message

We all acknowledge that our youth are the future and the advancement of our great country will depend entirely on them and so, we have an important role to play in preparing them to be able to 'Lead the Way' through the 21st century.

All care must be taken to ensure they are not our clones, for our future must be guided by fresh thought and vigorous enterprise.

It will be our responsibility, however, to provide our youth with every opportunity to learn about leadership, to enable social interaction with their groups and develop a strong sense of citizenship that will serve them well in their adult life.

Rotary has dynamic programmes for youth that suit the important age groups and we are going to promote and enlarge their impact this year.

Rotaract: These are Clubs for 28 to 30 years olds that are sponsored and nurtured by local Rotary Clubs where young members seek to develop friendships and professional contacts that will enable them to address the physical and social needs of their communities. We would hope their involvement would eventually lead to membership in Rotary.

Interact: Founded in 1962, this programme has grown dramatically into a Rotary sponsored international programme for service minded young people between the ages of 14 and 18 years who are in the final years of secondary school. Clubs can be community based but are usually attached to the local high school. The purpose of Interact is to provide opportunities for young people to work together in a world fellowship dedicated to service and international understanding.

At the start of this important Rotary year, I am asking Clubs to provide the platform for our young people to experience the responsibilities of good citizenship at these vital ages.

Please consider these strongly as part of your youth programme and Lead the Way for our youth into the world of the future.

Further information is available by contacting:

Rotaract – [John Lord](#) (RC Caulfield) 9885 9247 (Directory P.165)

Interact – [Gregor Howie](#) (RC Chadstone East Malvern) 9822 3131 (Directory P.161)

Enjoy Rotary and Lead the Way!

Bernie Walshe
Governor

**Calendar of
Events:**

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Object of

1. **WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CLUBS**

RC Keilor: Ted Whitten Jnr will speak on PROSTRATE CANCER ON 22ND August. **Venue:** Keilor East RSL Club, Hoffmans Rd, Essendon West 3040, 6:30 pm for 6:45pm start. \$20 includes a meal. Those attending must e-mail joe@engert.com.au.

Paul Harris Fellows:

Congratulations to all PHF recipients through whose recognition the Rotary Foundation has benefited significantly:

RC Bendigo Sandhurst

PP Bruce Fraser

RC Chadstone/East Malvern

Elaine Hall - wife of member Bill Hall for her work and support of the Club over many years.

RC Malvern

Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

2. District DIK

Great news Rotarians - DIK deliveries have recommenced to Timor Leste now that our representative Rtn Darryl Mills has been able to return to Timor Leste. Clearly the need is great with some 25000 refugees in Baucau in addition to the many more in Dili.

Still lots to be done so we continue to need donations of goods but particularly cash. [Click here](#) for details.

3. Calling all Yachties

News from Rotary's Yachting Fellowship
[Click here](#) for a report on a weekend at Echuca

4. Volunteering Australia

PDG John Wigley has brought our attention to "Involve" a regular publication of Volunteering Australia. This organisation and the Newsletter may be of value to some Rotarians and Clubs. You visit the website at: <http://www.volunteeringaustralia>.

PP Brian Hawdon (Sapphire)

PP Peter Milburn (Sapphire)

June Woods (Non -Rotarian) - June has set an outstanding example of community service in her life and most recently has been a dedicated worker of Very Special Kids.

RC Melton Valley

Ross Butterworth

President David Kerruish

RC Woodend

VP Barry Napthine

RC Moorleigh-Bentleigh East (District 9810)

Bill Daqq (Sapphire) in recognition of the great work of Bill in co-ordinating the teams for the Commonwealth Games Cleaning project. D9810 was recipient of around half of earnings from this project.

Other Awards

RC Melton Valley

Neil Penny – Royce Abbey Award

Vale

Deepest sympathy to PP Trevor Harris & Family on the loss of Esme Harris, PHF - RC Melbourne South

RI Exchange Rate

The July Rotary exchange rate for the AUD is 1.37.

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THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

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