



## SERVICE Above Self



September is New Generations Month and RI President, Carl Wilhem says that we could just as well call it the *“month of our future”* because investing in youth IS our future. He goes on to say that Interact, Rotoract, Youth Exchange and RYLA all build upon the goals of personal growth and leadership of youth by youth. They also represent a wonderful service of future Rotarians, already acquainted with the ideals and Rotary International.

Our District New Generations Chairman, Chris Don, has stated that his committee is planning to have five new Interact Clubs this year and I am pleased to advise that three have already been established.

I would also encourage clubs to consider the expansion of the number of Rotoract Clubs in District 9800 and while I realise this is not something that happens overnight, I believe that Rotoract is important to Rotary as they are our future younger members.

There are so many programs in our District that support the youth in our community and our clubs get involved in many of them as I am learning during my visits. One that I would like to mention is Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment (RYPEN) which is a program of weekend seminars for young people between the ages of 14 and 17 and the next camp is on 21-23 October, and hosted by RC Keilor and held at Lancefield.

DG John Wigley

# District 9800

## DG’s Update

September 2005

This month featuring youth

District’s website:  
[www.rotaryd9800.org](http://www.rotaryd9800.org)

Rotary International:  
[www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

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## District Website

You will find the District Website on [www.rotaryd9800.org](http://www.rotaryd9800.org) It has been updated and features details of District Committees and activities, the structure of our District, a Club locator, and of course the District Conference Website which you will find on:

[www.rotary9800conference.com/](http://www.rotary9800conference.com/)

Also available online is a weekly e-Zine which members can log onto at:

[www.rotaryd9800.org/news9800](http://www.rotaryd9800.org/news9800)

## RI Website

**Do you want to know more about Rotary?**

**Do you know where to find Rotary?**

Try [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) - the website for Rotary International which has all the information you could hope to find. Learn more about the Rotary Foundation, RI Programs, the Newsroom, Events, Training and Member Access. It’s all there for you to find!

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# New Members

## RC of Central Melbourne Sunrise

Inez Dussuyer (from RC Hawthorn)  
John Ferguson

## RC Brighton North

Geoff Speed

## RC Werribee

Mr Adrian Humphrey  
Mr Jim Tran

## RC Brunswick

David Kennedy  
Stavros Rekaris

# PHF Recognitions

## RC Central Melbourne Sunrise

Thornton, Roger  
Thomas, Tony  
Four Avenues of Service Award to Keith Frampton

## Altona City

Jack Davidson  
John Rabusin

## RC Richmond

John Nairn, Phil Mylecharane, Maureen Pang,  
Tim Baker (Sapphire), David Bibby (Sapphire), Mark  
Dwyer (Sapphire), Warren Golding (Sapphire), PDG  
Judy Nettleton (Sapphire),  
Trevor Pang (Sapphire) & Barry Roberts (Sapphire).

## R Southbank

Dr Sam Ginsberg

## RC Brighton

Julie Avery (PHF Sapphire)

## RC of Bendigo

Rotarians Garry Gunnell and Ray Paulsen.

## RC Laverton Point Cook

PHF Rhonda Schumann  
PHF Sapphire Mark Schirmer

## RC of Carlton

Ross Hedditch

There must be many more New Members who have not been recorded; similarly with PHF recognitions. These are the ones that the District Secretary records in the weekly e-Zine.

Remember to contact:  
secretary@rotaryd9800.org to let  
the DG know of these events.

*An invitation to*

**GEELONG**

Australia

*Embrace the Rhythm of Life - Rotary*



**Rotary International District 9800 Conference  
Geelong, 31 March - 2 April 2006**

For all of your conference arrangements, please visit:

[www.rotaryd9800conference.com](http://www.rotaryd9800conference.com)

# RYLA 2005

RYLA 2005 is not that far away and planning for the program is nearly complete. In mid September we had our team weekend which involved some formal training and program preparation. We are really excited and enthusiastic about the team we have assembled to facilitate and manage the program. Almost all of our guest speakers are now confirmed, once again the program is structured around themes of personal awareness, community connectedness and challenge by choice. To all new generations directors the application close date of 1 November has been extended, so if you've had trouble finding a candidate be sure to contact the chairman or one of the co-directors as soon as possible and we'll endeavour to find you a candidate. RYLA is running from **Sunday December 4 to Saturday December 10** and Rotarians are invited to join us for the RYLA Rotary dinner on Thursday 8 December commencing at 7pm.

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# RC of Eaglehawk and Skatepark Bendigo

The RC of Eaglehawk is leading the **Skatepark Bendigo** Fund Raising Committee. The club is involved in raising the funds required to construct a “State of the Art” regional skate park facility to be built in Eaglehawk which is considered to be the lowest socio-economic area in Victoria.

For many years the youth of Eaglehawk and its surrounding areas have begged for such a facility and hundreds of signatures were received in favour of the proposal. So the RC of Eaglehawk became the voice of its youth to ensure that an architecturally and environmentally friendly facility is constructed.

Having received planning permission from the City of Greater Bendigo, a major fund raising initiative was launched on the 31st August. Attending the launch was DG John Wigley (*centre*), Bendigo Mayor, Cr. Rod Fyffe (*left*), Eaglehawk President Walter Lourie (*right*) and other Rotarians.

The users groups, ie. the young people of Eaglehawk, had a hand in determining the unique design of the facility, alongside the professional designers. The final design will be subject to due Council process before approval for construction. Now it up to the community with the leadership of the RC of Eaglehawk to provide the important financial support to get this to the next stage; construction of an much needed community project.

with thanks to the RC of Eaglehawk



# RC of Wyndham wins all round

At the DG’s visit, the RC of Wyndham awarded computer packages to two students in the sixth year of its scholarship program.

The program provides computers to local students in years 5 to 9 who don’t have access to one at home, or have an old one. Year six students Dylan Natoli, of Derrimut Heath Primary School and Reece Smythe, from Point Cook Primary, were this year’s winners.

The Rotary judges said the students showed exceptional interest in technology and shared their skills with classmates.

Dylan said he hoped the program would continue so that other families could benefit as he had. “It was scary receiving a huge scholarship in front of 20 or 30 people older than me”, he said.

Teachers from any Wyndham primary school can nominate a student for this great program through the Rotary Club of Wyndham.



Winning smiles ... Dylan Natoli, of Derrimut Heath Primary School (left), and Reece Smythe from Point Cook Primary School with Wyndham Rotary Club President Diane Thomson

with thanks to Diane and Sean Thompson

# Attendance and Membership - August 2005

	Members August 2005	Attendance %		Members August 2005	Attendance %
Albert Park	41	49	Kangaroo Flat		65
Altona	28	81	Keilor	37	
Altona City	29		Keilor East	41	88
Bacchus Marsh	41		Kew		61
Balwyn	74		Kew on Yarra	18	82
Bendigo	78	69	Kyneton	41	81
Bendigo Sandhurst	46		Laverton Point Cook		
Bendigo South	42	69	Malvern	42	77
Bendigo Strathdale	39		Maribyrnong Highpoint		
Boroondara	19		Melbourne	240	
Brighton			Melbourne Latrobe	19	75
Brighton Beach	23	60	Melbourne North		
Brighton North	41	58	Melbourne South	52	
Brimbank Central	31	81	Melton	46	82
Brunswick	23		Melton Valley	18	
Camberwell	68	78	Moonee Valley		
Canterbury			North Balwyn	93	79
Carlton	39	67	Northcote	16	
Castlemaine	55	75	Point Gellibrand	37	64
Caulfield	18	67	Prahran	37	
Cent Melbourne Sunrise	60	68	Richmond	43	
Chadstone E Malvern	39	71	Richmond Hill		
Collingwood			Rochester		95
Daylesford		69	South Yarra	9	
Eaglehawk	36	89	Southbank	41	56
Echuca-Moama	21	70	St Kilda	19	48
Elsternwick	18		Sunshine	24	
Essendon	83	54	Toorak	35	
Essendon North	31	83	Tullamarine	18	
Fitzroy	29		Werribee	44	78
Flemington		78	West Footscray	32	
Footscray	50	57	Williamstown	33	65
Gisborne	24	75	Woodend	20	85
Glen Eira	28		Wyndham	29	
Glenferrie	45	55	Yarraville	24	00
Hawthorn	68	64	<b>Total</b>	2817	
Hoppers Crossing	25	68			

**NB:** Club Attendance Officers - Figures by 15th of month to [attendance@rotaryd9800.org](mailto:attendance@rotaryd9800.org)  
 Club Secretaries - Figures by 15th of month to [membership@rotaryd9800.org](mailto:membership@rotaryd9800.org)