



Rotary Club of Kew on Yarra

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Chartered 16th June 1986
R.I. District 9800

Rotary Year 2009-2010

- President: Anne Brown
- Vice President: David Shave
- Hon Secretary: Sue Anderson
- Hon Treasurer: Ken Maher
- President Elect: John Brownsea



Rotary International

- President
John Kenny
- District Governor 9800
Colin Muir
- Assistant Governor
Gabrielle Morgan

Club Avenues of Service

- Club Service Director: John Brownsea
- Community Service: David Anderson
- Bulletin Editors: Bill Chow
- Internet/Web: Tony Boyd
- Programme: Anthony Tung
- Peter Leonard
- Vocational Service Director: John Orr
- International Service Director: Derek Bond
- Foundation: Edel Conroy
- New Generations Director: Isabel Armer

PLEASE REMEMBER

Apologies and guests to
Sue Anderson
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Brown's Blog

(A word from President Anne Brown)

Wednesday evening this week was extremely busy at 5.45pm before the meeting Secretary Sue and I met with Assistant Governor Gabrielle Morgan and a short time later the rest of the board joined us. The meeting was a forum where AG Gabrielle formally introduced herself to the club and gave an insight into where she saw the club was going this year. Then directors plus Edel and David Shave gave us an overview of their plans for the year. How many realised in the tight schedule Derek's International report was missed I have promised him time at this weeks meeting.

The board meeting after the weekly meeting finished at 10.00pm, I hope we can replicate this in future. It had been drawn to my attention that we were one of the very few clubs in District that did not have Foundation as a Directorship. I am happy to announce that we have now appointed Edel Conroy as Director of Foundation. As well David Shave reported that he had ordered the new name badges and we will have them in the next couple of weeks. The Board discussed the concept of "Friends of Rotary" and agreed in-principle that it should be an informal arrangement of people who are prepared to assist the Club with activities according to their skills, interests and availability. David Shave was asked to prepare a short dot point criteria for the next board meeting for discussion.

On Friday I attended the Foundation Boroondara breakfast at which a panel discussed the importance of connecting corporate, communities & citizens in the current Global Financial Crisis. The main thing I came away with was Norman Gale, Salvation Army Camberwell, stating that there had been a 60% increase in people accessing their financial planning councillor and that these were people who would not normally be expect to need this service, a sign of the impact of the GFC. At lunch time I attended a Boroondara Cares meeting at which both Kevin Burke and Trevor Ennuls painted a grim picture of the outlook for the Moira shire unless there is significant spring rain. At the moment after having some rain it is green and everything is looking okay but with the low world milk prices the dairy farmers are struggling to meet cost of production. The orchards for the first time because of the critically low dam levels have no irrigation water allocation and the canneries are cutting the amount of fruit they want. When Boroondara Cares began nearly two years ago the charter was for two years or until the drought ends and as this hasn't happened there was agreement to continue the program. There will be a workshop in early August to plan how the program would continue. I will finish up with once again extending the clubs condolences to Ken and Helen Maher, Dario and Louise Brosolo and David and Sue Anderson on the deaths in their respected families, a sad week for members of our club. Ann and Peter Leonard will be missing for a few weeks and I wish Ann a speedy recover from the shoulder surgery she is about to have. I hope to see you back fit and well soon. Anne with an E

Meet Wednesdays 6.30 for 7.00 pm
At Amora Hotel Riverwalk
649 Bridge Rd, Richmond, Victoria
Telephone: 03 9246-1200

Guest Speaker

No guest speaker for the week:

Club forum was held (refer to comments from Pres Anne) and all Directors gave a short report.

Our AG (Yarra Cluster) Gabrielle Morgan attended the meeting and gave a short introduction of her meeting with Pres Anne and other Board members.

Pres Anne gave a short report on her plan for the year and the following Board members also reported as follows:

Treasurer Ken's unaudited summary of the Club finance:

Community AC: Balance of \$8394.00

Operating AC: Balance of \$14,551.00

John Brownsea: Club Service. Aim to maintain all Club service including starting a Club Record – Club history and to start a Club archive.

David Anderson: Community Service.

Projects: (some examples)

Tree planting: Cancelled. To be rescheduled.

Salvation Army cooking classes – need volunteer drivers to assist (ongoing)

Bunnings sausage sizzle – 20 Dec 09. Organised and all information obtained.

Camp Getaway – working bee weekend.

Guide Dogs Open day – March 2010

Market stall – April 2010

John Orr : Vocation

John Reddish awards

Careers week

Vocational visits – one organised to go to Crown Casino

Isabel Armer : Youth

Muna

Ryla

Siemens Science Experience

National Youth Science Forum

Ryphen

Lord Somers Camp

Edel Conroy : Foundation

Foundation Grants

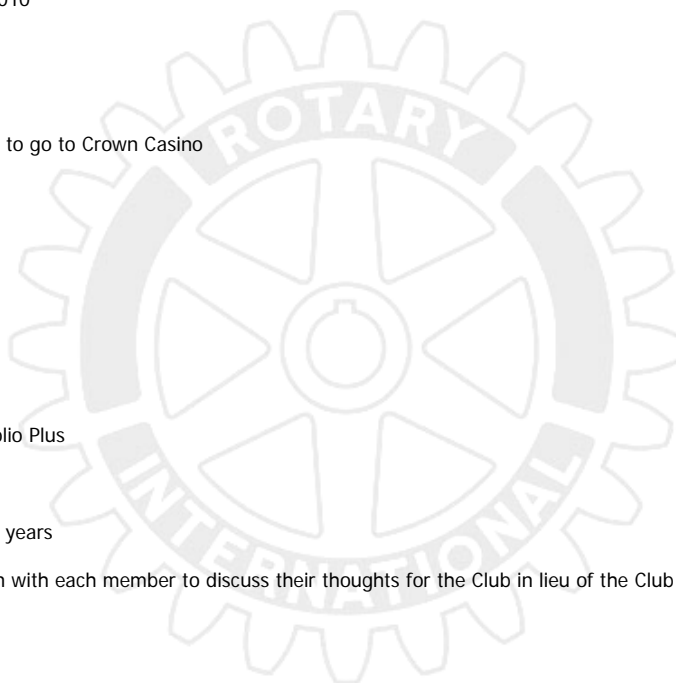
Funding for programs such as polio Plus

David Shave : Membership

Target of 1 net plus for the year

Target for 35 members in next 3 years

Also Pres Anne wants to sit down with each member to discuss their thoughts for the Club in lieu of the Club survey.



District News July is Rotary Changeover Month

Latest District Newsletter

http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/uploads/downloads/Networker/2008_2009/currentNetworker.pdf

Club News

- The Club is arranging a booking to conduct a sausage sizzle at outside the Hawthorn Bunnings store on Sunday 20 December. Further details will be advised closer to the day.
- Eyes Wide Open is conducting a tour of Nepal in October this year. It would be a great opportunity to see first hand some of the magnificent work that Isabel has been involved in. How about considering going. Details of the itinerary are given on Page 6. Eyes Wide Open is a non-profit organisation that operates humanitarian travel experiences to Rotary projects in developing regions of Australasia. As part of a group of like-minded people of all different ages, you see the world and importantly, make a difference. Tours are safe, well organised and allow you to contribute to Rotary funded humanitarian projects that give hope to local communities in need. So go on, make a difference with us in magnificent Nepal.
- The Club is to attend 'Learning CPR' on the 5 Oct 2009 in lieu of our usual Wednesday meeting.

Upcoming Events

Event	Date & Venue	Sponsor	Contact
"Operation Cleft" Talk by The Hon Alastair Nicholson AO RFD QC	Thursday 6 August 2009 6.30pm for 7.00pm The Victoria Hotel, Woodend	RC Woodend	Charles Bender on 0409 439 046 benderfam@bigpond.com
Tree Planting Day	Sunday 9 August 2009 Meet at Glenaroura at 8.30am (Melway Map 610, 7L)	Rotary Environmental Planting Scheme	David Anderson 0419 898 034
Unity Walk to promote Parkinson's Awareness	Mon 31 August 2009 Fed Square to Birrawung Marr		http://www.unitywalk.org.au/
John Reddish Service Excellence Awards	Wednesday 23 September 2009 Amora Hotel	RC Kew on Yarra	
DG Visit to Kew on Yarra	Wednesday 30 September 2009	RC Kew on Yarra	
50th Birthday Celebration Dinner for RC Collingwood \$80.00 per person	Saturday 3 rd October 2009 7.00 for 7.30 PM Collingwood Town Hall	RC Collingwood	email collingwood@rotarydistrict9800.org Phone: John Taylor 0419 363 101 Bill Hampson 01412818215
Sausage Sizzle	Sunday 20 December 2009 Hawthorn Bunnings Store	RC Kew on Yarra	David Anderson 0419 898 034

Foundation Reflections

We will continue with our Foundation Reflections on a monthly basis. Coming feedback to the Club will be as follows:

Ed gave a talk on Resources within Foundation.

Date	Member	Topic
tba	Alan Fisher	Partnering What other organisations can Rotary work with

Information about the **Rotary Foundation** can be found at:

<http://www.rotary.org/EN/ABOUTUS/THEROTARYFOUNDATION/Pages/ridefault.aspx>

Specific information about Rotary partnering and resources can be found at:

<http://www.rotary.org/en/Contribute/Pages/ridefault.aspx>

The Four Way Test

Remember - of the things we think, say or do:

- Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Some Useful Websites

RC Kew on Yarra's Web Site

<http://home.vicnet.net.au/~rckewe/>

Boroondara Cares Website

<http://www.boroondaracares.com>

RC Ubud Bali Web Site

(Sister Club RC Kew on Yarra)
<http://www.rotaryubud.org/index.asp>

RC Woodend Web Site

(Sister Club RC Kew on Yarra)
<http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org/woodend>

Rotary Downunder Web Site

<http://rotarydownunder.com.au/index.htm>

Latest District Newsletter

http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/uploads/downloads/Networker/2008_2009/currentNetworker.pdf

Thought for the Day : Doing business without advertising is like winking at a girl in the dark. You know what you're doing but nobody else does.

Stewart Britt

BIRTHDAYS

17 Jul Richard Gales

ANNIVERSARIES

20 Jul Ken Maher

PROGRAM

22 Jul Rob Hilliar
Relationships
29 Jul Anthony Kennedy
Water in Victoria
5 Aug Bol Diu Gok
Sudanese Community &
Youth Challenges
12 Aug Ms Leigh
Mathews
Cambodia
19 Aug PDG John
Wigley
Rotary Learning Institute
26 Aug Kent Stannard
CSIRO
White Shark Research
Team

MARKET ROSTER

19 Jul John Presutto
26 Jul Sue & David
Anderson
2 Aug Ann Leonard
9 Aug Ken Maher
16 Aug Isabel Armer
23 Aug Mark Miller
30 Aug David Shave

BOASTS**OUR LAST MEETING**

Date 15 July 2009
Present ? Club Members
Club Apologies Richard Gales, Ken Maher, John Pocock, Alan Fisher, John Presuto.

Make ups
Guests AG Gabrielle Morgan

Visiting Rotarians
Chairperson
Sergeant John Brownsea

Speaker
Door Prize
Winner
Meeting Close 8.20pm

Fine Session

- Sergeant
- Sergeant fines
- Anyone who has eaten beef at a Rotary meeting
 - Put recycle product in the wrong bin
 - Does not use recycled toilet paper (??????.....interesting)
 - Anyone who has seen Midnight Oil live..
 - Anyone who has burnet the midnight oil.
 - Anyone who has eaten yellow cake
- Fines from the floor:
- Malcolm fined himself for boasting of Melbourne winning 2 games in succession (careful, might miss out on the draft pick)
 - Sue fined David A for making her stand outside a new pergola.
 - Sue's new poodle called Raymond!

WEEKLY DUTY ROSTER

MEETINGS	22 July 09	29 July 09	5 August 09	12 August 09
Cashier	Edel Conroy	William Liew	Derek Bond	Mark Miller
Chairman	John Pocock	Isabel Armer	Ann Leonard	Richard Gales
Thought	Richard Gales	Peter Leonard	Peter Leonard	John Brownsea
Sergeant At Arms	John Brownsea	John Brownsea	Edel Conroy	Edel Conroy
Host	David Shave	David Anderson	Sue Anderson	John Orr

Some Memories from our Club Meeting 15 July 2009



Pres Anne giving her report



AG Gabrielle Morgan with Sue



The Sergeant hard at work



Ed thanking AG Gabrielle





Isabel's Thoughts



Ed's Foundation talk



Hooray for the Sergeant



The Editor at work

This week's jokes:

LOVE -When you share everything you own.
LUST -When you steal everything they own.
MARRIAGE -When the bank owns everything.

LOVE -When you phone each other just to say, "Hi."
LUST -When you phone each other to pick a hotel room.
MARRIAGE -When you phone each other to bitch about work.

LOVE -When you write poems about your partner.
LUST -When all you write is your phone number.
MARRIAGE -When all you write is checks.

LOVE -When your only concern is for your partner's feelings.
LUST -When your only concern is to find a room with mirrors all around.
MARRIAGE -When you're only concern is what's on TV.

LOVE -When breaking up is something you try not to think about.
LUST -When staying together is something you try not to think about.
MARRIAGE -When just getting through the day is your only thought.

LOVE -When a rainy day means more time to stay inside and talk.
LUST -When a rainy day means more time to stay inside and have fun.
MARRIAGE -When a rainy day means it's time to clean the basement.

Itinerary



**Day1
1 Oct** Arrive in Nepal and check into our accommodation—the Shambhala Village Resort. In the late afternoon, we visit a Rotary sponsored Community Centre in the Kathmandu Valley called Bright Future Community Centre. There we'll meet the Centre's children and conduct some activities before heading off for a group dinner and briefing. • • D

**Day2
2 Oct** Today we will visit the ancient Swayambhunath Temple, one of the most sacred Buddhist sites in Nepal. We'll then head into bustling Thamel before visiting the Porter Protection Society. We then go to Bright Future Community Centre in the afternoon where we will conduct reading and conversation classes. In the evening we will join crowds walking around the historic stupa at Bhouda, a world heritage site. We will eat traditional Nepalese food at a local restaurant. B L D

**Day 3
3 Oct** Experience Nepalese style Buddhism this morning by participating in a meditation led by a lama at the White Monastery. The afternoon will be dedicated to undertaking humanitarian work in conjunction with a Rotary funded Women's Refuge and a prosthetic limb project. We will stay in Patan tonight, a city known for its arts, crafts, feasts and cultural heritage. B L D



**Day 4
4 Oct** Today we venture to Nagakot, a Nepalese town known for its breathtaking views of the Himalayan mountain ranges and magnificent sunsets and sunrises. We'll spend some time at the Rotary supported Nagakot Community Health Centre to conduct some dental and health classes for local residents. B L D

Day 5 An early rise to see the sun come up over the Himalayan ranges and then we venture to Bhaktapur, the third largest city in the Kathmandu Valley, also known for its rich culture, temples and artworks in wood, metal and stone. We will then get involved in a humanitarian project of the Bhaktapur Rotary Club and enjoy an evening meal and show in the 'city of culture'. B L D

**Day 6
6 Oct** The morning is yours to explore this ancient city bursting with heritage and cultural attractions. In the afternoon we will be working with patients of the Bhaktapur Cancer Hospital supported by numerous local and international Rotary Clubs. The group will make a donation of medical equipment as requested by the hospital. B L D



**Day 7
7 Oct** After breakfast, we'll drive back to Kopan. We'll visit the Kopan Monastery for lunch and pay a visit to a rehabilitation centre for people suffering from leprosy where we will make a small donation of goods as requested by the Centre. In the afternoon, we'll do some maintenance & humanitarian work at the Bright Future Community Centre. B L D

**Day 8
8 Oct** This morning we depart for Pokhara in a private bus. Pokhara is a bustling village situated on the beautiful Lake Phewa and surrounded by the snow-capped mountains of the Annapurna range. It is where thousands of tourists and trekkers gather before undertaking recreational and adventure activities in the region. After we arrive, we'll explore this colourful town and enjoy a group meal. B • D

**Day 9
9 Oct** Today is a recreational day in Pokhara. You have the day free to row across Lake Phewa, visit the ancient island temple, explore Devis's Fall, barter with local traders or simply enjoy the panoramic scenery. B • D

**Day10
10 Oct** This is our last day before undertaking a four day trek of the foothills of the Annapurna range. We will spend most of the day working on a development project with the Pokhara Rotary Club. The evening is yours to immerse yourself in village culture and nightlife, if you dare. B L •



**Day11
11 Oct** Today we drive to Nayapul where we commence our trek. Each trekker will have a personal Porter and the route is considered 'easy'. We'll walk to Birethanti. On the way, we'll trek through a couple of local villages and enjoy spectacular views of the surrounding mountain ranges. Part of the trek includes a leisurely riverside walk. We stay at a guest house in Birethanti and finish the evening with a group meal. B L D

**Day12
12 Oct** The next stage of the trek is the longest. We'll head north up the Modi Valley to Ghandruk, with spectacular views of the Annapurna mountain range. We'll be about 2000m above sea level. There are plenty of tea houses along the way to rest and a pleasant lodge to spend the night in. B L D

**Day13
13 Oct** Today we descend from Ghandruk through a valley and towards a town called Kimche. We then briefly trek uphill to the east to a village called Majgaun where we reach a small lodge to enjoy a group meal and spend the night. You will be rewarded with amazing views and great hospitality. B L D

**Day14
14 Oct** Our final leg of our Nepal trekking experience! We trek eastwards to Dhampus and then descend down to the valley floor to Phedi to end the tour. We bus back to Pokhara for a cool shower and a group meal in the buzzing town centre. B L D



More Info:

see <http://www.eyeswideopen.org.au>
Or contact Isabel Armer on 9429 5117

**Day15
15 Oct** Free-time to recover from our trek. You will have time to relax and unwind. You may choose to undertake some more sightseeing, shopping or simply enjoy the beauty of the beautiful surroundings. B • D

**Day16
16 Oct** Today we depart from Pokhara and head back to the Kathmandu Valley. This is a long drive, so the evening will be spent relaxing at our guest house set amongst the monasteries of Bhouda. B • D

**Day17
17 Oct** The morning is yours to do some last minute shopping and explore more of the villages of the Kathmandu Valley. There is an option to walk to the Hindu temple at Gorkhana and back to Bhouda. In the late afternoon, we'll head to the Bright Future Community Centre to enjoy a 'dance party' and games with the children and their families to say farewell. B • D

**Day18
18 Oct** Our flight departs around lunchtime. B • •