



Rotary Club of Kew on Yarra

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R.I. District 9800

Rotary Year 2009-2010

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- Vocational Service Director: John Orr
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- Foundation: Edel Conroy
- New Generations Director: Isabel Armer

PLEASE REMEMBER

Apologies and guests to
Sue Anderson
by Tuesday on 0408 504 639

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Brown's Blog
(A word from President Anne Brown)

What a great meeting we had on Wednesday night. Our guest speaker Glenn James ex VFL/AFL umpire entertained us with stories about his life. Glenn is the only indigenous person to umpire at this level. He told us about growing up in Shepparton and how he was lucky to be given an apprenticeship by a caring man and this was instrumental in the helping him on to a successful career. Glenn said that his mother instilled into his siblings and himself that respect for people and community was paramount. He is of the opinion that the loss of respect is the reason we have so much crime and violence today. On a personal note Ed and Glenn discovered that they attended Shepparton Tech at the same time and knew the same people.

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help at the show. We have eight members and one possible Friend of Rotary participating which is exceptional for a club of twenty three and some have volunteered to do multiple shifts. Ed and I were on market duty today and Fathers Day had things a little quiet. The members of the Rotary Club of Balwyn have told me that takings are up by approximately eight percent this year and demand for stalls is up also. The market is already fully booked until Christmas.

This week we have Debbie Maziarz Executive Director of Westside Circus we are certainly having a good variation of guest speakers' thank you Peter. That's all for this week and REMEMBER THE FUTURE OF ROTARY IS IN OUR HANDS.
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 2 September 2009 – Glenn James. AFL umpire



Guest Speaker Glenn James

Glenn James is an ex-AFL umpire who officiated in 166 games which included 10 finals of which 2 were grand finals (1982 and 1984) in a career that spanned from 1977 – 1985. Named as umpire in AFL indigenous team of the century.

Glenn is now retired from umpiring but plays an important role within the aboriginal community. He also sits on the Koori Children Court.



Glenn James – AFL umpire

Glenn comes from a family of 14 kids (8 sisters and 5 brothers). His family moved to town and suffered the consequence of racial intolerance, however their parents thought them the importance of being respectful to other people and never forget where they came from. They moved to an asbestos built house after the war and had many wonderful memories of their time as kids.

He remembered when people used to drink tea from their saucers and also when they used to have the first TV at home and it had a meter which had to be fed constantly and they had many friends and kids from the neighbourhood who would come to watch their favourite shows, but on several occasions they ran out of money and the kids soon learned to bring some spare change with them when they came the next time. Some favourite shows were Rawhide, Bonanza and The Untouchables, with standing room only often at their household.

Glenn believes that umpiring is now going backward, with the list of umpires now reduced from 160 to 70. He also said that in 1981 the umpiring association went through some tough times when Harry Beitzel was made chairman of umpires, as he had a conflict of interest – the umpiring association and his association with radio station 3AW.

Glenn did his National Service and he noticed that many young men could not look after themselves because they were not taught properly when they were young. He also remembered some racial vilification in the army when a sergeant wanted him to fight and when he refused to volunteer was threatened to be charged and also was told that he would be the only aboriginal who did not want to fight.

District News **September is New Generations month**

Latest District Newsletter

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

Club News

- Isabel advised that The Club has a student accepted for the Science Forum – Devraj Bhattacharya
- Volunteers required for the Rotary stand at the Royal Melbourne Show
- Pres Anne advised that the 2010 Boroondara Cares guest speaker event will be held on the 15 April at the Hawthorn Town Hall.
- A reminder – Member subscriptions are due – please settle these quickly.
- David Anderson mentioned that the Kinglake Bushfires Fund will consider looking at an ambulance for the area as they are currently no emergency vehicle coverage.
- GES student Matthew Lindsey accepted as a Police recruit.

Upcoming Events

Event	Date & Venue	Sponsor	Contact
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
John Reddish Service Excellence Awards	Wednesday 21 October 2009 Amora Hotel	RC Kew on Yarra	
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:

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 of the day: Bill Chow

The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched – they must be felt with the heart.
Helen Keller.

BIRTHDAYS

9 Sept David Anderson

ANNIVERSARIES

8 Sept The Leonards

PROGRAM

9 Sept. Debby Maziarz
– Executive Director of
Westside Circus

16 Sept. Barry Minster –
World Televised Events

MARKET ROSTER

13 Sep John Pocock
20 Sep Ken Maher
27 Sep William Liew
4 Oct John Brownsea
11 Oct Mark Miller
18 Oct Derek Bond
25 Oct Bill Chow
1 Nov Edel Conroy
8 Nov Richard Gales

BOASTS

OUR LAST MEETING

Date 2 September 2009
Present 19 Club Members
Club Apologies John Brownsea, David Shave, William Liew, Alan Fisher.
Make ups
Guests Pedro Orbaiz – Ambassadorial Scholar from Argentina.
Visiting Rotarians
Chairperson Sue Anderson
Sergeant Derek Bond
Speaker Glenn James – AFL Umpire
Door Prize Winner Ken Maher (again!)
Meeting Close 8:15 pm

Fine Session



Sergeant Derek Bond

Sergeant fines

- Those who did not exercised were fined.
- Hawks supporters were fined for bad sportsmanship.
- Every second person should have swine flu – those who did not have the flu were fined.
- One table that was particularly rowdy were fined.
- Ed Brown fined for having no faith in his team – Bulldogs
- Anyone who had a holiday away from Melbourne's winter was fined.
- John Orr fined those who did not wear a tie...
- Edel fined for complaining about the heat in the UK.
- Mark Miller fined.....(not sure why)

WEEKLY DUTY ROSTER

MEETINGS	9 September 09	16 September 09	23 September 09	30 September 09
Cashier	Richard Gales	John Pocock	Sue Anderson	David Shave
Chairman	Ann Leonard	Ken Maher	Mark Miller	Ed Brown
Thought	Edel Conroy	Peter Leonard	Dario Brosolo	Isabel Armer
Sergeant At Arms	Derek Bond	Derek Bond	Derek Bond	Derek Bond
Host	Mark Miller	Tony Boyd	Malcolm Crawford	William Liew

Some Recent Memories of the 26 August 09 meeting



Pres Anne with Ambassadorial scholar Pedro



Guest speaker Glenn James with Ed and Peter



David, Richard and John



Pres Anne with lucky door prize winner Ken (not the same picture from last week)



Members with Pedro



Tony, don't worry about the chip you dropped, I'll give you one of mine!



Chairperson Sue thanking guest speaker Glenn James