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R.I. President
William (Bill) Boyd
District Governor
Dennis Heslin

Chairman: Col Counsell

PRESIDENTS' ANNOUNCEMENTS

- President Grant welcomed the guest speaker, Tim Tatchell.
- He made a plea for the Club Charter to be found but its whereabouts was not determined on the night as the only person who is believed to know it was absent.
- Grant told the members about the guest speaker at the Somerton Park (SA) Breakfast Club where he made up last week. He was very impressed with the young lady who spoke about Youth Opportunities, a program directed towards kids with problems in schools.
- Grant indicated there would be a meeting for the Program group following the Club meeting.

Guest Speaker: Tim Tatchell

Chairman Col introduced the guest speaker, Tim Tatchell. He informed the Club that Tim has a background in the Ambulance Service as a paramedic and then became a human resources consultant. His career took another turn when he came to Sale 14 years ago to become the CEO of what is now Gippsland Personnel. Tim lives in Golden Beach with his wife, Kate.

When Tim addressed the Club he said that he had never planned a career in disability services but he took on the job to manage the building of Gippsland Personnel in March 1993 because Kate was adamant that she was not interested in going to Kuwait with him for a lucrative job in the oil industry. The position entailed finding jobs for people with a disability and at the time was a local government program with funding secured by Leonie Coleman and the late Roger Rash. The following year Gippsland Personnel became an independent entity and is now a community-based, not-for-profit organisation registered as a tax-deductible charity. It services an area stretching from Rosedale and Yarram to the border with offices in Sale, Bairnsdale, Lakes Entrance and Orbost. The organisation looks after 100 – 120 clients at any one time.

Tim continued by saying that from the beginning he and his team set out to build "a machine and not a monument" with the following underpinning philosophy:

- We do no business rather than bad business.
- We are here to serve Gippslanders in a practical, meaningful and measurable way.
- We will earn funds from outside our communities and spend it inside our communities.
- The notion of citizenship and personal endeavour are important to us.
- Both our disabled jobseeker customers and our employer customers are entitled to practical, no nonsense, free services that are private and confidential.
- We exist to serve.
- Our service provision should improve lives.
- Mainstream employment deserves mainstream pay.

"Most people have a disability or will acquire one before they die" according to Tim. "But that does not mean they cannot work. People with a disability can and should work. They should be given a job they can do."

Tim informed the Club that the rights of Australians are covered by an Act of Parliament. The pillar of this Act is that every Australian citizen with a disability has the right to achieve his or her maximum potential in the least restrictive manner. He added to this that the pillars of his organisation is:

People who have a disability and who work have better lives.

There are many other benefits for disabled people who are working. They will on average require less medication, less pain management requirements, live longer and have fewer relapses. Their kids will have better lives and better employment prospects themselves. Their marriages will last longer and they spend fewer days in hospital than would otherwise be the case. And they pay taxes rather than receive benefits. As a result the general community will treat and view such people differently.

Tim gave a couple of examples of the many instances where he was inspired by what he has experienced. He told of the young man who was wheelchair bound but still became an A-grade mechanic. And Don who was born with cerebral palsy and then also acquired polio. He was hired at age 59 and was walking in a paddock when he fell over. His employer went to help him up but Don told him "I've been falling over for 50 years and have got up without your help".

Before finishing Tim indicated that the best employers his organisations deals with are local business men and women and that the least participative are the government agencies although the local council has been very good of late. He also mentioned that they have funded their own DRAG program (Driver Road Awareness Gippsland) which aims to save lives by changing attitudes in kids towards driving and use of the roads.

At the conclusion Neil asked if there is a difference in finding a job for persons with mental and physical disabilities. Tim replied that there is but that there is always an appropriate job. He cited the case of the kid who claimed to be a whiz with a motor mower. He is now but needed six months training before he became independent.

President Grant then thanked Tim for his presentation and compared his philosophy with the Four Way test in Rotary, suggesting that he may also make a good Rotarian.

Sergeants-at-Arms: Leo O'Brien

- Leo felt quite comfortable filling in for Chris as sergeant without notice and collared Grant for the array of 'traffic lights' on his lapel.
- Alan received some bad publicity in the local paper and then copped a fine to boot.
- Emu is finding batching too much even when Mary has prepared his meals for him so that all he has to do is put it in the oven – after taking off the plastic wrap.
- The sergeant was at a loss for a reason to fine Adrian (there were too many reasons to choose from I suspect).
- Keith still has not reclaimed his normal chair at the head/foot of the table.
- And David C. has still not given it up so he also paid up.
- Peering over his glasses was the reason for Rod's fine
- Tania dressed to impress but was instead fined because the fluffy collar was a sneezing hazard for Graeme who was sitting next to her.
- Noel's golfing ability earned him a fine from the sergeant for not watching Tiger Woods, but also from the floor in the form of Emu who dobbed him in for the award he won for the longest drive on the course.
- The sergeant also got Carmel and Peter before the fines from the floor started rolling in. Grant fined Keith for the subversive item in the Times and Keith got his own back with the catastrophe Grant suffered with his son's car. Grant also made up for his absence last week by fining Ben for getting engaged to Nadine while Mike fined Daniel for the inside information he has on cleaning spoutings.

<u>NEXT MEETING Monday 31st Jul</u>		<u>Meeting Monday 7th Aug</u>		<u>ON THE RADAR</u>	
Guest Speaker:	Steve Shiners – Gippsland Water and Rebecca McGuigan	Club Night		Mon 14th Aug - Peter Heilbuth	
Chair:	David Crouch	Chair:	Grant Ellers	Mon 21st Aug - Fiona Barr	
Sergeant:	Rod Exton	Sergeant:	Mike	Mon 28th Aug - Social Night –	
Attendance:	Noel Langley	Attendance:	Noel Langley	Dinner at the Palace	
Set up:	Tania Jones	Set up:	Carmel Webb	Mon 4th Aug - Club Night	
Venue:	Relish	Venue:	Relish	Mon 2nd Oct - DG Visit	
				Mon 18th Dec - Brekky with Noel & Betty	

Relish Contact Details

Hosts: Tania Jones & Robert Wood
Phone/Fax: (03) 5144 5044
Rotarians, if you are going to be absent you **must** notify Relish by phone no later than 12:00 midday on the Monday of the meeting.

NOTICES

Attendance: 21 Rotarians.
Visiting Rotarians: None
Guests: None
Make-Ups: Grant at Somerton Park SA
Raffle: David Crouch took home the wine.

If you are away from home you will find friends at all Rotary Clubs. You can make up for missed meetings of the Sale Club with any of the following local Clubs:

Bairnsdale: Tuesday 6:00pm Bairnsdale Club

Bairnsdale Sunrise: Friday 6:45am Main Hotel

Heyfield: Monday 6:30 Railway Hotel

Lakes Entrance: Wednesday 6:00pm Bellevue Motel

Maffra: Thursday 6:00pm Duart Receptions

Mitchell River: Monday 5:45pm Italian Club

Sale Central: Tuesday 6:00pm Princeton

Traralgon: Tuesday 6:00pm Traralgon Golf Club

Traralgon Central: Monday 6:00pm Latrobe Convention Centre

Yarram: Wednesday 6:00pm Yarram Club

For more information about Rotary check the following websites

Rotary Club of Sale:

Rotary District 9820:

Rotary International:

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

www.district9820.org

<http://www.rotary.org>

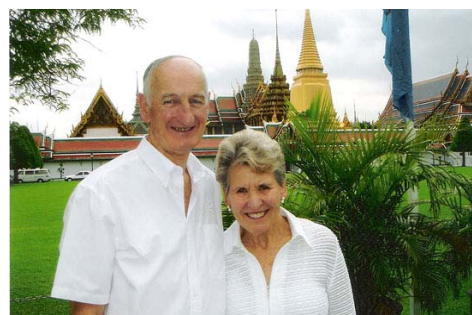
Bill Boyd - 2006-07 Rotary International President

Treasurer, Rotary International 1999-2000; Director, Rotary International 1998-2000; District Governor, 1983-84

Bill retired in 1995 as general manager of Gordon & Gotch Magazines, Ltd., New Zealand's largest magazine distributor. He is a trustee of New Zealand's Trees for Survival Trust and the June Gray Trust and has represented Rotary on the National Kidney Foundation and the Intellectually Handicapped Society. He has been an elder and youth leader of the Presbyterian Church, a warranted Scout Leader, and rugby union football referee for 31 years. He was chair of the *Rotary Down Under* management committee.



(Left) At the Zone Institute in Sydney, Australia, in November 2005, Boyd and his wife, Lorna, visit with Past RI President Clem Renouf.



(Right) In Bangkok, Thailand, in August 2005, the Boyds visit the Golden Temple

About Rotary

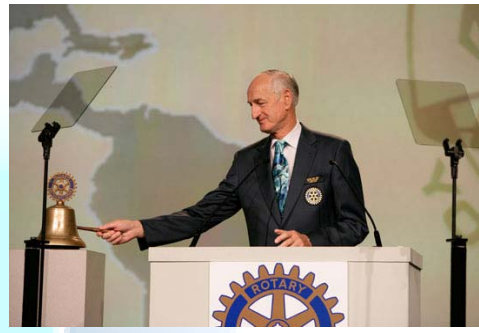
A Rotarian since 1971, Bill is a member of the Rotary Club of Pakuranga. He has served RI as district governor, RI training leader, International Assembly assistant moderator and moderator, committee member and chair, task force assistant general coordinator, Rotary information counsellor, regional Rotary Foundation coordinator, treasurer, and director. He is a recipient of The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and its Distinguished Service Award. He has also received a meritorious service award from *Rotary Down Under*.

Bill and his wife, Lorna, live in Howick, Auckland, New Zealand. They have two sons and two daughters and 11 grandchildren.

If you aspire to be RI President, this is some of what you must fit into your year as President Elect

My year as president-elect was busy but immensely rewarding. I travelled to more than 60 different cities and approximately 20 countries in all corners of the world and met thousands of Rotarians. Some of the countries I visited included the Philippines, Malaysia, Thailand, Singapore, Lithuania, Poland, Slovakia, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Turkey, and Mexico. Furthermore, I met with old friends and discovered new ones at the always remarkable and inspiring Rotary convention, which this year was in Malmö, Sweden, and Copenhagen, Denmark.

Boyd visits Nambour, Australia, in August 2005



Boyd calls the plenary session to order at the 2006 International Assembly

Everywhere I went, Rotarians impressed me with their energy and compassion for their club projects, and I was touched by the kindness of their hospitality. Of the many different cultures that I experienced, I noticed many similarities among Rotarians. To be a Rotarian means making the world a better place through compassion and being able to *Lead the Way* one positive act at a time.

I look forward to serving you as your Rotary International president for a year, starting 1 July. As I continue with my travels — which in July and August include France, India, Nigeria, Kenya, Uganda, and South Africa — I know you will keep affirming my belief in the power of Rotary and ordinary people coming together for a common belief in helping humankind.

Just for Fun

The phenomenal power of the human mind

Can you read this?

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A salesman was dismissed because he had been rude to a customer. A month later the sales manager spotted him walking about in a police uniform.

"I see you've joined the force, Bill" said the sales manager.

"Yes sir. This is the job I've been looking for all my life. Here the customer is always wrong."

Mark Your Diary
District 9820 Conference
Phillip Island Adventure Resort
1775 Phillip Island Road Cowes
PHILLIP ISLAND
23 – 25 March 2007



Remember: You MUST notify Rob at Relish if you will not be attending the meeting.