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

Chairman: David Crouch

PRESIDENTS' ANNOUNCEMENTS

- President Grant thanked the Rotarians involved with tidying the gardens of Ashleigh House.
- 2,500 Brochures have been printed to promote the River Heritage & Wetlands Trail.
- Grant indicated his appreciation for the response to his request to support a fellow Rotarian in 3AW's people's choice award.
- He also thanked David Tulloch for arranging some special events in the months to come; keep an eye out for the program details in this and following issues of the Bulletin.
- An ABN and TFN have been obtained for the Charitable Trust set up to manage the Mavis & Bill Jennings Foundation.
- Grant concluded his announcements by telling members of his experience in Sydney of the District Governor training program. He was very impressed with the wealth of information presented. He spoke about the need for attracting more students to science and mathematics discipline in universities and the success of a driver education program for students in improving the attitude of young road users.

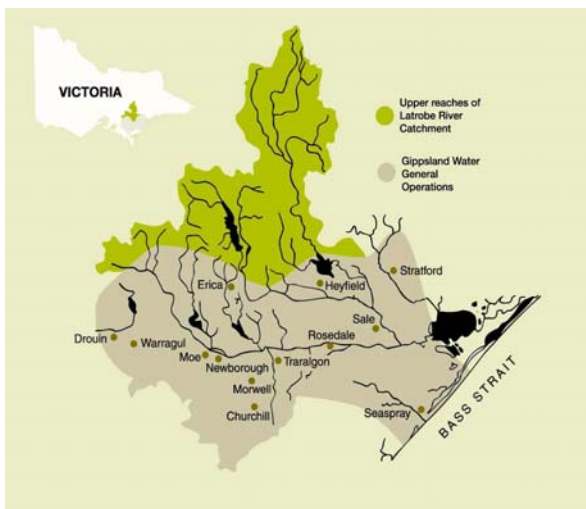
Guest Speaker: Steve Shinnars – Gippsland Water

Chairman, David Crouch, introduced the guest speaker, Steve Shinnars, as the Environmental Manager for

Gippsland Water. Steve lives in Glengarry and has his Office in Traralgon.

Steve explained that Gippsland Water is Victoria's second biggest, non-metropolitan water authority which serves a population of 133,000. It provides 41 towns with water and 23 towns with waste water services. As well supplying households, Gippsland Water services major industries such as Australian Paper in Maryvale, Esso in Longford, Hazelwood Power, Latrobe Hospital and National Foods in Morwell.

Gippsland Water is responsible for the five discrete 'Business Streams' each of which can be accounted for as a separate operating entity, but each of which is dependent, to some degree, upon either the upstream or



downstream segments for optimal performance. These are:

- 1 Bulk Water and Bulk Wastewater
- 2 Water Services
- 3 Wastewater Services
- 4 Resource Recovery Facility
- 5 Agribusiness

The agribusiness comprises broad-acre land holdings at Dutson Downs supported by other significant parcels of land at Moondarra, Maffra, Heyfield, Stratford, Mirboo North and Drouin for a large mixed farming enterprise. Livestock, plantation, grain and fodder production are major activities of the land management business. These activities complement critical functions within Gippsland Water's provision of sustainable water and wastewater services.

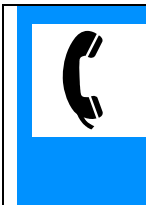
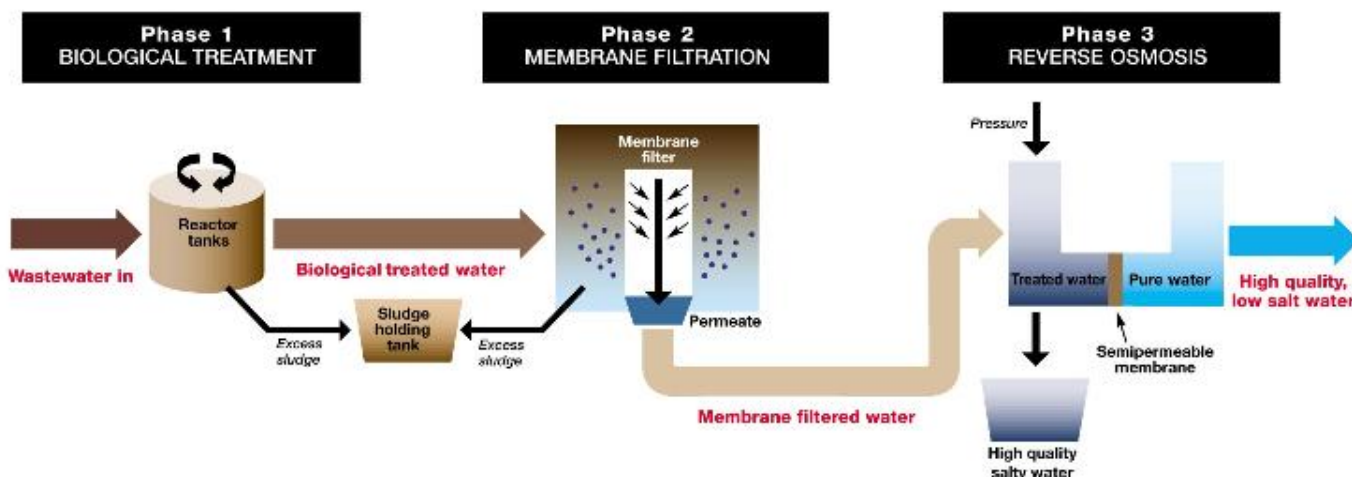
At this point Steve spoke about Gippsland Water's role in Sale and Dutson Downs. He pointed out that Sale is the only major town to get treated ground water and that \$1 million has been spent in upgrading Sale Sewer Pump Station No1. There is also a program to upgrade the 64 pumps in the system. All of Sale's wastewater is piped to Dutson Downs where it is treated and discharged to the ocean. 3% of the property at Dutson Downs is taken up by the Resource Recovery Facility, 7% is used for the wastewater treatment infrastructure, 40% is covered in native vegetation and the remaining 50% is used for cattle, crops and afforestation. The recycling facility treats domestic and industrial waste which includes asbestos, tannery waste, organic waste (from grease traps, for example) and contaminated soil. 70% of the waste treated is from Gippsland.

Gippsland Water's conservation interests have revealed the biodiversity of Dutson Downs with the discovery of the Wellington Mint Bush and the New Holland Mouse.

Steve continued his presentation by telling us about the Gippsland Water Factory which is to be constructed near Maryvale. The facility is expected to treat 35 million litres of domestic and industrial wastewater of which 8 million litres may be recycled to Australian Paper. The project will have key benefits for the environment, the community and the economy.

Following his presentation, Steve fielded a varied and large number of questions. Harry began by asking about the cost of water to the power industry and Steve was quick to point out that it now pays a premium price for water it originally got for nothing. In response to Keith's question, Steve said that the waste water from Sale was discharged to the ocean at Delray Beach because it was too saline for recycling. Col enquired about waterless toilets but Steve indicated that plumbers had found no demand for this system. Harry made a further enquiry about the usefulness of storm water as a resource. However Steve explained that it would still need to be treated. Bob raised the issue of fluoridation to which Steve responded that Gippsland Water really had no say in it as it was demanded by the Department of Human Services. Alan asked the last question seeking to learn what role Gippsland Water has in the management of the aquifer. Steve explained that this is the domain of Southern Rural Water of which Gippsland Water is a customer. President Grant then thanked Steve for his insightful talk and David closed the meeting.

The proposed treatment process to be used in the Gippsland Water Factory.



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

Sergeants-at-Arms: Rod Exton

- Rod was away quickly with a fine on Keith who had been observed at the RSL showing Rossy how to play the pokies.
- Grant copped a fine for exerting his influence in a vote.
- Adrian and Emu wore the responsibility for the latest doping claim against fellow bike rider Floyd Landis.
- Alan paid up for achieving the target print run for the River Heritage & Wetlands Trail brochures.
- Neil did not escape the sergeant's notice and was fined for looking so dapper in a suit.
- Ben's tie caught Daniel's eye so it was worth a fine too.
- David T. runs a quick and efficient meeting. It's not easy to find something on David, so this had to do.
- Brian too, was seen at the RSL so he paid up.
- Leo is a good sergeant but he is a poor substitute for Chris so he put in.
- Col was fined for organising Tim Tatnell to speak to the Club to show us what productive, efficient and effective really means.
- Harry paid up because he has money to burn.
- Bob is the pensioner of tomorrow.
- Peter is heading overseas.
- The final penalty was a "conscience fine" on all those who have a garden hose without a trigger nozzle fitted.

NEXT MEETING Monday 7th Aug

Club Night:

Chair: Grant Ellers

Sergeant: Mike Smith

Attendance: Noel Langley

Set up: Carmel Webb

Venue: Relish

Meeting Monday 14th Aug

Guest Speaker: Peter Heilbuth – Manager

Chair: TAFE Fulham

Chair: Rod Exton

Sergeant: Leo O'Brien

Attendance: Noel Langley

Set up: Ben Lancaster

Venue: Relish

ON THE RADAR

Mon 21st Aug - Fiona Barr

Mon 28th Aug - Social Night –
Dinner at the Palace

Mon 4th Sep - Club Night

Mon 25th Sep – A Night at Stratford
on Avon. See below

Mon 2nd Oct - DG Visit

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.

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

NOTICES

Attendance: 23 Rotarians.

Visiting Rotarians: None

Guests: None

Make-Ups: None reported

Raffle: It was Tania's turn to win the wine

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:

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

Rotary District 9820:

www.district9820.org

Rotary International:

<http://www.rotary.org>

Just for Fun

Mid-life Crisis

A man was in a pub drinking with his mates when he told them about his mid-life crisis. "Well, it's not exactly a mid-life crisis, but here's how things worked out for me. I've been married 25 years, took a look at my wife one day and said, 'Honey, 25 years ago, we had a cheap apartment, a cheap car, slept on a sofa bed and watched a 10 inch black and white TV, but I got to sleep every night with a hot 25-year-old blonde. Now, we have a nice house, nice car, big bed and plasma screen TV, but I'm sleeping with a 50 year old woman. It seems to me that you are not holding up your side of things.'"

"My wife is a very reasonable woman. She told me to go out and find a hot 25-year-old blonde, and she would make sure that I would once again be living in a cheap apartment, driving a cheap car and sleeping on a sofa bed."

About Rotary

- 1905 ♦ First Rotary club organized in Chicago, Illinois, USA
- 1908 ♦ Second club formed in San Francisco, California, USA
- 1910 ♦ First Rotary convention held in Chicago, Illinois, USA
- 1912 ♦ The Rotary Club of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, becomes the first club outside the United States to be officially chartered. (The club was formed in 1910.)
- 1917 ♦ Endowment fund, forerunner of The Rotary Foundation, established
- 1932 ♦ 4-Way Test formulated by Chicago Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor
- 1945 ♦ Forty-nine Rotarians help draft United Nations Charter in San Francisco
- 1947 ♦ Rotary founder Paul Harris dies; first 18 Rotary Foundation scholarships granted
- 1962 ♦ First Interact club formed in Melbourne, Florida, USA
- 1965 ♦ Rotary Foundation launches Matching Grants and Group Study Exchange programs
- 1985 ♦ Rotary announces PolioPlus program to immunize all the children of the world against polio
- 1989 ♦ Council on Legislation opens Rotary membership to women worldwide; Rotary clubs chartered in Budapest, Hungary, and Warsaw, Poland, for first time in almost 50 years
- 1990 ♦ Rotary Club of Moscow chartered first club in Soviet Union
- 1990-91 ♦ Preserve Planet Earth program inspires some 2,000 Rotary-sponsored environmental projects
- 1994 ♦ Western Hemisphere declared polio-free
- 1999 ♦ Rotary Centers for International Studies in Peace and Conflict Resolution established
- 2000 ♦ Western Pacific declared polio-free
- 2001 ♦ 30,000th Rotary club chartered
- 2002 ♦ Europe declared polio-free; first class of 70 Rotary Peace Scholars begin study
- 2003 ♦ Rotarians raise more than US\$118 million to support the final stages of polio eradication
- 2004 ♦ RI's largest convention with 45,381 attendees, held in Osaka, Japan
- 2005 ♦ Rotary Celebrates centennial in Chicago, Illinois, USA



Rotary Founder, Paul Harris



The "National Association of Rotary Clubs of America" holds its first convention in Chicago in 1910



At the 1993 RI Convention in Melbourne, Australia, Rotary celebrated immunising 500 million children by giving the vaccine to a child from the Philippines, where Rotary's first polio immunization took place.



Rotary celebrates its 100th Anniversary at the Centennial Convention in Chicago, Illinois, USA.

A Night at Stratford on Avon Monday, September 25, '06

Evening dinner catered by Holy Trinity Guild in the venerable ambience of the Parish Hall, to keyboard music by old time dance duo, Quicksilver, Munro's Ron & May Kyne, followed by a tour of superb Stratford Museum hosted by Stratford and District historical Society with commentary by prolific author and historian, Linda Barraclough.

* Time and travel: Depart Sale (pool cars) 6:15pm, arrive Parish Hall 6:30pm.