

PORTFOLIO

ROTARY DISTRICT 9820 GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER

JUNE IS FELLOWSHIP MONTH

June 2008

Greetings fellow Rotarians

I just cannot believe that the Rotary year of 2007–08, where we committed ourselves to the theme of 'Rotary Shares' given to us by World President Wilf Wilkinson, is about to end. Every District committee has indeed 'shared' so much, together with all 50 clubs in this fantastic Rotary District 9820.

On the International side, we saw the GSE dream team with Team Leader, PP Tony Spring leading his girls on a fantastic experience to India. Donations in Kind sent containers to many destinations with some amazing contents, ably packed by many and led by Andrew Walsh and his sidekick, Steve Cernotta. Lynne Westland and her hard working committee have led the Youth Exchange students, both inbound and outbound. Steve Harkins has steered the ship of Youth Services with RYLA, MUNA and RYPEN. Pam Draper unerringly led The Shine On Awards.

Under the brilliant direction of PDG David Loudon, The Rotary Foundation has done so much this year with their grants and Kel Hobby has put the Centurion Program on the map for 9820.



General Peter Cosgrove being presented with a Shelterbox coffee mug by DG Janet at the Business Dinner, RC Mornington.



DG Janet McCahon and partner Grant Ellers

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The Shelterbox team has given hope to the homeless after devastating cyclones and floods with their 'green boxes', together with fund raising and promoting awareness of this great humanitarian program.

The 50 clubs welcomed me during my visits and I have been impressed with the incredible variety of projects that have been achieved and those that are in planning stages.

Throughout the district there have also been some wonderful functions, perhaps a few that come to mind are the Debutante Balls, the PHF dinner, Past President's Dinner, the Dinner Auctions, the Annual Ball for Centenary House and the dedication of the Centenary Clock.

It would be remiss of me at this time not to thank some other people who have assisted me over the past year. District Secretary, Garry Broughton and District Treasurer, David Osborne have taken on their roles with vigor and enthusiasm and I am deeply indebted to them both for their assistance throughout the year. Many thanks also to Richard Howell, as the editor of Portfolio.

A special thank you to my home club for your support over the past couple of years and to Judy

Rebecca as conference chair for her organising talents. Thanks also to the conference committee with particular thanks to the members of the Rotary Club of Seaford Carrum Downs and John Tame from the Rotary Club of Frankston North for helping our small (but now growing) club to achieve a wonderful conference.

We are blessed in District 9820 with an enviable position, unseen in some other districts, of incredible support for the District Governor of the day by the Past District Governors. Their guidance, counsel and at times humour has been wonderful and I thank them most sincerely.

Last, but not least, I thank Grant for traveling this journey with me and for his work as my 'roadie'.

Thanks to everyone in District 9820 for your support. I wish you all well for the Rotary year of 2008-09 and to incoming District Governor Ken McDonald. My best wishes for another great year in District 9820.

Signing off
Janet & Grant

About Shelterbox

Each ShelterBox contains up to two 10-person dome tents, thermal blankets, water purification tablets, a multi-fuel stove, tools and other essential equipment. The cost of a ShelterBox is \$1,200.

An initiative of Rotarian Tom Henderson, a former Royal Navy search and rescue diver, ShelterBox started in 2000 as a project of the Rotary Club of Helston-Lizard, Cornwall and is supported by Rotary clubs worldwide.

ShelterBox, the largest Rotary Club project in the world has raised over \$40 million and sheltered over 550,000 people in 44 countries. The ShelterBox Trust is a registered UK charity: its President is The Duchess of Cornwall.

ShelterBox Australia

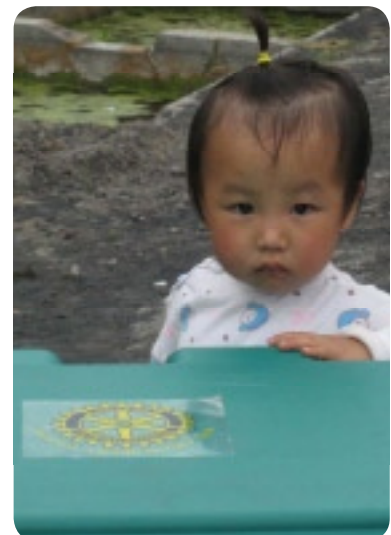
A project of the **Rotary Club of Endeavour Hills** (Melbourne) since 2003, ShelterBox Australia is the authorised Australian affiliate of the ShelterBox Trust. With a small office in Doveton (near Dandenong Vic.), ShelterBox Australia (recently incorporated as a company limited by guarantee) now has a representative in each of Rotary International's 23 Districts in Australia.

Donation information

Donations can be sent to ShelterBox Australia, PO Box 790 Endeavour Hills Vic. 3802 or by accessing the donation section at www.shelterboxaustralia.com.au

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Rotary Foundation news

From the Chairman

On behalf of District Governor Janet and the Foundation Committee I would like to thank all Clubs and individual Rotarians for their contribution to The Rotary Foundation during the 07/08 Rotary year. The Foundation is our charity of first choice and contributions will enable programs of the Foundation to continue.

It is pleasing to see so many Clubs and Rotarians involved and this District has certainly supported the RI request of Every Rotarian Every Year through contributions as a Centurion member or hosting a GSE team member or involvement in a matching grant or maybe the involvement has been through a fund raising venture to support the Club Goal to the Foundation annual programs fund.

We have seen an increase in applications for matching grants with seven successful applications this year. The applications to share in the District Simplified funds from the DDF also increased and unfortunately not all requests could be granted, however funds will be available again in this coming Rotary year.

It has been a rewarding year for the Foundation committee and I thank all members of the committee for their dedication and development during the year. In particular I thank PP Merv Williams for his role as Chairman of Programs and Administration over the last three years and his support to Clubs with his understanding of the matching grant applications.

P.D.G. David Loudon
DRFCC 9820

Important Reminder Club TRF Contributions

This is a reminder to all Clubs that their contributions to the Annual Programs Fund are required before 30th June, to enable Club contributions to be recognised in the current Rotary Year.

Matching Grant Intentions from the Dandenong Group

The Presidents-Elect of the five Clubs in the Dandenong Group have met and discussed their intention to work together to apply for two Matching Grants in the 2008-2009 Rotary year.

The proposed projects will be the building and stocking of a Library at a school in Eastern Nepal and the funding of some bores in India. The Clubs are Narre Warren, Hallam Valley, Dandenong, Endeavour Hills and Dandenong East.

Final decisions will be made in consultation with their Clubs, but the group sees this as a great opportunity to learn the process of application and to see first hand the power of the matching Grant process.

Allison Towner
RC of Hallam Valley

New Matching Grants Submitted during 2007/08						
R.C.Foster and the South Gippsland Group of Clubs	Kokopo District 9600 Papua New Guinea. Water tanks project. Supply and erect tanks and stands	Value: \$US25,450	This is the first Matching Grant application submitted by R.C.Foster	Approved – June 2008		
R.C.Morwell	Kudus Indonesia District 3400. Providing a water system to a village in Central Java	Value: \$US11,300	This is the first Matching Grant application submitted by R.C.Morwell	Approved – May 2008		
R.Cs. Traralgon Central/ Mt. Martha	Bali Taman District 3400 Indonesia. Providing clean water to a number of villages in remote Bali	Value: \$US16,780	This is the first Matching Grant application submitted by R.C.Traralgon	Approved – May 2008		
R.C.Frankston/Frankston Sunrise	Seim Peip Angkor Cambodia District 3350. Installation of solar panels to provide electricity to an orphanage	Value: \$US22,360		Approved – May 2008		
R.Cs. Narre Warren/ Bairnsdale/Rye/Mt. Eliza/ Dandenong	Dharmavaran Mid Town District 3160 India. Provision of water wells and bicycles, as well as the renovation of a toilet block	Value: \$US28,350		Approved		
R.Cs. Pakenham/Koo Wee Rup – Lang Lang	Victoria Falls Zimbabwe District 9210. Provide desks, tables, chairs, blackboards, and paint for the Rotary School rooms	Value \$US19,370		Approved		
District 9820 Foundation contribution totalled approximately \$US27,500 of its DDF towards the funding of these projects. A number of other humanitarian projects are currently being prepared for implementation by D9820 Clubs.						

Centurion Club

As this is the final edition of Portfolio for year 2007/08, I take this opportunity of warmly thanking and congratulating all Rotarians and friends who have newly joined the Centurion Club, or renewed their membership this year.

Our aggregate result for this year has been most pleasing with more than 200 members personally supporting *our foundation* and thereby acquiring an ownership of the worldwide humanitarian work of the Rotary Foundation.

Special mention should be made of the enormous contribution made by individual Club Foundation Chairmen. It is largely due to their personal effort and continued commitment to Centurion Club that our year has been so successful. Their support is greatly appreciated.

P.P. Kel. Hobby
D9820 Centurion co-ordinator

Group Study Exchange Team visiting District 7080 Canada, October 2008

Garry Broughton

Team Leader. Rotary Club of Seaford – Carrum Downs

Garry Broughton has been a member of the Rotary Club of Seaford – Carrum Downs for almost 10 years. During this time he has held the position of Club President twice, as well as Treasurer for 3 years. He has served on most committees including Community Service, International Service and is currently his club’s Foundation Chairman.

At the District level, Garry served as District Secretary of District 9820 in the 2007-2008 Rotary year. His was honoured as a Paul Harris Fellow in 2007.

Garry has always held a keen interest in both the Youth Exchange Program and Group Study Exchange, having hosted exchange students and being actively involved in arranging GSE hosting programs.

Garry has been married to Leanne for 29 years and they have two adult children, Shane, who turns 27 in late October and Melanie, 23.



Vocationally, Garry is Managing Director of his own company, Baycity Group Pty Ltd, which has a Finance Broking division, specialising in Home Loans, and a very busy Property Conveyancing division.

Kate Boyer

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Warragul

Kate Boyer, 28, is a qualified Mathematics/Information Technology teacher. She completed her first degree, Bachelor of Information Management / Applied Computing, in 2001 and undertook a Bachelor of teaching (Primary/Secondary), graduating in March 2004.

Kate taught at Warragul Regional College for three years. She thoroughly enjoyed teaching and being part of the school community. Kate was lucky enough to travel to China as part of a school trip in 2004. During her final year of teaching, Kate was appointed the Head of Mathematics.

Employed by the Baw Baw Latrobe LLEN in 2006, Kate is the Pathways Officer and Mentoring Coordinator. The main aspects of the role include working with “at risk” young people, both within schools and in the community, and supporting mentoring programs across Gippsland.

In her spare time, Kate enjoys playing golf, reading, listening to music and performing with Warragul Theatre Company.



Heidi Olsen

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Frankston

Heidi Olsen, 32, lives at home in Frankston with her parents and her dog Diesel. She’s the youngest of 3 children having a brother who’s 47 and a sister who’s 51 and lives in Denmark with her adult children.

Heidi’s family immigrated to Australia from Denmark when she was 4. Heidi started travelling in her early 20’s and it was on a trip to Denmark that she gained a position as an Au Pair and lived for a year with a family and their 3 children. This experience convinced her that she was meant to work with children.



It's now over 8 years that Heidi has worked in Child Care. She is currently Assistant Director and Group Leader of the 0-3 room at a Mornington Peninsula Child Care Centre.

Heidi has a strong history of volunteering including work with the RSPCA and is currently a volunteer with Camp Quality, where she helps children and their families who are affected with cancer enjoy a fun day or weekend away.

Reading, writing, drawing, music, theatre and spending time with her family and friends are among Heidi's many interests.

Jacqueline Sherlock

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Mount Eliza

Jacqueline Sherlock, 31, is a Chartered Accountant working for GE Money, Melbourne. Her role in the Financial Planning and Analyst team is that of a Senior Financial Analyst concentrating on Collections and Fraud.

Jacqueline completed an Arts/Commerce Degree at Monash University and commenced as a graduate at PricewaterhouseCoopers where she spent approximately 3½ years before moving to London on a working holiday where she again joined PwC.

GE Money has provided Jacqueline with opportunities to be involved in the community



through a variety of volunteer events.

Jacquie's interests include Netball, which she now umpires, following many years as a player and serving on committees. She enjoys spending time with her family and friends and has recently developed an interest in gardening.

Watching tennis and supporting the Australian Davis Cup team is another passion and Jacquie's love of travel has enabled her to follow Australian players to a variety of countries.

Keira Haigh

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Cranbourne

Keira Haigh, 30, grew up on a hobby farm in a small country town with her parents and 2 older sisters. As a teenager, she spent one year in Denmark on exchange and on her return, swapped the country life for a cosmopolitan city lifestyle.

Keira recently graduated from Melbourne University with a Bachelor of Education (Primary), Major in Health and PE, and has begun to establish her career in the Special Education setting.

Although she has no formal Special Ed. training her many years experience of respite care sees her fit to work in such a setting. Keira's current position at Marnebek School, Cranbourne is working with the senior group of Middle students implementing an



Left to right: Garry Broughton, Jacqueline Sherlock, Kate Boyer, Heidi Olsen, Tennille Lewin and Keira Haigh

outdoor education program.

Keira has been an active fundraiser for Guide Dogs which has seen her travel to Third World countries and her work has at times enabled her to travel and work overseas or interstate.

Tennille Lewin

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Berwick



Tennille Lewin, 31, works at Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute as an Associate Nurse Unit Manager on the Haematology and Stem Cell Transplant Unit. Her unit treats haematological malignancies such as leukaemia, lymphoma and myeloma.

Tennille has worked within Peter MacCallum for four years and has been an Associate Nurse Unit Manager for the past 15 months. She has a bachelor of nursing from Monash University and has post graduate qualifications in Oncology nursing and Palliative care from Melbourne University.

Tennille lives in the small, outer southeastern Melbourne suburb of Berwick with her partner Jace Westland and their 9 year old son Kobe.

FYI

ROMAC are holding a major fund raising function at Scotch College on the 29th June at 2.30pm.

Entitled "Classics at Scotch" it stars Suzanne Johnston, Roger Lemke, Peter Hurley, Ronald Ho, Gaetano Bonfante, Erin Connell, The Scotch College Symphony Orchestra and The Scotch College Show Band.

For tickets and more information ring 03 9888 4099 or email: rgroom@inet.net.au

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 District Secretary, **Garry Broughton** has a new business hours telephone number:
5975 4883

From next month, all contributions to the District 9820 Governor's Newsletter should be sent to the new Editor, **John Dawson**.
 email: jndawson@bigpond.net.au

District 9820 Attendance Report for April 2008

Club	number of meetings	number of members	attendance percentage
Bairnsdale	4	31	92.00
Bairnsdale Sunrise	4	42	60.00
Berwick	5	68	72.33
Bunyip/Garfield	4	14	85.70
Cranbourne	4	25	61.00
Dandenong			
Dandenong East			
Dromana	5	37	72.00
Drouin	4	59	76.24
Endeavour Hills	5	25	75.00
Foster	4	39	86.18
Frankston			
Frankston /Long Island			
Frankston North			
Frankston Sunrise	4	40	65.63
Hallam Valley			
Hastings			
Hazelwood			
Heyfield	2	8	56.10
Inverloch			
Koo Wee Rup/Lang Lang	4	24	74.00
Korumburra			
Lakes Entrance	4	20	49.00
Langwarrin			
Leongatha	4	27	72.00
Maffra	5	38	85.10
Mirboo North	5	16	75.00
Mitchell River	4	40	75.75
Moe	4	32	88.13
Mornington			
Morwell	5	48	78.62
Mount Eliza	4	52	87.20
Mount Martha	4	32	69.60
Narre Warren	4	22	77.27
Orbost	4	25	77.00
Pakenham			
Phillip Island & San Remo	4	31	73.44
Rosebud	4	19	68.00
Rye	4	14	79.00
Sale	4	26	69.00
Sale Central			
Seafood Carrum Downs	5	15	88.00
Somerville Tyabb			
Sorrento	4	41	70.00
Trafalgar	4	20	66.00
Traralgon	2	40	66.00
Traralgon Central	4	22	81.00
Warragul	5	54	62.00
Wonthaggi			
Yarram			
TOTALS		1046	