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 Paul Harris Breakfast on the 14th - see events

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 Hotham Mission

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Club meetings: 7.15 for 7.40 am at the RACV  
 501 Bourke Street, Melbourne

### DUTY ROSTER - 23 October 2012

CHAIR	KERSTIN STEINER
SGT	MICHAEL BROMBY
GREETER	IAN ANGUS OAM
REPORTER	MIK WELLS
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DOOR	JOHN BARKER

### NEXT WEEK'S SPEAKER: October 23

Vocational Services Fourm - "The Four Way Test" as interpreted by our fellow Rc professions:

- **George Mackey** will answer the question of whether it is the **truth**;
- **Michael Bromby** will give his interpretation of whether it is **fair for all conce**
- **Bruce Heron** will have the task of building **good will and better friendship**;
- **Richard Stone** will have to ensure that it is **beneficial to all**.

This will be an interactive session with Greg Cuthbert on the Powerpoints, Bruce prices for (very) good questions and Yanpu Zhang providing evidence for this live

### REPORT OF LATEST MEETING, October 16, 2012

REPORT OF MEETING OF OCTOBER 16 2012

Dec 11, 2012  
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## Upcoming events

### **2012 Rotary Foundation Paul Harris Breakfast**

RACV Club  
 Nov 14, 2012 07:15 AM - 09:00 AM

### **Police Academy Vocational Visit**

Victoria Police Academy  
 Nov 23, 2012 10:40 AM - 03:00 PM

### **DIK Working Bee**

Woolshed 40  
 Nov 24, 2012 09:30 AM - 12:30 PM

### **DIK Working Bee**

Woolshed 40  
 May 11, 2013 09:30 AM - 12:30 PM

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*Editor Robin STEVENS*

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**Chair:** Neville Taylor. **Sgt:** Michael Bromby

**Reporter:** John Ilott. **Editor:** Tony Thomas

**Paparazzo:** Alan Seale.

### **Guests:**

Pip Thornton, guest of Roger

Valeria Tagliabue, guess of Neville John

### **Announcements:**

The Paul Harris Breakfast bookings close on 5 November. The club has budget members are asked to invite friends. Auction item includes a session in the Qan simulator.

Kevin Love asked if anyone was available to assist Donations-in-Kind on, 13, 14 DIK has received a donation of 150 hospital beds from St Vincent's Hospital and most of them directly into containers for East Timor and Tanzania. If anyone can contact Kevin. Safety standards for lifting apply.

Robin Stevens presented the Community Service report and highlighted the Con evaluation and progress with McAuley House garden. The Christmas hamper by Outreach and Hotham Mission will be available next week (23 November).

President Kay congratulated everyone on the fantastic result from the charity auc \$26,295.60. She specifically thanked the organisers and helpers.

The RCCMS 25 year history is being distributed to members. The history was w Meehan and produced by Marjorie Gerlinger.

Sergeant Michael Bromby, below left, brought to the club's attention the contributi last weekend as a last minute substitute to the Hawthorn over-40s cricket team. on Friday night to play on Saturday, on the strength of his stellar record as a sch

Below right: Chair Neville Taylor with speaker John Patrick

According to Sergeant Michael, Mik arrived late for the start but took the first cat. He came on to bowl and even took 2-20! However his weakness was discovered out to bat. With the team requiring only 7 runs to win, Mik was out for 4. Sergea summary was that despite all Mik's efforts, he lost the game for his adopted club

### **Guest speaker, John Patrick (below):**

After beginning professional life as a scientist and researcher, John has practised architect for 35 years. He urged anyone who is interested in a satisfying career i profession as it includes all the features of design, construction, horticulture and the relationship between people and their environment.

John spoke about the extraordinary gardens in Normandy and the Loire Valley at his talk by showing stunning photos, including the garden in Villandry which has vegetables in formal, patterned garden beds.



His 'very, very best' garden in Italy includes a renaissance village. There are no other villages in Italy. He showed pictures of Japanese gardens which are different, especially in cherry blossom time.

Answering many questions, John stated that Melbourne's Royal Botanic Garden is one of the best 10 gardens in the world. It is such an effective escape from the city noise and its effect on the city. Among Melbourne's many beautiful private gardens, he rates the bottom of Mt Macedon. It provides a 'lovely, gentle environment' and is worth of this year's Open Garden Scheme.

John's presentation was outstanding and as expected, drew more questions than he could have spoken for an hour and still not covered all his material about garden world. #

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### ST KILDA FARMERS MARKET A ROTARY BONANZA

Posted by Tony THOMAS

Market a Money-Spinner for Melbourne South RC





Melbourne South RC may be small in numbers – a few more than 20 – but it's a fund-raiser, a farmers' market raising \$4500. "A year?" I asked. "Per month," replied Barnes, director international, who is one of the key inspirers and implementers.

The St Kilda market (above) is in Albert Park near Fitzroy St, on the fourth Sunday. It is now in its fourth month, with vendors selling largely-organic food and meats, a

The club charges a voluntary entry of \$2 to shoppers, or \$5 per family. It also has a sizzle there, but the bulk of the raisings are from admissions, as thousands of people pass through from 8am to 1pm.

There are two shifts, from 8-11 and 11-1pm, involving ten people each. The club gets help from other clubs and Rotaracts, including St Kilda and Port Melbourne RCs, and Monash Rotaracts, and splits the proceeds. The event needs two members with one per entrance, others to man the sizzle, and some to man the club's information booth. Russel starts at 5.30-6am to set up. The sizzle starts with bacon and eggs and sausages by lunchtime. "People swarm in with their kids and even dogs," he

The best part is that the logistics of running the market is all done through a third organization called Regional Farmers Markets (RFM). Russel negotiated with them for months to get the market permit for his club: "They were very iffy about use of Albert Park. Rotary is non-commercial and has a high reputation. RFM could never have got it commercial.

The club's favorite charities include water supplies to villages in Cambodia, a Buddhist school in Nepal, micro-lending for uniforms and laptops for parents of Albert Park (many are single mothers, and they pay the normal \$800 loan back via Centrelink).

Russel thinks there is still plenty of scope for new farmers' markets, including in the CBD: "Hampton and Sandringham RCs helped me with their nous running the Bayswater Market so I'm happy to help any other club get a market going." Contact russel@

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## MEMBER'S LETTER TO NETWORKER

### Letter to Clarice at Networker, October 20

As a frequent speaker to Rotary and Probus clubs, I enjoyed PDG Jennifer Coburn's presentation on "no! We haven't got a data projector". May I supplement



it?

The 20-25 minute speaker slot at Rotary is brutally short for many topics. It is a crib time from the speaker's slot by allowing club business, sergeant etc to exceed designated time.

My worst example was at a meeting of about 15 Rotarians where the sergeant directed each person present to describe briefly what they did on the long weekend holiday. The outcome.

Introducing the speaker is often done after the speaker slot has commenced. We rabbits on with the introduction, speaker time ticks away. Keep the introduction short before the speaker's clock starts ticking. Speakers easily lose track of their time. Signal if necessary, "Three minutes left!" (e.g. signal with three fingers).

Don't re-assure the pending speaker that you have everything he/she will need. Incompatibilities are the norm, not the exception. Instead say, "Although we have equipment here, there's no guarantee it will all be compatible with your equipment. To give us enough time to set it up in advance and de-bug it." I once believed a "club well" story and it turned out the club was using a hotel's built-in equipment which interface with my gear. These days, regardless of what I'm told by a club, I have my own laptop (sometimes two of them!), projector, speakers, extension cabling, and only this, has saved my bacon countless times.

Ask your speakers if they are using Mac gear. If yes, remind them that a Mac adapter is essential to interface with your club's Windows gear. Even buy the adapter (\$30) in case the Mac speaker forgets.

Club venues (tables, seating) are often set up by the venue's people in a present pattern. The rear tables may be needlessly far from the screen, or too crowded to see. Politely tell the venue to adjust the seating. You're the boss, the venue is the provider.

Often tables or seats are in a bad line-of-sight to the screen. I ask the audience: "If you can't see the screen well, please move your chairs." Strangely, no-one ever does. I feel this is impolite to the speaker: "We don't care whether we can see or not".

I am always seated at the head table. Nice! But I have an empty chair to my left, other empty chairs opposite. Meanwhile other club members crowd the other table enjoying themselves. I wonder, "Have I got leprosy?"

Gift: You should see my collection of Rotary bios! Call me a pig but I prefer a boomerang. I am vain but I do also appreciate a formal letter later saying thanks for all my trouble keeping the club entertained.

Finally, if your club has fewer than 10 members likely to show up, ask yourself w being fair to a speaker (who may get up early and travel 20km to entertain your t smallest Rotary meeting I have spoken at was four members. At another club, th six, and even then, they managed to more or less ignore me when I arrived. If yc muster ten members, do something about it!

Best wishes, Tony Thomas, RC Central Melbourne Sunrise.

Clarice Replies: This is one of the longest letters we have received, Tony, but all pertinent. Attention to detail is the key to a successfully run Rotary Club. BTW, I photo and a sad story about you and your Mac on the Web. We also use Macs to "Networker": I couldn't survive without Drag'n'drop!

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