



Rotary Club of Central Melbourne Sunrise Inc

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Future Speakers

Nov 30 2010

Club Forum
"Discussion on recent club survey"

Dec 7 2010

Cheryl Batagol
"Transforming the Environment Protection Authority ["EPA"] into a modern regulator."

Dec 21 2010

Christmas Function

Feb 15 2011

Mr Paulo Maia
"The role of banks in the world today"

Upcoming Events

The Acclaim Charity Concert
Dec 16 2010

Christmas Function
Dec 21 2010

No weekly meeting
Christmas New Year break
Dec 28 2010

No weekly meeting
Christmas New Year break
Jan 4 2011

ROTARY ANZAC PEACE TOUR
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This Week's Meeting, Tues November 30th

by RIEBELING, Rebecca

Club Forum

"Discussion on recent club survey"

The 2010 Rotary Club of Central Melbourne Sunrise Survey sought to canvass members' views, opinions and knowledge about the clubs projects, activities and practices and provide the Board with guidance to ensure the decisions it makes and the future direction of the club reflect members' aspirations. This week's meeting will provide an opportunity to engage in a discussion of the survey findings.

Duty Roster, Tues November 30th

by Rebecca RIEBELING

Note: Duty people are expected to be on duty at RACV at **7am** as many guests start arriving from this time.

Please note if unable to attend please arrange to swap your role with another member.

Chairperson	Edward Stockdale
Sergeant	Kevin Walklate
Reporter	Neil Salvano
Door	Jilian Cavanagh
Photographer	Michael Bromby
Greeter	Richard Bowen

Meeting Report, Tues November 23rd

by John MEEHAN

Chair: David Jones

Visiting Rotarians:

Rosemary Hambling (RC Port Nicholson-NZ)
Charlotte Friedman (RC Carmel Haima -Israel)



Guests:

Joel Siegersma
Richard Siegersma
Peter Lake
Cindy Tassell

Annual General Meeting was presided over by President Anne who called for movers and seconders of the following administrative items:

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- Acceptance of Minutes of previous AGM held on 17 November 2009
- Acceptance of Audited Financial Reports for the year ended 30 June 2010
- Election of Officers & Directors for next year as proposed by the Nominating Committee thus:
President Elect: Kevin Walklate 2011-2012; President Nominee: Kay Stevens 2012-13
Vice President: Marjorie Gerlinger; Secretary: Neil Salvano;
Treasurer: Doug W. Robertson
Directors: Michael Lapina; Justine Murphy; Kerstin Steiner; Jen Warner; Michael Wells
- Inclusion of Public Officer role into the Secretary's position will take place 1st July 2011 [Legislative requirement]
- Re-appointment of Honorary Auditor: Darren Park

All above items were passed unanimously with one treasury question responded to by current Treasurer Marjorie Gerlinger.

Induction of New Member - Joel Siegersma

President Anne introduced Joel Siegersma sponsored by Charter Member, Barrie Tassell and read the standard induction charge. Joel was accompanied by his father, Richard Siegersma who witnessed the pinning of the "dinner" (meeting) badge and lapel pin presented together with a kit of Rotary reading material and history. Joel's classification is Sharebroking and he thanked Barrie and those involved in inviting him to join Rotary. He looks forward to serving the community and enjoying the fellowship. All members stood and welcome Joel with loud applause.

Sergeant Kevin Walklate apologised for not being as prepared as previous sergeants but asked those members who had or will enjoy a birthday, anniversary or partner's birthday this month to "put in" the bucket.

Announcements:

Richard Mitchell thanked all those who contributed to the success of the Annual Paul Harris Breakfast last week but alerted us to the financial penalties to the Club and the Foundation of not registering before the cut-off date and relying on just "turning up" as did 30 latecomers.

Michael Wells appealed for generosity in giving Christmas hampers and having general concern for the many disadvantaged in our local community.

Alan Seale expressed confidence that the "COZ Project" will proceed in the 3 weekends before Christmas at St Paul's Cathedral. There are 3 issues in process of being resolved including electricity connection, insurance cover and donations of tea, coffee, soup, biscuits, etc.

President Anne expressed thanks to Public Officer John Meehan [essentially an unseen position of responsibility and guidance in constitutional matters] who has held the post for many years. John continues to serve the Club in this role until the new Secretary Neil Salvano takes over on 1st July 2011.

Guest Speaker - Scott Pinnegar

Scott is no stranger to Rotary as his father has been a Rotarian in WA for the past 45 years. Scott spent his first 25 years being "dragged" along to many functions and projects which he does not regret. Scott provided us with a most fantastic visual tour of South America and Antarctica as he sped through his travels to exotic places such as trekking the 38km Inca Trail, exploring the Amazon rainforest in Peru and Bolivia. His experiences in walking the trail up to Machu Picchu were awe inspiring as was his boat trip to the Galapagos Islands which were alive with unique animals such as iguanas and giant turtles. The scenes of ancient glaciers and national parks in Patagonia were matched only by the icebergs and emperor penguins in their thousands in the Antarctica Peninsula. Chair David thanked Scott for his professional and stimulating presentation and offered him some of our Timorese soaps for when he goes 5 days without a shower or clothes change during his next adventures.

Where to next? Egypt, Jordan and Syria - he hopes.

The Acclaim Charity Concert, December 16th
by RIEBELING, Rebecca



Last chance to purchase tickets!

The Rotary Club of Melbourne and The Rotary Club of Cheltenham are proudly sponsoring via Acclaim Awards Limited a new International Opera Award for young Australian opera singers, giving them the opportunity to study and perform in Italy in 2011.

The Awards will be made by way of a competition, commencing on Thursday, 9th December 2010 and culminating in the Acclaim Awards Charity Concert to be held at the Dallas Brooks Hall, East Melbourne on Thursday 16th December, commencing at 7:30pm. Tickets \$25.

The Acclaim Charity Concert promises to be one of the most exciting evenings in the Rotary Calendar. Australia's most gifted young opera singers, fresh from the Acclaim International Masterclass Series and Italian Opera Fellowship Concert will perform the world's most loved arias. A special guest performance will be given by Valeria Esposito, one of Europe's most sought after sopranos (Cardiff Singer of the Year, La Scala, Wiener Staatsoper).

A night of Italian passion and drama for Rotarians to savour for a lifetime.

To attend this outstanding event please [download the application form for tickets](#) and return by **30th November 2010.**

Note: \$20 for each ticket goes towards our Club's fundraising.

A [promotional flyer](#) can also be downloaded from our club's website.

Rotary Responds to Polio Outbreak in Congo

by *RIEBELING, Rebecca*

Rotary International and its partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative are responding to a recent outbreak of wild poliovirus in the Republic of the Congo. Rotary is providing a total of US\$500,000 in emergency grants to WHO and UNICEF for immediate polio immunisation efforts throughout the country.



At least 97 people have died in the outbreak, with 226 cases of acute flaccid paralysis reported as of 9 November. Most of the cases involve young people between ages 15 and 29. To date, four of the AFP cases have been confirmed as polio.

The outbreak is due to imported poliovirus that is related to the virus circulating in Angola. The Congo Republic recorded its last case of indigenous polio in 2000, and urgent action is required by government and partner agencies to again make the country polio-free.

"Polio outbreaks highlight our global vulnerability to infectious disease," says Dr. Robert Scott, chair of Rotary's International PolioPlus Committee. "It reinforces the fact that polio 'control' is not an option, and only successful eradication will stop the disease."

Outbreaks of imported polio cases are not uncommon during eradication efforts, underscoring the critical need to stop transmission of the virus in the remaining polio-endemic countries: Afghanistan, India, Nigeria, and Pakistan. "Our experience shows that where polio transmission has been stopped before, it can be stopped again," Scott says. "A fast, large-scale, high-quality immunisation response using the new tools at hand, along with strong surveillance, is absolutely critical."

According to WHO, at least three national vaccination campaigns are planned to combat the outbreak, with the first targeting three million people of all ages in the Congo Republic and parts of neighbouring Democratic Republic of the Congo and Angola on 12 November and 18-22 November. Subsequent campaigns are planned for 3-7 December and 26-30 December.

"Every man, every woman, every child will be immunised irrespective of

their past immunisation status," says Dr. Luis Sambo, WHO regional director for Africa. "This way we can be assured that everybody is reached, including young adults, whose immunity may be low."

Source: Rotary District 9800 [Networker](#) 2010/20 November 24.

For more information

[Global Polio Eradication Initiative](#).

[Download full appeal](#) for the Emergency appeal for Congo polio outbreak. *US\$23.5 million urgently needed for outbreak response in Congo.*

Read the latest update from the [World Health Organisation](#).

Paint In the Park Day - Sunday 28th November

by RIEBELING, Rebecca

This is an Art In Action Outreach Project, hosted by the Glen Eira Artists' Society Inc (which was established by the Rotary Club of Caulfield Inc), proudly supported by Glen Eira City Council, sponsored by Caulfield Park Community Bank Branch of Bendigo Bank and the Rotary Club of Caulfield Inc.

Date: Sunday 28th November, 10am-4pm

Location: Caulfield Park, cnr Hawthorn and Balaclava Roads, North Caulfield.

Cost: \$10 for participating artists. No charge for spectators

The City of Glen Eira Springtime Concert will be performed at the Park between 2-4pm, and there is the added attraction of African music and dance between 2-4pm.

For more information see the following [Website](#).