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Stories

[NEXT WEEK'S SPEAKER: 27 August 2013](#)

PAUL GEYER

The case for efficient regulation in Australia

Paul Geyer is Victorian State Manager for the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

The Australian Institute of Company Directors has issued a new policy priorities paper calling on the next government of Australia to take action on key issues for directors, including a new approach to regulation and better consultation with business.

AICD has stated that deregulation, both stemming the growth in new regulation and cutting back existing red tape, is a crucial part of the new government's economic policy challenge. The AICD adds that creating a new system of efficient regulation is a key element of the agenda for boosting national productivity.

[DUTY ROSTER FOR 20 August](#)

Chair	John Price
Sergeant	Michael Bromby
Greeter	Roger Thornton
Reporter	Tom Callendar
Photographer	Allan Driver
Door	Herb Greenwood



Upcoming Events

[Board Meeting](#)
RACV City Club

Aug 21, 2013 at 06:00 PM – 07:30 PM

[Board Meeting](#)
RACV City Club

Sep 18, 2013 at 06:00 PM – 07:30 PM

[Board Meeting](#)
RACV City Club

Oct 16, 2013 at 06:00 PM – 07:30 PM

Speakers

Aug 27, 2013
[PAUL GEYER](#)

The case for efficient regulation in Australia

Director Report (Club Admin)	Nev Taylor
Bulletin Editor	Tony Thomas

MEETING REPORT, AUGUST 20, 2013



Chair: Jill Cavanagh (left)
 Visiting Rotarian, Terry Vallentine, RC Dandenong SE; Stuart Ellis, formerly Adelaide RC Guest, Trish Hyde, CEO Australian Corporate Lawyers (in-house counsel).

Induction of Stuart Ellis by President Doug Robertson:



Stuart Ellis (third from left) is 56, married to Joanna with two sons Sam and Will. Stuart is the CEO of Australasian Fire & Emergency Services Authorities Council. He recently relocated to Melbourne from Adelaide, where he

was an active member of RC Adelaide (2001 – 2013). His classification is Emergency Services and he will be allocated to RCCMS Vocational Services. Kevin Love will be his mentor there for the next half-year. Stuart said he looked forward to Melbourne and maintaining his Rotary links, which have been an important part of his life.

Announcements:

Kay Stevens has taken over speaker program from John Ilott, who has done a great job and set a great precedent for her. She will eagerly consider member suggestions for good speakers.

David Jones marketed the club's Fortune Cookie dinner event, Dragon Boat Palace, Friday Sept 6 at 7.30pm. Food wine and entertainment at only \$55 per head or four for \$200. Book in with David Jones 0420487178 or jomo001@bigpond.com ASAP!

David also advised that the District Directory is live on the District website www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au but to access it you need to register. Go to our own website <http://www.rccms.org.au> and down at the bottom left hand side in the dark brown area is a link Rotary District 9800.

If you haven't already registered on this website you need to click on Member login (top right hand side of home page).

Send off your message to the District Webmaster to setup the account
 Once you have an account - Log in

When you get to the member area click on District Directory link at top
 You will now see the **District Positions** part of the Directory

You will also see a drop down box from which you can see individual clubs

Sep 03, 2013

[PAUL KAAAN](#)

What does making wine in Moldova, Burgundy & Champagne in the 1990's have to do with Twitter?

Nov 05, 2013

[NO MEETING THIS WEEK \(Melbourne Cup Holiday\)](#)

Nov 12, 2013

[NO REGULAR MEETING TODAY](#)
Paul Harris breakfast tomorrow

Nov 13, 2013

[Chief Justice Chris Maxwell](#)

Dec 17, 2013

[CHRISTMAS PARTY](#)

Dec 24, 2013

[NO REGULAR MEETING THIS WEEK \(Christmas Eve\)](#)

Dec 31, 2013

[NO REGULAR MEETING THIS WEEK \(New Years Eve\)](#)

Jun 17, 2014

[Police Mentoring Program 2014 Graduation Breakfast](#)

Jun 24, 2014

[NO REGULAR MEETING THIS WEEK](#)

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Bulletin Editor

[Tony THOMAS](#) (If you have any comments or questions, please contact the editor)

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If you want to look at the **front information part** of the directory go back to the member area Click on the link Rotary District 9800 Information Directory 2013-2014 - this will open the front 83 pages in a new tab.

Russell Rolls is back to Australia from a trip to upstate New York for a 50th year re-union with his high school graduating class, re-meeting them for the first time. One was past-president of a local Wolcott Rotary club and gave him a banner for our club.

Committee Report

Robin Stevens reported on Community Services plans, including Community Village, Camp Getaway, McCauley House, Royal Talbot, Know Your Numbers (blood pressure testing), and Hotham Mission, now called Lentara UnitingCare. The committee is looking into another cultural community dinner during Ramadan (Alan Seale researching) and Patrick Barry is working on a asthma awareness project.

The club will do promotion at the Mind Body and Soul seniors' week free event. It will set up a "Community Village" with our trailer on October 7. The Community Village on July 24 was successful and finished early. The club has received another \$2000 from Victoria Police and has funding applications in to Australia Post and City of Melbourne.

The committee is also scoping a business-partner mentor project for asylum seekers.

Lentara (ex-Hotham) has received \$1800 from the Rotary Foundation and \$1800 from our club to employ a research assistant to help develop the mentor project.

President Doug said our play fund-raiser has secured actress Glenda Linscott as female lead for our play The Greatest is Love, at the Melbourne Town Hall on October 20. Planning and promotion is now under way.

Doug reported the sad news that Neil Salvano's younger brother Timothy passed away on August 10.

Doug thanked John Ilott for his great work in the past three years on organizing club speakers.

He welcomed Darren Park to the meeting, mentioning that Darren's health is looking up. Darren has a full schedule of business activities.

Sergeant Session

Mary Voice stood in for Michael Bromby and amused with people's names fitted to their occupations, including AJ Splatt and D. Weedon in incontinence work. Jill Cav mentioned a nursery worker named Rose Bush. Mary spruiked a website offering off-the-shelf placebo pills, as used in all drug trials, and guaranteed safe and effective.

Our epic poem progressed doggedly or doggerelly on its way.

Guest Speaker: Lachlan Quick, State Emergency Service.



Lachlan joined SES on media duties in May 2010 and was soon involved with the huge floods in north and central Victoria. A challenge was improving liaison with the much bigger Country



Fire Authority. As the rains and storms continued, city people were affected and were less used to self-help and community

organization than their country brethren.

One problem in floods is foolish people who drive or wade in floodwaters and need to be rescued at some risk to the rescuers as well. He made a gaffe about two idiots floating down the Yarra on a blow-up doll, by telling radio that perhaps natural selection should have taken its course.

He fielded amusing media inquiries including "Where does all this water come from?" and "Are you telling me that water is going to flow northward up the map?"

Apart from flood and wind damage, SES responses have included to a recent fall of a 10x4ft glass sheet from a lower floor of a Docklands high-rise. The risk would have been much greater if it had fallen from an upper floor.

The talk was well received as both entertaining and instructive. #

CLUB MEMBERSHIP: DO YOUR MONKEY-WORK NOW!

Posted by Roger Thornton

The Focus Group's task is to stimulate re-building of our membership after the gradual decline from 60 to 47 in the past few years.

As part of this strategy development, members are asked to complete a 10-item questionnaire, via the on-line "Survey Monkey", ASAP. The output will provide ideas on how we can best understand and tackle the membership issues. The plan is to consolidate all the replies in time to make recommendations to the September Board meeting. Thanks everyone for your cooperation!

NOTES FROM THE CRAWLEY ROTARY CLUB: PART 2



At the Crawley Club's August 8 breakfast meeting (which I attended, pic at left) I was wowed by the high-class venue at the UWA Club; by the finely cooked omelettes we were served; and a high-energy video (from The Rotary Foundation) on

Indian women's microfinance schemes. A well-printed program for the meeting was on each table. One of the club's sponsored members, a young woman with a disability, visited each table selling raffle tickets and White Lion cuddly toys at \$20 to raise funds for her upcoming trip to the

white lion preservation in Timbavati, South Africa. One member bought six.

The speaker was UWA vice-chancellor Paul Johnson who talked for 20 minutes without notes, and after questions he was elevated to Patron of the club.

The WA University Club has 5000 members. It supports the Crawley Rotary club as part of its own charity giving scheme. The breakfast, worth \$35 commercially, is covered by \$30 admission, and a couple of dollars of the \$30 goes to the Rotary club's working capital.

President James McLeod 29, is a private client advisor with Capital Partners, a boutique wealth manager for family groups. As President, he succeeded Holly Ransom, aged 22, an analyst with Rio Tinto who recently addressed the Rotary International Convention in Portugal and who, at the time of writing, is in California giving presentations on topics such as leadership to a group of 500 young students from around the world. In 2012 she was chosen as one of "Australia's most influential 100 women" by the Australian Financial Review.

The second president was Lindsay McLeod, James McLeod's father, a financial planner.

Co-founder and first president was Jaap Poll, who served for an 18-month term. He was strongly supported behind-the-scenes a team of senior Rotarians that included David Goldstone, regarded by some as the architect of the club's formation.

President-elect for 2014-15 is Peter Lawrance, an auctioneer, realtor and charter member, also a senior member of the club.

McLeod says, "We still have a lot of work to do to get the club really humming; we are not there yet. My feeling is that given our size of our membership base we should be a lot more involved with the Perth community.

"This Rotary year we have seen a great increase in fundraising activities and our challenge is to sustain that for the year and beyond."

The club's board has an aversion to dragged-out proceedings: the club's policies include, "Minimise the management structure". Committees or 'teams' aim to be always led by two people, not one, with responsibilities shared amongst many. The club insists that each committee has the authority to resolve any day-to-day issues, so the board can focus its energy on viability, partnership strategies, and major funding approvals. A committee submission is normally dealt with in a few minutes.

Last May the club's "A Night to Remember" gala for 250 guests at the Hyatt Regency raised over \$330,000 for Teen Challenge. This is a charity focused on youth drug rehabilitation (it has an 85% success rate for those completing the course). Host was "Enough Rope's" Andrew Denton and tables cost \$5000 (corporate) and \$2750 (private). Auction prizes included deluxe concert tickets, North-West and Bali holidays and Kailis pearls.

The previous 2011 gala was responsible for raising \$700,000 for Teen Challenge.

McLeod says the club has smaller projects raising anything from \$1000 to

\$10,000 supporting causes in East Bali, Malawi and of course locally. The club is especially proud of its partnership with Lockridge senior high school and the RYDA (Road safety) program.

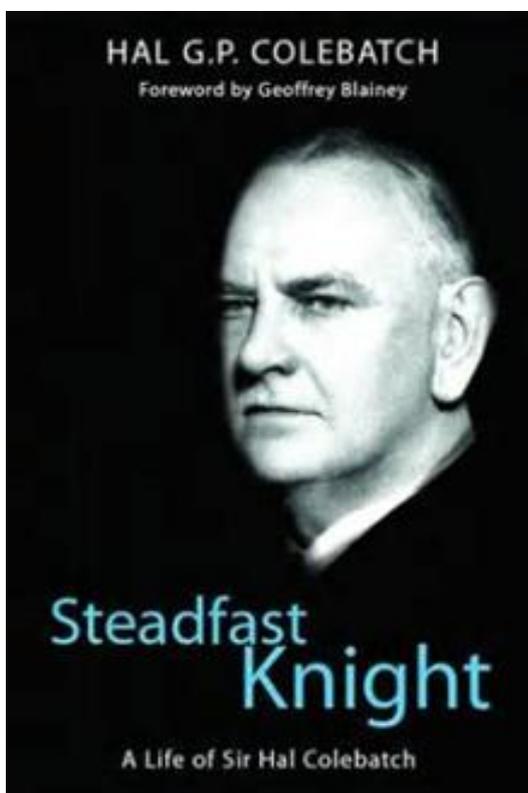
McLeod: "After such high growth in a short time, we are still developing our fundraising strategies.

"This year's focus is to remove the need for each specific cause to require its own fundraising effort. Instead we're aiming to raise a target amount like \$100,000 through a handful of events and support any causes from that pool."

...Tony Thomas

Next week: Why the Club attracts youngsters.

A CURIOUS ROTARY REFERENCE



My big project right now is writing a profile for Quadrant (October 2013) of notable and prolific WA

author/historian/poet/polemicist Hal G.P.Colebatch. This requires me to read his biography of his father, Sir Hal Colebatch (1872-53), titled "Steadfast Knight".

I had hardly started before I came to this on page 9:

"Reading my father's old pamphlets and speeches was something of a revelation for me...I had always thought Rotary a worthy but not particularly exciting organisation - hardly the stuff of crusaders or high ideals. Reading (Sir Hal) Colebatch on how it was founded to break down US trade isolationism shows it in a different light."

I sped to the index to see what further detail was on offer but alas, "Rotary" was not indexed and if I come across further references I'll let you know...Tony Thomas