

HORSHAM



EAST



VICTORIA AUSTRALIA

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ROTARY CLUB

ANNUAL REPORT

1973-74

ROTARY CLUB OF HORSHAM EAST - CHANGEOVER 1974

Tuesday, 16th July, 1974 at La Fontana Restaurant

7.00 p.m. Fellowship

7.30 p.m. Dinner

Official Guests

Horsham Rotaract Club: Rod Jenkinson and Neelene Hinch,
Hosted by Max and Elaine Cuddihy.

Stawell Rotary Club: Fred and Ruby Ward hosted by John Heid.

Horsham Branch, R.S.L.: Neil and Evelyn McLean hosted by
Bill and Janet Ower.

Horsham Rotary Club : David and Marion Walter hosted by Tom
and Jean Speakman.

Diaboola Rotary Club : Mavis and Les Fechner hosted by Vic
and Abbie Greer.

Warracknabeal Rotary Club: John and Mary Thorburn hosted by
Brian and Anne Williams.

Horsham Apex Club : Noel and Jan Ferguson hosted by Richard and
Mary Speakman.

Horsham Lions Club : Tony and Helen Freiljah hosted by Denis
and Leila Pinch.

Horsham Jaycees: Brendan and Maureen Ryan hosted by Lindsay
and Lorraine Smith.

Jardwa Apex : Paul and Mrs. Marea hosted by Kevin and Lynne
Matuschka.

Wimmera Legacy : Peter and Mrs. Robertson hosted by Reece
and Julia Burgess.

Wimmera Base Hospital : Eddie and Mrs. Brownstein hosted by
Rodney and Beryl Abud.

Horsham City Council: His Worship Cr. Windsor and Mrs. Windsor.

In a well tuned and nicely oiled Rotary Club, there is little need for the President to say anything in particular except thanks to his Board of Directors and to the members.

In the following pages, each Director has written his report and each has referred to the highlights of the year just concluded. In each report there will be found some good news and there will be some not so good (even some bad news, as the story goes).

To determine the point at which the Club has arrived, one must look back over the distance travelled and, to do that, the Club Historian must be consulted. Because the Club Historian happens to be the President it is inevitable, therefore, that the bulk of the President's Report will be historical, at least in summary form.

- (1) Pre 1971: Rotary Club of Horsham, having sponsored Clubs at Warracknabeal (1934) and Dimboola (1964) and suffering from severe growing pains itself, hit upon the idea of sponsoring a new Rotary Club in Horsham itself.
- (2) 5th February, 1971. Organizational Meeting at Horsham Technical School deciding to form a new club.
- (3) 16th April, 1971: Charter Presentation to Rotary Club of Horsham East. This was the result of the work of the District Governor's Special Representatives, P.P. Malcolm Taylor and P.P. Nora. Silvey, of Horsham Rotary Club. The Charter was presented by District Governor W.D. (Jim) Chisholm at a dinner and ceremony held in the Horsham Town Hall.

There were twenty-five Charter members of the Rotary Club of Horsham East, of whom twelve are still members of the club at this change-over dinner. Charter President was Jim Coffey, Charter Secretary was Graham Campbell and Charter Vice President was Rodney Abud.

- (4) 4th August 1971: Rodney Abud became President when bank manager, Jim Coffey was transferred to Traralgon.
- (5) 19th July, 1972: Change-over Evening when Reece Burgess became President.
- (6) 11th July, 1973: Yet another dynastic change when Ian Maroske became President at the annual change-over.

And so to the beginning of the year now ended. To pick up the threads, look over the following and recall, if you can, what we did for fifty one meetings and some other functions.

THE YEAR IN RETROSPECT1973

- Jul. 18 - Jim Laos spoke on the Citizen Military Force
 25 - Wal Currie spoke on Premier Towns and "progress".
 Aug. 1 - Alan Lockwood spoke on random thoughts of a newspaper
 man.
 8.- Nigel Dick and Tim Hewitt startled us with concepts of
 the earth as a "Global Village".
 15 - A Life and Job Talk from Reece Burgess.
 22 - Becky Ward from Gardnerville, Nevada, met the Club.
 Ladies night sprinkled with Bill Ower's saving witticisms
 29 - Club Assembly
 Sep. 5 - Sgt. Herb. Schnorring and Breathalyser interested us.
 **** 7 - Rotary Ball with theme - "Flags of all Nations".
 12 - Visit by District Governor Ian Stewart.
 19 - Lou Richardson inducted. Ian Baker Life and Job Talk.
 26 - Sir Doug. Nicholls addressed Club. A special trip.
 Oct. 3 - Jim Latta, District Telephone Manager was guest.
 10 - Life and Job Talk from Tom Speakman "I like my job and
 I am looking forward to going to work tomorrow."
 17 - Ladies' Night at Ab's. Max Cuddihy & Doug Weir speakers,
 on Learning Difficulties.
 24 - Malcolm Taylor spoke of Lausanne R.I. Conference.
 **** 25 - Death of Horsham East Rotarian Jack Lowry.
 31 - Eric Butler on "the Free World" and "The Real World".
 Nov. 7 - Brian Williams inducted. Frank Barnes on rifle shooting.
 **** 9-10-11 The Wimmera Art Competition and "The Sigh's Harp".
 A triumph of organisation for John Heid.
 14 - Dav. Govender spoke on the other side of South Africa.
 21 - Eddie Brownstein and the Wimmera Base Hospital Appeal.
 28 - Club Assembly. Definitely some good news and some bad
 news at this meeting.
 Dec. 5 - Norma Greenaway answered(?) "What is Art?"
 12 - Rotarian Ian McMillan on "Life-long Education".
 19 - Becky Ward overcame "nerves" and gave us some impressions
 and "strine" and other things, "no worries".
 26 - No Rotary:By-Law, meeting next to a National holiday.
 1974
 Jan. 2 - Panel of experts made up for guest speaker.
 9 - Panel of experts again. Thanks Alan Finch, very good :
 16 - Bob Bethell spoke on Wimmera Base Hospital Appeal.
 23 - Dave Walter on land values over the past fifty years He
 would not be drawn into the next fifty years at all.
 30 - Combined meeting with our sponsors. Colin Fellow-Smith
 of Ararat Mental Hospital spoke.
 Feb. 6 - Club Assembly.
 13 - Induction: Graeme Lind. Ivan Carman spoke on St. John's
 First Aid service.
 *** 16-17 Grape Picking at Red Cliffs. Hot but happy pickers.
 20 - Graeme Williams spoke on Commercial air lines.
 27 - Visit of Ray Blair, John Schander, Rick Klingel,
 Bruce Bracket, James Leszczynski and their chief, Warren
 Knox. Rotary Group Study Team. Horsham President Jack
 Russell also along for the evening.

- Mar. 6 - Charles Wells told us about the Japan Trade Centre.
- ***** 9-10-11 Rotary Conference at Ballarat. District 278. Yes, P.D.G. Winton Thorpe was there.
- 13 - Kevin Matuschka's Sunflower harvesting was observed then, barbecue at Dock Lake Reserve.
- 20 - Bill Ower - Life and Job Talk. (a former Group study man too).
- 27 - A tour of the Mackay-Convair establishment. "Where was the guide?"
- Apr. 3 - Twins and Jeroboams from Rodney. Ron Gross and National Heart Foundation. A very fit looking ex-coronary man.
- ***** 5-6-7 "Mostly Female" Photographic exhibition. Conceived by Reece and very well organized. Very good stuff but where was Horsham?
- 10 - Peter Beyer and a new Horsham organization. Building Regulations have made him essential.
- 17 - Ken Sheldon inducted. Paul Shelley "Communicate or Perish"
- 24 - At Last ! Don Rush's Life and Job Talk.
- May 1 - Arnold Wilson and intimate details of the weevil.
- 8 - Club Assembly.
- 15 - Graeme Lind - Life and Job Talk.
- 22 - Rex Monsbourgh and "Prestige Department Stores".
- 29 - Ken McDonald, our R.Y.L.A. student reports.
- Jun. 5 - Bernard Gross told members and their ladies about his Life and Job without any contradiction from Audrey.
- 12 - Let's Face It - just once - no Guest Speaker and the President took the blame.
- 19 - U.S.A. teacher Richard Hazen spoke of the gaming tables at Reno, Nevada. Go to it Lou, but everybody keep away from the poker machines.
- 26 - Morrie Jordan spoke on the work of giving writing to the language of 20,000 New Guineans.
- Jul. 3 - Life and Job Talk from Brian Hutchesson.
- 10 - Slides and farewell address from Exchange student, Becky Ward.
- 16 - Now. Meet the President.

And that is the structure of the year. Talk about it all you want, because only by delving further will its real worth become apparent. There has been an enrichment of experience for all who participated in the Horsham East Rotary Year, both in the giving and in the taking and none of it, or very little of it could have happened if the club had not existed. Would we have honestly have replaced the time spent at Rotary with time of equal value spent elsewhere?

Of the various Club Directorates, some had much demanded of them and some less. All are vital to the Rotary process and must be kept alive.

I extend my special thanks to Doug and Betty Weir, Jeff and Wanda Baker, Don and Betsy Rush, James and Dianne Schwarz, Bruce and Joan Johanson, Lindsay and Lorraine Smith, Rodney and Beryl Abud and Eric and Val. Hurtig who were hosts to our first Rotary Exchange Student, Becky Ward from Nevada, U.S.A.

I am very grateful to Secretary Gordon Edwards for his secretarial work during the year despite his steadily increasing load of other commitments which finally necessitated his resignation.

I am grateful for the wisdom and forbearance of the Board of Directors who often restrained my impetuosity and gave even guidance to the whole club.

Thankyou to Sergeant-at-Arms Alan Finch for adding his own personal touch in his large contribution to club fellowship. Thankyou to Bruce Johanson, Tony Peart and the other members who filled in for officers away or resigned from time to time.

I find now, having read the rest of the report first, that I am starting to repeat the remarks, yet to be read by you, of the Directors.

Best wishes to incoming president Bernard Gross and his board for a satisfying and successful year ahead.

Ian Maroske

President 1973/74

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE REPORT

On 20th July, 1974, Becky Jo Ward, our first Exchange Student will return to Nevada, U.S.A. It can be said that this was a very successful venture for Becky and the Club. She will leave behind many friends and take back lasting impressions of our country. She has done her job well and the club should continue to host other students.

Early in the year, the committee met several times, but no programmes of an International nature were entered into. It is sometimes difficult to know what an International Committee can achieve.

The Club again supported Anton Agai by sending \$100-00 towards his education at Kendiu College, New Guinea.

Once again we supported Fourth Avenue in Motion by 100% of the members contributing.

DON RUSH

CHAIRMAN

FELLOWSHIP

The Fellowship Committee for the year 1973/1974 followed a similar programme to that of the previous committee and, apart from some small alterations, it successfully completed its term.

The Committee comprised of Rotarians Ab. Bragonje, Rob Rankin, Rodney Abud, George Hall, Cec. Hopper, Alan Finch, and Ian Baker. Unfortunately, during the year three members left, namely, George Hall to Tasmania, Rob Rankin to Adelaide and Ian Baker to England.

The first function was our Rotary Ball, held in September. This was very successful on the fellowship side but, financially, it was not so lucrative. However, no loss was incurred and it achieved the uniting of members and member's wives, to a common cause and I think we all gained from the experience.

A meeting later in the year was held at the home of Ab and Shirley Bragonje and was catered for by members' wives. This was very much enjoyed by all concerned and there were many delighted comments from members present, on the atmosphere and on the quality and quantity of the meal provided. Our thanks to Ab and Shirley for the use of their premises and facilities.

The Christmas meeting was also a Ladies' night and, once again, it was held at Ab and Shirley Bragonje's home. This time, the catering was professionally done, enabling the wives to relax completely. I have noted that these ladies' nights seem to promote a good relationship between club and home.

Early in the year, a barbecue tea for wives and children, as well as members, was held at Dock Lake. We were fortunate with the weather and, although it grew dark rather quickly, there was time for some ball games between children and fathers. The barbecue was preceded by an interesting visit to Rotarian, Kevin Matuschka's farm, where the harvesting of his sunflower crop was studied.

A day was spent in the Grampians, culminating in a barbecue dinner at Sunstein's and the planting of trees in the Rotary Plantation. The weather was fine and sunny and a most convivial time was had by all attending.

The last fellowship function was a Ladies' Night at La Fontana restaurant. The entertainment was provided by

Rotarian Bernard Gross, who gave a life and job talk. Life and job talks always seem to be extremely interesting to all who hear them and I think they are enjoyed as much by the raconteur, as by his audience.

There has been a number of new members join during the year 1973/1974 and I consider that perhaps we should hold more Ladies' Nights than we have done. However, in my opinion, our present club meeting place is not conducive to good fellowship and I would like to see a change of venue.

In conclusion, I would like to express my appreciation to all who assisted and participated in the work of Club fellowship during the term 1973-1974 and, in particular, my committee members.

ERIC HURTIG

FELLOWSHIP DIRECTOR

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

During the past twelve months the members of the Youth Activities Committee have had two projects. In conjunction with Andrew Wood, Chairman of the Horsham Rotary Club Youth Activities Committee, and his members, we selected two RYLA nominees to represent each club at Bendigo for one week during May. Our two representatives were Elizabeth Mewitt of Noradjuha and Ken McDonald of Longerenong Agricultural College. Ken has addressed our club since returning and he was obviously very impressed with the seminar as a whole, and he was sure that ideas learnt by all who attended will benefit them and the youth of all districts to which they returned. My thanks go to Tony Teart and Graeme Lind for the time they gave the club (during working hours) in selecting with me two such candidates.

The Rotaract Club has gone from strength to strength after facing what could have been a membership crisis ; this is proof that apart from enjoying the fellowship, they are determined to have a strong hard-working club. They have successfully taken on and completed projects such as the building of chicken pens at a large chicken farm and the painting of the Karkana Hall for mentally retarded children, and social events during the year. They have also committed themselves to a River Beautification project.

Once again, we have worked in conjunction with the Horsham Rotary Club in having a member attend Rotaract meetings once a fortnight and at Directors' meetings.

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In conclusion, I feel that our Committee would be able to achieve more with more members and, as new members arrive, we may be lucky.

Many thanks to President Ian for his infinite words of wisdom during the year and for the invaluable assistance from Rotarians Tony Peart and Graeme Lind.

RICHARD SPEARMAN

YOUTH ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR

CLUB SERVICE

Club Service in a Rotary Club consists of members entrusted with special duties which must be executed on an individual basis throughout the twelve months.

Attendance Officer: Rotarian Dr. Allan Robson left us at the end of 1973 to accept a lecturing position at Perth University and so we coopted the services of Murray Degnan for this position. Our thanks go to both Allan and Murray for the efficient manner in which they carried out their duties. One hundred percent attendance for the year has been achieved by three members, Ab. Bragonje (third successive year 100%), Lindsay Smith (second successive year 100%) and Ian Marosko.

Bulletin: Editor, Max Cuddihy has continued with his reporting of the club activities under the pen-name of "Herbie" and his efforts have earned the "Thanks and well done Max" from us all.

Sergeant-at-Arms: Alan Finch with his inimitable style and natural "punny" humour, has given the club a year of delight in paying their fines. Bruce Johanson has ably officiated in Alan's absence.

Rotary Information: presented by Immediate-Past-President, Reece Burgess, has kept us abreast with Rotary happenings throughout the world. Occasionally the subject of "bricks" came up.

Programmes: were arranged by Brian Hutchesson. This is a difficult task, but the year's meetings have been addressed by many interesting speakers on a wide variety of subjects.

Properties: Perhaps very few members of our club realize who has been responsible for displaying and storing of the club banners and other property at meetings. We owe the "evergreen" Tom Speakman a big thankyou for the consistent display of loyal club service.

Last, but of most importance, I would like to record our thanks to Ian and Barbara Marosko for the leadership they have given us and the hospitality many of us have enjoyed in their home during the year.

BERNARD GROSS

CLUB SERVICE DIRECTOR

ROTARY CLUB OF HORSHAM EAST

COMMUNITY SERVICE REPORT 1973-74

The year commenced with the planning of the Wimmera Art Competition well advanced, and a programme to continue the development of the Club's area under the Wimmera River Beautification Scheme.

All Rotarians combined to make the Wimmera Art Competition an outstanding success during the weekend of 9th, 10th, and 11th November '73.

Their efforts in underwriting this project by personally soliciting the business people and contacting the citizens of Horsham to raise \$1303 truly reflects their dedication to the Rotary ideals.

Ideals of cultural growth of the community to leave a record being and yet to be enjoyed by many in viewing the winning painting donated to the Horsham Art Gallery.

"The Sigh's Harp" by Peter Tyndall won first prize of \$1200 and Ronald Morse's "Autumn Fantasy" was successful to win the \$100 prize in the section for paintings to the value of \$100.

Our appreciation to Mr Peter McCaughey for his advice in planning the competition and his selection of the winning paintings.

Some 750 adults and many children visited the display of 252 paintings and exhibition of student art. Total receipts were \$3205.76 and expenditure amounted to \$2772.87 to result in donation of \$432.87 towards the Club's effort of \$2000 for the Wimmera Base Hospital Centenary Appeal.

To further this effort and foster fellowship grape picking at Mildura and brick cleaning were undertaken.

Under the guidance of Past President Reece Burgess the Club undaunted ventured again into the arts by presenting an exhibition of photographs by Dr Smith under the title of "Mostly Female".

The success of the premier cocktail evening exemplified the magnificent support contributed in every way by all Rotarians and their wives in providing the hors d'oeuvres.


The River Beautification project, although hampered by wet weather, progressed mainly due to concentration of Rotarians Kevin Matuschka and Murray Minnie.

Further Rotary service enjoyed at a family barbecue at Zumsteins, resulted in fifty trees being planted at the recently opened camping area.

The personally rewarding duty of delivering "Meals on Wheels" was undertaken for the two one week periods the Club was rostered.

These activities have involved the whole Club to weld it into a viable unit dedicated to the advancement of the Community. To individualize with praise any of the efforts of the Community Service Rotarians would be unfair as all accepted the challenge.

For their support and guidance a very sincere "Thank You".


J.W. HEID
DIRECTOR.

ATTENDANCE ROLL

	*	%		*	%
Rodney Abud	47/51	94	Ian McMillan	35/44	80
Ian Baker	41/51	82	Ian Maroska	51/51	100
Jeff Baker	24/51	48	Kevin Matuschka	46/51	92
Ab Bragonje	51/51	100	Murray Minne	40/51	80
Rosce Burgess	44/51	88	Bill Ower	43/51	86
Olive Carroll	2/3	67	Tony Peart	41/51	82
Leo Coul	10/13	76	Denis Pinch	40/51	80
Max Cuddihy	46/51	92	Rob Rankin	10/25	40
Murray Degnan	46/51	92	Leu Richardson	28/39	72
Tom Edgar	36/51	71	Allan Robson	19/25	76
Gordon Edwards	41/51	82	Don Rush	40/51	80
Alan Finch	49/51	97	James Schwarz	49/51	98
Joe Fraser	34/51	68	John Skinner	42/51	84
Vic Greer	48/51	96	Lindsay Smith	51/51	100
Bernard Gross	47/51	94	Ken Sheldon	7/10	70
George Hall	40/51	80	Richard Speakman	44/51	88
John Heid	43/51	86	Tom Speakman	42/51	84
Cec Hopper	39/51	78	Charles Tuohy	38/51	76
Eric Hurtig	43/51	86	Alan Uebergang	42/51	84
Brian Hutchesson	45/51	90	Doug. Weir	40/51	80
Bruce Johanson	45/51	90	Brian Williams	30/32	96
Jack Lowery	14/18	76	Oliver Williams	39/51	78
Graeme Lind	19/20	95			

* actual attendances/possible attendances

MURRAY DEGNAN

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

ROTARY CLUB OF HONSHAM EAST

GENERAL ACCOUNT - 1973/74

<u>Receipts</u>			<u>Expenditure</u>
Bank Balance at 1/7/73	\$ 745.53	Club Bulletin Expense	\$ 462.96
Annual Subscriptions	916.08	Club Banners	98.80
Joining Fees	65.00	District 278 Assembly Expense	61.50
Attendance Levy	338.10	Wimera Art Competition 1973	300.00
Badges, Car Stickers, Plaques etc., Sales	20.80	Club Community Fund Account	1.00
Club banner sales	13.00	Club Ball 1973 - part	773.56
Collection of "Coppers"	67.02	Annual Change-over Dinner	116.67
Club Ball (1973) - part	944.11	Club Guest Expenses	119.85
Special Fellowship Projects	170.11	Rotary International per capita	214.64
Wimera Art Competition (Advance)	300.00	Subscriptions to US "Rotarian"	69.23
Photograph Display	643.00	General Stationery	10.84
Bank Interest	22.18	Members' Dinner Plaques	45.99
		Post Office Box 396	7.00
		District 278 Levy	82.00
		Floral Tributes	5.00
		Special Fellowship Projects	72.67
		Photograph Display	337.71
		Attendance Officer Advance	20.00
		Transferred to Service Account	1260.00
		Bank Charges	1.00
		Bank 30/6/74	<u>184.51</u>
	<u>\$4244.93</u>		<u>\$4244.93</u>

Net Profit from Ball \$944.11 part receipts*
 773.56 part expenditure
\$170.55

Includes \$305.29 profit from Photograph
 Display Balance.

Net Profit from
 Photo. Display \$643.00
 337.71
\$305.29

Bank Reconciliation Statement

Balance as per Bank Statement \$243.76
 Less unrepresented cheques -
 No. 45 \$16.25
 No. 52 43.00
 59.25

Balance as per cash book 30th
 June, 1974. \$184.51

Cash held by Attendance Officer - \$30.00

Audited and found correct.

signed V. Greer 5/7/74.

signed

TREASURER

AUDITOR

ROTARY CLUB OF NORSHAM EAST

SERVICE ACCOUNT - 1973/74

<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
Bank Balance 1/7/73	\$ 238.55	Flood Tributes	\$ 9.00
Rotary Foundation of Rotary International	35.10	Exchange Student Expenses	284.17
Club Fines	245.76	International Projects Advisory Committee	100.00
Bank Interest - A.N.Z.	9.62	(Student Kenda High School, New Guinea)	
Exchange Student Levy	128.40	Fourth Avenue in Notice (PAIM)	20.50
Fourth Avenue in Notice PAIM	20.50	Janet Lowery Fund	100.00
Grape Picking - Mildura	230.00	Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (NYLA)	120.00
Janet Lowery Fund	90.00	Trees for Bushsteins	18.00
Twins' Donation to Hospital Appeal	11.00	Wimmera River Beautification	200.00
Brick Cleaning	215.00	*Rotary Foundation of RI	53.00
Wimmera Art Competition 1973 Profit	443.50	Wimmera Base Hospital Building Fund	2000.00
Transferred from General Account	1260.00	Bank Balance 30/1/74	26.96
			<u>2931.63</u>
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* Notes Payment to Rotary Foundation of Rotary International of \$53.00 included all collections from 1973/74 \$238.10 plus an amount of \$14.90 collected during 1972/73.

Bank Reconciliation Statement

Balance as per Bank Statement	\$2279.96
<u>Less Unpresented Cheques -</u>	
No. 146 2000.00	
147 53.00	
148 2000.00	
	<u>2253.00</u>
Balance as per Cash Book 30/6/74	\$ 26.96

Audited and found correct

signed V. Greer

TREASURER

signed

AUDITOR

ROTARY CLUB OF NORSHAM EAST

COMMUNITY FUND ACCOUNT

Credit Balance at 30/6/74 as per Bank Statement - 319.07

ROTARY CLUB OF NORSHAM EAST

WIMMERA ART COMPETITION

Balance as per Bank Statement at 30/6/74 - Nil.