

Annual Report

1999 - 2000



**ROTARY CLUB
OF
HORSHAM EAST INC.
DISTRICT 9780**

**President: Terry Harris
President Elect: Peter Rafter**

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL THEME 1999 - 2000

Act with Consistency, Credibility & Continuity

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THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

The 4-Way Test was created by Rotarian Herbert Taylor in 1932 when he was asked to take charge of the Chicago-based Aluminium Company, which was facing bankruptcy.

Taylor looked for a way to save the struggling company mired in depression-caused financial difficulties.

He drew up a 24-word code of ethics for all employees to follow in their business and professional lives. The 4-Way Test became the guide for sales, production, advertising and all relations with dealers and customers.

The survival of the company was credited to this simple philosophy.



MEMBERS OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF HORSHAM EAST - MAY 2000

Back row, L to R: Leon Forrest, David Leembruggen, Graham Ponton, Merv Adams, Robert Alsbett, Andrew Price, Gary Green, Pawel Wajszel, Stan Hawker, Bruce McKubne, Rob Marshall, David Owens, Jim Lonsdale & Barry Bell

Middle row, L to R: Brian Brooke, Barry McClure, Chas McDonald, Bob Hayes, Bob Mibus, Kevin Phish, Alan Uebergang, Graham Whyatt, John Waddell, Alan Vickers, Bruce Johansen, Rob Walter, Steve Sostheim & Alan Wolff

Front row, L to R: Trevor Bysouth, John Peachey, Peter Rafter, Terry Harris (President), Ken Dowsley, Greg Wickes, Neil Poppie & Geoff Tuahly.

(Absent from photo: Maurie Crooke, Geoff Eagle, Russell Eastwood, Denis Grosser, Anne Hayes, Ian Ludlow, Robyn Lardner, Mike Rodgers, Andrew Rogers, Jack schier, Leigh-Anne Sharrock, Brian Thomas & Jim Thorpe. Honorary Members: Ab Bragonje, Joe Freiljah & Greg Schreck.)

President's Report



Once again, the Rotary Club of Horsham East has completed another very successful and fulfilling year.

At the start of my term as President, I asked that all Rotarians and their partners look to the upcoming year where we would all enjoy ourselves and provide a service to the local community and support Rotary's International projects. I believe that over the last twelve months, we have achieved just that.

The support that the members have given the Board has allowed the Club to enter a new century with very solid foundations, a continuity of projects, a credibility that is further enhanced in the local community and a consistency that Horsham East Rotary Club has maintained throughout its nearly 30 year existence.

Every member of the Club has contributed to the year through their involvement on committees - even though some meet more regularly than others - individual members have taken on tasks that "mere" mortals would have balked at and when requested to perform a chore, none have refused.

Further on in this report, the directors of the club have detailed each committee's role during the last year, so I will only briefly summarise each portfolio.

Before I do that, I would specifically like to mention some highlights during my year as President.

The realisation of over two years of discussion, many letters, meetings with members of Parliament and numerous phone calls came to fruition in December with the placement of Roadside Fatality Markers on the Western Highway.

Twenty four markers were erected and unfortunately, in the last six months another six markers will mark the site of a death on our major highway between the South Australian border and Ararat. PP Bob Mibus provided the impetus for this project and the club congratulates him on this very worthwhile road safety program.

After twelve months of redesigning and reconstruction, we were enabled in April to re-commission the Veta Landt Memorial Fountain after years of neglect and Barry McClure can now sleep at night without tossing and turning. Thank you to Barry and his energetic crew.

With the opening of the Nexus Youth Centre we as a club can be involved in an ongoing centre for our local youth and I hope that the club continues the enthusiasm that Chas McDonald showed in taking the lead role of co-ordinating Horsham's service clubs in bringing the old fire station up to the centre it is today for the youth of Horsham.

Our membership has grown with seven new members being inducted. They bring to the Club many new ideas and their contributions have helped us to continue our strong growth in many aspects. We only had two resignations and both those were due to transfers in their occupations away from Horsham.

The Vocational Service Committee led by Rotarian John Peachey, once again organised a very successful Pride of Workmanship evening with 6 awardees from the Horsham area. It was one of our most rewarding evenings for the year.

A number of vocational visits to Horsham businesses and weekly two minute vocational talks from our members not only kept us up to date in changes within various industries but also gave members public speaking experience. Mock job interviews with Horsham College students rounded out some of this committee's full and busy portfolio.

Community Service Director Greg Wickes and his committee kept the club members involved in many projects from annual events such as Meals on Wheels, Carols by Candlelight stage construction, Australia Day catering, Fishing Competition stewards and many other annual functions.

As well as assisting Wimmera Community Care in clean up of properties, collection of books for distribution to third world countries and other highlights in Greg's detailed report, this committee has been ever diligent in providing new avenues for service projects to assist our community under the leadership of a very enthusiastic Director.

The Art Show Committee under the directorship of PDG Geoff Tually laboured long and hard to ensure that the Wimmera Art Exhibition again gave the community the opportunity to view over six hundred exhibits. The response from the community ensures that the Exhibition continues and this year, the committee will be implementing a number of changes to improve an already successful exhibition. A \$1400 profit was below expectations and did not reflect the many hours of work done by the committee and the club members.

The International Service Committee have also had a busy year under the guidance of Director Steve Sostheim. With co-hosting the Argentinian Group Study Exchange team in Horsham for four days with the Horsham Rotary Club, we were able to bring the international world of Rotary to our own members.

We have been fortunate over the last year in having all three of our selected candidates involved with our club. Gary Green joined Horsham East after his exchange to France, Lee-anne Mintern visited Scotland prior to Christmas and Karen Werner travelled to Argentina in April. It is a credit to our strong committee that Horsham East candidates all do well in selection on Group Study Exchange teams.

The Youth Service Committee which PP Ken Dowsley took under his charge after his successful year as President, has a very full and consistent program with Kimberly Cresp returning from America and Abbie Wilmore preparing to head to Switzerland in the new year under the Youth Exchange program. We will welcome a student in August from Denmark to spend a year with us at Horsham East.

Also with organising school debating, candidates for Rotary Youth Leadership program, Siemens Science Experience, Rotary Youth program of Enrichment and the Bill Davey Rotary Club of Horsham East scholarship, the committee has maintained and improved the Horsham East Rotary Club's strong support of youth in our district.

Our Fellowship Committee was under the directorship of PP Trevor Bysouth and it fulfilled to the letter my decree that this year was to be one enjoyed by all and fun was to be to the forefront of our Rotary year. With fireside meetings, theatre night for the local Arts Council production, Christmas breakup, meeting Santa on the banks of the Wimmera river, mystery trips and partners taking advantage of attending our special nights, we all enjoyed the fellowship of members and their spouses on many occasions.

Our meetings at the clubrooms also allowed us to enjoy Rotary in a relaxed atmosphere with cuisine supplied by chef "extraordinaire" Graham Ponton.

The Club Service Portfolio was chaired by Peter Rafter and all members of that committee did a marvelous job in ensuring that the weekly Bulletin not only educated but also informed us all aspects of the Club. The Bulletin prepared and produced by PP Alan Vickers was of exceptional quality and standard and his candid camera quite often caught members unawares in print in the following week's Bulletin.

Properties and clubrooms were expertly maintained, our interesting weekly speakers were of a high standard and members welfare was paramount to all members. The Sergeants also derived many members of their loose change.

Treasurer Neil Popple handled our finances in such a manner that we knew at all times our financial situation in relationship to the excellent budget he had formulated. The outgoing Board is able to hand over to incoming President Peter and the Club a very healthy and financial situation. Thank you Neil for your detailed and invaluable contribution to ensure the Club's financial records were complete and correct.

Secretary Maurie Crooke has collected, collated, compiled and consigned many items of inwards and outwards correspondence. Together with his "secretary", we were always kept informed and bought up to date on all things relevant to the success of the club. A big "thank you" for a big job in Rotary and one that only someone with big shoes can fill.

I thank the partners of the members for their support towards the club and to my wife Carol for her invaluable input, encouragement, suggestions and assistance in making the year a truly enjoyable one.

In conclusion, I thank the members of the Rotary Club of Horsham East for giving me the privilege of being your President for the last twelve months and helping me to enjoy the year as much as I hope you have. I know that this support will also be given to Peter and Jenny in their year and I wish them all the very best for what we know will be a great 2000 - 2001.

Terry Harris
President 1999 - 2000



Club Service

Director: Peter Rafter, Assistant: Bob Hayes

Sergeants At Arms: Barry McClure, Leon Forrest & Stan Hawker

Membership Development & Classification: Peter Rafter, Ken Dowsley & Terry Harris

Program & Public Relations: Mike Rodgers, Leigh-Anne Sharrock & Bruce Kuhne.

Attendance & Dinner Plaques: Andrew Price, Denis Grosser, Barry Bell & Brian Thomas.

Properties & Clubrooms: Kevin Plush, Robert Aisbett & Brian Brooke.

Rotary Information: Jim Lonsdale.

Rotary Foundation: Ken Dowsley.

On To Conference: Bob Hayes.

Apologies: Andrew Price.

President Elect: Peter Rafter.

Bulletin: Alan Vickers, Geoff Eagle & Rob Walter

Members Welfare: Bruce Johansen & Bob Hayes.

"Club Service" involves actions a Rotarian takes to enable his or her club to function successfully. For example, by being present at meetings, participating in its fellowship, taking part in its programs, serving on committees and on the Board, paying the club's dues and representing the club in activities outside the club.

Club Service functions, responsibilities and activities include Classification & Membership Development, Programs, Rotary Information, Public Relations, Attendance, Bulletin, Clubrooms and Properties.

Club Service is a collection of tasks performed by many different committees and individuals, that keep the club "ticking over" from week to week. The responsibility for the smooth running of the club rests with these people, and my congratulations and my gratitude goes to all those Rotarians who contributed in these areas:

Sergeants At Arms



Order was maintained, misdemeanours - whether fact or fiction - were punished, and humorous stories told as our Sergeants Barry McClure, Leon Forrest and Stan Hawker helped to maintain the lively and enjoyable atmosphere at our weekly meetings.

And, of course, they painlessly extracted quite a few dollars from their fellow Rotarians along the way!

Program & Public Relations

Mike Rodgers and his team of Leigh-Anne Sharrock and Bruce Kuhne provided us each week with a varied and interesting program, in spite of obstacles such as date changes, venue changes and program alterations.

A job well done and greatly appreciated by all members.

Attendance

Our "number crunchers" for the year - Andrew Price, Brian Thomas, Barry Bell and Denis Grosser - did the job in their thorough, well-organised way every week.

Properties & Clubrooms

My thanks to Rob Aisbett, Kevin Plush and Brian Brooke for so capably taking care of Properties for each meeting, and for making sure our clubrooms were clean and presentable for the meetings held there.

Bulletin

Our bulletin committee comprising of Alan Vickers, Geoff Eagle and Rob Walter managed to not only relay the necessary information each week, but also to set new standards in presentation and content with photos, anecdotes and even jokes. Thanks especially to Alan for generously and creatively using his digital camera.

Member's Welfare

An important aspect of our program is to keep in touch with those members who, through ill health, are unable to join us at weekly meetings. Bruce Johansen and Bob Hayes diligently worked to keep us in touch with these Rotarians.

Special thanks to those who were able to visit Joe Freijah, Greg Schreck and Ab Bragonje; as well as those other members who fell ill for a time during the year.

Thank you to all those mentioned, to Jim Lonsdale, Ken Dowsley and Bob Hayes for doing the regular "Rotary Awareness" segments, and to all other members who contributed at times to the running of the club through 1999/2000.

Peter Rafter
Director,
Club Service

Bulletin Committee Report

Chairman: Alan Vickers

Members: Geoff Eagle & Robert Walter



My aim with the Bulletin this year has been to:

1. Provide an accurate record of each week's meeting and club activities.
2. Inform members of the forthcoming program and their duties where appropriate.
3. Inform and involve where possible, the partners of members of what is happening, and what happened.
4. Provide concise information of wider Rotary projects

Being a weekly task, the preparation and distribution of the bulletin is a very demanding one, but vital to the harmonious operation of a Rotary club. Therefore I believe it is worthy of our best efforts.

Fortunately I have enjoyed the excellent co-operation of the other two members of the committee, Geoff Eagle and Robert Walter in supplying the meeting notes for the preparation of the bulletin each week.

I am pleased to have been in a position by virtue of my resources and occupation to have been able to include photos and internet sourced material in the bulletin and hope that this has contributed to its value to members and partners.

Hopefully the bulletin has reflected and contributed to what has been another excellent year for our club with much enjoyable fellowship and great efforts from members together with several worthy activities and achievements.

Alan Vickers,
Chairman,
Bulletin Committee



Community Service

Director: Greg Wickes, Assistant: Barry McClure

Members: Merv Adams, Denis Grosser, David Leembruggen, Jim Lonsdale, Kevin Plush, Mike Rodgers & John Waddell.

"Community Service" involves actions a Rotarian undertakes, either as an individual or with others, which demonstrate his or her thoughtfulness of and helpfulness to residents in the community. The field of Community Service is as wide as the community itself - and is steadily broadening as communities remould themselves to the changing world.

Activities undertaken

McKenzie Creek Campus



Three working bees were held early in the year to prepare walls and paint the main room at the McKenzie Creek Campus.

Thanks to those who participated and I hope nobody suffered any long term eye problems due to the bright colour scheme.

Getting stuck into it! Horsham East Rotarians help out at the McKenzie Creek Annex painting project.

Wimmera Community Care

Mowing & gardening duties were carried out periodically at various W.C.C. properties. Thanks to those who gave their time and provided mowers etc.

Carols By Candlelight

Assistance was given by Rotarians in the pick up, drop off and erection of the choir stand at the Sound Shell.

Nexus Opening

Special thanks to Graeme Ponton for his organisation of food and catering equipment at the opening of Nexus. Thanks to Rotarians for their barbecue cooking skills on what was a very hot evening.

Meals on Wheels

A successful year for Meals on Wheels was had with the input of available Rotarians. Thanks to all.

Australia Day Celebrations

Thanks to those Rotarians who gave of their time at this annual event.

Fishing Competition

Once again our club provided stewards for this large annual event. Thank you to those who participated.

Red Shield Appeal

Thanks to Rotarians who again gave their time to collect.

Veta Landt Fountain



Horsham East Rotarians witness the official switching on and lighting up of the refurbished Veta Landt Memorial Fountain

The fountain is now fully operational after a few years where fatigue had set in.

A special thanks to Barry McClure for his tenacity in the long term resurrection of this fine landmark and his able sidekick in Merv Adams.

Perhaps they should be known as Batman & Robin or Starsky & Hutch.

Art is ... Festival

Thank you to Barry Bell, Brian Brook & Alan Vickers for providing security for the festival bridgework.

Senior Citizens Bus Tour

A successful senior citizens bus tour was once again conducted by messrs Brook & McClure.

Donations in kind

Approximately 3 ton of books have been collected and transported to the Geelong Rotary Club for distribution in 3rd world countries throughout the year.

I have enjoyed my first year as Community Service Director and look forward to continuing in this role under incoming President Peter Rafter.

I would like to thank the Community Service committee for their support and I would especially like to thank the previous Community Service Director Barry McClure whose assistance and advice was most appreciated.

Greg Wickes
Director,
Community Service

Membership

Director : Peter Rafter

Members: Ken Dowsley & Terry Harris

On ongoing commitment that all members must make is to ensure that our membership remains constant and where possible increase.

Every member should be ever diligent in recognising the potential of a prospect who could become a member of our Club and not only increase our awareness of their classification but also be honoured by joining a great community & international service organisation.

Due to transfers, work commitments and personal reasons, we had two members resign from our Club over the last Rotary year. They were:

Michael Hoey

David Mckenzie

We regretfully accepted their departure and thank them for their service to Horsham East Rotary Club.

Fortunately, we had a very pleasing net increase in membership for the year and welcomed to our Club our newest members -

Graham Ponton	Inducted 4th August
Jim Thorpe	Inducted 4th August
Andrew Rogers	Inducted 8th September
Gary Green	Inducted 24th November
Rob Marshall	Inducted 5th April
Alan Wolff	Inducted 5th April
Peter Perry	Inducted 21st June

We know that they will enjoy their time in Rotary and enhance the membership of Horsham East Rotary Club by their presence.

Peter Rafter,
Chair,
Membership Development & Classification



Fellowship

Director: Trevor Bysouth

Members: Rob Aisbett, Terry Harris, Graham Ponton, Ian Ladlow, Leon Forest, Andrew Price, Barry Bell, Pawel Wajszel, and Graham Whyatt,

"Rotary Fellowship" refers to the opportunity provided to each Rotarian to develop warm and friendly relationships with other business and professional men and women in the community who share an interest in the Rotary Ideal of Service. The membership classification system used in Rotary works to develop fellowship based on diversity of vocational interest instead of similarity of interest.

- The aim of the fellowship committee this Rotary year was to provide not only fellowship, but fun.
- We tried with I believe, some success, to provide light relief from the heavy weekly grind of Rotary membership.
- Along with the regular tried and true fellowship activities like home hosted fireside meetings, restaurant hosted fireside meetings and meetings at the club rooms, we tried a few slightly different venues and activities.

Pimpinio Pizza visit



The trip to Pimpinio Pizza early in the year was somewhat memorable as most club members didn't even know that such an establishment existed.

Christmas functions



Rotarian Barry Bell and Cheryl provided the perfect venue for an Aussie style Christmas function by loaning us their woolshed for the evening.

Roast duck accompanied by Nancy Mibus leading us with Christmas carols, Jenny Rafter dressed as Aussie Icon Dame Edna etc. etc.

What a night!



And who can forget the following week when an informal barbecue was held on the banks of the Wimmera River attended by young children, grandchildren etc of Rotarians.

Not only did Santa himself arrive in a police car (rumors that he'd had a bit too much to drink were definitely not true!), but Stefanie Walter, daughter of Rob and Liz did a magnificent job in ridding the world of the millennium bug by single-handedly smashing a computer containing the bug with a mallet!

Clubrooms meetings

Meetings at the clubrooms have improved dramatically this year. Due to the tireless effervescent work of master chef Graham Ponton, gone are the days of barbecued burnt offerings and a bowl of coleslaw.

Pate and nibbles on arrival followed by grilled quail, scotch fillet steak, gourmet chicken sausages with stir-fried vegies, followed by a choice of five different desserts, washed down with a glass or two of cabernet shiraz are the order of the day.

The year for us was not hard work. My heartfelt thanks to the members of the Fellowship who pitched in whenever required, which meant that not one event was a large task for any one person.

My congratulations to President Terry Harris for a great Rotary year and also my thanks to him for encouraging and allowing so diverse a fellowship program.

We are however a little disappointed that the roller skating evening never eventuated. We didn't feel that our members were too old and frail to enjoy such an activity, but after such a busy year, maybe President Terry was!

I look forward to next Rotary year under the leadership of incoming President Peter Rafter.

Trevor Bysouth
Director,
Fellowship Committee

International Service

Director: Steve Sostheim: Assistant: Bruce Kuhne

Members: Russell Eastwood, Anne Hayes, Chas McDonald, David Owens, Andrew Rogers & Gary Green.



"International Service" involves actions a Rotarian does to advance international understanding, goodwill and peace - by getting acquainted with people of other countries, their culture, customs, accomplishments, aspirations and problems - through personal contact in the Rotarians own community, by travel and attendance at conventions, through reading and correspondence and through cooperation in all club activities and projects, including those of The Rotary Foundation, that will be helpful to people in other lands.

Group Study Exchange



Argentina G.S.E. Team members
(left to right) Gabriel Baldi, Leonardo Boquet, Graciela Maria Beneditti, Eduardo Mur (Leader) & Isabel Villasuso, with Presidents Terry Harris and Bruce Valpied

As International Director this year I had the pleasure of overseeing the Group Study Exchange programme.

By the enthusiasm of the recipients, this is a worthwhile project for professional people to explore their respective careers in other countries, whilst traveling with a group of similar minded persons on an adventure across the world.

Last year Gary Green returned from France, and from his experiences, has been an inspiration to prospective candidates. We have also had the fortune of his induction into our club and he will now be on next years District GSE Committee.

Our next outgoing Group Study Exchange member was Lee-Anne Mintern who visited Scotland and returned to brief us on her experiences.

In February we hosted the Argentinian GSE group in Horsham, where we were able to show our hospitality and attractions. My thanks to Rotarians Leanne Sharrock, Geoff Eagle and Mike Rogers for their assistance in hosting and transporting our visitors.

In March the Club traveled to Warracknabeal, to share a joint club meeting to welcome the incoming Scottish team.

Our latest recruit was Karen Werner who mastered her many interviews, to gain a berth to Argentina in April. We are looking forward to her club address in July.

Steve Sostheim
Director,
International Service Committee



Vocational Service

Director: John Peachey, Assistant: Brian Brooke

Members: Bob Hayes, Jack Schier, Brian Thomas, Alan Uebergang, Robert Walter & Jim Thorpe

"Vocational Service" fosters and supports the application of the ideal of service in the pursuit of all vocations.

Vocational Visits



- A number of informative visits occurred this year. Jim Thorpe introduced us to the Ballarat University Horsham campus where members were able to hear of the programs in place and view the resources available.
- With a change of meeting night to a Tuesday, Brian Brooke was able to show us the printing of the Wimmera Mail Times and took the Club through the various stages of production.
- Another fascinating night was held at the Old Mill Furniture business of Murray and Chris Minne. Murray gave all members an interesting insight into the methods used to turn the famous red gum timber into wonderful furniture.
- A night on the Internet is yet to take place.

Vocational Talks

The 2-minute vocational talks at each meeting were continued and they remain a very interesting item on our meeting agenda. Certainly a great way of being informed on what our members are involved with day by day.

Life & Job Talks



Chas McDonald as a mission carpenter with his team in New Guinea in 1961.

Our Life and Job talks continued with 5 of our newer members able to entertain us with excellent talks. These give us all an insight into the lives of our fellow Rotarians and continue to be one of the highlights of our yearly program.

Great Industrial Adventure

This program, hosted by the Rotary Club of Dingley Village, enables students of Year 10 to spend an intensive week visiting a wide range of potential career sites in Melbourne. We registered our interest in this program but due to its popularity were unable to participate. We strongly recommend that we pursue this in future years as the scheme holds much merit for country students.

Interview Practice

With the help of 6 members we were able to meet a commitment to help students undertake practice at interview techniques. We are perfectly situated to assist students gain this practical and essential skill.

Pride of Workmanship awards



With a different method of advertising we were able to encourage 22 applicants for this award. This most pleasing result lifted the profile of the award as we received responses from a wide cross section of the business and service community. We presented 6 awards in May. This is a most worthwhile activity for our Club as it enables us to recognize individuals in our community and give them a pat on the back for a job well done.

I would like to thank all members of the Vocational Service committee for their guidance and support and I wish the incoming Director Leigh-Anne Sharrock a successful and rewarding year.

John Peachey, Chairman, Vocational Committee

Youth Service

Director: Ken Dowsley, Assistant: Geoff Tually



Members: Geoff Eagle, Stan Hawker, Robyn Lardner, Bob Mibus, Leigh-Anne Sharrock and Alan Vickers.

"Youth Service" involves actions a Rotarian takes as an individual or in cooperation with his or her club to promote the physical, mental and moral well-being of boys and girls and older youth.

In 1999/2000 Youth Service maintained focus on its established projects designed to enhance leadership and provide high quality learning experiences.

Youth Exchange Program

Kymerly Cresp returned in January 2000 after a very successful exchange living with the dairying communities of Wisconsin at Marinette, USA, in spite of a bus crash en route to their District Conference. Thanks to Bruce Kuhne for being her Counsellor and keeping the Club in touch with Kym's progress.

Since Kym's return another Horsham student has been chosen to go away in Jan 2001. Her name is Abbie Willmore and she is bound for Switzerland. (Abbie's older sister, Georgia, went to Germany in 1998.) Thanks to Rtn Maurie Crooke for agreeing to be Abbie's Counsellor.

The Club has also agreed to host Christian Groenlund, a young boy from Dragoer, Denmark. Christian is due to arrive in early August and thanks are due to his Counsellor Bruce Kuhne and the Rotary families who have agreed to be his hosts.

School Debating



President Terry with the winning (Affirmative) team
Jacinta Hutchins, Caitlin Levey and Katana Smith

We hosted and adjudicated the final of the Horsham Secondary College Senior Debating

Katana Smith, Caitlin Levey and Jacinta Hutchins (affirmative) and Sally Bolwell, Melanie Tippett and Serena Opie (negative) argued "That Australia should become a republic".

RYLA - Rotary Youth Leadership Award (18-24 yo)

The Club sponsored Nathan Stephens, who attended this seminar at 'Cave Hill Creek' in April.

Siemens Science Experience

We sponsored Horsham Secondary College Year 9 student James Taylor who attended this program at Monash University in January 2000.

RYPEN - Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment (14-16 yo)

Jointly funded by Horsham Secondary College and the Club, Cilicia Smith and Tegan Rudolph went to this weekend seminar at Ballarat's Pax Hill Scout Camp. Thanks to organiser Rtn John Egan of the Rotary Club of Wendouree.

National Youth Science Forum

The Club sponsored Anne Dowsley, from Monivae College Hamilton, one of 14 Year 11 students selected from District 9780 to attend this two-week program in Canberra. Upon her return Anne spoke of her experiences to both our Club and the Rotary Club of Nhill.

As this report goes to print we are interviewing applicants for the 2001 program and again hoping for a successful nomination.

The Bill Davey Rotary Club of Horsham East Award



Named in memory of a former President of the Club, this award recognises Bill's interest in youth.

This year the award was won by St Brigid's College Year 9 student Brendan Wills.

Ken Dowsley and President Terry congratulate Brendan Wills, recipient of the Bill Davey, Rotary Club of Horsham East Study Award for 1999. Brendan is a student at St Brigids College and impressed the judging panel with the excellence of his results and his ability to relate well to his teachers as well as his peers.

Other projects

In addition the Club also financially supported the **Wimmera Youth Parliament Teams** and the attendance of two Wimmera women studying for the **Graduate Diploma in Adolescent Health & Welfare**.

Many Club members also contributed to the completion of **NEXUS**, the new Youth Centre in Horsham. Particular thanks are due to Chas McDonald for his expert supervision and organisation of the labour from the Horsham service clubs.

Ken Dowsley
Director,
Youth Service Committee



Art Exhibition

Director : Geoff Tually

Members: Trevor Bysouth, Bob Hayes, Bruce Johansen, Jim Lonsdale, Barry McClure, Neil Popple, Steve Sosenheim, Greg Wickes, Ken Dowsley, Leigh-Anne Sharrock & Andrew Price.



The aims of the Art Exhibition continue to be:

1. To provide a vehicle whereby artists, particularly local artists, have the opportunity to display their work to visitors to the exhibition.
2. To provide to those visitors, a display of art not readily available in the community, as well as the opportunity to purchase works of art.
3. To provide a satisfactory profit for the Rotary Club to assist in the support of worthy community projects.



Financial result

The Profit and Loss Statement shows that the profit was \$1,484.04, down on the 1998 profit of \$5,893.00.

Income of \$25,274.58 was well down on the 1998 income of \$32,000.

Expenditure in 1999 of \$23,790.54 was also down on the 1998 figure of \$26,107.00.

Opening Night ticket sales of \$1,797.10 was well down on the 1998 figure of \$2,582.00 but a little higher than opening night sales of 1997 which was \$1,666.00.

Planning for the 2000 exhibition

Due to the relatively low profit achieved with the 1999 Exhibition, the committee has reviewed all components of income and expenditure, with the aim of increasing the profit, especially in regard to the amount of work involved in holding such a large and significant event.

Major changes have been implemented for the 2000 Exhibition, including changing the opening night from the Thursday night to the Friday night. This change has been well received by the Club, but now needs to be turned into a higher income from sales of opening night tickets.

Sponsorship categories have been formalised, along with changes to the catalogue and artists entry form. The raffle will continue as a low cost high profit feature, due to sponsorship provided by members of our club, as also happened with the 1999 Art Exhibition raffle. Major costs should be significantly lower with the upcoming exhibition.

Sponsorship

Sponsorship continues to be a vital component in the staging of such a large event. Without sponsors it would not be possible to stage the exhibition.

I thank all sponsors for their much valued and continued support, in particular our major sponsors the Wimmera Mail Times, Weight's Mitre 10, McDonald's Family Restaurant, Ten Victoria and Ace Radio.

**Geoff Tually,
Director, Art Exhibition.**



**PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT
1999 ART EXHIBITION**

Balance Forward from 1 March 1999	\$2,101.80
<i>Less: Outstanding Cheque No 0025 from 1998</i>	<u>\$250.00</u>
	\$1,851.80

INCOME

Sponsorships	6,750.00
Entry Fees (Artists)	1,587.00
Door Takings	1,445.05
Opening Night Tickets	1,797.10
Raffle	1,218.00
Painting Sales	11,835.00
Donation	35.00
Miscellaneous	307.43
Contra – change	300.00
TOTAL INCOME	<u>\$25,274.58</u>

EXPENSES

Advertising	290.90
Town Hall	1,135.45
Judges expenses	915.90
Catering Opening Night	1,042.60
Prize Money (Artists)	7,975.00
Postage, printing & stationery	2,572.06
Payments to artists (sales)	8,904.00
Raffle costs	330.00
Bank fees	159.18
Music	100.00
Reimbursements	65.45
Contra – change	300.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>\$23,790.54</u>

PROFIT

	<u>\$1,484.04</u>
Balance as at 3 November 1999	<u>\$3,445.84</u>

BANK RECONCILIATION

Bank Statement as at 3 Nov 99	\$3,445.84
<i>Less: 1999 Outstanding cheque No 175</i>	<u>\$110.00</u>
Net Statement Balance:	<u>\$3,335.84</u>
Balance Forward as at 1 March 99	\$2,101.80
<i>Less: 1998 Cheque No. 0025</i>	<u>\$250.00</u>
	\$1,851.80
<i>plus: Income:</i>	<u>\$25,274.58</u>
sub total:	\$27,126.38
<i>less: Expenditure:</i>	<u>\$23,680.54</u>
TOTAL:	<u>\$3,445.84</u>

Secretary's Report



Secretary: Maurie Crooke

Some two and a half years ago I was approached by the then incoming president Elect Terry Harris to be secretary for the 99-2000 Rotary Year.

President Terry's approach was a follow up to a "throw away" comment at my induction to Horsham East 7 years ago.

Mention was made on that occasion of my 10 years as secretary of the Wimmera Football League. Terry was heard to say: *"that's an excellent pre-requisite to the role of Rotary secretary"*.

In my year as secretary I have had the opportunity to experience the broad spectrum of activities that a major service club such as Horsham east becomes involved in.

The Horsham and wider community depends on contributions from service clubs of labour, voluntary effort, encouragement and financial assistance for their projects large and small . . . from \$20,000 inputs to the Wimmera Health Care Group to a few dollars to assist an individual in need of necessary dental work.

For the past 11 months of the Rotary year I have handled 480 items of correspondence that are channeled to designated service areas of our club. Some of the correspondence has been necessarily dealt with at a Board level.

It is an impressive aspect of the secretary's role to see the action taken by each committee in the ongoing working of our club.

I would like to thank my fellow Board members for their assistance and the professional way in which they have made my task simple.

Congratulations to President Terry for an outstanding year of leadership and inspiration of our club. By any measure Terry's year has been a great success. To me as secretary, Terry's assistance and advice has been invaluable.

To the incoming Board, President Peter and his secretary Steve, I wish you every success for what I know will a rewarding and exciting 2000-2001 Rotary year.

**Maurie Crooke,
Secretary**



Treasurers Report

Treasurer: Neil Pople

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Brought Forward **\$10,822.18**

INCOME

M'ships & Joining fees	8,415.00
Raffles	1,483.95
Fines & small change	785.10
Clubrooms	235.65
Meal Surplus	1,519.00
Bank Interest	314.31
Rotary Tops	757.00
Toss Coin Raffle	104.00
Rotary Club Waverly	96.00
GSE Team	66.45
Mushroom Auction	13.00
Donation HSCC	5.00
	13,794.46

EXPENDITURE

R.D.U	1,851.85
R.I. & District Dues	3,934.48
Secretarial & Treasurers expenses	191.42
Bulletin	1,133.31
Advertising	105.00
Clubrooms	598.38
D.G. visit	35.85
Banners, Glasses & Badges	1,633.43
P.E.T.S. Seminar	200.00
GSE & District Assembly	431.90
Change-over dinner	622.00
Florist	322.40
Printing & Stationery	549.50
Toss Coin Raffle	104.00
M'ships - Horsham Ag Society	10.00
F.E.S.T.	20.00
HSCC	220.00
Rotary Tops	720.00
Office of Fair Trading	32.00
Meals change	56.00
RC of Waverly	90.00
Polio Plus	225.00
Miscellaneous	91.00
	\$13,177.52

\$24,616.64

Less Expenses **\$13,177.52**

CREDIT BALANCE May 31 \$11,439.12

SERVICE ACCOUNT

Brought Forward	\$5,013.32		
INCOME		EXPENDITURE	
Art Show	1,327.84	Youth Service	2,498.25
Youth Service	675.00	Vocational Service	182.50
Community Service	1,420.00	International Service	170.30
Car Raffle	26,728.80	Community Service	4,032.20
Contra - International Chq.	<u>500.00</u>	Student Exchange	501.00
	\$30,651.64	R.C. Ballarat Car Raffle	17,683.00
		Donations	7,220.00
		Contra - International Chq.	<u>500.00</u>
	\$35,664.96		\$32,787.25
	\$32,787.25		
CREDIT BALANCE May 31	\$2,877.71		

SUMMARY	GENERAL ACCOUNT	SERVICE ACCOUNT	TOTAL
Balance Forward	\$10,822.18	\$5,013.32	\$15,835.50
Receipts	<u>\$13,794.46</u>	<u>\$30,651.64</u>	<u>\$44,446.10</u>
	\$24,616.64	\$35,664.96	\$60,281.60
Expenses	<u>\$13,177.52</u>	<u>\$32,787.25</u>	<u>\$45,964.77</u>
Balance at 31/5/2000	\$11,439.12	\$2,877.71	\$14,316.83

DISBURSEMENTS

Wimmera Base Hospital	4,000.00
Horsham Salvation Army	500.00
Prostate Cancer Research	250.00
Wimmera Hearing Society	250.00
Lifeline Ballarat	250.00
Compassionate Friends	250.00
Kurrajong Lodge (piano)	500.00
Horsham College Chaplaincy C'tee	500.00
J St John & J Lawes	200.00
Adolescent Health (x 2)	500.00
Horsham Ladies Probus Club	20.00
Horsham Rowing Club	1,683.00
Wimmera Horizons	1,110.60
3HHH	685.80
University of Ballarat	250.00
Rotary Foundation	1,000.00
Aust. Rotary Health Research Fund	1,000.00
Interplast	500.00
Community Information Centre	200.00
	\$13,649.40

Attendance 1999 - 2000

Attendance Officer: Andrew Price

MEMBER	POSS.	%
Mervyn Adams	49	86
Robert Aisbett	49	80
Barry Bell	49	76
Ab Bragonge	HONORARY MEMBER	
Brian Brooke	49	94
Trevor Bysouth	49	88
Maurie Crooke	49	86
Ken Dowsley	49	100
Geoff Eagle	49	82
Russell Eastwood	49	49
Leon Forrest	49	57
Joe Freijah	HONORARY MEMBER	
Gary Green	26	88
Denis Grosser	49	57
Terry Harris	49	100
Stan Hawker	49	63
Anne Hayes	49	35
Bob Hayes	49	90
Bruce Johansen	HONORARY MEMBER	
Bruce Kuhne	49	84
Ian Ladlow	49	59
Robyn Lardner	49	57
David Leembruggen	49	71
Jim Lonsdale	49	76
Rob Marshall	9	89
Barry McClure	49	69

MEMBER	POSS.	%
Chas McDonald	49	98
Bob Mibus	49	92
David Owens	49	57
John Peachey	49	92
Kevin Plush	49	100
Graham Ponton	42	93
Neil Pople	49	88
Andrew Price	49	88
Peter Rafter	49	98
Mike Rodgers	49	69
Andrew Rogers	37	68
Leigh-anne Sharrock	49	76
Jack Schier	49	57
Greg Schreck	HONORARY MEMBER	
Steve Sostheim	49	82
Brian Thomas	49	86
Jim Thorpe	42	74
Geoff Tually	49	78
Alan Uebergang	49	80
Alan Vickers	49	100
John Waddell	49	73
Pawel Wajszel	49	51
Robert Walter	49	84
Graham Whyatt	49	71
Greg Wickes	49	100
Alan Wolff	9	67

Average attendance: 80%

Programs 1999 - 2000

Programs & Public Relations: Mike Rodgers, Leigh-Anne Sharrock & Bruce Kuhne

July	7th		Club Assembly
	14th		District Governor's visit
	21st		Horsham College debate
	28th	Leanne Mintern	Group Study Exchange
August	4th	Geoff Eagle	Life & Job Talk
	11th	Jim Thorpe	Life & Job Talk
	18th		Art Show setup
	25th		Visit University of Ballarat Horsham Campus
September	1st	Karen Werner	Blood Collection
	8th	Prof. Julian Lowe	Ballarat University
	15th	Peter Rafter	Membership Development
	22nd	Brian Brooke	Photo Exhibition
	29th	Mike Rodgers	Papua New Guinea
October	6th		Pimpinio Pizza visit
	13th	Emily Gilliver	Farm Smart
	20th	Garry Newman	Environment Health Officer
	26th		Visit Wimmera Mail Times
November	3rd		Visit to Old Mill Furniture
	10th	Jack Knight	Donations in Kind
	17th	Neal McCracken	Chinese History of Wimmera
	24th	Ian Ballinger	Pioneer Women of Horsham
December	1st	Chas McDonald	Life & Job Talk
	8th	Lindy Muller	Koorie Health
	15th		Christmas Dinner
	22nd		Fellowship Barbeque
	29th		No Meeting
January	5th		No Meeting
	12th	Leigh-Anne Sharrock	Life & Job Talk
	19th	Brian Thomas	Life & Job Talk
	26th		Fire-side meetings
February	2nd	Supt. Daryl Nation	Victoria Police Force
	9th	Leanne Mintern	Group Study Exchange
	16th		Fire-side meetings
	22nd		Group Study Exchange members from Argentina
March	1st	Cambell Pallot	Grampians Group Training
	8th	Kymerley Cresp	Student Exchange Program
	15th		Visit Warracknabeal Rotary Club
	22nd		Club Assembly
	29th	Leon Forrest	Life & Job Talk
April	5th	Kevin Bolwell	Outback Adventures
	12th		Mystery Trip to Natimuk
	19th	Anne Dowsley	National Youth Science Forum
	26th	Geoff Somers	Bee Keeping
May	3rd	Rob Marshall	Student Exchange
	10th	Jan Armstrong & Kathy McEwan	Wimmera Community Care
	17th	Jeanette Marshall	Polio Plus
	24th	John Peachey	Pride in Workmanship Awards
	31st		Fire-side meetings
June	7th	Carolynne Hamdorf	Horsham & District Promotions
	14th	Frank McClelland	Office of Rural Affairs
	21st	Geoff O'Donnell	Grampians Solar systems
	28th		Change Over