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Annual Report 2001-2002





PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2001-2002

Fellow Rotarians and partners. It is with much pleasure that I present to you this, my report for the 2001-2002 Rotary Year; our clubs Golden Jubilee Year.

I liken my year to a farmer, shifting a large mob of sheep for 20 miles, having everything organised, soon to find out it doesn't work that way, the need for time for fellowship (grazing) and finally looking around and we still arrived, but later on.

The ensuing two weeks following the changeover on 29/06/01 were very busy indeed. The calendar looked something like this:

U	June	30th	Morning, Centenary Reservoir project
and a second			Afternoon, Brian Dowie Park opening
	July	Sth	First club meeting (general assembly)
Marine I		7th	Fire Brigade 140th Annual Dinner
		lOth	Farewell to Sanna before returning to Finland
		12th	Second club meeting
Sec.		13th	Beaufort Rotary Club Changeover Dinner
		14th	Maryborough Lions Club Changeover Dinner
		15th	Clean-up of Rodney Brown's shed for Auction

The year has seen six new quality members admitted to the club. Already all are showing great interest in the various Rotary projects, and I am sure they will be long term Rotarians.

Our meeting attendances have been consistently high throughout the year. Great fellowship is evident to one and all and is constantly remarked upon by visiting members and guests to our club. A fantastic job has been done by our Program 'Boys'. Throughout the year they have kept the meetings interesting and informative with a vast array of quality speakers addressing topical issues which members alike related too. Outings this year took place at HM Prison (Ararat), the Candle Factory (Newstead) will both go down as memorable evenings.

The Christmas Party this year was held at *Mick & Joes* and will be remembered for the very special interview with Santa. As a result of the interview David Boyes organised a special effort to help assist Santa carry out his duties over the christmas period.

During the Easter period we were paid a visit by the parents of Tim Ritson-Bennett, our recent exchange student from Canada. Robert Rowe helped greatly with their visit and organised visits to the wineries, Yabbying, Easter Sunday lunch out of camp ovens and a trip along the Great Ocean Road. It was definitely 'flat out during their visit, and I am quite convinced that they will be back!

Brian Dowie Park continues to grow under the watchful eye of PP Brian Thomas. It was very interesting to hear the thoughts and views of RDU CEO Bob Aitken whilst in Maryborough for the Golden Jubilee Dinner. He was struck by the potential that this project has to offer not only the comunity, but our club.

Rotarians Peter Treble (Community), Peter McRae (International), Shane Dellavedova (Youth) and Geoff James (Vocation), I thank you for your participation and support as members of the board and also to the members of your various committees.

To PE Anthony Ohlsen (Club Service), Sergeant-At-Arms John Stewart, Fellowship chairman Gerard Harris and Bulletin editor Derrick Marsden please accept my sincere thanks for your assistance throughout the year.

RYLA, Probus, Christmas Puddings/Cakes were once again the responsibility of Bob Osborne. This year Bob along with Toby Bainbridge initiated a 'Football Tipping' competition which will greatly add to the club's coffers.

To my Secretary, Peter Walsh, Treasurer Brian Thomas the year would not have gone as smoothly if not for your professionalism and dedication to the tasks. Thank you for a very special effort.

Golden Jubilee Dinner

The Big Party proved to be a memorable evening for our club. Special thanks to the Jubilee Committee for their untiring efforts to see that all areas were covered and arranged to the last degree. Special mentions must be made to Daryl McLeish for his efforts in compiling the souvenir book, Peter and Cherie McRae for the production of the book and to Bryce Rawlings for his drive in making sure that event was as successful as it was. The club should congratulate itself on such a professional and memorable event.

The evening also highlighted the fact that two foundation members are still active club members. In recognition Paul Harris Sapphire Pins were presented to John Ritchie and Lindsay Willersdorf.

Both John and Lindsay have been like *salt and pepper*. They have been in everything during their involvement with the club.

Both are Foundation members, Past Presidents, Paul Harris Fellows have served on many club and district committees over the past fifty years and are still active members of the club. Special reference was made to their continued involvement in the *Maryborough Advertiser* article commemorating the Golden Jubilee.

John and Lindsay are highly respected members of the Rotary club and the Maryborough community.

We are very proud of their achievements. Being involved in Rotary for fifty years, being involved in community service for fifty years and being friends to us all over the past fifty years, we simply say thank you to you both.

As a fitting tribute to our club and the Golden Jubilee dinner, following this report is a letter received from Bob Aitken thanking and congratulating our club on the occasion and administration of our Golden Jubilee festivities.

Finally I must thank the RSL Ladies once again for their fine service over the past year. Many visiting Rotarians remark on how 'Special' the ladies are and how lucky we are as a club to have their service.

To my wife, Robyn who has been in 'everything'. Thank you for all your assistance throughout the year, thank-you for the *Girls Night Out* held each Thursday evening and all that you have done.

I would like to thank the members for their fellowship, their efforts with projects. What ever you do, enjoy Rotary, it has a lot to offer you personally.

To the incoming President Anthony Ohlsen and Kerrie, please accept by best wishes for a successful year. We are sure that you will receive the same level of encouragement and co-operation as we did from the members and partners of the Rotary Club of Maryborough.

Noel Jennings President 2001-2002



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26 June 2002

Noel Jennings President Rotary Club of Maryborough VIC PO Box 50 MARYBOROUGH VIC 3465

Dear Noel

I write to express sincere thanks for the wonderful welcome and hospitality extended to me during my recent visit. I was delighted to note the standard of Rotary service achieved by the Rotary Club of Maryborough during the current Rotary year and extend warm congratulations to you, your Board of Directors and all the Club Members.

Your 50th Anniversary celebrations were very well planned with splendid initiatives like the Rotary shop window display and the wonderful newspaper feature providing great Rotary awareness within the Maryborough community.

Again sincere thanks for your kind invitation which allowed me to be part of your celebrations, and I look forward to a continuing happy association in the future.

With very best wishes

Sincerely

Bob Aitken Managing Editor

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SECRETARY'S REPORT 2001-2002

The Club's program and events of note for the year are reported on by President Noel and the Directors of Committees.

During the Rotary year I have completed the undermentioned duties:

- Collect and distribute inward correspondence
- Complete outward correspondence following direction from the Board
- Prepare agenda for monthly Board meetings
- Record minutes for the monthly Board meetings
- Preparation of the semi-annual returns to Rotary international as at the 1st July and 1st January of each year
- Completion of half yearly return to Rotary Down Under during May and November
- Order Club supplies as required

Thank you to Peter McRae for looking after the Club's membership attendance records and reporting monthly to the District Governor.

Thanks again to Peter McRae for his technical work on the Golden Jubilee Book and arranging the commemorative Port.

Derrick Marsden has done a great job with the Weekly Bulletin and I wish him well for his term as Secretary.

Peter Walsh Secretary.



Rotary Club of MARYBOROUGH, VICTORIA Attendance Queries: Members (Previous Year)

				Printed 1	0/07/2002
	Member	Meetings		Meetings	
Name	Туре	Attended	Makeups	Missed	%
Allan Terry	AO	31	8	19	78.00
Bainbridge Toby	AO	43	0	7	86.00
Ball Douglas	AO	5	0	6	45.45
Bovalino Charles	AO	50	0	0	100.00
Boyes David	AO	40	0	10	80.00
Brown David	AO	35	0	15	70.00
Brown Peter	AO	33	0	17	66.00
Brown Rod	AO	43	2	7	90.00
Brownbill Geoff	AO	23	0	0	100.00
Bruce Don	SAO	33	5	17	76.00
Bryant John	AO	37	0	13	74.00
Bursill Robert	AO	40	0	4	90.91
Caulfield John	AO	32	1	18	66.00
Costelow Graham	SAO	44	2	6	92.00
Davies Tom	AO	31	õ	19	62.00
Dellavedova Shane	AL	35	2	15	- 74.00
Dowie Brian	HON	5	0	45	10.00
Edwards Ted	SAL	30	0	20	60.00
Field Jim	AO	39	2		
Forster, Ross	AO	16	2	11	82.00
Hare, David	AO	10		5	85.71
Harris Gerard	AO	34	0	1	94.44
Haywood Peter			3	16	74.00
Hazledine John	AO	41	0	9	82.00
James Geoff	AO	37	1	13	76.00
	AO	41	1	9	84.00
Jennings Noel	AO	49	_1	1	100.00
Kennedy Grant	AO	29	1	21	60.00
Knight Charles	AO	43	3	7	92.00
Mackay Jeff	SAE	21	0	29	42.00
Marsden Derrick	AO	49	0	1	98.00
McCormick Peter	AO	3	0	4	42.86
McLeish Dary	SAO	43	0	7	86.00
McRae Peter	AO	44	6	6	100.00
Ohlsen Anthony	AO	43	1	7	88.00
Osborne Bob	PSO	39	12	11	100.00
Parsons Wes	HON	0	0	50	0.00
Phelan Cliff	SAO	38	1	12	78.00
Potter Trevor	AO	38	2	12	80.00
Rawlings Bryce	AO	39	2	11	82.00
Ritchie John	SAE	34	0	16	68.00
Robins John	SAEIH	35	0	15	70.00
Rowe Robert	AO	37	4	13	82.00
Selmon John	SAE	36	1	14	74.00
Silver Peter	AO	1	0	1	50.00
Stewart John	AO	40	1	10	82,00
Thomas Brian	ÂŎ	41	1	9	84.00
Townsing Charles	AO	36	7	14	86.00
		55	1	17	00.00

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Rotary Club of MARYBOROUGH, VICTORIA Attendance Queries: Members (Previous Year)

				Printed 10	0/07/2002
	Member	Meetings		Meetings	
Name	Туре	Attended	Makeups	Missed	%
Traynor Arthur	SAE	3	0	47	6.00
Treble Fred	SAE	26	1	24	54.00
Treble Peter	AO	44	3	6	94.00
Tunks Eric	AO	33	1	17	68.00
Tynan David	AO	37	2	13	78.00
Waixel Bernie	AO	31	2	19	66.00
Wallace Col	AO	40	0	10	80.00
Walsh Errol	SAE	12	0	38	24.00
Walsh Peter	AO	46	0	4	92.00
Willersdorf Lindsay	SAE	27	1	23	56.00
Williamson John	AO	32	1	18	66.00
Zimmer lan	SAO	40	1	10	82.00

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TREASURER'S REPORT

The attached reports indicate the financial operations of the Rotary Club for 200 1/2. These reports are subject to final reconciliation and audit.

Key points to note include:

This year all activities have taken place on a single bank account, the project account funds having been transferred to the general account, however club funds and project funds are still reported separately. Some 600 transaction have taken place during the year. My thanks go to David Brown, Peter McRae and Peter Walsh for their assistance throughout the year.

Apart from all of the service programs and activities and support to youth, \$16,620 has been directly donated to the Community and to Rotary programs through the Rotary Club. After these contributions, Club equity has increased this year to \$85,113.59 from \$79,771.12 at the beginning of the year.

The new BBQ trailer is a major item and will be delivered and paid for in July. All costs (in excess of \$16,000) are represented in the accounts

Details of any item are available on request.

Brian Thomas. Treasurer.

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Balance Sheet (Includes unrealised gains) As of 30/06/02 (in Aus. Dollars)

Acct	30/06/02 Balance
ASSETS	
Cash and Bank Accounts Anz Deposit 2 General Account 2002 Project account 2002	32,139.80 22,940.56 0.00
TOTAL Cash and Bank Accounts	55,080.36
Other Assets Members Paintings Small Equipment Stock On Hand Books ,Port Working Equipment	311.20 19,000.00 850.00 5,170.00 16,110.85
TOTAL Other Assets	41,442.05
TOTAL ASSETS	96,522.41
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
LIABILITIES Other Liabilities Committed Funds Unspent In Trust -Funds from Grants et Tax Control	11,408.82 0.00 0.00
TOTAL Other Liabilities	11,408.82
TOTAL LIABILITIES	11,408.82
EQUITY	85,113.59
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	96,522.41

ROTARY PLANNING-Selected Accounts

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Annual Report of Cash Flow 2001-2002

1/07/01 Through 30/06/02 (in Aus, Dollars)

Category Description	1/07/01- 30/06/02
NCOME	
CLUB INCOME:	
Actual Brought forward	2,725.58
ANZ Interest Earned	30.54
Cap Sales	24.00
Change-over Dinner Dinner Fees	2,395.00 23,856.15
Entry Fee	90.00
Heads & Tails	71.80
Members Dues Paid	8,060.00
Sergeants Fines	447.20
Spare Change	49.50
Unclassified Income Weekly raffle	59.00 2,150.95
TOTAL CLUB INCOME	39,959.72
FUNDS & PROJ INC:	
CLUB SERVICE:	
Barbeque Service	1,373.63
Bowel Scan Program	172.40
Donations Receved Fellowship Activities	650.00 -72.45
Footy Tipping project	2,511.11
Mandatory Training	-165.00
Melb.Cup Raffle	1,560.00
Pudding Cake sales	1,332.45
Shirt sales	-67.80
Unpresented Cheque BF	4.00
TOTAL CLUB SERVICE COMMUNITY:	7,298.34
Auction 2002:	
Auction Exp	-475.05
BBQ Drinks	285.09
Drink Sales	256.60
Nett sales	5,032.55
TOTAL Auction 2002	5,099.19
Auction Sale	3,654.55
Auction sale 2001	-83.60
BBBQ Electricity Brian Dowie Pk Proj	-199.95 -130.00
Bursaries	-551.40
Centenary Walkway	5,240.84
Donations Total:	
Donation to ARHRF	-200.00
Donations MBO Community	-8,253.45
Donations Rotary	-1,100.00
TOTAL Donations Total	-9,553.45
Health Funds	550.00
Medical booklet	115.30
Rally Food Effort Scouts Payments	180.00 1,000.00
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TOTAL COMMUNITY INTERNATIONAL:	5,321.48
Brought Fwd	500.00
Donations	-20.00
Golf Day	1,110.00
RAWCŚ	70.00
TOTAL INTERNATIONAL	1,660.00
ROTARY FOUNDATION	
ROTARY FOUNDATION: Bf.Foundation funds	3,882.65

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1/07/01 Through 30/06/02 (in Aus. Dollars)

Category Description	1/07/01- 30/06/02
Centurion Paid to RI Forwarded For Foundn Gifts from mbrs Gifts Sent to RI (MBrs) Polio Plus Donations Made Polio Plus Funds earned	-660.00 -2,882.65 470.00 -330.00 -1,333.80 333.80
TOTAL ROTARY FOUNDATION VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Brought FWD Cost Of Awards Xmas Card sales Xmas Tree Raffle	140.00 265.19 -272.80 -19.00 562.05
TOTAL VOCATIONAL SERVICE YOUTH SERVICE: Brought Forward Funds National Summer Science RYLA RYPEN Youth Exchange 2000	535.44 724.00 -625.00 -600.00 -250.00 -169.00
TOTAL YOUTH SERVICE TOTAL FUNDS & PROJ INC _IntInc Uncategorised Income	-920.00 14,035.26 0.10 311.20
TOTAL INCOME EXPENSES	54,306.28
CLUB Expenses: ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES: Advertising & Promotion Audit Costs Badges & Engraving Bank charges Copy Supplies Gifts Post office box Charges Printing & Copying Professional Fees Publications purchased ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES-Other	107.60 300.00 176.25 193.50 104.97 514.82 52.00 84.90 33.00 32.40 553.61
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES CLUB MEAL COSTS: Other Functions RSL Meal Costs	2,153.05 2,280.95 19,092.00
TOTAL CLUB MEAL COSTS DUES PAID: District Dues Rotary Down Under Rotary International	21,372.95 1,820.00 918.50 4,145.70
TOTAL DUES PAID Floats Jubilee Celebration Meeting Expenses: Assembly registrations President Elect Training Meeting Expenses-Other	6,884.20 40.00 -334.87 121.50 100.00 40.00
TOTAL Meeting Expenses	261.50

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ROTARY PLANNING-Selected Accounts

Annual Report of Cash Flow 2001-2002

1/07/01 Through 30/06/02 (in Aus. Dollars)

Category Description	1/07/01- 30/06/02
TOTAL CLUB Expenses Uncategorised Expenses	30,376.83 0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	30,376.83
TOTAL INCOME - EXPENSES	23,929.45
TRANSFERS	
TO Committed Funds Unspent TO General Account 2002 TO Small Equipment TO Stock On Hand Books ,Port TO Working Equipment FROM Committed Funds Unspent FROM General Account 2002 FROM Project account 2002 FROM Stock On Hand Books ,Port	-199.98 -15,939.59 -850.00 -6,350.00 -16,110.85 9,808.80 13,702.03 14,759.59 1,180.00
TOTAL TRANSFERS	0.00
Balance Forward Small Equipment	0.00
TOTAL Balance Forward	0.00
OVERALL TOTAL	23,929.45

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Jubilee Celebration Financials

1/07/01 Through 30/06/02 (in Aus. Dollars)

Date	Acct Num	Description	Memo	Category	Clr	Amount
4/04/02	Ge 121846	Rotary Down Under	Awards for Jubilee Inv	CLUB Expenses:Jubile		-211.40
3/05/02	Ge 121887	Australia Post	Mailing Invitations B.R.	CLUB Expenses: Jubile		-77.85
3/05/02	Ge 121893 S	Wattle Office	Print Ribbons & Envel	CLUB Expenses:Jubile		-130.95
12/05/02	Ge 121903	Australia Post	Mailing Invitations B.R.	CLUB Expenses: Jubile		-45.00
14/05/02	Ge DEP	Jubilee Registrants	0	CLUB Expenses: Jubile		610.00
15/05/02	Ge DEP	Jubilee Registrants		CLUB Expenses: Jubile		270.00
21/05/02	Ge DEP	Jubilee Registrants		CLUB Expenses:Jubile		320.00
28/05/02	Ge DEP	Jubilee Registrants		CLUB Expenses:Jubile		1,100.00
29/05/02	Ge DEP	Jubilee Registrants		CLUB Expenses:Jubile		780.00
31/05/02	Ge DEP	Jubilee Registrants		CLUB Expenses: Jubile		340.00
3/06/02	Ge DEP	Jubilee Registrants		CLUB Expenses:Jubile		130.00
4/06/02	Ge DEP	Jubilee Registrants		CLUB Expenses:Jubile		160.00
6/06/02	Ge 121914	RDU	Place Cards	CLUB Expenses:Jubile		-37.40
6/06/02	Ge 121922	Rocky Candy Co.	Candy R.J. 0109206	CLUB Expenses: Jubile		-231.00
6/06/02	Ge 121926 S	Wattle Office	Copying Paper	CLUB Expenses:Jubile		-18.75
7/06/02	Ge DEP	Jubilee Registrants	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	CLUB Expenses:Jubile		1,090.00
12/06/02	Ge DEP	Jubilee Registrants		CLUB Expenses:Jubile		600.00
13/06/02	Ge DEP	Jubilee Registrants		CLUB Expenses:Jubile		600.00
13/06/02	Ge 121928	Oz Cottage	Candles for Tables RJ	CLUB Expenses:Jubile		-144.00
14/06/02	Ge 121932	Bob Aitken	Refund Airfare as agre	CLUB Expenses:Jubile		-220.00
14/06/02	Ge 121933	Highland Society	Drinks in lieu of fee band	CLUB Expenses:Jubile		-44.00
18/06/02	Ge DEP S	Jubilee Registrants		CLUB Expenses:Jubile		320.00
20/06/02	Ge 121936	Fishers Hardware	Table Decorations	CLUB Expenses:Jubile		-190.00
20/06/02	Ge 121940	RDU	Rotary 50 ann Certifica	CLUB Expenses:Jubile		-98.78
21/06/02	Ge 121942	Pipes Bistro	Inv 162813	CLUB Expenses:Jubile		-4,536.00
	TOTAL 1/07/01 -	30/06/02				334.87
TOTAL IN	IFLOWS					6,320.00
TOTAL O	UTFLOWS					-5,985.13
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NET TOT	AL.					334.87

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Committed Funds Unspent

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Funds Committed But not paid at 30/6/

10/06/01 Through 30/06/02 (in Aus. Dollars)

Date	Num	Description	Memo	Category	Cir	Amount
1	BALANCE 9/	/06/01				0.00
10/06/01 7/05/02 13/06/02 13/06/02 13/06/02 30/06/02 30/06/02	TXFR TXFR TXFR	Opening Balance Footy Tipping Contest. P P.Baker John Ross Geoff Lovett Transfer Money Account Clive Buck Inv Acct from Males for Elect	1/3 halfway prize 1/3 halfway prize 1/3 halfway prize Invoice from Power Trail Inv from Power Trailers	[Committed Funds Unsp FUNDS & PROJ INC:CL [General Account 2002] [General Account 2002] [General Account 2002] [Working Equipment] [Working Equipment] [Working Equipment]		0.00 -1,800.00 66.66 66.66 -8,261.90 -1,147.38 -399.52
	TOTAL 10/0	6/01 - 30/06/02				-11,408.82
	BALANCE 3	0/06/02				-11,408.82
TOTAL IN TOTAL O	IFLOWS UTFLOWS					199.98 -11,608.80
NET TOT	AL					-11,408.82

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Consumables Stock on Hand

10/06/01 Through 30/06/02 (in Aus. Dollars)

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Date Nur	m Description	Memo	Category	Clr	Amount
BALANC	E 9/06/01				0.00
18/06/02 20/06/02 20/06/02 27/06/02 28/06/02 28/06/02	Jubilee Registrants P.Mc Rae Wine Design Pl R.Jennings R.Jennings	Invoice 666 200 books Purchase of Port stock	[General Account 2002] [General Account 2002] [General Account 2002] [General Account 2002] [General Account 2002] [General Account 2002]		-1,060.00 4,490.00 1,860.00 -60.00 -20.00 -40.00
TOTAL 1	10/06/01 - 30/06/02				5,170.00
BALANC	CE 30/06/02				5,170.00
TOTAL INFLOWS TOTAL OUTFLOV					6,350.00 -1,180.00
NET TOTAL					5,170.00

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Working Equipment

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BBQ TRAILER Account

10/06/01 Through 30/06/02 (in Aus. Dollars)

Date	Num	Description	Memo	Category	Clr	Amount
E	BALANCE 9/06	6/01				0.00
28/06/01 24/01/02 24/04/02 30/04/02 6/06/02 6/06/02 30/06/02 30/06/02 30/06/02		Opening Balance Power Trailers Fishers Hardware Power Trailers Power Trailers Lyall Eales Stores Transfer Money Account Clive Buck Inv Acct from Males for Elect	DEposit on Trailer Inv 3312,3343 Mobile B Progress Payment BBQ inv 820 Parts for Mobile BBQ	[Working Equipment] [General Account 2002] [General Account 2002] [General Account 2002] [General Account 2002] [General Account 2002] [Committed Funds Unsp [Committed Funds Unsp		0.00 2,000.00 2,000.00 2,000.00 101.55 8,261.90 1,147.38 399.52
-	TOTAL 10/06/0	01 - 30/06/02				16,110.85
ł	BALANCE 30/0	06/02				16,110.85
TOTAL IN TOTAL O	IFLOWS UTFLOWS					16,110.85 0.00
NET TOT	AL					16,110.85

CILLB SERVICE

2001-2002

President Noel and fellow Rotarians, it is with pleasure that I present the annual Club Service Report for the Rotary year ending June 2002.

Membership:

Led by PP Rodney Brown, the Membership committee has once again worked continuously looking for prospective members to maintain a positive growth in the club. The work of the committee has resulted in seven new members for the year. Unfortunately it was necessary for the Board to request the resignation of one member due to non attendance. The net gain in membership for the year was six to have a total of 59 members.

Program:

PP David Boyes with the help of PP Charles Townsing have worked tirelessly all year to provide an excellent array of guest speakers, we have had an author, a snake, frog and crocodile fanatic, the CEO of the Ballarat Chamber of Commerce and a number of local guest speakers who have all presented very informative and interesting topics. The year has culminated with Rotarian Bob Aitken at the 50th Anniversary Dinner. Also, as is always the case, the job talks given by the new members deserve a mention as they truly show the calibre of the new member.

Sergeant At Arms:

John Stewart has fulfilled the role of Sergeant admirably throughout the year and has been ably assisted by Bernie Waixel and John Bryant. All successfully extracted a large amount of money from members on most nights but when the "dobbers" weren't forth coming we were subjected to some interesting stories from John Stewart and Bernie.

Bulletins:

Derrick Marsden along with assistants Bob Osborne and Toby Bainbridge have headed up the Bulletin department this year. With Derrick's diligence in obtaining the story from the notes the standard of our weekly bulletin has been maintained as has been expected over the past few years. Fellowship:

Led by Gerard Harris the Fellowship Committee has continued the tradition of providing the club with well organised and catered for social events and has also kept the fridge stocked. A special mention goes to Gerard for his persistence which will see the unveiling of the clubs mobile BBQ soon, this is sure to be a huge benefit (money maker) for the club.

I would like to personally congratulate President Noel and on behalf of all the members thank him on his efforts as President for the 2001/2002 year. I look forward to working closely with PE Charles.

Anthony Ohlsen Club Service 2001/2002

COMMUNITY SERVICE

This year started off with the completion of a project from last year. Rodney Brown and Anthony Ohlsen had organised the installation of a new bridge to the water tower at the Centenary Reservoir for Central Highland Water. The club owes a great deal of thanks to Gavin Kerr (Akers Excavations), for the donation of his time, plant and equipment, which assisted us with this project. The money raised from this project and last year's auction went towards a donation of \$5000.00 to Havilah Hostel.

Rotary have adopted the clean-up of Ballarat Road as a continuing project. We participated in the *Clean Up Australia* Day, with Ballarat Road as our area of responsibility. So far we have reached the general store at Daisy Hill, and will continue until we reach London Bridge at Talbot.

As well this year, we have launched the *Emergency Medical Information* booklet. The booklet has magnets which can be handily placed on the refrigerator or the likes for easy access. The books are sold for \$2.00, and so far over 500 have been sold. I must thank the local pharmacies, doctors and hospital for their valued assistance with this project.

The auction again proved to be a worthwhile fundraising project with a turnover in excess of \$10,000.00 being achieved. Monies raised from the auction will be donated to the Hospital Building Appeal, the Maryborough Skate Park Committee and other community groups.

Projects which are yet to be completed and which will be carried over to next year include.

- The re-furbishment of the Rotary Caravan
- The medical information booklets

Continual clean-up of Ballarat Road

A major project during next year will be the dismantling of the old nurse's home, and the auctioning of the fittings, the proceeds of which will go back to the hospital.

I must sincerely thank the members of my committee and the members of the club in general for their assistance in our working bees held during the year and making it a very successful year.

Peter Treble Director

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

As in past years the main project of the International Committee for this year has been the running of our Rotary Golf Day. Whereas in the previous year a combined golf-bowls fixture was held, this years event reverted back to the golf only format. As a legacy of five weeks of continuous fund-raising events prior to our day the numbers were down marginally on previous years. The player numbers were affected but the enjoyment and fellowship did not diminish. Even so the day was a great success considering with in excess of \$1000.00 being raised for disbursement.

Special thanks are extended to Peter Walsh, whose once again carried out a lot of the ground work with the Golf club management and staff. Thanks are once again extended to fellow Rotarians for their efforts on the day, ensuring that all items were covered from an administrative aspect. A very big thank you to the ladies who once again helped organise the afternoon teas.

GSE Tour

In March, a small team travelled to Ararat to be part of the GSE tour undertaken between District 2290 in Norway and our District 9780.

The GSE tours have been a highlight in the years past and this was no exception. A very comprehensive and informative presentation was made on the life and culture within Norway.

The team consisted of: Gunter Zettel Team Leader

Sissel Clausen	Elementary Teacher
Anette Werkland	Civil Engineer
Helen Tenvik	Social Worker
Jan Frode Stiansen	Assistant Technical Manager

From our club's experience, being part of a GSE tour is very rewarding and should be investigated if and when the opportunity arises. A reminder to all past Presidents, that the opportunities exist for you to be a representative of our district as Tour Leaders. This would be a most rewarding experience for any Rotarian.

RAWCS support was once again provided by club members during the year with \$70.00 being raised in support of this most worth while program.

I would like to thank President Noel for his support and enthusiasm shown throughout the past twelve months and wish PE Anthony well for his coming year in office.

Peter McRae Director

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Membership

This year's committee included Geoff James (Director), Terry Allen, Toby Bainbridge, David Boyes, David Brown, John Bryant, Graham Costelow, Gerard Harris, John Selmon, Brian Thomas, Fred Treble and Bernie Waixel

Introduction

The Vocational Service committee once again planned developments in five areas over the last twelve months, and overall, we've been pleased with the results in almost all our areas of endeavor.

Vocational Awards

Instead of presenting the usual Vocational Service awards during Vocational Service month in 2001, we

picked up on the International Year theme of Voluntary Service and made awards to local people who had provided outstanding voluntary service to this community. The awards were divided into six categories. In the category of "Emergency Services" we selected Michael Stroud who has worked with the Dunolly SES unit for over twenty years. In "Health and Aged Care", we congratulated Barbara Smith who has spent over a decade assisting the elderly people



of this area. Terry White received the award in the category of "Service to the Environment". Terry has spent over twenty five years working on a variety of Environmental projects in this area. Dallas Jefferson has also spent over twenty years in her area of voluntary service ie. Voluntary Service to Religion, and more particularly, Religious Education. Dallas has been instrumental in bringing a Chaptain to the schools of Maryborough and has been district convenor of Religious Education in schools since 1982. In the area of "Voluntary Service to Sport", we couldn't go past Joan Hartley who has been in the business for over 40 years! Finally, in the category of "Service to Youth", a deserving recipient was Peter Vine, who has been a local leader in the Scouting movement for over 16 years.

Vocational Awareness

Our plan in this area was to incorporate into weekly meetings, short "State of the Nation" type talks about members' Vocational areas. A number of very entertaining talks were presented early in 2002, and quite a bit of positive feedback from members indicated that these segments were quite popular. They could well be included for a "season" in future years.

Vocation At Work

We linked our "Vocation at Work" theme with our "Year of the Volunteer" awards by publicly reminding our community that not all "vocational pursuits" or "work" is paid work. The same values embedded in the "Four Way Test" apply equally well to Voluntary service as to work for remuneration. Our awards celebrated those local people who were demonstrating these values in their particular areas of voluntary service.

Career Development

We were involved in providing mentors for the local "Careers Expo" last year and will also play a similar role later this year. We have also continued to provide a presence on local committees dealing with the issues of providing meaningful employment or further education for young people.

Fund Raising And Reporting

On the fund raising front, we ran a successful "Money Tree Raffle" during May and June of 2002. For relatively little effort, but with much appreciated support from all members, we were able to clear over \$550.00 to go towards awards and other vocational service projects over the coming year. Our thanks to all members who provided "scratchies" and sold tickets for this effort. The winner of the potentially lucrative prize was the Knight family



Summary

In last year's summary, I stated that we needed to "liaise more closely with the program committee to build in more job awareness slots" and we need to "do our bit in initiating more fund generating events". I'm pleased to say that on both these fronts, we've had some modest but real success. We were also very pleased with the outcome of our "Year of the Volunteer" awards, and the resulting media exposure which highlighted the work of the huge number of volunteers in our community.

In conclusion, I would like to thank all members of the Vocational Service committee for their work and support over the past two years, and particularly, this past twelve months. I also wish the incoming Director of Vocational Service well as he takes up this position for the coming two years.

Geoff JAMES Director

YOUTH SERVICES 2001-2002

My first year as youth director has been enjoyable and rewarding and rather busy. Rotary certainly does have a good number of exiting youth programs, which take quite a bit of time, and planning.

Siemens Science Experience

Jennifer Payne attended this excellent program.

National Youth Science Forum

Our successful nominee was Peter Cain who was selected by our district committee from a large field of applicants. Peter attended and has since spoken at our club about his experiences in Canberra and other interesting trips he has been on, particularly his time in Greenland. For this year we have selected Jessica Hurse from a strong field, and we wish her well in the next round of interviews. Thanks to Charlie Bovolino for his help on the interview panel.

Rotary Youth Leadership Program (RYLA)

In total four young adults atended this popular program, Haley Wootton, Catherine Duxbury, Trent Bursill and Genevieve Williamson. Bob Osborne found clubs to take on the extra applicants we had. Thankyou Bob.

Youth Exchange

The club has had a spell from hosting an exchange student this year, however we have selected an outgoing student for 2003. Selina Chapman will travel to Denmark this summer. We wish her well on her exciting adventure. Special thanks to Mal Rowe, Selina's youth councellor and to Bryce Rawlings for the time and assistance they have given me when I needed it.

Rotary Youth Program Of Enrichment (RYPEN)

We nominated two young people to attend this seminar David Knight, and Todd Rowe. This years program will be held in Ballarat in September. RYPEN is for teenagers aged 14-16.

it is based on physical and motivational challenge structures to enhance teamwork, self esteem and decision making.

Shane Dellavedova Youth Director

FELLOWSHIP

2001-2002

Firstly, let me thank all the Rotarian members who are part of the fellowship committee of the Maryborough Rotary Club. Their participation has been very much appreciated.

We have been able to provide pre-dinner appetisers etc at the weekly meetings and free of charge drinks and snacks at ladies and partner nights. We have catered at the Brian Dowie Park for the hard working Rotarians who participated in the working bees.

There was the *Adopt-a-Highway* day and fellowship supplied a BBQ after the work was done. (Although the sausage that Peter T. provided was not suitable). There was also the Honey Bears evening which was well attended and catered for by the committee.

The Rotary Auction was a huge success and a decent profit was made from the BBQ and drink sales. (There is a good profit in a jar of coffee).

Probably the highlight of the of the year was the providing a three course lunch for the Classic Car Travellers in May. One hundred and eighty people were catered for with no complaints. Another great profit was attained. Thanks to all the volunteers of the Fellowship committee, about 12 participants and some others. A great fellowship day was had by all; I truly believe this is what fellowship is all about, everybody chipping in and have an enjoyable day at the same time.

A special thanks to Rotarians Rod Brown and Derrick Marsden for their continued support in delivery of the BBQ to the various sights around the town.

Alas, the time has come to say that the services of the BBQ have been made redundant, as has just about everything these days, its 'use-by date' has arrived. BUT fear not, the replacement BBQ is about to be launched. The most up-to-date mobile food catering wagon is about to hit the long trail of cooking and placing the Maryborough Rotary Club in the face off thousands as a service to the community and as a fund-raising vehicle.

The fellowship committee is to become the caterers of distinction in Maryborough. We have and are applying for permits to operate at the Energy Breakthrough, The Apex Mud Bash, News Years Day in Princes Park and have been listed with the Central Goldfields Shire Community Entertainment Register in the catering category.

Three Rotarians have completed the Food Handlers Course at BRIT and have passed with 'frying' colours. The fellowship requires about another six to nine members to participate in this course and then we will have enough 'College of Knowledge' food graduates to provide the service of catering and complimenting the new mobile BBQ.

Once again, thanks to all fellowship committee members, especially to Peter Treble for taking over from me in my absence at the weekly meetings and his assistance in organising the stock requirements for the events over the past 12 months.

I look forward with great anticipation to a successful fund-raising and community service year over the next I2 months with a great and enthusiastic committee.

Gerard Harris Fellowship Chairman

PROGRAM 2001-2002

This year we tried to follow the successful program design of 2000-2001.

Plenty of interesting guest speakers, several job talks, a few out of hail visits with a couple of special events.

Some of our most interesting talks came from Dr Richard Keys, who spoke on his experiences in England of combating foot and mouth disease and Mrs Ella Ebery on life as a busy newspaper editor and octogenarian extrordinaire.

Others addresses to stand out included Ken Baker's talk on Lighthouse Maintenance, Jackie O'Connor's Christmas message. Tim Grogans year of exchange in France, Jamie Herd's experiences whilst firefighting in Sydney. Andrew Stretton, the CEO from the Ballarat Chamber of Commerce, Peter Cains incredible trip of a life-time to Greenland and David Pollocks *Outback in Uniform*.

We enjoyed job talks from new Rotarians. David Heathcock. Robert Bursill, Geoff Brownbill, Ross Forster, Peter McCormick and Douglas Ball.

Special events during the year included an excellent evening inside Ararat Prison, a joint evening with Castlernaine Rotary club at the Newstead Candle Factory plus our outstanding Golden Jubilee birthday celebration evening at the Highland Society.

Volunteers were recognised for this years *Pride of Workmanship* awards and our four RYLA representatives spoke to the club with great enthusiasm about their experiences.

Several BBQ's were held at Lake Victoria. Goldfields Reservoir and a great evening as guests of Allan and Anne Commely where family's enjoyed seeing 'Trains, Planes, Teddy Bears' and listening to records.

We both hope you have all found the program over the past twelve months, both entertaining and informative.

David Boyes Charles Townsing

Retiring Joint Program Chairmen

PROGRAM IN DEPTH

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2001-2002

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	19	Stuart McLeod (SES)		17	BBQ: Goldfields Reservoir
	26	Job Talk (David Heathcock)		24	G.L.L.E.N-Elsie D'Lullie
	20	job runk (Burra Heatheoten)		31	Club Assembly
Aug	02	Ambulance Service			
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	16	District Governors Visit		× 14	District Youth Chairman
		(Ladies Night)	414	21	H.M Prison Ararat
	23	Havilah Hostel (Barbara Duffin)	A.	28	Tim Grogans Return
	30	Cr Ian Robinson			(Ladies Night)
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Oct	04	Maryborough Advertiser		18	Peter Cain (Greenland)
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	08	Lighthouse Maintenance		23	Health Guide
	15	Job Talk (Robert Bursill)		30	David Pollock
	22	Working Bee (Brian Dowie Park)			
	29	Annual General Meeting	June	06	RYLA
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Dec	08	Christmas Function	14. 14.14	21	Membership
	13	Honey Bears Shed		27	Painting Valuer
	20	Bristol Hill Dinner			C C
	27	Christmas Recess	July	04	President Noel's Swansong
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SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

2001-2002

My year as Sergeant-At-Arms of the Maryborough Rotary Club has been a most enjoyable experience for myself and I trust it was of benefit to the club.

During the year I have noticed a very amiable interaction between the members and I have tried to foster this very hospitable spirit.

We as a club have most certainly gone forward this year and have mixed business with pleasure quite well. Our times of light-hearted humour amongst most members during the fines sessions was very well received, and I thank those members who supported me to this end.

Many nights I literally had nothing, or very little to commence with, but this situation was quickly remedied by the light-hearted manner in which information was quietly and enthusiastically passed on to me by the members present.

My thanks go to Bernie Waixel and John Bryant who assisted me during any absences from our usual Thursday night dinner meetings. It was reassuring to know that nobody was getting away with anything.

I congratulate President Noel on his year and the board members that assisted him. Our club has certainly benefited by the support both given and received at this level.

1 am thankful of the experience of being Sergeant-At-Arms and look forward enthusiastically to 2002-2003 as another great year for Rotary in general and the Maryborough club in particular.

John Stewart Sergeant-At-Arms

THE BULLETIN

My task has been made very easy this year, due to the excellent dinner speakers that our Program Officers, Rtn's David Boyes and Charles Townsing, have arranged, you must admit, we have had some very interesting speakers over the past twelve months, and credit must be given to David and Charles for the wonderful effort they have put in over the year.

The bulletin is the communication medium for all Rotarians. We use it to advise of future events, happenings at the dinner meetings, reports of interest from guest speakers, notes from members, and various other little bits and pieces.

It is important that all members take the time to read the bulletin each week, to ensure the pick up any information that they missed during the meeting. It is also important that you take it home for your partner to read, so that they can remind you of events that you have forgotten about, and so they can keep up to date with the happenings of Rotary.

Rtn. Geoff lames is your editor for next year; please assist him by making available to him any information that would be interest to other members

I hope you have found our bulletins informative and interesting over the past year, and I thank you for the opportunity to serve.

Derrick Marsden Bulletin Editor

CLUB HISTORY 2001-2002

Over the past five years I have been elevated to the position of Club Historian, which has given everyone the opportunity to keep and store Rotary memorabilia.

At the end of the first year as Historian, I made a statement, that for the 50-year celebrations there should be a book produced and printed to help celebrate the occasion in 2002.

As we all know, if one sticks around long enough it will finally come to pass.

For the 50th year organisation, the Historians role was placed on hold as I was asked to head the planning for the Golden Jubilee and, at the same time write a history of the club.

To organise an event such as this a great deal of time and preparation is required to go into the programming of such an event. To afford me the time to concentrate on the production of the book, the program responsibilities were handed over to PP Bryce Rawlings and Robyn Jennings.

The research for the book was made easy as a thirty year and a subsequent ten year history had been documented. So in fact research was only needed for the past ten years along with verification of facts from the past 49 annual reports that are still available.

Our club is most fortunate indeed to have members of the calibre of Peter Merae and his wife Cherie. Thanks to their efforts, a volume of excellence was produced that will surely become a valuable reference source of our club's history as time passes by.

Another proud moment for me personally was being asked to give a short resume on the history of our club at the Golden Jubilee dinner.

History must be recorded, and I thank all those Rotarians that have made an effort to bolster our clubs archives, after all, this is the history of your club.

It is history now that the Golden Jubilee dinner was a great event. It was very well attended and was enjoyed by all those in attendance. There is absolutely no doubt that others will share this sentiment also.

Daryl McLeish Club Historian

RYLA

(ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS)

President Noel and fellow Rotarians

The commitment of the Maryborough Rotary Club to youth programs is quite considerable, and we are one of the leaders of the District in this respect. In particular we have been solid supporters of RYLA, both with representation on the District Committee and in the continual nomination of class participants.

RYLA is an Australian initiative, having been started by Rotary Clubs in Queensland in 1959 to help celebrate the centenary of the state. The program quickly grew in popularity and by 1972 it was an official Rotary International program.

In 2002 we had four outstanding candidates, Trent Bursill, Kathryn Duxbury, Genevieve Williamson and Hayley Wootten.

Th club in its wisdom elected to only sponsor two representatives, but through the kind auspices of Ararat and Stawell, who could not nominate candidates themselves, all four were able to attend.

Each of these young adults gained a greater insight into themselves and the personal development was enhanced.

The host club this year was Ballarat East, with Don and Margaret Robinson acting as the host parents. Unfortunately my time on this committee is now completed, but our own Eric Tunks will join the RYLA district committee. I wish Eric well in his new position.

BOD OSDORNE PP PHF

My thanks are extended to the club for its support during my term on the committee.

BOWELSCAN

This year's Bowelscan Project has been successfully completed with the excellent co-operation of Rotarian Peter Haywood's & Peter Millikan's staff at the Maryborough pharmacies, and the Avoca and Dunolly pharmacy depots. Completed kits are returned to the place of purchase and are collected by me for return by Westberg carriers for testing at Pathcare at Geelong. Maryborough community's response is above average for district 9780.

The cost of kits to the public is now \$6.00 of which the club receives only \$1.00. Nearly all of these funds are used for advertising. This year both positive and negative results were notified, positives within two days of testing and negatives within a few weeks. This is a huge exercise for the Bowelscan committee involving about 12,000 mail outs for the district.

I have attended five district meetings during the year, with the Annual General Meeting being held this year at the Maryborough Highland Society.

The whole program is constantly under review by the committee.

I believe that this project is worthwhile as a community health program and an excellent public relations exercise for the club.

John Ritchie PP, PHF

Bowelscan Committee

FUNDRAISING

'CAKES + PUDDS'

President Noel and fellow Rotarians

The annual sale of Cakes and Puddings was successful as in the past.

With some carry over stock from last year, and with the new supplies purchased this year's sales have been excellent, and at the time of compiling this report only two christmas puddings are in stock.

As stated in previous years, the profits from this venture should be allocated to the Youth committee for its activities.

Sales of goods rely on only a few workers, and there is potential for an even larger profit, if the work load was shared even more.

My thanks go to those members who have either purchased or sold goods on our behalf.

Particular thanks are due to PE Anthony Ohlsen for allowing us to use his business premises as a storage and pick-up point, and secondly PP Bryce Rawlings for his continued 'trickle' sales throughout the year.

BOD OSDORNE PP PHF

Profits from this years sales are approximately \$1300.00.

In the new Rotary year, I propose to purchase new stocks to allow for early sales.

FUNDRAISING

FOOTBALL TIPPING COMPETITION

President Noel and fellow Rotarians

At the beginning of the year, the club set out to conduct a football tipping competition in the local area. At a cost of \$20.00, competitors tip the entire season in advance prior to the commencement of Round I. This is obviously an easy way to collect the funds.

Each member was issued with five fixtures to sell. Most members have had a go and with increased efforts from those unable to sell their entries more participants and ultimately profits will increase.

Prize money will be distributed as follows:



Ist

2nd \$ 400.00

3rd \$ 200.00

\$200.00 was allocated to the leader at the completion of Round II, and I thank Bucknall & Gowers Real Estate for their kind sponsorship for this element of the competition.

All those entrants who successfully tip all eight winners in any given round automatically go into a special draw for a carton of Grown Larger, generously sponsored by the patrons at the Park Hotel.

Sufficient were sold to give us a profit of more than \$2000.00, and with a little more effort next year this amount could easily double.

Thanks go to Peter McRae, Bryce Rawlings for their efforts, and in particular to Toby Bainbridge for the large number of computer hours he has spent in preparing and maintaining the database each week.



IFCR 2001-2002

The Maryborough Rotary Club now has five active members of IFCR within Australia; Rotarians Charles Townsing, Peter McRae, Rodney Brown, Bernie Waixel and our newest member, Derrick Marsden.

Domestically the fellowship has played two games within the past twelve months at the Hume & Hovell Cricket Ground (Strath Creek). The Hume & Hovell ground is now recognised as the 'home' of Australian IFCR cricket. The facilities and setting at this ground are something very special, and are greatly appreciated by all those that travel to the venue.

The two games this year were arranged in conjunction with the Rotary Club of Broadford/Kilmore, to assist in the fund raising to support the *Moira Kelly Open Farm*. Moira's acts of humanity have been chronicled throughout the media and is most inspirational when you get the chance to meet and speak to her personally.

On both days the fellowship was successful in raising \$1600.00 and \$1800.00 respectively for the appeal. These amounts will go towards the much needed medical assistance that the various children require, in order to provide them with an increased quality of life.

Internationally there has been two tours leave Australian shores. In June/July in 2001 a touring party left for the United Kingdom, where old friendships were rekindled, and new ones established. A rewarding tour was has by all. There were several new IFCR members and wives making their first trip, and by all accounts they are now sold on the benefits of this Rotary Fellowship.

In February/March 2002, the third IFCR World Cricket Festival was held in Christchurch, New Zealand. Peter and Cherie McRae, Bernie and Jill Waixel and Rodney Brown represented our club whilst in Christchurch. All were members of the Southern Australia team, of which Peter McRae was the vice captain and selector. Rodney Brown was making his third tour and Bernie and Jill enjoyed their maiden tour, and by all accounts it will not be their last. Representative teams were from Australia (3), New Zealand (3), India (5), Sri Lanka and the United Kingdom.

A further IFCR game was held at Lemon Tree, in Cessnock. This ground is owned by the Primary Club of Australia. The Primary Club is a registered charity founded in 1974 by a group of cricket lovers whose fundamental aim was to give those with disabilities the opportunity to experience the joy and exhilaration that physical activity of any kind brings.

In November of 2002, the Australian IFCR will hold their bi-annual festival. This year the festival will be held in Young (NSW) during the Melbourne Cup week. A terrific program has been developed for all to enjoy. It will also be a special occasion as the IFCR (New Zealand) will be joining us for the festival. Prior to the festival the New Zealand touring party will be travelling to Maryborough for a few days of fellowship and a game of cricket, if the weather is kind to us all.

Charles Townsing PP IFCR Board Member



President Noel and fellow Rotarians

The growth in Probus continues to be quite staggering throughout Australia and the western world. As you are all aware, Probus was started in England by Rotary in 1964 as a club for retired <u>PRO</u>fessional and <u>BUS</u>iness men. It has shown rapid growth throughout the world, reaching New Zealand in 1974 and finally Australia in 1976.

Clubs for ladies, and combined clubs ultimately developed later. Our combined club was started in March 1984, so it is among some of the older clubs.

Throughout the world, Australian Probus is regarded as the best example of the ideals of Probus.

More than 2000 clubs and 220,000 Probians are in the ANZIO region alone, and in Victoria more than 500 clubs and 47,000 members exist.

Maryborough has started four clubs; Maryborough Combined, Maryborough Ladies, Avoca and Dunolly. We currently have some names for the possible establishment of a third club in Maryborough, but are in need of more in order to establish a solid foundation.

Maryborough is well represented at the State Association level, and its clubs are held in high regard.

Bob OSborne PP PHF Probus Liaison Officer President, Probus Association of Victoria