



**ROTARY CLUB OF MARYBOROUGH INC**

# **ANNUAL REPORT**

## **2010-2011**





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## **PRESIDENT**

**JOHN STEWART**



As another Rotary year draws to a close there is a lot to look back on. Our Club is in a very good shape and it has been a pleasure for me to have had the opportunity to be the 59<sup>th</sup> President. My thanks must go to all members who have contributed to the fulfilment of the many projects we have undertaken. In particular, I must thank the Board members for their help, guidance and support throughout what has been a very busy year. Their input and our time spent together at our monthly meetings have proved very beneficial to our club.

The introduction of new members is always looked forward to as clubs are searching for new ideas and innovations that new members bring with them. This year we welcomed two new members, Murray Henderson and Chris Frahn. I wish them both well for their futures in Rotary. Our club is indeed fortunate to have such a wide and diverse cross-section of community in our midst. This in turn gives us a wide sphere of knowledge and expertise, which in turn enables us to implement our various projects for the mutual benefit of Rotary in particular and very importantly our community in general.

Service Clubs and their support to the community are an integral part of our society. The help given to the community during the time when the disastrous floods came to the Carisbrook Community in particular evidences this fact. It was very heartening to see both the Lions Clubs of Maryborough and Carisbrook, together with our Rotary Club give much appreciated support to those who were heavily affected by these floods. Our donation to the flood Appeal also highlighted our need to increase our support of projects whereby we can give further ongoing support to our community when it is needed. We had saved for a rainy day and when it rained we were able to give support when it was needed most.

Our local Radio Station Goldfields 99.1 FM, who we had previously helped to support in its infancy, backed the effort by instigating a Flood Appeal, which was very successful. The wheel of Rotary turns again.

Relay for Life is now a very well supported annual community event. A big "Thank you" must go to Jacqui Dellavedova for co-ordinating and organizing another successful Rotary Team. This cements the idea that friends of Rotary prove beneficial to any Rotary Club. I feel that this is a very worthwhile commitment as so many families have been effected by Cancer in all walks of life, and a need to find a cure is of paramount importance. Once again our Rotary Club sponsored Bowel Scan Project has been well patronized. Each year the number of kits sold is increasing and people are being made aware of the dangers of this insidious disease.

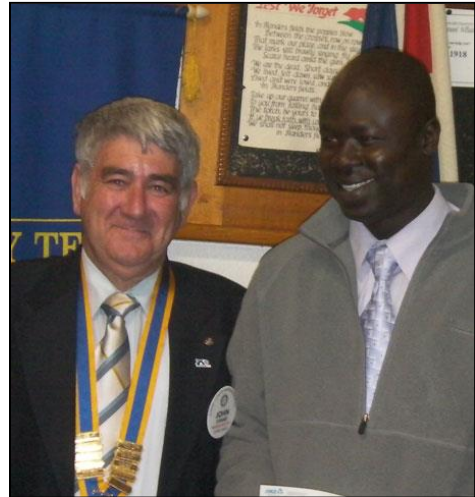
This year saw some finishing touches to our Manse Project with the completion of the gardens in front of the manse. This very valuable addition to our community has been an ongoing project and our thanks go to those Rotarians responsible for its instigation.

Our Rotary Club, this year sponsored a very successful RYPEN Camp at Adekate. The fostering of youth projects I feel is of great importance as our younger generation is, after all, our future, and investment in the future is vital. Our thanks also go to those responsible for its success.

Throughout the year, our club has achieved a lot. Our members have had a variety of very interesting and informative speakers to address us at our dinner meetings.

Club nights have been interspersed with visits to various venues. These nights were shared with our partners, who were very appreciative of the opportunity to join the Rotarians on these and other club nights. The partners, themselves have met weekly and independently on a social basis. I feel that a harmonious club augers for a successful future, and it is in that sense that our club is headed in the right direction. Clubs do not function without the help and support of everybody, and to maintain the commitment and involvement needed to achieve the goals and the aspirations of Rotary, such support needs to start at the club level.

Within our Club, this year I have been fortunate to have had the necessary help, guidance and support of the Board and general members. I truly, appreciated this support. Once again our club meeting nights were very capably catered for by the band of willing volunteers from Havilah. Their efforts are to be commended. Our support as a club to a very worthwhile organization, one that would be the envy of most Aged Care Facilities throughout Victoria, is also to be commended. To have enjoyed ourselves while supporting our community and the ideals of Rotary is a 'win-win' situation. The international wheel of Rotary has turned this year with our continued support of the Sudan Project, a visit from the Rotary Group Study Exchange from Florida, USA, as well as the Clubs involvement with the Talavera project. The ideals of the Rotary slogan for the past year being 'Building Communities and Bridging Continents' have certainly been met.



To Terry and his incoming board members, I wish them well for the ensuing year. This year, like every year, will have its challenges. I am sure that the future of our club will be capably managed and will continue moving from success to success.

### STOP PRESS:

Due to my late presentation of this report, I am with a great deal of pleasure able to congratulate Past President and Paul Harris Fellow Bob Osborne on his OAM recognition. An honour well deserved for his significant contributions to our community over many years.

Well Done Bob!



## PRESIDENT ELECT

**TERRY ALLAN**



I'm told that 2011/2012 is "My Year" as president. What do you do with a "Year"? Twelve months. 365 days (or is there an extra one?) 49 Thursday nights (or will some of them be Thursday mornings?)

It all sounds rather daunting with a small business to run with limited staff.

I guess we'll just have to take the bull by the horns and run with it! I don't plan to hunker down in survival mode!

You may be sure that this president will be relying on support from several sources. Wife and Secretary Rotarian Thea, in particular, will be a vital part of the structure; Past President John and Assistant Governor Geoff will be called upon often for input as well; each of the Directors for leadership in their portfolio; and each Club member in support of the committee and/or role in management of various duties of the Club.

I challenge everyone to put the required time, thought and effort into the club and to look for the resulting, spectacular outcomes.

I commit us to a year of worthwhile projects, enjoyable meetings, informative and entertaining speakers and fun social occasions.

I particularly thank Past President Bob for stepping into the President Elect shoes and Rotarian Gary for taking on the role of Vice President.

As to projects, let us strive together to embark on some new undertakings, which will make a difference to the community, much as we have achieved with the Manse project - perhaps a project that utilises our networking skills and involves us in working with our various abilities rather than raising money. I'm sure we will all become more involved in such a project.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as President of your Club and I trust that together we can have an enjoyable and fruitful year, which will become everybody's year.



**TREASURER**

**JOHN WILLIAMSON**



<b>Rotary Club of Maryborough Inc. - Interim Cashflow Statement</b>			
<b>July 1.2010 through June 6.2011</b>			
<b>ORDINARY INCOME &amp; EXPENSE</b>			
<b>INCOME</b>			
	Jul 1.10 - Jun 6.11		
<b>INCOME FROM COMMUNITY EVENTS</b>			
Auction 26/09/2010		3,043.00	
BBQ Trailer Service		7,627.15	
Bowelscan		1,226.00	
Marquee		1,550.00	
RYPEN Camp		100.00	
Shelter Kit Appeal		22.55	
INCOME FROM COMMUNITY EVENTS - Other		420.00	
<b>TOTAL INCOME FROM COMMUNITY EVENTS</b>			<b>13,988.70</b>
<b>INCOME FROM MEMBERS</b>			
Bar		2,184.40	
C/O Dinner Raffle and Fines		179.10	
Change Over Dinner Fees		3,796.00	
Dinner fees		17,904.85	
Fines and Spare Change		777.80	
Flood Appeal		1,100.00	
Friday Footy Frenzy		749.50	
Membership Dues		7,714.00	
Non RSL Dinners		5,016.00	
Other Raffles		280.60	
Raffle Prize Pool		476.00	
Raffle ticket sales		573.15	
Relay for Life Fundraiser		494.35	
Rotary Foundation		690.00	
Sale of Rotary Merchandise		118.50	
<b>TOTAL INCOME FROM MEMBERS</b>			<b>42,054.25</b>
<b>Interest received</b>			<b>1,375.11</b>
<b>Miscellaneous Income</b>			<b>172.30</b>
<b>Reimbursed Expenses</b>			
Fee for Leadership Training		360.00	
<b>Total Reimbursed Expenses</b>			<b>360.00</b>
<b>Talavera Trust receipts</b>			<b>28,570.03</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>			<b>84,520.39</b>

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<b>EXPENSE</b>			
Carisbrook Flood Response			10,626.30
Community Events Expenses			458.85
Licenses and Permits			79.20
<b>MEMBER EXPENSES</b>			
Badges Pins Kits etc		318.08	
Change over Dinner cost		3,915.00	
Dinner Costs			
Bar Costs	2,277.57		
Catering Costs	17,384.02		
Total Dinner Costs		19,661.59	
Dues and Subscriptions		6,849.74	
<b>TOTAL MEMBER EXPENSES</b>			<b>30,744.39</b>
Office Supplies			14.95
Postage and Delivery			86.00
Prize Money			
Weekly Raffle Prize		560.00	
Prize Money - Other		1,750.00	
Total Prize Money			2,310.00
Professional Fees			
Leadership Development		1,260.00	
Total Professional Fees			1,260.00
<b>PROGRAMME EXPENSES</b>			
Auction expenses		164.00	
Australian Rotary Health Research		215.00	
Books and Publications		495.00	
Bursaries		900.00	
Dinka Books & Sth Sudan Program		1,162.40	
Health Night		247.50	
Manse Project		600.00	
Payment to Relay for Life		494.35	
RYPEN Fees		7,370.00	
Sleeping Stars		170.00	
PROGRAMME EXPENSES -Other		728.54	
<b>TOTAL PROGRAMME EXPENSES</b>			<b>12,546.79</b>
Promotion			779.20
<b>ROTARY PROGRAMMES</b>			
RAWCS		105.00	
Transplant Australia		40.00	
<b>TOTAL ROTARY PROGRAMMES</b>			<b>145.00</b>
Supplies			
BBQ		3,086.93	
Meeting needs		24.05	
<b>Total Supplies</b>			<b>3,110.98</b>
Talavera Trust Payment			26,481.05
Utilities			
Gas and Electric		642.37	
<b>Total Utilities</b>			<b>642.37</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>			<b>89,285.08</b>
Net Ordinary Income			-4,744.89
<b>NET INCOME</b>			<b>-4,744.69</b>

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<b>Rotary Club of Maryborough Inc - Balance Sheet</b>			
<b>As of June 12, 2011</b>			
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Current Assets			
Chequing/Savings			
ANZ Cheque Account	7,388.93		
Bendigo Bank Account	108.98		
Term Deposit	40,000.00		
V2PLUS Account	17,944.63		
Total Chequing/Savings		65,442.54	
Total Current Assets			65,442.54
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>			<b>65,442.54</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Current Liabilities			
Other Current Liabilities			
Emergency Shelter Kits	680.20		
Raffle Pool	-170.00		
Total Other Current Liabilities		510.20	
Total Current Liabilities			510.20
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>			<b>510.20</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			<b>64,932.34</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Opening Bal Equity			69,716.08
Retained Earnings			-39.05
Net Income			-4,744.69
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>			<b>64,932.34</b>





## ADMINISTRATION

### TERRY ALLAN



*Regular Members of this Standing Committee: John Stewart, Terry Allan (Acting Director), Geoff James, Peter Haywood, John Williamson, Guy Blanch, Graham Rogan, Anthony Ohlsen*

As the newest committee in our Rotary club, the members of the Administration Committee are still getting their heads around how this group can best serve our club, but we are making some progress in this area.

We have certainly monitored the program and meetings but realise we will have to work more closely with the Program Coordinator in future to ensure we make best use of this important role.

Thanks to our Bar Coordinator, the bar has continued to virtually operate itself during meetings and we have once again made some useful profits in this area which have been partly used to subsidize some fellowship nights.

Thanks to our Bulletin editor, the Bulletin has continued to provide brief reports on club meetings and reminders of the Rotary months whilst being emailed to members three nights before our club meetings. We have continued to use the Clubrunner program to prepare our bulletin and this enables selected stories to appear on our Clubrunner web site. We are still looking for a sponsor for our web site and for our bulletin, so if members have any suggestions, we would be glad to hear them.

Our committee is responsible for ensuring that all members have working with children qualifications and this is an ongoing challenge to ensure that members have in fact completed their applications.

We produced our first "Club Directory" this year and all members were provided with copies. Some members still want the information on the Bulletin and in our last issue, we trialed a simple listing of this information. We will continue to explore and monitor this issue with members early in the new Rotary year.



## PROGRAM

### BRYCE RAWLINGS



I provide herewith a summary of the weekly dinner meeting activities and program for the past 12 months.

In doing so, I would like to thank President John for asking me to take on this task and also to thank those Rotarians who have provided names of prospective guest speakers and ideas for activities and also for the assistance of members and partners to ensure an informative and enjoyable program.

3/7/2010 - **Annual Change Over Dinner** at Maryborough Highland Society  
8/7/2010 - **Casual night** at Rotary shed with "pig on a spit" hosted by Rtn Garry Higgins  
15/7/2010 - **Club Committees**  
22/7/2010 - **Christmas in July** (Partner's Night) including visit by Group 7 Representatives  
29/7/2010 - **Sharon Huggett** (Best Start facilitator MDHS) with **Chris Jones** (Student/author St. Augustines PS) and **Mark Healey** (Teacher St. Augustines)  
5/8/2010 - **Club Committees**  
12/8/2010 - **Rtn Graeme Rogan**: Job talk  
19/8/2010 - **Visit to Maryborough Football Club with Inspector Wayne Barkly** (Maryborough Police Recruitment)  
26/8/2010 - **Carol Giles** (Rotary "Shine On" Awardee) (Partner's Night)  
3/9/2010 - **Juach (Simon) Deng** (South Sudan School Project)  
9/9/2010 - **Alan Turner** ("Zaidee Rainbow Foundation" Organ Donation program) (Partner's Night)  
16/9/2010 - **Rtn John Weir**: Job Talk  
23/9/2010 - **BBQ** at Rotary Shed - Planning for auction  
30/9/2010 - **David Purchase** (Independent Third Person Bail Justice)  
7/10/2010 - **3 x 3 minute talks** (Rtn **Ted Edwards** on "Teamwork- home, work and Rotary"; Rtn **Peter McRae** on "The Australian Printing Industry" and PP **Derrick Marsden** on "My 10 years in Rotary")  
14/10/2010 - **DG Jessie Harmon** Annual club visit (Partner's Night)  
21/10/2010 - **Jon Gooding** (Central Highlands Water) on Maryborough sewer network. Blockages & tree root treatment  
28/10/2010 - **Rtn Dr. David Tynan** Cancer and other health issues in Maryborough  
4/11/2010 - **Brian Dowie Park Working bee & BBQ**  
11/11/2010 - **Annual General Meeting** with Election of office bearers 2011 - 12  
18/11/2010 - **RACV Energy Breakthrough BBQ** and set up  
24/11/2010 - **Pride of Workmanship Awards** - Awardees included Cal Gully Kinder, Dunolly Pre School, Linda Featherstone, Karlye Crawford, Leanne Townsing and Leanne Powell. A separate award was made to Rtn Mark Edmondson for his achievement in winning a National Industry Award.  
2/12/2010 - **Clive Buck** on the Men's Shed Program and young people's mentoring  
9/12/2010 - **PP Brian Thomas** on Learner drivers and Co- operation with schools and other programs  
16/12/2010 - **No meeting**  
18/12/2010 - **Christmas Breakup** at Goldfields Restaurant  
23/12/2010 - **No meeting**  
30/12/2010 - **No meeting**  
6/1/2011 - **Family BBQ** at Adventure playground  
13/1/2011 - **Casual dinner** at Cambrian Hotel  
20/1/2011 - **Havilah Hostel Dinner and guided tour with CEO Barbara Duffin and Brian O'Connor (Board)** - Update on the project and a tour of facilities  
27/1/2011 - **Havilah Hostel Discussion** on Floods and to what extent Rotary can assist  
3/2/2011 - **Goldfields FM Radio BBQ with Bruce Leech and Lachlan Hickey** with a tour of new facilities and presentation of our flood appeal cheque to the Mayor.

- 10/2/2011 - **Keith Fankhauser** (Central Victoria Solar City Project)  
17/2/2011 - **Eileen Courtney** BBQ, guided tour and history of Maryborough Cemetery (Partner's Night)  
24/2/2011 - **Liz Dorsett** (Maryborough Neighbourhood Renewal Program) on Understanding Poverty in our area  
3/3/2011 - **Rotary Shed Working Bee** at Manse and shed – BBQ  
10/3/2011 - **Leo Dridan** (Talavera Education Project) Report on project  
17/3/2011 - **Group Study Exchange Team** from Florida USA (Partner's Night)  
24/3/2011 - **Mystery Bus Tour** to Bill & Clair Mckellars' Morris Garage and collection, Art studio and garden in



- Harcourt. Included a picnic meal on the bus (Partner's Night)  
31/3/2011 - **Barry Trait** (Centre State Asphalting) - New business for Maryborough  
7/4/2011 - **Rotary Shed – BBQ and Boys Toys – Show and Tell** - Including Tour of aero museum  
14/4/2011 - **No meeting**  
15/4/2011 - **Dinner at RYPEN camp** at Creswick  
21/4/2011 - **Casual breakfast meeting** at Hospital Day Centre  
28/4/2011 - **Rtn Murray Henderson: Job Talk**  
5/5/2011 - **Club Committees**  
12/5/2011 - **Cr Chris Meddows-Taylor** Update on aftermath of floods. Report on development & regional growth  
19/5/2011 - **Lyll & Eileen Courtney** "Our Houseless Home" A book written by Lyll on his childhood during the great depression (Partner's Night)  
26/5/2011 - **PP Anthony Ohlsen** on Telemetry monitoring  
2/6/2011 - **2011 - 2012 Club Committees**  
9/6/2011 - **PDG Ron Pickford** on Rotary International Humanitarian Cadre  
16/6/2011 - **PP Geoff James** - Video – Prof Dan Gilbert on "Synthesised Happiness"  
23/6/2011 - **Social Night** – Pres. John's Last Meeting when he lets his hair down at the Park Hotel  
30/6/2011 - **No meeting** (in lieu of Change Over Night on Sat 2/7/2011)



## SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

**GRAEME ROGAN**



I have thoroughly enjoyed my role as Sergeant at Arms for the 2010/2011 Rotary year.

I was unsure as to my role and function until I spoke to Rotarian Warren Norton from Geelong East at the 2010 District Assembly in Stawell. Warren graciously provided me with a wealth of information and advice as to what a Sergeant at Arms is and how a Sergeant at Arms should conduct oneself.

### Brief History of the Role

"The actual title of Sergeant at Arms, came in the days of the Crusades when Philip the August, King of France, instituted a special corps to guard his person in the Holy land in 1192.

Men-at-arms were common enough in all armies of the time, but Philip's escort - being Cavaliers, or gentlemen - were styled "Sergents d' Armes" " to distinguish them from the lower orders, and whenever they appeared in public they did so encased from head to foot in armour."

The office of Sergeant at Arms is still a position in the UK Parliament and has two main areas of responsibilities: -

First, he/she has duties relating to the Order and Security of the House of Commons. He/she is responsible for maintaining order in the Chamber, Galleries, Committee Rooms and precincts of the House of Commons and the control of access to them.

Second, the Sergeant at Arms Department also has Housekeeping Duties that include the allocation and booking of accommodation for MPs, cleaning of the House and the supply of stationery, laundry and other stores

### The Sergeant-at-Arms in Rotary

Is the Sergeant-at-Arms an Officer of a Rotary club? Yes.

The Sergeant-at-Arms plays a vital role in allowing the Club President and Chair to concentrate on conducting the weekly meeting.

Specifically, the function is to handle the physical preparations for, and the mechanical part of, the Rotary meeting. Unobtrusively, to guide its general conduct, to help maintain an orderly, dignified, and effective Rotary club meeting, one that will make a right kind of impression on club visitors and guests.

The Sergeant should be constantly on the alert to prevent any occurrence that might detract from the dignity and prestige associated with Rotary clubs and as such plays an important role in the overall success of each weekly meeting

Frequently, the Sergeant-at-Arms can give some special assistance that helps to make guests feel "more at home." But more important is the manner in which they carry out their duties. It can directly influence the clubs attendance record.

The Sergeant-at-Arms is responsible for the effective management of the weekly meetings; ensuring

- that the meeting starts on time
- that the meeting room is set up correctly for each meeting and that it is cleared at the end of the meeting and all property securely stored
- that members and guests are greeted upon arrival and made to feel welcome
- that the Guest Speaker is greeted and is taken care of throughout the meeting
- that appropriate decorum and respect is given to any speaker holding the floor during a meeting
- fining anyone who is out of order in their conduct during a meeting
- conducting a fines session that is based on appropriate humour and stories

I can say without fear or favour that I performed my role as Sergeant-at-Arms in a professional and steadfast manner conducting myself with aplomb, style and empathy for those that were fined (harshly but fairly) and never once pushed the envelope when telling a joke.



## COMMUNITY

### NOEL JENNINGS



Regular Members of this Standing Committee: Peter McRae (Director until February 2011), Noel Jennings (Director – February to June), Garry Higgins, Guy Blanch, Robert Rowe, Rob Bursill, Mark Edmondson, David Hare, Garry Higgins, Jeff Mackay, Toby Bainbridge, Murray Henderson, Chris Frahn.

As per the recent trend there was the continued high demand for Rotary throughout the latter half of 2010 to assist in the ever increasing number of community activities utilising the mobile BBQ. Special thanks to PE Terry and President John for leading the way and taking on the management of the facility that is quickly becoming the lifeline to the community.

Constant bookings from the council and community groups saw the marquees utilised once again to a very high level. Under an agreement with the Central Goldfields Shire Council maintenance was carried out to the individual marquees to rectify small and sometimes detailed repairs to the components. Full ownership of the marquees has now been passed on to the club and it is now prudent to make provision from the proceeds in order to replace and maintain the units in future. Special thanks to David Hare for his willingness to coordinate the program on behalf of the committee, and to the constant supply of members willing to make the time available.

During early 2010 the club was approached by the Maryborough branch of the CWA to seek club assistance in the proposed erection of a BBQ shelter at the Bristol Hill Reserve. Several months passed by without any more details being forthcoming, only to get a very small amount of notice that the project was going ahead. A small band of members that were available at very short notice gave assistance and the erection was completed in a very short period of time, resulting in a new facility for the town's folk and visitors to the city.

I, Noel, was asked to take over Community Portfolio in February 2011, after Peter's resignation.



hats were worth seeing.

Club members were actively involved in providing support for the Carisbrook Floods relief effort.

Easter was a very busy time with the Veterans Cycle Racing, having to erect a marquee on Good Friday and organising two BBQ's.

A fun night was had for "Hat Day" for Australian Rotary Health, raising over \$300.00. Some of the

A big "thank you" to all club members who helped with the many BBQ's and erecting/dismantling the marquees throughout the year.



**BOWELSCAN**

**ROBERT OSBORNE**



As in previous years, Maryborough Rotary Club conducted Bowelscan in this part of the District.

In excess of 700 Bowelscan kits were sold during the month of May.

Publicity of the program was given on television, radio (99.1FM), the press and a letterbox drop in Maryborough, Clunes and Inglewood.

Kits were sold at \$10 each with \$2.00 from the sale of each kit being returned to the club.

The only expense to the club was for the letter-box drop and approximately \$1200 was returned to the club.

Our club is regarded as one of the best performers with regards to Bowelscan promotion in District 9780.

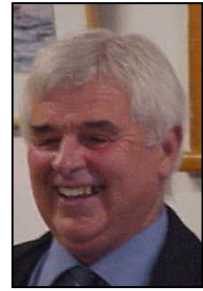
May I add my grateful thanks to the pharmacies in each area for their continued support.

As at the time of writing this report, there have been no positive results recorded for this area.



# THE MANSE PROJECT

**JOHN BRYANT**



The Manse project has been finally completed with the establishment and planting of the garden and is a proud achievement for the Maryborough Rotary Club.

After many months of discussions and planning the first hands on working bees began during 2003.

Much fund raising occurred in the early days of the project with the total cost being approximately \$349,000.00. There were many generous donations.

Wonderful work by local builders with excellent assistance and co-operation from the Maryborough Health Service have resulted in a facility providing accommodation for medical related students and family members of hospitalized patients.

The Manse project is a truly great contribution to the local community.







## ROTARY FOUNDATION

**MARTIN MACKAY**



*Regular Members of this Standing Committee: Martin Mackay (Director), John Bryant, Graham Costelow, Derrick Marsden, Peter Silver, David Tynan, John Weir.*

The projects initially programmed for the year were:

Shelter Box - Decided to hold over for the current year

Dinka Books - \$400 donated to assist in the publication of Dinka stories in English for Dinka children living in Australia.

Sudanese School - \$700 donated to the Akon Primary School to construct new classrooms and buy sports uniforms. Additional money from fundraising will cover the roofing of the new classrooms from a proposed \$500 donation and selling roofing sheets for \$10 a sheet. In addition, other Group 7 Rotary clubs have agreed to contribute towards a donation for the school in the next year. These two projects have been managed by Robert (Malley) Rowe, Maryborough and Juach Deng, Castlemaine and Sudan. Their dedication has moved both these projects forward.

It was decided to hold over Donations-in-Kind for this year.



During the course of the year, an opportunity to participate in the Rotary Group Study Exchange program arose and the club put in an expression of interest to be one of the hosts for the visiting team from District 6950 in Central West Florida. The team consisted of:

Team Leader: Camille Hernandez (Commissioner Dade City, Florida)

Team Members: Natalie White (Event Co-ordinator), James Connell (Kitchen Manager and Musician), Rachel Williams (Veterinary Technician) and John Korychi (Florida Conservation Foundation)

Maryborough hosted the GSE Team from the 15th March to the 18th March. Club members collected the GSE Team from Horsham East RC at Stawell, and drove them to Maryborough for a relaxed BBQ lunch and dinner at the Highland Society followed by home stay that evening. The next two days consisted of vocational visits for the team members and visits and tours of the Maryborough area culminating in a meeting with the Maryborough Rotary Club on the Thursday night dinner.

The success of the GSE Team visit to Maryborough is due to the organisation of Thea, Terry and the Rotary members who hosted the team members during their visit. On behalf of the club, I wish to extend our thanks to them all.



## NEW GENERATIONS

SHANE DELLAVEDOVA



*Regular Members of this Standing Committee: Shane Dellavedova (Director), Rodney Brown, Jim Field, John Caulfield, Thea Allan, John Sedunary, Ray Hannan, Rodney Brown, Mark Edmondson*

Apart from our usual programs of providing a range of scholarships to local school students, our promotion of the annual Science Camps, our support of the “Sleeping Stars” program and our ongoing monitoring of the proposed youth Mentoring program, the major project in this Rotary year was our running of the RYPEN camp at Adekate Lodge, near Creswick.

This project proved to be a huge undertaking for the small group of key organizers, but the positive responses from participants made the venture definitely seem worthwhile.

Forty-two applicants applied for the RYPEN camp, however only 38 completed the event. Two applicants sent their apologies due to illness, two simply did not arrive and one participant was sick on arrival and went home on the evening of the first day. One participant arrived without having received the paperwork from the school.

All comments from post-camp surveys were positive. The general aspects of the camp were rated highly, especially the meals, activities and camp site; indicating that ‘Adekate Lodge’ is an ideal location for a RYPEN camp. The selected guest speakers supported the ethos of the RYPEN camp and covered important aspects of leadership and personal enrichment. The participants enjoyed all topics, but especially the ‘team work’ led by Shane Green. The outdoor activities were all very popular, with the ‘rain shelter’, ‘touch ball’ and ‘low ropes’ rating 94%, 83% and 83% respectively. Participants also enjoyed mixing with different people and making new friends.

Everyone gained valuable information that they felt will help them in their lives. Participants felt they learnt about effective team work, personal strengths and weaknesses, social skills, own personality type, importance of volunteering for the community, getting out of their comfort zones, better communication and how to lead better. One participant said, “(This camp) put me back on track with study and school and my objectives for the future.” Another added, “I have learnt that my life is going to be determined on what I do from my age now, and that team work is an important part of everything.”



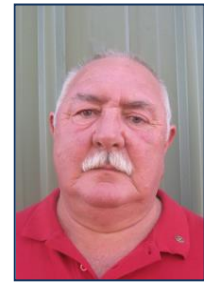
Two Rotary couples assisted at the camp, with the help of the Adekate Lodge managers. Though everything went according to plan, it was felt that extra adult supervision would be beneficial. One of the boys fell during the ‘touch ball’ game and sprained his wrist and was taken to the emergency department at the Ballarat Base Hospital for medical attention, just in case the wrist was broken. This left only one male and two females for the Saturday evening, which is not desirable.

Our committee believes the camp met program objectives of the development of individual leadership skills, contribution to team activities, cooperation and problem solving together and fostering generic life skills. It is thus a valuable and worthwhile Rotary activity and needs to be supported by the whole club.



## VOCATIONAL SERVICE

**GRAEME ROGAN**



Regular Members of this Standing Committee: Graeme Rogan (Director), Brenton Fairchild, Bryce Rawlings, Anthony Ohlsen, John Hazeldine, Ted Edwards.

### 1. Pride of Workmanship Awards

One of the programs within the Vocational Service Portfolio of Rotary is Pride of Workmanship Awards, an approved Rotary Project instigated in 1975 by the Rotary Club of Pennant Hills.

The Pride of Workmanship program seeks to identify individuals whose exemplary contribution to their vocation is worthy of acknowledgement.

The Pride of Workmanship Awards are a great way for the Maryborough Rotary Club to promote Rotary, the various businesses and organizations for whom the recipients work, and of course to the recipients themselves as recognition within the community, and their workplace for their outstanding contribution to their vocation.

The focus of the Pride of Workmanship Awards for 2010 was: The Pre-School Age, Care, and Infant Welfare Sector.

There were two group and four individual awards presented on the night with all awardees consistently displaying a professional approach and expertise in the performance of their vocations.



#### Group Award

Californian Gully Kindergarten: Carla Sweeney, Janelle Lanfranchi, Nicole Cain, and Julie Lebkowski

Dunollv Pre-School Centre: Trish Ipsen and Veronica Palmer

#### Individual Awards

Leanne Townsing, Linda Featherston, Karlye Crawford and Wendy Powell

The format for the presentation of the awards was a gala evening held at The Maryborough Highland Society on Wednesday 24th November 2010.

The keynote speaker at the "Pride of Workmanship" evening was Ms Robyn Mawdsley - Director of the A.G. Leech Kindergarten Inc, Early Childhood Advisor YMCA Cluster, and an Executive Member of "Best Start" (Children 0 – 8 years).

#### Special Pride of Workmanship Award

Mark Edmondson – Mark Edmondson Electrical

Mark excels at his chosen vocation as an electrician and is a rather special teacher of apprentices as evidenced by him winning a special National Government Award – The 2010 Minister’s Award for Excellence in the Education and Training of Apprentices - Victorian Central Highlands Region

Mark was Runner Up in the Central Highlands Region and was presented with his award in the Great Hall, Parliament House Canberra; by Senator Chris Evans - Minister for Tertiary Education, Skills, Jobs and Workplace Relations.

Mark’s exemplary contribution to his vocation is worthy of acknowledgement and he was presented with a special Pride of Workmanship 2010 Award.

### 2. Shine on Award

Ms Coral Giles – a stalwart of the Maryborough Football & Netball Club who has given many years of service and support to this major sporting organization was our very worthy and deserving Shine on Awardee for 2010.

Coral was also a guest speaker at one of our dinner meetings and provided a wonderful insight into her voluntary work at the football and netball club as well as the local community and what her motivating factors are.

### 3. Probus

Rotarians Bob Osborne and Ted Edwards represent our club at Probus. As you would be aware there are two Probus Clubs associated with the Maryborough Rotary Club. Both clubs are functioning well with very good membership levels. Regular outings are a feature of both clubs and are thoroughly enjoyed by all concerned.

Being relatively new to Rotary I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Vocational Services Committee for their invaluable support and guidance during the course of the year.



## MEMBERSHIP

### BRIAN THOMAS



Regular Members of this Standing Committee: Brian Thomas (Director), Gerry Wendels, Tom Davies, John Caulfield.

In this year, we have promoted membership by having a prospective members evening in late 2010 when we again invited some 20 plus people along. We also wrote a letter to each Rotarian seeking assistance in nominating new members and seeking members for the Club.

Eight prospective members were proposed and processed, while each was interested and qualified we found that when finally faced with the decision a significant number decided not to proceed at this time, however we have welcomed two new members in the year, Murray Henderson and Chris Frahn and these Rotarians will make a considerable contribution to the Club.

In this time frame we have one member who has moved interstate and one, Peter McRae, who resigned. Peter joined in January 1997 and has been a valuable member for the Club. Peter also did a tremendous amount of unseen work. John Sedunary was a much newer member, but also set a high standard and contributed much to the Club. It would be great to see them both back in Rotary sometime in the future.

This has been a difficult year for members and attendance at meetings has been steady at around 30 per meeting with many cases of extended overseas travel, pressure from work and local floods all taking a toll.

Much emphasis has been placed on membership at all levels in Rotary, a conference in Canberra in August 2010 was attended by the RI President and Club members and devoted entirely to this issue. However, Club membership is very much a local and personal issue which requires all members to address through their representation of Rotary in the Community and their personal efforts.

We can be proud of what we do in Rotary and the way our Club members serve the community in many capacities in Health, Sport, Youth, Community and Commerce.

A fireside Chat was held on Sunday May 29<sup>th</sup> to provide background to newer members on various aspects of Rotary.

We trust that 2011/12 will see the Club gain in membership while retaining the standards that we have maintained over the last 59 years. Our thanks to the committee members. PP Tom Davies, PP John Caulfield and Rotarian Gerry Wendels.



# ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

## DERRICK MARSDEN



Name	Attendance 2010-2011		
Allan, Terry	49/49	100.00%	
Allan, Thea	45/49	91.84%	
Bainbridge, Toby	33/49	67.35%	
Blanch, Guy	35/49	71.43%	
Brown, Rodney	35/49	71.43%	
Bryant, John	38/49	77.55%	
Bursill, Robert	37/49	75.51%	
Caulfield, John	42/49	85.71%	
Costelow, Graham	27/49	55.10%	
Davies, Thomas	40/49	81.63%	
Dellavedova, Shane	39/49	79.59%	
Edmondson, Mark	33/49	67.35%	
Edwards, Ted	23/49	46.94%	
Fairchild, Brent	35/49	71.43%	
Field, Jim	40/49	81.63%	
Frahn, Chris	6/6	100.00%	(Joined May 12 2011)
Hannan, Ray	36/49	73.47%	
Hare, David	41/49	83.67%	
Haywood, Peter	39/49	79.59%	
Hazledine, John	22/49	44.90%	
Henderson, Murray	17/20	85.00%	(Joined Feb 3 2011)
Higgins, Garry	33/49	67.35%	
James, Geoff	38/49	77.55%	
Jennings, Noel	48/49	97.96%	
Mackay, Jeff	25/49	51.02%	
Mackay, Martin	45/49	91.84%	
Marsden, Derrick	44/49	89.80%	
Ohlsen, Anthony	36/49	73.47%	
Osborne, Robert	49/49	100.00%	
Rawlings, Bryce	39/49	79.59%	
Rogan, Graeme	49/49	100.00%	
Rowe, Robert	38/49	77.55%	
Selmon, John	44/49	89.80%	
Silver, Peter	30/49	61.22%	
Stewart, John	49/49	100.00%	
Thomas, Brian	38/49	77.55%	
Tynan, David	17/49	34.69%	
Weir, John	36/49	73.47%	
Wendels, Gerard	7/49	14.29%	
Williamson, John	38/49	77.55%	