



Rotary Club of Moe

2008 - 2009

Annual Report

**60 years serving the community
1949 - 2009**

President:

Neil Thompson

Secretary:

Neil McCluskey

Treasurer:

Julian Yeatman



President's Report



Many thank yous are in order as I look back over my year as President of the Rotary Club of Moe. An effort to make every member accountable produced some surprising results and brought out some issues that needed to be and have been addressed. This approach also showed those who have a real heart for Rotary, those who attend everything they can, serve in every way they can. I support the order: - 1. Family; 2. Work; 3. Rotary. Yet members should still support their club and their community.

Membership, getting to know one another and support of our community have been priorities. We have been fortunate in our two new members Mike Carter and David Prust, but sadly have lost Peter Wells who will use his great skills in other spheres. The three minute (!) talks have given us new insights into people we thought we knew quite well. The reports of our four chairs indicate our community involvement so I won't repeat their reports. The weekly reading of Rotary's four-way test of the things we say and do, reminded Rotarians of the impact they can have.

A long-term response was brought about by the Gippsland bush fires which touched everyone. One thousand dollars was given to the Gippsland Emergency Relief Fund, the windows at the Latrobe Valley Village Retirement village were cleaned, \$2,000 was given by Florian Sutterluty's father Jurgen on behalf of the Austrian Rotary Club of Bregenzenwald – a wonderfully generous gift.

The Board decided a contingency fund should be set aside from club funds to enable a rapid response to any future emergencies. So a fund of \$5,000 was agreed upon and an account entitled Rotary Club of Moe Emergency Relief Fund has been opened. Three thousand dollars was sourced from the 2008/09 Golf Day and \$2,000 came from Club funds. It is intended to maintain and add to this fund if it falls below \$5,000, as practicable.

New Generations

We have continued our association with and encouragement of young people and I thank Wendy Farmer for her work with Youth Exchange Students and for those who have billeted Florian Sutterluty from Austria this year (Wendy and Brett Farmer, Bruce Paull, John and Norma Hutchinson).

I also thank Chris Lampel for his liaison with local schools to obtain participants at RYLA, RYPEN, Siemens Science and other youth activities. District Scouts Commissioner Alan Wilson has provided an additional string to our bow as a source for potential applicants. I take this opportunity to also thank Chris for his ongoing connection with John Flynn scholars (presently Lauren-Phoebe (LP) Neilson and Brent Foreman).

Alan Sinnott (and his wife Alison) introduced us to Luke Richmond who won a Kokoda Trail experience. We look forward to Luke's report. To assist Luke we contributed \$250 towards his costs.

Mr Neil Dunbar from Make-A-Wish also challenged us to consider being involved with his committee.

International Service

Thank you to Diane and her committee for the many suggestions for the smooth operation of the club, for caring for Florian, for assessing potential outbound students and for organising our major fundraiser for 2008/09, the Annual Golf Day. A special thank you to John and Norma Hutchison for their tremendous commitment to this day. Funds raised have been distributed as follows: - \$3,000 to Gippsland Rotary Centenary House, \$3,000 to Gippsland Cancer Care Centre, \$3,000 to Moe Rotary Club Emergency Contingency Fund (see elsewhere), with the balance of over \$3,000 to club activities and projects. The night at the Out of India restaurant, the 50 year celebration of Youth Exchange were highlights co-ordinated by this committee.

Community Service

Congratulations to Bruce Paull and his committee for the time and effort they have put in, in this many-faceted portfolio as seen in Bruce's report – work in the Moe Botanic Gardens (including the fishing platform), the Rotary shed, our joint service with Moe Apex and Lions Clubs, the Carols by Candlelight at Old Gippsland to name some. Once again we gave one shelter box for use in disaster areas. A very special thank you to the sub-committee of Peter Wells, Barry Dunstan, Alan Sinnott and Dave Wood for their work in connection with the Moe Rotary Club – TRY Youth "Make Dreams Real" Trailer projects. Five trailers were completed and delivered to three scout groups, the Salvation Army and the Moe Rotary Club to carry our cool room.

Vocational Service

Many thanks to Linda Kruger (presently on leave of absence) and to Ross Maxfield who took over (and will continue in 2009/10) and this committee. I especially enjoyed the evenings when we presented 14 pride of workmanship awards to students from the local school and the vocational excellence awards given to five local businesses/people.

During the year, with the exception of International Youth Exchange, all Rotary youth activities were placed under the auspices of this committee.

Club Service

Thank you to President-Elect Roger Taylor and his committee, who have undertaken a variety of projects e.g. bulletin distribution, information for members, organization of events, arranging special nights (60 year celebration of the Club, Christmas party, sports evening with Trafalgar Rotary Club (bat tennis at Moe Tennis Club), Melbourne Cup evening).

Our varied programmes were very capably arranged by David Power.

I take this opportunity to thank Secretary Neil McCluskey and Treasurer Julian Yeatman for the many voluntary hours they have contributed to our club. Thank you to those who arranged "site visits" – Ed Achorn (Latrobe Valley Village) and Ian Kennedy (Morwell River diversion).

Thank you to Chris Lampel, and our debating team (Laurie Watters, Diane Wilkinson and Linda Kruger) who fought overwhelming odds in valiantly losing the debate "It isn't easy being green" against the Rotary Club of Morwell.

Then there were several social evenings to Fiddler on the Roof starring our own Laurie Watters to a bush dance conducted by our district, a wine tasting night, arranged by various members.

People

During the year we said our final farewells to Ray Hoey and Past President Doug Cooney at their funerals. We regretfully accepted the resignation of Paul Harris, Fellow and Past President Peter Wells, who will no doubt use his many skills for the benefit of the community in other ways.

Past President Ian Needham was made an honorary member in recognition of his many valuable years of service.

Thank you to Kishor Manani for his presentation of the Foundation raffle and his unique sense of humour. We laugh with him!

It has been wonderful getting to know Sergeant Laurie Watters and watching her grow into this important position as Sergeant. Thank you to her assistants Bryon Puddy and the travelling Evan Platschinda.

I have benefitted too from the experience and considered advice I have received from




Past Presidents Bruce Paul (attendance officer), Barry Dunstan, Laurie Huffer (our historian), Ross Maxfield (weekly bulletin), David Power, Bryon Puddy (our welfare officer and web-master) and Alan Sinnott.

I wish Roger Taylor a wonderful year in 2009/10 and hope all members will support him as we continue to "MAKE DREAMS REAL".

Neil Thompson

ROTARY



THE FOUR-WAY TEST
of the things we think, say or do

first
Is it the TRUTH?

second
Is it FAIR to all concerned?

third
**Will it build GOOD WILL
and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?**

fourth
**Will it be BENEFICIAL to
all concerned?**

INTERNATIONAL

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL (vertical text on left and right sides)

It is with pleasure that I submit this report on behalf of the Board of the Rotary Club of Moe for the year 2008 - 2009.

Board Members:

President:	Neil Thompson
Immediate Past President:	Len Cairns
Secretary:	Neil McCluskey
Treasurer:	Julian Yeatman
Club Service:	Roger Taylor
Community Service:	Bruce Paull
Vocational Service:	Linda Kruger Ross Maxfield
International Service:	Diane Wilkinson
No Portfolio:	Bryon Puddy Laurie Watters

Membership:

We welcomed two new members to our club during the year, these being Mike Carter and David Prust. During the year we lost as members Gayle Briggs, Joe Fossati, Ken MacGregor, Ian Needham and Peter Wells. Ian Needham was granted honorary membership for a year following his resignation.

Board Meetings:

Board meetings were held monthly and were well attended. The meetings were lively and some serious debate was held from time to time.

Attendance:

Overall, attendance at our club was sporadic. On many occasions members failed to turn up or apologise and this put us in an embarrassing position with our caterers. Hopefully this can improve in the future.

Thank you to all committee chairpersons for their cooperation throughout the year and the opportunity to serve you as club secretary.

Neil McCluskey

Treasurer's Report



Rotary Club of Moe Service Account

Statement of Receipts and Payments

1st July 2008 - 31st May 2009

Receipts

Opening balance	23918.92
Foundation raffle	1559.00
BBQ's	1915.90
Christmas cakes	1581.00
Interest	73.75
MOARTZ	1232.25
Golf day	15282.00
Shelter box	460.00
Work for the dole #1	155.67
John Flynn Scholarship	700.00
Mid Gippsland Football	400.00
Wine and cheese night	2673.75
Christmas carols	157.95
Ute muster	2067.30
Work for the dole #2	19207.84
Trailer hire	50.00
TRU Energy fun run	1035.75
RAWCS	90.00
Latrobe City grant	4800.00
Rotary Club of Bregenzwald	2000.00
Rotary Club of Morwell	500.00
Cancelled cheque	166.10

\$80027.18

Payments

Work for the dole #1	12870.29
BBQ's	564.55
Youth Exchange Program	2418.00
Foundation raffle	593.00
Work for the dole #2	20279.49
Wine and cheese	705.41
Ute muster	3375.43
Golf day	2267.82
Moe fire brigade	500.00
RYPEN	250.00
Rotary Foundation (PHF)	1416.00
Templates	127.60
Our BBQ	486.79
Siemens Summer Science School	210.00
MOARTZ	770.96
School awards	800.00
Cool Room	1011.60
Directories	27.50
Christmas cakes	1345.20
Gippsland Emergency Relief Fund	3000.00
Christmas carols	182.80
RYLA	325.00
TRU Energy fun run	868.60
RAWCS	90.00
ARHRF	200.00
Botanic Gardens	75.00
L. Richmond	250.00

Closing balance 25016.11

\$80027.18

Treasurer's Report



Rotary Club of Moe General Account

Statement of Receipts and Payments

1st July 2008 - 31st May 2009

Receipts

Opening balance	6296.21
Meals	18897.55
Fines	494.70
Subscriptions	5215.00
Rotary sales	109.00
Joining fees	70.00
Membership cards	58.00
Interest	27.15
Melbourne Cup sweep	56.00
Conference	1895.00
Advertising - website	1500.00

34618.61

Payments

Meals	17913.18
Advertising	136.00
Rotary International	5214.04
Rotary regalia	260.32
Band - Christmas party	200.00
P.O. Box	75.00
Bulletin	23.95
Club Runner - website	1519.09
Consumer Affairs	39.70
Conference	1895.00
Magazine	1196.80
D.G.'s wife's appeal	200.00

Closing balance 5945.53

34618.61

Julian Yeatman

I am indebted to the hard working committee who were willing to confront difficult issues this past year, in order to provide protocols which will assist our club in the future.

Membership was singled out as a key focus, and accordingly members were catered for with the distribution of the club data base, wallet sized member contact cards and our annual calendar of member responsibilities. By September, after several meetings, a Membership Discussion Paper was presented to the club. Its purpose was to clearly spell out appropriate procedures for the introduction and care of new members.

Our Membership month theme was "Rejuvenate...late...in 2008", and it provided an opportunity to investigate the new member's kit, with club discussion centring on current members' testimonials. Bryon Puddy's assistance in this regard was invaluable, and he received great support from another veteran in David Power, who also ensured that quality programs were presented during the year. The new member's night was a disappointment, both in prospective members and club presence, and future promotions will require more thoughtful preparation. It was wonderful however, to induct Mike Carter and David Prust during the past 12 months.

Neil McCluskey and Julian Yeatman admirably fulfilled the responsibilities of Secretary and Treasurer respectively and communication at club and board level was always current and informative. Their contributions, together with those of the PP Len Cairns, would have been of great assistance to President Neil.

Club Service decided that the cost of producing the Bulletin had become excessive, and to that end we are circulating it now by email, as well as ensuring some hard copies are available for visitors and members who require them. This dependence on electronic communication will increase over the ensuing years as we incorporate Club Runner into the Rotary Club of Moe's website. The other positive, of course, is in the production cost savings, which will be of significant benefit to various programs.

In my capacity as chairman, I was responsible for a number of club programs including Melbourne Cup night, the Christmas Party at Heritage Park, the New Year barbecue, our "Wimbledon-like" victory over Trafalgar at the annual sports evening, the promotion of the 9820 Conference in Albury, and most importantly, the 60th Anniversary of our club. We owe special thanks to Laurie Huffer for the success of this celebration.

One final personal highlight for me this year as President-Elect, was to attend the district training programs (Pre-PETS in February and PETS in May) with my first participation in a Rotary Conference in March. (Tennis finals always seem to have clashed previously!) The camaraderie, assistance and direction provided in these activities have been greatly appreciated, and I realize that there are innumerable avenues of support available as a result of my involvement. I'm sure I will need plenty of that support.

Roger Taylor

President	Neil Thompson
Secretary	Neil McCluskey
Treasurer	Julian Yeatman

Club Service

Roger Taylor
Neil Thompson
Neil McCluskey
Julian Yeatman
David Power
Len Cairns
Bryon Puddy

Community Service

Bruce Paull
Lyn Cassar
Pash Demagistris
Barry Dunstan
Ian Kennedy
Peter Ryan
Alan Sinnott
Peter Wells
Dave Wood

Other Positions

Public Officer:
Publicity Officer:
Bulletin Editor:
Welfare Officer:
Club Historian:
Web Page Admin:
Attendance Officer:
Program:
Sergeant:
Assistant Sergeants:

Vocational Service

Linda Kruger
Ross Maxfield
Ed Achorn
Brian Gregory
Evan Platschinda
Chris Lampel (*Youth*)
Laurie Watters

International Service

Diane Wilkinson
Wendy Farmer (*Youth Exchange*)
Mike Carter
John Hutchinson
Michael Koch
David Prust
Kishor Manani

Ross Maxfield
Peter Wells
Ross Maxfield
Bryon Puddy
Laurie Huffer
Bryon Puddy
Bruce Paull
David Power
Laurie Watters
Bryon Puddy
Evan Platschinda

Community Service Report



I have much pleasure in submitting the following report regarding our contribution for the year.

First, I wish to thank all members of the Community Service Committee for their exemplary efforts over the past twelve months. It must be said that without their contribution, Club Service would have achieved a nothing.

During the year we were successful in receiving a grant from the LaTrobe City Council for works at the Botanic Gardens. As a result the lighting and fishing platform were the visible highlight of our community works.

Some of our most notable projects are as follows:-

- October - Assistance with the Moe Apex/Lions Fireworks Display.
- November - Finalisation of and presentation of the 'Work for the Dole' Trailer to the Moe Firsts Scouts.
- December - The Ute Muster Catering Project.
- December - Running of the Carols By Candlelight Free BBQ.
- January - Stencilling of all Rotary's plant and equipment including compiling a full inventory.
- February - Running a very successful BBQ at the TRU Energy Fun Run/Walk.
- Barry's commitment and subsequent action to rejuvenate our BBQ Trailer.
- Attaining individual support from Club Members with regard to the Moe Activity Centre and Town Clock.
- The completion of Stage One of the Fishing Platform at the Botanic Gardens.
- The beginning of and procurement of funds for our Botanic Garden Lighting Project. This includes laying two thirds of the required underground wiring.
- Fundraising efforts that include - BBQ for the L V Hill Climb Day; J Kerr Day in Moore Street; Golf Day; Community Service Open Day.

May I finish by commending my fellow Rotarians in Community Service and wish them well as we move on towards our next year.

Bruce Paull

Vocational Service Report



“Vocational Service encourages Rotarians to serve others through their vocations and to practice high ethical standards.”

Second Object of Rotary: High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian’s occupation as an opportunity to serve society.

It is with much pleasure that I present the Vocational Service Report for this year and at the same time, thank the members of our committee for their support and contributions throughout the year. A special thanks to Chris Lampel for his work with Lowanna College and the Youth Programs.

In the Club Service “Position Paper on Membership” it was stated that “We use our Vocation to serve the community by exemplary business standards and high ethical practice in all we do, develop leadership programs, recognize excellence through pride of workmanship, competitions in primary and secondary schools, literacy & numeracy aids” As a result of this the Vocational Service chair requested from the board that management of the Pride of Workmanship, Leadership programs e.g. RYLA & RYPEN, competition in schools, literacy & numeracy aids that have previously been managed by International Service be returned to the Vocational Service portfolio. The Board Agreed.

Committee Members

Linda Kruger (Chair. LOA from 20th April) Ross Maxfield (Caretaker Chair from 20th April) Ed Achorn, Brian Gregory, Chris Lampel, Laurie Watters, Evan Platschinda.

ACTIVITIES

Pride of Workmanship Awards

All local schools were invited to participate in our Pride of Workmanship Awards, The presentation was conducted at Old Gippstown on the 8th of December where 36 Students and parents were guests of the club with an additional 26 paying guests supporting the students plus Rotarians.

List of awardees and the school they represented;-

Calum Douglas	Albert Street Primary School
Helen Bayes	Baringa Special School
Trucilla Vaoga	Elizabeth Street Primary School
Danni Reid	Newborough (Murray Road) Primary School
Malte Adebahr	Rawson Primary School
Tori Massese	South Street Primary School
Ashley Wilson	St Kieran’s Primary School
Jonathan Weir	Immaculate Heart of Mary
Brandon Bailey	Tanjil South Primary School
Tyla Albert	Yallourn North Primary School
Matt Tisdale	Lowana Secondary School
Cassandra Briggs	Lavalla Secondary School

MUNA (Model United Nations Assembly)

There was not a MUNA activity this year One of the Traralgon Clubs will run it in 2010..

John Dwyer Citizenship Award

This Award is won by the student who is not only a good citizen with a demonstrated commitment to community service and activities must also be a student of high moral and academic standard participating also within the school community.

Awarded to: - Megan Stewart-North Lowanna year 11/12 Secondary School

Megan has been introduced to the Club and also spent time with Jean Dwyer.

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award)

Russell Wright was endorsed by our Club and attended the course at Rawson, held 27th Feb- 1st March. Club Guest on 27th April.

RYPEN (Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment)

Jamie Lovassy & Nathan Muirhead were endorsed by our club but unfortunately Jamie was admitted to hospital just prior to the camp and Nathan was so upset about Jamie neither attended the camp. The club decided to donate \$250, to the camp organizers and were given the name of a Glengarry student who attended the camp but was not sponsored by any Rotary Club thereby providing the student with a Rotary connection, she attended our club on June 1st to talk on her experiences at the camp. The camp was held at Rawson on the 15th to 17th May .

Siemens Science Experience

Three year 9's attended a week-end at RMIT during the Christmas holidays. Callum Robertson-Duncan, Michael Obrien, Adrian Jade Bennett, Callum And Michael attended the Club meeting on the 27th April , Adrian was an apology but sent a letter.

National Youth Science Forum

To be conducted in January 2010 for 12 days at Australian National University hosted by ACT Rotarians. Jacob Keenan has applied on line and has our Clubs support. District interviews will be conducted in July after which Jacob will know if he is successful or not, we wish him luck.

John Flynn Scholar

Our participation in the John Flynn Scholarship continued this year with Brent Foreman from the University of Adelaide visiting us in December/January and Lauren Phoebe Neilson from the James Cook University of Townsville visiting in February, both completed their second fortnight with us and willingly attended our meetings and expressed their appreciation of the hospitality extended to them through our Rotary Club and the valuable rural experience they gained in their time spent in Moe. The JFSS project is most encouraging to rural communities where lack of General Practitioners in some cases is critical

Fund Raising

On the 31st October and the 8th of November our committee ran a bar to support the local Moartz theatre play "Dimboola" a profit of \$400 was raised over the two nights.

Site Visits

The committee organized two site visits this year, one to The Latrobe Village for the Aged, Ollerton Avenue Newborough, organized by Ed Achorn where we enjoyed a meal and inspected a new extension containing living quarters, nurse's station and a meals area. The second inspection was to Truenergy, organized by Ian Kennedy to inspect the River Diversion Scheme at the open cut, a very interesting trip and once again we enjoyed a meal and a presentation by Ron Mether, Manager of Mining.

Lowanna / Kurnai Debate

Conducted at the Morwell Rotary Club on Thursday May 14th, the students representing Lowanna were Brigitte Lupton, Carley Tilgner, Jacob Keenan. Kurnai proposed the motion "Dealing with the Environmental Problems of the Planet is More Important than attempting to solve its Economic Difficulties." Our team performed well but unfortunately lost the debate. Moe Rotary Club is to host the debate next year.

Vocational Talks

On the 28th July Craig Hardy spoke to us about careers in schools.
On the 26th August Jon McNaught from GHD outlined the work of his large engineering company who project manage development and construction works
On the 15th September, our own Chair Linda Kruger spoke on her Vocation GET GP where they train Australian and overseas medical graduates in country areas.
On the 15th September Geoff Hocking from the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority spoke on conservation, water and environmental issues.

Vocational Excellence Awards

This award is for members of the public who have "Demonstrated excellence in their vocation and significant contribution to the community "

The people nominated for this years award and the category they represent is as follows:-

Lynette Mullen	Licensed Venue Management
Paddy O'Dowd	Music Education and Promotion
Jim Jones	Ambulance Paramedic
Tom Hayes	Aged Care Management
Trevor Perkins	Catering Management

The Awards were presented on the 15th June at our regular meeting night.

Pride of Workmanship (Placards)

We are printing and laminating 30 placards with the Rotary Emblem and the words:- "Do it Once – Do it Well"." Build a Better Australia" to be distributed to factory sites.

Ross Maxfield

International Service Committee - Annual Report 2008-09

I am pleased to present the annual report 2008-09 for the International Service Committee of the Rotary Club of Moe. As Chair, I have greatly appreciated the support of all members of the Committee who have all brought with them skills and enthusiasm which has helped to make this year a great success.

Youth Exchange

We have been delighted with our inbound student Florian Sutterluty, who is an excellent ambassador for Austria. He has involved himself in Rotary activities with enthusiasm and has entertained us all during his talks to the Club. I am very pleased to be able to include Florian's own reflections in this report.

Australia 2008/09 - Being an exchange student:

When my dad asked me whether I want to study in a different country for some time, I refused immediately and after he was trying to convince me a couple of times, he eventually gave it up. At some stage I just got the feeling, that I have to do something new and extraordinary. So I went to my dad on this beautiful January Sunday morning and told him my plans to travel to Australia for the upcoming year. He definitely was surprised and didn't believe me at first, but I was keen and ready to go?!

Everything went very quickly from that time on! Now my Rotary-Exchange year is nearly over here in Down Under and I just had the most amazing time in my life! As a Rotary Exchange Student in a different country you experience so many wonderful things you could never have imagined back home. First of all you live with three host families throughout the year. In my case it felt like home, even though they live very differently as you are used to back in your own country (Austria). As a Rotary Exchange Student you are very busy at all times, not in the meaning of school or studying, it's more the stuff you are doing on weekends; special trips like the Rock to Reef and Bikeride to Conference with all the other Exchange Students from the same District; Rotary Youth Exchange Camps; school for sure and heaps of other exciting things.

In the time I have been here I have learned to live in a new culture, been apart from my family for 10 months, caught up with heaps of lovely Rotary Exchange Students from all over the world, seen so many remarkable places in Australia, and just had a great time. All of these things wouldn't have happened without a great and supportive Host Rotary Club in the background. The Host Rotary Club plays a significant role of the exchange year. They provide you with a host family, give you a monthly allowance and just help you where they can. It's also great as an Exchange Student to catch up with so many interesting people once a week.

Thank you especially to my lovely host families and Rotary Club of Moe!

Florian

In February 2009, the Rotary Club of Moe celebrated 50 Years of Youth Exchange with a special Club presentation which provided an update from many of our past Youth Exchange participants - both inbound and outbound. Although few in number, we were especially pleased to be able to be joined by a couple of former participants and also several former host parents, who spoke about the value of Youth Exchange and their enjoyment in being involved in the program.

Forward planning for both inbound and outbound students over the next twelve months is progressing well.

Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic 2009

Each year for the past few years, the International Service Committee - primarily through the organisation of John and Norma Hutchinson - has been instrumental in conducting a golf day to raise much needed funds for local organisations and programs of the Club.

The following is a report on the 2009 Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic -

The ninth annual Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic organised by the Rotary Club of Moe was a great success this year. The Yallourn Golf Club was our venue on the 30th March 2009 and was in top condition for our 95 players. The weather was great and our BBQ under the Hart's tent kick started the day perfectly.

Outstanding support from organisations and individuals from Moe and District (and beyond) enabled the Club to announce another huge result which exceeded \$12,000.00. The Rotary Club of Moe thanks all sponsors for their generous support for our community.

Many excellent scores were recorded and the major winners were:-

The 3 person Best Ambrose Team was won by our last entry, Matt's Mates team (friends of Diane's son) who were competing for their first time. The team consisting of Matthew O'Neill, Vince Hiriaki & Bob McQuillan had a great score of 56 5/6 nett.

First Runners up were the team from regular sponsors, Loy Yang Power, consisting of Reuben Kincaid, Merv Beebe and Doug Anderson with 57 1/3 nett.

Second Runners up were new generous sponsor MJS led by our Bruce Paull, ably assisted by Michael Burton and Murray Reid having a 58 1/3 nett.

Third Runners up were the team from George's Mowers consisting of George Petkovic, Graham Geisler and Michael Lewis with 59 2/3 nett.

The best Rotary team for the Claude Staff Memorial Trophy was first time winners from Traralgon, Norm Butler, Leighton Gibson and Ron Elliott with 60 2/3 nett.

Novelty events were shared widely across the field. One special event was the Rotary Centenary House trophy for nearest the pin on the 8th hole and this was won with a great shot by Mark Smith playing for Latrobe Regional Hospital, who was delighted with the basket of wine prize donated by Tony Radford.

Our major raffle – the sought after Dunlop DDH Golf Clubs, Bag and Buggy donated by Dunlop Sports and Paull's Carpet Choice was won by Darrell Benjamin who sells more

Raffle Tickets for the Children's Hospital each year than anyone in Gippsland.

David Wilkinson and Brett Farmer assisted by Florian made great use of the Tow Easy ute and kept all players on the course fully hydrated. Wendy, Bryon and Diane charmed all who passed by the tent with their goodies. President Neil lived up to his claim for being a great raffle ticket seller by ensuring no-one passed him by without contributing to our major raffle.

Many thanks to the Inner Wheel ladies supported by our Rotarians, especially David Prust for serving the lovely roast dinner supplied by Michael's Golden Hen plus fruit salad and icecream and for thoroughly cleaning up afterwards. Mass raffle tickets were bought enthusiastically across the Yallourn Golf Club function room and lots of fun was had as the prizes were drawn and distributed by Wendy, Diane, David and Rotarians as required. The Silent Auction also improved this year.

Rob Sim, assisted by Wendy, Kishor and Norma did a great job in finding buyers for the major auction items. All who stayed until the finish went home with something to remember the day.

We thanked the Yallourn Golf Club for the use of their course and function room, Manager Jason Johnson and staff Kim and Jacob gave us top support. Members Ann, Robert, Joan, Reuben and Gary were thanked for ensuring that the golfing side went well.

This was an enjoyable and successful project for the Rotary Club of Moe.

John Hutchinson

I would like to add my own thanks to all members of the International Service Committee, our partners who were recruited to help out in many ways, to all the Rotarians who contacted and signed up Sponsors, to Florian and to everyone who helped on the day. Special thanks to Norma Hutchinson for her tremendous effort in helping to pull the day together.

As another Rotary year draws to a close, I am pleased to be handing over the Chairmanship of the International Service Committee to Michael Koch, as I know that Michael will continue to progress a number of plans and ideas that were discussed this year, including a potential project in Bali. A great platform upon which to build International and Foundation activities for the coming year.

Diane Wilkinson

Honouring a Legacy of Service to Rotary and the Community



1979 Allan McHardy

1984 Brian O'Rielly

1986 John Dwyer

1987 Claude Staff

1988 Allan Ormond

1988 Jim McAllister

1989 Bob Pugsley

1989 John Leckey

1991 Charles Robertson

1992 Charles Witts

1993 Ross Maxfield

1994 Bryon Puddy

1994 Ben Verschuur

1995 David Power

1996 John Hutchinson

1997 Laurie Huffer

1998 Julian Yeatman

1999 Max Grubb

2000 Evan Platschinda

2001 Chris Lampel

2002 Bryon Puddy (Sapphire)

2003 Ken MacGregor

2003 Steve Micah

2004 Michael Koch

2004 Barry Dunstan

2005 Pash Demagistris

2006 Ian Needham

2007 Neil McCluskey

2007 Peter Wells

2007 Steve Micah (Sapphire)

2008 Ed Achorn

2009



JULY

Literacy Month

- 7 President's Night - President Neil
- 14 Energy & Climate Change - John Hutchinson
- 21 TRY Youth Trailer Project - Dave Wood
- 28 Gippsland R.I.C.A. - Craig Hardy

AUGUST

Membership & Extension Month

- 4 Club Assembly
- 11 M.E.C.U.-Business in Moe - Anthony Heinemann
- 18 D. G visit -Make Dreams Real - D.G. Ken McDonald
- 25 G.H.D.- In Our Region - Jon McNaught

SEPTEMBER

New Generations Month

- 1 Club Assembly
- 8 RYLA & RYPEN - Sarah Dalton, Grace West & Carley Tilgner
- 15 G.E.T.G.P - Linda Krueger
- 22 Mystery Night - Pres. Neil
- 29 Out of India Restaurant-Morwell - International Service

OCTOBER

Vocational Service Month

- 6 Club Assembly
- 13 Latrobe Valley Village - Vocation Service - Ed Achorn
- 20 Membership - Club Service
- 27 Youth - Chris Lampel

NOVEMBER

The Rotary Foundation Month

- 3 Melbourne Cup - The Phantom
- 10 Club A.G.M. - Trailer to Moe Scouts - President Neil
- 20 Morwell/Moe Debate - Debate @ Morwell
- 24 My Special Hobby - Neil McCluskey/Ross Maxfield

DECEMBER

Family Month

- 1 Club Assembly
- 8 Pride of Workmanship - School Awards (Students)
- 15 W.G.C.M.A. - Geoff Hocking
- 22 Christmas Party - Santa Claus
- 29 Christmas - *** Cancelled ***

JANUARY Rotary Awareness Month

- 5 Club Assembly
- 12 Rotary in Uganda - Vicki Evans
- 19 Student Exchange - Austria - Florian
- 26 Australia Day - ****Cancelled ***

FEBRUARY World Understanding Month

- 2 Club Assembly
- 9 Moe/Traf. Sports Night - Anyone for Tennis
- 16 Moe Civic Precinct - Jane Burton/ LaTrobe City
- 23 50 Years of Youth Exchange - 50 Year Celebration

MARCH Literacy Month

- 2 Club Assembly
- 9 Labour Day - *** Cancelled ***
- 16 Site Visit - Yallourn Energy - Ian Kennedy
- 23 Conference/Florian/Golf Day - Reports
- 30 Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic - at Yallourn Golf Club

APRIL Magazine Month

- 6 Moe Club 60th Celebration - Club Assembly
- 13 Easter - *** Cancelled ***
- 20 Foster Care - Julie Hall
- 27 RYLA and POW Awardee - Russell Wright/Matt Tisdale

MAY ARHRF Month

- 4 Club Assembly - Florian - Rock to Reef
- 11 Kakoda Trail - Luke Richmond
- 18 Make a Wish - Neil Dunbar
- 25 100 Years of Scouting - Alan Wilson

JUNE Rotary Fellowship Month

- 1 Club Assembly - Kathleen Horton - RYPEN
- 8 Queens Birthday - *** Cancelled ***
- 15 Vocational Excellence Awards
- 22 Taxis - A Story - Carmen Giddens
- 29 Changeover meeting - President Neil