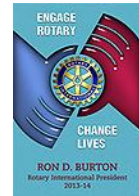




VOCATIONAL SERVICE REPORT 2013-14



It is with great pleasure that I present the Vocational Service Report for the 2013/2014 year and first and foremost, I wish to thank my committee for their contribution during my year as Chair of the Vocational Service Committee.

The Vocational Service Committee members for the 2013/2014 year consisted of: Maureen Bishop (Chair), Robin Noakes, Diane Carson, Wendy Farmer and Diane Wilkinson.

MUNA

Our year commenced in July with a presentation from three Lowanna Students who attended the MUNA program in May 2013. Nicole Walker, Tonya Ryan and Isa Pendragon gave a great insight into their experience at MUNA representing Egypt.

In May 2014 we sponsored and supported two more Lowanna students, Summer Scott and Wade Evans.

They attended the Forest Edge two day camp and represented Columbia.

Summer and Wade have been invited to attend a meeting in June to give a presentation of their experience.

VOCATIONAL BUSINESS EXCELLENCE AWARD

In October 2013, our Club was pleased to present two local businesses with the Vocational Business Excellence Award for 2013/2014.

Andrew Parniak from Butchers on George and Michael and Carmel Tyler from Moe Fresh Poultry were very thrilled to receive these awards in recognition of their efforts to raise the profile of the Moe business community.

PRIDE OF WORKMANSHIP

Our Pride of Workmanship Awards were once again held in early December at Old Gippsdown. Students from 13 local schools were identified by their teachers as being enthusiastic and task driven students and deserving recipients of an award.

PRIDE OF WORKMANSHIP Cont'd

A total of 92 students and their families together with approximately 30 club members attended the event. Thanks to all those who assisted with the night and special thanks to Robin Noakes for chairing the evening and to members who helped with the bbq and the bar.

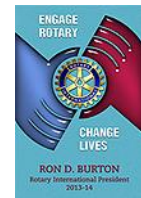
ROTARY JUNIOR COMMUNITY AWARDS

In August 2013 we had a representative from the Rotary Club of Mitchell River visit our club and gave a presentation on the Rotary Junior Community Awards program.

Our committee decided that this program would be a great project to share with our local schools and information was sent out to local schools in Moe.



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I am pleased to advise that Elizabeth Street Primary School decided to participate in the program and it was launched with an information session at the school held by Lorna Hawkey from Mitchell River Rotary Club and myself with the 16 Grade 6 students and their teachers.

The students have to complete four areas of activities: Community Service, Physical Recreation, Skills and Social Experience and maintain a diary of their experience. In order to assist the students in the Social Experience section, we have arranged for students to attend our weekly meeting and give a report on their project to date.

The program will finish in October, where their diaries are collected and marked by Rotarian volunteers. Our club will then organise a presentation for the students where they will receive certificates for their participation.

PERSON BEHIND THE BADGE

During my year as Chair of the Vocational Committee, I have organised for members to give a brief talk once a month at Club Assembly, to provide us with a glimpse of who they are outside of Rotary.

Thanks to Barry Dunstan, Alan Sinnott, Julian Yeatman, Robin Noakes and Len Cairns who all shared their stories and gave us an insight into the person behind the badge.

Of particular interest was discovering that one of our fellow Rotarians was born in a "Mental Institution"!!!!

RYPEN and RYLA

Unfortunately, there were no students nominated for these two programs this year, but hopefully we will be able to sponsor students for 2015.

JOHN DWYER CITIZENSHIP AWARD

This award was presented to Max Lietzau from Lowanna. Max was selected for the award for his leadership and citizenship within his school and community. I attended the Lowanna awards evening and presented the John Dwyer Citizenship Award to Max.

JOHN FLYNN SCHOLARSHIP

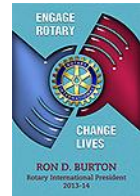
Our participation in the John Flynn Scholarship continued this year with Julian Pavey, a 3rd year medical student. Julian attended a couple of our meetings and joined some of our members in some social outings.

NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE FORUM

The National Youth Science Forum will be held in January 2015. Kellie Wilson has applied and approached our club for support. Len Cairns, Barry Dunstan and myself met with Kellie



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to discuss her application and plans for the future. Kellie has a very keen interest in the science field and her school reports reflected this.

We are happy to offer support to Kellie and wish her all the best for selection to the next step and for the future.

Again, I thank my committee for their assistance throughout the year and also thanks to all members who have helped with our Vocational Service events. I will hand over the role of Chair to Diane Carson and wish her all the best for a successful and exciting year.

Maureen Bishop
Chairman