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## Upcoming events

**Eminent Speaker Breakfast - Alan Attwood**

RACV City Club  
Apr 09, 2013 07:15 AM - 09:00 AM

**Working Bee at Royal Talbot Rehabilitation Centre**

Royal Talbot Rehabilitation Centre  
Apr 21, 2013 09:00 AM - 01:00 PM

**DIK Working Bee**

Woolshed 40  
May 11, 2013 09:30 AM - 12:30 PM

**Know Your Numbers – National Stroke Foundation**

RACV City Club  
May 14, 2013 - May 15, 2013

Club meetings: 7.15 for 7.40 am at the RACV Club  
501 Bourke Street, Melbourne

### DUTY ROSTER - 19 March 2013 (March is Rotary Literacy Month)

Chairperson	Tom Boyle
Sergeant	Michael Bromby
Greeter	Barrie Tassell
Reporter	Justine Murphy
Photographer	Kevin Love
Door	Allan Driver
Director Report	Michael Wells - New Generations

### NEXT WEEK'S SPEAKER - 19 March 2013

Michelle Cooper (Melbourne Zoo) will speak on "Conservation of species"

Michelle is Wildlife Conservation Support Officer for Melbourne Zoo and will speak about the Zoo's work in fighting extinction of the twenty threatened local species of fauna as well as their work as part of overseas wildlife conservation campaigns.

### REPORT OF LAST WEEK'S MEETING - 12 March 2013

Reporter: David Jones. Meeting Chairperson: Neville John

President Kay welcomed members and guests, Brian Negus, the guest speaker who is also a Rotarian at the Rotary Club of Templestowe, and Patrick Barry, a past Rotary Exchange Student (1994) who has recently returned to Melbourne.

Announcements:

- Neville Taylor requested members register now for the eminent speaker meeting 9<sup>th</sup> April 2013.
- Marjorie Gerlinger thanked members for their donations of books for the District Literary project for aboriginal children – about 100 books received so far. Further donations can be accepted this week.
- Kevin Walklate requested members look for suitable nominations for the Rotary Foundation Peace programmes that involve: One year's study at one of seven Rotary Centres for International Studies; and a three month certificate course at Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok.

Director's Report: Roy Garrett, Director International Service Committee.

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With only a little help from the data projector, Roy briefed members on the following international projects, past and future:

- Ban Houei Yen School – Our hands on project last year was recently visited by Melbourne coordinator Rod Fraser Head of Ivanhoe Grammar School
- Hue Kang High School is this year's project and the works undertaken were larger than last year's project. A brief visit last year and our team – Roy, Roger, Herb and Frank – set about fixing six toilets that were not working and were the cause for many girls not attending school. Updated photos showed that the toilet block is in fine working order. Our visit this year is in November – it is not too late to register an interest with Roy.
- Some photos of Kampuchea House (last week's guest speaker subject) taken by Roy during a brief visit while touring through Vietnam and Cambodia were included in the photo presentation.
- Donations in Kind – the next RCCMS working bee will be on Saturday morning, 11 May, Details to follow later.

President's Report: Kay Stevens

- The weekend 'Moomba' sausage sizzle raised \$600.
- The International Women's Day breakfast attracted 1000 attendees.
- Molly Frampton is unwell – flowers will be sent to her in hospital.
- Russell Rolls will take over as the club Volunteer Hours Statistician from Ian Angus. Kay thanked Ian for setting up the system.



## Job Talk: Mary Voice – “The 2020 Vision Thing”

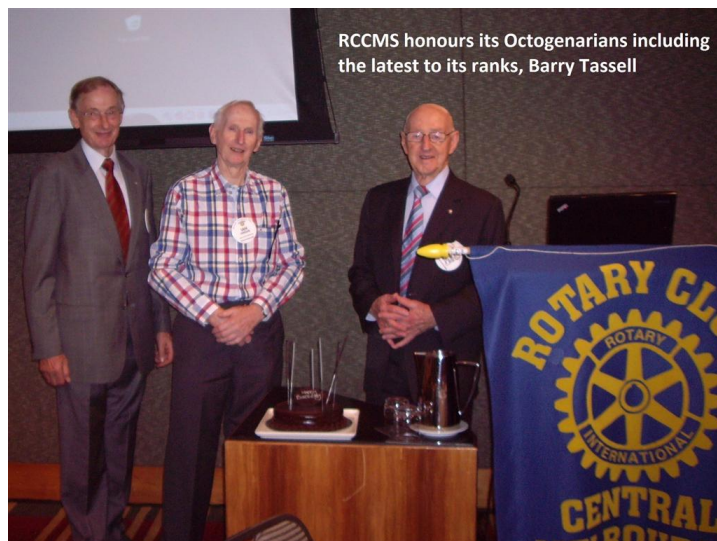
Mary is currently involved in tertiary level teaching and some consultancy work. Her address related to tertiary education and how universities might tackle the changes currently foreseen leading through to 2020, including:

- Delivery of the appropriate skills for the changing world.
- Teaching and combining critical thinking alongside Australian's more natural aptitude for functional competency.
- Teaching in the internet world –information is everywhere, knowledge is somewhere. Mary referred members to <https://www.coursera.org/> as an example of free online courses.
- The issue of accreditation for online courses.
- Maintaining Australia's amazing capacity of excellence in educational services and further growth in exports of educational services.
- Mary supported her talk with a broad sheet of statistics that included the facts that over the past two decades:
  - Universities have increased from 19 to 40
  - Other higher education providers have increased from 70 to 150
  - The percentage of international students has increased from 4% to 28%.

Sergeant: Michael Bromby

The music of the day was from Paul McCartney who at age 16 years wrote his ode to aging “When I’m 64” (his father turning 64 then may have been a trigger for his thoughts being in that direction). The familiar tune had many members singing along. Regrettably for Paul when he reached 64 he was involved in a bitter divorce.

Sergeant’s second song of the day was “Happy Birthday” accompanied by all members and an ‘octogenarian birthday cake’. Member Barrier Tassell achieves his 4 score on 15<sup>th</sup> March and Michael arranged a celebration cake and acknowledgement of our other octogenarian members present, Brian Downie and Ian Angus.



Guest Speaker: Brian Negus, General Manager of Public Policy for RACV spoke on the topic “Most Urgent Transport Issues Facing Melbourne”

Brian noted that RACV sees its mission as being about its two million members' mobility, not just confining itself to motoring and road issues.

RACV research survey shows that the most urgent transport needs are currently seen as:

- Road congestion – 86% of respondents
- Condition and maintenance of roads – 78%
- Lack of planning – 77%
- Lack of parking – 75%
- New bike lanes – 47%.

The wider picture requires RACV to become involved in Land Use Planning, ensuring integration with transport planning, better use of existing capacity and promoting a long-term strategic investment plan, including borrowing at State and Federal levels. A 20-30 year view is

appropriate.

'IT' for RACV means Intelligent Transport, a project in which Australia is a leading nation using electronics to allow for closer detection of traffic volumes and supervision over routes used. A major impediment to Melbourne traffic flows is the 172 level crossings. Brian gave the example of a Dandenong route where peak rail volume reduces road use to 25 minutes an hour. RACV see a rail link to Tullamarine airport as looming soon but not necessary for Avalon airport yet. The Smart Bus system has recorded an increase of 80% patronage in the past four years.

In regional Victoria improvements are sought through extending road duplication, improved safety on two lane roads, sealed road edges and safety fences along the edges.

The meeting was closed by President Kay.