



## BULLETIN

### WELCOME CECILIE



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### **SPECIAL MEETING; VICTORIA POLICE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM 2014-15 CLOSING**

The Victoria Police Leadership Mentoring Program closing breakfast for this year's program will be held at the RACV City Club on Tuesday morning 16th June 2014 at 7.15am for a 7.30am start.

District Governor Dr Murray Verso will be attending and has been invited to say a few words about the program from a Rotary perspective.

Raffle will be held with proceeds going to Victoria Police Legacy and RCCMS Community Village [Melbourne CBD] program.

This is a pre-booked meal meeting.

### **DUTY ROSTER 16th JUNE**

#### *Chair*

GARRETT, Roy

#### *Greeter*

FRITSCH, Tony

#### *Greeter*

HOGAN, Gerard

#### *Reporter*

GREENWOOD, Herb

#### *Door*

HARVEY, Koren

#### *Door*

GERLINGER, Marjorie

#### *Photographer*

CALLANDER, Tom

#### *Bulletin Editor*

JONES, David

## Upcoming Events

### VicPol Leaders Mentoring Program closing breakfast

RACV City Club

Jun 16, 2015

7:30 AM – 8:45 AM

### Board Meeting

RACV City Club

Jun 18, 2015

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM

### 28th Club Changeover Dinner

The Melbourne Savage Club

Jun 26, 2015

7:00 PM – 11:30 PM

## Speakers

Jun 16, 2015

### Special.VicPol Leadership Program 2014-15 Closing

## OUR CLUB CHANGE-OVER



## You are invited to join

President Roy and Annie Garrett  
President Elect George and Julie Mackey  
**for our 28th Changeover Celebration**

Friday, 26th June 2015  
Melbourne Savage Club, 12 Bank Place, Melbourne  
7.00pm for 7.30pm to 11.30pm – Cost \$100 per person

### Dress Lounge Suit/After Five

## BOOKING FORM

Surname \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Dietary Requirements  
(vegetarian, coeliac, gluten free etc)

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## Rotary



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## **IFTAR DINNER 2nd JULY**

*Posted by Alan SEALE*

**Rotary Club of Central Melbourne -Sunrise****Iftar Dinner Tuesday July 2, 2015**

To be held in conjunction with the Australian  
International Society at their centre in St Kilda Rd.

Planning on ~75 guests including community leaders from a range of cultural and religious groups in Melbourne.

A follow up to our very successful dinner in 2014.

Jul 14, 2015

David Goldstone OAM

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over 40 years*

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The objective is to extend our network into sections of the community we don't normally interact with, to demonstrate what Rotary is about and to learn.

We have applied for State Government funding and are quietly confident.

**Please put date in your diary. Registration details will circulate in a few days.**

How Muslims around the world celebrate the breaking of their fast during Ramadan;



**RCCMS IFTAR DINNER 2014**

**IFTAR ISRAEL**



**IFTAR USA**



**IFTAR AFGHANISTAN**



### **ROD FRASER AWARDED AM**

*Roderick Fraser AM, Principal of Ivanhoe Grammar School, has been awarded a Member of the Order of Australia as part of the 2015 Queen's Birthday Honours Awards.*

*The award recognises Mr Fraser's significant service to secondary education, to national and international learning development organisations, and to the community.*

Rod is our link with the Cambodia schools through the "Your Own Two Hands Foundation" In reply to congratulations, conveyed by President Roy, Rod has replied;

" ---Original Message-----

From: FRASER, Rod

Sent: Monday, 8 June 2015 13:50

To: Roy Garrett

Subject: Re: Congratulations

Dear Roy and Annie

Many thanks for your email.



I am humbled by the award.

It has come, I need to say, as a result of the efforts of a great number of people who I have had the pleasure of working with, both at Ivanhoe and Round Square and in other arenas, including yourselves, and with enormous support from home.

It is unquestionably a shared award but I am honoured to accept it.

Thank you again for your good wishes.

Roderick D Fraser  
Principal Ivanhoe Grammar School  
Chairman Round Square Board of Trustees"

### **SERVICE CLUBS AT SEA**

*Posted by Tony THOMAS*

A dozen Rotarians and one Lions member ran an international Rotary meeting on the Royal Princess cruise ship off Invergordon last week.

Tony Thomas was persuaded, reluctantly, to speak on the paper on Rotary's international prospects, i.e. membership trends, which he and D9800 Membership Director Chris Eggers compiled in March. A good discussion followed with queries about why China is permitting growth of Lions but stifling Rotary, why German-speaking countries are home to a fast-growing Rotary movement, and whether RI international headquarters at Chicago may in 20 years time shift to Mumbai or New Delhi, given India's growing strength in the Rotary movement.

The Americans present, including a past and a present District Governor, had some suggestions. Woody Sadler, DG 7570 Western Virginia said his club each quarter runs a promotional meeting where members each bring a guest and the meeting is about reasons to join Rotary. He said this was very effective and also when used by a similar club. Frank Dean, PDG from Marion Club, North Carolina was also upbeat about membership.



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### **MEETING REPORT 9th JUNE 2015**

#### **Opening:**

President Roy opened with a welcome to our guest, Cecily Neil and a toast to Rotary International and to Wolfgang Jacobs who is heading off to Germany to celebrate 50 years since he graduated as an engineer. He followed this immediately by inducting Dr Cecily Neil as our newest Club Member. Dr Neil is a social scientist with a Ph.D. in Sociology. She will be mentored by Tom Callander and will join the International Committee chaired by Frank O'Brien. Cecily created Club history by rapidly transitioning from Guest to Club Member to Guest Speaker within a few minutes.

#### **Club announcements:**



- George Mackey thanked Neil Salvano and Gerard Hogan for collecting chairs for the Collingwood Neighbourhood House at short notice. Mick Wells and his partner are making good progress to Fitzroy Crossing despite a broken windscreen.
- Tom Callander and President Roy informed us that past member Dr Robert Neil Roy (paediatrician) and Roderick Douglas Fraser (instrumental in our link with Cambodia through the "Your Own Two Hands Foundation") both received A.M.s in the Queen's Birthday honours list.
- Roger Thornton reminded members of the **Club's Chang-over Dinner on 26<sup>th</sup> June**. He urgently needs members to act now and enrol. Similarly he and Doug need numbers for the Vic Police Leadership Mentoring Program breakfast next Tuesday a.s.a.p.
- Alan Seale is also seeking numbers for the **IFTAR Dinner on Thursday July 2**. This meeting will also take the place of our regular Tuesday breakfast. Please support Alan with this innovative and extremely worthwhile Club venture.

#### **Frank O'Brien's International Service Report:**

Our 2 newest initiatives have been the close involvement with the C.E.O.'s Circle through Rob Hines and our first indigenous people's project which takes place next week at Fitzroy Crossing. Led by Rob, this will involve the men's shed and the social resource centre.

Continuing projects include the Luang Prabang Laos at Ban Buang Aor with the building of 2 new classrooms and a new water supply. The cost of \$31,600 is largely being met by the CEO's Circle and a District Grant.

Our Sister Club relationships with R.C. of Osaka Midosuje Hominuchi in Japan and with R.C. of Echuca Moama have been strengthened as has our tie with International House.

We have had a working bee at DIK [Donations in Kind] and also used DIK to source clothing for Fitzroy Crossing.

The Club has financially supported Rotarians Against Malaria (\$500), Disaster Aid Australia (\$3600), and continued our work with the House Orphanage in Siem Riep in Cambodia.

Frank and his Committee can be justifiably proud of the year's work.

#### **Sergeant's Session:**

Sergeant Bernie congratulated Doug Robertson on his birthday and Kevin Walklate on his Rotary anniversary, before plumbing the depths of members ignorance of Rotary history. The punchline of his joke was "At least I'm not lost." Is there a link there?

#### **Guest Speaker:**

Chairman David Jones reintroduced Dr Cecily Neil who graduated in G.B. and spent over 20 years working with the CSIRO. She left to become an independent consultant to a number of international aid agencies. Much of her work has been concentrated on the Republic of Kiribati.

Kiribati is a collection of 34 coral islands, 3 hours flight from Fiji. Between flights, locals walk and drive on the runway. 50,000, about half of Kiribati's population, live on the main island of South Tarawa making it the centre of government, education and commerce. The highest point is 3 metres above sea level. The soil is poor, and local production consists of abundant fish, eggs, pigs, bananas and coconuts. All other food and supplies are imported and expensive. Unemployment is over 50%. The economy depends on international aid, fishing, fishing licences to other countries, remittances from Kiribati working overseas, and some tourism.

Health is poor with an infant mortality rate of 4%, diarrhoea and dysentery endemic and epidemics of typhoid and cholera. This situation is not improving.

Water is scarce. Water is piped for 2 hours day but even this, like the uncovered wells and the underground water lenses are often polluted. 30 % of households have no access to sanitary toilets (adding new meaning to "On the Beach"). Programs to rehabilitate sewerage systems have been attempted but are not sustainable due to lack of maintenance. The Government is underfunded, it is difficult to transfer essential skills to locals and there is no willingness to apply the user pays principle. Projects are often short term and over ambitious and do not marry rigid donor requirements with local expectations. Cecily in question time indicated that some these issues are due to rising population and loss of phosphate income, while erosion is a greater problem than climate change.

Cecily was thanked for her presentation and President Roy closed the meeting.



## **GALLERY**

### ***FITZROY CROSSING PROJECT***







**MIK AND DI  
HAVE BEEN  
FIRST TO THE  
WEST  
- DRIVING VIA  
ULURU AND THE  
GREAT CENTRAL  
ROAD.**



**SECOND TO DEPART WERE ROB AND TESSA. THE REMAINDER OF THE TEAM  
DEPART OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS WITH ALL MEETING T BROOME ON  
WEDNESDAY NEXT BEFORE DRIVING THE 400 km TO FITZROY CROSSING.**

