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NEXT MEETING: GUEST SPEAKER, 19th JULY

David Hume.

"Out of Sight, Out of Mind"

To David, life in the blind lane has meant living dreams and realising visions.

For most people eyesight is a necessity for a successful life. Yet David Hume has travelled the world, competed in two Sydney to Hobart Yacht races and had a highly successful career despite being totally



Meeting Responsibilities

WEEKLY ROSTER 19th July

Chair

HOGAN, Gerard

Greeter

HINES, Rob

Reporter

ILOTT, John

Photographer

THORNTON, Roger

Door

BAO, Ivy

Project Report - Fundraising

GREENWOOD, Herb

Bulletin Editor

JONES, David

MARKET ROSTER 21st July 2016

Bump In

GERLINGER, Bernie

Speakers

Jul 19, 2016

David Hume

blind.



Nine years at a boarding school for blind and low vision children saw him emerge fiercely independent, competitive and with the self-knowledge that horrific bullying from older boys can be faced down. Education and employment opportunities for blind people were at a premium. In similar vein, family and society also had low expectations of people with disabilities and the future seemed bleak.

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CAN YOU SPARE A ROOM - SHORT TERM?

Posted by Tony THOMAS Networker Correspondent

Dedicated Rotarian Bruno Cellier, of RC Valenciennes, France (60 members) is seeking up to six months board for his daughter Sophie 19, who started an economics degree at Melbourne University this month. She won a scholarship paying 20% of her fees.

She was too late to get a place at a university college but will move there after December. Bruno will pay commercial board to any host family meanwhile. Sophie is seeking a room for three months or longer. She is keen to get out of a local backpacker hotel.

Sophie, a non-smoker non-drinker and with good English, will major in finance and management and then look for a job in the movie industry.

Bruno employs 60 people in his business making prosthetic limbs and devices. He does charity work by mentoring and sharing R&D with small prosthetic makers. His Rotary club donates to an institution for badly-burnt children in Santa Cruz, Bolivia, to help healing and then therapy for their re-education. This is a boon for under-privileged Bolivians who travel from afar for concessional treatment.

Sophie was attracted by Melbourne Uni's cinema school. Her hobbies are drama, theatre, reading and drawing.

Contact: sophie.cellier@live.fr, 0435 9291 72: Her mother Pascale is at pascale.cellier@live.fr

Out of sight, out of mind

Jul 26, 2016

[Roger Thornton](#)

Twin Gorges (WA) Walk

Aug 02, 2016

[Michael Williams](#)

The Wheeler Centre, the cornerstone of Australia's literary activity

Aug 09, 2016

[Nigel Lane](#)

When I was their age

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Sophie [left] with mother Pascale and Tony.

"YES, I WANT TO HELP NON"

Roy Garrett brought members up to date with the current position of helping Non, a 13 year old Laotian school boy, receive essential surgery for his life threatening and debilitating medical condition meningoencephalocele.



Briefly, CAT scans have been completed and interpreted in Melbourne and Phnom Penh, confirming the initial diagnosis and suitability for surgery. Non and a parent are now obtaining passports for travel to Cambodia as the surgery is not available in Laos.

The RC of Phnom Penh has overseen 80 successful cases of the surgery required by local surgeons trained by French Doctors. Our visit to that club in April has prepared the ground work for Non's case to proceed.

Having met again with Non and his father recently Roy was able to impart his passion to help Non at Tuesday's meeting.

A request for donations to assist Non resulted in a fabulous and immediate response of **\$4,075** committed by members at Tuesday's meeting.

Roy's reaction to this fantastic response by members is;

*"Doesn't that sort of say what Rotary is all about?
What a club!"*

Members wishing to donate by direct credit please deposit to the club's bank account:

- Westpac, Melbourne
- BSB 791 085: A/c # 791085
- Add 'Non' and your surname please.

All donations will be held separately for Non's treatment, the extent of which cannot be determined until surgery is undertaken. Any surplus will ultimately be placed in the clubs general funds.

COMMUNITY SERVICES TEAM

BONANZA

**'The Power of 10' in action, as Rotary does so well
- with help from facebook.**

Members know the organisation '**Youth Projects**' is a prime beneficiary of our Community Team, led by Peter Duras. 'Youth Projects' works with the disadvantaged, homeless and young people needing help in Melbourne city.

The recent request for blankets, sleeping bags, scarfs and other cold weather clothing brought an excellent response from our members but, unknown to Peter, our **facebook** posting of this project was picked up by Daniel Rigoni of Woodend club.

With support from Past President Grant Hocking and his wife Melissa they set about mobilising their club members to help our project - and that's not all - they also mobilised nearby clubs in the Bendigo region with the result two full to overflowing utes were required to transport the clothing, sleeping bags and blankets to Melbourne. Surprise Peter!



Daniel, Grant and Melissa outside Youth Projects Building in Hosier Lane.



Two utes overflowing with cold weather supplies donated by sister clubs being unpacked at the DIK store.

From left Daniel Rigoni, Peter, Grant Hocking, Sue and Melissa Hocking.

CONFERENCE - ACCOMMODATION

Rotary  **Central Melbourne Sunrise**

2017 DISTRICT 9800 CONFERENCE
SHEPPARTON - VICTORIA
30 MARCH - 1 APRIL

 Connecting Communities - Serving Humanity

www.rotaryconference.org.au

ACCOMMODATION AT SHEPPARTON

Our club has pre-booked accommodation for the conference at



Wyndhamere Motel

The conference is a 'long way off yet' but sometimes it is useful to get the housekeeping matters squared away nice and early

Rooms on hold range from \$145 - \$165 per night - Queen, King and Twin rooms

Nights on hold are Thursday, Friday, Saturday; [30/31st March, 1 April].

If you would like to reserve a room please contact

[David Jones](#),

Please specify type of room preferred.

Deposit will be called for in December.

MEETING REPORT JULY 12th 2016

Posted by Herb GREENWOOD

OPENING.

PRESIDENT Justine welcomed guests and proposed the toast to Rotary International.

Guests; Michael Lapina; Bob Nield [Canberra Sunrise]; Pascale and Sophie Cellier [France]; Bruce McBain [Honorary Member]; Kate Strain [Assistant Governor, Batman Cluster]; and(our own) District Governor Neville John and Wife Rebecca, visiting in their official capacity.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- **Kevin Love** expressed his special thanks to all those who attended the special meeting held last Sunday for the District Conference.
- Peter Duras gave an invitation to attend meeting for the **YOUTH PROJECTS**, Hosier Lane on the 3rd August with refreshments to follow.
- Peter also advised the delivery of warm gear donations for Youth Projects organised by the **Rotary Club of Woodend** and assisted by

Bendigo area clubs. [Refer separate item in this Bulletin].

- **Dick Mitchell** is restricted to home following an Achilles injury which looks like grounding him for a few months. Dick would appreciate any cheer up calls.
- Allan Driver has assumed the role of **Club Almoner** in Dick's absence.

INTERNATIONAL TEAM REPORT.

Team leader Rob introduced Roy Garrett who gave a presentation on the current situation of a young boy encountered on one of his many trips to LAOS.



This young boy, NON, was seen at a rural village near Luang Prabang where the club has financed new classrooms in the past. Non has advanced MEC

characterised by a large protrusion on the bridge of his nose. This condition is fatal but can be treated if action is taken whilst the person is young and avoids injury.

Roy had arranged to have NON properly assessed as a potential case for good recovery if action is taken as a matter of urgency.

The action requires funding and an amount of USD 2,000 has been established as an interim target. Rob advised the International Team consider this a worthy cause for the club International program and recommended that we support this case by direct donation from members to optimise the giving to assist NON.

Donation slips had been distributed to the tables and the immediate response at the meeting was gratifying and almost overwhelmed Roy. The final result will depend on any gift from other members who were not at the meeting.

All donations will be held separately for Non's treatment, the extent of which cannot be determined until surgery is undertaken. Any surplus will be placed in the clubs general funds. Refer also to separate item

this Bulletin.

Photo. Roy with Non, his father, teacher and interpreter at Ban Houy Thea school in March.

INDUCTION.

President Justine completed the 're-induction' of one of the Clubs popular past members **MCHAEL LAPINA.**

Michael was welcomed back with acclaim and treated us all to an excerpt from Palliacci. A great rendition and welcome back Michael.



GUEST SPEAKER.

District Governor NEVILLE JOHN [Club visit #1].

"TO SERVE IS A PRIVILEGE" was the opening comment by Neville, who also acknowledged the return of Michael Lapina to the team.

Neville thanked all those who had supported him since his first involvement with the club and especially the late RICHARD STONE.

ROTARY is serving humanity and we are not alone as we have the full family of Rotary

following the cause so aptly put by Paul Harris at the formation of Rotary. With the spirit of Rotary and the right heart to assist others we must take what we can and use it. It is an honour to be invited to be part of Rotary where everything matters to improve lives by sharing our talents and knowledge.

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GALLERY

Photos by Roger Thornton.





Before starting the Twin Gorges walk.

Roger, guides and fellow trekkers with June Oscar at the Marninwarntikura Women's Resource Centre, Fitzroy Crossing, WA.

Members of last years project at Fitzroy Crossing will be pleased to see the window screens are in tact.

Roger has now returned to this side of the continent and we look forward to his adventure talk on Tuesday 26th July.



Well known members with Kate Strain our Assistant Governor for 2016/17

Some candid's from Tuesday's meeting;



**PURPLE
PINKIE
PROJECT**

SPECTACULAR



Help Eradicate
Polio from the
PLANET

