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Reach Within to Embrace Humanity	Thursday, August 25, 2011	
Hello Bernie! This email has be	en generated just for you as a men newsletter!	nber of our club. We hope you enjoy receiving this
	II.	
<b>Editor:</b> Rebecca RIEBELING If you have any comments or questions, email the editor.	<b>Our Speaker next Tuesday is District Governor Keith Ryall</b> by WALKLATE, Kevin	
Future Speakers	DG Keith will be making his official visit to our club. As one of	
<b>Aug 30 2011</b> District Governor Keith Ryall "Celebrate the Past and make a Commitment to the Future"	the leading clubs in Melbourne lets show him just that.	
Sep 6 2011 Phil Ruthven, Chairman and Founder IBIS World. ""After Our Turbulent 2011,	Duty Roster 30th August 2011 by STEVENS, Kay	
Prospects for 2012 and Beyond""	<b>Note:</b> Duty people are expected to be on duty at RACV at <b><u>7am</u></b> as many	
Sep 13 2011 Andrew MacLeod. "Principles for Social Investment"	guests start arriving from this time.	
Sep 20 2011	Please note; if unable to attend please arrange to swap your role with another member.	
Ed Stockdale et al "From Keats to Banjo"		
Nov 8 2011	Chairperson	Mary Voice
Dr Peter Ewer "Storm over Kokoda -	Sergeant	Tony Thomas
remembering the Air Force heroes of 1942"	Reporter	Jen Warner
	Door	Mik Wells / Bruce McBain
Upcoming Events Guess Who is Coming to	Photographer	Robin Stevens
Dinner Sep 3 2011	Greeter	Ian Angus
UN GLOBAL COMPACT - MELBOURNE SECRETARIAT. Sep 13 2011	Report of last Tuesday's meeting by ANGUS OAM, Ian	
WORKING BEE Donations in Kind 17th September Sep 17 2011	The President opened the meeting.	
Melbourne Marathon Oct 9 2011	Guests of Rotarians – Neville Taylor, applicant member; Samantha Tonkin; John Taylor, Guest speaker.	
<b>Vocational Visit</b> Nov 18 2011 - Nov 18 2011		
Club Christmas Party Dec 20 2011	<u>Chair</u> for the day was Kerstin Steiner	
Steam Rally with Rotary Club of Echuca Moama Jun 9 2012 - Jun 11 2012	<u>Presentation</u> Kay Stevens demonstrated the navigation process for access to th Club's web-site.	

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#### <u>Sergeant</u>

Tony Thomas attempted to extract fines but was frustrated by member's knowledge of matters he raised. He did, however, fine Neville Taylor for his television appearance commenting on the road toll.

# <u>Announcements</u>

*David Jones sought support for the Special Breakfast on 13<sup>th</sup> September and donations of prizes for the associated raffle.* 

Joel Siegersma reminded all about the "Guess who is Coming to Dinner" on 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Allan Driver sought support for the DIK activity on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September (replacing the usual Sunday time for security reasons)

Roy Garrett drew attention to the "Laos School Project 2012" for which flyers were on the table for anyone interested in participation.

Tom Callander spoke of the need to ensure all were registered for "Working with Children". He will be following up shortly.

John Meehan advised that the Club has nominated four people for the GSE teams to visit India or USA. Both Ann King and Margaret Stewart had indicated interest in team leadership.

Guest Speaker - John Taylor. Deputy-Ombudsman

John opened his remarks clarifying a gap in his CV for which he was glad. John has a qualification in Agricultural Science. In his profession as Ombudsman he suggested this allowed him to separate the sheep from the goats.

He wished to share with us a day in the life of the Ombudsman and opened by saying that many people are not clear about his areas of responsibility. There are certain matters that the office is not empowered to investigate include banking, finance, and telecommunications where others are so empowered.

John told of some recent discussions concerning the role of ombudsman in Nauru - a small independent state on a Pacific Island some 22 Km in length.

The Ombudsman reports to Parliament on issues of public and private concern. The office does not need to be expert in everything but is able to engage specialists to clarify issues. He told of in investigation where an officer in a government instrumentality had accepted a gift for placing an order with an outside organisation for which he received a substantial reward. The order had been for a 40 year supply of printer cartridges (with a life span of 2 years). The person denied the charge and tried to cover his tracks but was caught out and the matter turned over to the police. This person now no longer works for the department concerned. Another investigation exposed rorting in the "Brotherhood" organisation, designed to enhace the cirumstances of a former police officer.

Human rights is an area of special interest to the office. This involves care of children, marginalised and those with a disability and includes prisoners. This is especially so with young people between 18 and 30 who "churn' through the system. He believed the DHS was in need of special attention. He quoted the case of a person who was severely abused while in care and an attempted cover-up had been made. In response to questions he claimed privacy was a misunderstood matter in many government departments. He commented on the lack of appropriate support for prisoners exposed to illegal substances and personal care while in custody. He was concerned that little support is provided to ensure that any resultant disease did not spread. Because of his position John is unable to accept gifts. This included the Club's usual speaker gift. He did, however, have a gift for the person asking the best question. This was awarded to Keith Frampton!

## (E&OE)

#### President's Announcements -

Kevin Walklate deferred his Board report till the next meeting Invited support for the "Yellow Boat "project (supporting Polio Plus) by attending the arrival of the boat at Docklands. He thanked the speaker and visitors then closed the meeting.

**SPECIAL MEETING - 13TH SEPTEMBER - VISITORS WELCOME** by JONES, David



UN Global Compact - Melbourne Secretariat.

At a special breakfast meeting on September 13th Andrew MacLeod discusses the UN Global Compact Principles for Social Investment and establishing the UN Secretariat in Melbourne.

Meeting starts at 7.30am and will conclude by 8.45am.

Rotary Fellowship Exchange ['RFE'] by THOMAS, Tony

The following are the outgoing RFE exchanges that will be happening 2011 - 2012

#### 11 – 25 May 2012 to D 5520 Texas / New Mexico

Will be advertised once the incoming exchange is over. First preference is always given to host families, then host clubs.

#### 2 – 16<sup>th</sup> June 2012 to D1070 England

There are still 3 vacancies for this exchange. Five members from our club are booked for this trip.

#### 24 June -14 July 2012 to Alberta Canada D5360

There is one vacancy for this trip. RC Kangaroo Flat have eleven members travelling.

An exchange with Turkey is being worked on and at this stage will be 2012 – 2013

**GUESS WHO IS COMING TO DINNER September 3rd.** *by SIEGERSMA, Joel* 

Last opportunity for signing on for this social event of our calendar. All enquires to Joel or register directly on line.

"Hands On". Working bee Saturday 17th September 1.30pm by DRIVER, Allan

Rotary Donations in Kind Store needs US

Working Bee - Our club only.

Saturday 17th September 2011 1.30pm to approx 4.30pm, followed by a BBQ.

For more information and register see 'Event' on home web page.

**GSE TEAM MEMBERS - Nominations sought.** by MEEHAN, John

# NOMINATIONS CALLED FOR GSE TEAM <u>MEMBERS</u> TO INDIA and/or USA

by John Meehan

Nominations are being called for throughout our District for Rotarians to nominate young professionals 25-40 years of age to apply to be a GSE Team <u>Member.</u>

Applicants must not be a current Rotarian but, with recent change, may be a relative of a Rotary member. They must be an Australian citizen.

Two GSE Teams are being supported by District next year to travel for 4 weeks to either:

\* Central India (District 3030) – leaves 14th January 2012 – home on 15th February 2012

\* Central California, USA (District 5230) – leaves 22nd April 2012 – home on 22nd May 2012

Teams are composed of 4 members, usually of various business and professional backgrounds and one experienced Rotarian Leader.

Team members can come from corporations, small businesses, community organisations, medical and educational facilities, government offices and not-for-profit agencies.

They must be currently employed full-time and must have worked in their vocational field for at least 2 years by the time of application. They must either be employed or reside within District 9800.

Applications close for Team Members to District 3030-India on 19th September 2011 and for District 5230- USA on 14th November 2011.

If you know of an enthusiastic young person seeking to advance their career and meet colleagues sharing similar vocations then <u>please refer them to John</u> <u>Meehan on 9859 1772</u>

**AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP MONTH - DO YOU KNOW A MISSING PIECE?** *by JOHN, Neville* 

# YOU ARE THE MISSING PIECE.

# Why Become a Member of Rotary

# Some of the Benefits

Rotary membership provides the opportunity to:

- Become connected to your community.
- Work with others in addressing community needs.
- Interact with other professionals in your community.
- Assist with RI's international humanitarian service efforts.
- Establish contacts with an international network of professionals.
- Develop leadership skills.
- Involve family in promoting service efforts.

## Serving Through Membership

- Rotary is service-driven. Belonging to a Rotary club gives men and women an organised outlet for contributing to their community.
- Founded in 1905, Rotary is the world's first service organisation. The Rotary motto is 'Service Above Self'.
- Rotary has a global network of 1.2 million members in nearly 33,000 clubs in more than 200 countries.
- Rotary members meet weekly to plan a wide variety of service activities. Rotary Clubs are autonomous and can determine their own service projects based on local needs and interests and the abilities of members.
- Rotary clubs are non-religious, non-governmental and open to every race, culture and creed. Club membership represents a cross-section of local business and professional leaders.

If you know someone who you think would be interested in joining our club, please contact Neville John or John Meehan and they will let you know what to do.

#### **Bernie's Commitments**