

Rotary Club of Central Melbourne-Sunrise eBulletin

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Jan 31 2012

Professor Danny Samson "The future of local manufacturing – who cares?"

Feb 7 2012

Rob Deakin

"LEGO Serious Play"

Upcoming Events

Steam Rally with Rotary Club of Echuca Moama Jun 9 2012 - Jun 11 2012

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Professor Danny Samson

"The future of local manufacturing - who cares?"

Danny Samson is Professor of Management at the University of Melbourne and is the Director of the Foundation for Sustainable Economic Development. He has an Honours degree in chemical engineering and a PhD in management.

Danny's work history includes three years as an engineer at ICI Australia, lecturer at AGSM, Asst Prof of Business Administration at University of Illinois and 10 years as Prof of Manufacturing at the Melbourne Business School.

Danny is quoted as saying, "They ('dry school' economists) say manufacturing doesn't matter much. They quote old theories of trade and comparative advantage, summed up as 'compete globally or die'. I strongly disagree."

Duty Roster 31st January 2012

by STEVENS, Kay

Note: Duty people are expected to be on duty at RACV at <u>**7am</u>** as many guests start arriving from this time.</u>

Please note; if unable to attend please arrange to swap your role with another member.

Chairperson	Jen Warner
Sergeant	Peter Lake
Reporter	Mary Voice
Greeter	Keith Frampton
Photographer	Robin Stevens
Door	Brian Downie

Meeting Report, Tuesday 24th January

by DUSSUYER, Inez

Welcome

Chair Kevin Love welcomed members and Rotarian visitor from the UK - Jeremy Burgess of the Rotary Club of Oxford Isis. He reported that Marjorie Gerlinger is in hospital and wished her all the best for a speedy recovery. He also noted that there would be a club charter lunch on 6 May to celebrate 25 years of the club's establishment; it will be organised by Herb Greenwood and Peter Lake.

Announcements

John Meehan is part of the District Conference coordinating group and urged members to register; he mentioned organising a club dinner during the conference and will provide further information on this. He also noted the arrival of the GSE team from the US and their program which includes a visit to Gippsland wineries

Sergeant's Session

Peter Lake took members through a very testing knowledge tour of the MCG; among fascinating facts was that the MCG was established 1838 and the first international cricket match was played there in 1854.

Speaker

Club member Robin Stevens spoke about a topic very dear to his heart - the history of music education in Australia. His focus was on why it was pertinent to research the history of music education. By way of background Rob is currently Professor of Music Education at the University of Melbourne and has a distinguished career in this area. His particular research interest is the history of music education 1848-1920 in NSW and Victoria (the topic of his PhD thesis), in South Africa and the Asia-Pacific region. His specific focus was on the promotion of the Tonic Sol-fa method of teaching singing and its system of music notation in the last half of the 19th century.

He also has a special interest in life histories of prominent 19th century Australian music educators. He gave a fascinating profile of two: Dr Samuel McBurney 1847-1909 and Mrs Emily Sophia Patton 1831-1912. He explained what the Tonic Sol-fa method was in the context of sinigng, where it is difficult to pitch correctly the notes when reading a melody from staff notation. The two main features of the method are: the use of a mnemonic system to enable singers to correctly pitch notes of a meloday, and a simplified form of musical notation. He explained the method and gave examples to illustrate.

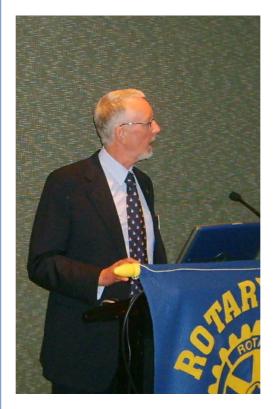
Robin then gave the life history of Dr McBurney and Mrs Patton who were both very influential music educators and in the promotion and advocacy of the Tonic Sol-fa method. He noted that the motto was 'easy, cheap and true' (correct) and that was also a way of social reform.

He concluded by emphasising that research into the history of music education is firstly of intrinsic interest, adding to general human knowledge, and secondly, is extrinsically useful... and quoted Richard Aldridge... 'those who deliberately ignore the mistakes of the past are most likely to repeat them'.

Following questions, the Chair thanked Robin for his fascinating talk.

President Kevin Walklate closed the meeting after mentioning the club

social function in March in conjunction with the District Conference; he thanked the visiting Rotarians for attending and reminded all members to 'reach within to embrace humanity'.



Pictured: Speaker, Robin Stevens

Protecting our Children, Safeguarding our Future

by RIEBELING, Rebecca

All children have a right to a safe and happy childhood. Unfortunately, for millions of children this is not the case. In every country, every culture and at every social level, there are children who face exploitation and abuse.

These children can find themselves in appalling circumstances like hazardous labour, fighting in wars, or being trafficked. They are exploited not only by strangers, but also their peers, the authorities or people they trust who should be protecting them.

So whose responsibility is it to care for and protect these children? How do we give these children a voice and increase their worth in countries where they are often seen as commodities?

How do we protect children, who are the most vulnerable amongst us all?

To be a part of the discussion you may wish to attend a World Vision free public forum.

Tuesday, 7 February 2012

5:30 to 7:30pm

(featuring a performance from the $\bf Australian~Children's~Choir~$ from 5:30-6:00pm)

BMW Edge Theatre

Federation Square

Melbourne

Moderator: Noni Hazelhurt, acclaimed actor, writer, presenter and advocate for children's rights

Speakers:

Bill Bell, Head of Children Protection, Save the Children UK; Kate Eversteyn, Child Protection Specialist, Ausaid; Ben Saulo, 2011 Australian Youth Representative to the United Nations; Catherine Scerri, Development Manager, Bahay Tuluyan, Philippines; Rob Moodie, Professor of Public Health, The University of Melbourne.

If you are interested in the above event please RSVP by Friday, 3rd February 2012 at www.onejustworld.com.au .