



Rotary Club of Central Melbourne-Sunrise

eBulletin

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Future Speakers

Feb 21 2012

[Steven Boland, CEO RaboDirect Melbourne Rebels](#)

"The Melbourne Rebels Rugby Union"

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[Dr Christine Tippet AM](#)

"Saving Women's Lives"

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[Group Study Exchange Team from Southern California](#)

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[Mr Jack Hoadley](#)

"ARCH HOADLEY: A Man of Inspiration and Courage"

Mar 27 2012

[Libby McCann](#)

"Kampuchea House: providing a better life"

Apr 17 2012

[Emeritus Professor David Beanland](#)

"Engineering Education: The need for transformation"

Upcoming Events

Welcome BBQ for GSE team from USA

Mar 7 2012

Dandenong Cultural Ramble

Mar 17 2012 - Mar 17 2012

Working Bee Royal Talbot Rehabilitation Centre

Apr 15 2012

Steam Rally with Rotary Club of Echuca Moama

Jun 9 2012 - Jun 11 2012

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Guest Speaker - 21st February - Steve Boland, CEO RaboDirect Melbourne Rebels

The Melbourne Rebels Rugby Union

Steven Boland is Chief Executive Officer of the RaboDirect Melbourne Rebels. He has over 20 years experience at executive management level in organisations such as Visy and Veolia in Australia, UK and USA. In his most recent role before joining the Melbourne Rebels he was the Global Executive Director of Visy Recycling.



Steven has extensive experience as a sponsor of Rugby Union organisations and is currently the President of the Parramatta Rugby Union Club in Sydney. These experiences give Steven a unique insight into the needs and levels of relationships required to be forged by the RaboDirect Rebels at both a community and corporate stackholder level.

Duty Roster 21st February 2012

by *STEVENS, Kay*

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

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

Chairperson	Russell Rolls
Sergeant	Gerard Hogan
Reporter	Alan Seale
Greeter	Ian Angus
Photographer	John Meehan
Door	Kerstin Steiner

Meeting Report, Tuesday 14th February, 2012

by *MURPHY, Justine*

Chair: Dick Mitchell

Sergeant: Gerard Hogan

Visitors:

Roger Thornton
Mark Henley , RC Kingston Ontario
Ron Tyrelly, RC Kingston Ontario
George Mackie
Jenni Hennon, RC Hampton (guest speaker)

Sergeant's session:

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To celebrate Valentine's Day, our Sergeant grilled us on our knowledge of the origin's of the day. With the usual flourish of jokes and trivia, our Sergeant stole the show with a blatant show of romanticism through reciting the following poem:

*The rose is red, the violet is blue
The honey's sweet and so are you
I drew thee to my valentine
The lot was cast and then I drew
And fortune said it would be you*

Announcements:

- Cultural Ramble - Saturday 17th March. Meet at Dandenong Markets at 9:00am. Ramble through the markets to a Lebanese bakery, an English butcher and lunch at a Lebanese restaurant
- DIK Working Bee - Saturday 24th March 1:00 - 5:00pm
- Royal Talbot - Sunday 15th April. Morning tea & lunch, with working bee in-between.
- RCCMS Birthday - Sunday 6th May. Lunch affair - details to follow. Please diarise now - around 3 hours.
- Gallipoli Peace Tour - Allan Driver led a Peace Tour group to Gallipoli last year. The trip is happening again next year: visit Istanbul, Gallipoli Peninsula, dawn service, etc. Information is available at the Conference - however please let John Meehan or Allan know if you're interested in going along.
- Board for 2012-13 - David Jones has stepped into the role of Chair of Club Administration. Peter Lake has stepped into the role of Fundraising Director. Congratulations and thank you to both.

President Announcements:

- Eyes Wide Open - RC Melbourne South are filling a shipping container to send to Cambodia. Donations required: generators; off road bicycles; laptops; desks & chairs; garden tools & equipment; clothing; blankets; school supplies; simple books; kitchen utensils; etc. Donations will need to be provided by the end of February.
- Women in Rotary - Thursday 8th March is a gala luncheon to celebrate International Women's Day. If you are interested in attending, please contact Kerry Kornhauser of RC Albert Park
- GSE celebrations - Dinner 22nd February at Altona North to farewell the leaving GSE team. Please let John Meehan know if you are interested in attending either of these events.

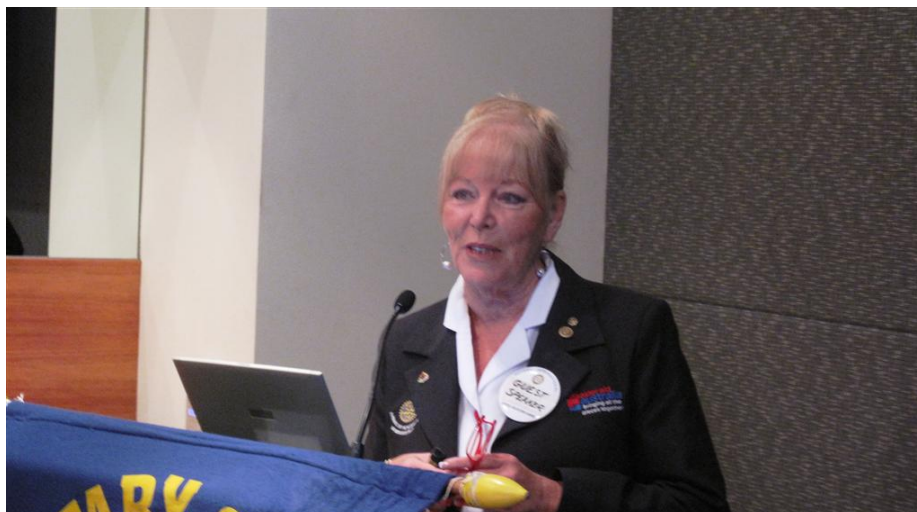
Guest Speaker - Jenni Hennan, CEO Disaster Aid Australia

Jenni provided a very informative overview of the wonderful work done by Disaster Aid Australia (DAA). A synopsis of the information she provided is below:

- DAA commenced in June 2010 thanks to the support of a key group of passionate Rotary Club of Endeavour Hills members, who seeded the organisation through \$175,000 of their personal money - and through the support of a number of Clubs across the district, including RCCMS.
- DAA has been fortunate to be granted DGR status (deductible gift recipients)
- Max Walker is the DAA Patron and is very passionate about the cause
- DAA has partners in Canada; USA (East & West Coast) and UK & Ireland under the Disaster Aid International banner
- DAA provides Family Survival Boxes which Jenni dubs "hope in a box"
- The boxes are designed by an Australian Rotarian: they have wheels for easy transport; handles for carrying; and the lid is a tool bench for carpentry

- Inside the box is a range of support items, most importantly the Disaster Aid tent which is the largest humanitarian aid tent available (7-8 people tent, which can fit up to 16 comfortably). And best of all, it is inter-connectable. Simply, they can erect a four classroom school for up to eighty school children; assist with a first aid tent; erect a community centre, the deliverables are many and varied dependent on the need.
- The tent exceeds the UN and Sphere standards and will last 2-3 years in the worst of conditions
- Every opening of the tent has zipped in mosquito netting to stop the spread of malaria
- Everything is in Rotary colours to ensure we celebrate this Rotary project
- The kit includes pure soap, which the UN has outlined reduces the spread of disease by up to 70%
- DAA has a key partner in Skyjuice Foundation which has developed the Sky Hydrant which is capable of providing 10,000 litres of clean water per day for 10 years without chemicals. This is an Australian made product which is gravity fed.
- Another partnership is with Solar Gem, an Australian solar lighting company. It has been reported that in Haiti, 1 light is the equivalent of 40 policemen. DAA provides lighting in the disaster areas where this is appropriate using the UN lighting plan
- Families are given the packs as a gift - and they sign for them so that DAA has a track of where and to whom every pack has been deployed.
- Rotarians from across the world have been fully trained as Disaster Aid Response Teams (DARTS) ensuring that every deployment has trained personnel directing and managing the process
 - The DARTS undertake a 2 week training course
 - They commit to 2 weeks of deployment per annum
 - DARTS need to be clear thinkers and able to negotiate
 - Training includes four wheel driving, hostage training, first aid, etc
 - Current DARTS: 21 in Australia; 10 in USA; 4 in Canada; 2 in UK & Ireland
- The first deployment was Pakistan:
 - 23 million people lost everything (that's equivalent to the entire Australian population)
 - DAA worked with Rotarians on the ground to get the kits to where they were needed
 - 702 Family Survival Packs and 8 Water Purification Systems deployed
 - A UN report has stated that despite the overwhelming aid response, still only 1% of people who needed shelter received it
- The next deployment was Sudan, where people were "herded" back in to Sudan with no homes to go into:
 - This was a very difficult environment in which to work, both physically and politically
 - DAA now works with the UNHCR to deliver aid within the Horn of Africa
 - 192 Family Survival Packs deployed
- Philippines:
 - DAA worked with BMFI, an NGO which proved invaluable assistance, including police support and 20 volunteers every day to help deployment
 - The aid provided by DAA was recognized by the government and Rotary was given a citation
 - Ed Cox, a Rotarian from Endeavour Hills, has been asked to advise the government on the "dos and donts" of disaster aid
- Haiti:
 - 150 Family Survival Packs and 1 Water Purification System deployed
- DAA maintains very strict protocols to avoid getting caught in the web of corruption which surrounds many other aid services. The DARTS practice patience and diplomacy in gaining UN authorization to enter any area of disaster. The DAA also focuses on securing good partners on the ground.
- The packs are made and deployed from Shanghai currently. However, an alliance with PLAN Australia may see opportunity for deployment to occur

from the PLAN centres at no cost in the future.



Eyes Wide Open - Goods Required

by DRIVER, Allan

Eyes Wide Open is an Endorsed Program of District 9800 and has requested urgent help in locating donations of goods for an ongoing project in Cambodia. The Program has secured free freight and shipping container but desperately need donations of specific goods listed on the attached Flyer. Donations in Kind are also assisting with goods and logistics but the Rotary Club of Melbourne South have offered to provide free pick up materials if required.

To view the materials being sought please select the following [LINK](#) .

Upcoming Event - Dandenong Cultural Ramble

by McBAIN, Bruce

Saturday 17 March 2012 at 9:00am

Meet at Dandenong Market Forecourt cnr of Cleeland Street & Dandenong Road (Princes Highway)

We will spend about 60-70 minutes exploring the new Dandenong Market before strolling along the revamped Lonsdale Street to visit a Lebanese Bakery and English Butcher, then another stroll to Little India in Foster Street to experience a variety of Indian clothing groceries, sweets & delicacies. We plan to finish with lunch at the Pamir Afghan Restuarant at about 1:30pm. So should be homeward bound about 3pm.

Early replies of interest will facilitate pre discussions with the traders.

A detailed itinerary and suggestions for parking will be provided closer to date.

Wear comfortable clothes and footwear

Cost will be limited to your shopping and lunch costs

Event Captain Bruce McBain