

CLUB SERVICE COMMITTEE

DIRECTOR: JOHN HAUGH

Program. Once again, the Program has been ably directed and the Speakers have been excellent.

Thank you to P.P. John Gurr and also P.P. David Dolman.

Bulletin The Bulletin has been in the capable hands of Dennis Rowston, John Jones, Heather Ridge and Vin Walshe. The presentation has been of the highest calibre and we thank the team for this.

Sergeant The segment of the meeting conducted by the Sergeant has been organized by P.P. Doug Poole and has seen much fun and frivolity through the "Fine Sessions". We thank the Corporals, Joe Cogo and Ern Spence for their collections.

Attendance This year, Maureen Lougoon has kept the records and we thank her for her dedication to this.

Cashiers The permanent cashiers Peter Ludeman and Ern Spence assisted by Jack Millonig and John Haugh have done this important job always with a cherry smile.

Protection Officer The position of Protection Officer has been carried out by P.P. Alf Thorpe, quietly and well. Thank you.

Historian P.P Rob Layton has continued to keep records of all of the Club's activities.

On – to – Conference P.P. Doug Poole has handled this position of bringing the District Conference to the notice of members.

Rotary Foundation P.P. Gordon McKern has been responsible for the notice of Rotary Foundation to members, he continues to promote the Centurion Club.

P.P. John Haugh
Director.

IN MEMORY

KEN BURCH

who died 26th April 2007

First Rotary Club

On the evening of February 23, 1905, Paul Harris and three friends, Sylvester Schiele, Gustavus Loehr, and Hiram Shorey, met in Loehr's business office in Room 711 of the Unity Building in downtown Chicago to discuss Paul's idea that businessmen should get together periodically for camaraderie and to enlarge their circle of business and professional acquaintances.

From their discussion came the idea for a men's club which would meet weekly and whose membership would be limited to one representative from each business and profession. After enlisting a fifth member, Harry Ruggles, the group was formally organized as the Rotary Club of Chicago. By the end of 1905, the club's roster showed a membership of 30 with Sylvester Schiele as

president and Ruggles as treasurer. Paul Harris declined office in the new club and didn't become it president until two years later.

ROTARY FOUNDATION

During Rotary year 2006/07 our Club maintained its strong history of support for the Foundation, in four ways:

- The Club has continued to make a direct financial contribution, often in conjunction with the awarding of a Paul Harris Fellow recognition, or a Sapphire to an existing P.H.F.
- Some of our members make personal contributions by being on-going participants in the Centurion Club.
- We have a number of members who give unselfishly of their time and expertise as volunteers for worthy projects in needy countries in our region of the world. The work of these Rotarians often goes unrecognized, yet their contribution to the principles of Rotary, and the Foundation, would be impossible to evaluate.
- We continue to support the Pattaya Orphanage, in Thailand, following the creation of the Farm project through multi Club and Foundation financial assistance.

I am proud, and entitled to be, Chairman of the Foundation committee for a Club which does so much to help some of the least advantaged peoples of the world.

Gordon McKern

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2006-2007

PRESIDENT PETER COX

It has been a busy year with the Club celebrating its 40th Anniversary, raising funds for Skatepark Bendigo and undertaking the usual annual activities.

I am pleased to report that the Club has received a Rotary International Presidential Citation for achievement during the year.

Four new members have been inducted into the Club taking our **membership to 38**. Weekly attendance has been excellent with **John Gurr** organising an interesting program.

Fundraising for Skatepark Bendigo has been the major task of the year with many and varied activities including raffles, fashion parade, wine tasting, Swap Meet, Festival Idol, garden party, sausage sizzles among others. Congratulations to all members for their outstanding contributions including the **McKern Family** who will have the Skatepark named after them for their contribution to the Eaglehawk community over many years.

I also acknowledge the many businesses that have given generously and as a result of everyone's support, the City of Greater Bendigo, State and Federal Governments came on board for the Club to have raised a grand total of

\$443,000. Our gratitude is extended to **Howard Osborne** for his tireless work on the project, which has been recognised in him receiving a Paul Harris Fellow Sapphire. Three Thai students from Pattaya Orphanage, **Ann, Ploy** and **Tonut** arrived in May to commence another round of the ROSE Program which will assist in providing new opportunities for the students. The generous participation of the host families **Gerard** and **Bernadette Sheehan, Les** and **Liz Dingfelder, Graeme** and **Leonie Adamson, Peter Taylor** and **Chris Thorne** is again outstanding. They open up their hearts, home and family to the students.

Thank you to **Rob Layton** for preparing the Club history for the Club's celebration of 40 years of service. It was a memorable evening held in our own club rooms with over 100 people present.

Work at the California Gully Mechanic's Institute continued during the year with the kitchen being completed, drainage works, fencing and additional sheds being constructed. Acknowledgement, in particular, is given to **Stan Spencely, John Haugh** and **Bill Slee** for the constant participation to improve the facility.

The relocation of the Archie Robinson Seat received much publicity along with the Festival Idol, wine tasting and the Skatepark. **Alf Thorpe** is to be congratulated for his new ideas and to have the courage to follow them through with successful events such as the Idol and wine tasting events.

The Club's commitment to East Timor continued with **Leon Scott, Heather Ridge, Norm Kenyon, Carolyn Robinson** and **John Jones** all travelling to East Timor to work on projects and to see the opening of the Balibar School.

The Club's support for the formation of Eaglehawk's own Foundation, **Empowering Eaglehawk**, has seen the distribution of over \$17,000 to local projects and this has enormous potential to grow in the coming years.

I urge all Rotarians and their families to pledge their support to this innovative initiative and I thank Rotarian **Sarah Wainwright** for her continued participation.

There have been many other club activities including involvement of **Bendigo Mining** in providing water for local organisations to raise funds, auction appeals for Tim Attwater and Jason Dean, a Shelter Box for the Solomon Islands, Relay for Life, Dahlia and Arts Festival working bees, Clean Up Australia Day, Christmas Raffle, Australia Day activities, Men's Health Week, Skandia, RYLA and Junior Citizens Awards among others.

I particularly thank **Bill Slee** for organising the Bike Rides, **Rita O'Brien** and **Rhonda Ralph** for representing the Club in India, **Graeme Lock** for his continued work with catering and **Partners of Rotarians** who again have given great service in both raising funds for a variety of causes and their support for many Rotary functions throughout the year.

Then there are those faithful Rotarians who attend many events during the year including Conference, Club Assembly, Swap Meet meetings, Camp Getaway just to name a few. Well done!

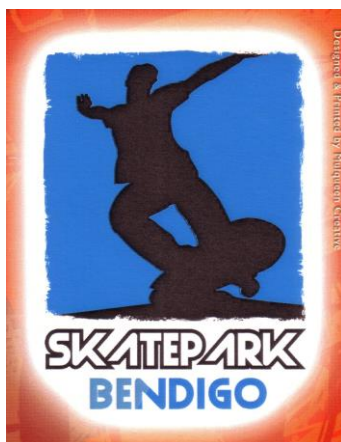
I thank **Board Members** for their support and encouragement for the many chores they undertake to keep the club in good form.

The 'Golden Eagle Award', donated by the Sutcliffe Family, is an annual award for a club member not on the Board who has given outstanding service. This year it goes to **Heather Ridge** for her all round contribution to many events during the year.

I wish **Doug Poole**, as incoming Club President, every success with his club plan and pledge my support to his endeavours in the coming year.

Finally, I thank **Doug Harrison** for his tireless support as Secretary and **Carolyn Robinson** in her role as Treasurer. Both work behind the scenes all year round and serve the Club with honour.

Peter Cox
President 2006/07



VOCATIONAL SERVICE

DIRECTOR: MAUREEN LOUGOON

Our first work place visit was a night at Sandhurst Recycle yard. After our meal the general manager Danny Potter gave a guided tour of the facilities Thanks to Leon for organising the night and to Ann for coordinating the meal.

Our second work place visit was to Masfield Manufacturing. We had shortened dinner meeting followed by a guided tour of the factory led by Geoff Wakefield. Thank you to David for organising the night and for covering for me during absence.

Our club hosted a Royce Abbey Ambassadorial Scholar from Kirabati. Tab was in District 9800 for about three months. One week of that time was spent here in Bendigo. She was here to learn more about veterinary work, to enable her to take ideas back to her small island. Thank you to everyone for making her time here enjoyable.

Pema a building student from Bhutan, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Kangaroo Flat, worked at Masfield Manufacturing for about twelve months. We became involved showing him some sites including Scotts Engineering, Walter took him to a dairy farm and to his own

farm. A visit was arranged to Flowserve (Thompsons Foundry) in Castlemaine. Thank you to Walter, Leon and David.

We had a variety of guest speakers throughout the year including

Gordon McKern: Envirozeal

Margaret O'Rooke: Telstra

Owen Davis: Bendigo Bank

David Johnson: Bio Diesel and Elmore Community Bank
and local Politicians Jacinta Allen, Damien Drum and Peter Kennedy.

Thankyou to all members of the Vocation committee for your support over the last twelve months.

Maureen Lougoon

Object of Rotary

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of Service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to foster and encourage:

First: The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service.

Second: High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying by each Rotarian of his occupation as an opportunity to serve society.

Third: The application of the ideal of service by every Rotarian to his personal, business and community life.

Fourth: The advancement of international understanding and goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional people united in the ideal of service

COMMUNITY SERVICE

DIRECTOR: ALF THORPE

This year has been a busy and successful year in community service.

We kicked off the year on Sunday July 30 with a BBQ for 'Greening Australia's' tree planting program at lake Tom Thumb reserve. A 'Wine Tasting' evening was held in September where those who attended had a very pleasant evening, although not as successful as one would have hoped it did raise a few hundred dollars, so I guess that's what it is all about. Other events were a 'Fashion Parade' held by the Partners, and a 'Garden Party' at Heather Ridge's home, both well attended and successful.

In November the whole club along with many family members and friends were once again involved in the 'Swap Meet' catering; this event held each year in partnership with the five other Bendigo clubs, raises a significant sum for local charities, the recipients this year were 'Skate Park Bendigo', a project of the Rotary Club of Eaglehawk, and the 'Margaret Roberts Research Fund' each of which received \$10,000; this amount along with the

clubs share of over \$3000 dollars meant that the Skate Park project benefited by over \$13,000.

In December as usual we erected the Nativity Scene, put out and brought in chairs for 'Carols by Candlelight' and dismantled the Nativity Scene at the beginning of January. The 'Australia Day' BBQ was once again well attended and on February 17 many volunteers assisted at the 'Jason Dean Spinal Injury Fund' Auction; a very successful night.

Mad march began with 'Clean up Australia Day' on Sunday the 4th followed by the 'Madison Bike Ride' on Sunday 11th again requiring a big commitment from the club; 'Dahlia and Arts' working bees for set up and pack up on 15th, 17th and 18th. Wednesday the 21st was our musical night and this year we opted for a change of format. 'Festival Idol', a talent show structured loosely along the lines of the TV show produced some excellent local talent, the entertainment was outstanding and the evening was a great success, raising about \$2000 toward the Skate Park project.

The last two events for the year were 'Relay for Life' in April and 'Bendigo by Bike' in May. I would like to say to each and every member of the club, thank you; without the support and participation of members, the many events held during the year could not have happened or have been as successful as they were; I would also like to make special mention of the support I received from Rotarians Doug Poole and Walter Lourie along with the rest of my committee, thank you.

PP Alf Thorpe
Community Service Director

Definition of Rotary

Rotary is an organization of business and professional leaders united worldwide, who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

There are approximately 1.2 million Rotarians, members of more than 32,000 Rotary clubs in 168 countries.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

DIRECTOR: HOWARD OSBORNE

- **Rotary Orphan Students Exchange (R.O.S.E.) Program**

The R.O.S.E. Program has commenced its third year of exchange with the 3 new students from the Pattaya Orphanage in Thailand arriving in Australia on Sunday 20th May 2007.

CLASS OF 2007-2008

TONUT, ANN & PLOY



Tonut(16), Ann(17), Ploy(15) were greeted and welcomed to Australia by representatives of the host families, Rotary and 'On Track' at approximately 9.30 a.m. when their smiling faces came through the runway doors at Tullamarine.

After meeting everyone they then had the long trip back to Bendigo by car so they were very tired travellers for the next couple of days.

Viv and I had the pleasure of again visiting the Pattaya Orphanage in April this year primarily to meet the new candidates and discuss the R.O.S.E. Program with the Heads of the Orphanage. We were met at the airport by all of the previous R.O.S.E. students, which was marvellous and presented with a lei.

We also attended the meeting of our Sister Club Jomtien-Pattaya Rotary Club on the Wednesday evening and presented a talk on the R.O.S.E. Program after which the Jomtien-Pattaya Rotary Club agreed to purchase 2 of the 3 tickets and take an active role in the Program.

This year the students will attend 'On-Track' in the mornings as per previous years with Catholic College Bendigo, Creek St. Christian College & Victory College each taking one student in the afternoons to enable the students to mix in and develop friends of their own age. Nut has already joined a local soccer team (Epsom) and is doing extremely well.

We have been able to obtain concession tickets for bus/train travel for the students and this is greatly appreciated as in the past travel expenses have eaten into the student allowances.

We hope that their stay in Australia will be a life changing experience and one that they and all concerned with the program will never forget.

On behalf of the International Committee, Vivienne and I would like to sincerely thank the following:

- The caring Host Families (both present and past) without whose generosity this program could not continue.
- Peter Cox and staff at 'On Track' for agreeing to continue providing the educational program for the students at nominal cost to the Rotary Club.
- Creek Street Christian College, Victory College and Catholic College Bendigo for placing the students in

the afternoons for the duration of the students stay in Bendigo.

- Our sister club, the Rotary Club of Jomtien-Pattaya, for their valuable assistance with the program.
- Rita & Paul O'Brien who ran the Pie & Port Night again which was a great success financially (~\$800.00) as well as a lot of fun!
- John Haugh, Lindsay Roberts, Rotarians, partners and family members for their invaluable assistance in the running of this year's Christmas Stocking Raffle raising a record amount (**\$7,567.85**) to go toward the R.O.S.E. Program. A big thank you to those individuals and businesses who generously donated to the Christmas Stocking – valued at > \$2,500.00.
- IGA Eaglehawk and IGA Long-Gully for the use of their premises for the Christmas Stocking Raffle.

My appreciation is extended the International Committee and to all those people who have helped in any way over the last Rotary year to make this worthwhile international project a success.

- **East Timor**

Please refer to the comprehensive report by PP Leon Scott regarding SAVI and the continuing work of Rotary in East Timor.

I would like to extend my congratulations again to Leon, members, family and friends of the Rotary Club of Eaglehawk for their successful rebuilding trips to East Timor.

To the Committee Chairman PP Leon Scott I offer my congratulations for his commitment and dedication to the people of East Timor & the SAVI projects and hopefully our Club will support Leon and the District Committee in the coming Rotary year.

A \$2,000.00 donation was also made following a request to supplement the running of the Rotary District program in East Timor.

- **India**

Please refer to the report by Rotarian Rita O'Brien who was part of a conducted Rotary tour earlier this year to India and whilst there Rita made donations to two school projects (2 x \$1,000.00) – congratulations Rita.

- **Solomon Islands**

Provided funds (\$1200.00) for a 'Shelter Box' for the Solomon Islands.

- **International Internet Radio Show**

Provided funds to purchase a new high speed computer for Geoff Morris who is a totally blind radio personality and bluegrass presenter here in Bendigo. The computer was necessary so that he may live his dream by taking up the offer to be a presenter on the 24 hour American Internet radio station Worldwide Bluegrass – thanks to our Rotary Club & Bendigo Community Telco who set up the broadband etc. free of charge Geoff is now living his dream.

Finally I would like to congratulate President Peter on a great year of Rotary service and I would also like to wish incoming President Doug & Laura all the best for 2007-2008.

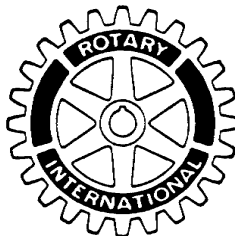
International Service Director
Howard Osborne

Rotary Tour of India – Rita O’Brien

Delhi was the starting point for my tour of India with the Rotary club of Chadstone/East Malvern. We visited many magnificent tourist attractions, including my highlight the Taj Mahal at Agra. The bus driver, with the speed and skill of a slalom skier, transported us from Chennai (Madras) to Karikal to be warmly greeted by members of the Rotary club of Karikal – our guides for three days.

At Paravaipet Village (D9800 Tsunami project SAVI) we met our allocated 45 families and inspected the houses under construction.

Thanks to help with fundraising from our club, I presented \$1000 (34,000 Rupees) each to the Thiruivalivar Tamil School in Karikal (a private, free school for 175 children of slum dwellers) and the Rama Krishna School in Chidambaram, which provides education for the disabled. A moving experience.



D9800 SUPPORT A VILLAGE INITIATIVE COMMITTEE

EAST TIMOR:

6 Eaglehawk Rotarians, together with a partner and family member, joined with Rotarians from other clubs and districts, along with Master Builders Association Victoria members, to work on Rebuilding Balibar Primary School.

After starting this project during the 2005/6 Rotary year, it is pleasing to report that this school of 3 classrooms, plus new male and female toilet facilities, a computer and staff room, all with electricity and running water was completed and officially opened by the First Lady of Timor Leste, Kirsty Sword-Gusmao in October, 2006. It was a grand occasion, with Brigadier Mick Slater and other members of the Australian Defence Force attending as guests. Rotarian Heather Ridge formally presented and unveiled the Tile Mosaic given as a gift from the Eaglehawk Primary School to their sister school Balibar Primary School in East Timor. The sister school relationship was set up by the First Lady Kirsty, as a part of her Friendship Schools Programme. The Mosaic of Eaglehawk Primary School was created by the children of Eaglehawk as part of their school 150th Anniversary celebrations and has been built into the front wall at Balibar school.

One container from this area was loaded with school uniforms, made by ladies from Eaglehawk Primary School, classroom furniture and computers, also for Balibar Primary School, together with building materials to complete this project.

A re-union of team members who have worked on projects in East Timor, their families and friends, was held at Camp Getaway Axedale in March, 2007. Many volunteers indicated that they were keen to return to East Timor if another project is undertaken.

Civil unrest once again dominated the news this year, with continued destruction of buildings. It is hoped that life will return to calm for the East Timorese after Government elections in

July this year. Rotary has decided not to send work parties to East Timor until after these elections.

Xanana Gusmao has stood down as the country's President and is seeking a position in Government – possibly as Prime Minister. Dr. Jose Ramos Horta has recently been elected as the new President.

INDIA:

Eaglehawk Rotarian Rita O'Brien, joined a group of District Rotarians and friends to travel to South East India in February 2007, to inspect the building progress of 23 homes which Rotary District 9800 is paying to build as a result of the devastation caused by the Tsunami in 2004. Rita organised a couple of fund raising functions and Eaglehawk Club increased funds raised to total \$2000 for Rita to distribute to a school for disabled children at Chidambaram and a school in Karaikal for street kids.

Leon Scott
SAVI Chair.

DONATIONS & GRANTS

2006 - 2007

Skate Park Bendigo (at Canterbury Park)	\$ 8,740.00
Relay for Life	\$ 2,367
The Rotary Foundation	\$ 2,000
EHSC (Evans & Rothacker Scholarship)	\$ 800
Men's Health Week	\$ 500
Mechanics Institute (Bendigo By Bike)	\$ 977
School of St. Jude	\$ 1,120
Shelter Box	\$ 1,200
G. Morris – Computer	\$ 1,355
East Timor	\$ 2,000
Tim Atwater Appeal	\$ 250
India Schools Project	\$ 2,000
Stephanie Alexander Garden Project	\$ 1,000
Bendigo Radiology	\$ 500

NEW GENERATIONS REPORT

DIRECTOR: JOHN JONES

2006/07 has been yet another busy year for New Generations. Projects supported in the course of the year included.

RYLA: Although we had two outstanding candidates neither was available for RYLA due to personal commitments. This, however, provided an opportunity for us to sponsor a suburban candidate nominated by the RYLA committee. Unfortunately we have received no feedback from our sponsored candidate.

Junior Citizenship awards: This program continues to be greatly appreciated by the primary schools in our area – California Gully, Comet Hill, Eaglehawk, Eaglehawk North, St Liborius and Raywood. Five presentations were made personally and the award at Raywood was presented by Principal, Trevor Trewartha. All recipients were presented with a medallion and \$20.00 Officeworks voucher at their awards afternoons/evenings.

Skandia: Callum Healy, the Eaglehawk Secondary College student of the year, was our representative this year and he had a wonderful time as reflected in his wonderful address to the club.

Scholarships: the club has continued the tradition of presenting scholarships at Eaglehawk Secondary College. These were presented by President Peter at the awards evening.

MUNA: The club was involved again in the Model United Nations Assembly held in May. Our representatives from Eaglehawk SC, Melissa McMillan and Felicia O'Mahoney, represented the Philippines and reported a wonderful experience. They are keen to report to the club on that experience.

This year we supported two students from Catholic College Bendigo to attend RYPEN. Unfortunately only one was able to attend, so we have a credit for the October camp. This year the program will be offered to Eaglehawk Secondary College.

The National Youth Science Forum continues to present a challenge with a tiered application process. The Club is expected to commit to sponsorship before the application process has been completed and, in effect, offer a blank cheque should multiple candidates be successful in their applications.

A fundraising initiative during New Generations month was a film night featuring the award winning film, Ten Canoes. The film attracted a mixed reaction but was financially successful – a special thankyou to Marj and to Heather Ridge who managed the event while I was in East Timor.

A challenge continues to be the resourcing of the opportunities that are available to our young people and to balance those aspirations against the broader agenda both locally and at a national and international level.

Thankyou to President Peter, the Board and my committee for their support in responding to wide range of opportunities presented.

John P Jones
Director, New Generations

MECHANICS INSTITUTE

During this year, the emphasis has been on completing internal and external work carried forward from previous years, including the kitchen.

A further storage shed, for the Rotary Club of Bendigo Strathdale, was erected, and it is gratifying that we have the ability to offer this amenity to our Sister Clubs.

Further works are planned for the near future, including a verandah to protect the rear wall from further water damage.

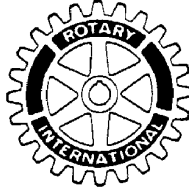
Bill Slee, John Haugh and Stan Spencely are to be thanked for their continuing efforts to improve the building, and its surrounds.

Gordon McKern

Rotary Four Way Test

- 1. Is it the truth?**
- 2. Is it fair to all concerned?**
- 3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships**

4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned.



The Rotary Club of Eaglehawk Inc.

VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA

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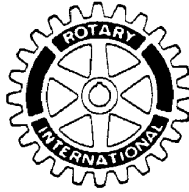
District 9800

2007-2008

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT:
WILFRID J. WILKINSON



THE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL THEME 2007-2008



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2006-2007

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT: WILLIAM (BILL) BOYD



THE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL THEME 2006-2007

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Ernest W. Miller	June 1988
Jack Taylor	June 1988
Stanley J. Spencely (with Sapphire, Feb. 2005)	June 1989
Gordon J. McKern (with 2 Sapphires)	June 1990
Joseph H. Miles	June 1990
Leon Maxwell Scott (with Sapphire, Feb. 2005)	June 1991
Anita Mary McKern (with Sapphire, June 2006)	June 1993
Lindsay H. Roberts	June 1993
John W. Brook	June 1994
William R. Parker (with Sapphire, June 2005)	June 1994
John Haugh	June 1995
Vincent J. Walshe	June 1996
Ann Scott	May 1997
Joseph Cogo	June 1998
Bill M. Slee	May 2000
Robert J. Layton	June 2000
Ronald Moss	July 2001
Doug Poole (Kyneton)	May 2002
Howard Osborne (with Sapphire, May 2007)	July 2002
Peter Ludeman	June 2003
William J. Orde	June 2003
Douglas Harrison	Aug 2003
David Dolman	June 2004
John Gurr	June 2004
Vivienne Osborne	June 2006

MEMBERS

As at 30th June, 2008

ADCOCK Geoff (Beryl)

BROOK John (Pat)

COGO Joe (Maria)

COX Peter (Annette)

CUNNEEN Charlie (Mary)

DOLMAN David (Nola)

GURR John (Carol)

HARRISON Doug (Lyn)

HAUGH John (Mary)

JEFFERY Peter (Jo)

JONES John (Marjorie)

KENYON Norm

LAYTON Rob (June)

LOUGOON Maureen

LOURIE Walter (Glenyce)

LOCK Graeme (Ann)

LOCK Trevor (Marie)

LUDEMAN Peter (Elaine)

McAULIFFE Wayne (Dianne) # TAYLOR Jack (Ida)

McKERN Gordon (Anita)

MILES Joe (Jean)

MILLER Bill (Lola)

MILLONIG Jack

MOAR Gary (Robyn)

MOAR Robyn (Gary)

MOSS Ron (Jeanette)

O'BRIEN Rita

ORDE William (Bill) (Ruth)

OSBORNE Howard (Vivienne)

PARKER Roy

POOLE Doug (Laura)

RIDGE Heather (Noel)

ROBERTS Lindsay

ROBINSON Carolyn

ROWSTON Dennis (Kathi)

SCOTT Leon (Ann)

SLEE Bill

SPENCE Ern (Lois)

SPENCELY Stan (Jan)

THORPE Alf (Joye O'Meara)

WAINWRIGHT Sarah (Damian)

WALSHE Vin

Honorary Member

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

'SKATE PARK BENDIGO' - 2006-2007

Much again has happened during this Rotary year to bring the process of establishing the 'SKATEPARK BENDIGO' project in Eaglehawk closer to reality.

The Year In Brief:

- Fundraising Campaign continued in earnest.
- Meetings with Politicians, CVACC, DVC, and respective submissions for grants proved successful with both the State and Federal Governments providing \$100,000.00 each toward the proposed facility.
- A total of 7 Platinum, 4 Gold, 15 Silver & 10 Bronze Sponsorships (see sponsor list attached) have been received to-date with countless smaller donations from the broader community to make the 'Fundraising Barometer' read \$443,000.00 at the time of compiling this report – a fantastic effort to reach this target in ~21 months.
- There were many and varied great fundraising events over the last 12 months but a special mention must go to Rotarian Heather Ridge's Garden Party last November which featured the raffle of an original water-colour by acclaimed local artist Terry Jarvis. The afternoon raised \$3,151.00 and culminated in the public announcement by Jacinta Allan MP that the State Government would contribute \$100,000.00 to the skate park – what an afternoon!
- PDG Gordon & Anita McKern announced that they will match Michael McKern's (McKern Building Products) contribution of \$25,000.00 making a total of \$50,000.00

toward the skate park and that the facility will be known as the ***McKern Skatepark*** when completed. This will be a tribute to the lifetime contribution and commitment to the Eaglehawk Community by the McKern family – a truly magnificent gesture of support for the youth of the region.

- Combined Rotary Clubs of Bendigo agreed to donate 25% percent of this years 'Swap Meet' profits to the 'Skatepark Bendigo' project. This resulted in a donation of \$10,000.00.
- Cocktail evening held 30th May 2007 to thank all major sponsors (Platinum, Silver, Gold & Bronze) and present them with Certificates of Appreciation.
- Convic prepare final tender documents and tender is advertised in the Advertiser on Saturday 16th June 2007.
- Convic are presently preparing landscaping documentation and hopefully this contract will run parallel with the construction of the skate park.

It has been a very successful year of fundraising for the skate park project and I would like to thank everyone who has in anyway assisted with this campaign.

It is all about providing the youth of the region with a facility that they have been desperately wanting for many years and once constructed they will be proud to take ownership of.

It is envisaged that the park will be constructed by October this year including the associated landscaping (here's hoping anyway!!).

Howard Osborne
SKATEPARK BENDIGO Coordinator

**MAJOR FUNDING SPONSORS FOR SKATEPARK
BENDIGO**

PLATINUM \$10,000.00 +

McKERN BUILDING PRODUCTS

GORDON & ANITA MCKERN

EAGLEHAWK Y'S MEN

CITY OF GREATER BENDIGO

STATE GOVERNMENT OF VIC.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA.

ROTARY CLUB OF EAGLEHAWK –NOTE:

THE COMBINED ROTARY CLUBS OF BENDIGO

GOLD \$5,000 - \$9,999

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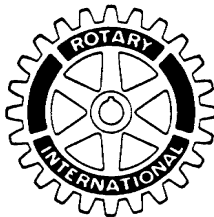
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