

The Rotary Club of Eaglehawk Inc.

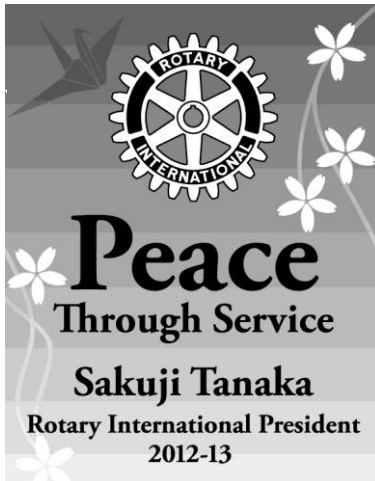
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2012-2013

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT: SAKUJI TANAKA



THE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL THEME 2012-2013

MEMBERS

As at 26th June, 2013

ADCOCK Geoff (Beryl)	LOURIE Walter (Glenyce)
ANDERSON Colin (Leanne)	LUDEMAN Peter (Elaine)
# BROOK John (Pat)	MANDERSON Stuart (Ratchel)
BYERS Katie	McKERN Gordon
# COGO Joe (Maria)	MILLER Lola
COSTELLO Mick (Mandy)	MILLONIG Jack
COX Peter (Annette Wiles)	MOSS Ron
CUNNEEN Charlie (Mary)	O'BRIEN Rita
DINGFELDER Les (Liz)	# ORDE William (Bill) (Ruth)
DOLMAN David (Nola)	OSBORNE Howard (Vivienne)
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GURR John (Carol)	PAYNE Ron (Debbie)
HANSON Rod (Jeanette)	POOLE Doug (Laura)
HARRISON Doug (Lyn)	ROBERTS Lindsay
HAUGH John (Mary)	ROBINSON Carolyn
HUTCHIESON Julie (Colin)	SCOTT Leon (Ann)
HUTCHIESON Colin (Julie)	SLEE Bill
JONES John (Marjorie)	# SPENCELY Jan
LAYTON Rob (June)	# TAYLOR Jack
LOCK Graeme (Ann)	THORPE Alf (Joye O'Meara)
LOCK Trevor (Marie)	WAINWRIGHT Sarah
LOUGOON Maureen	

Honorary Member

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2012-2013

PRESIDENT COLIN ANDERSON

Firstly let me say what a wonderful time I have had this year and what a privilege it has been to be the President of the Rotary Club of Eaglehawk.

Another year of significant contribution to the community here and abroad. In the four short years I have been a Rotarian every year concludes with an amazing array of achievements. I marvel that our service club has brought the world close to eradicating one of the scourges of the last three hundred years, Polio. A disease that only a generation ago afflicted so many Australian.

Our club that has helped transform the lives of Thai orphans. The Rose program continues as the flagship international project of our club. We are all proud of the efforts and achievements of Annie and Ploy and thank them both for the opportunity of service they have given our club. We are richer Rotarians for knowing them and are rewarded by sharing in their success. A special thanks to the sponsor families.

Our directors have all done a great job, thank you for your collective efforts and time. At virtually every official function and Rotary event I am constantly surprised by how many Rotarians, from other clubs, know of our clubs achievements and/or acknowledge our efforts. Eaglehawk Rotary is truly an over achiever of our district and the wider Rotary world.

Leon Scott has done an outstanding job with the guest speaker program and in conjunction with Doug Harrison we have enjoyed a great social calendar and interesting meetings. Thank you both.

The mechanics hall continues to improve we all look forward to the proposed renovations. Thanks to the mechanics committee.

Member recruitment and retention are and will continue to be a challenge for the club. Sadly we lost Heather Ridge due to her overseas work commitments. Heather was a valuable member and hopefully will find her way back into the Rotary world. To aid our recruitment into the future I am delighted to report the club has ratified the "Friends of Rotary". Additionally "Friends of Rotary" can offer recognition and connection to the many individuals that contribute to our clubs efforts, yet do not want to commit to full membership. Some changes I proposed at the start of the year did not come to fruition but I hope "Friends of Rotary" will be an important option to introduce people into the Rotary world.

The year once again has been fun and the working bees continue to be a source of great personal enjoyment, fellowship and food! The club continues to improve Camp Getaway and it has become a real showcase for the District. The newly proposed kitchen will be the crowning piece and I am sure the 2013-2014 year will continue the progress.

We are not a "cheque book" club and it's the ideas and the work ethic that holds our club in good stead. Loathe as I am to single out individuals in my report, Rita O'Brien continues a long history of Service above Self. Rita initiated, managed and worked a project that saw many donated books moved to, and sold, at her shop front in Eaglehawk over the year, raising substantial funds for the club.

Additionally Michael Costello and Katie Byers have been enthusiastic new members and have continued their great start in Rotary. Katie and Michael have both attended multiple working bees

with Michael having a stint as sergeant and Katie contributing to the bulletin over the year. Thank you for your efforts.

Our usual events have been conducted with our usual diligence and nonchalance.

This year we did not conduct our “Clean Up Australia Day” activity but instead joined in one organized by Lightning Reef Primary School. Whilst it was through good luck and not perhaps good management (on my behalf) it was nevertheless, in my opinion a change for the better. We must engage with other clubs and groups and the wider community, if not to help the community then for selfish reasons in that it lifts our club’s profile and affords us recruitment opportunities.

I would like to thank the Directors that have been so generous in their support and especially Colin Hutchieson as secretary, it is universally recognized (at least in the Rotary universe) that great secretaries make for successful presidents. In a year with family and work challenges Colin has been a calming influence and kept my workload to a minimum. Despite Colin’s support of the Collingwood football club, we share a similar sense of humour. Colin is a committed and knowledgeable Rotarian and has been a great help to this “young” Rotary president.

Julie Hutchieson has excelled in her role as Treasurer and I am confident our financials are in good shape. Additionally Julie took our board meeting minutes, so well done and thanks very much Julie.

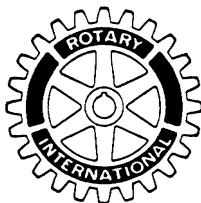
I look forward to the year ahead under our new President Ron Payne. Ron has impressed with his preparation for the year and his inclusive, professional style is a clear sign that the club’s year ahead is going to be a great one.

As I said in my induction speech last year, good organizations are ones that embrace change as part of their culture and actively re-evaluate everything they do and how they do it. I hope the small changes introduced this year have advanced the club in a small way and I look forward to being involved in the future evolution of the club.

Thanks to all my fellow Rotarians that offered their help and advice so generously during the year.

Finally and sadly, this year we lost a friend and member of our Rotary family with the passing of Anita McKern. Whilst I did not know Anita well, the affection, respect and love for Anita is in the hearts of all who were lucky enough to know her well. Our club and the world is poorer for her passing and all our members heartfelt condolences are extended to Gordon and family.

Colin Anderson
President 2012-13



CLUB SERVICE COMMITTEE

DIRECTOR: ROB LAYTON

The Rotary Year 2012 – 2013 has, as is usual, been a very busy and successful year for the Club

Program: Leon Scott has completed a great year as Program Organiser. This is a challenging and important task and Leon is to be congratulated. Our Guest Speakers have been of a very high standard with a wide variety of subjects. Included in the program was a visit to the Great Stupa and the Truscott Stadium

Bulletin: Katie Byers, with assistance from Geoff Adcock and at times Stuart Manderson have kept us all well informed. Another challenging and consistent task.

Sergeant Coordinator: This position has been ably carried out by Doug Poole. He has been assisted by Walter Lourie, Rob Layton, Rita O'Brien, John Jones, Graeme Lock and Michael Costello all taking a turn. The various Sergeants have been helped by Corporals Joe Cogo, David Dolman and Lindsay Roberts

Membership: Unfortunately we did not induct any new members during the year and regretfully accepted the resignations of Heather Ridge and Joe Cogo. We were very pleased when Joe Cogo accepted Honorary Membership of the Club after more than 44 years of devoted membership of "Service Above Self"

Attendance: Maureen Lougoon again carried out this task with efficiency. It is a true mark for our Club that our returns to District were not late on even one occasion. Our attendance for the year should finish up being over 81%.

Cashiers: This year our Cashiers have been David Dolman and Jack Millonig, with assistance from Peter Ludeman when required and again a great job.

BBQ Catering: Thanks to Graeme Lock for organising our many Barbeques, whether they have been fundraisers or assisting other organisations. Also to the many members who have assisted.

In May we had a visit from the Rotary Club of Strathdale and it was a pleasure to have their company at our regular meeting.

To all members of the Club Service Committee, thank you for your efforts during the year. You have made my Directorship so much easier.

P.P Rob Layton
Club Service Director

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's president until two years later.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION
DIRECTOR: GORDON McKERN

Once again our Club has been an outstanding contributor to this vital facet of our Rotary organization.

- Twenty three of our members have made personal commitments to the Every Rotarian Every Year programme. There would be very few Rotary Clubs in Australia that would have as high a percentage of members as we have for the Foundation.
- Five of these 23 are members of the Paul Harris Society, which means they have committed themselves to a minimum contribution of \$1000 each year.
- Since the Club was chartered in 1966, a total of 45 worthy people have been recognized with the Paul Harris Fellow Award. Thirty two of them are current or Honorary members, as at the date of this Annual Report. Thirteen of them have Sapphire or Ruby recognition.
- A Club contribution of \$2000 has been forwarded to The Rotary Foundation, this represents \$50 per member.

Gordon McKern
Foundation Director

NEW GENERATIONS REPORT

DIRECTOR: JOHN JONES

In 2012/2013 the Rotary Club of Eaglehawk has continued to support a wide range of youth programs. Cooperation with other NG Directors across the cluster through quarterly meetings has expedited the delivery of programs with the willingness of clubs to support each other being a strong feature of that cooperation. The enthusiastic support of Katie Byers at a Club and cluster level has been greatly appreciated.

A highlight early in the Rotary year was the receipt of the **District New Generations Award** at the District changeover dinner. PP Howard, Vivienne, Marj and I attended as the award was a recognition that New Generations and ROSE are inextricably linked. With the support of club members **Junior Citizenship Awards** were presented to primary schools in our area – Lightning Reef, Eaglehawk, Eaglehawk North, St Liborius, Raywood and California Gully. Recipients received a framed certificate prepared by Annette Wiles and a fifty dollar voucher to support their education.

Two **scholarships** were presented to Eaglehawk SC students by President Colin at the celebrations ceremony in December.

The Eaglehawk Student of the Year was again sponsored to attend the **Festival of Sail**. Fewer students from the cluster attended this year and the program continues to be modified.

The Club again supported the **Children's Literature Festival** through the provision of a barbecue. Approximately 450 young people attended the event.

In March we sponsored four students to **RYPEN** (Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment)

While we did not have a successful candidate this year we continue to support **National Youth Science Forum**. Laura Spark, who was a successful candidate, was a guest speaker at the Club. This is a very popular program across the cluster.

Our **RYLA** (Rotary Youth Leadership Award) candidate for this Rotary Year was our ROSE student, Ploy. Ploy was an outstanding candidate and provided a moving account of how her attendance at the program was a life changing experience.

A particular highlight was being able to support our local candidate, Emma Lewis, to attend the **International Peace Summit** in Hiroshima in May. Emma was one of eight young people selected from the District (from fifty-five applicants) to be supported by the District to attend the Summit at the invitation of RI President Tanaka. The Club generously provided some financial support and we look forward hearing from Emma. Emma is an enthusiastic support of Rotary and the Eaglehawk community and we look forward to exploring further opportunities, especially with respect to Rotaract.

Fundraising continues to present a challenge. Another successful trivia night was held in August in association with ROSE and this has allowed us to sustain our support for NG programs.

PP John P Jones PHF
Director, New Generations

FELLOWSHIP

DIRECTOR: DOUG HARRISON

We held our first Fellowship Night on Wednesday 25th July, with 'Christmas in July,' a fun night with Santa making the long journey from the North Pole to attend.

The District Governor's visit was held on the 26th September. A partners' night with drinks and nibbles before the meeting, this was a good opportunity to meet with the D.G.

We had four hotel meals spread out during the year, they were all well attended, with enjoyable meals and a lot of fun and fellowship.

In November we held a Reef and Beef Night to raise funds for the Mechanics. Bill, John and Rita put on a meal and drinks for us, it was a very good night. Many thanks to the team for their efforts.

Our annual Christmas Night was enjoyable with 80 people in attendance with a good mixture of age groups. Once again Santa visited and fun was had by all.

Thank you to Colin and Julie Hutchieson and Colin and Leanne Anderson for hosting the January meetings at their homes, both very enjoyable nights and their efforts very much appreciated.

'Guess who's coming for Dinner' was held on Saturday 13th April. We had 24 people take part, with four guests each at four host families. This proved, once again to be a very successful evening and a great way for both hosts and guests to really get to know each other. Thank you to the host families, Epskamp, Hanson, Anderson and Thorpe and to all the guests who took part.

Thank you to my committee for their support and input during the year.

P.P. Doug Harrison, Fellowship Director.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

DIRECTOR: ROD HANSON

The 2012-2013 year was filled with successful community service activities and events, which were strongly supported by Club members. As I have been away on business quite a bit this year, I really appreciate the support of other members who have “stood-in” for me. Special thanks to Leon Scott, Walter Lourie, Graeme Lock, Gordon McKern, Alf Thorpe, Colin Anderson, John Jones, Trevor Lock, Mick Costello and everyone else who ensured that all events were planned and completed to the Club’s professional standards. I’m sure that Mick will do a great job in the coming year as the new Director.

The major projects completed during the past year included:

Truscott Hall Opening

On 24 June 2012, Leon Scott spoke on behalf of the Club at the official opening of the Truscott Hall. The relocation and transformation of the Wes Vine Hall from the Eaglehawk Secondary College to the Truscott Reserve was a community and Club project that ran from early 2009. The Hall is now a valuable community asset rather than a pile of matchwood. Well done to all involved.

Neangar Park Pony Club

The Neangar Park Pony Club held an official opening of the renovated clubrooms on 30 June 2012. President Colin and Walter Lourie (who has undertaken a large amount of the work) attended on behalf of the Club.

St Peter’s Fence

On 25th August, the Club provided the labour to erect an 18 metre long Colourbond fence at Our Place/St Peter’s Eaglehawk. Rev.

Tracey Wolsley expressed her sincere gratitude on the completion of this project.

Interchange Loddon-Mallee

The McKern Steel Foundation generously funded a “Seahorse” chair to assist the bathing of children with disabilities in respite care. The \$3,300 contribution resulted from a joint submission by our Club and Interchange Loddon-Mallee Region. The presentation was made on 30 October 2012. The chair was of immediate benefit to Denis & Leanne Carolan and the children for which they provide care.



Y.M.C.A. Classic at McKern Skatepark.

The Y.M.C.A. Classic was held at the McKern Skatepark on Sunday 28th October 2012. Rotary provided a barbeque lunch for competitors and officials.

Nativity Scene

The nativity scene was set up at the Town Hall on 2 December and repacked early in the New Year.

Canterbury Carols

Canterbury Carols was held on Sunday 16 December 2012. As is the custom, the Club set up and packed away the stage lighting and decorations.

Australia Day

A very successful Australia Day event with barbeque provided by the Club was held on Saturday 26 January 2013 at Canterbury Gardens. A good roll-up of Rotarians ensured excellent fellowship and that the food was able to keep up with hungry crowd.

Second-hand Bookshop

The second-hand bookshop being run by Rita Obrien and Lola Miller which commenced prior the Dahlia and Arts Festival has generated in excess of \$4500 in sales to date.

Clean-up Australia Day

Clean-up Australia Day was held on Sunday 3 March 2013. A number of Rotarians and members of the Lightning Reef Primary School community assisted in the clean-up in Long Gully Creek.

Dahlia and Arts Festival

The Dahlia and Arts Festival was held on 13 – 24 March 2013. As usual, Eaglehawk Rotary installed and removed the chairs from the sound shell.

Dahlia and Arts Festival – Festival Idol

Another very successful Eaglehawk Festival Idol was held on 20 March raising around \$3000 after costs. Congratulations to Alf Thorpe on his organisation of this event.

Future Projects

A working bee is planned for the Eaglehawk Primary School to provide a new shaded area. A Rotarians at Work day was to take place in April, however, sponsor funding for the day had been exhausted, so it was postponed. The plan is to paint the rotunda in the Eaglehawk Primary School grounds.

Rod Hanson
Community Service Director

CALIFORNIA GULLY MECHANICS INSTITUTE

“Our Home”

During the year our regular users of the facilities – Carpet Bowls, Probus, Education groups, etc. – maintained their support, and there were also occasions when Rotary District and Cluster meetings were held.

None of these functions would have been possible without the outstanding efforts of Bill Slee, John Haugh, Rita O'Brien and Trevor Lock. All Club members should thank them.

The role of caretaker was, once again, carried out by John Haugh in his usual cheerful manner, and he also found time to attend to maintenance items and painting.

Our excellent relationships with the City of Greater Bendigo (the owners of the property) have resulted in the appointment of an Architect, to design a new toilet block. In due course it is anticipated that funding will be provided in the Council Budgets for construction of the building, following which, the current toilets will be demolished. This will make the building more attractive for additional community use.

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?**

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

DIRECTOR: RON PAYNE

The key planks of our club's International Service program have continued to underpin the work undertaken in this portfolio during the 2012/13 Rotary year.

The R.O.S.E. program has again required high level commitment from our volunteer host families and we have been very well supported in this regard. While many members and partners play a significant role in its success, Howard Osborne and John Jones continue to devote many hours to ensure all aspects of its function remain on track. An array of fundraising has been undertaken in order to fund the program and we extend thanks to all for this commitment. This program constitutes a sizeable portion of our club's annual budget.

Our students have also continued to achieve success as they work towards further qualification and vocational training. Their ongoing development remains a goal of those closest to the project with close and lasting bonds being forged.

During this Rotary year we have working towards the establishment of the R.O.S.E. Trust Fund, a means by which we hope to progressively grow the philanthropic aspect of fundraising towards this cause.

The work being carried out by our club in East Timor, in collaboration with a number of other service clubs, remains a cornerstone of our International Service.

Leon Scott and, more recently, John Jones, have represented our club on the Maubisse Friendship Committee, the body which

coordinates the local support efforts. We thank them both for their generous commitment to this group.

Throughout the year the working bees have been regular with countless containers being filled with all sorts of equipment aimed at improving the quality of life of many of our near neighbours. Well done to those members who have been able to give some time to the various working bees throughout the year. Our thanks are also extended to those members who have volunteered their time throughout this year on the work teams that have visited East Timor and undertaken the planned projects.

Our board saw fit this year to donate funding of around \$250 towards the purchase of a Lifebox, a unit used in the operating theatres of underdeveloped countries. This one-off support, while certainly not on the scale of our major commitments, is important and I would like to see some consideration to similar initiatives receiving our attention in the coming year.

While I have not provided a coordinated approach for the committee members of International Service throughout the year, I know that each has been actively involved in various club programs and initiatives that have also crossed other portfolios. I sincerely thank each of them for their endeavours.

Ron Payne
International 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 1.213 million Rotarians, members of more than 34,000 Rotary clubs in 210 countries.

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

DIRECTOR: GEOFF ADCOCK

A quiet year in the Vocational area. A number of guest speakers arranged by Programme Director Leon were of a vocational nature. In particular the address by Mrs Maria Simpson CEO of Bendigo TAFE was particularly relevant and enlightening as to the future directions of TAFE in Bendigo. Several vocational visits were proposed but for various reasons they did not come to fruition.

Geoff Adcock
Vocational Service Director

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.

DONATIONS & GRANTS

2012 - 2013

Rotary Foundation	2000
RAWCS	120
ESC (Rothacker & Evans Scholarship)	800
RYPEN	1144
Eaglehawk Scout Group	650
Rotary Liasion Officer Timor Leste	2000
Australian Rotary Health	1000
Vic. Police Blue Ribbon Foundation	100
Eaglehawk Brass Band	500
RYLA	710
Camp Getaway	2000
Pattaya Orphanage	2000
State Emergency Service	1500
Rotary Club of Bendigo Next Generation	500
Portsea Camp	300
Science Experience	110
Rotary Club of Bendigo, Golf fundraiser	250
Citizenship Awards, Primary Schools	300
Creek St. Fellowship (camp for Ploy)	275
Hiroshima Peace Forum (Emma Lewis)	1000
Aspire Foundation	250

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Jack Taylor	June 1988
Gordon J. McKern (with 2 Rubies)	June 1990
Leon Maxwell Scott (with 2 Sapphires)	June 1991
Lindsay H. Roberts	June 1993
John W. Brook	June 1994
William R. Parker (with Sapphire, June 2005)	June 1994
John Haugh (with Sapphire, June 2011)	June 1995
Julie Hutchieson (with 5 Sapphires)	Dec. 1995
Ann Scott	May 1997
Joseph Cogo	June 1998
Bill M. Slee (with Sapphire, June 2012)	May 2000
Robert J. Layton (with Sapphire, June 2009)	June 2000
Ronald Moss	July 2001
Doug Poole (Kyneton) (with Sapphire, June 2011)	May 2002
Colin Hutchieson (with 3 Rubies)	June 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
Walter Lourie (with Sapphire, June 2010)	June 2008
Alfred Thorpe	June 2008
June Layton	June 2009
Lola Miller (with 3 Sapphires)	April 2010
Graeme Lock	June 2010
Rodney Hanson	Sept 2010
Leonie Adamson	June 2011
Colin Anderson	March 2012
Peter Cox	June 2012
John Jones	June 2012
David Richards	June 2013

EAGLE AWARD

An award donated by the Sutcliffe Family, to be awarded to a non-board member who has given outstanding service to the club during the year.

1985-86	John Haugh	1999-00	Trevor Lock
1986-87	Des Harvey	2000-01	Hans Siegloff
1987-88	Lindsay Roberts	2001-02	Lesley Siegloff
1988-89	Colin Hutchieson	2002-03	Walter Lourie
1989-90	Jeff Lougoon	2003-04	Gordon McKern
1990-91	John Brook	2004-05	Graeme Lock
1991-92	Stan Spencely	2005-06	Charles Cunneen
1992-93	John Gurr	2006-07	Heather Ridge
1993-94	Peter Ludeman	2007-08	Rita O'Brien
1994-95	Len Hands	2008-09	Doug Harrison
1995-96	Joe Miles	2009-10	Bill Slee
1996-97	Ralph Weeks	2010-11	Maureen Lougoon
1997-98	Alan Bull	2011-12	Doug Poole
1998-99	Leon Scott	2112-13	Rita O'Brien

IN MEMORY

ANITA MARY McKERN, PHF

Who died 31st December 2012



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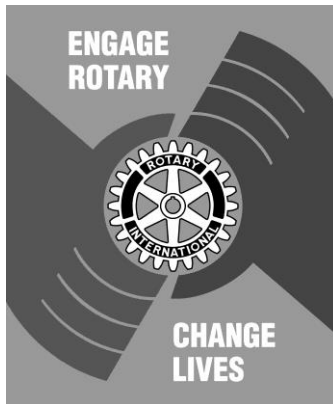
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