



The Rotary Club of Eaglehawk Inc.

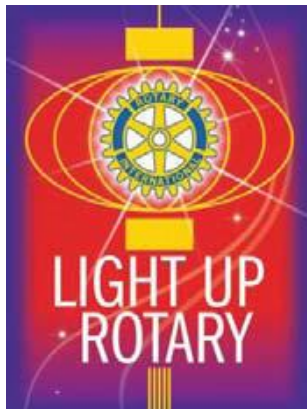
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2014-2015

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT: GARY C K HUANG



THE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL THEME 2014-2015

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2014-2015

PRESIDENT RICHARD EPSKAMP

The question to be answered is – Did we Light Up Rotary this year as our Rotary International President Gary Huang asked of us?

In last year's report Ron Payne commented that his Presidential year was one of the busiest of his life. You go into this role accepting what will be on your plate but I can certainly echo Ron's comments in this regard.

To give you a sense of the position, I have kept a diary of Rotary engagements I have attended during my Presidential year and count 104 direct Rotary days. And I by no means attended everything I probably should have! Throw on top of that countless hours spent in preparation for weekly meetings and attending to the multitude of emails, taking our Youth Exchange student away several times (which was not an onerous task it must be said), compiling the District Conference presentation and other reports for District and International and the months prior to your starting attending the training weekends and the assembly, the International Convention and all the changeovers and it translates well and truly to a most busy 12 months plus.

Why have I done it? Why have the many before me given the same commitment?

First and foremost it's to keep steering the ship for the club so it can keep on doing the work of Rotary. It's to learn more about myself, the people of our club and Rotary in general. And importantly, I believed I could bring something to the club that would keep it fun and interesting, because who wants to be

involved in any spare time activity that isn't? I hope I have achieved that. I think I have.

It has personally been a most enlightening year, not without its challenges and frustrations but certainly rewarding and one that has set a course for me in my Rotary life. I don't want to steal away from other reports or be repetitive but I do want to share what I thought were highlights and areas deserving of comment.

FOUNDATION – The Rotary Foundation is an important part of Rotary International and goes a long way in judging our clubs' worth. Our clubs' focus and commitment to it is first rate and is reflected in the generosity of our giving. The number of members we have in the Paul Harris Society is also a reflection on how seriously committed individuals are. For the first time we have also ensured that a personal contribution is credited to all active members. I thank everyone for embracing our endeavours this year.

VOCATIONAL – The revitalisation of Vocational Services has been outstanding. The fascinating job talks and interesting workplace visits have provided great insight and brought the club back in touch with a key area of Rotary.

INTER CLUB VISITS – We made a point of visiting most of the Goldfields clubs this year and it has been most enjoyable. It's important to build and maintain relationships with other Rotarians and clubs and see how others operate and what they get up to help ourselves reevaluate how we do things. It has been great to meet and get to know more local Rotarians and learn from their wealth of knowledge and experience.

ADMINISTRATION – The process of modernising and refining our financial practices is advancing and demonstrating that new ways of doing business are not so scary after all. We also changed and refined our attendance procedure for the better, giving more meaning to the Attendance Officer role. Our Club

Administrators operate extremely efficiently which makes the life of the President much less stressful. My thanks to you all.

CATERING – The team at Rankins have done a terrific job this year. Every week we gather for Rotary, for fellowship and for the sharing of a meal so it's an important part of what we do and our caterers do it so well. The quality and variety of meals has been first rate and the attention to detail and personal touches most appreciated. Thank you so much, we are very lucky to have you.

CAMP GETAWAY – Our club has always been a great supporter of Camp Getaway but I want to specifically acknowledge the work of some of our members who put a vast amount of time, effort and resources into the endeavour. Major work is going on out there and many have contributed to it but the effort will need to be sustained to see it through. Thank you for your commitment and good work.

MEMBERSHIP - Sadly we lost two members this year due to health problems but I thank Maureen and Jenny for their service to Rotary and the club. Maureen was rightly acknowledged with a Paul Harris Fellow which was well deserved.

On the plus side, it was a pleasure to induct 3 new members, Shane and the two David's. They are quality people who we are thankful to call one of us and I wish them many happy Rotary years. It is one of the absolute best jobs as President to induct new people and I have been most fortunate in having the privilege to do it three times this year. I also acknowledge the proposers who steered them in the Rotary direction, good work and to all members, never stop searching for our next member. Ensuring the future of the club in continuing the fantastic work we do is vital and it is incumbent on all of us to identify those people for whom Rotary would be a great fit and invite them along.

YOUTH EXCHANGE – After a 20 year break the club triumphantly returned to the Youth Exchange program and what a terrific fella we had in Sig. We couldn't have asked for more in him and both the club and that young man are the better for having taken part. Thank you to everyone who showed an interest and actively contributed to his experience, especially our host families on whom so much depends upon.

MECHANICS HALL – Some great work has been going on in the background which sees the extension and updating to our facility about to start (or being underway at the time of reading this) and I would like to acknowledge the members involved with that. This work ensures the future of the facility with some quality upgrades. Exciting times ahead for this historic property.

SPEAKERS – As always the quality of our speakers has been outstanding and my thanks to those who have a hand in it as it value adds to our weekly meeting. Throw in our job talks which have taken on a life of their own and you hang on every word that emanates from the lectern.

CLUB ASSEMBLIES – It was always my intention to hold more club assemblies this year and I hope everyone has gotten something from the increased opportunity to discuss our local matters and shine a light on broader Rotary happenings. It shows that you don't always need a speaker. Sometimes it's good to just to sit and talk amongst ourselves.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE & ASSEMBLY – My thanks to the members for supporting the conference and assembly in good numbers. I thought it was a particularly good conference in Hobart with some worthwhile speakers and great company. You enhance your Rotary experience and perspective in attending these events and I encourage everyone to come along to them.

Next year's conference is in our backyard and this presents a great opportunity for us.

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION – A personal highlight has been attending the 2014 convention in Sydney and 2015 one in Brazil. What an experience, not just in terms of Rotary but meeting people and seeing new places. Next year is Seoul in Korea followed by Atlanta in the US and Toronto Canada. Do yourself a favour and experience at least one in your Rotary life. Start planning for it today!

FACEBOOK – I am pleased with the regard in which our Facebook posts are held. Our messages are widespread as a result of the uptake from our members and beyond and it has developed into a useful tool for us. It's been a bit of a process in getting it to work but this is the here and now which we have embraced and helps keep us relevant. There is more work to do in our online and social development but we moving in the right direction to change the way we do business and so meet the expectations of future members.

BOOK SHOP – Rita's little book shop continues to be a gem. It has raised significant money which has been distributed broadly and I would like to acknowledge her contribution and that of her helpers. There's more to it than meets the eye.

SWAP MEET – FJ's Café was co-ordinated and run in a very professional manner which certainly gave me the impression of smooth sailing. It was also a fun thing to be at, not at all an onerous task because of the people involved. Well done everyone.

And last but by no means least.....

ART & CRAFT EXHIBITION – The Heritage exhibition we ran as part of the Dahlia and Arts Festival was a standout event for me. It was a sensational few days which was a success by all measures and a pleasure to be involved with. My thanks and congratulations to all the drivers of the show and of course to the wonderful Williams team without whom it would not be.

My thanks to the efforts and work of everyone on the board. Your dedication is evident and appreciated and I hope you have found the year to be a rewarding one. The same sentiments are extended to all those who contribute behind the scenes in so many ways in less recognised roles. You all help in the good order and success of the club as does everyone who attends week in week out, working bee and fundraiser alike, whatever it may be.

District Governor Murray Verso and his team have been a great support and I congratulate them on their year. Assistant Governor Grant Hocking will be missed as he steps into his club president role next year. Grant is a champion of our cluster, a helpful supporter and source of information and guidance who is always a welcome visitor and I extend my thanks to him for all his work and wish him every success for his Presidential year.

You come into your year as president with grand plans and notions but as I mentioned earlier, the most important task is to keep steering the ship in the right direction. The club will without a doubt continue its good work so the focus is on preparing well for the weekly meeting to make them fun and worthwhile. I hope you the member have found them to be so.

I extend my best wishes to Carolyn and her team for the 2015-16 year and ask you all to get behind them so we can help, "*Be a gift to the world*". There are always challenges ahead, things to change and occasions to rise to and 2015-16 will be no different. With some innovative thinking and open minds I'm sure it will be a great year

Thank you lastly to my wife Kylie for all her support, unseen to most that has made my presidential year possible.

Make your own assessment but I believe that our club was successful in Lighting Up Rotary.

Richard Epskamp, President 2014-15

CLUB SERVICE COMMITTEE

DIRECTOR: JOHN GURR

The Club Service Committee has been kept very busy this year with a great effort from all concerned.

Program: P.P Leon Scott has organised a very interesting range of guest speakers and varied activities including several vocational visits along with the introduction of members short weekly job talks in conjunction with vocational service. A lot of time and effort goes into organising the Program thank you Leon for a job well done.

Bulletin: Alison Bacon assisted at varying times during the year by P.P Geoff Adcock have done a great job in publishing the weekly edition of our Bulletin taking notes at meetings on their computers and producing a first class newsworthy publication in keeping us well informed and up to date reporting news and activities of our club, thank you both for filling this important role.

Sergeant Co-ordinator: This position has been capably carried out by Rita O'Brien organising a different member each month prepared to do the important job of Sergeant, meetings have been well controlled along with fine sessions continuing to be very humorous and entertaining many thanks go to Rita and the members who stood in filling the Sergeant position along with the Corporals who collected fines

Membership: During the year we welcomed three new members into our Club David Bugeja, Shane McCloud and David Kaye who are enjoying Rotary membership. Unfortunately two members resigned Maureen Lougoon finding it difficult to attend due to declining health (who has accepted

honorary membership) and Jennifer Sanderson. We also welcomed four new Friends of Rotary, Tracey Wolsley, Mark Polsen, Marian Drummond and Noel Claridge. Our current membership now stands at 37 active members along with 7 Honorary Members and 8 Friends of Rotary.

Attendance: As mentioned due to serious health issues our attendance officer for several years Maureen Lougoon had to resign in October from being an active member of Rotary. Thanks go to Maureen for her excellent work in recording and reporting our attendance.

P.P David Dolman has willingly taken up this position along with the added responsibility in April of accepting weekly apologies from members.

Our average attendance for the year was 85.3% at the time of writing this report.

Cashiers Once again the important role of receiving payment for meals and recording those attending weekly meetings has been undertaken by P.P David Dolman and Jack Millonig with support from other members when needed it is very much appreciated for the manner in which members and guests have been greeted on arrival each week.

Inter-Club Visits: The Club has had visits to Rochester, Bendigo Sandhurst, Bendigo-Strathdale and Kangaroo Flat organised by P.P David Dolman.

Protection Officer: P.P Doug Harrison performed this role addressing the Club on the Importance of having a working with children check and how to obtain this along with other District Protection Policies.

BBQ/Catering: Thanks to Graeme Lock for once again organising the various Barbeques during the year along with keeping our equipment ready for use when needed.

Communications: President Richard and the Bulletin team have been kept very busy this Rotary Year in placing much emphasis on the various forms of social media to promote a strong and vibrant image of our Club attractive to the community.

Finally I would like to thank all other members of the Club Service Committees for their efforts during the year and congratulate President Richard on his fine leadership.

P.P John Gurr
Club Service Director



THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

DIRECTOR: ROD HANSON

Our Club continues to be a very strong supporter of the Rotary Foundation, a cornerstone of Rotary International.

The Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotarians and Friends of the Foundation who share its vision for a better world. The Mission of the Rotary Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill and peace through the improvement in health, the support of education and the alleviation of poverty.

- Twenty-four members of our Club have made personal commitments to the Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY) program under which they give at least \$100 a year to support the work of the Foundation. This is almost two-thirds of our membership, which surely places us amongst the clubs with the highest member participation in this very important program.
- A further eight members of our Club are also members of the Paul Harris Society (PHS) which requires each of these members to commit themselves to a minimum contribution of US\$1,000 each year to the Foundation, as long as they are able to do so. We have two new PHS members this year – Leon McGlashan and John Gurr (Sapphire) – I thank them both for their commitment. We also have two Major Donors, who have each contributed in excess of \$US10,000 of personal giving.

- A total of thirty-five of our current members, partners and community representatives have been recognised by the Club with a Paul Harris Fellow Award (PHF) for their contributions to the Foundation, the Club and the community. In December, Maureen Lougoon was awarded a PHF for her service to the Club. Twenty-four PHFs are currently active members of the Club, including 14 with Sapphire or Ruby (US\$2,000 or more of giving) recognition.
- The Club and its members clearly have a strong commitment to the Rotary Foundation. I continue to encourage members, who are able to do so, to join EREY or PHS, to support this important and successful work of the Foundation. This year the Club has contributed \$3,700 to the Rotary Foundation for Polio Plus, Endowment and the Annual Program & Share. In addition, \$480 has been contributed on behalf of each member, from funds collected at meetings during the year, representing a further US\$10 per member.

Rod Hanson
Foundation 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 its president until two years later.

YOUTH SERVICES REPORT

DIRECTOR: GORDON TIVENDALE

Team:

Gordon Tivendale (Director)	John Jones (Mentor)
Doug Harrison	Doug Poole
Jack Taylor	Ron Payne
Shane McCloud	David Kaye

Rotary Youth Exchange

Inbound

Sigurd Lovisendal arrived in July 2014 from Norway. Sig attended Bendigo Senior College for his 11 month stay and was hosted by 3 fantastic families. During the year Sig had many trips around Victoria and NSW with his host families and also with the Epskamp family. He took every opportunity that came his way both within the club and outside. He was in very regular attendance at our weekly meetings and established good repour with members. He also attended some of the clubs activities including a few working bee's at Camp Getaway. Sig attended the District Convention in Hobart which he says was his "Rotary Moment". He also enjoyed the Exchange Safari through central Australia, across to Great Barrier Reef and back down the coast via Sydney and Gold Coast.

Sig made a great presentation of his activities to the club as our guest speaker on his last week with us, flying out on 2nd of June.

A BIG thankyou to the Host Families
Julie Gannon, Brett and Kirby Abraham
Debra, Peter and Jess Burch
June and Wayne Hopley and StAres Gilardi

The club thanked Sig for his participation and wished him all the best for his future. We hope to perhaps see him again sometime in the future.

The Club looks forward to the Arrival of Matilda Asund from Sweden in July 2015 for her exchange year.

Outbound

The club was sponsor for outbound student Eliza Turley for 2015 exchange to Denmark. Unfortunately this did not work out well and Eliza returned home after only a month or so.

NYSF

The club put forward one candidate for NYSF in 2014. They were not successful at the district interview stage.

In 2015 the Bendigo cluster is jointly putting forward students, any who are successful will receive sponsorship provided by the cluster.

RYLA

In 2014 we sponsored Annie Thippart Chopproh (one of our R.O.S.E. students) to attend RYLA. From all reports it appears that Annie had a great time and found the experience enlightening and inspiring.

RYPEN

We sponsored two students from Eaglehawk Secondary College to attend the October 2014 RYPEN camp.

In April 2015 we provided a driver and funding towards bus hire for Bendigo students attending RYPEN.

This continues to be a very worthwhile project.

Bendigo Cluster

We continue to be well represented at Youth Services Cluster meeting through the year. These meetings help to get co-operation between the clubs to maximise the efforts on some of the programs.

Fundraising

Trivia Night

The Trivia night in August 2014 was again a successful event. This year it was a shared event with the Rotary Club of Bendigo Next Generation. The event was well attended and ran smoothly despite the late change of venue. The funds raised for our club were down on previous years due to higher costs and sharing with another club. It remains as a major fund raiser for the Youth Services committee.

Thanks to all those who assisted in the organisation, particularly John Jones. Thanks also to everyone who attended and sold tickets for the night, a big effort across the club.

Twilight Market

Much effort was put into starting up the Twilight Market which ran for 4 months during the summer. While it did not take off as we had hoped it was a good learning experience and we will no doubt give it another go in one form or another in the coming year.

Again thanks to all those Rotarians who gave their time to see this run so smoothly each time.

Gordon Tivendale
Director, Youth Services.

FELLOWSHIP

DIRECTOR: CHARLIE CUNNEEN

During the year we have had many and varied social events. Firstly we had very successful Halloween night at the clubrooms .The introduction of the supplement tattslotto draw was well received as each of three times we ran the ten week series it sold out quickly. As well as being a bit of fun we raised profit of \$1500.

The Christmas social evenings were well attended. Firstly our usual Christmas night at the Clubrooms was a very enjoyable celebration with family and friends with Santa the highlight for young and old.

During the Christmas break we held an evening at the Tyson's Reef Hotel and then BBQ was held at our home again being well attended with lots of laughs and fellowship enjoyed.

Recently "Guess Who's coming to Dinner" was held and by the feedback again it was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

Charlie Cunneen
Fellowship Director

COMMUNITY SERVICE
DIRECTOR: MICK COSTELLO

The 2014-2015 year was again filled with successful community service activities and events, which were strongly supported by Club members. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank members who have organized activities and everyone in the club who have helped out throughout the year

The major projects completed during the past year included:

Camp Getaway

Throughout the year we have been involved in a number of working bees at Camp Getaway, during these working bees a lot has been achieved, installing of 2 containers for extra storage, building the woodshed, general clean-up on Rotarians at Work Day and the ongoing building of the new Kitchen which will keep us busy in the next year.

Bush Fire Memorial Park

For the official opening of the Bush Fire Memorial Park we were involved in cooking a BBQ for all that attended.

East Timor

Being involved in the collecting and packing of goods to be sent to East Timor.

Bendigo Swap Meet

15th & 16th November. This is the big one for the year involving a lot of work for all club members. Last year we manned FJ's Cafe. Big thanks to Ron Payne for taking the role as Club Organizer.

Spinal Cord Injury Appeal

With the Spinal Cord Injury Appeal held at the Exhibition Centre, Bendigo Showgrounds we were involved in cooking a BBQ as part of their fund raising effort.

Nativity Scene

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

Canterbury Carols

Canterbury Carols was held on Sunday 16 December 2014. 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 2015 at Canterbury Gardens. A good roll-up of Rotarians ensured excellent fellowship and ample food for the large crowd.

Community Garden at Eaglehawk Secondary College

As part of the developing of the Community Garden at Eaglehawk Secondary College, we were involved in laying and compacting a gravel path from the Entrance Gate to the Main Building.

Anzac Day Gunfire Breakfast

This was a new initiative by the RSL for this year; we in association with the Eaglehawk Lions Club did a great job of cooking this breakfast. It was a huge success and is very likely to become an ongoing involvement in years to come.

Dahlia and Arts Festival

The Dahlia and Arts Festival was held on 13 – 24 March 2015. As usual, Eaglehawk Rotary installed and removed the chairs from the sound shell.

I would again like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of Eaglehawk Rotary Club for all the community work they have done not only this year but in their Rotary Lives, Thanks again

Mick Costello
Community 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.

CALIFORNIA GULLY MECHANICS INSTITUTE

“Our Home”

The hall has been used by the usual groups with John Haugh managing the bookings and general cleaning. Special thanks goes to John for his untiring efforts to present the building in the best possible way for all users.

Bill Slee and his team of barmen have been busy all year purchasing stock and satisfying all their customers with refreshments.

At last we have good news and can announce the building approval of a new toilet block for the hall.

City of Greater Bendigo Council and the Rotary Club of Eaglehawk, Mechanics Institute Hall account are providing the finance of \$200,000 plus for the toilets, entrance hall, bar, and storage area, to be started in June 2015 and finished in early September.

Wheelchair access and attached toilets will greatly enhance the hall when it comes to community use.

In closing may I thank each and everyone who has contributed during the year to the running and upkeep of the Mechanics Institute Hall, the home of the Rotary Club of Eaglehawk.

Walter M Lourie

Mechanic's director.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

**DIRECTOR: JENNY SANDERSON /
RICHARD EPSKAMP**

It was a challenging year for this avenue of service with the unfortunate departure of its Director in the first half of the Rotary year. Whilst we did not achieve what we had hoped, we still had a hand in some projects of note.

R.O.S.E. Program:

Now in its 11th year, the Rotary Orphan Student Exchange Program has seen 19 students from the Pattaya Orphanage and Fr Ray Foundation Home for Children come to Bendigo from Thailand, where they have had the opportunity of a lifetime for further education. Ongoing education for these students is life changing, and what they learn here and bring back to Thailand not only benefits them, but their country as well.

The year has seen Ploy continuing her efforts to complete a Graphic Design Degree at Latrobe University and at the end of 2014 Annie completed Year 11 at Girton Grammar.

In early December Annie returned from the week long Rotary Youth Leadership Award program with a renewed outlook on life and requested a return to life in Thailand, where she can put her 4 years of Australian education and hospitality to good use amongst her local community. With this we facilitated a return home for her ahead of schedule in time for the lead up to Christmas. Thankfully, Annie realises that completing high school is very important and has undertaken to complete her Year 12 in Thailand.

Annie has been a great ambassador for the Fr Ray Foundation & Rotary and has been held in very high regard by her peers and teachers at Girton Grammar School, and also by the Rotary Club of Eaglehawk. We wish Annie every success in her future studies and with her life ahead.

With our commitment to Ploy coming to an end and Annie's departure, this program has taken a deep breath in 2015 and provided us with an opportunity to reassess where it is at and where we want to take it in the 2015-16 Rotary year. The program evolved into something different from its original state in 2004 so we are certainly considering if taking it back to what it began as, might be the best way to go. Watch this space!

We sincerely acknowledge the enormous commitment and support of Annie and Ploy's respective host parents, Liz and Rotarian Les Dingfelder and Leonie Adamson and the contribution of Girton Grammar School for the care and education given.

EAST TIMOR:

Our involvement in East Timor continues, however the nature of the work required is changing from the physical rebuilding (which will continue of course) to that of education and training, as reported by Past President John Jones who has been scoping out future areas of focus.

We were fortunate to host a lunch for the district's "man on the ground" in Dili, Daryl Mills, earlier in the year and hear first-hand what was going on and what the future needs are. This was followed by a Q and A session which was most enlightening.

You will notice in the list of donations and grants that Daryl has our ongoing support to continue the good work he does in aiding all the endeavours of the District 9800 clubs.

Heritage Art and Craft Exhibition - Dahlia & Arts Festival:

The International Committee took on the running of this inaugural event which we hosted as a part of the Dahlia & Arts Festival in March. This was a sensational exhibition running the course of a weekend, and a highlight of the year. Artist David Williams, in conjunction with his wife Shirley, provided a magnificent array of local and varied heritage paintings, and our own Rotarian Alison Bacon complemented the display with her own wares from Canterbury Quilts.

Our sincere thanks go to David, Shirley and Alison and we acknowledge the outstanding effort of Rotarians Anne Peace, Leon Scott and his wife Ann in bringing the show to us and making it real. It raised significant funds that were primarily directed to our work with East Timor and provides an opportunity to become an annual event.

Rotary Club of Jomtien-Pattaya:

Over the year we have had significant contact with our sister club in Thailand. Initially we were looking to support them in a Global Matching Grant (raising \$15K to have it matched by The Rotary Foundation) to provide Rocket Stoves to people living in rural Thailand however this unfortunately fell over.

The wheels have been set in motion for a delegation from our club to visit the Jomtien-Pattaya region in the 2015-16 year and explore specific areas we can become involved with in partnership with them. This is an exciting prospect and will hopefully provide a new area of international service.

Fundraising:

Past President Howard Osborne again facilitated the Monster Christmas Stocking Raffle and our sincere thanks go to him and Viv for what is an enormous effort each year. I would also like to acknowledge the effort the whole club puts in to this raffle. Many help to secure prize donations or donate goods themselves. Others run the stocking between the various selling points, some help co-ordinate the weekly selling and just about everyone helps fill the shifts to sell the tickets or off-load them personally. The pay off of course is the raising of significant funds for our international endeavours which is pleasing.

Coupled with the money raised from the Art and Craft Exhibition and reduced amount required for R.O.S.E. this year, the International funds available for 2015-16 are significant and provide a great platform for some serious work to be undertaken in the coming year. Exciting times ahead!

During the year it was pleasing to hear from Lara Manning who we supported in her educational work in Tanzania during 2013-14. She has gone on to do greater things over there of significant benefit to the children of Tanzania and it demonstrates what small investments in people can achieve. This is what it is all about.

It was also wonderful to have our Youth Exchange student Sigurd from Norway with us for the year which added to the international aspect of Rotary and I acknowledge the work put in by the Youth Committee in making that a success.

Thank you to everyone who assisted with International Service throughout the year and all the best to Howard and his team for 2015-16.

RICHARD EPSKAMP
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: LOLA MILLER

The Rotary Avenue of Vocational Service reflects the original purpose of Paul Harris when originating his initial rotating gatherings and underpins all other Avenues of Service.

The introduction of a brief weekly Job Talk by each member has proved not only interesting and informative but also very fulfilling. The members embraced the task with growing enthusiasm making it an anticipated and enjoyable introduction to our weekly meetings.

During the year we made Workplace Visits to the Bendigo Library, Spoutvac Industries, Ace Laboratories, McKern Steel, Neangar Nursery, Canterbury Quilts and the Recovery Recycling Centre and we are indebted to the Proprietors and staff of these workplaces for their generous time and information. It has been a revelation to discover how much inventiveness, wisdom and innovation is occurring within the “sheds” of Central Victoria.

A number of Guest Speakers throughout the year further presented some extraordinary products and illustrated the amazing vocational hub that centres around our Rotary District.

Our second year of Pride of Workmanship Awards was celebrated with a Gala Presentation Evening in the Eaglehawk Band Room. This is a “Growing” project as employers and others become more familiar with the purpose and scope of the Awards. While still small in number the quality of the nominations was superb and warranted the introduction of a

sixth category – meaning increased sponsorship costs as each category winner receives \$250, an engraved trophy and encouragement certificate.

I must acknowledge the willing and essential co-operation of our Programme Co-ordinator Leon Scott and our caterer Glen Rankin and his staff, and my Committee Members in making Vocational Service a vital and visible component of our 2014-15 Rotary Year.

Lola Miller A.M. B.E.M.
(Director)

SECOND HAND BOOK STORE

A reader's delight can be found at the Rotary club's second hand bookstore. Thousands of hard cover and paperback, fiction and non fiction books to browse through. Many recently arrived collectables are now in stock,

30 High St Eaglehawk. Saturdays 10am-noon.
Eaglehawk heritage cards available.

This year, the second hand book stall at 30 High Street, raised \$6,0000-00.

Thanks for the book donations and offers of assistance. Special thanks to Roy Parker, John Haugh, Leon McGlashan and John Gurr for their support and the Bendigo Advertiser for free notices.

Rita O'Brien.

MEMBERS

As at 30th June, 2015

ADCOCK Geoff (Beryl)	# LUDEMAN Peter (Elaine)
ANDERSON Colin (Leanne)	McCLEOD Shayne (Lyn)
BACON Alison (Darren)	McGLASHAN Leon (Barbara)
# BROOK John (Pat)	McKERN Gordon
BUGEJA David (Sarah)	MILLER Lola
# COGO Joe (Maria)	MILLONIG Jack
COSTELLO Mick (Mandy)	MOSS Ron
COX Peter (Annette Wiles)	O'BRIEN Rita
CUNNEEN Charlie (Mary)	# ORDE William (Bill) (Ruth)
DINGFELDER Les (Liz)	OSBORNE Howard (Vivienne)
DOLMAN David (Nola)	PARKER Roy
EPSKAMP Richard (Kylie)	PAYNE Ron (Debbie)
GURR John	POOLE Doug (Laura)
HANSON Rod (Jeanette)	ROBERTS Lindsay
HARRISON Doug (Lyn)	ROBINSON Carolyn
HAUGH John (Mary)	SCOTT Leon (Ann)
JONES John (Marjorie)	SLEE Bill
KAYE David (Jenni)	# SPENCELY Jan
LAYTON Rob (June)	# TAYLOR Jack
LOCK Graeme (Ann)	THORPE Alf (Joye O'Meara)
LOCK Trevor (Marie)	TIVENDALE Gordon (Sheryl)
# LOUGOON Maureen	
LOURIE Walter (Glenyce)	

Honorary Member

FRIENDS OF ROTARY

As at 30th JUNE 2015

CLARIDGE Noel
DRUMMOND Marian
GANNON Julie
HOPLEY June
LEWIS Emma

McQUALTER Jill
MUMMERY Fiona
POLSEN Mark
WAINWRIGHT Sarah
WOLSLEY Tracey

DONATIONS & GRANTS

2014 - 2015

(R.C. Melbourne) Daryl Mills - East Timor	\$2,000
Disaster Aid (Venuatu)	\$1,600
Disaster Aid (Napal)	\$1,600
Disaster Aid	\$1,600
Pride of Workmanship Awards	\$1,500
Rotary Foundation (Endowment Plan)	\$1,300
Rotary Foundation (Annual Program)	\$1,300
Rotary Foundation (Polio Plus)	\$1,100
Camp Getaway	\$1,000
Eaglehawk Fire Brigade	\$1,000

RYPEN	\$970
J. Evans/T. Rothacker Scholarships	\$800
MEC Project (R.C. Bgo Strathdale)	\$800
RYLA	\$790
Raywood Fire Brigade	\$500
Woodvale Fire Brigade	\$500
Campbells Forest Fire Brigade	\$500
Saltworks	\$500
ROMAC	\$500
Red Cross	\$500
Blaze Aid	\$500
Portsea Camp Sponsorship	\$321
ROADEC (R.C. Rochester)	\$300
Junior Citizenship Awards	\$300
Cleft Palate (R.C. Bendigo)	\$250
Righteous Pups	\$250
A.R.H.F.	\$173
PEACE Program (Phil West)	\$100
RAWCS	\$100
	\$22,654

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?**

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Jack Taylor	June 1988
Gordon J. McKern (with 3 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
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
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 (with Sapphire, June 2015)	June 2004
Vivienne Osborne	June 2006
Walter Lourie (with 2 Sapphires)	June 2008
Alfred Thorpe	June 2008
June Layton	June 2009
Lola Miller (with 3 Rubies)	April 2010
Graeme Lock	June 2010
Rodney Hanson (with 7 Sapphires)	Sept 2010
Leonie Adamson	June 2011
Colin Anderson	March 2012
Peter Cox	June 2012
John Jones	June 2012
Rita O'Brien (with 3 Sapphires)	Nov 2012
David Richards	June 2013
Elizabeth Dingfelder	June 2014
Leslie Dingfelder	June 2014
Leon McGlashan	May 2015
Jack Millonig	July 2015

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	2000-01	Hans Siegloff
1986-87	Des Harvey	2001-02	Lesley Siegloff
1987-88	Lindsay Roberts	2002-03	Walter Lourie
1988-89	Colin Hutchieson	2003-04	Gordon McKern
1989-90	Jeff Lougoon	2004-05	Graeme Lock
1990-91	John Brook	2005-06	Charles Cunneen
1991-92	Stan Spencely	2006-07	Heather Ridge
1992-93	John Gurr	2007-08	Rita O'Brien
1993-94	Peter Ludeman	2008-09	Doug Harrison
1994-95	Len Hands	2009-10	Bill Slee
1995-96	Joe Miles	2010-11	Maureen Lougoon
1996-97	Ralph Weeks	2011-12	Doug Poole
1997-98	Alan Bull	2012-13	Rita O'Brien
1998-99	Leon Scott	2013-14	Leon Scott
1999-00	Trevor Lock	2014.15	David Dolman



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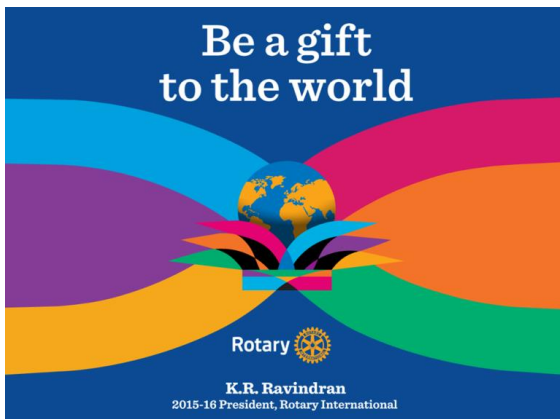
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District 9800

2015-2016

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT: K. R. RAVINDRAN



IN MEMORY

CAROL ANN GURR

Who died 29th January 2016