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A HISTORY OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF MURRAY BRIDGE

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THE SEVENTH DECADE



2014 - 2015 PRESIDENT: GRAHAM COVENTRY

RI PRESIDENT: Gary Huang THEME: Lighten up Rotary

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Jerry Casburn

WORLD: Martin Place attack, Ebola crisis, Daesh Death Cult (ISIS)



aster tomato grower Graham Coventry assumed the presidency as probably the most qualified person in the history of the club, having been president of the Rotary Club of Casterton on two previous occasions. His wife Judith provided ongoing support.









Changeover dinner



Board

In January members were saddened to hear of the death of Past President Des Lilley. Des was the only member of our club to have nominated for District Governor. He was unsuccessful because it was felt at the time he was too young!

Membership was boosted considerably during the year with the inductions of Christine Willersdorf, Roxanne Rowland, Peter Seals, Mark Bolton, Dianne Bolton, Lisa Cheso and Narinder Singh, bringing membership to 56, although it must be said that with the virtual abolishment of attendance requirements there were several 'sleeping members'.





Barb Elston, Roxanne Rowland, Jack Reddin Lisa Cheso, Sam Cozens, Graham Coventry







Di Bolton

Mark Bolton & Graham Coventry Michael Bagshaw & Christine Willersdorf



Pres Graham, Paramjit & Narinder Singh, John Scarvelis



Peter Seals & Phil Westover





The **Rotary Art Show** was reconvened after a 2 year hiatus and was again conducted in conjunction with the Mobilong club. Chairman Andrew Hay reported that "the format and design of the exhibition saw a recommitment to those who had supported the exhibition over the years. Categories for local, emerging, hobby artists and artisans were extended to include photography. There was a total of 138 entries from 55 exhibitors, 52% of whom were new to the show." The keynote speaker on the opening night and judge was Samela Harris, and the support crew included Robin LeGallez, Ron Jericho, Pam Luke, Beverley Curtis, Sue Foster, Rob Walters and Lorraine Hurrell.



Bruce Frazer, John Scarvelis, Andrew Hay



Judges Peter Smyth & Samela Harris

At the final club assembly Robin LeGallez brought members up to date on the educational shelter (Ibana) project for the **Monarto Zoo**, anticipated costs for which had somewhat ballooned. In June the members resolved to commit \$30,000.00 to the project on the understanding that Zoos SA would make up the shortfall, leaving that offer open for 12 months.







Robin LeGallez

Darryl Webb

COMMUNITY SERVICE committee director Darryl Webb reported a busy year for his committee

"Farmers Market Catering: Was a club event. We continued with this monthly BBQ until April where we took a decision to discontinue. Reason the committee felt it better value to cater for non-regular events.....

Lofty 105 Catering: The Lofty 105 Cycle Challenge took place on Sunday 14th September. A 22, 55 and 105 kilometre cruise through the South Mount Lofty Ranges. The first event was very successful and we had a good time.....

Motor Neurone Decease Assoc "Walk to D-Feet MND" October 12th We catered for about 100 participants and provided marshals

Relay For Life October 26th: Cooked breakfast for about 300 participants Tri State Games November 10 -14th

Ian Elston picked up the batten and ran with it when I bailed out to go glamming in Borneo. Special thanks Ian and everyone that chipped in as it is for a great cause. For your effort we raised about \$3500.

Christmas Catering: We catered for two events:

The Murraylands Multicultural Network Christmas function.....we cooked for about 200 at Sturt Reserve.....

Community Lifestyles: Christmas function...... provided our cooking expertise for about 150.

Swap Meet: Sunday February 15th Another very successful club event. John Whimpress kindly guided us through the process. Raising approximately \$8000 Murray Bridge River Trail Fun Run Catering: Sunday March 29th 2015: Another healthy BBQ for this great event. Around 300 entrants and continues to

Mrs Edwards Grave: Our committee has continued with this project. At the moment we are looking to discussed with a local stonemason. Would like this project to continue. It did pose the question "What happened to Mr Edwards?" IPads for the Elderly: Have committee and board approval to invest \$2,000 in this project. Looking to work with Mid Murray Council on a dollar for dollar basis. Currently waiting on a response that is a little slow in coming.

RSL Anzac Day Breakfast: Supported RSL with this 100 year remembrance event through cooking a breakfast for the attendees. \$400 profit, \$200 to RSL and \$200 to Legacy Murraylands.

Mobility Scooters (Gophers) safety Flags Kevin Prosser:

The program of fitting safety flags to gophers in the Murray Bridge and surroundings areas has continued with the financial support of the RAA. During the past year an additional 21 flags have been fitted to mobility scooters .The owners/riders of these gophers are always very thankful to receive these safety flags. We also give out a leaflet on safe riding of Mobility Scooters as well as the promotional leaflet of our own Rotary Club. A few of the flags are replacement flags due to flags having been damaged by accidents or by damage by vandals who break of the flag."



Multicultural barbeque



Brenton Lewis









Swap Meet



Dave Mellen, Jerry Wilson, Jim Meaney

Gary Frazer took on the job as **VOCATIONAL SERVICE** director leading a strong committee through a useful year, reporting;

"Guess Who's Coming to Lunch, Sun, 17th August 2014: We changed the format to a Sunday lunch which was well received. We had 52 attendees

including the 6 hosts dining during the afternoon. Thanks to Trevor Curtis for overseeing this.

Vocational Month meeting, Tues 21st October 2014: We travelled to Bowhill by bus, driven by Jenny Phillip's husband Peter who kindly donated his time. There, we enjoyed a meal supplied by the Bowhill Progress Association at the tennis club before visiting Bowhill Engineering. We had 23 members and 5 guests attend, and were hosted by Jeremy Hawkes and his father Brendon who showed us around their manufacturing business, giving us an insight to their ideals and methods.

Annual Business Dinner, Tue, 28th October 2014: In conjunction with Darryl Webb and the RDA Murraylands we co-hosted the Annual Business Dinner with guest speakers; Neville Haywood of Rossi Boots, Glen & Tracy Hill of Coorong Wild Seafood, and John Burgess of accountants Murray Nankivell. Thanks to Darryl for organising the meeting and David Mellen for chairing it.

District Assembly, Sun, 29th March 2015: Our Committee mainly helped with the tea, coffee & nibbles for the patrons on Arrival, Morning Tea, and Lunch. A special thanks to Bev Curtis for her efforts with organizing the biscuits, cakes etc. and also with her extra help on the day.

Murraylands Careers Expo, Fri, 8th May 2015: We set up a site with brochures from both the District & Jenny Phillips, Rotary Banners & the Rotary Wheel. Jenny Phillips arranged for past RANZE Students; Jessie McDiarmid, Lucy Vanson & Lucinda Howell to help and an "Interested List" was kept on the several students who showed interest in our Rotary Programs.

Long Lunch – Rump 'n' Red, Sun, 17th April 2015: Again we changed the format to enjoy the fellowship of a Sunday Lunch with an informal feel. We had 50 attendees who enjoyed 3 courses and drinks near the river at the Aquatics centre."

Unusually, Vocational took on the roles of monitoring attendance, set-up and membership, Gary noting the help of David Mellen and Malcolm Blight with attendance and Trevor Curtis and Malcolm Blight with set-up. Mark Huddleston from District spoke at a meeting on "Membership & Rotarian Needs".



Bowhill visit



Long lunch: Frazer family



Gary Frazer



The ladies



Bruce Frazer, Robin LeGallez, Brenton Klemm, John Whimpress



Robin Wilson, Rhonda & Robin LeGallez, Dave Mellen



Dave Mellen



Jenny Phillips led the **INTERNATIONAL SERVICE** committee. Although it appears that long term exchange is a thing of the past the committee has been able to apply resources in other areas as Jenny was able to report.

1. **Short Term Exchange**: (Rotary Australia/New Zealand Student Exchange - (RANZSE)

"The Rotary Club of Murray Bridge can be proud of its involvement with the RANZSE program. All our participants in past years have benefited from the exchange experience and a number of them have gone on to be school leaders, studying at university and gaining employment. In 2015 we are sponsoring Jack Weibrecht from Nildottie, Abbey Barrett from Parrakie and are hosting their New Zealand matches Kieran McCauley from Christchurch and Xanthe Moore from Auckland. This is a very successful program where the hosting lies with the student's family and our Club provides a mentor for the students. This program is cost effective for families and the student is away for only three months of the school year."

Support for Overseas Projects: -

International Youth Interactive Friendship Camp in Shanghai – "In conjunction with the Australia/China Friendship Society (SA Branch), the Rotary Club of Murray Bridge sponsored two Year 12 students from Murray Bridge High School to the Shanghai International Youth Interactive Friendship Camp in July 2014. Kalimna Roe-Simmons and Rachel Anderson acquitted

themselves well and gave their presentation to the Rotary Club on 12th August. In July 2015 we will again be sponsoring two students from Murray Bridge High School to attend the Shanghai Friendship Camp. Given that there are only 5 available places Australia wide for students, we are indeed very fortunate to have two of those five places."

Educating students in underprivileged circumstances:

- "Our club will continue sponsoring four young children under the **BaliCare** Education program.
- We have an ongoing commitment to sponsoring a student at the **School of St Jude**. For a number of years we have sponsored Magdalena who is now in Form 4 and will complete her secondary education in two years' time. The International Committee has just finalized details to sponsor a second student at the School of St. Jude. Rogers Charles Mwambashi is 9 years old and is studying in Standard 2 at the Sisia Lower Primary Campus.
- We also have an ongoing commitment to a RAWCS project "Education in Indonesia" whereby we sponsor a student's education.

New Projects:

- We had an extremely successful High Tea on Sunday 9th November to raise funds for the Hamlin Fistula Organisation in Ethiopia. Over 60 people attended our function at Rainforest Retreat and \$1500 was raised. With an additional \$300 from Club funds this was enough to provide three operations to repair the fistula damage caused by obstructed childbirth......
- The "Helping Hands" project to assemble mechanical hands for people who have lost hands through landmine explosions in Cambodia and Sri Lanka was a rewarding 2 hours. Being able to meet and work with members of the Rotary Club of Adelaide on this project was a great opportunity. Our thanks to Sam Cozens for organizing this day".
- Mental Health Day "Wear a Hat" Our Club participated in this project at our meeting on November 4th and funds were raised for the Australian Rotary Health Foundation.

Foundation Night which was held at the home of President Graham and his wife Judith provided us with a lovely social setting and an opportunity to raise funds for the Rotary Foundation. The auction of two bottles of Halley's Comet port created much interest. This auction prompted our committee member, Kevin Prosser, to extend the Halley's Comet interest and on May 26th we had a very successful meeting with a large number of guests to hear Joe Grida from the South Australian Astronomical Society talk to us about comets. Members and guests were asked to pay a bit more for their meal, but with a number of raffle prizes and tasting of the famous Halley's Comet port we were able to raise even more funds for the Rotary Foundation."

During the year past exchange student Emile Melgaard visited the club.







Helping hands win award











Foundation night: Kathy Webb, Bev Curtis, Jan Blight, Jack Reddin, Graham Coventry & Jill Reddin







Coventry with daughter Carolyn
Stephens and Kaitlin Piggott,
members of the Rotary Club of Hyde Park

Emile Melgaard



At the June club assembly Michael Bagshaw reported on the activities of his RALY committee.

"I think it is safe to say we came home with a wet sail after a slow start to the Rotary year. The only disappointment was that we were unsuccessful in securing candidates for RYPEN and RYLA. I have said before that for a club of our size we should be filling spots for both of these programs each year. This responsibility sits with the club as a whole I believe and not just the RALY committee......

During the year our committee provided funds to various groups including the Callington Primary School for a trip to Canberra and as a result we had three students come and talk to the club about this trip. We also provided funds to the Murray Bridge Scout Group to assist with travel expenses for their Jamboree. **Going Bush** was held again this year for the 14th time and it was an extremely successful trip. This year we didn't travel as far and went to two sites, one just out of Quorn and the other just out of Yunta. Part of the rationale was for these two sites was that you don't really need what I would call a "proper 4WD" and hopefully this will encourage other Rotarians to come along in future years. The weather was great and the children were also very good and everyone had a great time. Rotarians David Altmann, Ian Elston, Michael Bagshaw and Jim Stocker attended along with Kath Stocker and Jim's cousin and her partner and last but not least Stephen Walker and his son Alex and daughter Sarah, Steve did by the far the lion's share of the organising for Going Bush and it wouldn't have been such a success without his efforts.

The other program was our trip to **Calperum** Station just North of Renmark, this was very successful and had enormous flow on effects as I will outline shortly. We only got the green light from the high school nine days before the trip happened and all things considered it went very well. This trip was for the SRC reps and Prefects from MBHS and was a **leadership/citizenship camp**. We spent three days at Calperum where various self-development activities were undertaken as well as looking at various aspects of Calperum Station itself. Christine Willersdorf was instrumental in setting the agenda in regard to the personal growth activities for the students and did a great job. Jack Reddin was the primary driver for us to go and look at Calperum. Rotarians Christine Willersdorf, David Price, Jack Reddin, Michael Bagshaw and Roxanne Rowland attended the camp.

The spinoff has been the reinvigoration of the **Interact Club** at the high school thanks to John Scarvelis who has been the driver of this process. The students from Calperum have formed the nucleus of the Interact Club and the pleasing thing is that they range from Years 8 - 12, so hopefully Interact has succession planning as result.

I would also like to thank Helen Peake who has attended many of our meetings as has Roxanne Rowland (who is not on our committee). Having Helen and Roxanne on board gives a very direct link back to the high school. We have also had numerous meetings with the Principal of MBHS and he is also very supportive of what we do."









John Whimpress and his CLUB SERVICE committee maintained most of the usual club necessities. Repeat offenders Sam Cozens again served as Secretary, (and at District level with the District Conference committee as well as representing Rotary on Migrant Resource Centre SA), Brenton Nicholson was again Treasurer, Jenny Alexander-Walters was again Bulletin officer, Peter MacCulloch was again Program officer. Robin LeGallez handled the IT responsibilities of the club with the help of Ron Jericho. The club is indeed fortunate to have such people serve for so long in such roles. Ron Jericho and David Mellen also served on District committees and John Scarvelis represented Rotary on the Ican project and on the Multicultural Network. Marion Schulz (formerly Rackebrandt) chaired the Calendar committee which produced yet

another very profitable project. On the down side public relations received minimal attention.

The Christmas party at the racecourse and Christmas breakfast at the home of John and Bev Scarvelis were as always popular occasions.



Brenton Nicholson

Jenny & Rob

















Jerry Wilson

Lisa Cheso

Pres Graham & Patrick Secker

President Graham in his end of year comments reviewed the club's activities was very happy with the efforts of members over the year, commenting "What an amazing year the Rotary Club of Murray Bridge has had. All of the members of this club should be very proud of their achievements in this Rotary year. As a relative new member to the club I am continually amazed at the work ethic and the dedication of the members of this Rotary club..... I praise the whole club and every member for any little thing they have done in this year to get the job done - the club has definitely helped to 'Light Up Rotary'."





Ian Elston & Graham Coventry







Ron Jericho





Peter MacCulloch, Darryl Webb, Graham Coventry

Steve & Alisia Walker



A solid year was topped off at a happy gathering at the Racing Club for the Changeover Dinner. Paul Harris Fellowships were presented to Jack Reddin, Phil Westover, Don McLean and Peter MacCulloch, and a Sapphire Pin to Jim Mason.





Jack Reddin & Graham Coventry



Barb Elston & Roxanne Rowland



Bev Curtis, Jim Cundy, Rob Walters



Bruce &Ruth Frazer, Bev Scarvelis, Natalie Hay

2015-16 PRESIDENT: JOHN WHIMPRESS



RI PRESIDENT: K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran

THEME: Be a Gift to the World DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Dick Wilson

WORLD: Malcolm Turnbull replaces Tony Abbott, Rise of Donald Trump,

radical Islam,



Correctional services officer John Whimpress captured the attention of members with his enthusiasm from the time of his induction at the changeover dinner held at the racing club. There was quite a bit of movement in membership but the club ended the year with 56 members.



Board

In August past- president Fred Heddle passed away aged 104. Fred had long since left the district but was a significant contributor to the community while a long serving doctor at Bridge Clinic, receiving many accolades including a Medal of the Order of Australia, Commander of the Order of St John, Australia Day Citizen of the Year for Murray Bridge and a Paul Harris Fellowship. His missing

year book was discovered by the family and given to the club, enabling an update to the history of his presidential year which is produced in Appendix 1 of this volume. Also during the year Paul Harris Fellow Amilda Stead passed away aged



Jan Colwell

NEW FACE FOR ROTARY

THE Rotary Club of Murray Bridge recently welcomed Jan Colwell as a new member A former resident of Callington, Jan is a retired teacher now residing in Murray Bridge. **President John Whimpress** inducted Jan before the members and appointed her to the community service committee of the club Numerous projects have been carried out by this committee over the years as a service to the Murray **Bridge community**



New face: Lesley Murray is the newest member of the Rotary Club of Murray Bridge.

Rotary welcomes teacher

LESLEY Murray was recently inducted as a member of the Rotary Club of Murray Bridge.

Introduced by sponsor Rob Smyth, she was inducted by president John Whimpress at a regular meeting of the club.

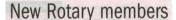
regular meeting of the club.

Lesley currently teaches at Murray Bridge North Primary School, prior to which she held appointments at Meningie, Coomandook and Geranium.

Ms Murray will join the Rotary club's community committee which has carried out numerous projects such as tree plantings, kerbside numbering, reserve development, assistance to local charities and organisations, assisting the aged and emergency accommodation for youth.

Much of the club's base fundraising is done through the committee, including such projects as the swap meet as well as a range of catering activities.

catering activities.



THE Rotary Club of Murray Bridge has welcomed new members Simon
and Lyn Sickerdick.

The pair, who are the proprietors of Managed
Insurance Solttions, were
industed by president John
Whimpress at a recent meeting of the club.

The committee to be the committee which is deficated to service
to local youth.

The committee concentrates on projects which are
for the advancement of
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youth such as the Interact
Club at the high school, leadership programs such as
RYPEN, music bursaries
and the Going Bush with
Rotary project.

It stems from Rotary's
belief that the active promotion of good citizenship, personal health, world under-



PRESIDENT of the Murray Bridge Rotary Club John Whimpress was pleased to induct Annette Korzeba as a new member at a recent meeting.

Ms Korzeba will hold the classification of Commu-nity Service and has been appointed to the Rotary Assisting Local Youth (RALY) committee of the club. RALY is a committee dedicated to servicing the

local youth.

They concentrate on projects which are for the advancement of local youth such as the Interact Club at the high school, various a new DVD leadership programs, music bursaries and the Going source Centre.

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The Murraylands Mig. The Surgery of the Mighest Street in Mu belief that the active promotion of good clitizenship, personal health, world understanding, vocational choices and communication will positively influence the youth of today who are the



Recently the Mu Bridge Rotary club don a new DVD reader to Murraylands Migrant



Jenny Phillips

Jenny Phillips chaired the CLUB SERVICE committee and in her annual report thanked the various contributors to the essential functions of the club, particularly Sam Cozens as Secretary and Brenton Nicholson as Treasurer. Jenny Alexander-Walters continued with her outstanding work as Bulletin officer, as did Peter MacCulloch with the Program.

Jim Cundy and his committee conducted another very profitable **CASH CALENDAR** project which was a sellout.

The Rotary ART SHOW was held in March and was generally considered to be the best in quality since its inception, helped by the professionalism of the Regional Gallery staff as well as the quality of the art. Stalwarts Andrew Hay

(Chair), Ron Jericho and Robin LeGallez joined with Mobilong members to run a very successful event.





Andrew Hay & Wendy Gaborit

Rhonda & Robin LeGallez



Judge Sally Foster, Sue Foster & Jane Mason





Kerry Wilson

Jane Mason

Other contributors to club service included Ron Jericho, Robin LeGallez, Jim Cundy and Jenny Alexander-Walters who looked after internet matters including the web page and social media. This area of the club seems to be gaining

increasing importance as a means of communication and information. In addition "The introduction of the Google Calendar and its ability to be added to smartphones will be a valuable tool provided it is regularly updated by directors who have an event to promote." Jim Mason looked after the print media as Public Relations Officer and promoted merchandise such as car stickers.

During the year the club became involved in a project at the Monarto Zoo which took the place of the failed Zoo Ibana Project.. The project is to build a large aviary in order for the zoo to house the endangered **mallee emu wren**. Jack Reddin initiated the project and Rob Walters, Sam & Liz Cozens, Gordon Schultz and a range of helpers commenced the work which will continue in to the new Rotary year.

David Price ran the **RALY/Youth** committee in his inimitable way and reported a very busy year.

1. "INTERACT: The Club now has nine students and they have a number of projects in the pipeline. Kerry Wilson is preparing Rotary and INTERACT logos on rugby tops for the new members. As last year's fund raiser was an international project, it was decided that the focus this time, would be on a local community issue, namely domestic violence awareness, which will involve the Long Riders, thanks to the support of Duncan Emmins.funds raised will go to Silent Ripples. Another event in the early planning stage is a Spelling Bee competition night, with funds raised to support Teen Challenge. The final event for the year will be a bbq tea for Headspace, at the MB Sailing Club. Rotary will assist, and the students expect to receive \$150 for their efforts."

CALPERUM: The club also again ran a three day youth leadership camp at Calperum Station near Renmark. The station forms part of the Renmark Biosphere Reserve, a declared critical habitat for species conservation managed by the Australian Landscape Trust. Trip leader, Rotarian Jack Reddin, was happy to report that all went well. "We had 12 students on board including representatives from each of years 8 to 12 form the Murray Bridge High School, so all up it was a good mix. Calperum was ideal for our purposes with a large dormitory for the students and accompanying adults" he said.

The group visited McCormick House, a wetlands information/interpretative centre, "where we were all regaled to and very entertainingly engaged by a man specialising in bats. We travelled to Oak Bore at the top end of Calperum accompanied by John and Hazel Chappell, former school teachers at Murray Bridge High School, who gave us a heads up on the pathway that Calperum is taking. The group was also given a tour of the bush tucker garden being developed on the property. On the way home we visited the Palmer Sculpture Biennial which we thought might not interest the students but nothing could be further from the truth!" Jack reported.

Rotarian Christine Willersdorf (assisted by her daughter Samara) facilitated the leadership course which was always well attended. On the last night the group was entertained by a concert put on by the students. Rotarian Roxanne Rowland was outstanding with her catering and the supporting adults included Rotarians Lesley Murray, Robin LeGallez and Jim Mason together with Rhonda LeGallez and Vicki Mason.

The GOING BUSH project was also run again and received a boost with the award of the Premier's Service Club Award in the youth category. The award was presented to the club at a presentation night held by the Association of Service Club Organisations which administers the awards. "The most recent trip was completed in the last school holidays when Steve Walker and fellow Rotarians David Altmann, Jim Stocker, Michael Bagshaw, Ian Elston and Gordon Schultz together with Alecia Walker and Kath Stocker and family members again visited stations in the Flinders Ranges. The group visited Warren Gorge near Quorn and Old Oulnina station near Yunta over a week of camping, touring and experiencing various aspects of the outback.

RYPEN: Seven students attended this year's program and "gave an excellent presentation to the Club, with family in attendance. RALY has been advised that a total of forty two participated in the camp, making our involvement a great outcome. Lyn Sickerdick is to be thanked for her efforts in organizing and preparation".

- 2. **CAREER EXPO**: This was an excellent opportunity to showcase the Club's programs with youth. In attendance were Lesley Murray, Jenny Phillips, John Scarvelis and David Price, assisted by three past RANZSE students. Many brochures were handed out and several students left contact details, indicating their interest in RANZSE or Calperum. PowerPoint presentations continually displayed RANZSE, Calperum and Going Bush activities."
- 3. **MUSIC BURSARY**: "Jenny Alexander-Walters has a very promising Year 9 student who would greatly benefit from more advanced music lessons and the Board has accepted the committee's recommendation to contribute \$1500 towards his tuition."
- 4. **YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES:** "Selected Year 10 students will be involved in a 10 week course, extending over a twelve month period, and conducted on TAFE Campus, to develop life skills and other character building attributes."

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE director Patrick Secker reported a successful result for the Hat Day fundraiser and a pleasant night for the **Foundation night** in February at Frazer's landing, now hosted by Rob & Kerrie Frazer. Assistant Governor Sue Piggott spoke on Rotary Foundation matters.

Kirsty Piggott was selected for the Short Term Youth Exchange to New Zealand.

• Patrick also reported that "We continue to support 2 students at St Jude's school in Tanzania and we can be proud of our efforts. One of the students is nearing the completion of her studies and I would support the club further sponsoring another student soon. We also support 2 students in the BaliCare program in Indonesia for a very small cost and could look at expanding our efforts there.

At the last Board meeting it was agreed to expand our funding of the Shanghai International Peace conference for youth from 2 students to 3 students. I believe we are the only Rotary Club in Australia to do this. We subsidise their air fares by about one third and the Chinese government pays for their costs in China." The students, Kai Martin and Luke Prentice, later spoke to the club.

Director Darryl Webb reported on a busy year for the **VOCATIONAL SERVICE** committee:

"Guess Who's Coming to Lunch Sunday October 25th - A successful long lunch at member homes. Excellent food and fellowship with 28 Attendees. Vocational visits: - The vocational visit to local business Miegel Bros. was a great opportunity to generate awareness and understanding of local businesses. In March the club visited the Metropolitan Fire Service Murray Bridge depot where Adrian Puust and his team provided members with an excellent overview of the Murray Bridge facility.

Rotary and RDA Business Dinner: Around 115 Rotarians and business people attended our annual dinner. Presentations were mad on behalf of the pending SA Motorsport Park and regional businesses Aussie Apricots and Tough-As.

RYLA: We had three successful applicants in Emma Carter, Phea-Jae Gauge and Brittany Jolly who attended RYLA. Attendees provided a presentation to the club in October.

Mrs Edwards Grave: A long term project to renovate, using funding leverage, the grave of one of Murray Bridge founders. RCMB has now embraced the concept. Lions, Historic Group and Murray Bridge High School involved. IPads for the Elderly: A project in conjunction with Mid Murray Council and Murray Mallee Aged Care to provide regional training in the more remote areas of the Murraylands. A need has been established in Lameroo.

Fun Run BBQ Sunday April 17th: Was a similar format to previous years but this year combined with Regional Masters Games.

Long Lunch: May 29th 2016: Had 42 book for this event at the Murray Bridge Studio Gallery. I believe the afternoon was a great success with excellent food and conversation with a slight bohemian touch. Thanks also to Nanna for her home made apple pies."

COMMUNITY SERVICE director Steve Walker led his team on a merry dance of the catering circuit, raising considerable funds for the club.

In his final report President John said "This year as a Rotary club we have achieved so much not only for our own youth and community, but also for other projects in poorer countries and I confident we achieved this year's theme of 'Be a gift to the world". He presented Paul Harris Fellowships to Gordon Schultz, community worker Eunice Ashton and Liz Cozens, and a Sapphire Pin to Sam Cozens at the changeover dinner. Sam and Robin LeGallez were also presented with Sapphire Pins at the District changeover.

Appendix 1

FRED HEDDLE

In August 2015 Past President(1966/67) **Fred Heddle** died aged **104.** His year book was believed to have been lost but shortly after his death his family found it and sent it to the club. Accordingly the records for his year have been expanded with the use of the year book and are produced in the following pages.



1966 - 1967 PRESIDENT: FRED HEDDLE

RI PRESIDENT: Richard L Evans THEME: A Better World Through Rotary District Governor: Fergus Ballantyne



INTERNATIONAL SERVICE committee director Roy Robinson reported

"a rather frustrating year, in spite of a wide range of effort by the committee. Response to contacts with Matched Clubs overseas was nil.

Asian Students Scholarship: in spite of repeated requests no details are available of the student selected.

Asian Nurses training Scheme: this was not proceeded with, as the facilities for such a scheme are not adequate in the local hospital.

Community Aid Abroad: an attempt to form a local committee in association with other groups was dropped.

The Exchange Apprentice scheme was abandoned when no applications for the scheme were received in New Zealand for the scheme.

The Documentary Film on Murray Bridge, designed for local and overseas showing, was found to be too costly for any possible benefits.

On the brighter side was a successful Barn Dance at Reg Pearson's, and the annual Asian Students weekend, although regarding the latter, a comment in the *Asian Singapore News* deplores the lack of interest by students!"

COMMUNITY SERVICE director Tom Nolan reported that his committee had "served very well. There had been no progress on the Lookout project because of the lack of a title to the land.

The golf day resulted in\$100 to Legacy.

Proceeds from the wishing well were donated to the Retarded Children's Association.

The major club project was the assistance to the rowing club in the erection of their clubrooms.

DBNS – Rotary assisted in the door-knock appeal which raised \$800. 16 Rotarians assisted.

The Crippled Children's appeal, sponsored by the Junior Red Cross, raised \$86.

Attendance by Rotarians at the Bicycle Check was disappointing.

CLUB SERVICE director Ron Bryson reported as follows;

"4 ladies nights have been held with reasonable success.

Classifications have been completely reviewed during the year, and a number of modifications made.

Magazine & RDU: Interest has increased over the year with frequent club reviews on magazine contents.

The attendance officer has made his separate report. The Song leader has introduced his new Club Song Book. And arranged tape recordings to accompany the singing when necessary.

Programmes have maintained a high standard. Public Relations have been maintained consistently. The Bulletin officer has instituted a number of improvements in format and presentation. The Catering Officer has attended to his duties with diligence.

The Sergeant-at-Arms has provided a real contribution to the entertainment of the meetings, and has contributed to club funds as a result. Rotary information has been a significant part of each meeting."

VOCATIONAL SERVICE Director Gill Williams noted with regret the death of Col Sutton on 1st October 1966 and reported as follows;

"The "Are your affairs in order" leaflet has still been available during the year, and 43 copies were sent to the District Governor.

A job survey was conducted in October, showing permanent vacancies and a number of temporary jobs available. 11 vacancies were filled as a result of the survey.

The Christmas stocking raffle held early in resulted in a total of \$53.48 towards the General Project.

The Rotary Award, which is given annually at the Murray Bridge High School was won this year by Beverley Graetz.

A Vocational Guidance pamphlet has been compiled and 1,000 copies given to Rtn Don McDonald for high school use.

A 'Guide Posts for Running a Small Business' pamphlet was received from Prospect Club. There has been some delay in dealing with this, and the committee has recommended to the new committee that a follow up be made.

4-Way Test plaques have been distributed to new members during the year. A number of Rotary Tea programmes of a vocational nature, and also some vocational spots have been arranged with considerable success."

Appendix 2

Boards

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	1954/55	1955/56	1956/57	1957/58
President	Frank Hambidge	Ned Dutton	Harry Beauchamp	Frank Male
Secretary	Frank Male	Frank Male	Bill Sinclair	Bill Sinclair
Treasurer	Jack Whitehead	Jack McDonald	Jack McDonald	Gordon Sando
Imm/Past President	-	Frank Hambidge	Ned Dutton	Harry Beauchamp
Vice President	Ned Dutton	Jock Bellis/Harry Beauchamp	Frank Male	Alf Nicolai
Club Service	Ned Dutton	Jock Bellis/Harry Beauchamp	Frank Male	Alf Nicolai
International	Ron Bryson	Harry Beauchamp/Vin Gent	Ken Hocking	Cec Bail
Vocational	Jock Bellis	Ron Bryson	Vin Gent	Jack Homburg
Community	Harry Beauchamp	Bill Sinclair	Alf Nicolai	Ken Hocking
	1958/59	1959/60	1960/61	1961/62
President	Alf Nicolai	Bill Sinclair	Cec Bail	Gordon Sando/Bill Sinclair
Secretary	Noel Neumann	Noel Neumann	Allan Campbell	Allan Campbell/Ian Moore
Treasurer	Gordon Sando	Gordon Sando	Laurie Smyth	Laurie Smyth/ Noel Neumann
Imm/Past President	Frank Male	Alf Nicolai	Bill Sinclair	Cec Bail
Vice President	Bill Sinclair	Cec Bail	Gordon Sando	Noel Neumann/Laurie Smyth
Club Service	Bill Sinclair	Cec Bail	Gordon Sando	Noel Neumann/Laurie Smyth
International	Don Mackie	Frank Butcher	Frank Butcher	Ron Garwood
Vocational	Cec Bail	Bill Rodgers/Col Sutton	Alan Smyth	Frank Hussey
Community	Jack Homburg	Don Mackie/Jack Whitehead	Reg Pearson	Lin Brandon

	1962/63	1963/64	1964/65	1965/66
President	Laurie Smyth	Lin Brandon	John Moran	Rollo Kuchel
Secretary	Ian Moore/John Moran	John Moran	Jack Clarke	Jack Clarke
Treasurer	Noel Neumann	David Sheppard	David Sheppard	David Sheppard
Imm Past President	Bill Sinclair	Laurie Smyth	Lin Brandon	John Moran
Vice President	Lin Brandon	Rollo Kuchel	Rollo Kuchel	Fred Heddle
Club Service	Lin Brandon	Rollo Kuchel	Rollo Kuchel	Fred Heddle
International	Alan Smyth	Col Sutton	Lin Sims	Ern Grose
Vocational	Ron Garwood	Fred Heddle	Ern Grose	Tom Nolan
Community	Alf Laslett	Frank Hussey	Fred Heddle	Norm Page

	1966/67	1967/68	1968/69	1969/70
President	Fred Heddle	Laurie Smyth	Tom Nolan	Jack Homburg
Secretary	Ken Beaton	Ken Beaton	Ken Beaton	Lin Brandon
Treasurer	Horton Riebeling	Horton Riebeling	Horton Riebeling	John Mattner
Imm Past President	Rollo Kuchel	Fred Heddle	Laurie Smyth	Tom Nolan
Vice President	Jack Clarke/Ron Bryson	Tom Nolan	Jack Homburg	Roy Robinson
Club Service	Jack Clarke/Ron Bryson	Tom Nolan	Jack Homburg	Roy Robinson
International	Roy Robinson	Gill Williams	Frank Cooke	Bruce Frazer
Vocational	Gill Williams	Reg Pearson/Jack Homburg	Newton Miller	Norm McKenzie
Community	Tom Nolan	Roy Robinson	Bruce Frazer	Max Schubert

	1970/71	1971/72	1972/73	1973/74
President	Roy Robinson	Bruce Frazer	Horton Riebeling	Ken Ind
Secretary	Lin Brandon	John Mattner	John Mattner	Norm McKenzie
Treasurer	John Mattner	Norm Phillips	Ian Offe	Ian Offe
Imm Past President	Jack Homburg	Roy Robinson	Bruce Frazer	Horton Riebeling
Vice President	Bruce Frazer	Ken Beaton	Ken Ind	Ken Beaton
Club Service	Bruce Frazer	Ken Beaton	Ken Ind	Ken Beaton
International	Jan Postema	Max Schubert	Andrew Jolly	Cedric Foster
Vocational	Ken Ind	Bob Mason	Bob Eckermann	Chris Dutton
Community	Norm McKenzie	Ken Ind	Graeme Hobbs	Bob Eckermann

	1974/75	1975/76	1976/77	1977/78
President	Ken Beaton	Norm McKenzie	Chris Dutton	Des Lilley
Secretary	Rob Webbe	Rob Webbe/Barry Faulkner	Barry Faulkner	Barry Faulkner
Treasurer	Trevor Tregoweth	Trevor Tregoweth	Trevor Tregoweth	Ken Ind
Imm Past President	Ken Ind	Ken Beaton	Norm McKenzie	Chris Dutton
Vice President	Norm McKenzie	Chris Dutton	Des Lilley	John Crane
Club Service	Norm McKenzie	Chris Dutton	Des Lilley	John Crane
International	Chris Dutton	Des Lilley	John Crane	Bob Eckermann
Vocational	Dick Mason	John Crane	John Harrison	David Price
Community	Des Lilley	Lloyd Pearson	David Price	John Harrison

	1978/79	1979/80	1980/81	1981/82
President	John Crane	Barry Faulkner	Trevor Tregoweth	John Vanstone
Secretary	John Vanstone	John Vanstone	John Harrison	John Harrison
Treasurer	Ken Ind	Mike Fogarty	Mike Fogarty	Mike Fogarty
Imm Past President	Des Lilley	John Crane	Barry Faulkner	Trevor Tregoweth
Vice President	Barry Faulkner	Trevor Tregoweth	John Vanstone	Paul Proeve
Club Service	Barry Faulkner	Trevor Tregoweth	John Vanstone	Paul Proeve
International	David Price	Graeme Marshall	Paul Proeve	Max Canala
Vocational	Malcolm Blight	Paul Proeve	Eddie Dutton	Colin Nott/Peter Homburg
Community	Doug Brine	Laurie Cutting	Geoff Pearson	Geoff Pearson

	1982/83	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86
President	Paul Proeve	David Price	Malcolm Blight	Bob Cowham
Secretary	Ivan Winter	Ivan Winter	Mike Homburg	Mike Homburg
Treasurer	Ron Jericho	Ron Jericho	Ron Jericho	Mike Fogarty
Imm Past President	John Vanstone	Paul Proeve	David Price	Malcolm Blight
Vice President	David Price	Malcolm Blight	Bob Cowham	Ivan Winter
Club Service	David Price	Malcolm Blight	Bob Cowham	Ivan Winter
International	Malcolm Blight	Bob Cowham	Andrew Hay	Doug Brine
Vocational	Bob Cowham	Brenton Lewis	Gary Fischer	Ron Lehmann
Community	Brenton Lewis	John Grivell	Ivan Winter	Andrew Hay

	1986/87	1987/88	1988/89	1989/90
President	Ivan Winter	Andrew Hay	Ron Jericho	Peter Martin
Secretary	Graham Peake	Graham Peake	Graham Peake	Craig Hooper
Treasurer	Mike Fogarty	Mike Fogarty	Ivan Winter	Ivan Winter
Imm Past President	Bob Cowham	Ivan Winter	Andrew Hay	Ron Jericho
Vice President	Andrew Hay	Ron Jericho	Peter Martin	Andrew Hay
Club Service	Andrew Hay	Ron Jericho	Peter Martin	Reg Hutchinson
International	Peter Walker	Reg Hutchinson	Ron Lehmann	Murray Jarvis
Vocational	Kevin Prosser	Robert Schwerdt	Doug Brine	Chris Dennis
Community	Ron Jericho	Peter Martin	Ray Strauss	Gary Fischer

	1990/91	1991/92	1992/93	1993/94
President	Reg Hutchinson	Ray Strauss	Gary Fischer	Kevin Prosser
Secretary	Darryl Webb	Darryl Webb	David Mellen	Craig Hooper
Treasurer	Rick Dewhirst	Rick Dewhirst	Ron Jericho	Ron Jericho
Imm Past President	Andrew Hay (PP)	Reg Hutchinson	Ray Strauss	Gary Fischer
Vice President	Bruce Frazer	Malcolm Blight	Ivan Winter	Ray Strauss
Club Service	Ray Strauss	Gary Fischer	Kevin Prosser	David Mellen
International	John Scarvelis	Kevin Prosser	Craig Hooper	Darryl Webb
Vocational	David Mellen	Craig Hooper	Allan Gogel	Ron Lehmann
Community	Robert Ytsma	Ron Lehmann	Darryl Webb	Brenton Klemm

	1994/95	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98
President	David Mellen	Darryl Webb	Brenton Lewis	Ray Strauss
Secretary	Brenton Klemm	Brian Thomson	Brian Thomson	Graham Peake
Treasurer	Ron Jericho	Ron Jericho	Ron Jericho	Ron Jericho
Imm Past President	Kevin Prosser	David Mellen	Darryl Webb	Brenton Lewis
Vice President	Gary Fischer	David Price	Peter MacCulloch	Andrew Hay
Club Service	Craig Hooper	Brenton Lewis	Peter MacCulloch	Brian Thomson
International	Brian Thomson	Ray Strauss	Brenton Klemm	Jerry Wilson
Vocational	Peter MacCulloch	Brenton Klemm	Gary Frazer	Tom Haig
Community	Dick Smith	Wayne Richards	Wayne Richards	Jack Reddin

	1998/99	1999/2000	2000/01	2001/02
President	Brian Thomson	Jerry Wilson	Jim Mason	Murray Jarvis
Secretary	Graham Peake	Andrew Scott	Andrew Scott	Gordon Schultz
Treasurer	Ron Jericho	Dean Shakes	Dean Shakes	Dean Shakes
Imm Past President	Ray Strauss	Brian Thomson	Jerry Wilson	Jim Mason
Vice President	Malcolm Blight	David Mellen	Darryl Webb	Gary Fischer
Club Service	Jerry Wilson	Jim Mason	Murray Jarvis	Ron Lehmann
International	Jim Mason	Brenton Whitehead	Marc Colwell	Greg Wilson
Vocational	David Mellen	Darryl Webb	Graham Peake	Brian Foster
Community	Jack Reddin	Marc Colwell	Brenton Whitehead	Jack Reddin/Dick Smith

	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06
President	Ron Lehmann	Brian Foster	Trevor Curtis	Gary Frazer
Secretary	Gordon Schultz	Jim Mason	Jim Mason	Jim Mason
Treasurer	Brenton Nicholson	Brenton Nicholson	Brenton Nicholson	Brenton Nicholson
Imm Past President	Murray Jarvis	Ron Lehmann	Brian Foster	Trevor Curtis
Vice President	Ivan Winter	Darryl Webb	Andrew Hay	David Mellen
Club Service	Brian Foster	Trevor Curtis	Gary Frazer	John Scarvelis
International	Trevor Curtis	Phil Westover	Sam Cozens	Sam Cozens
Vocational	Peter MacCulloch	Gary Frazer	Phil Westover	John Whimpress
Community	Bruce Pearson	Bruce Pearson	John Whimpress	Darryl Webb
RALY	John Scarvelis	John Scarvelis	John Scarvelis	Wayne Richards

	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
President	John Scarvelis	Wayne Richards	Sam Cozens	Peter MacCulloch
Secretary	Jim Mason	Jim Mason	Jerry Wilson	Jerry Wilson
Treasurer	Brenton Nicholson	Brenton Nicholson	Brenton Nicholson	Brenton Nicholson
Imm Past President	Gary Frazer	John Scarvelis	Wayne Richards	Sam Cozens
Vice President	Ron Jericho	Ron Lehmann	Gary Frazer	Darryl Webb
Club Service	Wayne Richards	Sam Cozens	Peter MacCulloch	Philip Westover
International	Ian Elston	Ian Elston	John Whimpress	Christine Jarvis
Vocational	Don McLean	Don McLean	Darryl Webb	Robin LeGallez
Community	Sam Cozens	Peter MacCulloch	Christine Jarvis	John Whimpress
RALY	Robin LeGallez	Robin LeGallez	Barb Elston	Don McLean

	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
President	Philip Westover	Robin LeGallez	Don McLean	Jack Reddin
Secretary	Jerry Wilson	Sam Cozens	Sam Cozens	Sam Cozens
Treasurer	Brenton Nicholson	Brenton Nicholson	Brenton Nicholson	Brenton Nicholson
Imm Past President	Peter MacCulloch	Philip Westover	Robin LeGallez	Don McLean
Vice President	Brian Foster	Jim Mason	Jim Mason	John Scarvelis
Club Service	Robin LeGallez	Don McLean	Jack Reddin	Graham Coventry
International	Christine Jarvis	Trevor Curtis	Steve Walker	Jenny Phillips
Vocational	Marg Whitehead	John Whimpress	Ian Elston	Ian Elston
Community	John Whimpress	Jack Reddin	Michael Bagshaw	John Whimpress
RALY	Don McLean	Steve Walker	Barb Elston	Steve Walker
Youth Service				Barb Elston
Membership				Jerry Wilson
	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18
President	Graham Coventry	John Whimpress	Jenny Phillips	
Secretary	Sam Cozens	Sam Cozens	J Alexander- Walters	
Treasurer	Brenton Nicholson	Brenton Nicholson	Brenton Nicholson	
Imm Past President	Jack Reddin	Graham Coventry	John Whimpress	
Vice President	John Scarvelis	Robin LeGallez		
Club Service	John Whimpress	Jenny Phillips	Stephen Walker	
International	Jenny Phillips	Patrick Secker		
Vocational	Gary Frazer	Darryl Webb		
Community	Darryl Webb	Stephen Walker		
RALY	Michael Bagshaw	David Price		

	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
President				
Secretary				
Treasurer				
Imm Past President				
Vice President				
Club Service				
International				
Vocational				
Community				
RALY				

	2022/23	2023/24
	2022/23	2023/24
President		
Secretary		
Treasurer		
Imm Past		
President		
Vice President		
Club Service		
International		
Vocational		
Community		
RALY		

APPENDIX 2

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

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1977	Bill Sinclair
1981	Laurie Smyth
1982	Harry Beauchamp
1983	Fred Heddle
1983	Laurie Christian
1986	Ken Hocking
1987	Ken Ind
1987	Bruce Frazer
1987	Bob Murdoch
1987	Tom Nolan
1988	Paul Proeve
1988	Amilda Stead
1988	Ray Stead
1989	Andrew Hay
1991	Ron Jericho
1991	Ivan Winter
1992	Malcolm Blight
1992	David Price
1993	Judy Beauchamp
1994	Doug Brine
1994	Del Christian
1995	Gary Fischer
1996	Dot Smyth
1997	Ron Lehman
1997	Kevin Prosser
1997	Toni Robinson
1997	Ray Strauss
1998	Brenton Lewis
1999	Gwen Proeve
2001	David Mellen

2002	Graham Peake
2002	Helen Peake
2003	Murray Jarvis
2004	Darryl Webb
2005	Ruth Frazer
2005	Jim Mason
2005	Graham Coventry (Casterton club)
2006	John Scarvelis
2007	Jerry Wilson
2007	Brian Foster
2008	Brian Thomson
2008	Trevor Curtis
2008	Beverley Curtis
2009	Natalie Hay
2009	Sabine Jericho
2009	Vicki Mason
2009	Sue Foster
2009	Jenny Phillips (Tailem Bend club)
2010	Peter Rischbieth
2010	Wayne Richards
2011	Allan Gogel
2011	Sam Cozens
2012	Allan Arbon
2012	John Whimpress
2012	Brenton Nicholson
2014	Robin LeGallez
2014	Gary Frazer
2014	Roxanne Rowland
2015	Jack Reddin
2015	Phil Westover
2015	Don McLean
2015	Peter MacCulloch
2016	Gordon Schultz
2016	Elizabeth Cozens
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PAUL HARRIS FELLOWSHIP - SAPPHIRE PIN

2004 Judy Beauchamp 2008 Harry Beauchamp (2) 2013 David Mellen 2014 Kevin Prosser 2014 Bruce Frazer 2015 Jim Mason 2016 Sam Cozens 2016 Sam Cozens (District) Robin LeGallez (District) 2016

AVENUES OF SERVICE CITATION

2000 Harry Beauchamp
2004 Ron Jericho
2005 Bruce Frazer
2006 Andrew Hay
2012 Kevin Prosser
2013 David Mellen

ROTARY CENTENARY AWARD

2004 Ivan Winter

ROTARY PRIDE OF WORKMANSHIP AWARD

2014 Jill Coombe