ROTARY CLUB of North Balwyn

DISTRICT 980



CLUB REPORT 1988 - 89

"PUT LIFE INTO ROTARY - YOUR LIFE"
R.I. PRESIDENT - ROYCE ABBEY

ROTARY CLUB OF NORTH BALWYN INC

1988/89

NINTH ANNUAL REPORT

OFFICE BEARERS

President
President Elect
Vice President
Immediate Past President
Secretary
Treasurer

David Cheney Tom Wing Young P.P. Geoff Steinicke P.P. John Robson Ron Carnell David Stockman

DIRECTORS

Club Service Community Service Fellowship International Service Vocational Service Youth Service Fund Raising lan Lucas Murray Carr Peter Cook P.P. John Robson Tony McLean John Magor Greg Matthews

CHAIRMEN

Attendance
Grapevine Editor
Rotary Information
Public Relations
Sergeant At Arms
Program
Membership/Membership Development/Classification
On to Conference
Almoner
Rotary Foundation
Club History
Honorary Auditor
Exchange Student Counsellors

Ron Carnell John Thwaites Rob Head John Mollison P.P. Gregory Ross Gerry Spencer P.P. John Reddish Tom Wing Young Don Haycraft P.P. Geoff Steinicke P.P. John Etkins Ron Phillips John McBride (Jacyl Shaw) P.P. John Robson (Shelley Wright) Clive Hughes (Carina Wilkes) P.P. Paul Fitz (Adri Zaniol)

DISTRICT 980 REPRESENTATION

Group Study Exchange Committee P.P. Paul Fitz (Chariman)

District Governor's Representative P.P. John Robson

Rotary Foundation Committee P.P. Gregory Ross

Youth Services Committee P.P. John Reddish (V. Chairman)

Rotary Youth Leadership Award Committee P.P. Geoff Steinicke

Rotaract Committee and Impact Clubs P.P. David Goldsmith

Youth Art Exchange Committee Ron Phillips (Chairman)

RYLA Seminar Committee John Magor (Chairman)

District Conference Master of Ceremonies P.P. Gregory Ross

DISTRICT GOVERNOR

P.P. David Wills

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S GROUP REPRESENTATIVE

P.P. John Walmsley

DISTRICT 980 CONFERENCE AWARDS

Tennis Trophy P.P. Gregory Ross

Bulletin - High Achievement John Thwaites

PAUL HARRIS FELLOW

1989 P.P. Geoff Clark

P.P. Paul Fitz David Stockman

PRIOR P.P. Gregory Ross *

P.P. John Etkins P.P. David Goldsmith P.P. John Reddish P.P. Kevin Maunder P.P. Stan Hibbert Ron Carnell

Elizabeth Roy J.D. (Jack) Harris Duncan McKenzie Keith Glover *

(* Presented by other clubs)

PAST PRESIDENTS

Stan Hibbert (Charter) Geoff Clark John Etkins Kevin Maunder John Reddish Paul Fitz Geoff Steinicke John Robson		1980-81 1981-82 1982-83 1983-84 1984-85 1985-86 1986-87 1987-88
	PAST VICE PRESIDENTS	
Paul Fitz Stan Hibbert David Goldsmith Geoff Clark John Reddish		1983-84 1984-85 1985-86 1986-87 1987-88
	PAST SERGEANTS AT ARMS	
Paul Fitz (Charter) Mervyn Lewis Bernie Smith John Robson Marcel Muntwyler Ralph Lee lan Collins Roger Benallack		1980-81 1981-82 1982-83 1983-84 1984-85 1985-86 1986-87 1987-88
	PAST GRAPEVINE EDITORS	
Rob Essery (Charter) Ken Proposch John Etkins Paul Fitz John Etkins Peter Kagan Ron Phillips Stan Hibbert		1980-81 1981-82 1982-83 1983-84 1984-85 1985-86 1986-87 1987-88
	PAST SECRETARIES	
Bill Kneale (Charter) Kevin Maunder Ron Carnell		1980-81 1981-82 1982-88
	PAST TREASURERS	
John Robson (Charter) Arthur Dawson Geoff Perdriau Alan Anderson		1980-81 1981-84 1984-87 1987-88

PRESIDENTS REPORT

It is my pleasant duty to present to the members, the Annual Report of the Rotary Club of North Balwyn for the year ended 30th June, 1989.

In this, our club's Ninth Year, the Rotary International President, District 980's own Royce Abbey had as his theme "Put Life into Rotary - Your Life". I believe that our Club as a whole, and the vast majority of our members, can look back on the year as one in which this aim was accepted and fulfilled.

In the pages which follow, you will read the reports of each of the year's directors and chairmen, covering in detail the activities of each of the club's committees. I commend them to you.

At the start of the year, I challenged the club to accept and meet ten goals, along the lines of the challenges made by R.I. President Royce to all his 1988/89 Club Presidents. I can report to our members that the intent of each of them was achieved, with the sole exception of the Foundation Bequest programme - a programme that has been promoted only in recent weeks within our club.

In making this report, I shall devote a few words to each of the main centres of activity of the club. If some areas are overlooked, I offer my apologies.

The Club suffered in the previous year, its first year of negative growth, having had a year of few inductions, but a greater than normal number of retirements. This year saw a complete reversal, with some 15 inductions, and a loss of four, resulting in club members reaching 71 for the first time.

In a year in which R.I. generally has struggled to maintain numbers, it reflects great credit on our Membership Chariman, John Reddish, and committee members Fred Pike and Tom Wing Young. Congratulations on an outstanding record.

Fund Raising had another very active year, with Chariman Gregor Matthews leading an enthusiastic "hole-in-one" committee to another great result, and having the Camberwell Council offer us a 5 year agreement. Planning the third event is well under way.

One of the main areas I perceived as needing improvement was in club communications. A well informed club is more likely to end up as an enthusiastic and active club. Our club Grapevine Editor, John Thwaites has made an enormous contribution in this field and I have been pleased to see his efforts rewarded by the District, as well being named as recipient of this year's Presidents Award. Thanks, John and Annette for a truly outstanding year.

In an attempt to improve club administration, we formed an Administration Committee, under Chariman Ron Carnell. This committee has worked well and greatly contributed to the smoothness and efficiency of the roles of secretary, treasurer, attendance records, dinner fee collections, and minutes secretary.

The Administration Committee also spearheaded the upgrading of our club by-laws, to make them more relevant to the way in which our club is operated.

This year will also be remembered as the one in which we became Incorporated, and thus members liability, financially, is limited to unpaid subscriptions under Victorian State Company law.

Fellowship, always a vital ingredient in the morale of the club, had an active year, with most functions well attended. Particularly successful were the Safari dinner, the gaming night and the New Year's Eve party.

Community Service saw a continuance of past successful projects, including Cash-a-Can, the health survey, the Salvation Army door knock, the Yooralla School art show, blood doning and the Boroondara fete involvement.

International service had a most active year with involvement in hosting the Austrian G.S.E. team, farewelling our outgoing ladies team including our own nominee Amanda Dawkins, presenting three (3) Paul Harris Fellowships, Max Hunter's FAIM (RAWCS) volunteer period in the Solomon Islands, and the conducting of the Christmas Raffle.

The Youth Committee, always a very busy group, had it's usual Youth Exchanges (Carina Wilkes out and Adriana Zaniol inwards), Rotaract meeting attendances, and this year, the added responsibility for the running of the District RYLA Seminar at Mt. Evelyn in April/May.

Vocational Service, with the normal job talks, put a good deal of time into its involvement in the organization of the Doncaster area Youth Careers Week, a project we hope will become an annual event.

The annual aero modellers display was another great success, and continues to be a regular source of both fund raising and fellowship for members and their families.

The club received many favourable comments from visiting Rotarians about the way in which we conduct our meetings; the standard of our speakers; the variety of our programmes and the generally enthusiastic feeling that exists. In these regards, I pay special tribute to Club Service Chairman Ian Lucas and his program committee of Gerry Spencer and Ralph Lee.

With the influx of new members, "fireside" meetings were conducted for new members and their wives, ably chaired by Geoff Steinicke in association with Rob Head and Ian Lucas.

Before leaving the Club Service area, I must express my personal appreciation for the effort put in by Gregory Ross as our Sargeant-At-Arms. His opening poem, whilst not always flattering, got each meeting off to a great start, and set the tone for many an enjoyable night.

The club continued to be influential in District 980 affairs, with seven of our members being active on District committees. It would be remiss of me not to mention the contributions of Paul Fitz as GSE Chairman, John Magor as Ryla Seminar Chairman, John Robson as DG Rep., Greg Ross as Conference Master of Ceremonies, John Reddish in Student Exchange, Geoff Steinicke on the RYLA Committee, David Goldsmith on the Rotaract Committee, and Greg Ross on the Rotary Foundation Committee.

Our attendance at the District Conference in Adelaide was again excellent, with a few newer members making their first appearances. To Tom Wing Young goes my thanks for his arrangements at the Conference and in the lead up to it at Renmark.

No commentary on the year would be complete without reference to the "Great Sex Debate". That there was such a debate was of my choosing, in the firmly held belief that it was necessary. The outcome was fairly, but not totally decisive. Given similar circumstances, I would make the same decision.

To my board, may I express my sincere thanks for their contribution to the policy formulation and execution. Many hours of hard work are put in by them in discharging the obligations they undertake when accepting their portfolios. Their rewards, however, tend to be commensurate with their input.

On a lighter note, may I acknowledge that the board was a lively one, and I leave the chair a good deal older and wiser as a result of their constant readiness to offer helpful suggestions.

To V.P. Geoff, my thanks for standing in during my forced absences from club dinners. I always knew the club was in the most capable hands.

To all the members of our club, I cannot say what this past year has meant to me. To be given the honour of being your President for twelve months was to have a truly unforgettable experience.

Words cannot express the feeling one gets when standing before our club on a regular basis. There truly is a unique sense of enthusiasm and vibrance peculiar to North Balwyn Rotary that one would find difficult to duplicate elsewhere. Tom will, in a very short while, know to what I refer. Good luck, Tom. I know you will have a great year, including the celebration of our Tenth Anniversary.

As a final paragraph, but a factor of which I have been very conscious during the year, may I publicly thank Jan for giving me her full support, backing and encouragement. I am convinced that without the total committment of their wives, club Presidents would have very tough year. Thanks, again Jan.

David Cheney PRESIDENT



BOARD OF DIRECTORS 1988/89

L-R: John Magor, Tom Wing Young, Peter Cook, Greg Matthews, David Cheney, Murray Carr, Ron Carnell, Tony McLean, Geoff Steinicke, John Robson. Absent: lan Lucas, David Stockman.



KEEPING THE ALMONER BUSY.



NEW YEAR EVE PREPARATION - THE MAGIC TOUCH.

CLUB SERVICE

Director : Ian Lucas

Programme : Gerry Spencer, Ralph Lee

Sergeant : Gregory Ross
Grapevine Editor : John Thwaites
Rotary Information : Rob Head
Public Relations : John Mollison

Unlike most Committees in the Club the Club Service Committee comprises of a team of specialists, each member making his own contribution to the smooth running of the Club in his nominated role. Therefore, although the Committee held occasional meetings throughout the year, it was found quite practical for each member to work directly within the Club to provide the specific service as may be required.

Meetings and Venue

Attendance at meetings fluctuated from the low 40's to our highest on record of 180 at our ninth club birthday party.

Ladies nights, special events like our Melbourne Cup Race Meeting, the Wine Auction, away nights at other Clubs and Venues, Lawn Bowls, a Working Bee at Marwal Ave plus the breakfast meeting at incoming Club Service Director Greg Matthews' home all added that little bit extra that is so typical of our Club.

The fare and facilities of our meeting venue continued to fluctuate throughout the year but these minor variations became insignificant against the background of the interesting meetings and the Clubs' atmosphere of good fellowship.

Programme

Our programme, under the capable direction of Gerry Spencer and Ralph Lee, provided a varied, well balanced mix of interesting speakers, visits to adjoining clubs and industry inspections at members' company establishments. In addition, we were treated to interesting and entertaining auto-biographies from many of our newer members.

Ladies nights, with attendance approaching 100 became the order of the day and the Club had its second Ladies Chaired Meeting.

To refresh your memories of some of the more memorable speakers at the Club we heard from sporting identities Ian Meckiff, Bobby Skilton, Stephen Icke and Jane Lock, community interest speakers on guide dogs, special schools, mature age umemployed, Vietnamese immigrants and children with cancer plus general interest speakers on scuba diving, computer applications, company securities and the architectual niceties behind the design of the new Parliament House.

Sergeant

What can be said about the fine job Greg Ross did for our Club this year? His poetic skills encouraged us to forget about our business problems and ensured a positive start to every meeting, not to mention his mathematical acrobatics during the many entertaining fines sessions.

Assistant Sergeant Rob Head took over the Sergeant's role when Greg was unable to be with us for a few months and was ably assisted by would-be-sergeants Peter, Murray, Glen, Clive and (marathonman) Terry.

Grapevine

John Thwaites was our quiet achiever as editor of our informative Grapevine. Plenty of in-club information, presidential messages and gossip as well as accurate, progressive listing of duty rosters and meeting reports. Anyone who has attempted this role at the club knows what a relentless job it is. Thanks John.

Rotary Information

Rob Head carried out this job in his usual efficient manner with timely contributions in the grapevine and informative fireside meetings to introduce our influx of new members to the lesser known aspects of Rotary.

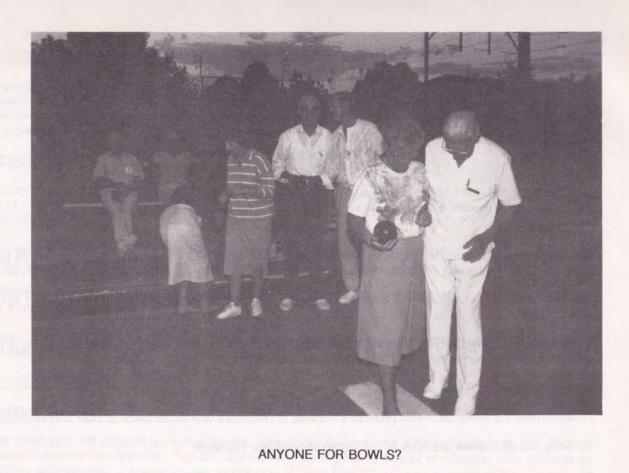
Public Relations

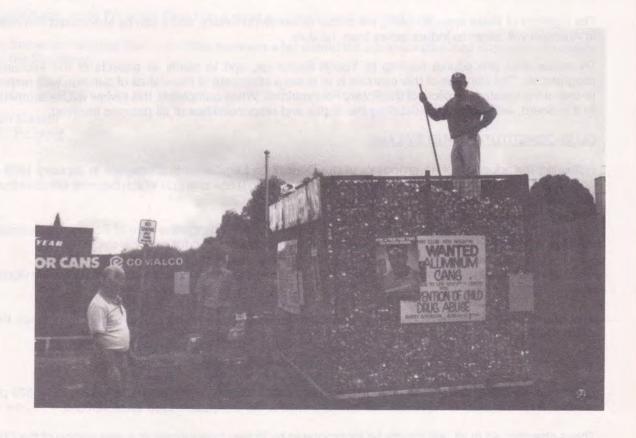
John Mollison contributed with his specialist skills to the success of our several fund raising activities and generally ensured that the Rotary image was well represented in the media.

Summary

To sum up I would like to thank all members of my committee for their support throughout the year and for a job well done. I also wish to acknowledge the support through the year of other Club members and particularly those who helped us with recommendations for speakers and venues for vocational visits. Finally to Greg Matthews, our incoming Club Service Director, all the best for your year, I'm sure you will find it busy but rewarding.

Ian Lucas / Club Service Director





MORE CANS THAN YOU CAN POKE A STICK AT.

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Ron Carnell David Stockman John McBride Geoff Perdriau Ken Proposch Chairman (Secretary) Treasurer

ADMINISTRATION

This committee has been a successful innovation in the current year, improving the efficiency of club administration by the use of three members to assist the Secretary and the Treasurer in their duties.

The administration work-load has been increased by the build-up in membership from 31 to 71 in the past 9 years.

Since being chartered on 8th May 1980, the club has induced 80 new members, and lost 40 for a net gain of 40 and a membership of 71 at 30th June, 1989.

COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

To streamline administration and provide a nucleus of members with experience of club administration.

To carry out all normal activities of the Secretary and the Treasurer.

To review club by-laws which have now been amended to incorporate a number of changes recommended by this committee. A reprint of these by-laws will not be possible until after 1st July when the amendments approved by the Council on Legislation in Singapore in January 1989 are confirmed.

The highlight of these changes being the matter of women in Rotary, and it can be anticipated that clubs in Australia will begin to induct ladies from 1st July.

To review club procedures relating to Yough Exchange, and to clarify all aspects of the exchange programme. The purpose of this exercise is to make a statement of the wishes of our club with respect to one of the greatest projects of the Rotary Foundations. When completed, this review will be submitted to the Board, with guidelines detailing the duties and responsibilities of all persons involved.

CLUB CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Following the adoption of 41 proposals at the Council on Legislation in Singapore in January 1989, a new Club Constitution will shortly be available incorporating these changes which become effective from 1st July.

Of these, several are worthy of comment: The one which will change the face of Rotary is Enactment 89-54 which removes the word "male" from the general qualification for membership.

Enactment 89-5 will permit clubs to cancel up to two meetings each Rotary year for reasons previously unspecified.

Enactment 89-32 will allow a member's classification to be based either on his own activity or on that of his employer.

Enactment 89-39 will allow a club to retain a member who loses his classification.

Enactment 89-89 will provide for an increase in per capita dues paid by clubs from US\$20 to US\$29 per annum. This increase of A\$12 p.a. will cause a substantial increase in club subscriptions.

These changes, 41 in all, will shortly be incorporated by Rotary International in a new edition of the Club Constitution and, where necessary, our club will amend our By-Laws.

ATTENDANCE

Average attendance for the year was 85% for 11th position among the 62 clubs in District 980. Best month was February 1989 with 94% for top position in the District, and good figures for make-ups. Our performance depends very much on the make-ups. When they are high we perform well. It was very gratifying to see that 15 of our members achieved 100% attendance for the year.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership will be 71 at the end of June after inducting 15 new members and losing 4 for a net gain of 11. Three of our losses were due to moves out of the area so we have contained our losses very well this year.

Nineteen of the original 31 charter members were still in the club, and the 100th member was welcomed when Ian Tulloch was inducted in February last.

David Robertson became the youngest member (28 years) in May, and helped to lower the average age by 4 months to 52 years.

David Goldsmith was the only member to achieve Senior Active Membership in this year when he attained 15 years in Rotary. Congratulations David.

THE COMING YEAR - 1989/90

President Elect Tom Wing Young will lead the club into its Tenth Year when he takes over on 1st July.

The tenth year will present us with a golden opportunity to nominate a Past President to the office of District Governor for 1991/92. Ten of our members are eligible to accept nomination, and it would be a fitting achievement in a special year to put one of them forward.

SUMMARY

Congratulations to President David on a most successful and eventful year.

My thanks to the other four committee members who shared the administrative load and made life easier for the Secretary.

Ron Carnell SECRETARY

TREASURERS' REPORT 1989/1990

1. ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT

This account started the year with a balance of \$2355.63.

RECEIPTS	Estimate 89/90	Actual to 31-5-89	Comparision 87/88
Meals and Functions		35,839.00	28,090.00
Fines	720.00	664.00	659.00
Copper Pot (A.R.H.R.F)		287.00	269.00
Entrance Fees	125.00	225.00	20.00
Subscriptions	6,820.00	6,850.00	6,432.00
Donations			
Bank Interest	350.00	287.00	285.00
Badges, Pins etc.		27.00	56.00
Wine Auction			766.00
Safari Dinner Profit		18.00	181.00
PAYMENTS			
Copper Pot 87/88 (A.R.H.R.F)		296.00	
Meals and Functions		34,979.55	27,655.00
G/Vine Printing	1,000.00	1,275.00	722.00
G/Vine Postage	750.00	805.00	593.00
R.I. Capitation Fee	1,900.00	1,571.00	1,717.00
District Fees	850.00	826.00	682.00
Rotary Down Under	1,100.00	516.50	992.00
Rotary Publications	150.00	146.00	270.00
Badges, Pins etc.	550.00	508.00	489.00
Secretary and Stationary	350.00	832.00	338.00
Insurance	450.00	432.00	386.00
Gifts Guest Speaker	200.00	281.00	56.00
Flowers	300.00	140.10	135.50
President Expenses	300.00	200.00	130.00
Federal Tax on Debits	50.00	45.00	42.00

2. SERVICE ACCOUNT

This account started the year with a balance of \$4,072.87.

RECEIPTS	ACTUAL at 31-5-89	Comparision 88/89
Aeromodellers	3,715.00	5,685.00
Christmas Stocking	4,214.00	3,128.00
Profit from sale of Cans	3,000.00	4,200.00
Profit from Hole in One	13,766.00	16,787.00
PAYMENTS		
Exchange Students	1,084.00	1,710.00
Blood Pressure and Diabetes	1,710.00	814.00
R.Y.L.A.	782.58	
Federal Tax	31.10	46.00
Rotary Foundation	2,254.00	1,500.00
Guest and Student meals	775.00	980.00
Life Education Centre	6,250.00	2,940.00
F.A.I.M.	500.00	
R.Y.P.E.N.	120.00	100.00
Peter McCallum Hospital	1,500.00	

David Stockman TREASURER

Membership Development/Classification

Committee Report 1988-89

Committee:

John Reddish (Chairman)

Fred Pike

Tom Wing Young

- It is very pleasing to report that during this Rotary year, our Club has achieved a record increase in Membership, which by the induction of 15 new members by the end of June, 89, will show a nett increase of 11 members, bringing our total membership to 71.
- During this year 4 members left the club:
 - Alan Anderson
 - 2. Bruce Dore
 - 3. Don Pilgrim
 - Vince Caputi
- During this year 15 members were inducted into the club:
 - 1. Vince Caputi
 - 2. Maurice Ellis
 - 3. John Rennie
 - 4. lan Tulloch
 - Anthony Stokes
 - Peter Courtney
 - Bob McCann
 - 8. David Leonard
 - 9. Bob Ballantyne
 - 10. David Morris
 - 11. David Robertson
 - 12. Ron Ritter
 - 13. Peter Cairns
 - 14. ian Richardson
 - 15. George Selkrig
- Our Committee acknowledges the great support we have received from those club members who are willing to share Rotary, and who have proposed this record number of new members to our club. We also congraulate those responsible for creating the tremendous environment of Service and Fellowship existing in our club, for this is the basis of Membership growth.

John Reddish Membership Chairman

YOUTH SERVICE COMMITTEE

Youth Exchange

Adriana Zaniol is our incoming student and has been very well received by the club. Her hosts to-date have been the Matthews and the Spencers who are to be followed by the Mollisons, the Fynmores and the Keyhoes. Her counsellor is Paul Fitz.

We have Carina Wilkes as our outgoing student who, from reports, appears to be enjoying her exchange to Sortland, Norway.

Seventeen applicants were received for the outgoing student for January 1990 with Chris Rush being the successful candidate.

R.Y.L.A.

Nick Karlas represented the club at the Ryla Camp in March/April at the Mount Evelyn Recreation Camp.

In addition, the club had the responsibility of being the host club involving some input into the camp organisation, the opening ceremony and arranging the Bush Dance on the Saturday night. The Bush Dance was well supported by our club and appeared to be a success.

R.Y.P.E.N.

Kelly Smith and Jenny Stucky from Year 10 at Greythorn High School appreciated the opportunity of attending the camp.

Summer Science School

Unfortunately, Michael Hurley, who was nominated by the club, was not one of only fourteen successful candidates who came from our district.

Youth Debate

The final between M.L.C. and Marcellin conducted at Marwal Ave., resulted in M.L.C. being successful. Arrangements for the forthcoming year have not been made owing to the relevant schools being involved in their own inter-school debating competition.

Vern McConchie Award and Peer Support

Unfortunately little progress was made with these two projects.

ROTARACT REPORT 1988/89

Under President Kathryn Donkin, the Rotaract Club of North Balwyn undertook an ambitious programme of social and community service and were supportive of Rotary activities, particularly the "Hole In One" event.

At District level, the club was well represented at all functions and training courses. David McKewen was appointed to the position of District Representative.

During the last quarter, a membership drive was commenced in an endeavour to increase membership from 25 to around 35 members.

Preliminary work has commenced to seek incorporation of the club under the Associations Incorporation Act 1981.



EXCHANGE STUDENT ADRI ZANIOL FROM BRAZIL.



FAREWELL, CARINA - OFF TO NORWAY

CLUB REPORT 1988-89

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

John Robson - Chairman

John Etkins John Moyle Geoff Steinicke David Willshire Bill Kneale Ron Phillips

ROTARY FOUNDATION

The club enjoyed hosting the Austrian Group Study Exchange Team for 3 days in May, 1989. Six host families looked after the team, and messrs. Moyle, Carnell and Hunter provided transport.

Vocational visits were organised for the team members, but it was obvious that greater communication with the team prior to departure for Australia should have taken place so that the particular interests of the team members could have been catered for better.

A team of young ladies was chosen to undertake a group study exchange visit to Austria, and our Club was delighted to have one of our nominees, Amanda Dawkins, selected in the team.

An application for a Rotary Foundation Scholarship has been received from Cathy Italiano, and it is being processed at the time of this report.

This committee organised the Christmas raffle for the club, and a profit in excess of \$4,000 result. A grant of \$3,000 from the profit was made to the Rotary Foundation, and this contributed greatly to the awarding of three Paul Harris Fellowships to Club Members.

We congratulate the three worthy recipients, Messrs. Fitz, Stockman and Clark.

INTERNATIONAL HOUSE

Due to a change in timing, two Cafe International functions were held during the year, and our club was well represented on each occasion.

John Etkins attempted to organise week-end home hosting of an overseas student from International House. The female student was entertained by John and Johnnie Etkins, and she also attended a Club meeting, and the barbecue held at the conclusion of the hole-in-one golf project.

R.A.W.C.S.

One of the real highlights of the year was to have Max Hunter, and a non-Rotarian friend, volunteer to spend two weeks in the Solomon Islands.

The volunteer team erected a school room for a Primary School and on his return to the club, Max gave a wonderful talk detailing the experiences that he had enjoyed. Congratulations on a job well done, Max.

WORLD UNDERSTANDING

We organised, as guest speaker, a visit to the club by the first Vietnamese elected to Local Government in Victoria. It was a great opportunity to hear of the problems experienced by the Vietnamese community in assimilating into our community.

A dine-out was organised at an Indian Restaurant owned by one of our members, Om Pahuja. Our members were encouraged to dress in traditional Indian clothes, with prizes offered to the three best dressed couples. The function proved to be a real fun night, and was greatly enjoyed by the 45 rotarians and friends present.

At Club Meetings Bill Kneale made brief acknowledgements to acknowledge, and inform Club Members of significant holidays taken throughout the world.

YOUTH ART EXCHANGE

It is disappointing to report that due to a lack of interest within the District, no exchanges took place.

If the project is to continue, it should revert back to a Club project, where it can be given the necessary attention by a Club Committee.

PEACE FORUM

It was pleasing to note that four of our members, Messrs. Carnell, Ross, Proposch and Walmsley were able to attend the two day Forum, which was held at the Hilton Hotel in Melbourne.

The Forum did not receive the overall support that it deserved from a Rotary point of view, but our support confirmed the excellent reputation that North Balwyn enjoys. It is recognised that our Club Fellowship is second to none, and our commitment to the Rotary movement and it's projects has been further enhanced this year.

On behalf of the Committee may I congratulate David Cheney on a great year as President, and thanks are extended to the Members for supporting our endeavours.

John B. Robson

FUND RAISING REPORT

Committee:

Gregory Matthews (Chairman)

Ron Arthur Don Haycraft Ron Liner John McBride Greg Ross Ron Roy Glen Walmsley

This year, the committee's function was to organise the Second Annual "Hole-In-One" competition.

Detailed planning commenced in January 1988, and I would like to thank Past President John Robson for allowing this committee to commence work during his year of office.

In the first six months period, all the committee were working on two committees before the really time consuming work on this project commenced in July 1988.

Many innovations were tried this year, but their success cannot easily be measured, as the weather was too good on the second weekend (a great contrast to the previous year). This, together with the Adelaide Grand Prix meant attendance was disappointing.

Taking into account all the above, the nett proceeds of \$13,600 was a pleasing result. As promised, a cheque for 50% of the proceeds being \$6,800 was presented to the Life Education Centre.

I would like to thank all the members and especially the committee together with David Cheney and John Mollison for the many hours of work they gave to this project. This event will become more important in our club and is an excellent medium with regard to public relations and fellowship.

Finally, I wish John Mollison and his committee, every success in the coming year.



THE AUSTRIAN G.S.E. TEAM AT PLAY



HOLE-IN-ONE CHAIRMAN GREG AND THE "FOUR ACES"



THE ANNUAL AEROMODELLERS DISPLAY

Vocational Service Committee

Committee Members:

T. McLean (Chairperson)

P. Cleary G. Foard

A. Jones

P. Kagan

M. Muntwyler

O. Pahuja

On behalf of my committee, I have pleasure in reporting on the following activities which were undertaken during the year:-

Careers Week (organised by School)

Community Development Programme

Doncaster - Templestowe Network

A successful Careers Week exhibition was held at Doncaster Shoppingtown from 1-6 May, 1989 assisted by North Balwyn Rotary Club. It was an excellent project for the committee from the point-of-view that members of the club and their wives were involved during the exhibition; it assisted the community in the subject of career guidance in a professional manner; and achieved recognition for Rotary with our logo on all letterheads and brochures.

Work Experience Programme

The groundwork has been laid for the above programme to be undertaken by students at Greythorn High School in July/August, 1989. A number of Rotarians have agreed to accept students on a work experience programme and questionnaires have now been prepared to obtain dates, type of work, location etc. Greythorn High is keen to participate.

Vocational Exchange

After an initial disappointment when the Rotary Club of Hornby in N.Z. decided not to continue with the nurse exchange with Box Hill Hospital, the project is back on course with the assistance of David Goldsmith who has arranged for the incoming President of the Rotary Club of Christchurch to follow up with the new Vocational Committee in 1989/90.

Ron Carr Entrepreneurial Award

This award is organised by Hawthorn Rotary Club and NBRC have expressed willingness to assist in its promotion. We had last years winner (Dr. Jack Massey) as a guest speaker during the year. Hawthorn Rotary Club have been delayed with the running of this years award but their intention is to be in contact with our incoming Vocational committee in July, 1989.

Site Visit

A visit was made during the year to the Salvation Army Anchorage in Abbotsford thanks to Arfon Jones. It was most educational for all concerned.

State Bank Young Australian Expo

The Committee distributed posters to local schools advertising this careers guidance expo, and our assistance has been requested againt his year.

Odyssey House

We received no specific request for assistance during the year although Bronwyn Smith has indicated she would like our assistance with job interview training later in the year.

Odyssey House

We received no specific request for assistance during the year although Bronwyn Smith has indicated she would like our assistance with job interview training later in the year.

Vocational Talks - "What's New In My Job"

These talks were initiated late in the year by Marcel Muntwyler.

I wish to thank the Committee for their assistance and support during the year.

Tony McLean

COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE

Committee Members: Murray Carr - Chairman

Roger Benallack Ian Collins Maurice Ellis Geoff Clark David Goldsmith Anthony Stokes Fred Pike

PROJECTS

EDAR FETE:

Once again we participated in this most worthwhile day and manned the Trash and Treasure stall along with the peanut butter machine.

SALVATION ARMY RED SHIELD APPEAL

The committee inherited the responsibility for running the Appeal for 1988 over a very wet July Sunday. Again in May 1989 the committee ran the collection which raised an amount of \$1,714 for the Salvos.

MARWAL AVE CLEAN UP

This annual event once again was well supported by all members of the club and achieved its goals in a few hours, where upon we embarked on one of the more enjoyable meetings of the year.

HEALTH CHECK WEEKEND

The Health check station was established in the car park adjacent to the shopping centre at the North Balwyn village on Doncaster Road. As in previous years the flow of people through the checks was moderate and discovered some who needed referrals to their medical practitioner.

YOORALLA ART SHOW

A group of members volunteered to assist with this annual function. Despite the very busy weekend on which the Art show was held, the club was well represented.

CASH A CAN

This most enjoyable social occassion which started out quite slowly, has this year developed well. As at the 6th May the total cans collected was 12539 kilograms, up 50% on the previous year. The profit recorded to that date was \$2,779.



NOT A PRETTY SIGHT AT BAROOGA



THE BAROOGA CROWD (FULLY CLOTHED)

FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT 1988-89

COMMITTEE Messrs P. Cook

B. Dore

D. Dovle

T. Keyhoe

I. Lele

B. McCann

B. Smith

G. Smith

J. Rennie

The enthusiasm and participation of members in a wide variety of functions was again evident in 1988-89.

During the year, five dinner meeting functions and ten weekend social events were held. An effort was made to keep the cost of functions down and while this limits the standard of some activities it does encourage participation by all members.

The hospitality extended to visitors at dinner meetings continues to be appreciated and the committee thanks everyone for ensuring that both new members and guests quickly feel part of our meetings.

Activities such as Can Collection, Hole-In-One, Aeromodellers, Art Show and Red Shield Appeal provide for further fellowship acitivites and enabled members to get to know each other better.

The committee extends their appreciation to the ladies for allowing the use of their home for many functions and for their enthusiasm in attending social functions.

My sincere thanks go to the members of the Committee who all played their part in organising functions during the year. Their ready acceptance of the tasks allocated was greatly appreciated.

FUNCTIONS HELD

July 23 - Bow Tie Casino Night

A gambling night held at the Cook's showed how members behave when given large sums of paper money to play with. One member won over \$22,000 while another owed the bank \$50,000. Fifty-four people had a great time with Black Jack, Roulette, Unders-overs and Two-up.

September 9-10 - Golf Weekend

Twenty couples spent the weekend at the Sportsman's Motor Inn, Barooga. Competition golf was played on Saturday and Sunday with a barbecue lunch and dinner on Saturday. The standard of golf varied and even the mug golfers enjoyed themselves.

September 22 - Grand Final Sweep

Don Haycraft was closest to picking the winning margin of the Mighty Hawks. Half the proceeds went to the club funds.

Calcutta Night

The traditional Melbourne Cup race function held as a meeting program raised \$232 for the club funds.

The sweep was won by Ken Proposch.

November 18 - Hole-In-One Barbecue

The whole club attended a barbecue at the conclusion of the successful Hole-in-One competition at the Camberwell Golf Club.

November 23 - Military Tattoo

The National Tennis Centre was the venue for the exciting display of army bands touring Australia as part of the Bicentenial Celebrations. Forty-two people attended.

December 11 - Pre-Xmas Party

Small attendance of eight couples at Banksia Park.

December 31 - New Years Eve Party

Forty-four people saw the new year in at David Cheney's home. A spit roast was skilfully cooked by Tom Wing Young.

January 31 - Theatre Night

Sixty-two people saw Greg Ross charm the girls in Man of La Mancha at the State Theatre. A great night enjoyed by all.

February 18 - Service Club's Race Day

Eight couples attended the Flemington Race Course for the Annual Australian Guineas Day organised by Melbourne North Rotary Club.

March 2 - Lawn Bowling Night

The Canterbury Bowling club provided the venue for the dinner meeting followed by lawn bowling under lights. Sixty-two members, wives and Rotaractors enjoyed a wonderful evening of fellowship with the Canterbury bowlers.

Our thanks for their tolerance, hospitality and excellent tuition.

April - Conference Month

Twenty couples journeyed to South Australia for the District Conference. A great week of fellowship.

May 4 - Birthday Dinner

Over 170 members and guests packed the Sentimental Bloke Bistro Room for our birthday celebrations. In a story telling competition Tony McLean demonstrated his keen sense of humour and public speaking ability to win the event from five other entrants.

May 13 - Safari Dinner

A record number of 86 visited 20 homes for main course and desserts after taking pre-dinner drinks at Ron Phillip's home.

Most couples managed to find their way out to Maurice Ellis's place at Templestowe for coffee and port.

Many thanks to those wives who provided their homes and prepared fine food.

June 1 - Wine Auction

A fund raising acitivity that is always popular and provides a great fellowship night. Thanks to those who donated the wines.

June 29 - Change-Over Night

Held at Argentis and always a feature of the Rotary year.

The formal occasion provides a great night of fellowship with entertainment from Greg Ross and Clive Hughes.

Peter Cook FELLOWSHIP DIRECTOR



STUDYING ROTARY AT RENMARK ON WAY TO THE ADELAIDE CONFERENCE



THE RENMARK WINNING FOURSOME

1989 DISTRICT 980 CONFERENCE

DATE AND VENUE - 27th-30th APRIL - ADELAIDE, S.A.

Five days prior to the Conference, 14 members plus wives relaxed at the Renmark Country Club. While the competition on the Golf Course was fierce, the Comraderie and fellowship after was superb.

A further 6 couples joined us in Adelaide, together with Adri Zaniol our exchange student, and our Rotary Foundation Scholar, Lisa Martin.

Conference M.C. Greg Ross was resplendent in his Naval Uniform, and did a great job.

The opening Buffet Dinner was chaotic, but it was a great opportunity to renew acquaintences with Rotarians from other Clubs in District 980.

Unfortunately, most of the speakers were not of high standard we normally expect at District Conferences.

However, our daily "Happy Hour", Friday Night's Dinner at "The Barn" Restaurant, visiting the Casino etc. made the Conference most worthwhile and enjoyable.

Next year's conference is in Canberra. To members who have never attended a conference, I urge you to make this a "must".

Tom Wing Young, On-to-Conference Chairman/President Elect.

CLUB PROGRAM - 1988/89

Meeting Date	Speaker	Subject	Chairman
7 July	John Morris & Peter Sumner	Guide Dogs	John Reddish
14 July	Club Forum		David Cheney
21 July	Glynn Beaton	Yooralla School	Peter Cook
28 July	Peter Leith	D.O.M.E.	Roger Benallack
24 Aug.	Terry Keyhoe & John Moyle	Biographies	Ron Arthur
11 Aug.	Greg Alpin	G.S.E - India	Paul Fitz
18 Aug.	Bob Thomas	Greeting Cards	Ian Collins (L)
25 Aug.	lan Lewis	Scuba Diving	John Moyle (S & D)
1 Sept.	Youth Debate		Greg Ross (L)
8 Sept.	Neville Howell	RYLA Seminar	John Magor
15 Sept.	John Zubrinich	Mining Industry	Russ Fynmore
22 Sept.	Graham Kingsland	Greythorn High	Geoff Steinicke
29 Sept.	Leanne Lambert	"Canteen"	Ralph Lee (L)
6 Oct.	Lisa Geary	Rotary Foundation Scholar	Rob Head
13 Oct.	Stephen Icke	Media Industry	John Mollison
20 Oct.	John Magor & Vince Caputi	Biographies	Murray Carr
27 Oct.	Melbourne Cup Night	e .	Terry Keyhoe (L)
3 Nov.	Jane Lock	Hole-in-One Dinner	Greg Matthews
10 Nov.	D.G David Wills	D.G Official Visit	David Cheney
17 Nov.	Major Alister Grey	Visit Anchorage	Arfon Jones (A)
24 Nov.	Dr. Jack Massey	Ron Carr Awardee	Peter Cleary
1 Dec.	Annual Elections/AGM.	*	David Cheney
8 Dec.	John Fowler	Parliament House	Clive Hughes

15 Dec.	Christmas Dinner	4	Ron Phillips (L)
22 Dec.	Breakfast Meeting	2.	David Cheney
29 Dec.	Away Dinner	Chadstone/ E. Malvern Rotary	- (A)
1 Jan.	Fellowship	Combined with	Geoff Steinicke
12 Jan.	Neil Marshall	Bulleen Rotary CFA - Combined with Kew East	- (A)
19 Jan.	Shelley Wright	Exchange Student	John Robson (L)
26 Jan.	Robert Canning	Visit to Containers Ltd	Gerry Spencer (A)
2 Feb.	Max Hunter	FAIM/RAWCS	David Willshire
9 Feb.	Jacyl Shaw	Exchange Student	John McBride (L)
16 Feb.	G Sang Neuyen	Vietnamese in Australia	John Etkins
23 Feb.	Bob Skilton	Football and the VFL	Stan Hibbert
2 Mar.	Bowls Night	Canterbury B.C.	David Cheney (A)
9 Mar.	Working Bee	Marwal Avenue	David Cheney (A)
16 Mar.	Charles Williams	N.C.S.C.	David Doyle
23 Mar.	Adri Zaniol	Exchange Student	Paul Fitz (L)
30 Mar.	Messrs Ellis/Rennie/Walmsley	Biographies	Imre Lele
6 April	Messrs Stokes & Courtney	Biographies	David Goldsmith
13 April	Ladies Chaired Meeting	Balloon Debate	Jan Cheney/Bev Hibbert (L)
20 April	Lucy Martin	Rotary Foundation Scholar	Geoff Steinicke
27 April	Judy Davey	Nat Gallery (At Ashburton Club)	- (A)
4 May	Birthday Night	Ladies GSE District Farewell	Ron Phillips (L)
11 May	lan Meckiff	Tour of Sth Africa	Bernie Smith
18 May	Austrian Team	Visiting GSE Team	Bill Kneale
25 May	Alan Castleman	Very Fast Train	Maurice Ellis
1 June	Wine Auction	9	Terry Keyhoe
8 June	Carol Bartlett	Using Your Solicitor	Tony McLean (L)

15 June Imre Lele Environment and Industry

22 June Andrew MacCallum China Today Gregor Matthews

29 June Changeover Dinner - Ralph Lee (L)

(L) = Ladies Night (S & D) = Sons and Daughters (A) = Away Dinner