

Some additional information was received from Eirene, our Guest Speaker on 16 July. One question which was put to her after the meeting was what Rotary means to her. She responded as follows:

*My association with the club has meant a great deal to me- largely because of the skills and friendships I have been able to make through the opportunities Rotary has given me. As a result of the RCNB's funding of my most recent Middle East trip, and of course our trip to Mongolia, I now have friends from all over Australia and a number in Mongolia. My association with a local, Melbournian club means that I am no longer just a Melbournian, but feel like a global citizen. It has also helped me to understand the value of generosity and hardwork in making things happen- although I only volunteered at 2 Grand Prix BBQ's, it made me feel like I was working to achieve a goal, and more importantly, made me feel a great sense of community. Overall, I have been able to learn and grow a lot as a young person, and my association with rotary has helped me (and I hope will continue to help me) become the person I want to be. I value the association greatly.*