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District Events

Alumni Registration - GSE & Youth Exchange Nov 04, 2013 - Jun 30, 2014

World Understanding Month Feb 01, 2014 - Feb 28, 2014

RYLA 2014 Feb 27, 2014 - Mar 02, 2014

Foundation Grant Seminar -Berwick Feb 28, 2014

Literacy month Mar 01, 2014 - Mar 31, 2014

DG Nominating Committee Meeting & Interviews Mar 01, 2014

TRF Committee Meeting Mar 02, 2014

GSE Team from D6600 Ohio arrives

Mar 06, 2014

Ride To Conference Mar 08, 2014 - Mar 14, 2014

Welcome Dinner for District 6600 Ohio GSE Team Safety Beach Sailing Club, Safety Beach Mar 11, 2014

District Conference, Bendigo 2014 Online Registration Link Mar 14, 2014 - Mar 16, 2014 12:00 PM

District Leadership Meeting, AGs and Chairs Mar 23, 2014

Orbost Fishing Weekend Mar 28, 2014 - Mar 30, 2014

School Term 1 Ends Mar 28, 2014

Presidential Citations 2013-14 Forms due with DG. Mar 31, 2014

Gippsland Golf Classic (Moe) Yallourn Heights Mar 31, 2014 11:30 AM

Rotary Magazine Month Apr 01, 2014 - Apr 30, 2014

Farewell Dinner to District 6600 Ohio GSE Team. Apr 03, 2014

President's Elect Training Seminar

Apr 12, 2014

District Assembly Apr 13, 2014

Secretary & Treasurer Training Apr 13, 2014

School Term 2 Begins Apr 14, 2014

Good Friday Apr 18, 2014

Easter Monday Apr 21, 2014

Farewell Dinner for District 9820 GSE Team to Ohio Apr 24, 2014

Anzac Day Apr 25, 2014

from DG Tim

COUNTDOWN TO CONFERENCE 2014

There is still time to register for this year's conference, we have great numbers but the more the merrier!

BREAKING NEWS - our keynote speaker Jean Kittson has agreed to do a comedy session at the opening on Friday night! Do not miss this great entertainment opportunity.

Don't forget we have prizes for the best dressed in Chinese Theme - best Club and best dressed male and female.



March is Literacy Month,

How does your club focus on this theme? Some Rotary clubs raise funds for schools and other literacy organisations. Many clubs take part in a reading program called "Rotary Readers," in which a Rotary member spends time in a classroom with a designated student, and reads one-on-one with them. Some Rotary clubs participate in book donations, both locally and internationally. Literacy is one of the six areas of focus that TRF has identified as essential in helping people not only in developing countries, but right here at home. Without the ability to read and to understand what is written, citizens of the world will always be left behind and taken advantage of.

Enjoy your month of Rotary service, see you in Bendigo!

Welcome our latest members to District 9820 in February.

Scott Lenox to the Rotary Club of Moe, Diedre Morgan and Elizabeth Paterson to the Rotary Club of Mornington and Deborah Rankin to the Rotary Club of Morwell

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District 9820 GSE Team departs for Ohio Apr 26, 2014

Malaria Awareness Day Apr 30, 2014

Australian Rotary Health Month
May 01, 2014 - May 31, 2014

Model United nations Assembly (MUNA) May 02, 2014 - May 04, 2014

Mother's Day May 11, 2014

RYPEN Weekend - Forest Edge, Neerim South. Neerim South May 16, 2014 - May 18, 2014

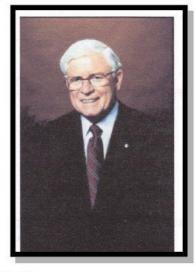
TRF Committee Meeting May 18, 2014 Vale

Royce Abbey AO . DCM.

Rotary International
President 1988—89

"Put Life into Rotary—

Your Life"



Born June 8 1922. Died 20 Feb 2014. Joined Rotary Club of Essendon 1955 Club President 1963—64 District Governor 1969—70 Board of RI 1976—79 President of Rotary international 1988—89

"Rotary is what Rotary does"
"Your Actions give life to Rotary"
"Rotary is not a Club for the Rich"



Rotary "...is not an organisation for retrospection. It is rather one whose worth and purpose lie in future activity rather than past performance."

Paul Harris

With this statement clear in the minds of District 9820's Club Vision Facilitation Team, the first stage of the Rotary Club of Rosebud-Rye's Club Vision Facilitation Program was completed on Tuesday (the Club's normal meeting night) 25th February, 2014 at the Rosebud Country Club.

District's Club Vision Facilitation Team Members, Phil Dressing, John Renowden, Linda Tinney and Con Demopoulos dared Rosebud-Rye Club Members to dream of what their club looked like in five years time. All Rosebud-Rye participants contributed to the exercise in a spirit of consensus and purpose.

Stage 2 of the program is scheduled for Tuesday 4th March, 2014 where the Visions of the Club Members will be prioritised and distilled into a manageable form enabling development plans to be drafted and implemented.

Clubs wishing to know more about Club Vision Facilitation and/or would like to have a Club Vision Facilitation Team Member address your Club are invited to contact District 9820 Club Vision Coordinator, Phil Dressing on 0423058510 or email phildressing@waterfront.net.au.

"The only way a man can remain consistent amid changing circumstances is to change with them while preserving the same dominating purpose."

Sir Winston Churchill

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Lavalla Catholic College, Traralgon, Sunday, 13 April 2014, 9.45am

Come and participate in this major Rotary information event

- Participate in the Rotary marketplace showcasing a large range
- Be involved in a "hands-on" Rotary IT workshop
- Get up to speed with the Rotary Foundation
- and much more with our own enthusiastic district personnel

Let your President-Elect know if you are coming. We need to know by 6 April 2014 for catering and other purposes

The contact is PDG Brian Norris at briannorris1@bigpond.com or 51430230



Congratulations to our latest group of Rotary Leadership Institute graduates

Thanks to our RLI facilitators, DGN Merv Williams, David Hanlon and Phil Dressing

Volunteers Project in Timor Leste - Global Grant interest sought

The Rotary Clubs of Frankston Sunrise and Bright are currently in the process to organize a volunteers project in Timor Leste with support from RC Seaford Carrum Downs, RC Mt Eliza, RC Cranbourne and Peninsula Rotaract. The Project includes a Global Grant application for US \$35,000 and costed expenses for buildings of ca AUS \$ 51,000 for following three objectives:

1. Convent school - Atabae

The school is part of the overall Catholic diocese in the area and is the sole source of education for the greater region. The girls facilities are nothing short of appalling, when school is "in" there are up to 50 young girls in the 12-14 age group with no means of bathing/showers, no separate toilets (there is basic block some 400 mts away for the boys) and sometimes used by the girls, but in itself is problematic at night from a safety issue, for you girls, and no running water at all. Our proposal is to build a new toilet block with 4 separate cubicles, showers and washing facilities and bring running water from a spring approx. 1 km away.

The block will be for the exclusive use of the girls and only a few meters from their dormitory.

The girls are also required to "self cater " for all their meals. Currently this is done in an old kitchen area for want of a better description. Essentially it has a roof and floor, nothing else, the girls cook on a small fire encircled by some rock on the floor, which is where all food preparation takes place as well.

Again, no running water for washing hands, cleaning up or food prep. What there is, is carried from the spring.

2. Maubisse-Carmelite Convent Kindergarten – Currently there are no hygienic toilet facilities to cater for the growing number of children, the nuns want to increase the intake to 45-50 but the situation at the moment is such that they use a "bush toilet" or a very basic drop toilet near to the area in which the kitchen is located.

This is totally unsatisfactory and our proposed new toilet with washing area will solve the problem and help minimize the cases of dysentery.

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3. Arturo Island Community Training Centre.

Arturo island is isolated by its distance from Dili, about 30km off the coast and all facilities on the island are very basic and have been neglected since the Indonesians left 12 years ago.

It is our intention to modernize what is a present a very basic building to become a community training center for the local population.

This projects will require ca 6 to 8 teams of volunteers to work in Timor Leste. It is envisaged for the project to start later this year. The project duration until completion is expected to last about two years. The project has the full support of Daryl Mills, the RAWCS coordinator in Dili. We hope thes eprojects will help to cement an ongoing relationship between Tiomor Leste and District 9820.

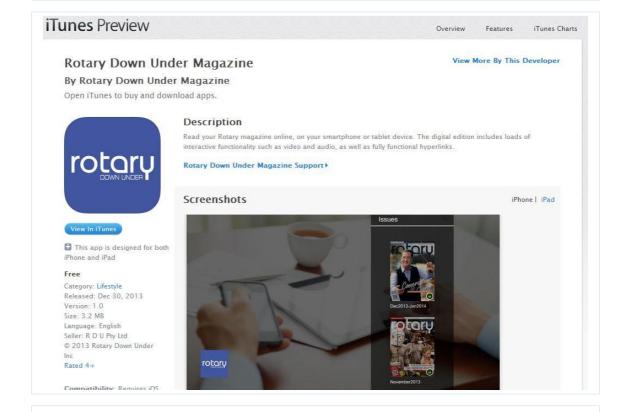
We would like to invite clubs in our District to contribute to funding of the Global Grant and the costs of the volunteers project.

Any Club or Rotarians interested in the projects please contact Chris Angerer

chrisangerer@optusnet.com.au or 9770 0611









OHIO GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE TEAM

Farewell Dinner

WHERE Lady Nelson Room, Marina Restaurant, Mullet Street, Hastings 3915 (Melway Ref. 154 K12)

WHEN 6.30pm on Tuesday 1st April 2014

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COST \$42/person (Three course meal, Drinks at Bar Prices)

Seat bookings and payment by 28th March is essential, places are limited so book early to avoid disappointment through booking agency (small booking fee applies) at:- www.trybooking.com/EHUR

(Please advise any special dietary requirements)

Captain Dick Cox Mb. 0437793162 or email rjwcox@bigpond.net.au

TIMOR LESTE MIDWIFERY TRAINING - AN UPDATE

We are delighted to let you know that our Midwifery Training students, undertaking the 4 year degree course at the University of Timor Leste in Dili have now completed their second semester. We have received the pleasing news that each of our students has passed Year One assessment with very satisfactory gradings, and they are now moving into preparation for Year Two of their course.

These students come from remote areas in Timor Leste, and have undertaken to return to their villages at the completion of their course, where the need for midwives is greatest.

The project was possible as a result of the generous contributions from clubs and individuals of D9820 during the 2011 – 12 Rotary year. We are delighted that our fund has been augmented by a contribution of approx. \$16,000 from our neighbouring District 9810, made possible by the clubs in that District, having been encouraged by R.I.Trustee lan Riseley, in his year as D.G.Partner. (lan's wife Juliet was DG in that year).

We are particularly gratified and honoured to have the personal interest and support for this project from the wife of the Timor Leste Prime Minister, Kirsty Sword Gusmao. Kirsty has sent her appreciation of our dedication to this desperate need, and is most interested in following its progress.

The Fund thanks you all for your ongoing interest and support of this project.

Jill Hobby



Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA)

2nd - 4th May 2014

Information has been sent to all Clubs. It is time to contact your local Secondary Schools and discuss their participation in this year's MUNA, this year we will again send the winning team to Canberra in August 2014 to represent our District at National MUNA.

When discussing MUNA with teachers you might like to point out that in addition to the personal growth opportunity for the selected participants their classmates can also benefit by becoming involved in helping the delegation to research and prepare their material. The delegates, of course, also learn about the broad range of views on issues of international significance held by countries represented by other delegations to MUNA. The topics for debate are all based on resolutions that have been before the UN General Assembly. We have advised the schools about MUNA invited to participate and to expect contact from their local

I would be grateful if you could ensure that your registration and payment for each delegation is submitted ASAP (but definitely before the closing date- 21st March 2014) along with your club's preferred contact.

We will be giving the delegates the opportunity to nominate the country they wish to represent. As this will be done on a "first come first option" basis, the earlier we receive the paperwork the better the chances of your delegation getting allocated their preferred country.

You can download forms and documents from District 9820 Website. Go to www.district9820.org and click on left link "Model United Nations (MUNA). For Rotarians, student participants, parents, teachers and anyone interested in MUNA, "Like" our facebook page @ www.facebook.com/D9820MUNA and stay up-to date.

John Caruana

MUNA District 9820 Chair

Phone 0417394854 Email: traralgonrcmuna@gmail.com

D9820 is planning to establish an e-Club!

District D9820 is planning to charter an e-Club this Rotary year with a view to harnessing the ideas and energy of potential Rotarians – community minded people who want to join Rotary but until now couldn't because of time constraints or cost.

The e-club will reflect the personality of the region but not be limited to members from Gippsland, the Peninsula, Eastern Melbourne or the Bass Coast...we are thinking big! Members of this new club will be from all walks of life and from anywhere in the world. They will be encouraged to visit your club and to support your club projects—this is engaging people with Rotary in action.

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Like any Rotary club, members of the e-Club will have their own projects and do their own fund-raising. Cost of membership will be \$350- pa (that's less than \$7- per week) which covers administration, insurance and affiliation costs. You can learn more about e-clubs by visiting https://www.rotary.org/en/e-clubs .

Rotarians are encouraged to support this new club by providing the names and contact details of potential members to District Membership Chair, Kerrie Schmidt at kerrie.l.schmidt@bigpond.com, Kerrie and the Membership Committee, Susan Collier (susan -collier@hotmail.com) and Louise Welbourn (piklet2009@gmail.com) will do the rest. Oh and don't panic – this is not for present club members, it is to tap in on our past GSE, RYLA, Youth Exchange recipients and those that can not attend a normal meeting.



BENDIGO CONFERENCE REGISTRATIONS STILL OPEN!

Less than 3 weeks to go, please register as soon as possible

District Conference in Bendigo 14-16th March 2014

Register Online at www.rotaryberwick.org/Conference, Download the registration form from www.rotaryberwick.org/Conference

Any queries or issues, please contact David Button David.Button@rotaryberwick.org Mobile: 0409191822

Question: What do Layne Beachley, Jonathan Welsh, Jean Kittson, Rob Pennicott, Dr Joanna McMillan, Colleen Hewett and Holly Ransom have in common?

Answer: They will be at our Conference to inform, engage, inspire and entertain you!

Drouin Swap Meet

The Rotary Club of Drouin's <u>2014 Swap Meet, Market Stalls and Show & Shine</u> at Lardner Park, Burnt Road, Lardner (RACV/VicRoads Map 96, F5; Melways X912, U8), **Sunday 6th April**.

Gates open for Sellers from 6am and for Public from 8am. Close 1pm. Rotary catering only.

Entry: \$5 per person (over 16 y.o.); \$5 outdoor site charge for stall holders; limited pavilion sites (15sq.m.) extra \$20 (pre-booking recommended

Contact: Bill on 0418 595 540

Annual Fishing Weekend - Rotary Club of Orbost

28 - 30 March, 2014

Venue - Snowy River near Marlo

Join us in great estuary fishing, camp on the banks of the mighty Snowy River. We provide caravan accommodation, cooked meals, boats and skippers, fishing gear, bait. All fish caught are shared among participants.

Cost \$390.

Proceeds to the Rotary Foundation and Rotary Centenary House.

Contact Don Osborne on 51541628 or 0400901110 (or your Club Secretary) for further details.



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How to get your news into the District E Newsletter - need a reason to read the newsletter?

Just email! Please keep your contributions to a maximum of 200 words, email your document in MS Word Format, email your photographs or graphics in attachment of jpg and have them to our inbox by the 25th of the preceding month. Are you reading our Newsletter?

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