



# The Governors Newsletter

District 9700 Australia



RI President : Frank J. Devlyn

July 2000

District Governor: Ray King

## Message from DG Ray

World President Frank Devlyn has chosen a simple yet powerful message as his theme for 2000-2001: *Create Awareness and Take Action*. This is the very first Rotary theme for this century, and one that will carry us through our Rotary year.

It fits in very well with Carlo Ravizza's *Act with Consistency, Credibility, Continuity*. Creating awareness involves having a more informed body of Rotarians who are keenly aware of the benefits they receive from being Rotarians and are inspired by the contribution they make through Rotary to their local community and internationally.

I have estimated that this District contributes at least 3/4 million dollars each year to local communities. The 23 Districts, would give 17 million dollars.

But it's not just the money, it's the fact that communities depend on Rotary to be consistent givers and Rotary thereby builds credibility in the community. RI enables us to give to countries who cannot make this local community contribution. Are you proud to be a Rotarian? I am.

## July is Literacy Month

Rotary International has made the promotion of functional literacy, a special focus until the year 2000. They define literacy as the *Level of reading and writing skills that is needed to take part fully in everyday life*.

The number of adult illiterates has declined but more than 900 million people cannot read or write in any language and two thirds of them are women living in developing countries.

PDG Nevin Hughes has allocated \$10,000 Australian from his District Designated Fund for a literacy program in Thailand. Can your Club organise a matching grant or partnership with an organisation working in this field? Why is so much effort and money directed at adult literacy and so little at children's literacy?

## DISTRICT PROJECT 2000-2001

The Orissa project is about providing low cost shelters (like those built under Glen Kinross' program), for cyclone victims on the East coast of India. District 3260 is contributing \$135 to each shelter and we are asked to donate \$540. RI will total the contributions of both districts and match this with \$675 for each shelter. Your annual giving to the Rotary Foundation goes towards funding matching grants. This is Service Above Self. For further information including a video, contact the District Governor's Assistant of your group.

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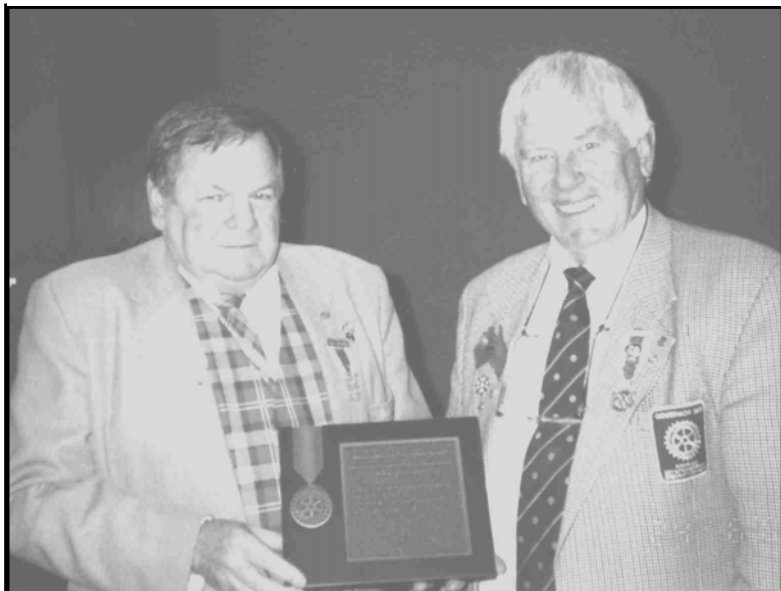


A Grand Pooh-Bah  
in full ceremonial headdress  
(Courtesy of National Geographic)

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*The year 2000 is The United Nations Year  
for a Culture of Peace*

## Award to Prominent Rotarian



The Rotary International Service Above Self Award was made by the World President of Rotary International and is restricted to a mere handful of Rotarians around the world. DG Nevin presents this prestigious award to PDG Bill Donaldson. Congratulations Bill.

## Rotary awards to Local Mayor and student

During the Forbes Rotary Club 56rd annual changeover, a *Shine On* award was presented to Alister Lockhart, the mayor of Forbes in recognition of his outstanding community service as a person with a disability. The presentation was made by PDG Maurice Simpson, himself the mayor of Grenfell.

The "Shine on" award started seven years ago in Rotary District 9600 in Queensland. It has attracted over 500 nominations for recognition of persons with disabilities who have performed significant community work.

Laura Frogley was also honoured at the changeover as the recipient of a *Fine Young Aussie Award* in recognition of her achievements, courage and refusal to let her disability hold her back. A young community member is nominated for the Forbes Fine Young Aussie award each month and it is planned to have this award conferred annually. Laura has been selected to carry the Olympic torch on 17th October and Forbes Rotary Club has made a donation towards her purchase of the torch that she will carry.

## THANKS TO NEVIN AND VERONA

I think that I speak on behalf of the Rotary Clubs of District 9700 when I say how very much these two dedicated people have done for Rotary and in particular for this District during their year as Governor and wife.

Nevin lived and breathed Rotary during his term of office and Verona was his constant support. For them both, the governorship of Rotary has been a family affair.

Nevin embraced the theme of his year with enthusiasm and vigour and has managed the District with wisdom and a quiet competence. He has allowed me to share his wisdom and experience and I have benefited from his advice and support. His has been a great year and an act that will be very hard to follow. Thank you to PDG Nevin and Verona from District 9700 and personally from Clare and me.

### DG – 2002-2003

Reminder: Nominations for DG for 2002-2003 (DGN in 2000-2001, DGE in 2001-2002), close with the Governor on 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2000

## RECOGNITION

A number of Rotarians have been recently recognised for their services to Rotary. At time of going to press I have the following:

Paul Harris Fellows: DGA Tony Andracchio (Narrandera), Kerin Fielding (ROMAC), DGE Ed Chenery (Bathurst)

Sapphire pins: PDG Wal Breust and PP Greg Knight (Koorinal), PP Rick Priest (Wollundry), PP Jack Scoble (Parkes), PDG Ian MacKay (Orange Calare). Congratulations to all.

## Directory Updates

Page	Details
2	Ed Chenery's email is ed.chenery@au.abb.com Correct all pages
5	<u>Contents</u> : add Public Relations p42
15	<u>Southwest Pacific Service</u> delete Max Shepherd and enter Harley Tarrant
18,19	<u>RDU Supplies</u> have changed their phone and fax: telephone 1300136116, Fax 96874132
20	<u>Dues Insurance</u> is \$10.00 for this year R.I. Dues including GST = \$65 (Aus)
33	<u>Mailing Club bulletins</u> Please post copies to all four names on this page
35	<u>District Governor's Assistants</u> Peter Darley, Email address jdarley@lisp.com.au; Harvey Wright, delete mobile number; John Campbell, fax 63323655, 14 Braham St, P.O. Box 78, email arbath@B170.aone.net.au
42	<u>Henry Gardiner</u> : phone 69263539 Bob Reynold's fax 63431499 ("Reynolds")
45	<u>PDG John Clough</u> : 23 Nordlingen Drive
47	<u>Annita Booth</u> : Phone 69261598
48	<u>Marilyn Amey</u> : now Marilyn Walter (Congratulations)
50	<u>George Thomas</u> : (W) 69262622, (H) 69263220 (F) 69262627, 10 Lakeside Drive email: thomas@wagga.net.au
67	<u>This is not Nola Ramsay's photograph</u>
71	<u>PDG Bruce Gruber</u> has taken over as President Cliff Workman's (H,B &F) 63853691 Julie Poplin(Ray) is Club Service 63853199(H)
91	<u>Robert Norrie</u> : 69592851 (H) John Britton Voc service/Bob Manning Youth S
95/96	<u>John Rae and Peter Perriman</u> have swapped photos (to whose advantage one might ask?)

## United Nations Liaison Person

PDG Henry Gardiner has been appointed United Nations Agencies Task Force Co-ordinator for Australia (zone 8). He has asked the district to appoint a UN Task Force Liaison person. Pay and remuneration is commensurate with all other Rotary positions. If you are interested in this position please let DG Ray know by phone 6926 3432 or Fax 6926 3617.

# DGA'S NEWS

DGA John Ducker, (with incoming Tony Andracchio) reported on their Group 6 meeting at Coolamon. Temora, Cootamundra and Coolamon Clubs have inducted their first female members, while Narrandera has lost its female members. Cootamundra reported that they had raised \$44,000, their highest ever income for disbursement.

DGA Ken Cook (with incoming Jim Tweddle): reported on Group 5 meeting at Lockhart. Wagga Wagga Club reported on a matched grant which had been organised through an Ambassadorial scholar, Koorringal had completed work on Camp Quality house, South WW's Bowlescan was a success, Lockhart were concentrating on their membership drive.

DGA Yvonne Shaw and her Group 1 presidents met to discuss a number of items which formed part of the agenda in a teleconference for all DGA's conducted from Wagga Wagga. This was a successful and productive meeting.

DGA Sam Barnes (Group 7) (Sam has become a father again. Welcome to William Caleb Barnes and congratulations to Mandy). From Sam's group meeting he reports that The Rotary Clubs of Yenda and Leeton Central are combining for a joint meeting and that Leeton Central and Griffith Central are also meeting together. This is a first in both cases.

DGA Jim Tweddle (Group 5) is holding his meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> July and DGA Peter Darley (Group 2) on 12<sup>th</sup> July.

Topics covered by the DGAs in their group meetings include: The role of the DGA, Public relations and Bulletins, The Australian Corporate Alliance Program, District Governor's Official visits to Clubs, the District project for 2000-2001 (the Orissa video was shown), Club Plans and Objectives, the International Peace Conference in September, the Annual Giving to the Rotary Foundation, The Orange Golden Jubilee District Conference, PETS and pre-PETS and Assembly training, and the Club Internet Communication Officer (ICO).

## Operation Eagle Hands

DGA Peter Darley reports that NRMA Careflight announced that it will base its Central West helicopter in Orange. The Rotary Club of Orange North took on the task of funding Operation Eagle. A door knock was held in the last weekend in November. \$36,500 was raised on the day with 150 volunteers, an 85% participation rate of Orange North members. With ongoing support and promotion, the target has now been exceeded. This is promotion of Rotary at its best and serving the community.

## Recruitment

We welcome 9 new Rotarians to **Wollundry Rotary Club**. The new members are Will Blackwell, Michael Crane, Glenn Elliot, Mike Larkin, Neil Pinto, Rob Scrivener, David Tindal, Glen Towle, and Peter Clucas. Well done Wollundry.



DGE Ed Chenery, Chairman of ROMAC, and PDG Nevin Hughes, present Peter Vu with an award for his support of the ROMAC Project.

## WANTED...One ICO for each Rotary Club

We have been asked by RI President Frank Devlyn to appoint a District Internet Communications Officer (ICO) for District 9700. Paul Murray, the District Secretary, has kindly agreed to take that position. He will receive emails from RI President Frank and pass the information on to me and directly to Clubs.

Secretary Paul is asking all Clubs to nominate one person who will be the Club contact with him through email. There are 31 Clubs in the District Directory who have given us email addresses. Paul wants to be sure that these addresses are OK to use. A letter has gone to all Clubs to confirm that the listed email addresses are correct and that the Rotarian who has the email address is prepared to receive emails and pass them on to the Club, that is, to become the ICO for the Club. Some Clubs may find that they have no one who has email. In these case a fax will do and if there is no fax we will send communication by "snail mail". Rome wasn't built in a day (maybe we weren't on that job), so we need to be patient. Hopefully we will have all this email network ready for DGE Ed Chenery when he takes over in July, 2001.

Paul's email address is paul@paulmurray.com.au and his Fax is 69285588.

## STOP PRESS

### Programme Grants (CAP)

Director Ken Collins informs us that from 1 July, districts may apply for 10% of their Foundation annual giving (not giving for special projects) for a project within the district without an international sponsor. We have about \$30,000 (US) annual giving and so can apply for about \$4,500 for such a project. Please send submissions to the DG.

### Matching Grants

We can apply for a matching grant for a project in our own district up to the value of A\$5,000. The descriptions of the projects will be placed in a catalogue and NZ and Philippines clubs will be asked to contribute to our project so long as we support one of theirs. The total dollars from both parties will be matched by RI.

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS TO REACH THE DG IS 21ST AUGUST

### Attendance Figures

Attendance figures are sent on to RI and form the basis of the calculation of current Rotarians. Club attendance officers are requested to provide these figures to District Attendance officer John Smith no later than the 10th of the month.

## August DG's Official Visits

Tuesday	1st	<b>Condobolin</b>
Wednesday	2nd	<b>Forbes</b>
Thursday	3rd	<b>Lake Cargelligo</b>
Monday	7th	<b>Coolamon</b>
Tuesday	8th	<b>Cootamundra</b>
Wednesday	9th	<b>Canowindra</b>
Monday	14th	<b>Leeton Central</b>
Monday	21	<b>Murrumburrah Harden</b>
Tuesday	22	<b>Young</b>
Wednesday	23	<b>Grenfell</b>
Thursday	24	<b>Cowra</b>
Monday	28th	<b>West Wyalong</b>
Tuesday	29th	<b>Junee</b>
Wednesday	30th	<b>Boorowa</b>

## July Attendance and Membership

CLUB	Jul 99	Jun 00	Meetings	Percent	Rank
Bathurst	32	32	4	90.2	6
Bathurst Daybreak	23	22	3	73	30
Bathurst East	29	29	4	83.3	15
Bathurst Macquarie	26				
Blayney	25	25	3	81	19
Boorowa	12	11	4	79.55	22
Canowindra	13	13	4	71.15	33
Condobolin	15	12	4	71.15	33
Coolamon	23		3		
Cootamundra	18	19	4	74.2	29
Cowra	66				
Forbes	32	28	4	77.1	26
Grenfell	35	33	4	79.44	23
Griffith	57	53	4	80.8	20
Griffith Central	21	21	5		
Griffith East	35	34	4	72.79	31
Hay	20				
Henty	22	26	4	86.64	11
Junee	9	7	4	96.67	2
Lake Cargelligo	20	18	5	92.5	5
Leeton	46	45	5	74.63	27
Leeton Central	25	23	3	84	14
Lockhart	9	8	4	93.75	3
Molong	10	8	5	82.5	18
Murrumburrah-Harden	28	25	3	77.33	25
Narrandera	24	26	4	89	8
Oberon	17	25	5	87.1	10
Orange	38	40	3	87.3	9
Orange Calare	21	20	3	98.17	1
Orange Daybreak	28	30	4	90	7
Orange North	50	48	5	84.8	13
Parkes	50	45	3	?	
South Wagga Wagga	48	48	3	80.36	21
Temora	29	29	3	83.1	17
Wagga Wagga	53	54	5	72.55	32
Wagga Koorringal	50				
Wagga Wagga Sunrise	47	44	4	74.32	28
West Wyalong	14	16	3	83.3	15
Wollundry Wagga	52	57	4	85.7	12
Yenda	24	24	3	92.74	4
Young	36	38	4	78.95	24
TOTALS	1232				

## GEN PETER COSGROVE IS COMING.....

to the Rotary District Peace Communities International Conference at Wagga Wagga 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> September, 2000. Are you coming?

This conference is about Peace in our homes, with sessions about the management of domestic violence, about reducing the incidence of urban violence in our Australian communities and about international Peace. It is about what Rotary can do in a practical way in each of our local communities through partnerships with community support organisations, with police, and with city and shire councils. It is about giving financial support to local groups and establishing partnerships with groups such as "Hope for the Children" which are working for children, and parents and people in conflict in the workplace.

The speakers for this conference include two of the Australian Past Rotary International Presidents, **Royce Abbey** and **Glen Kinross**, we have **Dr Keith Suter** who was a plenary speaker at our Narrandera District Conference, a world figure in conflict resolution, **Paul O'Sullivan**, the executive director of the Australian Red Cross; **Barry Thompson**; **Steve Pratt** who was a hostage in Serbia; **Terry O'Connell**, the police officer who initiated the Youth conferencing process whereby victims conferenced with the perpetrators of crimes against them, and of course **General Peter Cosgrove** of East Timor fame. We are holding a MUNA and sessions with the domestic violence group working with Rotarians from Temora.

July Attendance Winner  
**Orange Calare**