



District Governor's Newsletter  
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August, 2012

Welcome to the August District Governor's Newsletter. This month, we receive our monthly DG message (with the good news that Marg is on the mend), have a report from Australian Rotary Health, find out how the IPDG's Partner Project is supporting the Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children and some exciting events coming up in the second half of the year.

I hope that you enjoy reading the August edition of the DG's Newsletter. Please note that the submission deadline for each edition is the 10th of that month. Please submit in Word only with minimal formatting. Captioned photos are very welcome.

Thank you, Nora Jones

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Message from the DG

To my brothers and sisters in Rotary D 9670 - Thank you for all your wishes and support that has been extended to Margaret and myself during the past 2 months. I am pleased to say following some hurried surgery on the 17 July, Marg is now out of hospital and well on the way to a strong recovery.

Due to these circumstances, it has been necessary to postpone some Club visits, but very shortly we will be on the road together to meet the most wonderful people on earth - our Rotarians. I thank those Clubs for their flexibility, allowing Marg time to recuperate.

During the Club visits I have been fortunate to make I have been humbled by the efforts of Rotarians delivering the most extraordinary service to their International and local communities. I am continually fascinated by the diversity of Projects and the dedication of those Rotarians delivering them - All different but all doing the same thing - Making the world a better place.

Saturday 21st July, saw the chartering of another new Club in our District; the second within six weeks. Congratulations to Charter President Don Brown and the 33 Charter members of the Kurri Kurri Sunrise Club. This new Club will complement the existing Kurri Kurri Club and, as the name suggests, it is a breakfast Club which will give an alternative for evening 'time poor' Rotarians to join and serve. The evening was a huge success and was celebrated by 100 Rotarians, Lions, politicians and community friends.

As mentioned in our previous Newsletter, District Trainer PDG, Alex McHarg has been busy with his team putting together 'Rotary - Let's Take a Closer Look' which is a program designed more towards our newer members to allow them the opportunity to learn more about the amazing work of our Organisation and how to make a greater contribution at Club and District level.





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**Message from the DG (Cont)**

These seminars will be partly funded by District and Clubs are invited to sponsor their attending members at \$15 each. This will minimise the personal costs to our new members and as I see it a great investment in the future of Rotary.

The first "Let's Take a Closer Look" will be at Nyngan on 19th August, followed by Lake Macquarie (7 October) and Raymond Terrace (28th October). It is planned to have further seminars throughout the District after the Christmas break.

A couple of our favourite programs are just around the corner and are seeking applicants:

**RYLA** - a leadership program for 18 - 25 year olds, and

**RYPEN** - a program of enrichment for 14 - 16 year olds.

Also at time of writing, applications for Group Study Exchange (GSE) team members are still being sought with interviews being held on 8 September.

GSE is a Rotary Foundation Program aimed at professionals 25 - 40 years of age to spend four weeks in England D1090, studying their vocation. (Applicants must be non-Rotarian or a direct relative.)

If you are aware of any suitable applicants for either of these programs, please contact our District Chairs. The details are on our District website: [www.rotary9670.org.au](http://www.rotary9670.org.au)

Congratulations to DGE Brian Atkins and his team for delivering another successful Science and Engineering Challenge in Newcastle during five days from 30 July. This event brought together over 800 students in a competitive environment dealing with sophisticated scientific experiments. This program was designed to encourage our young Australians towards a career in Science and Engineering disciplines.

The program has certainly achieved its goals in this area, but I see an added bonus in bringing together our Rotarians to work, share fellowship and show the world just how good it is to be part of this worldwide organisation. Well done, Brian, and all those who participated.

So early in the new year, it is pleasing to see some Clubs are already organised and reporting not only their attendance but the man hours and financial contributions as well.





### Message from the DG (Cont)

With the 12 Clubs that have reported so far 925 man hours have been made and over \$6,200 contributed to communities. I believe when we look at these figures at the end of the Rotary year we will be so proud of the contribution by our 9670 Rotarians. From the Governor's desk, I wish you all the very best in your Rotary Service.

*Peter Raynor*

### Supporting healthy minds, bodies and communities for over 30 years

Mental illness can affect anyone at any age and is close to becoming an invisible epidemic, affecting more than one in five Australians every year. So fast is this problem growing that depression and anxiety are expected to become the world's leading causes of disability within the next eight years.

As mental health continues to be a growing issue for Australians, so does the need for quality support systems, hospital facilities and services with knowledgeable, experienced staff. Providing the best for Australians with mental health is heavily reliant on current research funded through donations to organisations such as Australian Rotary Health who allow mental health professionals to stay informed on the most recent research findings in areas of mental health.

Australian Rotary Health is one of Australia's largest non-government funding bodies for mental illness research. Thanks to the generous support of Rotarians Australia wide over the past 31 years, Australian Rotary Health has donated over \$28 million that has facilitated better treatment and services for all Australians, in particular those who are least able to assist themselves.

This year, we have funded projects addressing the issues and causation of indigenous mental health, which is 2-3 times higher than the rest of Australia, furthered research into the effects of prenatal hormone exposure on mental health, and financed the first online therapy program to investigate the treatment of preschool children with anxiety.

By continuing to fund research that uncovers possible causes of mental illness, Australian Rotary Health brings the possibility of prevention all the more closer.

If you would like to know more about Australian Rotary Health, please visit our website at:

[www.australianrotaryhealth.org.au](http://www.australianrotaryhealth.org.au) or call 02 8837 1900 for more information.

All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

#### **Steff Fenton**

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## Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children

The District Governor's Partner's Project for DG Janette Jackson's year was the raising of funds to support the Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children.

For more than 150 years, RIDBC has been at the forefront of educating children who are deaf or blind. It is Australia's major independent special educator providing support to affected families and the more than 1000 children who have significant hearing and/or vision impairment. It relies on donations, bequests and specific fundraising activities for its income.

Originally it was hoped to be able to raise funds sufficient to make a substantial contribution to the upgrade of the technical platform upon which RIDBC Teleschool is based, but when costings were done it was found that the amount required was in the millions of dollars – a bit out of our league. Thus we made efforts to raise funds to assist in the on-going work of the Institute – examples of which are the provision of i-pads at \$1000 each, set-up costs to enable a family to engage in Teleschool at \$7,500 per family, and \$15,000 each year to fund the costs of bringing early education and training to one child from birth to 3 years of age.

Clubs in the District have been most generous with contributions. Some have been made direct to RIDBC, other contributions have been sent to the District Treasurer for payment to RIDBC in bulk. Donations have ranged from \$62 as the proceeds of a "swear box" located on the bar of an establishment where one Club meets, to \$10,000 as part of the proceeds of a club's major annual fundraising event. A special concert at Belmont 16 Footers hosted by Toni Stevens of the Rotary Club of Morisset raised \$8112, 48. At the time of writing, the total amount raised by Rotary Clubs for donation to RIDBC exceeds \$44,900. Part of the funds has already been received by RIDBC and the balance will follow shortly. RIDBC has promised that the funds donated will be spent in the Hunter and in the area included in Rotary District 9670.

To say that I am elated with the result is somewhat of an understatement. I sincerely thank the Rotary Clubs concerned, the names of which are hereunder, and independent contributors, for their donations to this project.

Steve Jackson

Partner of 2011-12 District Governor Janette Jackson,

Cessnock 30th July, 2012.

The Rotary Clubs of Adamstown-New Lambton, Belmont, Cessnock, Cobar, Denman, Dubbo, Dubbo Macquarie, Dubbo West, Maitland, Morisset, Mudgee Sunrise, Narromine, Nelson Bay, Newcastle Harbour, Newcastle Sunrise, Paterson, Rutherford-Telarah, Singleton-on-Hunter, Toronto, Toronto Sunrise, Wallsend-Maryland, Waratah, Warner's Bay, Warren, Williamtown, and also Maitland Mutual Building Society and Bacha's Swear Box.







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# **MEMORY WALK & JOG**

**THE RACE AGAINST DEMENTIA**

## **SUNDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2012**



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# graffiti

## REMOVAL DAY

2012

Sunday, September 23, 2012

Rotary District Governors in NSW have appointed the following Rotary leaders to serve as District Co-ordinators for Graffiti Removal Day.

9640	Terry Brown (Lismore)	0427 500 610	<a href="mailto:terry.carolbrown@bigpond.com">terry.carolbrown@bigpond.com</a>
	PDG Peter Robinson (Grafton)	0408 660 732	<a href="mailto:dg0910@commander360.com">dg0910@commander360.com</a>
9650	Joyce Durey (Armidale)	0407 005 910	<a href="mailto:durey@bigpond.net.au">durey@bigpond.net.au</a>
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9680	Cliff Hoare (Dural)	0418 268 998	<a href="mailto:wedig@ihug.com.au">wedig@ihug.com.au</a>
	Roger Norman (Turrumurra)	0414 445 361	<a href="mailto:rno000230@bigpond.net.au">rno000230@bigpond.net.au</a>
9690	Tom Colless (Katoomba)	0418 274 751	<a href="mailto:tc@colless.com.au">tc@colless.com.au</a>
9700	Bob Campbell (Griffith)	0410 562 669	<a href="mailto:Bob.Campbell@griffith.nsw.gov.au">Bob.Campbell@griffith.nsw.gov.au</a>
9710	Fiona Kibble (Nowra)		<a href="mailto:fakibble3@bigpond.com">fakibble3@bigpond.com</a>
9750	PDG Phil Whyte (Miranda)	0418 219 118	<a href="mailto:pdwhyte@ozemail.com.au">pdwhyte@ozemail.com.au</a>
9790	Terry Simmons (Albury)	0438 284 070	<a href="mailto:simmos.home@internode.on.net">simmos.home@internode.on.net</a>

Rotary Clubs already involved in Graffiti removal in there areas - or clubs who would like to acquire such skills and resources - are invited to register their expressions of interest with the appropriate District Co-ordinator as soon as possible.  
Extensive sponsorship is available to support participating Rotary clubs.

**Telephone: 1300 665 310, or**  
**Email: [info@graffitiremovalday.com.au](mailto:info@graffitiremovalday.com.au)**

Full planning details and general information for  
Graffiti Removal Teams is available on our

**Graffiti Removal Day website [www.graffitiremovalday.com.au](http://www.graffitiremovalday.com.au)**

*Graffiti Removal Day is a Rotary Down Under community action program in partnership with the NSW Government*







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## The Rotary Club of Maitland



# "Floriade Festival Tour"

21<sup>st</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2012

The Rotary Club of Maitland invites you to join them as they visit beautiful Canberra and Floriade.



Board our historic train late Friday morning at your nominated station in the Hunter Valley. Enjoy a relaxing rail journey with fellow guests as we meander through the magnificent Hawkesbury waterways towards Sydney. Enjoy a light lunch on board the train.

*Sit back and relax, listen to onboard entertainment as we head southwards towards our overnight destination in Goulburn. Upon arrival in Goulburn our accommodation is just a short walk from the station.*

**Friday Evening** – savour a meal with your fellow travellers at The Workers Club.

**Saturday** – enjoy a relaxing hot country breakfast with fellow passengers.

We board our coach for a short trip to the Nation's Capital – Canberra. A Shuttle service throughout the day will ensure that all travellers are looked after. If the beautiful gardens featured at Floriade does not appeal, catch our shuttle bus and spend some time wandering through the Australian War Memorial or visiting Parliament House.

Late Saturday afternoon we board our coach for the return trip to Goulburn. Saturday evening you will be given the opportunity to dine in or explore the eateries in Goulburn before returning to your motel room for a well earned rest.



**Sunday Morning** – enjoy a relaxing hot country breakfast with fellow passengers.

*Our train journey takes us home via the Illawarra escarpment where the magical coastline views will prove to be an unforgettable experience. We will enjoy a brief stopover in Robertson, a small village in the Southern Highlands. Enjoy a light lunch in one of the small cafes, coffee shops or the well known country pub.*

**Departure Date Friday 21 September 2012**

**Returning Date Sunday 23 September 2012**

Rail transport & accommodation availability limits us the number of guests we can accommodate on our Floriade Festival Tour weekend. With this in mind we suggest that ticket sales are to be based on a "first in" basis. To secure your ticket please complete the attached form, include your deposit (cheque or postal note) or pay by internet transfer (please add your name) & return to the address as per attached document. Limited double rooms available. Rooms available are twin share.

Cost of the weekend \$450.00 p/p twin share.  
Deposit of \$ 300.00 per room required to secure booking. **Booking Enquiries:**  
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Bruce Lauder, Ph. 0249 4930 0297  
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Account name: Rotary Club of Maitland Inc.  
Services Account

Account No. 100038217  
BSB: 646 000

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*Cost of the total weekend package including historic train trip to Goulburn and return. Complimentary glass of sparkling wine/juice on forward and return journey. Price is inclusive of lunch on Friday, afternoon tea on Friday and Sunday, dinner on Friday night, hot breakfast Saturday and Sunday, accommodation Friday, Saturday nights, bus tours and transfers all weekend. Lunch on Saturday/Sunday and dinner Saturday is at guests own expense. Note: alcohol will not be sold on train - small eskies only are permitted. Cost of admission to any attractions is the responsibility of the passenger.*

*Proceeds raised will be distributed to various charities.*



# OLIVER!

Our Rotary Club has concession priced tickets to the first night (Aug 15th) of the latest Metropolitan Players production, Oliver. Tickets are \$40.00 each instead of \$48.00. Some of that is going to our charity fund, so do yourselves a favour and get back to me with numbers.

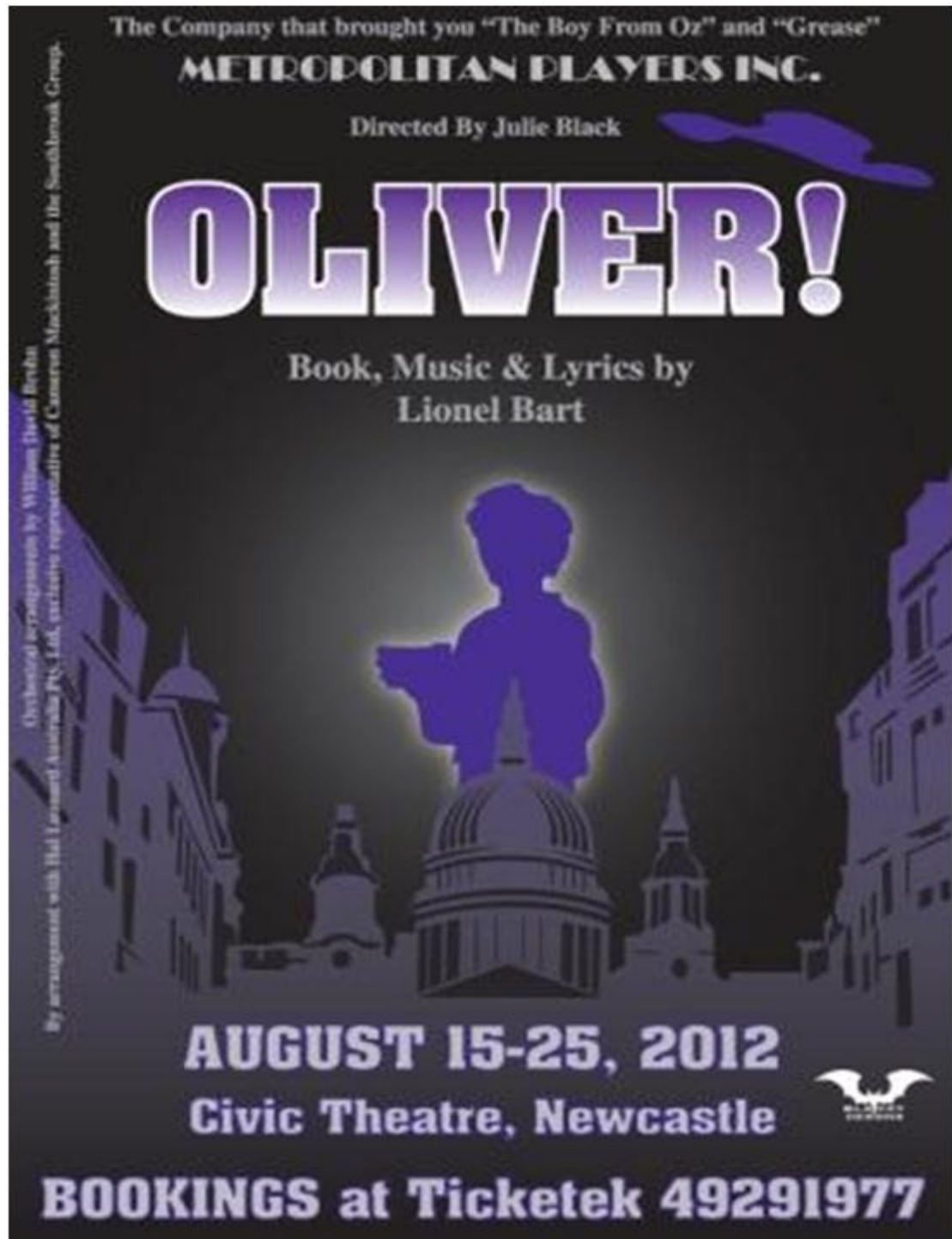
*David*

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# Make the most of your trip to PORTUGAL for the **ROTARY 2013 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE**

A trip to Portugal for the Rotary 2013 International Conference is your opportunity to explore the spectacular scenery and tour options available.

Geoff Pearson of Harvey World Travel Kotara is a proud Rotarian from district 9670 and is very excited to offer Australian conference goers travel packages designed to make the most of beautiful Portugal!

## 11 DAY UNIWORLD RIVER CRUISE departs 20 May 2013

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de Taron Spain - Castelo  
Rodrigo - Regua - Porto

## 13 DAY IBERTOURS TRAVEL TOUR departs 9 JUNE 2013

Porto - Nazare - Fatima - Tomar  
- Evora - Sagres - Lisboa

## Got something else in mind?

We can create a package to suit you - flights, tour dates closer to the conference, other European touring packages... the options are endless!

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Attendance Report: July

CLUB	Current M'ship	July %	July RANK	CLUB	Current M'ship	July %	July RANK
ADAMSTOWN/NEW LAMBTON	26	92.80	1	MYALL COAST	23	65.00	21
BELMONT	24	84.20	5	NARROMINE	14	39.30	25
BENNETTS GREEN	0	0.00	#N/A	NELSON BAY	48	80.39	9
BOURKE	0	0.00	#N/A	NEWCASTLE	0	0.00	#N/A
CARDIFF	0	0.00	#N/A	NEWCASTLE ENTERPRISE	29	80.00	10
CESSNOCK	0	0.00	#N/A	NEWCASTLE SUNRISE	31	83.00	7
CESSNOCK WINE COUNTRY	0	0.00	#N/A	NEWCASTLE HARBOUR	0	0.00	#N/A
CHARLESTOWN	0	0.00	#N/A	NYNGAN	0	0.00	#N/A
COBAR	20	68.89	17	PATERSON	19	67.00	19
DENMAN	0	0.00	#N/A	RAYMOND TERRACE	0	0.00	#N/A
DUBBO	22	79.17	11	RUTHERFORD / TELARAH	27	74.84	15
DUBBO MACQUARIE	25	87.80	2	RYLSTONE / KANDOS	14	59.00	24
DUBBO SOUTH	47	87.66	3	SALAMANDER BAY	31	62.00	23
DUBBO WEST	45	84.43	4	SCONE	8	75.00	13
DUNGOG	0	0.00	#N/A	SINGLETON	44	73.00	16
EAST MAITLAND	0	0.00	#N/A	SINGLETON ON HUNTER	0	0.00	#N/A
KURRI KURRI	0	0.00	#N/A	TORONTO	0	0.00	#N/A
MAITLAND	33	68.30	18	TORONTO SUNRISE	33	66.00	20
MAITLAND SUNRISE	0	0.00	#N/A	WALLSEND / MARYLAND	0	0.00	#N/A
MERRIWA	22	83.80	6	WARATAH	0	0.00	#N/A
MORISSET	0	0.00	#N/A	WARNERS BAY	0	0.00	#N/A
MUDGE	0	0.00	#N/A	WARREN	0	0.00	#N/A
MUDGE SUNRISE	0	0.00	#N/A	WELLINGTON	31	75.00	13
MURRURUNDI	0	0.00	#N/A	WILLIAMTOWN	15	65.00	21
MUSWELLBROOK	19	83.00	7				







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## Rotary Contributions

ROTARY CLUB	Monthly Man Hours	Activity	Financial Contribution	To Whom made
Adamstown-New Lambton	25	Markets	\$ 250.00	Bear Cottage Manly
Cobar	12	Can collection	\$ 600.00	Autism Network\$500/Cobar High\$100
Dubbo	200	Antique fair		
Greenhills-Maitland	80	Hosting PNG kids /RAWCS	\$ 3,700.00	RIDBS\$500.Heal for Life\$1500 School for Life \$1200 TRF\$500
Muswellbrook	108	Golf Day for Cystic Fibrosis		
Myall Coast	27	School reading		
Newcastle Enterprise	113	Bowls Days/Community	\$ 850.00	Shine\$750, Medic Alert\$80
Nelson Bay	35	Bunnings BBQ		
Rutherford-Telerah	89.5	BBQ/Masters & Woolworths		
Scone	20	RYDA		
Wellington	123	BBQ/Rotary Market/Maranatha	\$ 500.00	
Williamtown	92.5	Food Van	\$ 300.00	Science and Engineering Discovery Challenge
<b>Totals</b>	<b>925</b>		<b>\$ 6,200.00</b>	

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Please note that the submission deadline for the next newsletter is the 10<sup>th</sup> September. Please put DG Newsletter and the relevant month in the subject line. I kindly ask that you submit in (simply formatted) Word or PDFs that are mainly images. Single-page PDFs are preferred. Captioned photos are very welcome.

Thank you, Nora Jones, Editor.  
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*I love deadlines.  
I especially love the  
whooshing sound they  
make as they fly by.*

Douglas Adams

