

Annual Report

2006 - 2007

Rotary Club of Ocean Grove
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Officer Bearers and Directors

President of Rotary International
District Governor
Assistant District Governor

Bill Boyd (New Zealand)
Andrew Suggett (Warrnambool)
Alan Ollis (Belmont)

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Rotary Foundation
Membership

Richard Grimmett
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Hans Franken
Rod Greer
Coral Barker
John Fox
Martin Geerings
Trevor McArdle

Special Purpose Committees and Other Roles

Community Service
International Service
Vocational Service
Youth Service
Bulletin Editor
Sergeant -at -Arms
Market
Attendance
Family of Rotary
Property
Risk Management
Public Officer
Fund Raising and Social
Club Historian
Public Access Defibrillator Project
Programme
Health Programmes

Marion Walton
Tim Kemp
Peter Cullen/ Noel Emselle
Tony Haines
John Fox
John Calnin
Judy Greer
Fred Andrews
Geoff Chandler
David Cornwall
David Tyrrell
Tony Haines
John Calnin
Bob Osborne
Wal Kelly
Geoff Brentnall
Peter Hawthorne

Past Service & Service Recognition

Past Presidents	Past Secretaries	
1983-84	Wal Kelly	Alan Kilpatrick
1984-85	Frank Mountford	Alan Kilpatrick
1985-86	Henry Hudson	Denis Joseph
1986-87	John Calnin	Denis Joseph
1987-88	Jim MacDonald	Maurice Barwick
1988-89	Hans Franken	Maurice Barwick
1989-90	Trevor McArdle	Jim MacDonald
1990-91	Maurice Barwick	Geoff Brentnall
1991-92	Peter Robinson	Bob Osbourne
1992-93	Geoff Morphett	Bob Osbourne
1993-94	Eric Bare	Ken Thibou
		Bob Osbourne
1994-95	Geoff Chandler	John Dodgshun
1995-96	Gerry Spencer	John Dodgshun
1996-97	Barry Reid	John Dodgshun
1997-98	Coral Barker	Mark Donehue
1998-99	Martin Geerings	Mark Donehue
1999-00	Peter Cullen	Mark Donehue
2000-01	Hans Franken	Geoff Morphett
2001-02	John Powell	Tony Haines
2002-03	Colin Brown	Tony Haines
2003-04	Geoff Brentnall	Tony Haines
2004-05	Tim Kemp	Dennis Saliba
2005-06	Helen Trigg	David Cornwell
2006-07	Richard Grimmett	Rod Greer

Service Recognition

Four Avenues of Service Citation

PDG Henry Hudson

Rotary Foundation Meritorious Service Citation

PDG Henry Hudson

Paul Harris Fellows:

Moyia Armstrong	Peter Hawthorne
Eric Bare	Henry Hudson – Sapp. Pin
Coral Barker	Isabella Hudson

Graham Bath - Sapp. Pin	Wal Kelly
Rodney Birrell	Trevor McAedle
Geoff Brentnall	Geoff Morphett
Colin Brown	Frank Mountford
John Calnin	Bob Osbourne
Geoff Chandler	Bill Penna
Charles Dawborn	Peter Robinson
John Dodgshun	Roy Rose
John Fox – Sapp. Pin	Ron Todd
Hans Franken	David Tyrrell
Martin Geerings	Dennis Wooten
Robert Grant	John Wynn
Tony Haines	

Rotary Club of Ocean Grove

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President's Report

Our terrific club has so many parts. The Rotary symbol reminds me of a cog inside a watch, clean, tiny, brassy and perfect. Smaller gears surround it. Some turn at high speed, others are steady, accurate, experienced. Each member plays their part in the club.

And the best thing – this timepiece is self-winding! It is the constant motion that keeps it going. It does not rely on one person to run, day after day, year after year, for more than 100 years. The motion – lets call it ‘Rotary in Motion’ provides the momentum, the impetus to restore a broken world – water for those who thirst, medicine for those who hurt, education for peace, shelter for those who are victims. Rotary is friendship, vocational ethics, fellowship and Rotary is the mechanism that allows us to make a difference.

It has been a privilege to be the president of this club for the past 12 months. We have done some great work, and had some great fun.

Our regular Community Market continues to be a mainstay. This popular 70 +-stall community market operates at Kingston Park, Ocean Grove for 6 months of each year, involving all members. Judy Greer has been outstanding as Market Coordinator – outstanding because of the quiet and super-efficient way things have been done. Well done to Judy, your committee, and helpers.

Public Access Defibrillators in the community (PAD). The project aims to increase awareness of the benefits of early defibrillation for sudden cardiac arrest (before an ambulance arrives) and to install 10 units in the Ocean Grove Community. Units cost around \$3000 each and are installed by the club. Donations and grants are used to cover some of the costs. This project is encouraged as a District endeavor and was displayed at the District Convention attracting much interest from other clubs including the RI President's representative Rob Crabtree. Wal Kelly continues to drive this project and his efforts should be commended. Wal never gives up! We have installed units at

Marketplace, Surfside Centre, The Football Club and COGG Customer Service Centre. Discussions continue with the Ocean Grove Golf Club and Bowling Club, and it is hoped that a unit can be placed in the main street. We are leading the way with this life-saving project as public awareness of the need for Public Access Defibrillation grows.

Ballarat Car Raffle - sale of 636 books - net profit \$10,176.00. A concerted effort by members achieves this fantastic result! Geoff Ford makes it all happen with a passion! Well-done Geoff!

Rotary Vocational Service Awards: Vocational Service Awards are given each year to worthy people in the community – Peter Cullin arranged a great night during the year when our very own Donald Jensen received the award along with Barwon Heads mechanic David Jantzen.

Paul Harris Fellow Annual Dinner: Initiated by Ocean Grove's newest PHF, Martin Geerings, the inaugural dinner was held on 1st December 2006 at Dromolan House in West Geelong. The event raised over \$900 for the Foundation and is set to become a popular annual dinner – Well done Martin and Geoff Chandler.

Youth – RYPEN (Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment), R.Y.L.A. (Rotary Youth Leadership Award), National Youth Science Forum, Graham Bath Junior Community Awards (formerly Rotary Junior Community Awards) and Roy Rose Awards (Citizenship Awards made to students at Bellarine Secondary College). These programs involve a number of students from local primary and secondary schools in development and educational initiatives. It is thanks to Tony Haines that we have great connections with these schools and are able to facilitate these worthy programmes.

DIK (Donations in Kind) The club has participated in a number of collections for DIK. Recently a \$1500 contribution was made in response to the request for support to ship goods to third world countries – Tim Kemp's energy for International service is only matched by his energy for a certain football team (which should remain nameless for fear of him swanning about!).

Community Service: A response to a request to clean up the very overgrown yard of a person with some significant health issues gave the members a chance to do some 'hands-on' work with a clear result at the end of the day (We did that twice!). Redevelopment of the local Neighbourhood Centre garden – a one day 'front yard blitz' and more recently the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Foundation are just a few of the fantastic efforts of Marion Walton, always assisted by Bill. Well done to you both.

Participation in the Anzac Day ceremony and dawn service BBQ – bacon and egg sandwiches, free of charge to all who attend the dawn service. This is a special and moving contribution, acknowledging of our service men and women, driven by John Calnin. The seniors Christmas Dinner this year was bigger and better than ever.

We have had free CPR refresher courses run throughout the year (Wal Kelly), Red Cross Calling, Blood Challenge, Organ Donor Week support and Bowel Scan. Great work by Vic Harnath, Peter Hawthorn and many other contributors.

International Service: One of our highlights was the hosting of 4 couples from sister club – Southampton, Ontario, Canada. Including PE Keith (and Judy) Nixon – the 10 day hosted stay including many adventures and tours. Rod and Judy are planning a reciprocal visit around September next year and encourage others to join them. Congratulations to Tim Kemp, who initiated the idea, and John Fox who worked (and worked) to make it happen so well. The itinerary was first class!

This relationship has led to a Joint water project undertaken in the Dominican – contributing around \$4000CAD to BioSand water filter project. Members have been invited to travel to the Dominican to view the project as part of the reciprocal visit in 2008.

Publicity and Membership were given greater prominence under the new structure.

The club had the good fortune to be given the use of a shop at the Ocean Grove Marketplace for a period of about 6 months until it was let to a tenant. This gave us a great opportunity to promote Rotary and the PAD Project. We had the Minister for Health, Bronwyn Pike, MP Lisa Neville, DG Andrew Suggett, ADG Alan Ollis and HBA Ambassador Emma Carney visit the shopfront.

A number of articles have appeared in local newspapers throughout the year. Local community publications publish parts of the club bulletin. The intrepid John Fox consistently publishes our ‘bully’ each week – which we all study faithfully. He makes us laugh, he makes us cry.

The free blog style website continues to operate, with bulletins posted each week as well as regular updates. The website has all of the club bulletins since the site began in 2004. HYPERLINK "<http://www.rotaryoceangrove.blogspot.com>" www.rotaryoceangrove.blogspot.com

Membership: It has been terrific to welcome new members to the club this year. Well done Trevor McArdle. Members don’t just come along, your encouragement (also threats and cajoles) have contributed greatly.

Development of leaders beyond club level: The club has had two consecutive Assistant Governors – Tim Kemp 2006/2007 and Helen Trigg 2007/2008. We must acknowledge and support the efforts of these members, who give so much of their time and skills. Helen, we are excited that you will nominate for DG in 2011/2012 and we are with you all the way!

Funds raised: The club distributed 23,700 at the end of the Rotary year alone, including 5000 to Rotary Peace Scholarship and 3000 to The Rotary Foundation. It is great to see this level of commitment to the Foundation.

Special thanks to my ever-reliable secretary Rod Greer, Vice President Hans Franken, sergeant John Calnin and treasurer Coral Barker. Thanks mostly to the members. You are very gracious. It has been fun.

Best wishes to Alison George in your year as club president. I know that we all look forward to a fantastic time as the Rotary gears continue to turn.

Richard Grimmett

President

Treasurer’s Report

Explanatory note re change of dates

July 2006 – May 2007

Annual reports in previous years have represented the final figures that are presented to the auditors. This year due to a change in the requirements of government for charitable organizations we are required to follow the fiscal year and therefore cannot prepare a full report in time for our board change-over.

The audited report from 1st July 2006 to June 30th 2007 is to be presented to the club at our Annual General Meeting in October/November.

The following report is from 19th April 2007 to 25th May 2007 which details the clubs present financial status and is followed by a list of funds allocated since 1st July 2006, and a further list of funds committed from this years fundraising.

Treasurer's Report as at 25th May 2007

Administration Account

Balance at 19 th April 2007		823.35
Receipts		
Meals	2712.00	
Fines	65.85	
Raffle	234.40	
Footy Tips	<u>442.00</u>	<u>3454.25</u>
		4277.60
Expenditure		
Meals	2628.00	
Membership Expences	<u>380.59</u>	<u>3008.59</u>
		1269.01

Charities Account

Balance at 19 th April 2007	30212.00
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Receipts

Market stalls 2007-08	350.00	
Refund Rypen	30.00	
Cycle Australia	805.00	
Club Geelong – Diaries	<u>13.00</u>	<u>1198.00</u>
		31410.00

Expenditure

Market	211.90	
Anzac Day Breakfast	270.00	
PAD Project	2765.75	
Rotary Club of Port Pirie	20.00	
Rotary Junior Community Awards	70.00	
Gordon Institute Vocational Award	100.00	
Rotary Club of Southampton	1800.00	
Shelter Box Program	<u>1200.00</u>	6437.65
		<u>24972.35</u>
Balance at 19 th April 2007		31035.35
Plus Receipts		<u>4652.25</u>
		35687.60
Less Expenditure		<u>9446.24</u>
		<u>26241.36</u>
Administration Account		1269.01
Charities Account		<u>24972.35</u>
		<u>26241.36</u>
Bank Balance at 25 th M ay 2007		23444.44
Less Cheques not presented		<u>3240.00</u>
		20204.44
Plus V2 Account		<u>6036.92</u>
		<u>26241.36</u>

Allocated Funds July 1st 2006 to May 25th 2007

Project	Service Area	Amount \$
Police Associaton Gym Equipment	Youth	2000.00
Community Support Register	Community	500.00
Youth Science Award	Youth	300.00
RAWCS	International	20.00
Elderly Citizens Christmas Party	Community	2185.00
Corio Bay Senior College-Young Single Mother Program	Youth	600.00

Youth Exchange	Youth	209.00
Donations in Kind	International	1500.00
RYPEN	Youth	450.00
PAD Project (includes 2765.00 donated Funds)	Community	8319.00
Anzac Day Breakfast	Community	270.00
Rotary Junior Community Awards	Youth	70.00
Vocational Award Gordon Institute	Youth	100.00
Biosands Project (joint project with Southampton RC Ontario)	International	1800.00
Shelter Box Program	International	1200.00
Rotary Adventures in Citizenship	Youth	925.00
Ocean Grove Neighbourhood Centre – Youth Program	Youth	2000.00
Funds allocated at time of Report		22448.00
Committed Funds *		
*Funds committed by Board that are awaiting further information or advice		
CFA	Community	2000.00
Surfside Primary School Kitchen Garden Project	Youth	1000.00
Guide Dogs	Community	500.00
Rotary Peace Scholarship	International	5000.00
PAD Project	Community	3000.00
SES	Community	700.00
ANNA CARA Hospice Care	Community	1000.00
Funds still to be allocated for 2006/07		13200.00
Note: In 2007 – 08 we have a contribution to Neighbourhood House Youth Program of \$2000 as the 3 rd & final part of a commitment made in the 2004/05 Rotary Year		

Coral Barker
Treasurer

Membership

(Membership Recruitment, Induction, Orientation & Retention.)

Facts & Figures:

Membership at start of the year	43
Plus new inductions	<u>7</u>
	50
Less resignations	<u>2</u>
Total membership at end of the year	<u>48</u>
Percentage increase for the year	<u>11.63%</u>

Inductions:

We gained three experienced Rotarians from other clubs this year –

Ken Fleay from Ballarat East Club, previously a member of Beaufort Club where he was a charter member, Past President and former assistant D.G.

Noel Emselle from Footscray Club where he has been Vocational Director and Community Service Director.

Victor Harnath, previously from Broadford Club and Charlton, where he was Club President 1985-1986 and held a number of Directorships during his membership.

New members inducted during the year are –

Dennis Sanders (formerly a member of Apex & Lions), Ben Israel, Suzy Mann and Paul Gleeson, all of whom will be an asset to Rotary and Ocean Grove Club.

Resignations:

Bob Jordan, who had been a member of the club for several years and had previously been a member of Geelong Rotary. Bob was no longer able to fit Rotary into his very busy work schedule and had to leave us.

Ken Wyatt, who had only been a member for a short while, relocated to Echuca.

We thank them both for their valuable contributions to the club whilst they were with us and wish them well for the future.

Leave of Absence:

We currently have two members on extended leave of absence and we look forward to having them back with us next year.

Retention:

We have a vibrant, energetic and committed club, enthusiastically and very capably led by President Richard this year so membership retention has not been an issue. Programs have been varied and of excellent quality, our venue is suitable and meals and service are first class, all of which contribute to a successful club.

The Way Forward:

Our target for the year was to induct ten new members so to achieve seven was a good result, particularly as we have others in the pipeline who will hopefully join next year. Geoff Brentnall must be congratulated for his efforts as he had a hand in the induction of nearly all of our new members this year. He has certainly thrown down the challenge to other members to give suitable prospects the opportunity to serve the community in Rotary.

I think in an area the size of Ocean Grove/Barwon Heads a suitable membership number could be 60 – 70 so we have a way to go. I urge all members to be on the lookout for people who have something to offer to Rotary and this club and ask you invite them to a meeting.

Trevor McArdle.
Director.

Publicity

(Public Relations, Rotary Information, Bulletin and On-to-conference.)

First, may I say that in a club of almost 50 members, each of the above tasks should be the responsibility of separate chairmen, but I have given my main focus to the bulletin, and the other duties have been secondary.

Public Relations.

Our club in particular and Rotary in general enjoys a very high standing in the community, with the Anzac Day breakfast as our most visible activity, followed by the Christmas dinner for elderly citizens. Community service working bees and the conduct of the Craft and Produce markets also keep the Rotary presence highly visible.

The Barwon Heads walk is, in my opinion, the only negative at present. The locality, standard of workmanship and the basic concept are of the highest standard, but the signage is a big disappointment, and our submission to Barwon Coast for an upgrade, has so far fallen on deaf ears.

Rotary Information

Our members have been kept regularly supplied with Rotary publications, and the bulletin contains Rotary information in every issue. We have inducted many new members in recent years, and the introductory literature provides excellent basic information.

In my opinion, the mentor system, whilst an excellent ideal, has not worked in practice, and should be pursued.

The Bulletin

I enjoy writing and distributing the weekly newsletter, but I regret to say that I am not an editor, because no member has made any contribution during the past year, except a few dubious jokes, of which most are deleted. I have been surprised that board members make no contributions, and perhaps that is because, as a fellow member of the board, I am left to write my own copy. That will not apply in the coming year, but I think the board should elect a 'conduit' to the bulletin.

On-to-conference.

A very successful district conference was held in the DG's hometown of Warrnambool. Unfortunately, I had to cancel at the last moment. The next conference will be held at the opposite end of the district boundary, at Swan Hill, and should be a great success.

Newer members of our club should be encouraged to attend.

I am confident that the club will go from strength to strength.

John Fox
Publicity

Rotary Foundation Report

The Rotary foundation committee initiated a dinner for Paul Harris Fellows in the Geelong area as a way to bring these people together and at the same time raise some money for Foundation.

100 people attended a very successful function. The function was a celebration of Rotary Foundation, and recognised that the awarding of Paul Harris Fellowships makes a major contribution to the Foundation.

Speakers included the leader of a Group Study Exchange team and a Rotary scholar. Entertainment was provided by our own Wilma Andrews. Some \$900 was raised and all agreed that the function is worth repeating next Rotary year.

Rotary Foundation has continued to be an important part of the total Rotary program and retains a prominent place in Rotary thinking.

Geoff Chandler on behalf of
Martin Geerings Director

International Service

Our club, like all Rotary Clubs, is obliged to be involved in international projects alone or in cooperation with other clubs. This year we've had the opportunity to participate in a number of ways:

Donations in Kind. In this Rotary Year we revived the practice of collecting goods for Donations-In-Kind. We made 5 collections gathering in excess of 7,000 books and several cubic metres of household goods, toys and clothing. My thanks go to all 18 members whose homes we visited. In particular the club should acknowledge the sterling contribution made to the DIK effort by John Wynn. Without his time, his truck and his energy our efforts may not have been so successful. There is also a small group within the club making regular visits to the depot to help with the sorting and packing. The group can always use a few more helpers. The importance of DIK is in my view under-rated and as observed by Anton during his address to the club, it is the only source of assistance that some of our neighbours get. Our financial support in paying for a container was a great boost to the district DIK effort.

Joint Project with RC Southhampton. The provision of water filtration tank systems in Central America (Dominican Republic) has been approved by the Board. \$Aus1800 has been sent as an equal share of the project cost. Essentially, the tanks are a low maintenance, low cost manner of providing clean water using natural resources combined with a little local education. More detail will be provided as it comes to hand from our sister club.

School Furniture to PNG. Our appeal to local schools resulted in the collection of two truckloads (and Bill Walton's ute) of desks and chairs from the Ocean Grove Primary School. This was a great day out for the members who attended and got us some great publicity with several photos and a story in the Geelong Advertiser.

Shelter Boxes.

We have also kicked in \$1200 for a shelter box to be deployed as needed to help the victims of natural disasters. Our box No is 2004 and its status can be tracked on the Shelter Box web site

**Tim Kemp
Chairperson**

Youth Service

Committee

Director: Tony Haines

Members: Anne Browne, Margaret Campbell, Bob Smith, Suzy Mann, Paul Gleeson.

Roy Rose Awards.

Roy Rose Citizenship Awards were presented to five students at Bellarine Secondary College. These Awards are presented annually and are named after former member Roy Rose who was both a highly regarded Educator in the State Education system and valued member of our Club. This year's recipients were:

Mark Naylor
Jessica Thompson
Lucy O'Neill
Andrea Hamblin
C Holder

Graham Bath Rotary Junior Community Awards.

Again students from the Ocean Grove Primary School participated in the Rotary Junior Community Awards.

Following a decision of last years Board, the Awards have become the Graham Bath Junior Community Awards in recognition of Graham's outstanding service to the Community. Graham is acknowledged as being the Rotarian to introduce the Program to our Club. It was therefore very fitting that Graham's widow Wilma was able to present the Awards.

Recipients of the Awards were:

Stephanie Todd
Bianca Myers
Jordan Stewart
Taran Dewar
Mitchell Hudson

There are currently ten students involved in the 2007 Program. The program focuses on both Community Service and broadening Social Experiences. We look forward to their reports in October.

Youth Exchange – Jan Howard.

We were very pleased to welcome home our outgoing exchange student Jan Howard.

Jan's Exchange was to Brazil which is considered by many as a challenging country for an Exchange. Jan however made excellent use of her time in Brazil and was an outstanding representative of our Club and Country.

Her report to members was both interesting and enjoyable.

Youth Exchange as a Club Program.

Concerns about the relevance of the current Youth Exchange Program have been expressed by some members during recent times.

To address this matter, feedback from members was sought and presented to the Board which after consideration, agreed not to be involved in the Program in its current form.

Many positive suggestions were made by members and these were discussed with District Governor Andrew Suggett who agreed to pass them onto the District Youth Committee.

RYPEN.

Our Club was able to sponsor three students to attend the District's RYPEN weekend Seminar. The participating students were

Paul Liistro from Christian College,

Brandon Davey and,

Guy Tyzack both from Bellarine Secondary College.

The Seminar was organized by the Rotary Clubs of Mount Gambier Lakes and Millicent and was held at the Blue Light Camp at Southend in South Australia.

Brandon and Guy were able to present an excellent Seminar Report to Members.

Ocean Grove Neighbourhood Centre.

The Ocean Grove Neighbourhood Centre has been able to 'revive' their Youth Program which involves weekly 'Friday Drop In' meetings with trained Youth workers. This year the group will also be involved in a camp activity.

Rotary funding has enabled this program to move forward and the Neighbourhood Centre is grateful for our Club's support.

Adventure in Citizenship.

Anthony List from St Ignatius College has been selected to participate as our Club's nominee in the Adventure in Citizenship Program. If selected by the organizing body, Anthony will spend a week in Canberra with 48 other Rotary selected students from all over Australia.

The program runs from 11th August to 18th August and focuses on Canberra institutions and opportunities to experience the parliamentary process in action.

We trust that Anthony, if selected, has an enjoyable and worthwhile experience in Canberra.

Siemens Science Experience

At the time of the preparation of this Report, local schools are being sought to nominate four Year 9 students to participate in the Siemens Science Experience Programs being conducted at the Gordon Institute of TAFE in October and at the Marine Studies Centre in January.

Disappointments have been the inability to identify a young person for the Rotary Youth Leadership Program (RYLA), and School's response to nominate suitable student(s) for the National Youth Science Forum. This is a program for very talented students. I am advised that only one in six applicants are accepted for this program.

Tony Haines
Youth Committee Chairman.

Community Service

Chairperson: Marion Walton

Members: Leigh Hollaway, John Wynn, Bill Steaines, David Cooke, Bob Jordan, Judy Greer, Rod Birrell, Bill Walton, Tim Kemp, Rod Bush, Colin Brown, Alison George, Alex Magee, Ken Wyatt, Wal Kelly.

This year has seen us out and about in the community doing smaller projects which I think is fantastic. More projects mean better recognition in the community.

Two working bees in a pensioner's back garden
Clean up and gardening at Ocean Grove Neighbourhood Centre
Red Cross Calling (\$4000)
Volunteer Marshalls and Drivers at the Transplant Games
CPR update
Bowl Scan (delivering and collecting kits)
Marshalls at the Ladies International Cycling Race in Barwon Heads
Volunteering at the Sea Food Fest Queenscliff (14 members and 3 partners)
Selling of raffle tickets (Geoff Ford and his helpers)
Organ Donation Awareness
Donation to Police Boys Club Boxing Program
Talking with the Barwon Heads Community Garden Project (more next year)
Donation to Surfside Primary School who are starting a Stephanie Alexander Garden project next year.

I wish to highlight **three** special projects that keep Rotary's profile high in the community. Anzac Day Dawn Service Breakfast. This is getting bigger each year. John Calnin and his team of 13 cooked and served 144 egg and bacon sandwiches which is very much appreciated by the RSL members and the community. Our Seniors Citizens Christmas Party this year was held at the Ocean Grove Hotel. 100 Seniors enjoyed their Christmas meal followed by entertainment and fellowship. Thankyou to our members for helping on the night as waiters and drivers. This event is also getting bigger each year. Our PAD (Public Access Defibrillator) project with a huge thankyou to Wal Kelly and his team, our club has now installed 4 Defibrillators in Ocean Grove and discussions are underway for another 2 to be installed later in the year. We also have a club Defibrillator that is with us at all club events. Wal and Val have showcased our project at service clubs as well as our Rotary Conference in Warrnambool. This has created a lot of interest.

Unfortunatley, we had to vacate our shop front at Market Place in August. This space was used to highlight Rotary. It was another project that Wal Kelly had taken an extremely active role in establishing and using effectively.

We also produced some brochures about the PAD project as well as DRABCD action plans and first aid priorities with local sponsorship.

I would like to acknowledge and thank all Rotarians who have helped when asked. This has made my job a pleasure.

Marion Walton
Chairperson

Vocational Service

Peter Cullen started the year as Director for Vocational Service. He initially chaired a committee of 3 (with Geoff Chandler and David Tyrell) when the group was formed. I joined later in the Rotary year and have been seconded into the Chairperson's role for the last 4 months of 2006-07 when Peter was granted leave-of-absence.

Achievements of the VOCATIONAL SERVICE group for the year were as follows;

A "Pride in Workmanship" Award was made to David Jantzen ("Dutchy"), a motor mechanic from Barwon Heads.

A Geelong Regional Training Award for Cert III Business Studies was to Emma Buckler, a student of the Gordon Institute, was funded by a grant from our club

Job talks were given by Club members

Other activities considered but not achieved were, workplace visits, a first aid course.

I look forward to a more productive 2007-8.

Noel Emselle
Chairperson

Fundraising

Another year has passed and our market still continues to be successful by assisting our club in their fund raising endeavours. Congratulations to Judy and her team for an excellent effort with the stallholders and also the raffles. Thanks to John Webb and Mitre 10 for the raffle voucher each month and to those who worked hard on the cray raffles.

The car raffle was again a major fund raiser and thanks goes to Geoff Ford and his team of helpers who worked hard and on some very hot days to make our club the envy of the other district clubs for the number of tickets sold.

Our weekly raffle doesn't happen by itself and thanks to Hans for looking after it, even if our President forgets it from time to time.

Peter H. and Charles with the assistance of Rod Bush again ran the successful Melbourne Cup sweep and their efforts were appreciated.

A new fundraiser was introduced this year with the marshalling at the Ladies bike race. This was a very easy and enjoyable fundraiser and from information received back from the organizers, I believe we will be invited to do it again next year, together with other events if we wish. Many thanks to those who assisted.

With the hard work of all members we have again been able to distribute funds both locally and overseas and it is allowing our club to be held in high esteem within our community.

Thank you all.

John Calnin
Chairperson

Market

The 2006-2007 Market Season got off to an excellent start despite the loss of a number of regular stallholders of the last few years for various reasons such as scaling down businesses, ill-health and ageing. Fortunately we picked up some new stallholders including a Hot/Cold Food vendor.

This year we held 7 markets – October to Easter Monday (early April) and excluding a market on the first Sunday of April. Weather conditions were generally favourable for the entire season and the mosquito problem of the last few years had been overcome.

Stalls averaged 69 per market, down a little on the last few years. The Easter Market continued to be successful with 109 sites occupied. Vehicles averaged approximately 700 per market. Income from site bookings and the Raffle amounted to \$13,558 (down on last year but with one less market). Tim Kemp and his team continued with the financially successful Cray/Meat Spins at most markets, the Cray spins being the most popular.

The markets again ran successfully using teams to carry out the required tasks under a team leader, who was automatically a member of the Market Committee. Thanks to the Leaders and their teams for looking after their areas of responsibility.

Prior to the commencement of the season work was done on a renumbering of the sites and this assisted market managers and stallholders in locating sites more easily. Thanks to the helpers!

Special thanks go to Rtn. John and Prue Webb for their continued support, and generosity, in the sponsoring of the monthly Mitre 10 Raffle during the market season.

Again thanks to all the team leaders for so reliably looking after that aspect of the market for which you were responsible, Rod Bush for his computer expertise and stepping in as market manager when needed and all club members who took turns on the various rosters– a great effort.

Preparations have now begun for the 2007/2008 Market Season. New ideas to ensure the ongoing success of our market would be most welcome.

Judy Greer
Chairperson

Programme

July 2006

- 4th July: Change-over Night at Barwon Heads Golf Club
- 11th July: Marconi and 100 years of radio – Calvin Lee
- 18th July: Club Assembly
- 25th July: Ocean Grove Structure Plan – Tim Hellsten, Team Leader Strategic Planning , City of Greater Geelong

August

- 1st August: World Cup Soccer in Germany – Alex Magee
- 8th August: Bellarine Police Community Support Register – Ann Nichol
- 15th August: Membership – Trevor McArdle
- 22nd August: Fly Fishing – Trevor Mueller
- 29th August: Teaching in the Maldives – Richard Barras

September

- 5th September: Sounds Amazing (Local CD production for children & therapeutic hypnosis)
– Brian and Rosemary Hamilton
- 12th September: A Financial Life Plan – Helen Butteriss and Colin Brown
- 19th September: Immigration Issues – Bob MacDonald
- 26th September: National Youth Science Forum – Hannah Ervin

October

- 3rd October: Rotaract – Kristine James , Cheryl Bellman and Steve Clark
- 10th October: Climate Change – Janet Dean
- 17th October: Club Assembly
- 24th October: Junior Community Service Awards
- 31st October: District Governor Visit

November

- 7th November: Melbourne Cup Celebration
- 14th November: My time in the Citizens Military Forces (Army Reserve)-John Fox
- 21st November: Teenage Coach – Nigel Lane
- 28th November: The Chef speaks – Jon Mazloum

December

- 5th December: Christmas Dinner for the Elderly
- 12th December: Psychological Profiling – Margaret Scott
- 19th December: Christmas Party
- 26th December: No meeting

January 2007

- 2nd January: No meeting
- 9th January: Summer fellowship
- 16th January: Summer fellowship
- 23rd January: Summer fellowship
- 30th January: Summer fellowship

February

- 6th February: The Country Fire Authority and the Community – Cindy Harrison-Roberts
- 13th February: Southampton (Canada) Rotarians at Alison George's place
- 20th February: Christian College's award winning Science & Engineering Project PLUS Keith Nixon's Joint Service Project Proposal
- 27th February: Donations in Kind Depot Operation – Anton Van Doornik

March

- 6th March: Red Cross Calling
- 13th March: Group Study Exchange team member to New York State, U.S.A. – Paul Northey who works at Barwon Water
- 20th March: Club Assembly on from conference !
- 27th March: Guide Dogs Victoria – Colleen Knowles with her Guide Dog Oban

April

- 3rd April: Employing the disabled using the 'dal' model - Marie Kuchenmeister
- 10th April: My time as an International Exchange Student in Brazil – Jan Howard
- 17th April: Water down the drain ! – Alan McKenzie
- 24th April: Walking the Kokoda Trail – Paul Featherby

May

- 1st May: VicRoads on the Barwon Heads Bridge & other issues – Duncan Elliott
- 8th May: R.Y.P.E.N. – Brandon Davey and Guy Tyzack
- 15th May: Dinner at Davidson Restaurant , the Gordon TAFE's training restaurant in Fenwick St, Geelong.
- 22nd May: Global Study & International Project in Vietnam – Katrina Page
- 29th May: City of Greater Geelong Planning Issues - Cr. Rod MacDonald

June

- 5th June: New members, Rotary so far – Suzy Mann, Ben Israel and Dennis Sanders
- 12th June: African Refugees in Geelong – Barbara Peek
- 19th June: The Annam Cara Hospice – Michelle Van Leisum
- 26th June: Channel Deepening Project – Speaker from the Port of Melbourne

My thanks go to my committee members, Colin Brown, David Tyrrell and Charles Dawborn, for their assistance, particularly during my two month absence overseas .

Geoff Brentnall
Programme Chairman

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Rotarian Judy Greer – Market Coordinator

Wal Kelly shows defibrillator to Rob and Chris Crabtree