



ROTARY CLUB
of
OCEAN GROVE



THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
1995 - 1996



A provocative and challenging International Ecumenical Service was led by Rev. John Roberts to open the Sunday morning session. This was followed by a learned address on the 'History of the Western District', by Professor Weston Bate.

The international nature of Rotary was highlighted by the Youth Exchange students, many of whom appeared in their national dress. Their heart warming contribution complimented the reports given on Saturday by the Group Study Exchange team from Pennsylvania, USA.

The final keynote speaker was PDG John Thorne who spoke on the topic, "Rotary is Today and Tomorrow". John stressed the human factor and the need for our human skills to keep pace with technological advances.

We were privileged to have Past Director Neill Inkster from N.Z. as R.I. President Herb Brown's special representative. Neill's words of wisdom and overall contribution to the conference were very much appreciated. His wife Margaret charmed us all.

It would be remiss of me not to mention the significant role played by D.G. Henry and Isabel both in the detailed planning beforehand and at the conference itself. Henry's imprint on the conference was obvious to all present.

The gastronomical needs of the conference delegates were well catered for by Checkmate Catering and the Geelong Chaplaincy Support Group. The willing co-operation of the Ocean Grove campus of the Bellarine Secondary College was also much appreciated.

Another feature of Conference '96 was the large range of displays and posters from District 9780 clubs and committees sited around the periphery of the auditorium. These attracted considerable interest among Rotarians and partners.



I would like to thank Coral Barker and her team for their time and effort in running our monthly market which is again our main source of income. Please consider the market's future seriously as too few people are doing too much and volunteers are urgently required for 1996-1997.

Our final project for the year was "Paint your Heart out". We have finished painting a home in Aldebaran Rd Ocean Grove. This was again well supported and I thank all members who were able to attend

Hans Franken
COMMUNITY SERVICE DIRECTOR.

CRAFT MARKET

CHAIRMAN: John Powell/Coral Barker.

MEMBERS: Pam Werner, Dennis Wootten, Mark Donehue.

The market this year has been blessed with reasonable weather; - only one bad day.

We, on the market committee have missed the talents of John Powell who had to leave us due to business commitments

Thank you to the dedicated band of helpers who were there at every market:

MARK DONEHUE	Early shift
DENNIS WOOTTEN	Early shift
IAN WALKER	Rosters and the wheel.
GERRY SPENCER	Selling stallholders raffle
JIM RUTHERFORD	Marking out the sites
ERIC BARE	Sign management
ROD BIRRELL	Sign management

Also many thanks to all the other people who helped out with parking and the spinning wheel.

We have 45 permanent stall holders who seem happy with our organisation and their takings. I speak to every stall holder every month and by doing so have been able to sort out their grumbles and problems before they become a major concern.

ATTENDANCE RECORD



13TH JUNE 1995 TO 4TH JUNE 1996

MEMBER	POSSIBLE ATTENDANCE	ATTENDED	MAKE-UP	LEAVE OF ABSENCE	PERCENTAGE
BARE, Eric	51	41	1	7	82.35
BARKER, Coral	51	45	-	-	88.24
*BATH, Graham	51	44	1	-	88.24
BIRRELL, Rod	51	49	-	-	96.08
BRENTNALL, Geoff	51	43	-	-	84.31
BROWN, Colin	51	45	1	-	90.20
BUTTERS, Phil	51	38	-	7	74.51
CALNIN, John	51	42	-	-	82.35
CHANDLER, Geoff	51	34	1	12	68.63
CLARK, John	23	-	-	23	-----
COOKE, David	51	36	1	-	72.55
DALES, Felicity	51	41	1	-	82.35
DODGSHUN, John	51	44	5	-	96.08
DONEHUE, Mark	26	18	1	-	73.08
FARGHER, PAUL	51	12	1	32	25.50
FLOWER, John	51	33	-	-	64.71
FOX, John	16	15	-	-	93.75
FRANKEN, Hans	51	46	1	-	92.16
GEERINGS, Martin	51	47	1	-	94.12
HAINES, Tony	51	39	1	-	78.43
HEWITT, Geoff	51	42	2	2	86.27
HEWITT, Meredith	51	46	4	-	98.04
HUDSON, Henry	51	21	30	-	100.00
JOYCE, Alan	51	49	2	-	100.00
KELLY, Wal	51	30	3	-	64.71
KENTISH, Cherryl	51	38	1	7	76.47
LILLIE, Ian	34	21	4	3	73.53
McARDLE, Trevor	51	39	-	-	76.47
MacDONALD, Jim	51	15	4	12	37.25
MAGEE, Alex	51	38	-	9	74.51
MOORE, John	51	34	2	-	70.59
MORPHETT, Geoff	51	38	4	-	82.35
MOUNTFORD, Frank	51	39	6	-	88.24
*OSBOURNE, Bob	51	35	1	12	70.59
#PENNA, Bill	16	11	-	5	100.00
POWELL, JOHN	51	36	2	-	74.51
REID, Barry	51	40	1	-	80.39
ROBINSON, Peter	51	36	-	-	70.59
RUTHERFORD, Jim	51	31	1	-	62.75
SPENCER, Gerry	51	50	1	-	100.00
STEAINS, Bill	51	36	1	4	72.55
TODD, Ron	51	40	-	-	78.43
TURNBULL, James	51	17	-	28	33.33
TYRRELL, David	51	41	-	-	80.39
WALKER, Ian	51	43	2	-	88.24
WEBB, John	51	34	2	-	70.59
WERNER, Pam	51	32	4	-	70.59
WOOTEN, Dennis	51	51	-	-	100.00
WYNN, John	51	42	-	-	82.35

NOTE: Meetings attended and make-ups count for percentage.
 * These members are exempt from weekly attendance requirements due to age and/or years of Rotary Service.
 # A member's absence is excused if caused by protracted ill health or impairment in which case the absence shall not be computed in the club's attendance record.

Graham Bath
 CHAIRMAN.



**1995-96
Presidential Citation for
Integrity, Love and Peace**

Awarded to The Rotary Club of

Ocean Grove

in recognition of its outstanding and exemplary efforts
in meeting the challenge of the Presidential Citation Program

Herbert G. Brown

Herbert G. Brown, 1995-96 RI President

Murray Skudeman
District Governor 9780.





Unfortunately the conference was not blessed with fine weather though this had a positive effect in keeping participants indoors and maintaining high audience numbers for all sessions. The 'Red Badge of Courage' award must go to those intrepid Rotarians who risked life and limb to climb onto the roof of the stadium in order to fasten down the black sheets covering the skylights.

On looking back through my records I noted that the first formal meeting of the conference planning committee was held on Feb 4, 1994 - over two years prior to Conference '96. Thousands of man/woman hours were spent in planning and organising the Rip to River Rendezvous. I believe that we have done our Rotary Club and D.G. Henry proud and can look back on Conference '96 with a great deal of satisfaction for a job well done.

To conclude I quote from the March 22 Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Colac:- "The District 9780 Conference at Ocean Grove last weekend was a 'Ripper'. In fact delegates said it was one of the best they had ever attended".

Frank Mountford.
CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE



DIRECTOR: Ian Lillie/Geoff Hewitt

MEMBERS: Eric Bare, Martin Geerings, Wal Kelly,
John Moore, Geoff Morphett, Bob Osbourne,
Bill Steains.

1995/96 has been a very rewarding year in International Service despite some set-backs and disappointments.

We were sorry to lose our Director, Ian Lillie, halfway through the year (and after only a short time as a member of the Rotary Club of Ocean Grove) when Ian, at little notice, was posted to Albury-Wodonga.

IPAC

This has been the fifth year that we have sponsored the education of children in Indonesia through IPAC project 85 and the Salvation Army. Our contribution of \$220 per year is materially assisting two girls, Alwitje Manoy from Manado and Ni Nengah Putriasin from Bali to complete their basic education and greatly improve their prospects of future employment. We have regularly received correspondence from them acknowledging our assistance.

MATCHED CLUB

Our long-time sister club in Germany is Salzgitter-Wolfenbuttel and Graham Bath has continued his active correspondence with them through his contact Heinz Tonn. We understand that Heinz is shortly to be President of his Club and Graham has conveyed our best wishes.

MOBILE HEALTH CLINIC FOR NORTHERN KWA ZULU NATAL

This initiative of the RC of Highton, which has inspired the support of the Geelong area Clubs, has given us the opportunity to make a significant contribution to health care in South Africa's Zululand. Our donation of \$1000 together with the sums donated by other clubs in our area and matched by a grant from Rotary Foundation, will fund the purchase of a mobile health care clinic at the cost of R50,000.



DISTRIBUTIONS FROM CHARITY ACCOUNT

COMMUNITY SERVICE	
Heath McLaughlin	200.00
Lifeline Geelong	500.00
Ocean Grove Fire Brigade	500.00
Combined Churches Pantry	500.00
Paint your Heart out	648.94
Rotunda	4152.94
Rotary Challenge 2000 (2nd annual payment)	100.00
Bellarine Community Health Centre	950.00
Royal Flying Doctor Service	200.00
Bone Marrow Institute	<u>200.00</u>
	<u>7951.88</u>
VOCATIONAL SERVICE	
Work Place Certificates	<u>38.00</u>
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE	
Exchange Students-incoming & outgoing	1890.75
Rotary Foundation	1300.00
I.P.A.C.	220.00
Labasa, Fiji water project	250.00
Interplast	<u>20.00</u>
	<u>3680.75</u>
YOUTH SERVICE	
Ocean Grove, Barwon Heads little Athletics	360.00
Rock Eisteddfod (2 years support)	1600.00
Cottage by the Sea	700.00
Ocean Grove Basketball Association	400.00
Young Achievers Award	46.00
Roy Rose Awards	300.00
Seimens Science School	50.00
R.Y.L.A.	337.50
Les Twentyman	<u>200.00</u>
	<u>3993.50</u>
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	<u>\$15664.13</u>

AUDIT REPORT

I report that I have audited the books, accounts and vouchers of the Rotary Club of Ocean Grove Inc. for the year ended 31 May 1996 and have received all the information and explanations I have required. There is an understandable lack of audit trail in several areas of club income which require that I accept existing banking records as sufficient evidence of the transactions. Subject to that proviso, in my opinion, the Treasurer's Report for 1995/96 is properly drawn up so as to reveal a true and fair presentation of the financial results of the club for the year.

John B. Fox FCA
Honorary Auditor
Ocean Grove 11/6/96

YOUTH SERVICE COMMITTEE



DIRECTOR: Ian Walker.

MEMBERS: Trevor McArdle, David Tyrrell, Ron Todd, Pam Werner, Cheryl Kentish.

During this Rotary Year the Youth Committee has been involved in a number of projects assisting the youth of our area.

SIEMENS SCIENCE SCHOOL

Trent Morphett was selected to represent our club at the Siemens Science School programme held at Deakin University in January. Trent had a very enjoyable time learning new skills that will assist him in the future.

ROCK EISTEDDFOD

The club paid for the transport costs for 120 students from the Bellarine Secondary College who had been successful in the Geelong heats of the Rock Eisteddfod. The students competed at State level in Frankston and again were successful in winning their heat.

The next heat was held at the National Tennis Centre but unfortunately they were unsuccessful this time.

The club will again support the Bellarine Secondary College in next year's attempt to win the title of best school in the annual Rock Eisteddfod.

COTTAGE BY THE SEA

The committee arranged for Pam Werner to sell special fund raising Christmas cards at our meetings. Pam was very happy with the sales and all profits went to the Cottage by the Sea. The club also made a donation of \$700 to the Cottage by the Sea.

PROGRAMME COMMITTEE



COMMITTEE: Jim Rutherford, Meredith Hewitt.

Our year started with a BANG on the Fourth of July complete with a large American (Lynne Claussen) talking about what the 4th of July means to him. During July and August we had speakers on Shipwrecks, Poetry in Schools, Unfair Dismissal, Cave Diving, the Bone Marrow Institute, Ostrich Farming and the Port Phillip Sea Pilots.

During Youth Month in September we had a speaker from Baysa in Geelong and we heard from our exchange student Camilla. We also heard from Jan Cheatley, the Director of Lifeline in Geelong and our local Worm Farmer Denis Walters.

During Vocational Month in October we visited Godfrey Hirst carpet manufacturers in Geelong as well as Dan Simmons talking about Survival in small Business and Dr Chris Steinfort talking about Sleep Apnoea.

During Foundation Month in November we heard from Ron Todd our "Foundation Man", had a social night on Melbourne Cup Night (organised by the Social Committee), a visit from our own D.G. Henry Hudson and David Tyrrell stepped into the breach to tell us about his trip from New Caledonia when an organised visit to Black Rock fell through at the last minute.

December brought us Gary Grant to talk about Geelong Speed Trials and show us how a beginning with foresight and vision can turn into a BIG money earner. The Social Committee organised the Christmas Party and Bruce Humphries the Environmental Planner talked to us about local issues.

As usual during January our visiting Rotarians provided the entertainment except for a visit to Drysdale Croquet and Bowls Club (organised by Graham Bath), and Ron Smith the 1995 out going GSE Team Leader.



The Easter and Christmas markets were both full (80 sites). We are getting enough casuals per month to average 60 sites sold each month. This could be improved upon.

Advertising is very expensive; therefore I believe we need something special in our advertising each month to attract new customers to the market, which will in turn attract more stall holders. The market will be included on the first Sunday of the month on the '97 City of Geelong Calendar. A listing in the Penguin publication of markets has generated a lot of interest and new stall holders. A new publication of markets is due out at the end of this year and our market will also be listed there.

In the next market year starting in September, I would like to have a calendar of events in place for each market and I urge every member to think of ways of how we can achieve this. We have a large unused oval which is perfect for such events. We need to be different to survive.

I have enthusiasm for the market and firmly believe we need to work together to make our market one of the best. As a stall holder at a lot of markets, I believe the Ocean Grove Market is the best run of the lot.

We are approachable, visible, friendly and organised; what a wonderful base to build on to make our market, which is our major fund raiser, even better.

Coral Barker
MARKET COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN.



FELLOWSHIP AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE: Phil Butters (Chairman),
Felicity Dales, David Cooke.

A year of mixed fortunes could probably best describe the activities of the social committee.

Our first event was an in club night and that was the Melbourne Cup evening which was in a different format to last year yet very well received on all accounts.

A questionnaire was circularised amongst members and an indication was called for as to what members were looking for in social activity. As a direct result of this initiative we had a very successful day at Prue and John Webb's which was both hot and fun.

Two other events which were tentatively mooted were another mini golf night and a ferry trip to the other side of the bay or Asia depending on weather conditions, but due to the very busy schedule required by the leadup to the convention neither of these events actually proceeded. In fact this year was unique in that our commitment to hosting the convention had quite an intrusive effect on the available time for day to day Rotary life and also provided quite an amount of our social quota for the year without relying on this committee to organise the events.

The social committee continued the "Ace of Spades" competition once again this year which was not only popular but at the time of writing it hadn't been won. Interesting enough many members are eagerly investing each week having factored the proceeds into their superannuation plans.

To my fellow committee members (what is the non gender protocol for 'fellow'?) thank you Felicity and David for your support and uncanny ability to organise and run things with little direction.

Phil Butters
CHAIRMAN

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



The club's 13th year was certainly a memorable one and I consider myself extremely privileged to have been President at this time.

The highlight was of course, THE CONFERENCE. We began to work, under D.G. Henry's guidance and P.P. Geoff Chandler's chairmanship more than 18 months before the event. First, just a small executive group was involved, but it soon began to encompass more and more members until the actual conference when every member and many wives and partners became involved and made significant contributions. It is history now that it was a great success and proved an unique opportunity for fellowship within the club. I'll never forget the transformation of the basketball court into a theatre in just a few hours. Rotarian Coral and her helpers had told us "It will be alright on the night", but we could not help wondering. How wrong we were! All in all, a great achievement for the club and a proud moment for the President.

The challenge throughout the year was to ensure we did not let the conference take over. I believe we kept the club going with many and varied other activities.

Club Service activities were well handled by Geoff Brentnall and his willing helpers. Our weekly programme was outstanding. Thank you, Meredith (with some assistance from Jim Rutherford) for a well balanced series of speakers, visits and social events. Fund raising, under P.P. Trevor made a significant contribution and enabled us to dispense in excess of \$7,000 to local and international charities. The Valuation Day, after the conference, was a new idea and not only contributed nearly \$1,000 but was great fun and gave us good exposure in the local community and media.

Thanks to John Powell for his stint as Sergeant before Christmas and P.P. John Calnin for continuing at this high level since then. I also congratulate John Calnin on the well deserved award of the Paul Harris Fellowship.



I wish to thank all other directors; P.P. Hans Franken for yet another excellent year of leadership for Community Service, Rod Birrell similarly for Vocational and Ian Walker for his enthusiasm in the Youth portfolio. A change of leadership occurred in International and Geoff Hewitt slipped easily into the role vacated by Ian Lillie.

We did not achieve the membership growth I predicted and I am disappointed that no more lady Rotarians were inducted. I see this as a priority challenge for the year ahead.

Martin Geerings is to be congratulated in the performance of his duties as counsellor to Carmilla. Problems did arise during the year but Martin, ably assisted by Anne, handled them efficiently and to a satisfactory conclusion. Thank you, too, to the host parents. Our outgoing student, Richard is now in Belgium and, by all accounts, having a successful year. Thank you P.P. Geoff Morphett for your role as counsellor.

My task has been made easier by the efficiency of our Secretary P.P. John Dodgshun and I thank him for his advice and guidance through the year. Similarly, Colin Brown, who as Treasurer has never hesitated to put a point of view which has enabled us to discuss the full implications of each issue.

I thank all members who have so patiently and with such good humour put up with my various quirks at the weekly meetings and helped to make this a thoroughly enjoyable and unforgettable year for me. I pass the baton to Barry and wish him well for the year ahead.

And, to D.G. Henry and Isabel you certainly lived up to the motto, "Act with Integrity, Serve with Love and Work for Peace". You did our Club proud and we salute you!

Gerry Spencer.

PRESIDENT.



World Understanding Month in February saw us on a visit to Torquay Club for a Sports Night where we lost dismally in events including hooky, carpet bowls, quoits, darts and golf putting.

We also visited the Queenscliff Marine Discovery Centre. Rachael Donovan from Geelong Otway Tourism spoke on their activities in promoting the region. Noel Reed President of Highton Club spoke about his FAIM trip and a representative from the Save Ingamells Park Group described their activities.

March was devoted to Conference preparation and debrief except for Les Twentyman speaking on Youth.

During April we had a wide variety of speakers; Keith Joyce - Cemetery Administration, Brendan McCartney - OG Football Coach, Kevin Useldinger from the USA Fitness Motivation Institute and Susan Valenta on Crosswords. In addition we acted as guinea pigs for the out going GSE Team thanks to D.G. Henry.

May again saw a variety of speakers; Dr John Eckersley on Acupuncture, Major Alan Quaife from the Fort on his period on Duty in the Middle East, a visit to the Old Geelong Jail and Ian Redpath on Cricket.

The year was completed with Alan Cayser on Wooden Boat Building and a Wine Speaker with samples.

My thanks to Jim Rutherford for his support and assistance.

Meredith Hewitt

PROGRAMME COMMITTEE.

ROTARY PROJECTS

"KAYAK CHALLENGE AROUND THE BAY"



VISUALLY IMPAIRED CANOEISTS ARRIVE AT QUEENSLIFF



COLIN BROWN, ROD BIRRELL AND GEOFF HEWITT HELP PREPARE MEAL FOR THE THIRTY CANOEISTS



HANS FRANKEN, GERRY SPENCER AND MEREDITH HEWITT SPEAK TO VISUALLY IMPAIRED VISITORS AFTER THEY HAVE ENJOYED THE MEAL PREPARED BY ROTARIANS AND PARTNERS

QUEENSLIFF INFORMATION ROTUNDA



ROOF FRAME OF ROTUNDA LIFTED INTO POSITION BY MOBILE CRANE



DIGGING THE FOUNDATIONS, GERRY SPENCER SUPERVISES RON TODD



PASSENGERS FROM FERRY WALKING PAST UNFINISHED ROTUNDA

SUNDAY MARKET



GENERAL VIEW OF STALLS AND PUBLIC PATRONAGE



ROTARIANS MARK DONEHUE, JOHN DODGSHUN AND BOB OSBOURNE SUPERVISE PARKING AT



CHILDREN ENJOY TRAIN RIDE DURING MARKET

TREASURER'S REPORT 1995/96



ADMINISTRATIVE ACCOUNT

Balance as at 1/6/95		1451.37
REVENUE		
Meals	30724.00	
Advertising	500.00	
Sergeant's Fines	640.15	
World Money Box	243.10	
Annual Subscriptions	6590.00	
Bank Interest	464.11	
Social Committee	2247.00	
TOTAL REVENUE 1995/96		<u>41408.36</u>
		42859.73

EXPENDITURE

Meals	29196.15	
Downunder Magazine	967.35	
Photocopier & Stationery	591.00	
Meeting Exp.	776.07	
Conference Costs	220.50	
International dues	2201.52	
District dues	1380.00	
Secretary expenses	334.01	
Membership costs	1842.36	
Social Committee costs	350.00	
Promotion	59.95	
Bank charges	129.10	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1995/96		<u>38048.01</u>
BALANCE OF ADMINISTRATION A/C 31/5/96		<u>\$4811.72</u>

CHARITY ACCOUNT

Balance as at 1/6/95		6387.48
REVENUE		
Raffles	2191.45	
Markets	9200.75	
Valuation Day	1467.00	
Donation	568.00	
Sale of Fish	900.00	
TOTAL REVENUE 1995/96		<u>14327.20</u>
		20714.68

DIRECT EXPENSES

Markets	2324.30	
Valuation Day	616.70	
		<u>2941.00</u>
		<u>\$17773.68</u>

NETT REVENUE

EXPENSES		
Community Service	7951.88	
Vocational Service	38.00	
International Service	3680.75	
Youth Service	3993.50	
TOTAL EXPENSES		<u>15664.13</u>
BALANCE OF CHARITY A/C 31/5/96		<u>\$2109.55</u>

RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS

C/A at ANZ Bank 31/5/96 (incl. U/P cheques)	6299.46
Term Deposit at ANZ Bank	5000.00
TOTAL FUNDS ON HAND	<u>\$11299.46</u>

Representing: Administration Account (above)	4811.72
Charity Account (above)	2109.55
Ladies Account(not in report)	147.02
Foreshore Funds held in Trust	4231.17
TOTAL	<u>\$11299.46</u>

VOCATIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE



DIRECTOR: Rod Birrell.

MEMBERS: Phil Butters, John Calnin, David Cooke, Felicity Dales, Jim MacDonald, Bill Penna, Jim Rutherford, James Turnbull, John Webb, Bill Penna.

This year the activities of the Vocational Service included:-

OPERATION LIVEWIRE. A national programme supported by Rotary and the Shell Oil Company to encourage young entrepreneurs who are keen to commence their own business. Our club endorsed a programme to assist two young Geelong men start their own business. However these participants chose not to complete their entry into the State competition.

THE GROVE SUPPORT SERVICE. A representative of our club attended regular meetings of this organisation until it was abandoned midway through our club year due to the resignation of the Director and a change of personnel at the Ocean Grove Neighbourhood Centre.

VISIT TO INDUSTRY. A very interesting visit to the Geelong manufacturing facility of Godfrey Hirst Carpets proved to be very educational and enabled our club to appreciate the importance of this industry as a major source of employment in our region.

PRIDE IN WORKMANSHIP. Our club presented a "Pride in Workmanship", Do it once - Do it well - Build a better Australia Award to the management of the Collendina Hotel in recognition of the excellent service they provide in hosting our weekly meetings.

MOCK JOB INTERVIEWS. Simulated job interviews for students of the Bellarine Secondary College were held in the month of May and our club again provided a large majority of interviewers for this programme.

R.Y.L.A. The Vocational Committee was this year allotted the task of selecting young people who would be eligible to attend a R.Y.L.A. seminar at "Kangarooobie" Princetown, Victoria; for one week in April 1996.

OCEAN GROVE HOSTS DISTRICT CONFERENCE



ROTARIANS COMMENCE THE TRANSFORMATION OF BASKETBALL COURTS AT SURFSIDE CENTRE



TRANSFORMATION TO AN AUDITORIUM COMPLETED WITH NAUTICAL THEME AND READY FOR CONFERENCE



PERSONNEL IN CHARGE OF REGISTRATION: GEOFF BRENTNALL, BOB AND SHIRLEY OSBOURNE AND JAN CHANDLER



QUIET MOMENT FOR TREVOR McARDLE (CATERING) PAM WERNER AND D.G. HENRY HUDSON



ROD BIRRELL, CONFERENCE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS CALLS CONFERENCE DELEGATES TO ORDER

ONCE MORE INTO THE BREACH: FROM RIGHT DAVID TYRRELL, ERIC BARE & ALAN JOYCE CLIMB ONTO ROOF DURING STORM TO RE-FASTEN THE BLACKOUT SHEETING



CLEAN UP AFTER CONFERENCE: JOHN FOX, RICHARD BARKER, BARRY REID, JOHN CALNIN REMOVE SECTION OF STAGE



CLEAN UP COMPLETED: ROTARIANS AND PARTNERS CAN NOW RELAX AFTER A JOB WELL DONE



FAIM

When David Tyrrell expressed an interest in leading a team from Ocean Grove on a FAIM project, much interest was generated. The high level of commitment required of all participants in a FAIM team and forward planning needed to ensure their availability suggests that this is more likely a goal for next year. However, the issues are of the nature of "where" and "when" not "whether" which is most encouraging.

YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

Under the management of Martin Geerings as Student Counsellor, we have hosted Camilla Nygjelten from Norway as an inbound exchange student. Camilla, who has been with us for 11 months, continues to work hard at school and has recently enjoyed a trip to Central Australia.

During January we farewell our outgoing student Richard Hattam bound for Canada. Richard's counsellor, Geoff Morphett, reports that Richard has been having a wonderful time and that all is going well.

We were disappointed when the young person we had chosen to put forward for selection as an outgoing exchange student for 1997 decided to withdraw from the programme. As a result we will not be sending out an exchange student during the coming year.

On behalf of Ian Lillie I would like to thank the members of the International Service Committee for their support during Ian's time in the job and I particularly thank members for their assistance during the latter part of the year while I have been standing in for Ian.

Geoff Hewitt
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE DIRECTOR



Once again Graham Bath ably assisted by Dennis Wootten and Cheryl Kentish kept meticulous attendance records.

A very functional Bulletin was produced by Barry Reid with help from John Dodgshun, John Flower and John Wynn.

A small number of social functions were successfully conducted by Phil Butters, Felicity Dales and David Cooke.

John Calnin took over as Sergeant-at Arms from John Powell early in the Rotary Year and with occasional help from James Turnbull he efficiently extracted small change from all and sundry with his usual smiling demeanour and entertained hugely along the way.

Meredith Hewitt and Jim Rutherford are to be congratulated on the outstanding programme they organised. They will be a hard act to follow.

Eric Bare and his Membership and Classification committee worked hard and successfully to ensure that our club did not stagnate. We have some impressive new recruits.

Frank Mountford continued the Rotary education process throughout the year as information officer. Martin Geerings was responsible for public relations and when provided with the appropriate material gave us as much positive media exposure as possible.

As Rotary Foundation chairman Ron Todd kept us informed of the multi-faceted role of this most worthy institution.

Eric Bare and Alan Joyce maintained our historical records.

As chairman of fund raising Trevor McArdle oversaw a new venture in the Leonard Joel valuation day. This was an unqualified success, raising over a thousand dollars and will surely be repeated in the future.

The Ocean Grove Hotel continues to be an excellent venue for our meetings. Some members have expressed some dissatisfaction with some meals but I believe that overall we received excellent value here. We all miss David and Libby but Daryl and Fay are still very supportive and of course Sharon does a fine job as usual each week.

Geoff Brentnall.

CLUB SERVICE DIRECTOR.



YOUNG ACHIEVERS AWARD

The club presented the Bellarine Secondary College Rock Eisteddfod troupe with a "Young Achievers Award" for their efforts and talent at winning two heats of the competition.

ROY ROSE AWARDS

President Gerry was able to present 4 awards at the Bellarine Secondary College Awards Assembly on behalf of the club. These annual awards are presented to students nominated by the college and are given in memory of our former highly respected member, Roy Rose. This year the value of each award was increased to a \$75 book voucher.

LES TWENTYMAN

The committee arranged for Les Twentyman to speak to the club. The night was a combined service clubs night along with many other guests. Les spoke of his experiences dealing in youth issues around the Western Suburbs of Melbourne. A donation of \$200 was made towards his homeless youth shelter.

In conclusion I would like to thank my fellow committee members and all other Rotarians who have assisted throughout the year.

Ian Walker.
YOUTH SERVICE DIRECTOR.



not able to pursue any other major fund raising venture in the time left. However we approached Leonard Joel's auction house and were fortunate to gain their assistance in holding a very successful valuation day at the Surfside Centre.

The committee is disappointed that we were not able to raise substantial funds this year as our major idea proved not to be suitable but all current suggestions will be handed on to the incoming committee and we hope they may be more successful.

Projects raised as follows:-

- BBQ cooking Mitre 10	\$300
- Raffle	\$1240
- Valuation Day	\$970
- Total	<u>\$2510</u>

My thanks to the committee members for their excellent work and to all members who assisted in the projects.

Trevor McArdle
CHAIRMAN.

YOUTH EXCHANGE

The current year has seen the arrival of our exchange student Camilla Nygjelten from Norway. By the time she returns home she will have stayed with seven host families. She has been lucky enough to have had some good offers of holidays, diving lessons, a variety of trips from our members as well as a fortnight in central Australia with her Rotary 'Buddies'.

However there are some problem areas that need to be addressed if we are to successfully continue our exchange student programme. There needs to be more involvement by our members by being prepared to host and by offering to have the student for an evening meal or week-end, so taking some of the pressure off the host family.

Too much is left to too few.

Martin Geerings
STUDENT COUNSELLOR.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE AT OCEAN GROVE



"RIP TO RIVER RENDEZVOUS"

The Surfside Centre was the venue for the District 9780 Conference '96 and the date was March 15-17. Nearly 900 Rotarians and partners came from Mt Gambier, Bordertown, Swan Hill, Portland, Mortlake and other parts of our District.

Would it be successful? Have we covered everything in our planning? These were just a few of the questions passing through our minds just prior to Conference.

The transformation of a bare basketball stadium into an attractive conference centre was a major challenge. This challenge was met successfully, thanks to the artistic creativity and sheer hard work by a team of our members. Who will ever forget the nautical theme of fishes filling the large space in the vast auditorium?

The keynote speaker at the impressive opening on Friday evening was the Governor of Victoria, The Hon. Richard McGarvie, who addressed the large gathering on his role and responsibilities in a democracy. The Australian Army Band thrilled the audience with an excellent musical programme to conclude a memorable opening session.

The Saturday programme featured a number of key speakers including Aboriginal activist, Rtn Sharon Firebrace, Rtn Graham Morris - Director of the Museum of Victoria and former Olympic athlete John Landy. In between keynote speakers reports were given on a range of Rotary activities and projects in District 9780.

On Saturday evening Rotarians and partners enjoyed one of three entertainment options. Some went to Suma Park for dinner and jazz. A second group braved the chill winds at Fort Queenscliff to witness the 'Beating of the Retreat' ceremony with the Australian Army Band. The third group boarded the car ferry M.V. Queenscliff for a romantic (?) night cruise on Port Phillip Bay, where Rotarians and partners participated in line dancing, 'Rock and Roll' and a tasty supper.

COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE



DIRECTOR: Hans Franken.

MEMBERS: Graham Bath, Paul Fargher, John Flower, Tony Haines, John Wynn, Mark Donehue, Alan Joyce, Alex Magee, Peter Robinson, Meredith Hewitt.

The community service year has been well supported by club members to make for a very productive year.

The tree planting for the Bellarine Tree Group was well attended with approximately 500 trees being planted.

Assistance to the Ocean Grove Harms Minimisation Committee on New Years Eve was supported by only one member. This member was also the only casualty for the evening. Thank you to Coral Barker.

The Association for the Blind "Kayak Challenge around the Bay" was held in December 1995. Our club members welcomed and provided meals for approximately 30 people on their arrival at Queenscliff. We spent a very enjoyable and enlightening evening with them. Thank you to Meredith and Geoff Hewitt for the use of their facilities.

Although the Rotunda at Queenscliff has been built and almost completed, it was not the club project we had hoped for; because the nature of construction required a more professional approach from club member David Tyrrell. However there were three working bees required to finalise this project.

This year's Red Cross Calling was a much bigger job than previous years; our club members being the only collectors. A good effort of \$4,900 was achieved.

We were unable to assist the Apex Club of Ocean Grove in this year's running of the Ocean Grove Cup as it fell on the same week-end as our District Conference. I suggest that our club becomes involved in the future.

Thanks to Eric Bare for organising Bowelscan and for the help given by the local Probus Clubs.



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1983-84	Wal Kelly
1984-85	Frank Mountford
1985-86	Henry Hudson
1986-87	John Calnin
1987-88	Jim MacDonald
1988-89	Hans Franken
1989-90	Trevor McArdle
1990-91	Maurice Barwick
1991-92	Peter Robinson
1992-93	Geoff Morphet
1993-94	Eric Bare
1994-95	Geoff Chandler
1995-96	Gerry Spencer

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FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE



COMMITTEE: Trevor McArdle (Chairman), John Webb,
Coral Barker, Alan Joyce, Ian Walker, John Fox.

At the beginning of the year club members were asked to complete a questionnaire suggesting ideas they had for fund raising projects for the coming year. Some excellent ideas were put forward and the fund raising committee met to consider which of these would be suitable for the club to pursue. Of the many suggestions put forward, the committee considered the following to be worthy of further consideration:- Hole in One, Woodworking/Home based Businesses Expo, Hobby Farm/agricultural show, Garden Expo, Vintage Car Club Display/Hill Climb, Raffle at District Conference, BBQ cooking at Mitre 10 opening and Club of Clubs, Collendina Hotel.

It was considered that some of the projects were beyond our means at present and others were difficult to guarantee success in the current economic climate ('Hole in One', as an example as this is dependent on obtaining substantial sponsorship). On this basis we elected to pursue the following ideas:-

- Woodworking/Home based Businesses Expo
- Conference Raffle. (Eventually taken over by John Galvin and run independently).
- BBQ cooking at Mitre 10
- Club of Clubs, Collendina Hotel.

Unfortunately, after a good deal of investigation; including attendance at the major woodworking expo in Melbourne and the local one in Geelong and speaking to organisers of the Geelong Expo; it was decided this was too difficult for the committee to handle at present also there was no guarantee that it would be profitable. So the idea was dropped.

The Club of Clubs has proven to be a slow starter and nothing concrete has happened this year.

However we are still represented at meetings and I would hope this interest will be pursued in the coming year so that we may ascertain whether there is a place for our club in this project in the future. The BBQ cooking and conference raffle were undertaken and both proved successful. As the conference had now arrived and members were committed to working to ensure it's success we were



MEMBERSHIP & CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE: Eric Bare (Chairman), Geoff Chandler, Barry Reid, Felicity Dales, James Turnbull, John Fox.

Summary: Members at 1st July 1995 47

New members 3

Mark Donehue, John Fox, Bill Penna

Resignations 3

John Clark, Ian Lillie, John Turner

Members at 30th June 1996 47

We welcome Mark Donehue as a new Rotarian, John Fox who is a Paul Harris Fellow and was a Charter Member and Past President of the Rotary Club of Robinvale and Bill Penna who is a Past President of the Rotary Club of Eltham.

Although many membership proposals were put forward at the beginning of this year, upon follow up by the proposers and members of the membership committee it was found for various reasons the majority of prospective members approached to join our club, declined to do so at this time.

One would hope that more time can be devoted to membership growth next year by all Rotarians, as District responsibilities that have occupied much of our time this year will no longer exist.

Eric Bare
CHAIRMAN.



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Thanks to the excellent efforts of secretary John Dodgshun, three young people, Sally Poole, Megan Claringbold and Damian Robinson were nominated and selected and subsequently attended this camp.

They later reported to our club about the wonderful experience they had enjoyed. These young people all expressed their thanks to our club for our support.

WINDOW STICKERS. An initiative of the Vocational Committee to support local traders by the production and distribution of a window sticker was acted upon by the local traders association and resulted in the production of the "Sun, Surf and Shop" window stickers.

Rod Birrell

VOCATIONAL SERVICE DIRECTOR.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

COMMITTEE: Martin Geerings (Chairman),
Paul Fargher, John Moore.

We have had some very good news media coverage during the past year specially for our District Conference and Valuation Day.

Coverage was also provided for 'Paint your Heart out', District Governor and for our Rotary Change-over; as well as for several other minor items.

We have established a very good range of contact points for all the local newspapers and local news sheets, but it is also important that the 'Unit' Directors provide the required information to enable the stories to be entered for media print.

Martin Geerings

CHAIRMAN