



# CLUB BULLETIN



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Special points of interest:

- New Year Greetings To All
- New Years Bash at **Bern's**—Photos
- Thank you for donation for Round Australia Bike Ride
- **Nelson Mandela's** Portrait
- Birthdays, Anniversaries, Etc.

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## Next Weeks Meeting

Wednesday January 14th

First Club Meeting of 2009

Casual BBQ at Conochie Hall

A Night of Fellowship

Apologies this Week to PE Dennis Coleman (0409 412 963)

## Meeting Rosters

### JANUARY

#### Registration Desk

David Loftus  
Michael Blood

#### Welcomer

Peter Anderson

#### Drinks

Eric Heyburn/Colin Gould

### FEBRUARY

#### Registration Desk

Geoff Angus  
Geoff Heath

#### Welcomer

Bob Heinemann

#### Drinks

TBA

**It is the responsibility of the rostered Member to find a replacement if not able to attend**

## Future Club Program

<u>Date</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Chairman</u>
21st Jan	Member Behind Badge—Richard Balsillie		Mike Pavey
28th Jan	Henry Nissen	My life as a Boxer and Charity Worker.	Chair Dennis Coleman
		<i>Henry trained as a boxer but decided to work with Fr. Bob McGuire in the charity area instead of a professional boxer</i>	

**Club Meets**  
Wednesdays 6.15 for 6.30  
Canterbury Centre, 2 Rochester Road  
Canterbury

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## President's Ponderings

### Welcome to the New Year!

I should feel better that half the Club year has passed and no major calamity has occurred so far but instead I feel I have underperformed in that no major new project has been proposed and we have failed to grow our membership.

Our District Governor assures me that Camberwell Rotary is held to be in the very highest echelon of achievers world-wide, which I am very happy to pass on to all of you, the members who helped Camberwell reach these standards, but only to warn that we now need an extra injection of enthusiasm and fresh thinking to retain this esteem.

PLEASE look around you, at your workplace or your neighbourhood, and identify a likely new member. Discuss it with your partner, they often will think of someone you hadn't considered, and when you have agreed on a name, invite them to a meeting, no strings attached, so they can see what we are like.

Our Membership Committee has leaflets to help you explain Rotary in more detail, but the personal approach is always the best.

Our Art Show Committee is taking a very good look at our alternatives to ensure our principal fundraising scheme retains its market share in difficult times - more in a few weeks.

Geoff Heath has been working very hard to ensure a well-organised pre-District Conference Tour of Tasmania in March, with reduced numbers it would seem. Thanks, Geoff.

Richard Balsillie has been researching a possible aid project in India, as well as doing work for the Art Show Committee - he is a genuine dynamo with seemingly limitless energy.

I hope you have enjoyed your end-of-year break. Let's start the New Year with ENTHUSIASM and COMMITMENT.

**President Neil**

In 2001, the Club invited Richard Stone, Royal Portrait Artist, from England, to be senior Judge at the Art Show. In conjunction with his visit, the Club commissioned Richard to paint the portrait of a prominent Australian in the field of the Arts. Dame Joan Sutherland was chosen. Richard executed the portrait at no professional cost to the Club. The Club donated the portrait to the Commonwealth of Australia to mark the Centenary of the Commonwealth. The work is on permanent display at the Dame Joan Sutherland Museum and Gallery, Penrith, New South Wales.

Last year Richard Stone was commissioned to paint Nelson Mandela as a celebration of this famous person's 90th birthday. The painting was sold for £400,000 at a dinner in Hyde Park, which was held to celebrate Mr Mandela's 90th birthday and to promote his charities. Proceeds of the sale have gone to the Nelson Mandela Foundation and the 46664 Aids charity

The image displayed, demonstrates the expertise of the artist as well as his generosity in support of worth while causes.'



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Information on one of our Previous Distinguished Art Show Judges

## International Committee News



## School Books for Timor

Helping to secure a better and brighter future for Timorese children



### Education is the key to a better future for the children of this new nation

The Timor Leste government are making a major effort teaching the young, but as one of the worlds ten poorest countries there are insufficient funds to provide everything that is required.

We want to provide the 1,000,000 additional exercise books needed to ensure that every primary school pupil has this basic equipment for school next year.

#### How you can help

In January when "Back to School Specials" are on, visit your local store and buy a few exercise books. Traditionally **Big W, Office Works** and **Coles Stores** have **exercise books on special for 1 cent each**. The specials are promoted in the media and letterbox pamphlets.

**10 books = 1 pupil, 250 = a classroom, 2000 = a school**

## Boroondara Farmers Market

A sincere Thank You to those who came along to the Boroondara Farmers Market on December to assist Geoff Heath and myself to sell the cakes in aid of the \$100 million Polio Challenge.

Those who gave of their time were President Neil, Bern and Kay Connell, John Phillips, John Steven, Margery Jago, Richard and Edwina Stewart, Don Fotheringham and David G Baker.



100 + cakes were sold which enables us to make a contribution of \$500 to Polio, as a per our agreement with our hosts, The Rotary Club of Glenferrie, the contribution credit will be split equally in both Club names.

Don Jago.

Foundation Committee

Pay A Visit  
to "Office  
Works" to  
buy Exercise  
Books  
Bring To  
Meeting &  
Give To  
Richard  
O'Brien

Thanks  
To the  
Sales  
Team

Boroondara Cares

**Members are Encouraged To Attend this Meeting . See Warwick Heil or Ian Feder To Book**

An Alternative to the meeting on 21st January

Boroondara Cares invites you to enjoy an



**Katunga Recreation Reserve**  
Wednesday 21 January 2009  
6:00pm – 9:30pm

**Features of the Evening will include:**  
Performance by Sing Australia  
BBQ Dinner  
Refreshments and Socialising  
Door Prizes and Free Show Bags  
Jumping Castle  
And Much More...  
Gold Coin Donation

To RSVP or for more information for this event please phone 5871 9275

"Evening with the Stars" is proudly supported by the Rotary Club of Camberwell as part of Boroondara Cares



Thanks For Goal Nearly Achieved

A message has been received by President Neil From Roberta Gordon who spoke to the Club in November on her goal to cycle around Australia

"I have now raised \$14,617 thanks to promised club and individuals online donations direct to ARH's [www.greataustralianbikeride.org.au](http://www.greataustralianbikeride.org.au) site which have been held up till 9th Dec.

Your \$500 helped me tremendously and the current amount is enough to get me as far as Darwin now and I am passionate about doing the whole 17,813kms so I am hopeful that other clubs in 9800 district will support me.

Thank you again for your donation...much easier for me to ride 100km a day on the bike than fund raise!

Happy New Year to all.

Yours in cycling,  
Roberta Gordon"

## New Years Day BBQ

Several Members and Partners enjoyed the hospitality of Bern and Kay Connell at the now traditional BBQ



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**Last Meeting's Guests, Apologies, Etc**

**Attendees at Cluster Meeting**

Balsillie, Brown, Coleman, Davies, Feder, Fotheringham, G Heath, Heil, Hookey, Lear, Munro, Nolan, O'Brien, Pavey, Steven.

**Visiting Rotarians:**

None

**Apologies:**

14 Apologies received

**Make Ups:**

None

**Raffle Winner**

No raffle This Week

**Welcome Back:**

None

**Farewell**

None



**Quote Of The Week**

**“LIFE IS RATHER LIKE A TIN OF SARDINES  
- WE'RE ALL OF US LOOKING FOR THE  
KEY”**

Birthdays, Anniversaries, Etc.

**Birthdays**

Patrick Cunniffe 9th January  
Denise Angus 10th January

**Wedding Anniversaries**

Ian & Judy Feder 7th January 44 Yrs  
Peter & Jenny Matthews 7th January 26 Yrs  
Neil & Margaret Hookey 11th January 51 Yrs  
Tim & Christine Landsberg 11th January 40 Yrs

**Club Anniversaries**

None

**Almoners Report**

No Report

**Directory Changes**

None

