



CLUB BULLETIN



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Special points of interest:

- Report on the Prison Visit
- Fund Raising Functions to Attend
- Invitation To Past **President's Night**
- Boroondara Cares Seminar

Next Weeks Meeting

Wednesday Sept 2nd

Time: 6.15 for 6.30 pm

Speaker: Andy Spry

Subject: Member Behind The Badge

Andy joined the Club in November 2008

Chair: David Baker

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SEPTEMBER

(New Generations Month)

Registration Desk

Les Brown

Pierre Kriegler

Welcomer

Rodger Madigan

OCTOBER

(Vocational Service Month)

Registration Desk

Eric Heyburn

Fabienne Nichola

Welcomer

Colin Gould

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

Future Club Program

| Date | Speaker | Subject | Chair |
|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| Wed 9th Sept | Emanuel Tumino | Rotary Youth Exchange | Karen Nolan |
| Wed 16th Sept | Mayor Cr. Jack Wegman | | Peter Allen |
| Wed 23rd Sept | Past President's Night | | |
| Wed 30th Sept | Mary Barry | VicSES & Climate Change | Fabienne Nichola |
| Wed 7th October | Chris De Fraga | Motoring | Mike Pavey |

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

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From The Humidor

“Every one of us can trace our heritage back to another land so welcome our ‘New Australians’”

Our meeting this week for those who could not make it, was an eye opening experience to say the least.

Forty-one Camberwell Rotarians and guests made a vocational visit to port Phillip prison at Laverton.

Paul Spadano the operations director gave us a presentation on the workings of Victoria’s maximum security privately run prison. Where a lively thirty minute question and answer session followed.

It proved to be a very interesting evening, and a big vote of thanks goes to Don Jago who while you are reading this is recuperating in hospital from heart bypass surgery who before going in to hospital organised the first of this years work place visits.

Thursday evening I had the pleasure to be invited by our honorary member Jack Wegman, the Mayor of Boroondara to represent our club along with a number of our other Rotary presidents to attend the latest citizenship ceremony for residence of Boroondara.

Hawthorn Town Hall was packed to capacity with 160 ‘New Australians’ from 37 different countries along with

their families and a host of well wishers.

Looking around the throng of people made me think back to after WW2 when the first real wave of new immigrants began arriving on our shores from war torn Europe. Back then, immigrants were from Greece, Italy, Poland and Yugoslavia etc...

Then after the Vietnam War the refugees from SE.Asia arrived and now along with China, the greatest percentage arriving from India and the sub continent to again broaden the fabric of Australia. This year will see our total go to approximately 4,000,000 migrants from a total of 200 different countries. It’s hard to imagine our country any different.

Every one of us can trace our heritage back to another land so welcome our ‘New Australians’. Invite them in to your home, invite them to Rotary.

We will all be the richer for it.

Be the change you wish to see in the world.

President Dennis

Art Show News

MANPOWER SURVEY

All members will have received a survey form from the Art Show Committee which shows the sessions and days of the 2010 Show from May 24th to Monday 31st May.

Please think carefully before filling in the survey form, consider your diary, and how much time you will be able to give to the Club during this week, remember it is better than the 3 weeks of previous years. Fill in and send form back to Peter Matthews.

REMINDER SEND COMPLETED SURVEY TO PETER MATTHEWS BY THIS MONDAY



Last Weeks Meeting

This report of the visit last week to Port Phillip Prison has been provided by new member Jeevan Vasimulla

Port Phillip Prison (PPP) is a complex and diverse maximum security prison. It was opened in 1997. This is the third privately operated prison, and operated by G4S Australia Pty Ltd. It has capacity to hold 764 inmates and at present there are 727 people placed in fourteen accommodation units. 88% of the prisoners are serving their sentences, and the remaining 12% are remand prisoners. It employs about 357 staff. The evening's presentation was done by Paul, Graeme, Bill and Denise.

Port Phillip Prison has a number of operations including administering custodial sentences, rehabilitation programs, accommodates people under witness protection program and provides health care for prisoners (including drug and alcohol rehabilitation programs).

The prison's inmates are quite diverse, ranging from young to old, people in witness protection, tough rebels, mentally unwell, intellectually impaired, etc.

Education programs are also offered under the prisoner rehabilitation program. 65% of the prisoners are enrolled in various courses offered by Kangan Batman TAFE. Last year 2339 certificates were awarded in various vocational courses.

Industry programs are also offered to the prisoners. 75% - 80% are involved in Manufacturing industry (commercial laundry, textiles, assembly and packaging, etc), Service Industry (horticulture, kitchen, maintenance, ground maintenance, unit cleaning, etc). Inmates are paid for their work.

St. Vincent's Correctional Health Services offers various levels of health services at PPP. On average, every month about 5000 medical appointments are attended in general, dental and radiology areas. Also about 120 prisoners are taken every year to St. Vincent's for surgeries.

Some of the offender services offered at the Prison are offenders' management, psychological services, programs to change offending behaviour, recreational activities, pre-release services, social welfare services, religious services and also services for indigenous people.

Port Phillip Prison offers drug and alcohol counselling and rehabilitation in association with Moreland Hall (Alcohol and Other Drugs (AOD) Treatment and Education Agency of the Uniting Church). It also has volunteer based programs in peer-support and multi-layer mentoring.

Inmates are offered a 'Prisoner Contract System' based on their behaviour, which is evaluated using three levels; base, upper and enhanced. For good behaviour, prisoners are offered family visits, phone privileges, money, employment and use of various facilities around the prison.

However a saddening statistic is that 56% of the prisoners are readmitted to the prison having committed crimes soon after their release.

The Prison has won several awards for their programs including being accredited with ISO 9001:2008 for Quality Assurance and Improvement.

The visit appeared to be quite popular for Rotarians and proved to be both an intriguing and an enjoyable outing. We have Paul, Graeme, Bill and Denise to thank, for their efforts in making this trip possible.



Boroondara Cares News

DISTRICT GOVERNOR SUPPORTS BOROONDARA CARES

Forty delegates attended a most successful planning seminar at Tahbilk Winery on Tuesday 18th of August. Rotarians from thirteen Rotary Clubs were joined by Councillors from the City of Boroondara and Moira Shire, farmers and community group representatives. District 9800 Governor Colin Muir and District Community Service Chairman Ross Butterworth attended and contributed to the meeting.

DG Colin praised Boroondara Cares. He thanked the member Clubs and other participants for their work to date and promised continuing support from District 9800.



The seminar was held in the charming Victorian age museum in the winery grounds. Delegates were surrounded by the history of Tahbilk wines as they were welcomed by John Purbrick, Chairman of Tahbilk Wines. All facilities were generously made available free of charge by Tahbilk and a light lunch was provided at modest cost in the architecturally stunning restaurant located next to the wetlands rich in wild-life. (A visit to Tahbilk winery is highly recommended.)

As he welcomed the attendees, Chairman PDG Don Jago spoke about the nature of Boroondara Cares as an informal forum of drought-concerned people led by Rotary Clubs. The project had no

funds, no treasurer or the trappings of more formal structures. Its role was to consider, recommend and mount drought relief projects to be led by member Rotary Clubs once approved by their Club boards.

Proceedings began with a panel session of six Moira residents, mostly farmers and growers led by Kevin Bourke of the Rotary Club of Cobram. This informative and harrowing session reminded members that the plight of many farmers, rural businesses and families was dire indeed. If the drought does not break soon large numbers of farmers and orchadists, with little or no remaining equity will leave their properties. The personal and social consequences of the drought remain huge. Its effects are greater than events like flood and bushfires, yet there is little community interest in a decade long disaster.

The major purpose of the seminar was to discuss the future of Boroondara Cares. Should it continue, and what would its program be for the coming year? Yet again the zeal of the members was on show. There was unanimous support for a continuation of the program for the next year at least and for a review in a year's time. There was wide support for another planning event "like this one" in a year's time. An exhaustive (and exhausting?) program was tied down on a white-board in a session led by Boroondara Mayor, Jack Wegman.

A full report of proceedings of the seminar will be provided to members soon, together with recommendations to the Club put forward for board consideration. Meanwhile members of the Rotary Club of **Camberwell** can take some satisfaction from the great and continuing success of Boroondara Cares, one of the most important and successful initiatives of the Club in its recent history.

Rotary Club of **Camberwell** delegates were **Don Jago, Peter Allen, Warwick Heil, Ian Feder, David Baker and Geoff Day**

Boroondara Cares Fund Raiser



The Rotary Club of Boroondara invites you
and your brain to our...

TRIVIA NIGHT

In association with Boroondara Cares to raise money
to assist communities in drought affected areas.



Saturday 10th October, 2009 at 7pm.
The Kew Heights Sports Club,
397 Barkers Road, Kew.
Donation \$25.00 per person.

Full bar will operate;
participants are welcome to bring their own finger food.
RSPV to Andy Brown (abrown@lepinefunerals.com.au)
or phone 8587 5765
PRIZES, AUCTIONS, BRAIN EXERCISE.

Plea For A Used Computer

WANTED

Does anyone have a computer they can donate to a deserving migrant who is under the care of Aub McLaren?

Specifications Tower only Monitor, Keyboard and Mouse not needed.




Pentium 4 1.8Ghz 40 GB Hard Drive 512 MB Ram

Windows XP Pro

Phone Aub McLaren anytime on 9836 0214

Forth Coming Events

GET READY TO GET 'BOWLED OVER!'

"I do look forward to seeing you!"

ANNUAL PAST PRESIDENT'S NIGHT
 WEDNESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2009
 Kew Heights Sports Club (The 'BBC')
 397 Barkers Road, Kew.
 7.00pm for 7.30pm

Only \$35 p/p Wine & Dine. All Inclusive

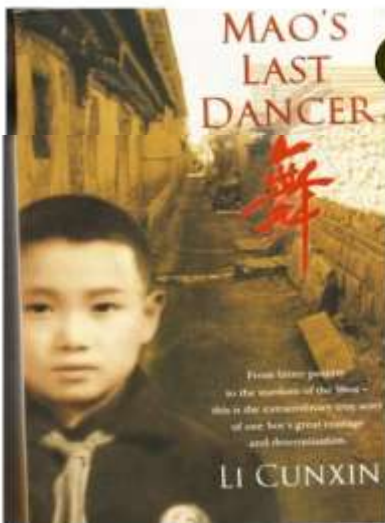
ALL MEMBERS AND PARTNERS INVITED!

Your Fellowship Committee is pulling out all stops to make this a fun night of frivolity, banter, slapstick and wit. Good food, refreshments and entertainment guaranteed.

RSVP BOARD WILL BE CIRCULATED AT NEXT CLUB MEETING.

Eva Tilley Hostel Fund Raiser

Eva Tilley Hostel - FUNDRAISER



Movie Night

Tuesday 6th October 2009
6.30pm
Balwyn Cinema
231 Whitehorse Road
Balwyn

Tickets:

Alison Adams, 9857-9121

and

Lina Kapeleris at Eva Tilley,
 9859-9541

\$20 entry ticket

(Includes lolly bag)



Thankyou for your generous support

Raffle will be held during the evening

Be Quick!!! Support your local Aged Care Hostel

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Last Meeting's Guests, Apologies, Etc



Adrian Campbell—Andy Spry

- Guests**
Betul Falay
Sharelle Staff
Adrian White
Denise Angus
Sue Loftus
Margaret Baker
Glenda Davies

Visiting Rotarians:
None



Apologies:
David Atkinson, Les Brown, Chris Carra, Bern Connell, Leslie Daniels-King, Geoff Day, Ian Feder, Colin Gould, Richard Gray, Geoff Heath, Warwick Heil, Bob Heinemann, Neil Hookey, Graeme Hope, Don Jago, Ron Lear, Frank Leigh, Peter Matthews, Michael Mullins, Fabienne Nichola, Michael Neumann, Jim O'Hara, Joseph Orlando, Mike Pavey, Jo-Anne Tamlyn

Make Ups:
None

Raffle Winner
None

Farewell

Welcome Back

Birthdays, Anniversaries, Etc.

Birthdays
Barbara Leigh 26th Aug

Wedding Anniversaries
Bob & Heather Heinemann 31st Aug

Club Anniversaries
Richard Stewart 29th Aug 2 Yrs

Quote of The Week

“Self is the only *prison* that can ever bind the soul ”

Almoners Report
Don Jago has had a quadruple by-pass operation, and is recovering in the Coronary Care Ward at Epworth Eastern in Box Hill. He looks forward to phone calls or visitors.

Directory Changes
None

