

Rotary Club of Mitcham

District 9810 Victoria Australia



Lunch Meeting

Bulletin

Tuesday 20th January 2009

IT'S FUN BEING IN ROTARY!!!

ROTARY CLUB OF MITCHAM

**Meets at Mitcham RSL
Club, 26 McDowall St.
Mitcham**

LUNCH Meetings:

1st, 2nd, 3rd and 5th

**Tuesday 12:30 for 1:00pm
for lunch**

EVENING Meeting:

**4th Tuesday 6.30 for
7.00pm Dinner**

Join us at the Movies

**6.30 pm Hoyts
Eastlands 2nd Wednesday
of every month**

**Know anyone
who'd like to join
Rotary? Invite
them to a meeting!**



Rotary Club of Mitcham Newsletters for the current Rotary Year are viewable in the **NEWS** section of: www.rotarymitcham.com



January 2009

None



**Wedding
Anniversaries**

None

Rotary Grace

For good food, good fellowship and the opportunity of service through Rotary, we give thanks.

The Rotary Club of Mitcham needs you!

Helping Hands

The Rotary Club is looking for volunteer shop attendants to help assist in the continued running of our local op-shop.

Why not come and spend a few hours in our fun and happy environment and help support our community and have fun too!



Please call John Atkinson on **9873 3322** for more details!



PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Presented by the Rotary Club of Mitcham

1979 Geoffrey Prior	1999 Chris & Ian McColl
1980 Dr John Munro	1999 John Varley
1983 Bruce McLaughlin	2000 John Cook
1986 Maxwell Bloom †	2000 Jean & Ray † Rose
1988 William Wood†	2000 Brian Bergin†
1988 Alan Fraser	2001 Christine Ryan
1989 Tony Gibson	2001 Bill Mudford
1989 David Gawler	2001 John Atkinson
1991 Dr Peter Brown	2002 Wayne Lucas
1991 Robert McDowell	2002 Denis Bunn †
1991 Bruce Wainwright	2002 Michael Edney†
1993 Ronald Slattery	2002 Peter McPhee
1994 Vic Dye	2003 Dawn & Graham Whiteside
1995 Fr Kevin Dillon	2003 Keith Nunn
1995 Kenneth Rose	2004 Brendan Tunstall
1997 David Murray	2004 Colin Spencer
1998 Ian Young	2005 Fred Wiffrie
1998 Ron Frederick	2006 Les Marton

PAUL HARRIS FELLOW SAPPHIRE AWARD

2002 Bruce Wainwright

2004 Tony Gibson

2004 John Atkinson

2007 Brian Bergin (Dec)

2007 Bill Mudford

2007 Colin Spencer

FOUR AVENUES OF SERVICE AWARD

2000 John Atkinson

AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH RESEARCH FUND COMPANIONS

1994 Roy Knudson † 1996 Dr Peter Brown 1999 David Murray

Officers for 2008/9

BOARD

President:	David Ayliffe
Past Pres:	Sharon Partridge
Pres. Elect:	David Murray
Vice Pres :	David Murray
Secretary:	Philip Daw
Treasurer and Fundraising:	Wayne Lucas

PORTFOLIOS

Membership	David Ayliffe
New Generations	Sharon Partridge
Communication/Marketing, Public Relations and Photography:	Eva Anderson
International and on to Conference:	David Ayliffe
Vocational Service:	Ivan Munoz
Fellowship:	Fred Wiffrie
Attendance:	Fred Wiffrie
Foundation:	Ron Frederick
Bulletin and Program:	Wayne Lucas, Philip Daw and Colin Spencer
Sergeant and Community Service:	David Murray



The President's Ponderings.

Welcome to another year Rotarians and friends of the Rotary Club of Mitcham. I hope we are starting the year thoroughly refreshed from our various holiday activities wherever you have been.

Best wishes to Merle Atkinson as she recovers from her operation, and to Sharon Partridge still prospecting for gold in her kidneys, and to Arina Gotts who has had trouble keeping her eye on John lately and spent time at the Eye Hospital to improve her view of the world. We hope you all have a good and quick recovery.

I have further good news for each of you in that you only have to put up with me as President for just over five months. Well done, you survived half a year already!

The following won't apply to everyone, but will no doubt have some relevance for all of us....

NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS FOR ROTARY CLUB NERDS

I resolve... I resolve to... I resolve to, uh... I resolve to, uh, get my, er... I resolve to, uh, get my, er, off-line work done, too!

I will stop checking my e-mail at 3:00 in the morning... 4:30 is much more practical.

When I hear a funny joke I will not reply, "LOL... LOL!"

I will stop sending e-mail, ICQ, Instant Messages and be on the phone at the same time with the same person.

I will try to figure out why I *really* need 9 e-mail addresses.

I will stop texting my partner as we watch television in the same room.

I resolve to work with neglected children... my own.

I will answer my snail mail with the same enthusiasm I answer e-mail.

When I subscribe to a newsgroup or mailing list, I will read all the mail I get from it.

I will spend less than five hours a day on the Internet.

I will limit my top ten lists to ten items.

David

David Ayliffe
President, 08/09

Advance Australia Fair

*Australians all let us rejoice, for we are young and free
We've golden soil and wealth for toil, our home is girt by sea
Our land abounds in nature's gifts, of beauty rich and rare
In history's page let every stage, advance Australia fair
In joyful strains, then let us sing
Advance Australia fair*

This Week ...

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President David Ayliffe

Secretary: Philip Daw

Treasurer: Wayne Lucas

Desk : Colin Spencer

Colin's Corner



An Irishman who had a little too much to drink is driving home from the city one night and, of course, his car is weaving violently all over the road.

A cop pulls him over. "So," says the cop to the driver, where have ya been?"

"Why, I've been to the pub of course," slurs the drunk.

"Well," says the cop, "it looks like you've had quite a few to drink this evening."

"I did all right," the drunk says with a smile.

"Did you know," says the cop, standing straight and folding his arms across his chest, "that a few intersections back, your wife fell out of your car?"

"Oh, thank heavens," sighs the drunk.

"For a minute there, I thought I'd gone deaf."

You've got to hand it to the Irish, and Colin.

Brenda O'Malley is home making dinner, as usual, when Tim Finnegan arrives at her door. "Brenda, may I come in?" he asks. "I've somethin' to tell ya."

"Of course you can come in, you're always welcome, Tim. But where's my husband?"

"That's what I'm here to be telling ya, Brenda. There was an accident down at the Guinness brewery..."

"Oh, God no!" cries Brenda. "Please don't tell me."

"I must, Brenda. Your husband, Shamus is dead and gone. I'm sorry."

Finally, she looked up at Tim. "How did it happen, Tim?"

"It was terrible, Brenda. He fell into a vat of Guinness Stout and drowned."

"Oh my dear Jesus! But you must tell me truth, Tim. Did he at least go quickly?"

"Well, Brenda...no. In fact, he got out three times to pee."

Rotary Clubs and Membership

Rotary is a worldwide organisation of business and professional people that provides humanitarian service, encourages high ethical standards in all vocations and helps build goodwill and peace in the world. Approximately 1.2 million Rotarians belong to more than 32000 Rotary Clubs located in over 200 countries.

Clubs may differ from each other in demographic terms, meeting times and venues, but all have the same aims of making the world a better place, locally and internationally, while at the same time strengthening established friendships and creating new ones.

One of 51 clubs in Rotary District 9810, the Rotary Club of Mitcham has served its local community, and participated in many international projects since its charter in 1979. In these busy days, it is not so easy for young business and professional people to set aside a little bit of time to participate in Rotary functions. Those who do, are rewarded beyond belief. Support for Camp Quality - Kids living with Cancer, the International Polio Plus worldwide Polio eradication program, International Student Exchange, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards and many other fantastic opportunities exist. Giving immense satisfaction to all who are involved.



... of the things we think, say or do.

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

The Objects of Rotary

To encourage and foster the idea of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and in particular:

- first** The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service.
- second** High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations and the dignifying by each Rotarian of this occupation as an opportunity to serve society.
- third** The application of the ideal of service by every Rotarian's personal, business and community life.
- fourth** The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace, through the world fellowship of business and professional men and women united in the ideal of service.

Description of Rotary

Rotary is an organisation of Business and Professional persons, united world wide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in all the world.

www.d9810.rotary.org.au

Diary Dates

January 2009

January 27th Being the 4th Tuesday in the month, we have a dinner meeting at the Mitcham RSL Club. This will be a Regular Meeting of course.

30th Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Mitcham this year. What will we do to celebrate this milestone?

All funds applied to Rotary Community Projects in Whitehorse



After another successful event, make sure you join us at the next market on Sunday, February 8th 2008

8.00 am to 1.00 pm at:

**The Whitehorse Civic Centre 279 Whitehorse Rd
Nunawading. Enquiries 0438 550068**

The First One for 2009! Be There!

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