

Rotary Club of Mitcham

District 9810 Victoria Australia



Lunch Meeting

Bulletin

Tues 15th September 2009

Today's Meeting:

**Assistant Governor PP Brian Tyedin
Report on next years District Conference**

**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

September 2009



24th Eva Anderson



**Wedding
Anniversaries**

**8th John & Merle Atkinson
11th David & Gayle Murray**

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 John Varley
1980 Dr John Munro	2000 John Cook
1983 Bruce McLaughlin	2000 Jean & Ray † Rose
1986 Maxwell Bloom †	2000 Brian Bergin†
1988 William Wood†	2001 Christine Ryan
1988 Alan Fraser	2001 Bill Mudford
1989 Tony Gibson	2001 John Atkinson
1989 David Gawler	2002 Wayne Lucas
1991 Dr Peter Brown	2002 Denis Bunn †
1991 Robert McDowell	2002 Michael Edney†
1991 Bruce Wainwright	2002 Peter McPhee
1993 Ronald Slattery	2003 Dawn & Graham Whiteside
1994 Vic Dye	2003 Keith Nunn
1995 Fr Kevin Dillon	2004 Brendan Tunstall
1995 Kenneth Rose	2004 Colin Spencer
1997 David Murray	2005 Fred Wiffrie
1998 Ian Young	2006 Les Marton
1998 Ron Frederick	2009 Eva Anderson
1999 Chris & Ian McColl	2009 Sharon Partridge

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 2009/10

BOARD

President:	David Murray
Past Pres:	David Ayliffe
Pres. Elect:	Wayne Lucas
Vice Pres :	TBA
Secretary:	John Atkinson
Treasurer:	Wayne Lucas
Membership:	Philip Daw
Fundraising:	Colin Spencer
Community:	Ron Frederick
New Generations:	Sharon Partridge

OTHER PORTFOLIOS

International and on to Conference:	Wayne Lucas
Fellowship:	David Murray
Attendance:	Sharon Partridge
Foundation:	Ron Frederick
Bulletin:	Philip Daw and Colin Spencer
Program:	Philip daw / members
Sergeant and Community Service:	Colin Spencer
Public Officer:	Ron Frederick
Internet / Website:	Colin Spencer
Op Shop:	Jack Butler/ John Atkinson

President David Murray 2009 2010



We now have a sizable accumulated fund from the Whitehorse Farmers Market. As you are all aware, a requirement of the market's operation is that all funds be used for local Whitehorse projects. To that end, Cr Philip daw of our club has been asked by one of the other cluster clubs to identify projects within Whitehorse that Rotary could get involved in. He has also undertaken to identify possible projects that Mitcham rotary could become involved in, either individually or as a group of clubs within the cluster. Philip will talk about the opportunities at this Tuesdays meeting.

Last Sunday's market was a great success and I extend my thanks , on behalf of Mitcham Rotary, to pp Eva Anderson and pp Sharon Partridge for their continued work to make the Farmers Market a great success. Sharon drove the Rotary van to the market and set it up for last Sunday's market.

For this Tuesday's meeting assistant Governor Brian Tyedin will be speaking about next year's District Conference.

Enjoy the week,

President David

Colin's Corner IT'S FUN BEING IN ROTARY!!!



CRABBY OLD MAN

When an old man died in the geriatric ward of a small hospital near Tampa, Florida , it was believed that he had nothing left of any value.

Later, when the nurses were going through his meager possessions, They found this poem. Its quality and content so impressed the staff that copies were made and distributed to every nurse in the hospital.

One nurse took her copy to Missouri . The old man's sole bequest to posterity has since appeared in the Christmas edition of the News Magazine of the St. Louis Association for Mental Health. A slide presentation has also been made based on his simple, but eloquent, poem.

And this little old man, with nothing left to give to the world, is now the author of this " anonymous" poem winging across the Internet.

Crabby Old Man

What do you see nurses?What do you see?
 What are you thinking.....when you're looking at me?
 A crabby old man, ... not very wise,
 Uncertain of habitwith faraway eyes?

Who dribbles his food.....and makes no reply.
 When you say in a loud voice....."I do wish you'd try!"
 Who seems not to noticethe things that you do.
 And forever is losing A sock or shoe?

Who, resisting or not.....lets you do as you will,
 With bathing and feeding The long day to fill?
 Is that what you're thinking? Is that what you see?
 Then open your eyes, nurse... ..you're not looking at me.

I'll tell you who I am As I sit here so still,
 As I do at your bidding,as I eat at your will.
 I'm a small child of Ten.....with a father and mother,
 Brothers and sisterswho love one another

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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 ...

Tuesday 15th September 2009
 President David Murray
 Secretary: John Atkinson
 Treasurer: Wayne Lucas
 Desk : Sharon Partridge

Colin's Corner *(Continued)*



A young boy of Sixteen .with wings on his feet
 Dreaming that soon now.a lover he'll meet.
 A groom soon at Twentymy heart gives a leap.
 Remembering, the vows.....that I promised to keep.

At Twenty-Five, now I have young of my own.
 Who need me to guide And a secure happy home.
 A man of Thirty My young now grown fast,
 Bound to each other With ties that should last.

At Forty, my young sons ...have grown and are gone,
 But my woman's beside me.....to see I don't mourn.
 At Fifty, once more, Babies play 'round my knee,
 Again, we know children My loved one and me.

Dark days are upon me My wife is now dead.
 I look at the futureI shudder with dread.
 For my young are all rearing.....young of their own.
 And I think of the years..... And the love that I've known.

I'm now an old man.....and nature is cruel.
 Tis jest to make old agelook like a fool.
 The body, it crumbles.....grace and vigor, depart.
 There is now a stone.....where I once had a heart.

But inside this old carcass A young guy still dwells,
 And now and againmy battered heart swells
 I remember the joys..... I remember the pain.
 And I'm loving and living.....life over again.

I think of the years ..all too few.....gone too fast.
 And accept the stark fact.....that nothing can last.
 So open your eyes, peopleopen and see..
 Not a crabby old man. Look closer....see.....ME!!

Remember this poem when you next meet an older person who you might brush aside without looking
 at the young soul within....we will all, one day, be there, too!

PLEASE SHARE THIS POEM

The best and most beautiful things of this world can't be seen or touched. They must be felt by
 the heart.

God Bless

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

September 2009

Tue

THE ROTARY CLUB OF MITCHAM
Meets at Mitcham RSL Club, 26 McDowall St. Mitcham
LUNCH Meetings:

08/09/09 Board meeting & Club Forum

Sept 15 Ass Governor PP Brian Tyedin Report on next years District Conference

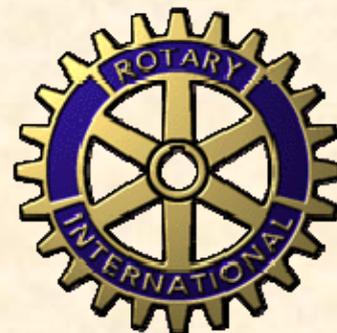
Sept 22 Steve Morison from the city of Whitehorse

Sept 29 Stephanie Woollard a young lady supporting third world counties

Oct 6 Board Reports

Oct 13 District membership presentation

All funds applied to Rotary Community Projects in Whitehorse



**After another successful event, make sure you join us at
the next market on a Sunday, 10th October 2009**

8.00 am to 1.00 pm at:

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

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