

Rotary Club of Mitcham

District 9810 Victoria Australia



Lunch Meeting

Bulletin

Tues 23rd February 2010

Worldwide Polio Eradication

See an interview with Sir Clem Renouf from Nambour who had the vision to realise that polio could be eliminated from the world, on the ABC 7.30 Report Tuesday 23 February.

In 1979 small pox had just been eliminated and Sir Clem, as World President of Rotary International asked, "If Rotary was to tackle ridding the world of a disease, what disease should we look at?"

"Without hesitation Rotary medical expert and head of infectious diseases at the National Institute of Health in Washington DC. Dr John Sever answered, "Polio, because it exists only in humans and a relatively cheap oral vaccine is available, which means you don't need trained medical people to administer the dose."

Since it was officially launched in 1988, the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (commenced by Rotary as Polio Plus in 1985) has reduced the number of polio cases by 99 per cent, from more than 350,000 cases worldwide annually in 1988 to an estimated 1,600 in 2008 and cut the number of polio endemic countries from 125 to four - Afghanistan, India, Nigeria and Pakistan.

Rotary has been joined in its multi-million dollar polio eradication campaign by global partners, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Ted Turner, World Health Organisation, UNICEF and the US Centers for Disease Control, as well as national governments, including Australia, and other major donors.

The worldwide eradication of polio on the ABC 7.30 Report Tuesday 23 February.



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

February 2010



Gail Murray 9th
Bill Mudford 25th



Wedding Anniversaries

Nil



PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Presented by the Rotary Club of Mitcham

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| 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

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!

President David Murray 2009 - 2010



District conference is coming up this coming weekend. It seems to come around so quickly. Although there are not many from our club attending, our small but quality group will fly the Mitcham flag high and I feel sure that they will have a great time.

Last week Wayne and I had a meeting with the district membership boys and shared ideas for the future growth of our club.

There where some positive plans made and

Wayne will report these to you today.

The Rotary Club of Nunawading have planned a night that appeals to me. A night sailing around the Bay on a replica sailing ship , the date is the third of March (2010). Hopefully the flyer is attached the cost isn't too bad either, so let me know if you are interested.

Enjoy the week

President David

***See President David
for Details***



Sir Edmund Barton's ideas on Immigrants and being an Australian in 1907.



'In the first place, we should insist that if the immigrant who comes here in good faith becomes an **Australian** and assimilates himself to us, he shall be treated on an exact equality with everyone else, for it is an outrage to discriminate against any such man because of creed, or birthplace, or origin.

But this is predicated upon the person's becoming in every facet an **Australian**, and nothing but an **Australian**... There can be no divided allegiance here. Any man who says he is an **Australian**, but something else also, isn't an **Australian** at all.

We have room for but one flag, the **Australian** flag.... We have room for but one language here, and that is the English language... and we have room for but one sole loyalty and that is a loyalty to the **Australian** people.'

Edmund Barton

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 ...

President David Murray
Secretary: John Atkinson
Treasurer: Wayne Lucas
Desk : Sharon Partridge

Colin's Corner



Father Murphy walks into a pub in Donegal, and says to the first man he meets, "Do you want to go to heaven?"

The man said, "I do, Father."

The priest said, "Then stand over there against the wall."

Then the priest asked the second man, "Do you want to go to heaven?"

"Certainly, Father," was the man's reply.

"Then stand over there against the wall," said the priest.

Then Father Murphy walked up to O'Toole and said, "Do you want to go to heaven?"

O'Toole said, "No, I don't Father."

The priest said, "I don't believe this. You mean to tell me that when you die you don't want to go to heaven?"

O'Toole said, "Oh, when I die, yes. I thought you were getting a group together to go right now."



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

February 2010

ROTARY CLUB OF MITCHAM

Meets at Mitcham RSL Club, 26 McDowall St. Mitcham

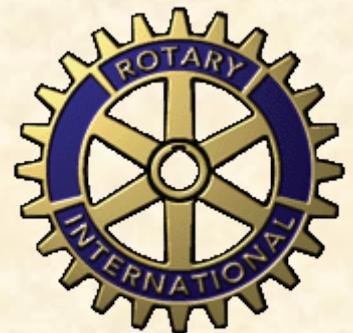
LUNCH Meetings:

Tuesdays 12:30 for 1:00pm for lunch

Coming meetings:

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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, 7th March 2010**

8.00 am to 1.00 pm at:

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

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