

# Rotary Club of Mitcham

District 9810 Victoria Australia



## Bulletin

Tues 28th February 2012

*Lunch Meeting: 1:00pm—2:00pm*

### RECRUITING YOUNGER MEMBERS - SOME TIPS AND TRICKS

The Rotary Clubs of Montrose & District and Box Hill Central recently held a membership development night featuring Michael Sheldrick from the Rotary Club of Crawley in Perth to speak on his experiences at Crawley and the Global Polio Initiatives.

From a membership perspective, it was interesting to note the following considerations when looking to recruit younger members – particularly those aged under 40:

- Young people have a commitment to “causes”.
- Engagement is important
- A Passionate membership person is essential in the club (and they don’t have to be young!)
- Value of mentoring in the very sense of the word
- Drive and commitment
- Value of sharing of experiences and wisdom – intergenerational sharing

The type of club which has appeal to young people is one:

- Is collaborating and engaging in partnerships
- It has a positive attitude – it is a “can do” club.
- Innovative and “out of the square” club – it is outcome driven and finds ways to make outcomes happen
- Club sees opportunity in the difficulty – rather than the difficulty in the opportunity.
- Family feel in the club is important
- Club encourages ideas from all members

Some questions we might pose in our own clubs are:

- What is the cause which your club aligns with?
- Is there more than one?
- Can you undertake your Rotary Projects in a more episodic manner – which makes them more appealing to “time poor members”
- Do you have a mentoring program in place
- Is there a sharing of “skills” in the club – younger members teaching older members about current business issues, social networking and technology, etc.
- How is your club partnering – can it be done better?
- How does your club greet and engage your members and potential members
- Do you provide a support network for younger members – as well as the older members.

# February 2012



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

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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        |
|                         | 2010 Jack Butler             |

### 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 2011/12

### BOARD

- President:** Philip Daw
- Past Pres:** Wayne Lucas
- Pres. Elect:** TBA
- Vice Pres :** TBA
- Secretary:** John Atkinson
- Treasurer:** Wayne Lucas
- Membership:** Colin Spencer
- Membership Retention PR & Marketing** Colin Spencer
- Community & International:** Ron Frederick
- New Generations:** David Murray

### OTHER PORTFOLIOS

- On to Conference:** Wayne Lucas
- Fellowship Vocational:** David Murray
- Attendance:** John Atkinson
- Foundation & International:** Ron Frederick
- Bulletin:** Philip Daw and Colin Spencer
- Program:** Philip daw / members
- Sergeant:** David Murray
- Public Officer:** Ron Frederick
- Internet / Website:** Colin Spencer
- Op Shop:** John Atkinson



**President Philip Daw  
2011 - 2012**



Hi all,

What a hot weekend, which we didn't need. Followed by drenching rain, which we could always do with a bit more!

I have approached another potential corporate member on my list and it is looking a possibility. I propose to invite a representative of the organisation as a guest speaker to one of our lunch time meetings.

Hope all of my fellow Board colleagues are netting a few of the potentials on their respective lists?

Today we induct Morris Scott into the club and hear a talk from RYLA. And there are more prospective members in the pipeline. My goodness, we are on a roll.

Until next time, stay well.

All the best,  
President Philip

## ***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*

## ***The Year 2011 - 2012***

**President: Philip Daw  
Secretary: John Atkinson  
Treasurer: Wayne Lucas  
Desk : Colin Spencer**

**APOLOGIES:** Would all members please ring or email another member if they are not able to attend a regular meeting of the club, if they find they have another engagement?

**It was entertainment night at the Senior Citizens Center.**

**Claude the hypnotist explained: "I'm here to put you into a trance;**

**I intend to hypnotize each and every member of the audience."**

**The excitement was almost electric as Claude withdrew a beautiful antique pocket watch from his coat.**

**"I want each of you to keep your eyes on this antique watch. It's a very special watch.**

**It's been in my family for six generations."**

**He began to swing the watch gently back and forth while quietly chanting, "Watch the watch, watch the watch, watch the watch..."**

**The crowd became mesmerized as the watch swayed back and forth, light gleaming off its polished surface. A hundred pairs of eyes followed the swaying watch until, suddenly, the chain broke; it slipped from the hypnotist's finger and fell to the floor, breaking into a hundred pieces.**

**"SHIT!" said the hypnotist.**

**It took three days to clean up the Senior Citizens Center.**

**Claude was never invited back.**



Aussie bug kills European Wasp

**Connect with your Community!  
Become a member of your local Rotary Club!  
Build life-long Friendships!  
Never been a better time to do this!**

# 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.9810rotary.org.au](http://www.9810rotary.org.au)

# Diary Dates

## 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 (Guest Speakers):

28th Feb RYLA

6th March Board meeting 12 noon

All funds applied to Rotary Community Projects in Whitehorse



After another successful event, make sure you join us at the next market on the second Sunday, 11th March 2012

8.00 am to 1.00 pm at:

The Whitehorse Civic Centre 279 Whitehorse Rd  
Nunawading. Enquiries 0425222550

[www.rotarymitcham.com](http://www.rotarymitcham.com)