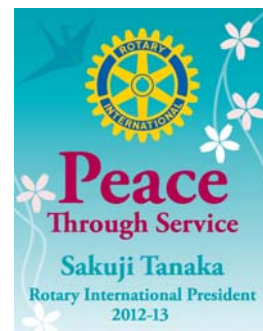


Rotary Club of Mitcham

Inc ABN 19809964017



Lunch Meeting October 9th

For over 16 years, Maurice Gleeson has lived and breathed blind sports.



He has experienced first hand the wonderful ability sport has to unite people from all walks of life in mutual passions, and has seen the making of legends out of ordinary men and women.

Maurice, by his own admission, is absolutely sports mad.

"I just love sport," says Maurice. "Not just because it feels great to be active, but because I've seen what it brings to peoples' lives on a much broader scale," he says.

"With team sports, participating is just as much about comradeship and having fun, as it is to enjoy a win!"

Although in a sport such as blind cricket, Maurice does add that it is quite satisfying to "thrash your competition"!

Indeed, blind cricket was for many years one of Maurice's particular passions.

"I always enjoyed playing blind cricket," Maurice says. "I loved the excitement of making runs and trying to get the other team out. I think I enjoyed the team aspect of everyone working together to achieve a result, and having fun along the way."

During this time, he has encouraged people of all ages, shapes and abilities to get active, meet people and have fun. "Our motto is that it's never too late and you may surprise yourself!"

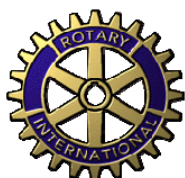
Often the hardest thing for people is to get started.

"It can be difficult for people to find the confidence and courage to join a new group or begin a new activity," Maurice says.

For this reason, both Blind Sports Victoria and Vision Australia run regular "Come 'n Try" days. These days provide the opportunity for people to try a new sport or activity in an informal and relaxed environment, where the aim of the game is really just to have some fun.

Thank you, Maurice and Marge. for being our guests today.

(Photos and text lifted from the Blind Sports Victoria Web site)



Post Office Box 6 Mitcham, Victoria 3132 Australia
Meets at the RSL Club 26 McDowall Street Mitcham 3132 Victoria
12:30 pm each Tuesday Visitors Welcome

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October 2012



Wayne Lucas 2nd
Sharon Partridge 16th
Barbara McPhee 24th



**Wedding
Anniversaries**

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
	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

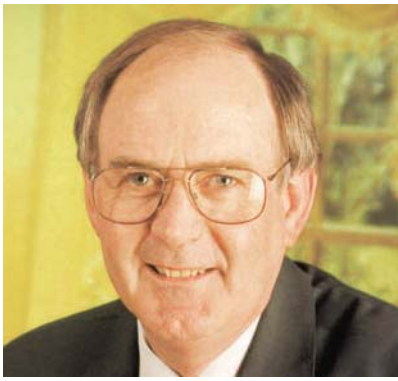
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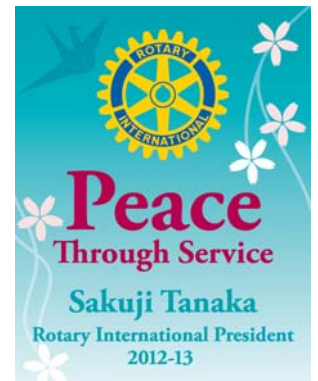
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New Generations:	David Murray

OTHER PORTFOLIOS

On to Conference:	Philip Daw
Fellowship Vocational:	Joseph O'Loughlin
Attendance:	John Atkinson
Foundation & International:	Ron Frederick
Bulletin:	Colin Spencer
Program:	Philip daw / members
Sergeant:	David Murray
Public Officer:	Ron Frederick
Internet / Website:	Colin Spencer
Op Shop:	John Atkinson



**President: 2012 - 2013
Colin Spencer**



Greetings all,

A board meeting is to be held today at 12 noon at the RSL in Mitcham. Obviously we need all board members to attend, and other members are always welcome to join in and to contribute ideas and opinions.

Next Sunday, 14th of October, is Whitehorse Market Day. Those who are able to volunteer their time to help man the entrances and to gather the generous contributions of visitors to the market please let us know today. The times that you will be available will be very much appreciated.

If you have not previously attended a District Conference, please consider doing so next year. It is always an excellent weekend away for members and their partners, with so much to see and do, and people to meet.

Colin

District Conference 2013: Wangaratta

The District 9810 Conference for 2013 will be held from Friday 15 to Sunday 17 March 2013 at the Wangaratta Performing Arts Centre, 33 Ford Street, Wangaratta, Victoria.

Full details of conference arrangements including registration, accommodation options, program, conference tours and related activities will be available and updated on the dedicated conference website:

Click here for further information: <http://2013conference.9810rotary.org.au/>

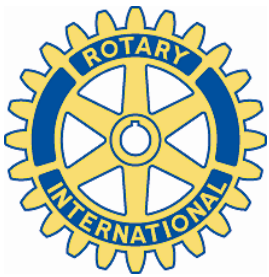
Advance Australia Fair

*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*

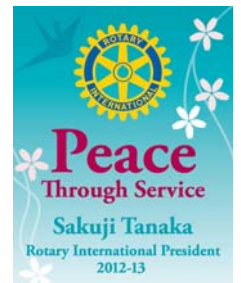
The Year 2012 - 2013

**President: Colin Spencer
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?



Club Social Event
Wednesday 10th October
Be Sure to Book Your Place!



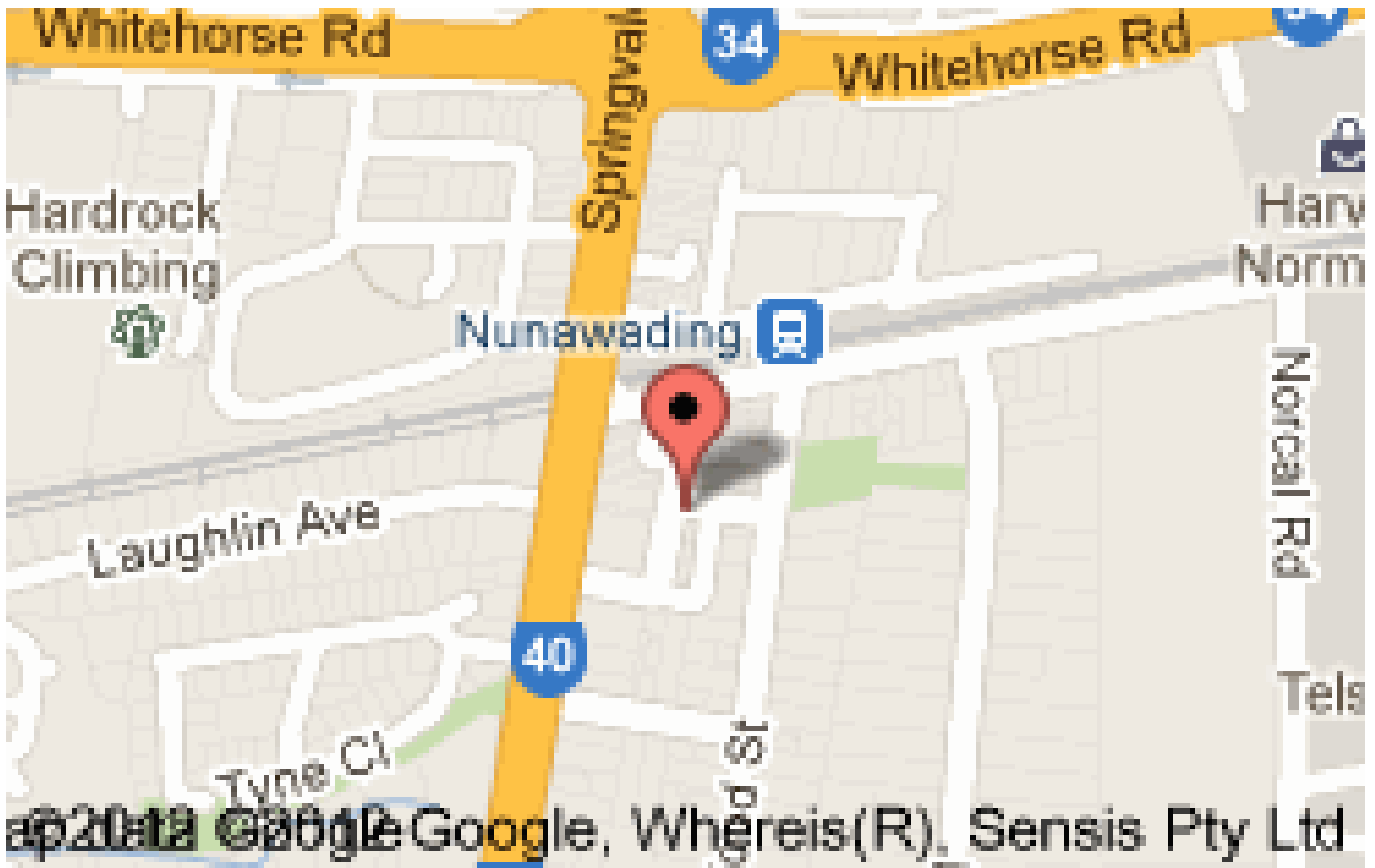
Punjabi Masala Indian Restaurant

2 to 6 Market Street
 Nunawading.

6:30 for 7:00 pm.

Please confirm your attendance with Joseph on
 0438 355 521

He needs to know how many people will be there including family and friends.



Now, go to your web browser, to read about the amazing things happening in Australia and in other parts of the world. All of which are being achieved by people just like you.....members of so many Rotary Clubs, just like yours It is a great feeling to be part of such an amazing organisation!

FRIENDSHIP WISH

May there always be work for your hands to do;
 May your purse always hold a coin or two;
 May the sun always shine on your windowpane;
 May a rainbow be certain to follow each rain;
 May the hand of a friend always be near you;
 May God fill your heart with gladness to cheer you..



The Four Way Test

... 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.

BLIND SPORTS VICTORIA

SPORT



Or Recreation.....



<http://www.blindsports.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 events:

October 9th - Maurice Gleeson, Marge West - Blind Sports Victoria.
Walking with willpower - Focus on Whitehorse.

November - Francis Sutherland - Oakley Centre

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, 14th October 2012

8.00 am to 1.00 pm at:

The Whitehorse Civic Centre 279 Whitehorse Rd
Nunawading. Enquiries 0425222550

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