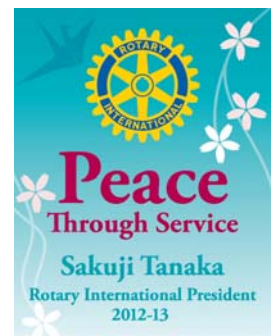


# Rotary Club of Mitcham

Inc ABN 19809964017

## Board Meeting Tuesday 5th February



## Next Week's Guest Speaker - Graeme Chester



## ROMAC Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children

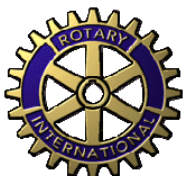
A Program of the Rotary Districts  
of Australia and New Zealand

ROMAC is assisted by many eminent Australian surgeons who generously respond to requests for assistance, this humanitarian program has provided over 300 children from 20 countries with urgent medical treatment that has given them new hope. To date, children have been brought from Fiji, Papua New Guinea, Malaysia, Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Vietnam, Cambodia, Russia, China, Tonga, Solomon Islands, The Philippines, Pakistan, Iran, Timor-Leste, Vanuatu, Kiribati, Nauru and Zimbabwe.

The children usually come from very remote areas and are brought to Australia, as medical treatment is simply not available in their home countries. These are children with herniated brains, deformed limbs, horrific burns, heart conditions and in the case of the Bosun (Siamese) twins, separation as they were joined face to face from the lower chest to the umbilicus.

### Mission Statement

To provide medical treatment for children from developing countries in the form of life saving and/or dignity restoring surgery not accessible to them in their home country.



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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# January 2013



**Gayle Murray**  
**February 9th**



**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

## Officers for 2012/13

### BOARD

<b>President:</b>	Colin Spencer
<b>Past Pres:</b>	Philip Daw
<b>Pres. Elect:</b>	TBA
<b>Vice Pres :</b>	TBA
<b>Secretary:</b>	John Atkinson
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Wayne Lucas
<b>Membership:</b>	Colin Spencer
<b>Membership Retention PR &amp; Marketing</b>	Colin Spencer
<b>Community &amp; International:</b>	Ron Frederick
<b>New Generations:</b>	David Murray

### OTHER PORTFOLIOS

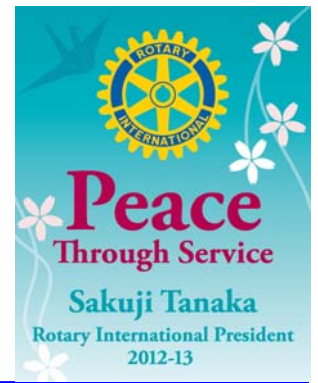
<b>On to Conference:</b>	Philip Daw
<b>Fellowship Vocational:</b>	Joseph O'Loughlin
<b>Attendance:</b>	John Atkinson
<b>Foundation &amp; International:</b>	Ron Frederick
<b>Bulletin:</b>	Colin Spencer
<b>Program:</b>	Philip daw / members
<b>Sergeant:</b>	David Murray
<b>Public Officer:</b>	Ron Frederick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



**President: 2012 - 2013**

**Colin Spencer**

**Greetings all,**



**Greetings all,**

***Welcome one and all to our meeting today. Many thanks to those dedicated Rotarians who arrived early for our February Board Meeting today.***

**On Thursday evening last, Wayne, Di, and myself attended a meeting of the Rotary Club of Eltham at Samson Hill Restaurant where there was a special presentation for the Aqua Box program. As we could all imagine, there is quite a demand for these handy life saving kits in many locations around our part of the world. Our club has been a regular supporter of the Aqua Box project for several years now.**

**I received an email from Joanna Parsons, the physiotherapist who went to Nepal to train physio practitioners at a hospital clinic. Joanna will speak to us later in the month. Some of her photographs are on pages 5 and 6.**

**NEXT SUNDAY is Whitehorse Farmer's Market day. We need volunteers to man the South Gate this time. From 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please let me know ASAP if you can be there and what times will be suitable for you. Many thanks.**

***Colin***

**Some time in the near future, we will have a guest speaker from the Leukaemia Foundation: <http://www.leukaemia.org.au/web/media.php> Date to be finalised soon.**

### ***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?**

I just wanted to email you and thank your Rotary club for their huge financial support during my September - December 2012 Thailand/Burma Physiotherapy Volunteer Trip.

I would love to come to a Rotary meeting and tell your members about the trip. (Think refugee camps, no electricity, wells for water, drop toilets, births, deaths, amputations, surgeries, intense situation, amazing people, doctors and nurses from around the world)

From memory, you meet on Tuesdays for Lunch at 1 pm. I am currently working but I think I could rangle a Tuesday off - Maybe February 12th or 26th?



Looking forward to seeing you.

*Joanna Parsons*



<http://www.9810rotary.org.au/>

## A couple more pictures from Joanna Parsons.....



## 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.

# Whitehorse Farmer's Market

The gate roster for the **February 10<sup>th</sup> 2013** market is set out below. We look forward to your assistance on the day.

Western gate	Southern gate	Eastern gate
MASH	MITCHAM	ROTARACT
BOX HILL	BOX HILL CENTRAL	NUNAWADING

**FOREST HILL** will be staffing the egg and bacon stall.



We need two Rotarians on each gate between 7.00am and, depending on customer traffic, about 1.00pm. Each of the nominated clubs is therefore required to provide one person for their gate – it is up to the club whether this is a single person for the whole morning or a number of members for two or three hour shifts each.

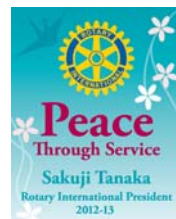
Members attending need to sign the roster sheet in the Whitehorse Centre office before proceeding to their gate or the egg and bacon stall so we have a record for insurance purposes. Please be on time is essential for the

**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!**

# Diary Dates



**ROTARY CLUB OF MITCHAM**  
**Meets at Mitcham RSL Club,**  
**26 McDowall St. Mitcham**  
**12:30 for 1:00pm for lunch**



## Coming events:

January 29th - Steve Cooke - Asylum seeker update. Search for Freedom

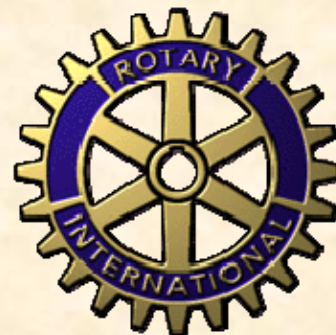
February 7th - Club Board Meeting - 12 noon to 1:00 pm.

February 12th - Guest Speaker - Graeme Chester - ROMAC

February 19th - Guest Speaker - Michael Sukkar - Electioneering

February 26th - Guest Speaker - Joanna Parsons - Physiotherapist.

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, 10th February 2013  
 8.00 am to 1.00 pm at:  
 The Whitehorse Civic Centre 279 Whitehorse Rd  
 Nunawading. Enquiries 0425222550

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