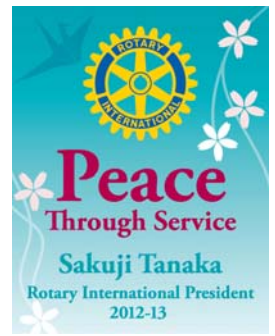


Rotary Club of Mitcham

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Lunch Meeting 28th May

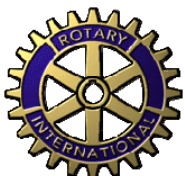
Guest Speakers from the Rotary Club of Eltham

IMAGINE...

As a father, imagine if your only choice was to give your wife or children contaminated water or watch them slowly die in the next few days of dehydration...



As part of the ongoing commitment by the Rotary Club of Phnom Phen, Cambodia is the heartbreaking story of 22 year old man who lives in a small village in the province of Kampong Speu. He had contracted meningitis, permanently losing his sight. Loss of balance, other ailments and significant ulcers at the base of his spine added to his misery. Dr Annie Chen-Green from the One-2-One Charitable Trust, together with volunteers, was finally able two years later, to intervene medically with the man. Essential to his ongoing welfare was a supply of clean drinking water and mosquito nets which were provided by provision of an Aquabox by the RC of Phnom Phen. Chantrea is now walking with aid of walking sticks and one person to assist with balance. It is hoped that he may be trained as a blind masseur and once again become a contributing member of society. (Photo shows Pres. Peter Gray, Rotary Club of Phnom Phen, demonstrating the Aquabox to man's mother.)



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Meets at the RSL Club 26 McDowall Street Mitcham 3132 Victoria
12:30 pm each Tuesday Visitors Welcome

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May 2013



Jack Butler 5th May



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 2012/13

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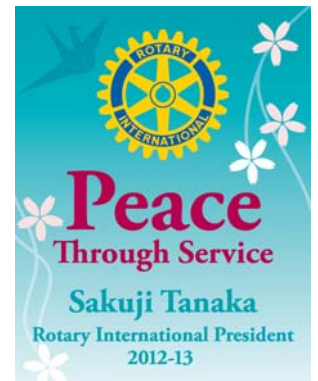
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**President: 2012 - 2013
Colin Spencer**



Greetings all,

Welcome to our friends from the Rotary Club of Eltham. We look forward to hearing about the latest achievements of your Aquabox project. The front page of this bulletin gives the reader an introduction to the amazing reach of the Aquabox project, and it has become a huge international success story, with a great deal of its success due to the work of dedicated members of the Rotary Club of Eltham.

Next week's meeting will be preceded by our June board meeting, commencing at 12 noon.

May Whitehorse Farmer's Market May market results.

Stalls	4345.00
Donations	1707.65
Barbeque	377.90
Total	6430.55

Exceptional effort on the part of all Rotarians who turn up on the day to make this happen.

See you at Rotary.....

Colin

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?

Pasinan Project

Wayne and Dianne Lucas



It is almost 3 years that Dianne and I have been going to Pasinan, a small village in the Singojurh region in East Java.

From the first day we started to see the need in the village for better food, water, sanitation and living conditions. It seemed only a pipe dream.

Now our hopes for a better life for the people of PASINAN are starting to become a reality due to the efforts of many who have helped us with supplies of second hand clothing, spectacles, books, pencils and Manchester, sometimes new goods are even donated.

On our previous visits we endeavoured to begin more ambitious projects such as fresh water, bathing and toilet facilities, school supplies desks and tables, repairing house roofs and introducing new and improved crops to supplement their rice.

Our first project was the new toilet and bathing area. Instead of using the local river for bathing and toilet functions, the people are now able to use the new area giving them privacy in a more hygienic environment.



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

John Clarke / Brian Dawe's script (The Joke for Today)

TV: Congratulations Prime Minister Gillard. Before we start, as we stand here on Thursday afternoon, do you accept that tomorrow will be Friday?

PM: We have always supported the standard structure of the calendar and acknowledge that the public expect a regular system that provides the rhythm necessary for everyday planning and life structures. We feel very strongly about this.

TV: So you do agree that tomorrow is Friday?

PM: It isn't important whether it is Friday or Monday. What is important is that unexpected changes don't interfere with the normal expectations of the public - and this government has a solid record in supporting those expectations.

TV: But as today is Thursday, surely you can confirm that tomorrow is Friday?

PM: Everything is relative and whether the next day is Wednesday or Sunday is dependent on where you stand at the time. We have never challenged the current system and have the full support of the unions on this. Most intelligent people agree that changes are not required.

TV: Well then, what day is tomorrow?

PM: Tomorrow is the next day in our plan to further develop our marvellous country in many areas. We plan to continue providing better health care, reduced debt, reduced unemployment, controlled immigration and to be a world leader in controlling global warming.

TV: Returning to the question, can you not confirm that Friday is tomorrow?

PM: Friday is always around. It has been around many times before and will be around again many more times. Which is why we need - as a responsible government - to plan and organise for the future. Not just for tomorrow, but for our children and their children.

TV: Prime Minister, the viewers are waiting for your answer on what day you think tomorrow is?

PM: We are dealing with bigger issues here. The Friday, Saturday, Sunday thing is not important or relevant to the scheme of things. They need to understand the critical issues and focus on the matters of concern, such as the condition of our nation and how we can continue to develop it so that all may reap the benefit.

TV: I'm sorry, we seem to have lost the point here again. Are you saying that it isn't Friday tomorrow?

PM: The reality is that it is not important what day it is. What is important is how we handle the situation— and my government is handling it with solid policies evolved from the mandate the people gave us.

TV: But we just want to know if you agree that it will be Friday tomorrow?

PM: Lets remain focused here. It is the nation that is important and we stand fast and rock steady in our dedication to the job in hand. In closing, let me say this one more time we are fully committed to the task and have commissioned a report that will enable us to develop the plans for the future.

Thank you.

What Paul Harris Said.....



"We are here on earth and we are here to stay during our respectively allotted periods.

How much of happiness and how much of misery shall be our share remains with us almost entirely to determine.

If we possess a modicum of reason, it will be apparent to us that it is the part of wisdom to cheerfully make the best of the situation and to harmonize our own lives with nature's inexorable laws.

We are entitled to the maximum of happiness; and may we be sane enough to observe that the route to a life full of happiness does not lie in intemperate indulgence.

We need and the world needs an optimistic, rational philosophy of life."

["The Distance Self"](#) by Paul P Harris – The Rotarian, February 1914

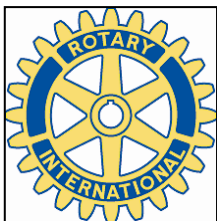
Paul P. Harris, Founder of Rotary 23 February 1905

**The Four
Way Test**

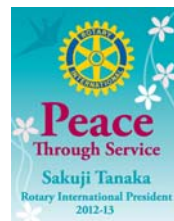
... of the things we think, say or do.

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?

Diary Dates



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

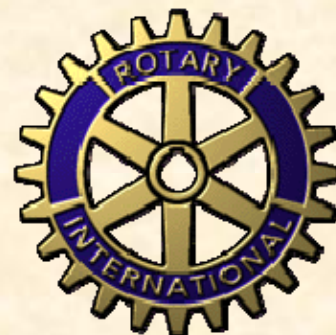


Coming events:

May 28th - Lunch Meeting - Guest speakers from the Rotary Club of Eltham - Aquabox - Report on Cambodia.

All funds applied to Rotary Community Projects in Whitehorse

**Over
80
Stalls**



**After another successful event, make sure you join us at
the next market on the second Sunday, 9th June, 2013
8.00 am to 1.00 pm at:
The Whitehorse Civic Centre 279 Whitehorse Rd
Nunawading. Enquiries 0425222550**

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