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November is Foundation Month: Whilst the Rotary Foundation is a part of Rotary it is administered as a separate entity. The Chairman is appointed by the Trustees for a three year term. For our District the chair is PDG Peter Brown who is in his second year. Peter has made himself available to Clubs as a speaker and from all reports many Clubs have availed themselves of Peter's knowledge. The Rotary Foundation's principle activities are to raise funds, to disseminate the funds to programmes which meet the Foundations requirements and then to audit projects to ensure that the requirements are being met.

The programmes for which the Foundation provides funds are fairly well known. They include Matching Grants, Simplified Grants, Group Study Exchange programme, the 3H Programme, Ambassadorial and Peace Scholarships and of course the Polio Plus Programme. Also of interest is the Alumni for which a data base of past scholars is being prepared.

Donation to the Foundation has always been a major topic for District Governors when visiting Clubs. The aim for the District has been US\$100 per member for some time. Last year we nearly achieved that amount. While we fell a little short the sum donated was a record for our District. This year we hope to achieve that elusive US\$100. Without the funding the programmes mentioned above cannot be undertaken.

Most Members equate a donation of US\$1000 to the Foundation as a credit for a Paul Harris Fellowship with which they can recognise a fellow Rotarian, or a member of the public, who has achieved the high ideals of Rotary. However there are other ways where donations can be made to the Foundation. A Rotarian can become a sustaining member or join the Every Rotarian every Year programme for US\$100 per year. Or one can become a major donor for US\$10,000, or join the Arch C Klumph Society for US\$250,000. Donations totalling US\$1 billion have been donated to the Foundation since it was created by Arch C Klumph in 1928, and over 1 million people have been recognised as Paul Harris Fellows.

Of importance the Rotary Foundation can boast that 100% of the funds raised and donated to a project is spent on the project. What other Charity can say that? Why should we not encourage greater support of the Rotary Foundation by Rotarians and members of the public? The donations are also tax deductible. DG Ed

Dear Fellow Rotarians,
This is a historic day for Rotary. It is our great pleasure to inform you of a new partnership between Rotary International and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation that will provide a much needed **US\$200 million** in support of our top goal of a polio-free world.

The Gates Foundation has awarded The Rotary Foundation a challenge grant of \$100 million, which Rotary will match, dollar for dollar, over three years. This is the largest single grant ever given to a volunteer service organization and represents a tremendous validation of the approach and success of our PolioPlus program.

This partnership comes at a critical juncture for the polio eradication initiative, which needs an infusion of funds to reach the eradication goal. For this reason, the initial \$100 million will be distributed by The Rotary Foundation through grants to the World Health Organization and UNICEF in direct support of polio immunization activities in 2008.

Your participation in this effort is crucial to making it a success. The Rotary International Board of Directors and the Trustees of The Rotary Foundation have unanimously agreed to accept this challenge grant to ensure the success of the PolioPlus program. We feel confident that this extraordinary commitment from the Gates Foundation and Rotary will serve as a catalyst for further donations from others to help us realize the dream of a polio-free world.

In 1985, we promised every child a world free from the threat of polio, and we are almost there. This funding agreement between Rotary and the Gates Foundation is a huge step forward, bringing us even closer to our goal. Success is our only option. For more information visit:

www.rotary.org

**DEADLINE FOR
NEWSLETTER ITEMS
28th day of the prior month**

AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH RESEARCH FUND

ARHRF Announces 2008 Funding

Australian Rotary Health has announced its funding commitment for 2008. Thanks to your support the Fund is awarding over \$3 million dollars in research grants and scholarships to improve the health of Australians.

A breakdown of where the money is going:

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| Mental Health Grants | \$1,206,841 |
| Ian Scott Scholarships | \$195,000 |
| Post-Doctoral Fellowships | \$150,000 |

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| Evaluation Grants | \$700,000 |
| Special Projects | \$40,000 |

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| Funding Partners | |
| PhD Scholarships (37) | \$578,000 |
| Research Grants (12) | \$324,000 |

Grand Total **\$3,193,841**



A few of the new projects are:

"Treatment of acute stress disorder secondary to sexual assault: Effectiveness of therapy in a community mental health setting."

"The mental health and wellbeing of young people in remand: Is the prevalence of mental health problems changing?"

"Improving the management of acute agitation in the Emergency Department – a multicentre randomised controlled trial." Donations to ARHRF are tax deductible and can be sent to: ARHRF, PO Box 3455, Parramatta, NSW, 2124. Telephone (02) 8837 1900 Email arhrf@arhrf.org.au

THE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION EXPERIENCE

Welcome to the 99th annual RI Convention — LA2008 — where you will See the Stars! in Los Angeles. RI Conventions are meant to "stimulate, inspire, and inform all Rotarians at an international level," particularly incoming club and foundation officers as they learn how Rotary Shares with them as well as communities around the world. You can learn how to strengthen your club and identify service and fellowship opportunities through listening to speakers, participating in breakout sessions, visiting the Club and District Projects Exhibition, and talking to fellow Rotarians and members of the Rotary family. Why not plan a pre or post convention vacation with your own family? Check www.Rotary2008.com for tour options!

Experience the Internationality of Rotary: By the time you reach the convention venue and pick up your registration packet, you will have already experienced the internationality of Rotary. In your travels, you may have met fellow Rotarians on the train or plane. Local host Rotarians will have greeted you at the airport or train station and made you feel welcome. At your hotel or on the shuttle bus, you will feel an immediate rapport with other convention goers and find it easy to start a conversation. During the course of the meeting, expect to meet Rotarians and their guests from all over the world, many dressed in native garb and speaking different languages, united in the spirit of Rotary and the ideal of service.

Fellowship at the Convention: Bring your business cards, pins, gifts, and banners to exchange with new friends! This annual event offers many informal fellowship opportunities.

ROTARY MENTAL HEALTH SEMINARS

Your Rotary Club can become involved

The Australian Rotary Health Research Fund is inviting Rotary Clubs to take part in the **mental illness community forum initiative**, a major community service project. This is an opportunity to raise the profile of Rotary within your local community, while raising the awareness of **mental illness issues**.

Recent statistical evidence shows that **mental illnesses** will form at least four of the top ten most disabling diseases in the next ten year period. **Your Rotary Club** can take part in this initiative by conducting a community forum as a major community service. This really is a most important issue that we need to address, as it will affect many more people in the future.

The Federal Government has provided funding to the **ARHRF** to fund research and raise public awareness of mental health issues. **Rotary Clubs can claim up to \$1,000 for the costs of conducting a community seminar.** The seminar should have three speakers representing someone who has had a mental health illness, a mental health doctor and a carer. It will certainly awaken an increased awareness of this debilitating disease.

District 9460 has held some seminars over the past 5 years. However, so much more can be done to inform the local community by promoting these seminars. There is a detailed manual available with instructions and guidelines, to enable the seminar to be conducted successfully. Please contact your District ARHRF Advocate to enable your Rotary Club to become involved.

PDG John Kevan (Rotary Club of Applecross) and **Rtn Malcolm Howes** (Rotary Club of Busselton—Geograph Bay) are your **District Advocates** to assist you in co ordinating the presentation of your mental health forum.

PDG John will co ordinate those Rotary Clubs in Groups 1-5. Contact him on 9332 4518 or john.kevan@naveko.com.

Rtn Malcolm Howes will co ordinate those Rotary Clubs in Groups 6-10. Contact him on 9754 3731 or at bushbaby@compwest.net.au.

All Presidents and Community Service Directors will receive a special invitation from **DG Ed McKinnon** to support this important local community initiative and encourage your Rotary Club to conduct a mental health seminar during the next few months.



GERARD NEESHAM TO RECEIVE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL AWARD

The Melville Rotary Club has awarded Gerard Neesham, CEO of the Waterford based Clontarf Foundation a Paul Harris Fellowship in recognition of his outstanding service to the community.

In 2000 Gerard Neesham established the Clontarf Foundation and Clontarf Aboriginal Football Academy as a way of improving the health, employment, education and life skills of indigenous teenage men.

Gerard has been instrumental in providing many young Aboriginal men with opportunities for growth and success by creating an environment of support and positive mentoring.

In 2006, of the approx. 300 indigenous male Year 12 students enrolled in WA, 64 (21%) were enrolled in the Football Academy, yet a massive 54% of Year 12 graduates came from the Academy (20 of the 37).

The Melville Rotary Club is proud to have supported the Foundation's programs for over 3 years by providing students with monetary support for their studies and their football activities as well as purchasing sporting and educational equipment for the Foundation.



ENDEAVOUR SCHOLARSHIPS

Five local students who have overcome significant hurdles to pursue their educational dreams have been rewarded with the Rotary Endeavour Scholarships for 2007. The scholarships, which will help the students meet their ongoing education expenses, were presented to the students at a meeting of the Rotary Club of Booragoon.

The 2007 Endeavour Scholarship winners are Mohammed Mansaray, Daniel Vincec, Sandrine Ngayindika and Gaydou Qua Qua of North Lake Senior Campus and Allayha Ager-Nam of North Lake's Fast Track program.

The value of the scholarships was boosted this year by a donation from the newly opened Kardinya Park branch of the ANZ Bank. The Kardinya Park Shopping Centre is also the venue of the Rotary Club's weekly Swapmart. The bank manager, Lisa Hathaway, and North Lake Senior Campus principal Mary Margetts were special guests at the presentation.

The Rotary Club established the scholarships about 15 years ago to assist local high school students who have persevered with their studies in difficult circumstances. Scholarship winners are selected for their academic achievement and leadership potential as well as their perseverance.

A Club spokesman said past recipients of the award include students who had serious financial difficulties, were sole parents or faced language difficulties as recent migrants. Ms Margetts praised the role of the scholarships in helping students gain a foothold on the pathway to achieving their dreams. Further information: John Feary, Rotary Club of Booragoon. Phone 0432 298 325



Booragoon Rotary Club president Russell Morgan presented Endeavour Scholarships to: (from left to right) Allayha Ager-Nam, Daniel Vincec, Gaydou Qua Qua & Mohammed Mansaray.



DISTRICT 9460 ORGANISATION 2007 - 08

District Board:

District Governor:
DG Ed McKinnon

District Governor Elect:
DGE Zaki Dorkham

District Governor Nominee:
DGN Keith Hopkins

Secretary: Rtn Ednamay Foston

Treasurer: PDG David Barton

Administration:
DGE Zaki Dorkham

Foundation: PDG Peter Brown

Membership: PP Bruce Lynch

Public Relations:
Rtn Gary Brennan

Projects: PP Marilyn Barton

(Projects Sub-Committee)

International: PP Frank Wheel

Vocational: PP Alan Lush

Community:
PP Graham Wheeler

New Generations:
PP Malcolm Wills

Youth Exchange:
PDG John Simmons

District Officers:

District Attendance Officer:
PP David Donaldson
Ph: 9310 1582
Fax: 9310 8420

District Insurance Officer:
PDG Jim Trotter
Ph: 9332 7823

District Protection Officer:
PP Keith Quayle
Ph: 9332 8450

ATTENDANCE FIGURES

| Club | Mtgs | Members # + / - | Month % | Mthly Rank | Prog % | Prog Rank |
|-----------------|-----------|--------------------|------------|---------------|-----------|--------------|
| Albany East | 4 | 35 | 74.00 | 18 | 70.10 | 29 |
| Albany Port | 4 | 27 | 95.00 | 1 | 86.00 | 4 |
| Applecross | 4 | 39 | 74.20 | 17 | 76.73 | 14 |
| Attadale | 4 | 33 | 77.30 | 11 | 81.21 | 6 |
| Booragoon | 4 | 22 | 78.80 | 7 | 82.56 | 5 |
| Bridgetown | 5 | 14 | 64.52 | 30 | 72.18 | 24 |
| Bunbury | 4 | 40 | 68.00 | 25 | 75.92 | 17 |
| Bunbury Cent | 4 | 40 | 64.00 | 31 | 58.47 | 36 |
| Bunbury Lesch | 4 | 40 | 70.60 | 23 | 77.81 | 10 |
| Busselton | 4 | 13 | 78.80 | 7 | 77.02 | 12 |
| Busselton G'bay | NO REPORT | 1 | 0.00 | 36 | 74.65 | 20 |
| Cockburn | 4 | 27 | 71.30 | 22 | 69.60 | 31 |
| Collie | NO REPORT | | 0.00 | 36 | 76.37 | 16 |
| Esperance | 4 | 44 | 78.75 | 9 | 77.36 | 11 |
| Esperance Bay | 4 | 37 | 65.48 | 28 | 74.24 | 21 |
| Fremantle | 4 | 28 | 65.48 | 28 | 63.73 | 35 |
| Fremantle City | 4 | 28 | 44.64 | 35 | 48.22 | 37 |
| Fremantle Port | 4 | 8 | 75.00 | 14 | 70.46 | 28 |
| Gnowangerup | 4 | 12 | 62.00 | 32 | 64.33 | 34 |
| Harvey | 4 | 29 | 78.20 | 10 | 80.37 | 8 |
| Katanning | 4 | 27 | 89.56 | 2 | 76.74 | 13 |
| Kojonup | 4 | 36 | 85.00 | 3 | 72.18 | 25 |
| Kwinana | 4 | 26 | 79.16 | 6 | 80.50 | 7 |
| Mandurah | 4 | 44 | 71.84 | 21 | 69.70 | 30 |
| Mandurah City | 4 | 24 | 67.71 | 26 | 79.72 | 9 |
| Mandurah Distr | 4 | 19 | 67.00 | 27 | 76.64 | 15 |
| Manjimup | 4 | 39 | 68.25 | 24 | 70.54 | 27 |
| Margaret River | 4 | 32 | 59.18 | 34 | 67.87 | 33 |
| Melville | 3 | 40 | 76.02 | 12 | 86.80 | 2 |
| Mosman Park | 4 | 26 | 83.20 | 4 | 86.01 | 3 |
| Mt Barker | 2 | 15 | 80.00 | 5 | 89.60 | 1 |
| Narrogin | 4 | 18 | 73.53 | 20 | 74.91 | 19 |
| Palm Beach | 4 | 31 | 74.00 | 18 | 69.27 | 32 |
| Pinjarra | 4 | 36 | 75.00 | 14 | 75.08 | 18 |
| Rockingham | 4 | 34 | 59.20 | 33 | 73.84 | 22 |
| South Bunbury | 4 | 55 | 75.95 | 13 | 72.95 | 23 |
| Wagin | 4 | 16 | 75.00 | 14 | 70.72 | 26 |

Total Members: 1,034 Month of September 2007

NOTICES

ATTADALE ROTARY CLUB AND ATTADALE PROBUS CLUB

On Monday 12th November the Rotary Club of Attadale and the Men's Probus Club of Attadale held a combined function at the Royal Fremantle Golf Club to commemorate the 25th anniversary of both clubs.

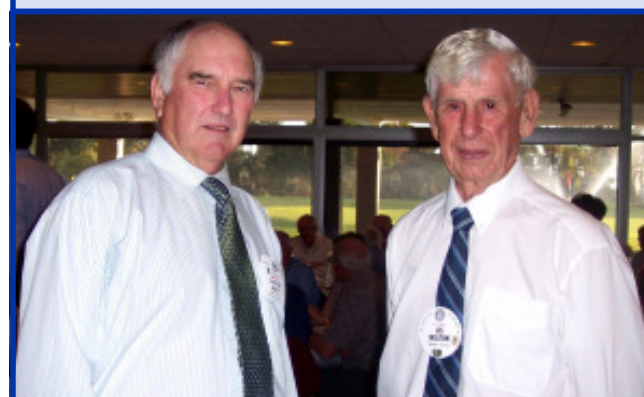
Both clubs were established in the same calendar year, Attadale Rotary being chartered on 12th April 1982 and Attadale Probus being registered on 10th October 1982

The establishment of the Attadale Probus Club was one of the first community projects of the newly formed Attadale Rotary Club, being the 7th Probus Club formed in Western Australia, with the first one being Thornlie on 1st March of the same year. There are now over 100 Probus Clubs in Western Australia with a total membership in excess of 6000 people.

One of the highlights of the evening was the presentation of a 25th anniversary plaque to President Peter Colleran of the Attadale Probus Club by President Llew Withers of the Attadale Rotary Club.



President Llew Withers, President of the Rotary Club of Attadale presenting the 25th Anniversary Plaque to President Peter Colleran of the Probus Club of Attadale



Rotary District Probus Chairman Winston Marsh, a foundation member and a past president of the Rotary Club of Attadale and Les Skelton, a past Rotary District Probus Chairman, a past president of the Rotary Club of Cockburn and a foundation member of the Probus Club of Attadale. Winston was responsible for the formation of the three Probus Clubs in the Attadale area. Les, during his time as Rotary District Probus Chairman oversaw the formation of over 20 Probus Clubs.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Communicating the Rotary Message Through Email Signatures & Company Websites

We have a great opportunity to share our pride in Rotary through our vocation. Imagine having a signature on every email you or your business sends that invites the recipient to visit Rotary District 9460's website or a Rotary project website - or, having a 'community support' section on your company website. Communicating our message this way will reach a massive audience, which in turn will create interest and even attract potential new members. Below is an example of how an email signature and/or 'Community Support' section might read. However, remember that it is important to ensure approval is gained from your company if you are not self-employed. However a number of us are self-employed, so it should be a straight-forward process to send out this positive message to new audiences.

Example Email Signature:

Our business proudly supports Rotary International and its activities in our community, both locally and worldwide. For information on Rotary locally, visit www.rotary9460.org.au

KEY EVENTS & TRAINING DATES

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| President Elect Training Seminar, Bunbury | 14 March 2008 |
| District Conference, Bunbury | 14-16 March 2008 |
| District Assembly, Collie | 4 May 2008 |
| International Convention, Las Angeles, USA | 15-18 June 2008 |
| District Change Over Dinner | 30 June 2008 |

A full list of events can be found in the District Directory.

LAST WORD

Be advised that every time you avoid doing right, you increase your disposition to do wrong.

- Anonymous