



# The Valley News

The Official News of the Rotary Club of Melton Valley

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**Chartered**  
**29<sup>th</sup> May 1991**

**DG's Weekly Message** 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2009.  
**2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2009**

## Club Presidents

**1991-1992:**

Ian Read

**1992-1993:**

Genie Long

**1993-1994:**

Greg Plummer

**1994-1995:**

Paul Goodear

**1995-1996:**

Horst Sauer

**1996-1997:**

Ron Russell

**1997-1998:**

Doug McDonald

**1998-1999:**

Graeme Mann

**1999-2000:**

Roger Morgan

**2000-2001:**

Peter Nash

**2001-2002:**

Selwyn Hall:

**2002-2003:**

Colin Greene

**2003-2004:**

Colin Corp

**2004-2005:**

Ross Butterworth

**2005-2006:**

Graham Dempsey

**2006-2007:**

David Kerruish

**2007-2008:**

Paul Butler

**2008-2009:**

Andrew Mc Cormack

## Anticipating Our Conference

Assembling ... building ... rechecking ... confirming ... amending ... deciding ... agreeing ... disagreeing ... interpreting ... OR as the song says, "... wishing and hoping and figuring and planning". Welcome to the wonderful world of 'the week before the Conference'.

I certainly have to own up to feelings of tense anticipation, but incredible excitement as we round the bend for a sprint to the line. The District Conference committee has worked so hard during these last 34 months and we are so determined to make 'Launceston' a conference that will be remembered for years. We hope that it is a tour de force and we know that you won't be disappointed. I am so looking forward to greeting each and every one of our conference delegates in Launceston. When you think of it ... meeting and greeting is at the very core of a Rotary conference. The fellowship that binds all Rotarians is magnificently celebrated annually in thousands of Districts worldwide. District 9800 and Launceston are part of this. And we will certainly celebrate.

We are honoured and delighted that our Rotary International President, DK Lee, is sending our Immediate Past RI President, Wilf Wilkinson as his personal representative. It is an honour to have Wilf with us and, indeed, a great tribute to our District.

The conference program has been developed around three key elements. The first is to inspire and inform delegates through the Rotary information segments. These will include presentations of Rotary's many youth activities and the wonderful work of our Rotary Foundation. It will also, very importantly, showcase the wide scope of contributions made by the individual Clubs of District 9800. We are delighted to have Past RI Director Ian Riseley at our conference. Ian will speak about the future of Rotary.

The second element is to educate and provide some food for thought. Our keynote speakers include Robyn Moore (communicator), Walter Mikac (Allanah & Madeline Foundation), Bernard Salt (demographer), Amanda Drury (CNBC News Anchor), Julian Burnside (Human Rights Advocate) and Bruce Esplin (Victorian Emergency Services Commissioner). Evocative, wide ranging, challenging and, occasionally, confronting ... in some respects, it is this area that shapes the character of the conference.

The third element is fun and fellowship. The conference plenary sessions are peppered with entertainers and we will have plenty of opportunity to catch up with one another during the morning and afternoon tea breaks as well as at the lunches in the glorious City Gardens. The conference will conclude with the Gala Dinner at the historic Clarendon House on the Saturday Night. But there is an aside to all this which needs to be acknowledged ...

We go forward to our Conference at a time when the world is in economic turmoil. I have been so heartened by your response to last week's newsletter where I indicated the difficulties that some Rotarians were enduring. Your thoughtful insights and suggestions are greatly appreciated. 'Empathy', 'dignity' and 'real fellowship/real friendship' and 'it's important to just be there' were all expressions that resonated very clearly with me. Thank you. I applaud your goodwill and your determination to make Rotary's input real. And so to Tasmania ... the natural setting and its dark and vibrant history. Launceston really is so beautiful in autumn and it will provide a wonderful backdrop for what will undoubtedly be a Conference to remember. Registrations are still open but please hurry.

See you in Tassie!! ~Jim Studebaker, District Governor

## Local Make-ups

WILLIAMSTOWN - Mon. 12.45 for 1.00pm, Royal Yacht Club, 120 Nelson Plac  
EAST KEILOR - Mon. 6.30 for 6.45pm, Keilor East RSL, Hoffmans Rd. W/Ess  
SUNSHINE - Tue. 12.30 for 12.45pm, Deer Park Hotel, Ballarat Rd., Deer Park  
MELTON - Tue. 6.00 for 6.30pm, Le Vohn's Rest. Cnr. Smith & High St.  
WERRIBEE - Tue. 6.15 for 6.45pm, Chirnside Tavern, 187 Watton St.  
GISBORNE - Tue. 6.45 for 7.15pm, Victoria Tavern Hotel 22 Aitken St.  
BACCHUS MARSH - Wed. 6.30 for 7.00pm, B/Marsh Motel, 272 Main St.  
BRIMBANK CENTRAL - Wed. 6.00 for 6.30pm, Taylors Lake Hotel, Keilor-Melton Rd.

## Paul Harris Fellows

Graham Dempsey  
(Sapphire),  
Ian Read,  
Roger Morgan,  
Wal Shand,  
Colin Greene,  
Paul Butler,  
Michael Pepi,  
Carlo Veliscek,  
Colin Corp,  
Stephanie Moskaljuk  
Ross Butterworth  
Dave Kerruish  
Ross Butterworth  
(Sapphire)  
Barbara Richards

## Royce Abbey Awardees

**2004-2005:**  
Paul Butler  
**2005-2006:**  
Neil Penny  
**2006-2007:**  
Barb Richards  
Renee Jerram  
**2007-2008:**  
Lorraine Sharman  
**2008-2009:**  
Annette Butterworth  
Chris Mc Cormack

## Our Team 2008-2009

**R.I. President:**

DK Lee

**District Governor:**

Jim Studebaker

**Assistant Governor:**

Ken Vazquez

**Board 2008-2009**

**President:**

Andrew Mc Cormack

**President-Elect:**

Barbara Richards

**Secretary:**

Barb Richards

**Treasurer:**

Annette Butterworth

**Directors,**

**Community Service:**

Lorraine Sharman

**New Generations:**

Pauline Dempsey

**International:**

Stephanie Moskaljuk

**Vocation:**

Kevin Grogan

**Foundation:**

Graham Dempsey

**Club Officers**

**Membership:**

David Kerruish

**Fellowship:**

Gillian Butler

**Bulletin:**

Christine McCormack

**Almoner:**

Margaret Walker

**District Conference**  
**- 2009 -**  
**Launceston**

Book now and see how much you really will enjoy this experience. And if you wish stay a little longer and see a bit more of Tasmania.

**Our Club meets at**  
**Melton Valley Golf Club**  
**12.30 for 12.45pm with**  
**second Wednesday of**  
**each month 6.00 for**  
**6.30pm. Apologies and**  
**Guests to Margaret on**  
**9747-8718 and leave a**  
**message by 4:00pm**  
**Tuesday for**  
**Evening Meeting**  
**apologies by 10am**  
**Wednesday.**

Any Rotary Member wishing to attend a meeting at Bacchus Marsh Rotary, please contact the desk staff at Smith & Gilbert on 5367-3088.

[March Anniversaries & Birthdays](#)

[Anniversaries](#)

Lorraine & David 02/03  
Bernie & Veronica 30/03

[Members Club Anniversaries March](#)

[Quote of the Week](#)

"Now that it's all over, what did you really do yesterday that was worth mentioning?"

[Smile](#)

An Australian guy is traveling around the Greek Islands . He walks into a bar and, by chance, is served by an Australian barmaid. As she takes his order, a Foster's, she notices his accent.

Over the course of the evening they get chatting. At the end of her shift he asks if she wants to come back to his place.

Although she is attracted to him she says no. He then offers to pay her \$200 to sleep with him.

As she is traveling around the world, and is short of funds, she agrees.

The next night the guy turns up again. Again he orders Fosters and after showing her plenty of attention, asks if she will sleep with him again for \$200. She remembers the night before and is only too happy to agree.

This goes on for 5 nights. On the 6th night the guy comes in again, orders Fosters but goes and sits in the corner. The barmaid thinks that if she pays him more attention then, maybe she can shake some more cash out of him. So she goes over and sits next to him.

She asks him where he's from in Australia .

' Melbourne ', he tells her.

'So am I. What suburb?' she enquires.

'Glen Iris' he replies.

'That's amazing,' she says excitedly, 'so am I - what street?' ' Cameo Street ' he replies.

'This is unbelievable.....' she says, her voice quavering; 'What number?' 'Number 20', he replies.

She is totally astonished.

'You are NOT going to believe this,' she screams, 'but I'm from number 22! My parents still live there!'

'I know...' he says, 'Your Dad gave me \$1,000 to give to you'

[Murphy's law](#)

If you perceive that there are four possible ways in which a procedure can go wrong, and circumvent these, then a fifth way, unprepared for, will promptly develop.

[Entertainment Books](#)

The club has a limited number of Entertainment Discount Books again available at \$65.00 each. The book is great value and raises funds for the community at the same time as saving you money on a large range of services. Contact Ross if you want a book. Ph. 9747 0475

[Almoner's Report](#)

If you have any information on our Family of Rotary, please contact Margaret..

[Ed's Corner](#)

Please feel free to submit any notices into the Bulletin at any time but please beware the DEADLINE is FIRM. All material must be submitted by email by Monday 12noon.

Hard copy by arrangements with Ed. Christine McCormack will be assisting the Club as Bulletin Editor.

Please assist Chris and the Club by forwarding any copy or stories for the Bulletin to the email on the front page Heading.

[Let's all Remember](#)

**Rotary Shares**

## Members' Contact Details

Butler	Paul	Buttels	0400661630
Butterworth	Ross	Forgetmenot	0411228311
Butterworth	Annette	Woofa	0401031917
Dempsey	Graham	Godfather	0412367044
Dempsey	Pauline	Numbers	0412299117
Grogan	Kevin	Dad	0427552245
Kerruish	David	GT	0408266855
McCormack	Andrew	Sherlock	0419323011
McCormack	Christine	Gopha	0419889594
Moskaljuk	Stephanie	Sumo	0415227143
O'Farrell	Bernie	Old Fart	0409254785
Richards	Barbara	Needles	0407556178
Sharman	Lorraine	Fish	0402050796
Shelley	Catherine	Lone Ranger	0418581880
Walker	Margaret	Johnny	9747-8718
Wayside	David	Gadget	9743-1233
Willan	Tony	Fingers	0401367793
Honory			
Penny	Neil	Leghorn	0427505291

### Save the Date! - DGs Change Over

This year's Change Over dinner will be held on Saturday, 27 June from 7pm at the Melbourne Park Function Centre beside the Rod Laver Stadium.

The Rotary Club of Hawthorn will be hosting the event. Please contact David Pisterman on 0418 345 607 for further information.

DATE	CHAIRPERSON	MEETER/GREETER	CASHIER
25/02/2009	DAVID K	TONY	LORRAINE
04/03/2009	DAVID K	KEVIN	CHRIS
11/03/2009	DAVID K	GRAHAM	PAULINE
18/03/2009	DAVID K	DAVID W	MARGARET

If you are unable to attend a meeting for which you are rostered for a duty, please arrange for a swap with someone and let Andrew know on tel: 0419-323011.

Member	December	January	Annual
Paul Butler	100	100	100
Annette Butterworth	100	100	100
Ross Butterworth	100	100	100
Graham Dempsey	100	100	100
Pauline Dempsey	100	100	100
Kevin Grogan	100	100	100
David Kerruish	100	100	100
Andrew McCormack	100	100	100
Christine McCormack	100	100	100
Stephanie Moskaljuk	100	100	100
Bernie O'Farrell	33	100	62
Barbara Richards	100	100	89
Lorraine Sharman	100	100	93
Catherine Shelley	0	33	51
Margaret Walker	100	100	100
David Wayside	100	100	75
Tony Willan	100	100	96

**Members please assist the Club to return accurate reports to Rotary International by ensuring your make ups are recorded on the make up form and passed on to the Attendance Officer, Margaret Walker as soon as possible after the make up is completed.**

## APOLOGIES

Just a reminder, your meal for the meeting is automatically ordered.  
If you are unable to attend, please let Margaret know.  
If not, you will be invoiced for the fee.

## Pres's Report

As was previously discussed at the meetings the yellow ribbons for the bushfire fundraising have been delivered and we held our first get together on Saturday to assemble and the first post out is well under way, we worked until 10:00pm and back again on Monday till 6:00pm. We now call it the Rotary sweat shop.

I would like to thank all those who have participated and put in so many long hours and again back to do more tonight.

Lorraine will be holding on Saturday from 11:00am at her home for another session for the ribbons, please give her a call and let her know when you will be available.

We have 8 attending the Rotary Conference in Launceston, I hope they have a great time and they think of me while I am working and have a drink for me.



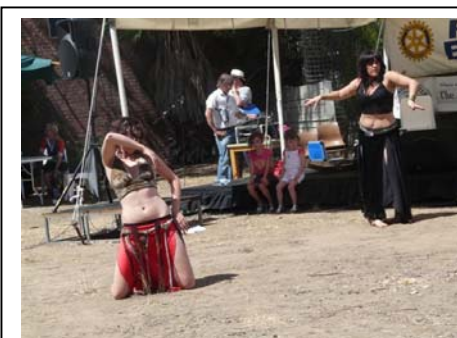
Ian needs to stick to bus driving



Frank and his Mick Jagger impression



Pres must be concentrating on the moves of the belly dancers



Belly dancing anyone

Pictures from the Rotary Club of Bendigo South's Olive Fiesta.

MELTON VALLEY



ROTARY CLUB

**PRESENTS**  
**AN EVENING WITH**  
**ATHOL GUY**  
**A TRIBUTE TO THE SEEKERS**  
(WITH HISTORIC MUSIC & VIDEO FOOTAGE)

**WHERE:** **TABCORP PARK**  
**(MELTON HARNESS RACING CLUB)**  
**FERRIS ROAD, MELTON**

**WHEN:** **WEDNESDAY, 8<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2009**  
**6.30PM FOR PRE DINNER CANAPES**  
**7.00PM START**

**COST:** **\$55.00 PER HEAD.**  
**TWO COURSE MEAL, TEA AND COFFEE**  
**DRINKS AT BAR PRICES**

**PRE BOOKING A MUST**

**YOU CAN PURCHASE TICKETS AT:**

**MELTON ELECTRONICS**  
**BAKERY SQUARE, MELTON.**

**OR**

**MELTON VISITORS INFORMATION CENTRE**  
**HIGH STREET. MELTON**

**OR CONTACT**

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