



# 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** 18<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

## **Rebuilding Our Communities**

Gill Hicks was the last person to be rescued from her train in the London bombings of July 2005. Losing both her legs in the incident and coming perilously close to losing her life, Gill faced a battle few of us can imagine. But her recovery forms just part of the story that makes Gill so remarkable.

As Victoria's most recently retired Chief Commissioner of Police, Christine Nixon's anti-corruption stance and willingness to modernise the way policing is conducted in Victoria has not been short of challenges or controversies.

Our District, along with District 9810 is lucky enough to have both Gill and Christine share their stories at a luncheon at The Melbourne Exhibition and Convention Centre on Thursday, 16th April.

Gill will share with us her remarkable and inspirational story. Since September 2006 Gill has been a passionate ambassador for Peace Direct, an organisation whose focus is grass roots peace building in areas of conflict across the world. She has made numerous media appearances, garnering particular attention for her 435km walk from Leeds to London on prosthetic legs to highlight the need for communities to work together. This feat typified the courage and determination that Gill has displayed in the face of adversity, her qualities further recognised when the Queen awarded Gill a Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE).

Christine's record in successively bringing down crime rates and reducing member attrition in Victoria Police since 2001 speaks volumes. She will share with us how a lifetime of challenges rising through the ranks of Australian policing has prepared her for the challenges now facing our State. Retiring from Victoria Police in April 2009, Christine now takes over the huge task of Head of the Victorian Bushfire Reconstruction and Recovery Authority.

A multitude of questions are faced by the Victorian Bushfire Reconstruction and Recovery Authority, with humanitarian, financial, ethical, psychological, emotional, logistical, material and future planning issues all at the forefront. Over lunch Christine will share with us her thoughts on just how the Authority can best address the needs of individual victims and communities, whilst responsibly coordinating government assistance and the generous contributions from millions across Australia and beyond. Making Dreams Real by rebuilding lives in the wake of disaster – Gill and Christine will give us an understanding of how it can be done.

Next week, I look forward to reporting to you on our Conference.

~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.

## **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

## **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 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.**

## **District Conference - 2010 - Perth**

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 Perth.

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

"If you ever see me getting beaten by the police, put down the video camera and come help me."

- Bobcat Goldthwait

Smile

You know you're Australian if...

You believe that stubbies can either be worn or drunk  
You think it is normal to have a Prime Minister called Kevin  
You waddle when you walk due to the 53 expired petrol discount vouchers stuffed in your wallet or purse  
You pronounce Melbourne as 'Mel-bin'  
You pronounce Penrith as 'Pen-riff'  
You believe the 'L' in the word 'Australia' is optional  
You can translate: 'Dazza and Shazza played Acca Dacca on the way to Maccas'  
You believe it makes perfect sense for a nation to decorate its highways with large fibreglass bananas, prawns and sheep  
You think 'Woolloomooloo' is a perfectly reasonable name for a place  
You believe it makes sense for a country to have a \$1 coin that's twice as big as its \$2 coin  
You understand that 'Wagga Wagga' can be abbreviated to 'Wagga' but 'Woy Woy' can't be called 'Woy'  
You believe that cooked-down axle grease makes a good breakfast spread  
You believe all famous Kiwis are actually Australian, until they stuff up, at which point they again become Kiwis  
You know, whatever the tourist books say, that no one says 'cobber'  
You know that certain words must, by law, be shouted out during any rendition of the Angels' song 'Am I Ever Gonna See Your Face Again'  
You believe, as an article of faith, that the confectionary known as the Wagon Wheel has become smaller with every passing year  
You still don't get why the 'Labor' in 'Australian Labor Party' is not spelt with a 'U'  
You wear ugly boots outside the house  
You believe that the more you shorten someone's name the more you like them  
Whatever your linguistic skills, you find yourself able to order takeaway fluently in every Asian language  
You understand that 'excuse me' can sound rude, while 'scuse me' is always polite  
You know what it's like to swallow a fly, on occasions via your nose  
You understand that 'you' has a plural and that it's 'youse'  
You know it's not summer until the steering wheel is too hot to handle  
Your biggest family argument over the summer concerned the rules of beach cricket  
You shake your head in horror when companies try to market what they call 'Anzac cookies'  
You still think of Kylie as 'that girl off Neighbours'  
When returning home from overseas, you expect to be brutally strip-searched by Customs - just in case you're trying to sneak in fruit  
You believe the phrase 'smart casual' refers to a pair of black tracky-daks, suitably laundered  
You understand that all train timetables are works of fiction  
When working at a bar, you understand male customers will feel the need to offer an excuse whenever they order low-alcohol beer  
You get choked up with emotion by the first verse of the national anthem and then have trouble remembering the second  
You find yourself ignorant of nearly all the facts deemed essential in the government's new test for migrants.

Murphy's law

1. Nothing is as easy as it looks.
2. Everything takes longer than you think.
3. If there is a possibility of several things going wrong, the one that will cause the most severe damage will be the one to go wrong.  
(Corollary: If there is a worse time for something to go wrong, it will happen then.)
4. Whenever you set out to do something, something else must be done first.
5. Every solution breeds new problems.
6. It is impossible to make anything foolproof because fools are so ingenious.

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 |
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### 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     |
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**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.**



Ross with presentation of cheque for Polio Plus presented to Past International President Wilf Wilkingson and DG Jim

## 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

The District Conference is now over and just a blur, until the next year which will be held in Perth from the 4<sup>th</sup> March till the 7th March 2010.

I believe the speakers were very interesting and all had a good time.

There are some photos below.

Thanks to all the team who sold our yellow ribbons at the Conference. The total being \$1240.00 raised for the Bushfire relief.

We will be advising all as to when we will be holding our next session for packaging the ribbons. Thanks to those who attended last Saturday.

There will be a guest speaker this week, Allison Morgan on Autism.

See you all Wednesday.



Wednesday night on board the boat.  
Dinner at the Restaurant



A visit to the Cheese  
factory.



Gala Dinner on Saturday night. Ross & Annette.  
Ross & Dave with Bernie Walsh and Colin Muir.  
Mai & Dave with Tom Coolman from Melton.

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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