

Rotary Club of Kenwick Bulletin

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Report on Meeting

1st September 2010

Rotary Theme 2010/11

Building Communities – Building Bridges

September is New Generations Month

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Welcome.

President Sam welcomed sixteen other KRC members, and ten partners, besides **DG Marilyn Barton** and her Husband **PDG David Barton**, as well as **ADG Ken Cockman** and his wife **Beryl** to KRC's September Partners night and DG's Visit; a total of thirty one attendees. Charge from **Peter**, Grace from **John**.

Prior to the meeting **Pres. Sam**, and all available KRC Board Members, had met with **DG Marilyn**, and District Secretary **David**, to fully discuss our club's past activities and achievements, as well as the Club's plans for the future. As commented on during her club presentation, **DG Marilyn** was very impressed with our club's past achievements, and our future plans.

Apologies

Club Services Director Rob, after advising he was to be our Chairman for the evening, and after having all KRC members introduce themselves and their partners, advised he had apologies from **Geoff, Sharron, Cheryl, Keith, Mark**

Reports

As all directors had given a report of their committee's activities to **DG Marilyn** prior to the meeting, there were no actual reports to members this evening.

Rotary International Toast.

PDG Brian proposed the Toast to RI, noting how lucky we are to be Rotarians, because of the contribution we can make to creating a better world, and also for the friendships and fellowship that Rotary membership provides.

DG Marilyn suitably replied on behalf of RI.

Raffle Ticket sales – Carousel: Andrew reported that he, assisted by **Neal, Joe** and **Sam**, had only been able to sell 57 tickets at Carousel the previous Saturday, in nine hours- 49 worse than our previous effort.

Andrew then advised that we have to return all raffle tickets before our next Carousel date, 25th September, so need to think how we can positively utilise the space, to promote KRC/Rotary, and possibly raise some income. Any ideas??

Don Russel Event; Andrew also advised that along with **Sam** we are looking into hiring the Don Russel facility for a fund raising venture, possibly with a Lebanese influence, to provide an opportunity for Middle Eastern immigrants to enjoy some of their traditional cultural music and dance heritage.

Quiz Night; Ron reminded all present of our forth coming Quiz night, Friday 10th October. Tables of eight, cost \$10.00 per head. **Andrew** should have tickets next week.

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Attendance; Murray reported that there were 17 club members present, one make up, and five apologies, a percentage of 77.27.

Melville Rotary Club Meeting.

PDG David advised all present that the Rotary Club of Melville will be holding a special club meeting at the South of Perth Yacht Club on Thursday evening, 2nd December, at which the Guest Speaker will be **Rotary International World President Ray Klinginsmith**. **RWP Ray** will be visiting Perth that week to attend the annual Rotary Zone Eight Institute, and DG, DGE DGN Training, which will be held in Perth this year from the 28th November to the 5th December.

Tickets are only \$35.00 each, the venue only holds 260 persons, and tickets are selling fast. A good opportunity to actually see, and hear, a real live RIWP.

Partners Committee; Amal advised partners that "Shoebboxes" are to be completed and handed in by the 1st October, and in this regard a Partners' meeting will be held at the Youssef residence on the 22nd September to complete the packing etc of the boxes. Partners unable to attend should make up their boxes by that date and deliver them to a Partner who will be attending the meeting.

Sergeant Joe fines included –

Bob : His new employer being investigated by the CCC.

Neal: Approving way Essendon sacked their coach.

Sam : Labour Political aspirations, but uses past Liberal PM as a voice over – and sleeping in so children late for school.

RON: Beach littering.

Brian; York induction.

Barbara (Steve's not Andrew's) Trying to buy out Macy's.

Steve: Not measuring up to requirements.

Ron on Roy: Length of marriage – or has it only seemed that long?

Roy on Ron: Your pen's better than mine.

Partners Raffle: Amal drew raffle
First Prize ; **Anne Williams**
Second Prize : **John Kenny**
Third Prize: **Brian Guest**

Induction New Members.

PDG Brian, assisted by **DG Marilyn**, then carried out possibly the most important activity of the evening, the induction of two new KRC members, **John Kenny** and **Mousad Tabbalo**. New members are the life blood of any continuing organisation, and especially so with our club with its aging membership, and **John** and **Mo** will definitely lower our average age.

All present received **John** and **Mo** with acclaim, and trust they both enjoy their future in Rotary, remembering that the amount of satisfaction and enjoyment derived from membership is directly related to the amount of contribution and involvement of each member.

Welcome to the Club **Mo** and **John**, and all members look forward to your Rotary friendship and working together.

Video presentation. During the evening there was a continuous photo projection of past KRC Presidents. This was put together by **Bob**. Thanks **Bob** for a job well done. By the way who spotted the deliberate errors??

Guest Speaker. was of course our own **DG Marilyn**.

After an introduction by **Rob**, the Victorian bred, but W.A educated, **Marilyn** gave a brief history of her involvement with Rotary; she is a member of the Booragoon club, and a practising psychologist in Applecross.

Marilyn began by welcoming us all to D9455, where the 54 member clubs are an amalgamation of D 9460 and D9470,

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as from the 1st July this year, and cover an area from Perth to Albany to Esperance to Kalgoorlie.

It will require vigour and dedication to implement and carry out, the necessary changes to ensure the successful amalgamation of two Districts, but **Marilyn** is certain that the team she has put together will be equal to the task. The Rotary movement is the world's premier Service Organisation, one with a definite future built on the 105 plus years the Organisation has existed, and has developed and performed during those years. Because each club is unique in the way that it operates, individual Rotary Clubs are the backbone of Rotary, so each of the 33,000 clubs, worldwide, is an important factor in the overall strength of Rotary internationally.

RIWP Ray Klinginsmith has stated his aim is to enhance the viability and vitality of all Rotary Clubs, so they can each become **Bigger – Better – Bolder**.

DG Marilyn then advised that, following on from her meeting with the board, she was very impressed with achievements of KRC to date, and plans for the future.

Marilyn detailed some club projects that had impressed her, including the Club's Partners' Committee.

Marilyn then told us about her laptop, and after explaining how computers are not female as many think but are actually male, explained that communications are a very important and electronic communications are much quicker, and more effective than previous methods.

We were then told how this year's Rotary theme is very appropriate to the two new WA Districts, **Building Communities - Building Bridges**, as they set out to establish themselves.

RIWP Ray has identified four key areas for Rotary in 2010/2011, viz

End Polio Now
Literacy
Water Management
Health and Hunger.

He has also asked all Rotarians to look at the traditional ways Rotary has been operating, and to ask "Are these the best ways of doing things in the twenty first century". Procedures no longer "best practice" should be changed/upgraded, but always having respect for the history and traditions, and feelings, of the past. All procedures need to be relevant, so **RIWP Ray's** new Rotary catchcry is "Relevance". It is also necessary to remain aware that Clubs collectively can accomplish more than clubs individually, and that all clubs in D9465 must work together to realise their full potential.

Of **RIWP Ray's** four goals for 2010/2011, End Polio Now is the most important, and **DG Marilyn** detailed figures to show how close we are to ending Polio as a world disease; however we must maintain our diligence, and not allow any country, or area, to become too complacent and allow a flare up of Polio. RI's aim now is to end Polio by 30th June 2011.

On the matter of the Rotary Foundation, **DG Marilyn** said this should be all Rotarians first choice of a Charity, it is hers, and we need to lift our personal givings to allow the Foundation to carry out its tasks. Each club is encouraged to give 10% of its income to the Foundation, whilst Rotarians individually are being asked to become members of the Paul Harris Society, by donating USD1, 000.00 annually to the Foundation. Additionally each club should also encourage members to become Centurions,

There are funds available to our District for District Simplified Grants, and for Matching Grants. The person to contact is **PDG Hugh Langridge**.

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Membership is still a problem, well actually lack of membership, and each Rotarian is asked to always be on the lookout for new members, using the catch phrase "Get your ask into gear". (PP Pat Morris will be pleased that her slogan has been revised). All new members must be nurtured, encouraged and supported during their early "Rotary Life".

Also it is important to realise that Rotary is a very large, complex organisation, and it is difficult to be aware of the overall picture, so it is sometimes necessary to step back and look at that whole picture.

Conference next year is at Burswood, 25th to 27th March, with the Friday night event at the South of Perth Yacht Club. It will be a joint D9455/9465 Conference, and all members are encouraged to attend. **PRIP Bill Boyd** will be the World President's representative at Conference. Next year's Rotary World Convention will be New Orleans, 21st to 25th May

Finally **DG Marilyn** advised that our inspiration to be a Rotarian comes from within ourselves, so the responsibility for your Rotary satisfaction is yourself.

DG Marilyn finished by stating that we can make our club **Bigger – Better – Bolder**, and we can all help in "**Building Communities – Building Bridges**"

Chairman Rob, and Pres Sam, thanked Marilyn for her very informative, and interesting, presentation, and made her day by presenting her with a KRC mug.

Closure : Meeting closed at 2030 hours, with the four way test.

"Friends may come, and friends may go, but enemies accumulate"

Thomas Jones

"Men are not hanged for stealing horses, but so that horses will not be stolen."

George Saville – Marquis of Halifax

What the Future Holds

CLUB CALENDAR 2009 - 2010	
<i>September is New Generations Month</i>	
Date	Guest Speaker
Wed 8th September 1800 for 1830	PP Steve - Travels with a camera.
Wed 15th September 1800 for 1830	
Wed 22 September 1800 for 1830	TBA
Wed 29th September 1800 for 1830	

Chocolate Wheel Roster
Saturday September 18th Ron; Cheryl; Murray; Roy; Sharron
Saturday October 2nd Andrew; Brian; Joe; Peter; Ken;
Saturday October 16th Neal; George; Geoff; Bob; Sam.

If you agree with another member to change the date/s of your duties/roster please note this is an arrangement between yourselves.

Club Meeting Duties
Wednesday September 8th Property- Andrew Host- TBA Attendance - TBA
Wednesday September 15th Property – TBA Host – TBA Attendance – TBA
Wednesday September 22nd Property – TBA Host – TBA Attendance - TBA

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What is Peace? What can I do?

In his July 2000 Newsletter District 9800 DG Des Jones quoted an article from a Rotary International Newspaper –

Peace is not absence of war

Peace is being able to read and to write

Peace is clean and sufficient water.

Peace is healthy children going to bed with a full belly

Peace is dignity, self esteem, warmth, clothing, housing and concern.

But most of all peace is love for all mankind and you and I can share in that for –

Somewhere you may have taught a child to read but you will never hear her speak.

Somewhere you may have built a house that you will never enter

Somewhere you have built a water tank but will never taste the coolness of its water

Somewhere a child lives because he/she has received a polio vaccine you paid for

Somewhere a child runs and skips on artificial legs having lost their own legs in a land mine explosion.

Although we may not be able to individually change the world, if we can look back at the end of each year and truthfully say I have improved the life of one person, then we have left our footprint, and if you are a Rotarian that footprint is the Rotary Wheel.

Implementation of Math Destruction

With the USA's announcement today that they are officially withdrawing from Iraq it is interesting to recall that at New York's Kennedy airport several years ago an individual, now known to be a school teacher, was arrested trying to board a flight while in possession of a ruler, a protractor, a square, a slide rule and a calculator.

The Attorney General believed the man to be a member of the Al-gebra movement. He was charged with carrying implements of math destruction.

"Al-gebra" is a very fearsome cult indeed" the Attorney General said, "They desire average solutions by means and extremes, and sometimes go off on a tangent in search of absolute value. They consist of quite shadowy figures with names like "X" and "Y", and, although they are often referred to as "unknowns", we now know they really belong to a common denominator and are part of an axis with co-ordinates in every country. As the great Greek philanderer Isosceles used to say, "There are three sides to every triangle".

President Bush, when asked to comment on the arrest, said "If God had wanted us to have weapons of math destruction He would have given us more fingers and toes"

Healthy Advice

Beware of reading health books – you may die of a misprint. Mark Twain

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