The Western Port Channel Rotary Club of Hastings Western Port











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Next week: Speakers: Subject: Chair:

Message from the President

From the President's desk

Hi, well our speakers last week were both inspiring and devoted to what they hope to achieve, it's heartwarming to know there are some young people in our community with so much passion.

This week we have the District Governor, Charlie Speirs and his wife Janne, we will hear from Charlie about Rotary matters and Janne will fill us in on the Operation cleft project. Partners are most welcome to join us.

There will be a meeting with DG Charlie prior to our regular meeting, can Directors bring along their plans for this year and meet with us from 5.30 in our meeting room.

Also, see Paddy regarding your availability to fill some shifts for the Footy finals at Red Hill this year and if you have a radio, can you please bring it with you tonight. Travel safe, hope to see you Monday President Faye

President Faye





Important Dates: 28th July - Charlie Speirs 24th August - Avenue of Service

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Last meeting discussions

Last week we were very inspired by Ben Webb from Westernport Soccer. He gave us an overview of the clubs history and what he is hoping to achieve. Soccer is a sport gaining interest in our area and children as young as five are coming along and wanting to play. These children come from a wide range of families including single parent and single child families, so friendships gained are important in their personal development.



Community sport plays a big role in our society, as it builds team spirit, respect for fellow players and the all-important, mateship As with all kinds of sports, it comes down to money, whether it be the purchase of balls, goals to kick the ball through and the all-important uniform to instil pride in being a member of a team.

Ben received \$500 to put towards the much needed equipment. Heather has already been in contact with Ben regarding support through the Playon Program. Bowens are looking at providing the much needed goals. Well done Mr. Bowen.

We hope to keep in contact with Ben and we wish him all the best for the future of the Westernport Soccer Club.

And then

Amanda and Georgie gave us an update on the project they started, getting toothbrushes into an area in Cambodia. They have seen a need and followed it through and spent time teaching English and basic hygiene, especially tooth care. This is something we do as part of our daily routine because it was passed on from our parents to us. These children have not had this privilege, so breaking the cycle is so important. The purchase of a toothbrush costs 25 cents; it's not high on the shopping list when the average wage is \$1.00 a day.

They also told us about another project to provide a teacher into the area and build on what they started. This involves a three year uni course, and costs \$1000.00, far different than it would cost here. Hopefully we can support them in this important project.



Volunteers Needed URGENTLY

Urgent request from Jeff Harvey

(1)Fortunately, the reading for life program has attracted 42 volunteers. Some have agreed to tutor 2 students so the 60 students will be looked after.

(2) Unfortunately, the funding from the Dept of Human Services for the program's Parent Family & Engagement Worker will cease on the 14th of August and that person will lose her 4 day a week job. This is very unfortunate because she was dealing with families, especially in the West Park area, at the coal face. Good Shepherd are still seeking funding from philanthropic groups in the meantime. If successful she will be reinstated for whatever time the money will sustain.

In the meantime the Community Development Worker who is being sustained by the Bennelong Foundation grant (for 1 day per week) we obtained is also doing work with families. I have received her latest report that I will circulate on my return from a week's holiday. The funding for this worker will cease early next year.



POLIO VACCINATORS MAKE SIGNIFICANT HEADWAY IN NIGERIA

Nigeria is closer than ever to eradicating polio, riding a successful effort to reach children in seven northern states at highest risk for the disease.

"Rotarians have [gone] into remote areas of the country by car, canoe, motorbike, and even on foot to ensure every child gets the vaccine," says Rotary's Nigeria PolioPlus Committee Chair Tunji Funsho.

In Katsina state, members of the Nigeria PolioPlus Committee (NPPC) recently met with leaders of two communities notoriously opposed to immunization, mainly on religious grounds and in protest of the lack of basic health care. They persuaded the leaders to endorse vaccination by obtaining government assurance that mobile health camps would provide free checkups, medications, immunization against diseases besides polio, and other services.

"It was very encouraging to see the positive impact of engaging these leaders . . . witnessed by the huge turnout of crowds at the health camps and women willingly presenting their children for vaccination in households, quranic schools, and other locations," reports the NPPC. "[The camps] are one of the proven 'quick wins' to untie the knots of persistent noncompliance in some settlements across the high-risk states."

Along with Pakistan and Afghanistan, Nigeria has never stopped transmission of the wild poliovirus. However, it has recorded only three polio cases so far this year (as of 3 June), down from 24 cases for the same period in 2013.

The NPPC began providing funding for the health camps in May. And in response to community demands for clean water, some Rotary clubs are sponsoring projects to install boreholes.

In high-risk states like Katsina, "the mere participation of community leaders, allowing their own children to be vaccinated or pronouncing the acceptance of OPV [oral polio vaccine] is enough to encourage community members to allow the vaccination teams into their homes," says Funsho.

Rotary field coordinators are helping close immunization gaps in northern Nigeria by gaining public support from government and community leaders through providing technical support, and monitoring the quality of vaccination teams.



Interesting information from Rotary International





District Governor: Charlie

Speirs

Apologies to the DG, needed extra space to conclude this important story in

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"In the security challenged areas, measures such as 'fire walling,' which ensures that children going in and out of Borno and Yobe states are immunized, have been put in place," says Funsho. Teams of health workers and security agency personnel also use "hit and run" tactics to immunize children and withdraw in two days' time or less, he adds.

The NPPC promotes public awareness of the need to eradicate polio through community billboards and posters, along with distributing T-shirts, caps, and aprons to health workers. And it has engaged national celebrities like musician and actor Sani Musa Danja to encourage vaccine acceptance in communities where pockets of opposition still exist.

In April, Rotary joined the Federal Ministry of Health in sponsoring the Nigeria Polio Summit. Governors of high-risk states, religious and traditional leaders, national and global health officials, Rotary members, and others focused on best practices in the country's drive to become polio free.

Funsho and others are optimistic that Nigeria can stop polio transmission by the end of 2014, one of the goals of the polio endgame strategic plan. Rotary is a leading partner in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative.

"The greatest challenge . . . will be the preparations for the 2015 elections," said Dr. Oyewale Tomori, chair of Nigeria's Expert Review Committee on Polio Eradication, in a recent GPEI interview. "Every election year since 2003 has been characterized by abandonment of good governance, and subsequently accompanied by a surge in polio cases."

To help Nigeria seize the opportunity to end polio this year, Rotary released \$7 million to the GPEI to fund immunization activities and research in the country. And business leader and philanthropist Sir Emeka Offor has contributed \$2.25 million to PolioPlus.

"The Nigerian government, now supported by the international community, is doing all that it can to eliminate the widespread violence, abductions, and terrorism," says Sir Emeka, a member of the Rotary Club of Awka GRA and Rotary's polio ambassador in Nigeria. "Peace would facilitate polio eradication, but we cannot sit by and wait until that time comes. We must do what we can to find ways to end polio now."

Find more at endpolio.org

Give to End Polio Now

Help Rotary advocate for a polio-free world

Learn about the polio endgame strategic plan

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District 9820 News

District Vocational Service Advisor Bill Degnan has asked that this newsletter be distributed to all District 9820 clubs for their information, and use by their Vocational Service

Vocational Service J<u>uly 2014 | Taking our talents beyond the work</u>place



Light Up Rotary through vocational service

RI President Gary C.K. Huang challenges us to energize our communities and strengthen our membership, fellowship, and service efforts by lighting up Rotary. Through vocational service initiatives, we can be champions for high ethical standards in our workplaces, use our professional expertise to serve others, and have a positive impact on local and international communities. Here are a just a few ideas for activities your club can undertake:

• Start a career counselling or vocational training program and invite non-Rotarian community members to attend.

• Organize a discussion or workshop on workplace ethics and invite local non-Rotarian business leaders to attend.

• Sponsor a career day in which club members bring young people to their places of business.

• Host a Rotary Day celebration to connect with professionals in your community who might be good candidates for Rotary membership. (Completing this activity can help your club qualify for the 2014-15 Presidential Citation.)

Share your club's plans to Light Up Rotary through vocational service in an online discussion.

Improving communities through vocational service

Your club can practice vocational service in a variety of ways, from small-scale events such as recognizing people in your community for their work, to large international initiatives such as microcredit programs and vocational training sessions.

Here are examples of several clubs' activities:

• The Rotary Club of Moapa Valley (Logandale), Nevada, USA, will host a breakfast in August to celebrate the start of a new school year and to express the community's appreciation for teachers, administrators, and support staff at the community's four schools.

• Last September, the Rotary Club of Indore Professionals, Madhya Pradesh, India, hosted a Career Guidance Seminar for 200 girls in the 11th and 12th grades.

• To recognize and honor outstanding local employees, the Rotary Club of Macquarie Park, New South Wales, Australia, hosted a Pride of Workmanship Awards eventhonoring workers whose managers had nominated them for recognition.

• Over the past year, the Rotary E-Club of Houston, Texas, USA, partnered with the Houston Community College system on a vocational training program to teach inmates at the Harris County jail...

Vocational Service :-continued

County jail how to repair bicycles. The club provided tools, supplies, and broken bicycles; the refurbished bikes were given to low-income children in the community. See more examples of vocational service projects that your club can learn from and replicate in Rotary Showcase.

Ethics discussion question

What would you do?

Your club is planning to construct a new community playground. You are not on the project planning committee, but you actively fundraise on behalf of your club, and your friends, family, and business associates have all given generously to its service project fund. At the next club meeting, the project planning committee announces that the construction contract for the playground will be awarded to a company owned by a relative of the club president. There are many construction companies in your community, but no competitive bids were solicited. The president personally vouches for the company and assures everyone that it does better work than the competition. The bid price sounds reasonable, but you don't know enough about construction to be certain that this is a good deal. What do you do?

TELL YOUR ROTARY STORY

Find materials to promote your club in Rotary's new Brand Centre, including logos, customizable templates, and guidelines.

- Visit the Brand Centre (sign-in required)
- Read Frequently Asked Questions
- See how others are telling Rotary's story

We're blogging! http://rotaryservice.wordpress.com/

The Rotary Service Connections blog brings you the latest information about project resources, success stories, coming events, and best practices

Subscribe online or follow our blog and receive email notifications of new posts.

District Events

Literacy Month Jul 01, 2014 - Jul 31, 2014 DG Visit Trafalgar Jul 22, 2014 DG Visit Inverloch Jul 23, 2014 DG Visit Dromana Jul 24, 2014 DG Visit Hastings Westernport Jul 28, 2014 DG Visit Korumburra Jul 29, 2014 DG Visit Koo Wee Rup Lang-Lang Jul 30, 2014 DG Visit Endeavour Hills Jul 31, 2014 August is Membership Extension Month Aug 01, 2014 – Aug 31, 2014 DG Visit Mitchell River Aug 04, 2014 DG Visit Bairnsdale Aug 05, 2014 Rotary Club of Pakenham Business Dinner Aug 05, 2014 DG Visit Bairnsdale Sunrise Aug 06, 2014 DG Visit Lakes Entrance Aug 06, 2014 DG Visit Orbost Aug 07, 2014 Youth Exchange Program Dinner Aug 09, 2014 **District Leadership Meeting** Aug 10, 2014 Council of Governors Aug 10, 2014 District Finance Committee Meeting (1) Aug 11, 2014 DG Visit Dandenong Aug 11, 2014 DG Visit Mount Eliza Aug 12, 2014 DG Visit Mornington Aug 13, 2014 DG Visit Casey Aug 18, 2014 DG Visit Peninsula 2.0 Aug 19, 2014 DG Visit Frankston Sunrise (AM) Aug 20, 2014 DG Visit Sorrento (PM) Aug 20, 2014 DG Visit Frankston (PM) Aug 21, 2014 DG Visit Frankston Long Island (AM) Aug 21, 2014 AVENUES of SERVICE Aug 24, 2014 Group Study Exchange Team Leader Advertisement Aug 24, 2014 - Sep 28, 2014 DG Visit Langwarrin Aug 25, 2014 DG Visit Dandenong SE Aug 26, 2014 DG Visit Frankston Nth Aug 27, 2014 DG Visit Mirboo North Aug 28, 2014 Youth Exchange Program Camp 1 Aug 29, 2014 – Aug 31, 2014 September is NEW GENERATIONS MONTH Sep 01. 2014 - Sep 30, 2014 DG Visit Leongatha Sep 01, 2014 DG Visit Cranbourne Sep 02, 2014 DG Visit Yarram Sep 03, 2014 DG Visit Wonthaggi Sep 04, 2014 Group Study Exchange Team Member Advertisements Sep 07, 2014 – Oct 11, 2014 DG Visit Sale Sep 08, 2014 DG Visit Drouin Sep 09, 2014 DG Visit Narre Warren Sep 10, 2014 DG Visit Maffra Sep 11, 2014 DG Visit Traralgon Central Sep 15, 2014 DG Visit Seaford Carrum Downs Sep 16, 2014 DG Visit Bunvip Garfield Sep 17, 2014 DG Visit Morwell Sep 18, 2014 - See more at: http://portal.clubrunner.ca/50070#sthash.bLfV7eb9.dpuf



Upcoming Events

28th July District Governor. 24th August AVENUES of SERVICE

Supporting other clubs functions:

https://www.facebook.com/RotaryclubPakenham

The Rotary Club of Pakenham is holding an event on the 05 August 2014, we have attached a flyer for your perusal in the hope you will be interested in attending.

Our guest speaker is Mark Bouris the founder of Wizard Home loans and Yellow Brick Road finance, he is also the face of Celebrity apprentice.

His talk will challenge and inspire those attending to achieve your aspirations on your own terms, through purpose and hard work.

The opportunity to see and hear Mark Bouris will highlight to us all we can all achieve and be successful in the paths we choose in life and work.



Visit the New Conference Website!



Rotary on the move July 2014

Have a look at the latest Rotary on the Move newsletter

"NEW CLUB BREAKS THE MOULD" Australia's newest eClub is definitely different

Notes, Memo's & Other stuff

The tenth Beacon "no dole" signing ceremony will be held at Westernport Secondary College at 11.20 am on Thursday 21st August, followed by a light lunch. All Rotarians are invited.

Let Bill Schroder know if you will be attending by Monday 18/8.



What is Beacon?

Beacon, a national non-profit organisation working in more than 110 secondary schools across all Australian states and territories, believes every young Australian can develop an independent will to achieve personal success for themselves and their community. Beacon has an established track record of helping inspire and motivate students to either stay in school and increase their educational engagement and attainment or choose a positive pathway that enables successful transition to employment, further education or training.

From the Secretary

Thank you for updating your contact information. I have been able to update Rotary International with your current details and I have started to update all the other Rotary sites such as Rotary Down under and most importantly the Sync between these to databases is now working. I encourage you all to log in to both Club Runner and my Rotary to discover a wealth of information covering all aspects of Rotary.

My Rotary https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en

Club runner, District 9820 a://portal.clubrunner.ca/50070/User/Login?ReturnController=Page&ReturnAction=ShowHome-Page

The Rotary Four Way Test Of the things we do....

 Is it the truth?
Is it fair to all concerned
Will it build goodwill and better friendships
Will it be beneficial to all concerned





Rotary Grace

For Good Food, Good Fellowship, and the opportunity to serve through Rotary. We give thanks.

Amen