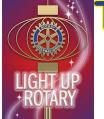
14th September 2014



The Western Port Channel Rotary Club of Hastings Western Port











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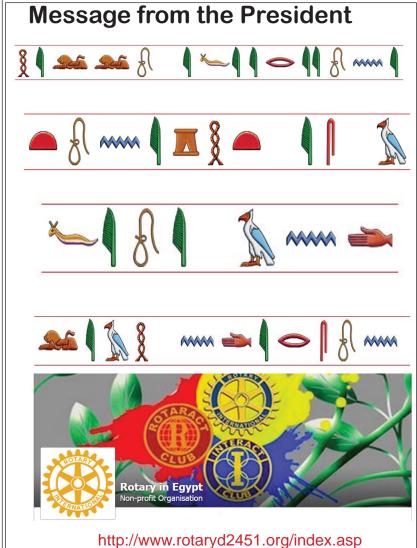
Website:

http://www.rotaryhastings.org.au

Next week: Speakers:

Subject: Club night

Chair:





Important Dates: 10th October - Hat Day

Tonight Speakers: Leah Anderson

Subject: Restorative Practices

SEPTEMBER - NEW GENERATION

MONTH

Last meeting discussions 8th September 2014

Apologies

Faye, Bill, Mike S., Max, Jim, Mike, Alan, Eric, Jenny, Alan

Kim:-

Past president opened the meeting and welcomed our guests, visiting from Camberwell Club Teresa and Les

Linda:-

Chairperson Linda introduced guest speakers Paul Bird Chief Executive Officer from Youth Support and Advocacy Service and Baymos Handy, Manager of the reopened Bunjilwarra facilities for Koori youth dealing with drug and alcohol problems.

Paul spoke of the importance to Koori young people across Victoria and also the challenges all young people face with alcohol and drug, mental health in Hastings and the responses that his organisation YSAS and others provide.



http://www.ysas.org.au/ysas-frankston

Baymos was able to bring his life experiences of being Koori and how it's important to break the circle of abuse. Healing and culture underpin all aspects of the service. He also spoke of his family and their enjoyment of living in Hastings.

http://bunjilwarra.org.au/

There was many questions and a real interest in how we can assist including Jeff seeing if Bowens could assist and Linda supplying some books and reading materials from the ing Baymos to keep in touch with the club

Library. We will be encouraging Baymos to keep in touch with the club.



Linda distributed mail and read a letter of thanks from

the Health Nurse at Westernport for the donation to assist the girl's wellbeing program. Importantly Linda explained the next stage of the club updating and adopting new statement of purpose and bylaws by giving a reminder of the special meeting next week. We need to have a quorum to vote otherwise we will have to call another meeting to be able legally to accept or reject the new legal documents for the club.



International News



Happy clap everyone

Gary C.K. HUANG Rotary International President

Imagine a community where the residents are all free to plant, grow, harvest, and eat healthy food whenever they want without having to pay for it.

Sound too good to be true?

That's exactly what residents of more than 20 cities and towns in France are doing through a project called Potalib. Launched by the Rotaract

Club of Versailles, Potalib was inspired by the Incredible Edible project, an international food-sharing movement founded by Nick Green in England. The Rotaract members obtained Green's permission to apply the concept in France, changing the name to "Potalib," a contraction of "potager libre" (free vegetable garden).

The club registered the Potalib name, created a brand, and now sells the project as a kit to French institutions, local communities, and corporations. The materials include seeds for as many as 18 kinds of vegetables, information on how to cultivate them, and 12 wooden bins, each about a cubic meter in size and filled with around 270 kilograms of soil. In cities where the gardens are planted, the club sponsors a festive opening-day ceremony, featuring a free meal cooked by club members and a professional chef.

"The goal is quite simple: To give everyone, from the wealthiest to the poorest, the opportunity to eat quality vegetables," says Club President Thibaut Mathieu.

"Everyone" includes parents who want to teach their children "that fries do not grow in the ground," joke the project's supporters. According to a recent survey, one in four children in France doesn't know that fries come from potatoes.

Potalib also offers the homeless a reliable source of free healthy food.

Mathieu says that people readily take responsibility for maintaining the vegetable gardens and no instances of theft, hoarding, or vandalism have been reported. Instead, Potalib is bringing communities closer together.



Versailles Rotaractors and friends launch a Potalib project in Vélizy-Villacoublay. Photo Credit: Courtesy of Thibaut Mathieu

"I was almost afraid to take some vegetables at first," says Nathalie from Plaisir, a suburb of Paris. "But now I do it with great pleasure. I made new friends there. We plant seeds and we have a good time!"

Each Potalib package costs more than \$15,000. Mathieu says

that would be a high price for one person to pay, but not for a town, government department, or a company. The money is paid directly to the club, which then pays the suppliers, "who have become genuine and trusted partners," he says.

Potalib is also good for local business. If the community isn't able to fund the entire project, the club contacts companies in the area. Mathieu says a local company can finance one or several bins in its city, and in doing so, improve its image by showing the public that it cares.

Outside of France, Rotaract clubs in Belgium, Canada, and Germany have inquired about duplicating the project.

"We receive, on average, four new applications from cities per week," says Mathieu, adding that the Versailles club is planning to create a separate Potalib website soon.

The Versailles Rotaractors started Potalib in 2012, around the time they were forming their club, which was chartered in 2013. The project has not only benefited an increasing number of communities, it's also helped to expand the club's membership, which has mushroomed from 16 members to 60.

Mathieu credits the project's success to the Rotaract club's sponsors, the Rotary Club of Versailles. "They have always given us good counseling. Without 'our' Rotarians, we would not be here today," says Mathieu.

By Dan Nixon, Rotary News - 12-SEP-2014



Watch Huang's membership message http://vimeo.com/102266910



District 9820 News

District Governor: Charlie Speirs







Group Study Exchange

With great excitement we come to the pointy end of the preparation process for this fantastic opportunity. Applications are invited for the roles of both Team Leader and Team Members for the Exchange which will take place in March – May 2015. The Turkish Team will be in Gippsland throughout March and very early April and the Australian Team will arrive in Istanbul for an International Peace Conference on the 16th April to then be taken to Ankara and the Exchange proper on the 17th - they should arrive home in mid May. Team Leaders must be Rotarians and have been Club Presidents. Team Members will come from outside the Rotary community and be young professionals aged between 25 and 40. Successful applicants must be aware of and willing to abide by the commitment associated with this opportunity and need to be very familiar with those commitments as attached.

Visit the Group Study Exchange Page: http://portal.clubrunner.ca/50070/SitePage/group-study-exchange to download the forms.

Please click of "Read More" for further information on this years GSE Program.

Applications for the role of Team leader close on September 26th with interviews to be held at Lakeside Lutheran College Pakenham on October 11th. Applications for the role of Team Members close on October 10th with the interview process to be held in the same venue on the weekend of October 25th and 26th – applicants must be available for both days. Application forms should be emailed to Janne Speirs at jannespeirs @gmail.com or posted to 25 Riverslea Bvd, Traralgon, Vic, 3844 by close of trade on September 26th for Team Leaders and close of trade October 10th for

Team Members.

https://encrypted-tbn1.gstatic.com/images?q=tbn:ANd9GcTIGX8tdKfyqWiKvZPN-5A4bjczprP0S5OHL3mD4b3vkJCO5CzcbfwFrom the D2430 GSE Chair - Bulent Erbora. "District 2430 has a total of 85 Rotary Clubs spread over Turkey, Azerbaijan, Turkmenistan, Kirghizstan, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan and Tajikistan. Our district is geographically one of the largest Districts in the Rotary world, and from North to South - from the Black Sea to the Mediterranean almost 2/3 of Turkey is in our District. Turkey is one of the biggest countries in Europe with a population of 75 million and has very different climatic conditions. Temperatures in summers are hot (up to 40°C) and winter temperatures can



be as cold as 35°C with lots of snow, changing on the different geographic areas. Sunny beaches, snowy mountains and friendly people are expecting

the exchange team. Ankara, Turkey's capital, is in the District.

Rotary clubs in Turkey, in our District, are located in the major communities of various populations ranging in sizes between 30.000 to 6.000.000 people. There is a total of 87 clubs with 2400 Rotarians."

Looking forward to a great response Janne Speirs (D9820 GSE Chairperson)

- See more at: http://portal.clubrunner. ca/50070/Stories/gse-2014-5-d9820-victoriaaustralia-and-d2430-eastern-turkey#sthash. ucko200f.dpuf

District Events

DG Visit Traralgon Central

Sep 15, 2014

DG Visit Seaford Carrum Downs

Sep 16, 2014

DG Visit Bunyip Garfield

Sep 17, 2014

DG Visit Morwell

Sep 18, 2014

School Term 3 Ends

Sep 19, 2014

District Leadership Meeting (2)

Sep 21, 2014

DG Visit Sommerville Tyabb

Sep 24, 2014

DG Visit Warragul

Sep 25, 2014

AFL Grand Final

Sep 27, 2014

DG Visit Phillip Island - San Remo

Sep 29, 2014

DG Visit Pakenham

Sep 30, 2014

DG Visit Berwick

Oct 01, 2014

OCTOBER is VOCATIONAL SER-

VICE MONTH

Oct 01, 2014 - Oct 31, 2014

Youth Exchange Program Camp 2

Oct 02, 2014 - Oct 04, 2014

AVENUES of SERVICE CHURCH-ILL

Oct 05, 2014

DG Visit Mount Martha

Oct 06, 2014

School Term 4 Begins

Oct 06, 2014

DG Visit Sale Central

Oct 07, 2014

District Committees Budget Submis-

sions 2016-16 Due

Oct 10, 2014

Group Study Exchange Team Lead-

er Interviews

Oct 12, 2014

Rotary Club of Yarram Annual

CHARITY FUN GOLF DAY

Oct 12, 2014

DG Visit Hazelwood

Oct 13, 2014



Upcoming Events

10th October - Hat Day





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

Useful Links

https://www.rotary.org/

https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/rotary-foundation

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

http://district9820.org/

http://www.rotaryaustralia.org.au/ https://www.rotary.org/en/give/

The Rotary Four Way Test Of the things we 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







Rotary Grace

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

Amen