



RI District 9570 Newsletter



DG Joe Cohen-Cramp and Denise

June 2007

JOE'S JOTTINGS

June is the month when Clubs and incoming Boards should finalise their planning and **GOALS** for the coming Rotary year and when District Governors and Club Presidents are most probably saying to themselves "...where did the year go?" If you're not saying this, I certainly am!!! However in saying that, we should be proud of what has been achieved this past year by Clubs and District: a lot of hard work, dedication and effort has seen the lives of those less fortunate than ours improved in many ways. I ask that you ensure the year ends on a tidy note having all things in place for Change-over.

The District **GOALS** that were set for 2006-2007 in most cases were measurable and achievable (more on that in the Annual Report) and required participation from all, not just your District Governor. If the **GOALS** for your Club have not already been set for 2006-2007 please give due consideration to what you -- as President and the members are capable of achieving without too much strain on all concerned.

June will also see our prospective Outbound Youth Exchange Students offered their country of placement for 2008. Students of D9570 are offered a country of exchange, they are not sent to a country. I am pleased to advise that YEP Chair Tony Castro has been able to find a Sponsor Club for one more of our young people, bringing to 12 the number of students who have been offered an exchange in 2008.

Welcome home to our GSE team to D4510 Brasil led by PP David Scott, (Rockhampton Sunrise). I look forward to reading the report on the exchange which I am sure will provide information and feedback to allow the GSE Programme to go ever forward.

2007-2008 will be different to 2006-2007 and we will probably see changes in the way things are done by our new management teams. Should this be so in your Club, I ask that you remember how it was for you and consider that the way ahead may be different to what it was in "your" time... this does not necessarily mean that it "won't" work. Give it a go and get behind our new leaders and share your knowledge and experience with them by **Leading The Way** as we begin a new year of **Sharing Rotary**.

In closing for this month and for the Rotary Year, Denise and I reflect not only on 2006-2007 but our 18 years of Rotary membership and must say how, at times, it has been most challenging -- nevertheless it has also been rewarding and for that we thank you -- the Rotarians of D9570 as well as other Districts we have been fortunate enough to meet and work with. The challenges which confronted us were overcome in a positive manner and have been a lesson for not only me as Governor but for others that there is generally more than one way to achieve the same outcome!

To DG Greg and Chris, the management team of D9570 and all of our Rotarians and families we wish you success in your plans and objectives and thank you for your support, participation, involvement and dedication to making our world a better place to live and providing us with the opportunity to **Share Rotary**.

DG Joe Cohen-Cramp and Denise

How does your Rotary club observe Rotary Fellowships Month



Rotary International strongly urges each Rotary club to have a club program observing each special month in the Rotary calendar. We hope your club will observe Rotary International's program of Rotary

Fellowships as an opportunity for extend friendships around the world. But there are many other ways that Rotary fellowship can be observed. June is Rotary Fellowships Month, your club may wish to recognize Rotary fellowship as an expression of acquaintance and friendship by holding special events, such as club picnics, or special dinners.

A Rotary Fellowship is a group of Rotarians who unite themselves to pursue a specific worthwhile activity which advances the Object of Rotary, including, but not limited to educational, health, vocational, environmental and recreational activities. Fellowship activities must be conducted independently of RI, but must be in harmony with RI policy, including the use of the Rotary's names and emblems. Fellowships may not be used to promote religious beliefs, political issues, or other organizations.

Rotary Websites: Rotary International: www.rotary.org
Rotary Down Under: rotanet.com.au

Our district website: www.rotary9570.org

District Goals 2006-07

- A net GAIN of 1.5 - 2% on current Membership of 1219.
- Revitalise ROTARACT in the District. There are **NO** clubs at present.
- Increase Club and student participation in YEP. Down by 58% on 2002 Outbound.
- More Clubs sponsoring Interact Clubs. There are 18 Clubs at present.
- Promote RYPEN participation more vigorously.
- Clubs within Groups to apply collectively for Matching and other Grants.
- Clubs to seek more applicants for Ambassadorial and Ambassadorial Cultural Scholars. One Cultural Scholar Outbound 2006-07.
- To improve Rotary knowledge and participation at Club and District level through regular training.
- To provide support to our smaller and more remote Clubs via joint projects, social/fellowship activities and the help required to ensure they remain active.
- To make Rotary more attractive to younger people and women via promotion and presentation to the community.
- To increase giving to The Rotary Foundation (TRF).
- To foster involvement in Friendship Exchanges.
- Promote and foster Group 'Matching Grant' projects.
- LASTLY, BUT BY NO MEANS LEAST.....

Have Fun in Rotary

Important Dates To Remember:

June 23	50 th Anniversary of Rotary Club of Mount Morgan
June 30	District Change Over

2006-2007 Training Calendar

June	Rotary Fellowship month
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Official Exchange Rate, June 2007:

The exchange rate for June is \$1.20. Please use this rate for all payments to RI including The Rotary Foundation during June.

District Polo Shirts and Badges

ARHRF Chairman, Mike McNellie, has a stock of District Polo shirts and District badges for sale. Polo shirts in Ladies and Mens cut are \$32.50 each and badges are \$5.00 plus postage and handling. Mike's contact details: Telephone: 0407 581 624

Email: arhrf@rotary9570.org

Conference Photos on Multi-media DVD

The Rotary Club of Mackay Sunrise Led the Way and was able to engage the services of a professional photographer for the all of the Conference proceedings. Sylvia mingled with the crowd snapping shots at random and or as requested or planned. I am sure you would have noticed the delightful and courteous young lady over the weekend. Sylvia has produced a multi-media DVD of all of the photographs taken and now offers the DVD to Rotarians at the following cost or alternatively individual photographs.

Multi-media DVD \$25.00 per copy (including post, packaging and GST)

Individual 5"x7" photographs \$10.00 per photo (including post, packaging and GST)

Sylvia was so impressed by the Rotarians she met and so moved by Fay Jackson, ARHRF speaker that she will donate \$5.00 from each DVD and \$2.00 from each photo sold to the Australian Rotary Health Research Fund (ARHRF).

Sylvia contact details are:

SYLVIA TATOW
18 DUSTWILL ST
EIMEO, QLD, 4740

PH: Home: (07) 4969 6141, Mob 0428 848424

Email: sylvianharold@bigpond.com

DG Joe says, "Denise and I have received our copy of the Conference DVD and recommend it to all who wish to have an excellent reminder of the 2007 Conference and make a donation to ARHRF".



Departing GSE team



Nigel and DGE Greg

RDU SUPPLIES UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

Rotary Down Under's supplies "arm", RDU Pty Limited has been acquired by Pearler Consulting under a special distribution agreement from July 1, 2007. RDU Management Committee Chairman PDG Peter Williams made the announcement following a diligent tender process finalised at the recent May meeting of the Committee.

Mr Williams said the successful licensing of the Supplies organization was a vital part of the Rotary Down Under restructure exercise and attracted interest from 12 different parties.

"Five serious bids were received from those interested parties and the RDU Management Committee, acting on advice from an accredited business broker, was pleased to accept the highest and most comprehensive bid," he said.

Pearler Consulting is owned by RDU General Manager Barry Antees and will trade as RDU Merchandising. Barry Antees is a past president of the Rotary Club of Parramatta City and will operate the business from a warehouse in the Parramatta area.

Mr Williams said Barry Antees had played a vital role in the restructure of RDU and will complete his contract of employment with the organization on September 30, 2007. The Chairman said the RDU Management Committee was very mindful of any hint of conflict of interest once it learned of Mr Antees' interest in acquiring the supplies business.

He emphasised that Mr Antees had no involvement whatsoever with the licensing of the RDU supplies organization and that all negotiations were conducted by the business broker, under direction from RDU Treasurer PDG Colin Thorniley. Mr Williams emphasised that the new distribution agreement will not impact in any way the same standard of high service that has always been achieved by RDU Supplies staff.

The Chairman paid a special tribute to the RDU Supplies staff, especially manager Judy Donovan who has provided 26 years of loyal, efficient service.

Same Contact Details

As previously advertised, RDU Supplies will close for stock taking prior to the changeover at the close of trading on June 22. The business will reopen under new management on July 2 with the same contact details, as advertised in Rotary Down Under:

Telephone: 02 8833 8311 (in Australia),
0800 738 695 (in New Zealand).
Email: supplies@rotarydownunder.com.au

Concluding his comments, Mr Williams said the RDU Management was pleased with the progress of the company's restructure program.

"During the current Rotary year, we have continued development of our flagship magazine Rotary Down Under – and Active magazine (the Probus magazine in New Zealand); we have reshaped the New Zealand office; sold our New Zealand property and reorganised RDU Supplies.

"There is still much to be done with Rotary Down Under House in Parramatta, N.S.W., but we have considerably strengthened our financial position and are now well placed to focus on our core business – Rotary Down Under – the approved and prescribed official regional magazine for the south west Pacific and adjoining areas", he said.

Update on RI International Reading Association Partnership

The International Reading Association / Rotary International (IRARI) Partnerships Special Interest Group (SIG) was launched at the IRA Annual Convention, Toronto when its inaugural meeting was held 15 May. Attendees included PDG Roger Hayward, the official representative of President, Bill Boyd. He was joined by staff members from RI headquarters in Evanston, Illinois, IRA Executive Director, Alan Farstrup, and IRA International Development Director, Jim Wile.

Following introductions of those present, the purposes of the SIG, and membership requirements were reviewed before 2007-2009 office bearers were elected. I was elected Chair.

Later in the Convention program, a symposium - *Literacy Matters: IRARI in Action* - was conducted. Chaired by Rotarian, Pene Burrige, New Zealand, the three hour session featured Roger Hayward. Following a brief introduction to the 'workings' of Rotary and its 32,000 clubs worldwide, Roger identified how Rotary's literacy goals are achieved through a range of projects. The most recent of these is the Canadian-developed Computer-Assisted Literacy Solution for one-on-one use with struggling readers.

There followed presentations by Rotarian and IRA Board Member Karen Wixon on How Rotary and IRA Councils can work together; and Rotarian and IRA Member, Judith Casey regarding a collaborative IRARI project in Durban, South Africa. Reports on other IRARI Projects in New Zealand, Virgin Islands, Canada, USA, and Australia were then shared.

At the forthcoming RI Convention in Salt Lake City, a collaborative project between Rotary and IRA will be announced. Called *Every School a Star*, it aims to engage Rotary Clubs and Reading / Literacy Councils worldwide in activities to support schools in their communities in developing students' literacy skills.

Rtn Nea Stewart-Dore
District Literacy Resource Group Chair
2006-2007



SHELTERBOX NEWS

An appreciation ... and an opportunity

The need exists. The need persists

If you have not already done so, please read the feature article in this month's *Rotary Down Under* – it provides a brief update following ShelterBox founder Rotarian Tom Henderson's visit to Australia and the assistance provided in Solomon Islands after the recent tsunami. More than 2,000 islanders were provided with shelter, comfort and dignity in times of unimaginable distress.



On behalf of the ShelterBox Australia committee, we extend grateful thanks to Rotarians and friends throughout Australia who have so generously supported this worldwide project that has reached 31 countries. Your donations have assisted the funding for ShelterBoxes into the Solomons, replenishment and future stock in Cornwall, and now the first shipment of some 220 ShelterBoxes on their way to Australia to meet further needs.

There are exciting developments unfolding with ShelterBox Australia and these will be unveiled in coming months. Against a background of record donations within Australia that have greatly exceeded those following the Asian tsunami in 2004, our objective now is to achieve **"ONE SHELTERBOX ... EACH ROTARY CLUB ... EACH YEAR."**

In 2007-2008 please make it yours. *The need exists ... the need persists.*

The cost of a ShelterBox is \$1,200.00. If you have not done so, please think about closing out this year with a donation.

Details are in this month's *Rotary Down Under* – or phone 1300 881 913.

And if you would like someone to speak about this project at your Club during the coming year, please let us or your District Representative know and we will ensure you have a memorable meeting. Thanks again for your support and interest in this remarkable global humanitarian program ... the largest Rotary Club project in the world.

PP David Langworthy
Chairman
ShelterBox Australia

PDG Ray Stewart
Administrator
ShelterBox Australia

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ARHRF Owned by Australians for Australians



You may have members you wish to honour for their service - why not make a donation and make them a Friend of The ARHRF Fund.

I am sure that those of you who attended the Conference in Mackay and listened to Fay Jackson would agree that the ARHRF is a very worthy Australian cause.

The following recognition levels are available:

Friend of the Fund	\$100
Bronze Friend of the Fund	\$500
Silver Friend of the Fund	\$1,000
Platinum Friend of the Fund	\$2,000
Diamond Friend of the Fund	\$2,500

The Board has approved a form of recognition (Companion of the Australian Rotary Health Research Fund) for individuals, Rotary clubs and districts, corporations and trusts, donating \$5,000 or more in any one year. Since the inception of this initiative in July 1989, Companions have been recognised in respect of contributions amounting to over \$1,000,000.

Recipients can be:

- Corporations or Nominee of Corporations
- Estates or their Nominees
- Trusts or their Nominees
- Individuals, whether Rotarians or not, or their nominees Rotary districts and/or Rotary clubs or their nominees

Level of Contributions:

1. The award is granted upon the contribution of not less than \$5,000 in any one year.

2. Form of Award:

- A framed certificate bearing the embossed logo of Rotary International and the Australian Rotary

Research Health Fund, in the name of the recipient and signed by the President and Secretary.

- A lapel pin embossed with the ARHRF logo and the words Companion and ARHRF.
- Corporate Companions are presented with an attractive plaque instead of the pin and framed certificate.

3. Acknowledgement:

- Should the donor so desire, the contribution may be credited to a nominated Rotary Club.

Should a any club wish to donate \$1500 then why not honour three of your members with a Bronze Friend, as some clubs do now in our district.

Thank you for you time and assistance through 06/07.

PP Mike McNellie, NM, DSM, JP(Cdec), ADipIE

Date Claimer

Dates for the 2007-08 RYLA retreat for District 9570 are Saturday 22nd March 2008 commencing at 4.00 pm and finishing at approximately mid-morning on Saturday 29th March 2008. For registration forms please contact:

District RYLA Chairman
PP Lawrie Beacham
Fax 07 41289739



YEP Chairman, Tony Castro and his students



The Rotary Club of Boyne-Tannum Inc

Invites all Rotarians to the District Governor's Change-over Dinner

Saturday 30 June 2007 - 6.30 for 7.00 pm

**Boyne Island Community Centre
Wyndham Avenue, Boyne Island**

3 Course Sit-Down Dinner and Complimentary Wine to table

Cost \$45.00 per person

Dress: Semi Formal

RSVP by 22 June 2007 to:

**The Rotary Club of Boyne-Tannum Inc
PO Box 3183 Tannum Sands 4680**

Email: ros@tasmanwarajay.com.au

OR

Fax: 4973 7512

Phone: 4971 5851

Payment Options:

Cheque drawn in favour of The Rotary District 9570 Conference Committee 2008

OR

Direct Deposit: BSB 084 563 Acct No. 86371 9766 Acct Name As above

Please include your name and reason for deposit, eg Freda Fowl, DG Dinner

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Club:.....

Number of Persons:.....

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Conference Photos



Gladstone conference promotion



Great food



Mackay mob at the welcoming dinner



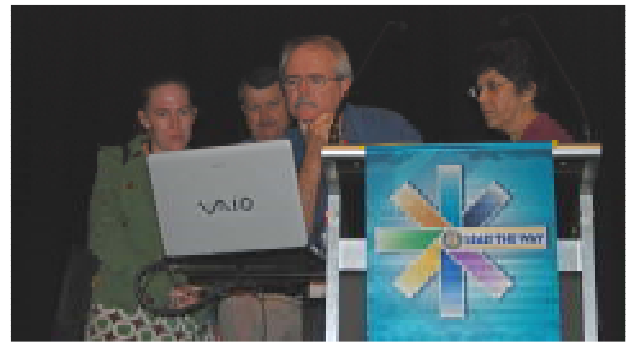
Kirk Douglas (aka Mike McNellie) and
GSE team member Carlos

ATTENDANCE REPORT

Please Note: Figures for **May** have not been included due to a 'glitch' and changes to the District Email system. Please advise DGN Terry of your **May** figures as soon as possible. They will be included in the July newsletter.



YEP students



Which button now, IT guru AG Peter



Happy raffle winners



Friday night entertainment