

District Governor

David Anderson



Presidential Citation, Changemaker Award can help your club set tangible membership goals

What is your club's approach to recruiting and keeping members?

August, Membership and Extension Month, is an ideal time to discuss membership strategies for the year.

The Presidential Citation and Changemaker Award both include membership criteria and are excellent resources to help you set your goals.

Clubs aiming for the Presidential Citation this year must add at least one new member and keep at least 85 percent of their membership. Additional goals include recruiting RI and Rotary Foundation program alumni and young professionals, and increasing diversity by adding more female members. Districts must meet similar goals.

MEMBERSHIP & EXTENSION MONTH

The Changemaker Award, established by RI President Kalyan Banerjee, also puts membership in the spotlight. Clubs must achieve a specific set of club service goals, including adding one new member under the age of 40 for each 50 members, implementing a comprehensive strategy for keeping members, and demonstrating that they have retained 85 percent of their members for the three Rotary years ending with 2011-12.

Both recognitions also include criteria for supporting Foundation programs, crucial to Rotary's continued global success.

Past RI Vice President Monty J. Audenart, chair of the RI Membership Development and Retention Committee, encourages all clubs to focus on their membership goals as they take a fresh look at strengthening Rotary.

"When building strong clubs,

attracting new members and retaining existing ones are given first priority. Then, the rest of our service activities and programs will take care of themselves," says Audenart.

Past RI Vice President Monty J. Audenart, chair of the RI Membership Development and Retention Committee.



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<http://www.rotary9790.org.au/4a/bulletin/dgnewsletter.asp>

Got a Rotary Idea or Issue that you would like aired?

Alan's Anecdotes is for all Rotarians in District 9790 and we seek your input, views and comments as we seek to grow, improve and upgrade the publication.

Send your ideas, articles or views to the Editor and you will be heard. The Editor will, of course, need to make sure of the integrity and suitability of articles. Articles should not be more than one page in size and include photos where available. Make sure your name, Club and contact details are sent with the article.

"RI President Kalyan Banerjee will ask Rotarians to *Reach Within to Embrace Humanity* during the 2011-12 Rotary year.

He urges Rotarians to harness their inner resolve and strength to achieve success in Rotary.

"In order to achieve anything in this world, a person has to use all the resources he can draw on. And the only place to start is with ourselves and within ourselves," Banerjee said.

Once Rotarians find their inner strength, he continued, they can accomplish great things in their communities and around the world.

"Discover yourself, develop the strengths within you, and then unhesitatingly, unflinchingly, go forth and encircle the world, to embrace humanity," he said.

Banerjee emphasized the family as a starting point in serving others. "The communities we live in are not built of individual people but of families -- families living in homes together, sharing their lives and their resources and their common destinies. Good families lead to good neighborhoods, and good neighborhoods build good communities."

Sincerely,

Kaylan Banerjee — RI *President, 2011–12*



From our DG.....

AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP MONTH...BUT MEMBERSHIP IS A YEAR LONG ACTIVITY

August is Membership and Extension Month, a good time for Clubs to focus on developing strategies to attract and recruit new members. But membership is not just a focus for this month but for the whole Rotary year. So important is membership that Rotary International President Kalyan Banerjee has identified it as one of just two criteria for the 2011-2012 Presidential Citation.

Seventeen years ago, when I was inducted as a member of the Rotary Club of Yea in June 1994, there were 1.2 million Rotarians in what were identified as 165 countries and geographic areas around the world. Fast forward to mid 2011 and there is still a similar number of Rotarians. The difference is that there are in several thousand more Rotary Clubs and Rotary now has a presence in 200 countries and geographic areas. We have inducted as many new Rotarians over the past five years as we have lost.

As Rotarians, we were all identified by our sponsors as being worthy of membership of our Rotary Clubs. We were identified as having the individual qualities to make a contribution to our Clubs and your communities. We were identified as having the skills and the talents to share with our fellow Rotarians and to make a difference to our Clubs.

Thank your sponsor, if possible, for the introduction they gave you to the world of Rotary but repay the faith they had in you by actively identifying and recruiting new members to grow Rotary in your community.

The Rotary Club of Myrtleford has identified membership growth as the Club's major project for the year. Under the leadership of President Phil Macdonald, members this year will be required to get their "Ask in Gear". It's a lead and a direction we can all follow. Both Rotary International and the District Membership team under the leadership of Patti Bulluss have also developed a number of tools and strategies to as-

sist Clubs in identifying and recruiting new members.

Membership Month is also about extending Rotary. There are a number of rapidly growing communities within District 9790 into which Rotary can be extended. Some of these can initially be reached by existing neighbouring Clubs reaching out to these communities whilst others have been identified for establishing new Rotary clubs. The District Extension Committee is actively pursuing the establishment of three new Clubs this Rotary year including an E-Club.

The District Board at its first meeting for 2011-2012, in finalising the District 3 – year Strategic Plan, adopted a goal of having 65 Clubs and 2000 Rotarians by 30 June 2014. In meeting this target, we need to extend Rotary, identify, recruit and induct new members ensuring they represent diversity in the community and retain our existing members.

Throughout this Rotary year, let's share our passion for Rotary.

Yours in Rotary

David Anderson

District Governor 2011-2012

Rotary District 9790



Member News

New Members

Damien Tresize	Shepparton Central
Andrew Pogue	Shepparton Central
Dianne Jones	Seymour
Gary Bailey	Nathalia
Lynne Edwards	Bundoora
Martin Wilmshurst	Deniliquin
Hugh Paton (Returning Member)	Tallangatta
Kevin Vance (Returning Member)	Tallangatta
Scotty Glover (Returning Member)	Albury West
Peter Newnham	Albury West
Arthur Lewin	Diamond Creek
Stephan Hitchins	Diamond Creek
Greg Paull	Diamond Creek
Rodney Drill	Shepparton South
Zillis Hardimann	Greensborough
Robert Stringer	Ivanhoe
Judy Dahlke	Seymour
Craig Overend	Corowa

New Members

Ken Wearne	Kinglake Rangers
Margaret Best	Yarrowonga Mulwala
Dorothy Brodie	Yarrowonga Mulwala
Brian Andrews	Kinglake Rangers
Gayle Rider	Kinglake Rangers
Anthony Phillips	Kinglake Rangers
Subhash Das	Mooroopna
Pauline Hawke (Hon)	Corowa
Fred Longmire (Hon)	Corowa
Jaques de' Chalin	Coburg
Heather Gray OAM	Coburg
Thomas Brown	Heidelberg
Rebecca Gauci	Strathmore
Jim Squires	Cobram

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Ray Addinsall (Hon)	Mount Beauty	30/6/2011

Paul Harris Fellows

Gary Burge (Sapphire)	Riddells Creek
Rob Simmons	Albury North
Syd Lukins	Albury North
Clive Walker (Sapphire)	Myrtleford
DG Alan Anderson (Sapphire)	Eltham
Dorothy Anderson (Non Rotarian)	Eltham
Mary Jenkins (Sapphire)	Broadmeadows
Bruce Wallace (Sapphire)	Broadmeadows
Leigh Aitken	Heidleberg
Val Symons	Albury
Meg Sutton	Albury
Dick Barker (Sapphire)	Strathmore
Greg Adams (Sapphire)	Diamond Creek
Maurice Pawsey	Alexandra
Chris Jackson	Alexandra
David Long	Yea
Clyde Hulme	Diamond Creek
Merrilyn Gamble (Non Rotarian)	Bundoora
Ray Butler (Sapphire)	Nathalia
Val MacLaughlan (Non Rotarian)	Rosanna
Adrian Keenan	Yarrawonga Mulwala
Albert Johnston	Yarrawonga Mulwala
Roger Cooper	Holbrook
John Cox (Sapphire)	Holbrook
John McCarthy (2nd Sapphire)	Preston
Rosemary Wilcox (Sapphire)	Preston
Elaine Price (Sapphire)	Preston
Les Price	Preston
David MacDonald	Belvoir Wodonga
David Talbot	Corowa
Margaret Brown	Corowa
Bob Hogan	Seymour
Ross Pinney	Ivanhoe
Gregory Powell (Sapphire)	Romsey Lancefield
Bill West (Non Rotarian)	Southern Mitchell
David Flower	Southern Mitchell
Peter Appleton	Southern Mitchell

PAST GOVERNOR RECOVERING FROM HEART ATTACK

Past District Governor Geoff Tually, a member of the Rotary Club of Bright, is recovering from a heart attack suffered in early June. Geoff was Governor of Rotary District 9780 in 1994-95 and in their own tree change, he and his wife Ela, moved to Smoko, near Bright, where Ela is currently Club President. Geoff is a member of the District 9790 Council of Governors.

Geoff's heart attack was a massive one and he spent three weeks in hospital in Melbourne including two in the Coronary Care Unit at the Royal Melbourne Hospital. He then had a week recovering in the Wangaratta Base Hospital before being transferred home to Smoko on the Alpine Road past Bright.

The outcome of the heart attack was the loss of one-third of his left ventricle and he will be assessed at the end of August as to whether he will need a defibrillator rather than a pacemaker. Initially Geoff was not diagnosed as suffering a heart attack after reporting chest pain. This delay is possibly the cause of the loss of a third of the left ventricle as the heart muscle has died.

Geoff attended Ela's delayed induction as President of the Rotary Club of Bright held on 28 July.

All Rotarians in District 9790 join together in wishing Geoff a speedy return to good health understanding that the nature of his medical condition will now mean closer monitoring of his health.

An Open Letter to the Australian Prime Minister urging Australia to re-engage in the fight to eradicate polio.

In his address to delegates at the 2011 Rotary International Convention, Bill Gates, Jr, urged all Rotarians to apply pressure to their politicians to step up their support of the global polio eradication campaign, while pointing out that Australia was among countries whose governments had previously been involved but had fallen away and who now needed to re-engage.

We urge Rotarians to print the letter and post it to:

Julia Gillard MP
Prime Minister
Parliament House
Canberra
ACT 2600

For further information and a form letter see:

www.rotarydownunder.com.au



The Rotary Foundation – August 2011

The Rotary Foundation is one of the largest foundations in the world. It is Rotary's own charitable fund. Annual contributions to the Foundation are invested for three years and the income earned from these investments pays for all the Foundation's operations, fund administration and administrative expenses. Every annual giving dollar contributed to the Foundation is available for its programs approximately three years later.

Members of District 9790 donated approximately \$247,500 to the Foundation in the 2010-2011 Rotary year. Please congratulate yourselves, but now work on how we can best spend this money to help the needy people of our nation and in our world.

The Trustees of the fund developed what they call the SHARE system to give all districts a voice in how contributions are spent and to allow districts to participate in the programs that are of the most interest to them.

Under the SHARE system, all district's annual giving is totalled up at the end of the contribution year and is divided into two funds: 50% is credited to the District Designated Fund (DDF) and the remaining 50% is credited to the World Fund (WF). Each district may then use the DDF monies which they collected three years before, for any programs they wish to choose, such as humanitarian grants, additional GSE and other programs. The WF pays for the programs which are free to every district, such as one group Study Exchange program per year, Matching Grants (Matching dollar for dollar for approved projects combining two countries), District Simplified Grants and so on.

The mission of the Foundation is to support the efforts of Rotary International to achieve world understanding and peace through international humanitarian, educational and cultural exchange programs.

Please put your fund, The Rotary

Foundation, at the top of your charitable giving.

Your District Foundation team to assist you this year is:

Chair:

PDG Clive Walker (Rae) (H) 03 5752
1361 Rotary Club of Myrtleford

Deputy Chair – 3H, Information Officer & Future Visions 3 H Program

PDG Peter Gilbert (Barbara) (H) 03
9438 3542 Rotary Club of Preston

World Peace & Ambassadorial Scholarships

PP Lee Strahan (Joanne) (H) 03
9740 6343 Rotary Club of Sunbury

Group Study Exchange (GSE)
PP Rod Gurry (Jan) (H) 03 9326
1036 Rotary Club of Strathmore

Alumni

PP Don Hamilton (Ann) (H) 03 9857
4289 Rotary Club of Rosanna

Matching Grants & District Simplified Grants

PP Alf Armstrong (Margaret) (H) 02
6021 7884 Rotary Club of Albury North

Disaster Relief Grants

PP Phil Clancy (Helen) (H) 03 5782
1097 Rotary Club of Southern Mitchell

Every Rotarian, Every Year (EREY)

PP John McColl (Chris) (H) 03 5728
1296 Rotary Club of Beechworth

Polio Plus

PDG David Cooke (Judy) (H) 02 6040
9323 Rotary Club of Albury West.

Paul Harris Society

PDG Don Cox (Joan) (H) 03 9337
4308 Rotary Club of Broadmeadows

Please do not hesitate to contact us to assist you or request us as guest speakers at your club meetings.

We are now commencing another Rotary Year with enthusiastic Presidents and their boards.

In your deliberations and planning, please include the Foundation as one of your major goals for your year.

Your private or club contribution to Annual Giving, Permanent Fund, and/or the EREY Program supports both local and global projects identified by Rotarians around the world. When you make an annual contribution to The Rotary Foundation, you can be confident that 50 percent of that gift will come right back to your district in three years to be used for educational and humanitarian programs and for projects in your local community. The other portion of your contribution benefits the World Fund in support of our commitment to International Service. The three-year SHARE investment cycle ensures that 100 percent of your contribution is spent on Rotary programs and grants.

There are thousands of charitable organizations working throughout the world that make a positive impact on those in need. But The Rotary Foundation is the only charitable organization funded by contributions from Rotarians, for programs and projects identified by Rotarians, and administered by Rotarians at the project site.

The Rotary Foundation is YOU.

Finally, if you want to be part of the District Foundation team, please give me a call.

PDG Clive J Walker (Rae)

Chair District 9790

The Rotary Foundation

July 2011.

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Australian Rotary Health, Australia's largest non-government funding body for mental illness research, has recently launched a new workplace giving program.

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cost effective and tax efficient, workplace giving runs through the payroll system and allows an employee to nominate the amount they would like to donate each pay. This amount is then deducted from the employee's wage and sent straight to the nominated charity.

By participating in workplace giving, employees are able to donate through a transparent and trustworthy channel – their employer. It's also easier come tax time; no more worrying about collecting receipts or waiting until the end of the financial year to claim a deduction.

For employers, offering a workplace giving program helps foster employee morale and strengthen community ties. And don't forget that by supporting Australian Rotary Health you are

helping to solve important issues that affect your community. From mental health to cancer research, Australian Rotary Health's broad vision helps improve the quality of life for people who are least able to assist themselves.

If you would like to find out more about workplace giving or the research programs Australian Rotary Health currently fund, please contact **Terry Davies**, Corporate Manager, on **02 8837 1900** or email terry-davies@australianrotaryhealth.org.au



Disaster Relief in the Philippines

Aquabox (Australia), a project of the Rotary Club of Eltham District 9790, is responding to an urgent request from Rotary International District 3820 (Philippines) to provide assistance for the victims of recent floods caused by typhoon rains in the Southern Luzon Region. The region is a 10 hour drive from Manila where many thousands of people have lost their



homes and livelihood and are now seeking refuge in disaster relief areas.

Arrangements are currently being made to dispatch 108 Aquaboxes from Australia to the flood affected

areas as soon as possible. Distribution of the Aquaboxes, valued at over \$52,000, will be undertaken in partnership between Rotary and the Red Cross in the Philippines. Updates will be provided when they become available.

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NEW FOLK JOIN ROTARY RANKS

On Tuesday July 19th, the Rotary Club of Diamond Creek inducted 3 new families. Arthur Lewin and his wife Carol were introduced to the club by the then President Elect Alan Jones.

Greg Paull and his wife Merri, and Stephan Hitchins and his wife Carol were brought to the club by PDG Rob Lloyd. Family and friends were in attendance as President Alan Jones inducted all 3 new members, ably assisted by Membership Chair John Egan, PDG Rob Lloyd and Treasurer Greg Adams.

All 3 new members are excited to be joining our club and looking forward to a "hands on" role within the Club.

Photos are President Alan Jones inducting Arthur Lewin and Carol, and President Alan Jones inducting Greg and Merri, and Stephan and Carol.



For Rotarians on The Go!

You can now search for a Rotary club with RI's free mobile app. In the [Apple app store](#) and [Android market](#), it's called the Rotary Club Locator from Rotary International. The app also will soon be offered for Black-Berry phones.

Features

The Rotary Club Locator app helps you find a Rotary club meeting when you're on the go.

- The "Near Me" search locates clubs within a physical radius of 100 miles. (Note: Actual driving distances may be further.)
- A keyword search for clubs. This search looks for the keyword in either the club name or meeting location address. This is useful for finding clubs that are outside of the 100-mile radius from your current location.
- A map showing a club's location and driving directions
- The ability to save search results

to a list of favorite clubs

- The ability to add a club to your phone's contact list
- The club's website and primary phone number, if available
- A search function to find clubs by district
- To view club officer contact information, you must login into the app with your RI [Member Access](#) login information.

If your club doesn't appear in the app

- Check RI's [Club Locator](#) at www.rotary.org to verify that RI has the full postal information for your club's meeting location. Because it works through Google's GPS and map technology, the app can only show clubs for which RI has complete contact information.
- E-clubs, which don't have a physical meeting location, can't be mapped through the "Near Me" function. E-clubs, however, should still provide their club website and other contact

information so e-clubs can be found in the keyword search.

- To update your club's meeting location, e-mail the information to data@rotary.org or ask a club officer to make the update in RI's [Member Access](#).



BIG AUSSIE CONTINGENT FOR BANGKOK

It seems that more than 1,000 Australian Rotarians and partners may be headed to Bangkok for next year's RI Convention. So why would you go to Bangkok too?

- An international RI Convention will expand your Rotary knowledge and experiences enormously.
- Bangkok is a vibrant city with much to see. It is much cheaper than say Hong Kong and Singapore, but less developed.
- Bangkok is on the road to everywhere; it is a hub to go onto Europe and other Asian regions.
- Return economy airfares are often under \$1,000 return.
- Quality accommodation is available for \$150 - \$200.

Bookings are now open on the RI website, including accommodation for the Convention hotels. It is recommended that you stay in downtown Bangkok and not at the convention site (see last month's newsletter).

I have asked Joan Cox, wife of PDG Joan, to write a few words about their RI Convention experiences. I know of no one who more enjoys the international experience than Don & Joan. By way of example we were part of a small group who all stayed together at Birmingham two years ago and whilst waiting at the Convention Centre railway station Joan trotted out her songbook. For the next 45 minutes, on the platform and our train journey, Joan had us all singing. As each new international Rotarian came by to see what we were all up to they were asked to sing their national anthem. Then they were hooked into the sing along. Read Joan's note below.

In the meantime if you have any interest in the Bangkok Convention please record your email address with me and I will be happy to forward any updated information as it is sent to me. pdunn@moneyplan.com.au

From a Partners Viewpoint.

After attending our first Rotary International Convention in Melbourne, May 1993, Don and I were both totally blown away by the quality, friendliness and internationality of this event. We became hooked – Convention Junkies.

Why?



After having just returned from our 17th Convention in New Orleans, the things that keep me going back for more are:

The Interesting and world famous speakers an audience of 20,000+ can attract, people such as:

- Bill Gates in New Orleans
- Dolly Parton in Montreal
- Mia Farrow in Birmingham
- Mikhail Gorbachev and
- Jerry Lewis in Barcelona

- Fantastic Lounges (Houses of Friendship) where you get to meet new friends and catch up with old ones. The display stalls showcase Rotary and there is also great shopping to be had there.
- The friendliness of fellow attendees has to be experienced to fully appreciate this.
- Seeing new and exciting places around the world that I otherwise may never visit – eg. Salt Lake City, - I would never have chosen to go there, but enjoyed this tiny city very much. Building a holiday around the Conference destination each year is fun.
- Attending other Zones functions is a great experience. We have been to 10 Texas Governors Breakfasts where entertainment and friendship extended is fantastic. During the last two Conventions we attended RIBI's Breakfasts, this year's was held on a Paddle Boat Steamer on the Mississippi River with a Jazz Band playing.

- Host Hospitality on the Monday Night is most times the highlight of the Convention for me. Local Clubs welcome and entertain small groups of Registrants either in their homes or at other suitable venues for dinner. In San Antonio we were invited to spend 4 days after the Convention with our hosts and new friends Van and Georganne Van Dyke on their ranch just outside Fredricksberg.

If you love to travel and meet new friends I would highly recommend attending an RI Convention. I hope you will enjoy it as much as I have. Careful though, you may also get hooked.

Hope to see you in Bangkok, Thailand, next May.

Joan Cox

Let's Giggle !

Once my divorce was final, I went to the local Department of Motor Vehicles and asked to have my maiden name reinstated on my driver's license.

"Will there be any change of address?" the clerk inquired.

"No," I replied.

"Oh, good," she said, clearly delighted. "You got the house."

The husband had just finished reading a new book entitled, 'YOU CAN BE THE MAN OF YOUR HOUSE'. He stormed into the kitchen and announced to his wife, 'From now on, you need to know that I am the man of this house and my word is Law. You will prepare me a gourmet meal tonight, and when I'm finished eating my meal, you will serve me a sumptuous dessert. After dinner, you are going to go upstairs with me and we will have the kind of s+x that I want.

'Afterwards, you are going to draw me a bath so I can relax. You will wash my back and towel me dry and bring me my robe...Then, you will massage my feet and hands.

Then tomorrow, guess who's going to dress me and do my hair?

Without even looking up from her morning paper the wife replied, 'The funeral director would be my first guess.'

"A gossip is one who talks to you about others, a bore is one who talks to you about himself; and a brilliant conversationalist is one who talks to you about yourself."

A teacher was finishing up a lesson on the joys of discovery and the importance of curiosity. "Where would we be today," she asked, "if no one had ever been curious?"

One child quietly spoke up from the back of the room. "Still in the Garden of Eden?"

A dying granny was talking to her granddaughter. "I may die any minute so I want you to inherit my farm including the villa, tractor, the farmhouse and all the livestock ' and \$22,389,630.00 cash".

"WoW!!" said the granddaughter "Thanks granny, I didn't know you even had a farm & all this wealth! Where is it??"

Granny says with her last dying breath....."It's on my Facebook!

While in the checkout line at my local hardware store I overheard one man say to another, "My wife has been after me to paint our shed. But I let it go for so long she got mad and did it herself."

His friend nodded. "Yep, I like women who get mad like that."

A lad comes home from school and excitedly tells his dad that he had a part in the school play and he was playing a man who had been married for 25 years. The dad says, "Never mind son, maybe next year you'll get a speaking part."

After being married for thirty years....a wife asked her husband to describe her.

He looked at her slowly...then said, "You're A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K."

She asks..... "What does that mean?"

He said, "Adorable, Beautiful, Cute, Delightful, Elegant, Foxy, Gorgeous, Hot.

She smiled happily and said...."Oh, that's so lovely.....What about I, J, K?"

He said, "I'm Just Kidding!"

His eye is still swollen - but it will get better....

A woman was trying hard to get the tomato sauce out of the jar. During her struggle the phone rang so she asked her 4-year-old daughter to answer the phone. 'Mummy can't come to the phone to talk to you right now. She's hitting the bottle.'

TRUCKERS BREAKFAST

A trucker came into a Truck Stop Cafe and placed his order. He said, "I want three flat tires, a pair of headlights and a pair of running boards."

The brand new blonde waitress, not wanting to appear stupid, went to the kitchen and said to the cook, "This guy out there just ordered three flat tires, a pair of headlights and a pair of running boards. What does he think this place is, an auto parts store?"

"No," the cook said. "Three flat tires mean three pancakes; a pair of headlights is two

eggs sunny side up; and a pair of running boards; are two slices of crisp bacon!"

"Oh. OK!" said the blonde. She thought about it for a moment and then spooned up a bowl of beans and gave it to the customer.

The trucker asked, "What are the beans for, Blondie?"

She replied, "I thought while you were waiting for the flat tires, headlights and running boards, you might as well gas up!"

Just before the funeral services, the undertaker came up to the very elderly widow and asked,

'How old was your husband?' '98,' she replied... 'Two years older than me' 'So you're 96,' the undertaker commented. She responded, 'Hardly worth going home, is it?'

Reporters interviewing a 104-year-old woman: 'And what do you think is the best thing about being 104?' the reporter asked. She simply replied, 'No peer pressure.'

I've sure gotten old! I've had two bypass surgeries, a hip replacement, new knees, fought prostate cancer and diabetes. I'm half blind, can't hear anything quieter than a jet engine, take 40 different medications that make me dizzy, winded, and subject to black-outs.

Have bouts with dementia. Have poor circulation; hardly feel my hands and feet anymore. Can't remember if I'm 85 or 92. Have lost all my friends. But, thank God, I still have my driver's license.

I feel like my body has gotten totally out of shape, so I got my doctor's permission to join a fitness club and start exercising. I decided to take an aerobics class for seniors. I bent, twisted, gyrated, jumped up and down, and perspired for an hour. But, by the time I got my leotards on, the class was over.

District Governor Official Visits

JULY

13th - Rotary Club of Seymour
20th - Rotary Club of Myrtleford
21st - Rotary Club of Romsey Lancefield
25th - Rotary Club of Whittlesea
25th - Rotary Club of Heidelberg
26th - Rotary Club of Southern Mitchell
26th - Rotary Club of Broadmeadows
27th - Rotary Club of Greensborough
27th - Rotary Club of Bundoora
28th - Rotary Club of Euroa

AUGUST

1st - Rotary Club of Deniliquin
2nd - Rotary Club of Shepparton
3rd - Rotary Club of Preston
3rd - Rotary Club of Rosanna
4th - Rotary Club of Eltham
8th - Rotary Club of Wangaratta
9th - Rotary Club of Albury North
9th - Rotary Club of Lavington
10th - Rotary Club of Albury Hume
10th - Rotary Club of Belvoir Wodonga
11th - Rotary Club of Appin Park Wangaratta

15th - Rotary Club of Riddells Creek
16th - Rotary Club of Diamond Creek
17th - Rotary Club of Mansfield
18th - Rotary Club of Pascoe Vale
22nd - Rotary Club of Mt Beauty
23rd - Rotary Club of Bellbridge Lake Hume

SEPTEMBER

5th - Rotary Club of Reservoir
6th - Rotary Club of Sunbury
7th - Rotary Club of Ivanhoe
7th - Rotary Club of Strathmore
8th - Rotary Club of Benalla
12th - Rotary Club of Tallangatta
13th - Rotary Club of Beechworth
14th - Rotary Club of Rutherglen
15th - Rotary Club of Corowa
20th - Rotary Club of Wodonga
21st - Rotary Club of Albury West
22nd - Rotary Club of Wodonga West
26th - Rotary Club of Mooropna
28th - Rotary Club of Coburg
28th - Rotary Club of Kinglake Ranges
29th - Rotary Club of Nathalia

OCTOBER

3rd - Rotary Club of Numurkah
4th - Rotary Club of Tocumwal
5th - Rotary Club of Cobram
10th - Rotary Club of Albury
18th - Rotary Club of Craigieburn
19th - Rotary Club of Moreland
20th - Rotary Club of Bright
26th - Rotary Club of Shepparton Central
26th - Rotary Club of East Shepparton
26th - Rotary Club of Shepparton South

NOVEMBER

2nd - Rotary Club of Tatura
3rd - Rotary Club of Holbrook
8th - Rotary Club of Milawa Oxley
9th - Rotary Club of Kyabram
14th - Rotary Club of Yarrawonga Mulwala
15th - Rotary Club of Finley
16th - Rotary Club of Alexandra
17th - Rotary Club of Yea
29th - Rotary Club of Corryong

Three steps to help you grow your club

All Rotarians are ambassadors of Rotary and their clubs. This is especially relevant during Membership and Extension Month in August, when the focus is on building strong, vibrant clubs by inviting prospective members to join Rotary. Interested in growing your club but not sure how to get started? Here's an easy three-step plan to bring to your next club meeting.

1. Start with Rotary Basics

The colorful Rotary Basics guide (published in the August issue of *The Rotarian* and Rotary regional magazines) gives an overview of what Rotary clubs do. Order copies from shop.rotary.org for members to share with prospective Rotarians and club guests. Include your club's contact

information with the guide or direct prospective members to www.rotary.org/join, which includes a link to the Prospective Member Form.

2. Handle prospective-member inquiries

Club presidents receive inquiries about membership either directly from candidates or via [Prospective Member](#) or [Rotarian Referral](#) forms forwarded from Rotary International. As always, invitations for membership are at the discretion of your club. Consider [creating a brochure](#) or [elevator speech](#) to provide an overview of your club. If you develop a standard welcome e-mail to initiate correspondence with prospective members, include:

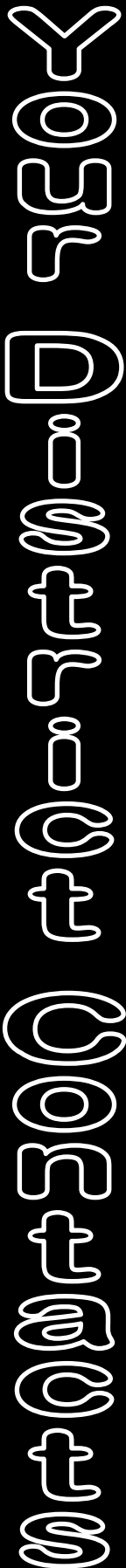
- Welcome and thank-you to candidate for his/her interest in Rotary
- Overview of the club, including a brief outline of Rotary's mission and humanitarian goals, a recent

club/district service project, and typical club/district activities

- Meeting information, including the name, meeting time, and location
- Additional resources, including links to club/district websites or Rotary publications
- Follow-up information about the club's next steps in the membership process

3. Send prospective member kits

Follow up your welcome letter with the [Prospective Member Information Kit](#) (423), which provides basic information about RI, The Rotary Foundation, and the responsibilities of club membership. Have a club leader contact the prospective member to ensure they've received the kit and to answer any questions about Rotary membership.



WHAT TO SEND: TO WHOM AND WHERE

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District Treasurer: Jim Osborne
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Club Bulletins

Email your bulletin to: bulleins@rotary9790.org.au

The following will automatically receive their copy:

DG David Anderson- DGE John Gatt – DGN Philip Clancy— Andrea Willis (District Award Committee) and your relevant Assistant Governor.

District Database and Register of Members

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Rotary Foundation Donations:

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MONT ALBERT NORTH, VIC 3129

Every Rotarian, Every Year Contributions

Please send cheque payable to The Australia Rotary Foundation Trust with all completed forms to
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MONT ALBERT NORTH, VIC 3129

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

District Governor 2011-2012
DG David Anderson Rotary Club of Yea

District Governor Elect 2011-2012
DGE John Gatt Rotary Club of Diamond Creek

District Governor Nominee 2011-2012
DGN Philip Clancy Rotary Club of Southern Mitchell

District Secretary
PP Gary Fitzgerald Rotary Club of Yea

District Treasurer
Rtn Jim Osborne Rotary Club of Yea

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

District Governor DG David Anderson
District Governor Elect DGE John Gatt
District Governor Nominee DGN Philip Clancy
District Governor Nominee Designate When appointed
District Secretary PP Gary Fitzgerald
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Vocational Service PP Colin Hay
Extension – New Clubs PDG Mani Seneviratne



Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

ClubName	1/07/2010	Members	Change	Meetings	Month %	Posn
Albury	31	34	3	3	84.00	8
Albury Hume	33	38	5	4	84.00	9
Albury North	57	61	4	4	69.63	36
Albury West	49	51	2	5	70.00	34
Alexandra	40	37	-3	5	76.00	22
Appin Park Wangaratta	33	32	-1		70.00	35
Beechworth	20	20	0	4	74.00	30
Bellbridge Lake Hume	10	11	1	4	80.50	17
Belvoir Wodonga	36	37	1	5	84.19	7
Benalla	73	74	1	5	75.08	27
Bright	33	32	-1	5	71.56	33
Broadmeadows	18	17	-1	4	79.00	21
Bundoora	17	16	-1	5	86.25	5
Cobram	25	27	2	5	71.80	32
Coburg	19	20	1	5	59.00	43
Corowa	23	27	4	5	81.00	13
Corryong	18	NR	NR	NR	NR	61
Craigieburn	14	16	2	4	85.00	6
Deniliquin	24	25	1	2	66.60	39
Diamond Creek	29	25	-4	4	81.00	14
East Shepparton	19	NR	NR	NR	NR	62
Eltham	47	NR	NR	NR	NR	63
Euroa	51	NR	NR	NR	NR	64
Finley	21	NR	NR	NR	NR	65
Greensborough	34	29	-5	4	80.00	19
Heidelberg	44	38	-6	3	72.38	31
Holbrook	26	NR	NR	NR	NR	66
Ivanhoe	16	16	0	5	81.00	15
Kyabram	32	33	1	4	75.98	24
Lavington	12	12	0	4	98.08	1
Mansfield	35	NR	NR	NR	NR	67
Milawa Oxley	22	25	3	4	84.00	10
Mooroopna	37	NR	NR	NR	NR	68
Moreland	11	10	-1	5	76.00	23
Mount Beauty	23	27	4	3	64.00	40
Myrtleford	25	26	1	5	80.30	18
Nathalia	17	18	1	5	88.56	3
Numurkah	34	33	-1	4	68.37	37
Pascoe Vale	30	NR	NR	NR	NR	69
Preston	40	41	1	5	56.70	44
Reservoir	6	NR	NR	NR	NR	70
Riddells Creek	10	NR	NR	NR	NR	71
Romsey Lancefield	14	NR	NR	NR	NR	72
Rosanna	28	31	3	5	74.62	29
Rutherglen	34	NR	NR	NR	NR	73
Seymour	36	NR	NR	NR	NR	74
Shepparton	50	49	-1	5	67.00	38
Shepparton Central	39	NR	NR	NR	NR	75
Shepparton South	45	47	2	5	75.39	26
Southern Mitchell	26	27	1	4	75.93	25
Strathmore	31	28	-3	5	62.28	42
Sunbury	40	NR	NR	NR	NR	76
Tallangatta	16	15	-1	3	81.20	12
Tatura	35	29	-6	4	62.50	41
Tocumwal	10	13	3	4	75.00	28
Wangaratta	25	24	-1	3	79.16	20
Whittlesea	16	NR	NR	NR	NR	77
Wodonga	31	25	-6	4	81.94	11
Wodonga West	31	33	2	4	87.00	4
Yarrowonga Mulwala	40	42	2	3	80.80	16
Yea	36	36	0	5	91.00	2

Attendance for June 2011



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CONFERENCE 2012 'WHEN THE COUNTRYSIDE COMES TO THE CITY'

In 2012, for the first time in many years, district Conference will be held in an urban setting.

There will be much that is familiar, but some innovations.

For the sporting minded there will be a day of activities and a Sportsman's Dinner on the Thursday.

The Opening Ceremony on Friday will be a more public event aimed at informing the race going public of our conference and of the 'Rotary Expo' which will be open to them to showcase Rotary activities and our sponsors' products

On the Saturday we will run workshops that will give a choice of topics and the opportunity to discuss ideas with Rotarians of similar interests and to 'question the experts'. Of course there will be some fine guest speakers and Rotary projects,.

Sunday will start with a 'Rotary Trot' in the tradition of Rotary International Conventions to raise funds for a Rotary cause. This will start the day at the venue leaving plenty of time to attend the earliest Plenary session.

All the District Conference activities will be there, with time to network in the fine facilities of this excellent venue and to enjoy the displays in the 'Rotary Expo' lounge

We hope that city clubs will take up the idea of 'Home Hosting, perhaps forming some lasting bonds with country clubs.



When the Countryside Comes to the City

