

## For Your Diary

<b>March</b>	<b>Literacy Month</b>
13/3/10	Pascoe Vale Festival
14/3/10	Moreland Council BBQ
16/3/10	Board Meeting
18-21/3/10	District Conference - Albury
23-26/3/10	Hosting D6000 GSE Team
25/3/10	D6000 GSE Team Farewell
<b>April</b>	<b>Magazine Month</b>
2-5/4/10	Easter
4/4/10	Daylight Saving ends
18/4/10	Glenroy Festival
20/4/10	Board Meeting
25/4/10	ANZAC Day
26/4/10	National Stop Domestic Violence Day
26-27/4/10	2010 Science and Engineering Challenge
30/4/10	Malaria Awareness Day
<b>May</b>	<b>International Convention Month</b>
1/5/10	BBQ – Bunnings Coburg
2/5/10	District Assembly – Southern Region
10-15/5/10	National Volunteer Week
15-16/5/10	National RAM Conference
18/5/10	Combined Board Meeting
26/5/10	National Sorry Day



## The Handout 2009-2010

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**Tonight** 11<sup>th</sup> March 2010  
Topic: Selling Your Home  
Speaker: Len D'Aprano  
Chairperson: PP Chris Waters

**Next Meeting:** 18<sup>th</sup> March 2010  
Topic: Fellowship  
Speaker: PP Alf Diggerson

**Birthdays:** Mark Cooper 15<sup>th</sup> March

**Anniversaries:**

Kevin and Geraldine Fernandes 11<sup>th</sup> March

Celebrating 33 Years of Service to the Community

## Last Week

PP Peter Wilson opened the meeting with a Sydney Road Festival report

A very successful venture – all the stock was sold out. David Apps' patented donut machine was once again a great success; Lanny did a great job sampling the goodies. \$3300 was grossed for the day with an expected net profit of about \$1800. A notable absentee at the meeting was Postie Bob last seen at the Festival with the takings so final figures to be confirmed.

## Club Assembly

Chris Lang took the Chair and opened the Club Assembly.

### Treasurer's report

PP Lanny tabled and circulated his report and as to be expected had to field many questions about the current financials.

## Club Service

President Elect Steve Webb opened his report by giving a short preview of the guest speakers at Conference this year which includes Ita Buttrose and Rev. Tim Costello with Kerry O'Keefe as the guest speakers on the Sportsman's night. As President Elect one of his duties at Conference is to represent the Club at the Resolutions discussions and he advised the club of the items to be discussed, which are mainly procedural.

In his Club Service report he informed the Club that it needs to appoint a President Elect for the coming year as Cheryl Rowan is standing down from the position.

Steve then itemized some of the main areas of Club Service, the bulletin and its content which is not of the usual high standard.

## Program:

Date	Chairperson	Topic	Guest Speaker
25/3/10	Kevin Fernandes	D600 GSE Team	GSE Farewell
1/4/10	David Apps	Vocational Visit – Granda Picture Framing	Grant Jongebloed
8/4/10	Peter Toomey	Movie Night	Coburg
15/4/10	Steve Webb	Northern Sewerage Project	Trent Woodberry
22/4/10	Neville Walker	Anzac Theme	
29/4/10	Wendy-Grace Williams	Bulleen Boomers	Sharin Milner
6/5/10	Oscar Bartolo	Kenya: Kilberra community education project	Rebecca Sanders
13/5/10	Mark Cooper	2010-2011 Vision	Steve Webb
10/6/10	Evan Patterson	Awards Night	

## Blondes

A police officer stops a blonde for speeding and asks her very nicely if he could see her licence. She replied in a huff, "I wish you guys would get your act together. Just yesterday you take away my licence and then today you expect me to show it to you.

A blonde is walking down the street with her blouse open and her right breast hanging out. A policeman approaches her and says "Ma'am, are you aware that I could charge you for indecent exposure?" She says, "Why, officer?" Because your breast is hanging out." He says. She looks down and says "Oh my God, I left the baby on the bus again."

## **BBQ ROSTER**

<b>13th March</b>	<b>Pascoe Vale Festival</b>	
<b>14th March</b>	<b>Moreland Council BBQ</b>	
<b>20th March</b>	<b>No BBQ - Conference</b>	
<b>27th March</b>	<b>Monty Montgomery</b>	<b>Cheryl Rowan</b>
<b>3rd April</b>	<b>No BBQ – Easter</b>	
<b>10th April</b>	<b>Bruce Browning</b>	<b>Gerard Hannan</b>
<b>17th April</b>	<b>Chris Waters</b>	<b>Sue Harrison</b>
<b>24th April</b>	<b>Colin McKenzie</b>	<b>Bob Taylor</b>
<b>1st May</b>	<b>Coburg Bunnings</b>	
<b>8th May</b>	<b>Neville Walker</b>	<b>Peter Wilson</b>
<b>15th May</b>	<b>Athol Jackson</b>	<b>Kevin Ferndandes</b>
<b>22nd May</b>	<b>Lanny De Almeida</b>	<b>Chris Lang</b>
<b>29th May</b>	<b>Mal Abrahamsen</b>	<b>Brian McDougall</b>
<b>5th June</b>	<b>Joe Calabro</b>	<b>Peter Arnheim</b>
<b>12th June</b>	<b>Peter Hadley</b>	<b>Bruce Booth</b>
<b>19th June</b>	<b>Nena Stewart</b>	<b>Cheryl Rowan</b>

He then highlighted some of the other areas – PP Peter Arnheim was doing an excellent job as Club Program organizer, and PP Neville Walker doing likewise with Family of Rotary. Athol Jackson and Len D’Aprano doing a very good job as the Attendance Committee.

### Community Service

PP Steve Papas gave his report. The Hearing Tests conducted for pre-school children is one of the important segments of the Community Service and the second test for the year was to be conducted on 6 March at the Pascoe Vale South Primary School. (Editors note. In excess of 90 children tested.)

The Club became involved in the Drought Relief and Bushfire Recovery program and in August the Club put on a ‘Christmas in July’ in the town of Savernake, N.S.W. and later through Elise Toomey and RMIT building trainees a cubby house was built and erected on site by the pupils.

He also advised the club that the Committee hopes to do a hands on project before the end of the Rotary year.

### Rotary Foundation

PP Kevin Fernandes gave his report and gave details of the pending GSE Team hosting. The team is from District 6000 – Iowa, USA, it is an all female team and the club is looking forward to hosting them towards the end of their tour which also includes their final presentation.

### Fundraising

Mick Noonan gave his report and without doubt this commanded the most attention. He raised the issue of the barbecues at Bunnings and also Coles, in particular, the question was posed ‘If we get more spots with Bunnings – Do we drop Coles.’ There was no resolution called for and it will be discussed in the very near future.

International & New Generations

There were no reports from Oscar and Brian as they were not in attendance, however, we were informed that their respective budgets had been spent.

Vocational Service

PP Peter Wilson gave the report on behalf of Evan Patterson.

The Club has an applicant for the Shine On Awards – Steve Ellis who is physically handicapped after two vehicle accidents.

A Vocational visit has been arranged at PP Grant’s picture framing shop.

The Vocational Awards – applications have been distributed and the awards will be presented towards the end of President Chris’s year.

General Business

A number of members spoke about membership and of the current status of some of our members. It was generally agreed that the club should make a concentrated effort to attract more members.

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**Motions from Board:**

1. Grant Jongebloed presented a discussion relating to the potential Corporate Support from Westpac North Western Region and seeks Board approval to provide Westpac a proposal for sponsoring the Club to the value of \$1500 in return for BBQ Trailer and Refrigerated trailer sponsorship and overall ‘Corporate Membership’ package which is yet to be finalised. GJ, PW & SW to develop a proposal for Westpac prior to Sydney Rd Street Festival. This was presented to Westpac and we used a marquee and had signage for Sydney Road.

2. Peter Toomey seeks Board approval to proceed with a ROMAC Application for Cambodian 4 year old ‘Theory’ and to conduct further investigation regarding process and costs, report back to the Board / Club and to form a sub-committee to assist with the application process

3. That a formal process be developed, adopted and documented for issuing invoices for member’s subs.

## President's Meeting Notes

RAM Monies – Filled in online form back in November and not able to contact via website so went to bulletin editor for RC Port Moresby as only email address I could find. That has gotten action so should payout monies soon.

GSE Team – Farewell will be on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March 6.30 for 7 pm at cost of \$20 per head. Details emailed to all Clubs and posted on District Website.

Pascoe Vale Festival – meetings held past 2 Wednesday mornings. Festival will run from 12 noon to 8 pm with rides going until 9 pm. No financial commitment from Club as Council is fully funding festival. We get what we make from BBQ, drinks and trash & treasure. Helpers required early to assist with set-up (then roster from noon). Thanks to D'Aprano real estate for doing signs. Donations in Kind have a working bee on the same day but will not call for volunteers.

## President's Quote of the Week

Firstly a quote from Mark Twain for Literacy Month:

“Always do right. This will gratify some people and astonish the rest.”

And my quote of the week

“Age is an issue of mind over matter. If you don't mind, it doesn't matter.”

## St. Jude's Update

I wanted to inform our St Jude's supporters about some sad news we've been dealing with over the past week. My father-in-law, Mr Daniel Sisia, passed away last week. The funeral, which I made a mad dash home from Australia to attend, was held on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> of March. His passing has greatly affected not only the family but the entire community. Babu, as he is known, was instrumental in the development of St Jude's, having encouraged me to start the school and kindly donating the first piece of land.

I am so thankful to have many amazing staff at St Jude's who consistently go above and beyond their role at the school. Saturday's service came together brilliantly, despite heavy rain, because of St Jude's staff who took charge of the preparations arranging seating, providing decorations, cooking food and directing traffic. I know Bibi, my mother-in-law, and the rest of the Sisia family are extremely grateful. I am also thankful for the friends in Australia who made sure I was able to return to Tanzania for this important occasion. I am now heading back to resume my tour.

This month I have a special edition newsletter that I have put together to pay tribute to all the wonderful staff at St Jude's. As I am approaching the middle of my current Australian tour, I think this is a good time for you to meet a few of the people who keep St Jude's running smoothly while I am away.

Thanking you, as always, for your support.

**Gemma Sisia**  
Director

## Conference Programme Highlights

### Thursday 18th March 2010

Sports Program

12:00 GOLF Commercial Albury Golf Club - 530 North Street

19.00 - 22.00 Sportsman's Dinner Commercial Club

20.45 - 21.25 Guest Speaker - Kerry O'Keefe

### Friday 19th March

12.30 - 12.45 Aboriginal Smoking Ceremony - QE2 Square

13.00 - 13.45 Official Opening of Conference

14.05 - 14.50 Keynote Speaker - Ita Buttrose

14.50 - 15.20 Keynote Speaker – Tim Costello

16.20 – 16.55 International Service – PP John Walton

RAM, Emergency Aid, Aquabox, International Education & Sustainable Development

18.00 - 19.15 Paul Harris Cocktail Party - House of Friendship, Convention Centre.

18.30 International Night - QE 2 Square

### Saturday 20th March

07.30 - 08.30 Presidents Breakfast - Albury Club

09.04 - 09.30 ROTA Homes, Fiji - Monica George

09.30 - 10.15 Andrew Penfold - CEO Indigenous Education Foundation.

10.45 - 11.30 GSE – D9790 and D1190

11.30 – 12.15 Vocational Service – PP Ruth Konig

Mentoring through Work Experience, Computers for Kids and International Literacy

13.15 - 13.55 GSE – D9790 and D6000

13.55 - 14.40 Gabi Hollows, The Fred Hollows Foundation

14.40 - 14.55 Membership - PP Kim McNairn

14.55 – 15.10 Rotaract – Kat Barrett

15.35 – 16.35 Ian Murphy Memorial Debate

19.00 - 19.30 GALA CABARET VARIETY Dinner – QE 2 Square

### Sunday 21st March

09.05 - 09.50 Keynote Speaker Major General Jim Molan AO

10.15 - 10.55 Youth Exchange - PP Graeme Budd

10.55 - 11.20 Community Service - Chair PP Patrick O'Shea

Australian Rotary Health and Drought Relief & Bushfire Recovery

11.20 - 11.50 New Generations - Chair PP Clive Faul

Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment - RYPEN and

Rotary Youth Leadership Award - RYLA

11.50 - 12.00 2011 Conference Promotion DGE Alan Anderson

12.00 - 12.25 DG Presentations of awards.

12.40 - 13.00 DG David Cooke. Final presentation, hand over conference banner and closing Ceremony