



District 9790

Up and coming events

18th August Partners / Guests Night - Richard Gozdzik Rebel against Drugs

And new member induction

RI President John Kenny
District Governor David Cooke

AG John Gatt

Who ya gonna call?

- President: Pat Millar 0412 566 838
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- Vice President: PP Alan White PHF
- **Directors:**
Alan Jones,
PP Geoff Swan PHF,
PP Bev Baker PHF,
PP Em Wardell PHF

Pats' prattle

Tonight we take great pleasure in inducting Petrus Siemonsma into the Rotary Club of Diamond Creek, sponsored by Steve Sampson.

We all hope for a speedy recovery to Ginnette Eycken and Robyn Sampson

We welcome our speaker tonight, Past President Richard Gozdzik from the Rotary Club of Preston. Richard will talk about - Rebel Against Drugs.

Reminder to anyone interested in the invitation from Rotary Club of Rosanna for Wed 2nd September - 7.00 for 7.30pm at the Austrian Club, 76-90 Sheehan Rd, Heidelberg West. Cost \$30.00pp. Kevin & Rhonda Butler founders of Blaze Aid will be the guest speakers. Contact Roger Fletcher: email rogerfletcher@hotmail.com, 9478 2186 (AH) or 0431 238 940.

Last Thursday night, a dark, wet night, Alan Jones, Alan White and myself finally arrived at the Strathewen Community Centre (Hub) to meet up with Rob Lloyd and Malcolm Hackett (Chairman of the Strathewen Renewal Association) to join them and some of the residents for their soup night - five varieties of soup and a bread roll (soup was great). Rob & Alan W presented the cheque for \$15,596.00 for a trailer loaded with fencing equipment. Whilst speaking of the Bush fires, we have received a cheque from our Districts' Bush Fire Relief Fund for \$23,410.00 covering the amount of \$3410 for the Kinglake Pony Club Fencing and \$20,000 to St. Matthews Church, Panton Hill for plants and garden materials.

Finally the big day, Saturday, BBQ trailer was all set up, sausages and onions cooking, the opening of the Bridge ceremony. Our Youth Exchange Student Iben Andreasen cut the magnificent yellow & blue ribbons with a rotary wheel inset (nicely done Nada), the plaque on the big rock was uncovered from under the Rotary Flag by Mayor Bo and myself. We had a excellent turnout of Rotarians and wives/partners and families. Thanks to everyone, it was a great morning. Check out the embedded Video Clip page 7 Cheers President Pat.

Rotary Grace

O Lord and giver of all good

We thank you for our daily food

May Rotary friends and Rotary ways,

help us to serve you all our days.



Advance Australia Fair

Australians all let us rejoice,
For we are young and free;
We've golden soil and wealth for toil,
Our home is girt by sea;
Our land abounds in Nature's gifts
Of beauty rich and rare;
In history's page, let every stage
Advance Australia fair!
In joyful strains then let us sing,
"Advance Australia fair!"



the program/up and coming calendar

August 2009

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
					1	2 National Tree Planting Day BBQ
3 Town Fair Meeting 7pm 7pmMcDonalds	4 Meeting 6.30 for 7pm Youth Exchange Iden Andreasen	5	6	7 Passion 4 Fashion Tinter n Grammar 7pm	8	9
10 Board meeting McDonalds	11 Meeting 6.30 for 7pm Club ASS	12	13	14	15 Bridge opening 10 am Rotary Centennial Park	16
17	18 Meeting 6.30 for 7pm Partners/ Guests Night - Richard Gozdzik Rebel against Drugs	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 Meeting 6.30 for 7pm Jim O'Sullivan - Principal of D C Sacred Heart PS	26	27	28	29 BBQers Mitre 10 Mitre 10 10 to 2	30
31	1 Meeting 6.30 for 7pm	2	3	4	5	6

DIAMOND CREEK ROTARY TOWN

FAIR



Saturday 12th September 2009

Starts in **24 days** That's **576 hours**
or **34,560 minutes** or **2,073,600 seconds**



the Club ASS report from last weeks meeting

President Pat Millar opened the meeting by first highlighting important email correspondence received by club members, such as the two fundraising Golf days to be run by the Rotary Club of Bundoora and also the RC Noble Park. RAMS has confirmed the adoption of three villages in PNG, the cost of \$1000 to be shared in conjunction with the Rotary Club of Bright. Pat also reminded members of the Blaze Aid Dinner on the 2nd September and the Bushfire Relief Dinner run by the Rotary Clubs of Strathmore and Sunshine on the 2nd December .

Pat has received news that Ginette Eycken will be admitted to Epworth Hospital on the 17th August for surgery.

NYSF has invoiced the club for two successful applicants and Dennis Kerr advised that the club will bear approximately half the cost, the other half being shared by the students

CLUB ASSEMBLY

Treasurer's report:

As tabled in the board minutes for the 10th August. (Treasurer absent)

Membership-PP Ern Wardell:

*Petrus Siemonsma will be inducted soon

*Ern has received a DVD from R.I. "What in the World is Rotary" which he plans to run in the Rotary tent at the town fair. He will need a DVD player and TV. PP Alan White will make available other Rotary DVD's for the day.

*Ern has a potential new member in his neighbor whom he will introduce to the club next week

Foundation-PP Geoff Swan (absent)

Report as tabled in the Board Meeting Minutes for August 10th

Public Relations-PP Bev Baker.

*Bev has placed an article in the Diamond Creek News and would like a copy of the paper when it is printed. The Diamond Valley news has been contacted to cover the opening of the bridge on Saturday.

*Bev has received an application for a GSE team member in Tamara Johnson

Town Fair Committee-PP Rod Mackenzie.

*Volunteers will be provided with lunch coupons for the RC Bundoora food van. Tea and coffee will be provided in the Rotary Control tent. PP John Gatt will organize the roster, and will send out an email soon. The show bag trailer will have 3 hour shifts instead of two hour shifts.

*Please notify all possible interested contacts to attend the Bridge opening. Sausages will be served between 9.30 and 11.00am. Roger Knight will take photos of the event and Bev will submit an article if the DV News does not attend.

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PARTNERS

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International-Alan Jones

Absent, representing the club at the Kinglake Ranges Business Forum

Vocation-Steve Crosling

*Will organize a Pride of Workmanship night in October and is looking to organize a Shine On award at another time. Steve called for nominations for both awards, and Phil Chambeyron's nomination of Ted at Mitre 10 was applauded by the club members and confirmed by Steve .

Community Services-Phil Chambeyron –no report as yet

PP Ern Wardell mentioned that he has received a plaque for Alan Sartori's memorial seat and it will be fixed to the seat soon.

New Generations: Dennis Kerr

*The club's two NYSF applicants have been successful

*Our Exchange Student is settling in well and she enjoyed the week-end at Dookie

*New Generations is considering funding for the Exchange Student Program by organizing competitions in public speaking, spelling and mathematics within local schools

*PP Alan White raised the question of whether exchange students should attend RYPEN in future. The matter was discussed and approved.

RCDC Bushfire Fund Committee Report.

*PDG Rob Lloyd detailed the finances: A total of \$49,728 in donations and \$7816 in outgoings.

*PP Alan White advised that the RC Northbridge may fund the fencing of the Kinglake Pony Club to the value of \$7000

*The Strathewan Renewal Association may receive funding of their fencing trailer through a combination of the Club and District funds. The Association are organizing a "Soup" Night on Thursday, (6.30 for 7pm.) Alan called for members to attend as the cheque for the trailer will be presented then.

District: President Pat reminded members of the District Governor's visit on the 22nd September and John Gatt will send a copy of the Planning Guide for Effective Rotary Clubs to the board members.

Silver Pot \$7.50 Raffle \$33.00 and Sergeants Fines \$44.00.



**Under the spotlight our newest member
answers a few questions about himself.**

Rtn. Petrus Siemonsma

What's one thing most people would be surprised to know about you?

Some of the things I have done (like walking the Kokoda Trail on my own)

What's the smartest thing you've been told?

Try to make as many memories in life

How would someone you love describe you?

I asked some of my family this (which in hindsight might not be the wisest thing to do)

Luke (12 year old son said): A loving, cheerful man, who loves his family, but is not the greatest with technology

Louise (my dearest wife): Drama queen, totally devoted, reliable....but very Dutch!!!

I didn't dare to ask my 18 year old daughter (Lauren).....just in case the answer throws me.

But my 10 year old daughter (Mia) told me that she loves me (perhaps we need to stick with the opinion of young kids....don't they often tell the truth!)

What's the oldest item in your wardrobe that you still wear?

My wife would say "half his wardrobe"....I am not good in throwing things out.

What do you look or feel really good in?

I look good in fashionable, new clothes.

I feel good in old, daggy clothes

What's one simple thing you're really good at?

My family answer was "Helping people".....I have to go for this!!

What do you least like to do?

Playing "trivial Pursuit", as I never get ANY of the questions right

What's the one talent you wish you had?

Faking an interest for thing I am really not interested in

One thing you refuse to eat?

Probably witchery grubs, but then again I never really have been offered them

I'm glad Iam healthy, have a loving family and great friends and a job I enjoy.

What was your best break in life?

There were a few.

Once I travelled for over a year in Asia (without a worry or a responsibility in my life).....that was a break to be envious about.

What was your happiest birthday party?

My 50th, I could not believe the effort people had gone through to make this a great party....it was like a dream.

Who's your most memorable character?

Must by now be the little Dutch fellow, who stuck his finger in the dike and saved the country.....he keeps shadowing me.

Currently, you are reading what ?

The Pillars of the Earth by Ken Follett

If you were an animal what would you be ?

Some kind of bird.....I find them fascinating creatures, with their variety in colours, sing and dance and their ability to fly.

Are you a dog or a cat person?

Probably more dog than cat.....the family has both



the roster, who's doin what and when.



Date	Attendance	Chairman	Cash man	Welcome	Regalia set up	Range Gift
18 Aug 2009	Jacque Hodge	Clyde Hulme	Greg Adams	John Gatt	Roger Bowen	Alan Jones
25 Aug 2009	Alan Jones	Steve Sampson	Greg Adams	Grandpa Phil	Geoff Swan	Dennis Kerr

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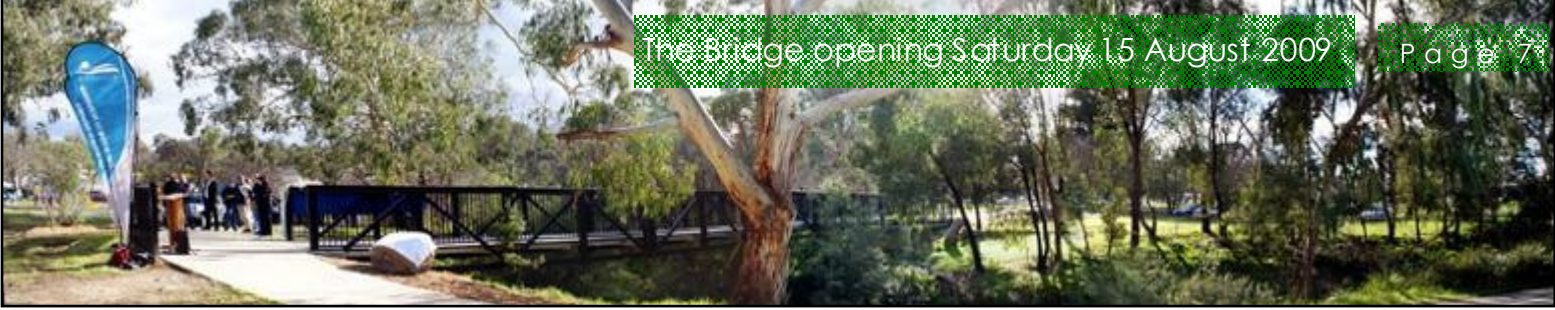
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PP Richard Gozdzik PHF.**

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Are these 2 up to no good ?
What did they see and say ? say ?



R.C.D.C. BUSHFIRE FUND

Last Thursday (13th) President Pat Millar, PDG Rob Lloyd, Alan Jones and Alan White visited the Strathearn Soup night to present Malcolm Hackett, Chairman of the Strathearn Community Renewal Association, with a cheque for \$15,596.00 to enable them to buy a Trade Tool trailer and all of the equipment required for building fences.

The trailer will be managed under the auspices of the Strathearn Landcare Group, an incorporated body, insured through membership of the Victorian Farmers' Federation. A small daily hire charge will cover registration of the trailer, maintenance and replacement of equipment, and ensure that the trailer is returned in a timely manner. A refundable deposit will also be charged to cover damage and to replace consumables. The trailer will be maintained as a resource within the area to assist landholders with farming and environmental protection works. In the future the trailer may also be equipped with other land management tools for use by landholders and the Strathearn Landcare Group.

We suggested to Malcolm, that if they were able to have the trailer in time, we would like them to participate in the Grand Parade and the Diamond Creek Rotary Town Fair.

King Lake Pony Club — New fences.



hot off the wire from the wandering Swans who have headed north!



Hi Greg,
Attached is a pic of our exchange student Maiko who we hosted 94/95 taken with her four month old son Sohta.

We had a lovely visit with and her husband Takeshi this week.

We have just arrived in Amsterdam for the next leg of our trip. So far we are having a fantastic time.

Hi to all
From Geoff and Glenda Swan
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