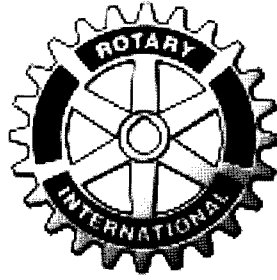


# ROTARY CLUB OF CORRYONG

CHARTERED 25TH. APRIL 1967

**A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE FIRST 40 YEARS**



## Rotary Club of Corryong Members March 2007

Last Name	First Name	Partner	PP PHF PDG	Induction
BACASH**	Joe	Ferial	PP PHF	25/04/67
BOONZAYER *	Kees	Barbara	PP PHF	19/11/75
BROWN	Colin	Pip		25/11/98
BROWN	Margaret	Clarrie		26/11/03
BROWN**	Malcolm	Irema		02/06/71
CARKEEK*	Max		PHF	02/10/74
DWERRYHOUSE	Bruce	Gillian		20/06/01
FINDLAY	Brett			09/06/06
HABERECHT	Don	Glenda	PP PHF PDG	22/02/85
HAMILTON	Gavin	Bridget	PP	30/10/96
HARRISON **	Ian.A	Tess	PP PHF	20/09/78
HEWATT	Peter	Debbie		12/02/03
HILL	Doug	Betty	PP PHF	31/03/93
HILLIER	Jack	Lorna	PP PHF	18/03/69
HOLMES	David			18/12/96
HUMPHREY	Peter	Sue	PP	17/07/96
JONES	Fr.Ellis			07/03/07
JOYCE	Peter	Fair1ie	PP	21/12/94
MCCLINCHIE	Wayne			09/01/02
NANKERVIS	Jeff	Ena	PP PHF	09/02/77
NICHOLAS **	James	Ruth	PP PHF PDG	29/12/70
NICHOLAS	Fred	Betty	PP PHF	25/06/69
PFEIFFER	Graham	Gillian	PP	17/12/86
POTOCNIK	Kaz			03/03/04
RIXON	Janette	Ray		08/06/05
SIMPSON	Bill	Pam		26/08/98
SPURGEON	Brian	Janet	PP PHF	20/06/79
TUCKER	Ross	Roz		17/12/03
TURNHAM **	Fred	Shirley		13/07/94
WHITEHEAD	Bill	Fay	PP PHF	12/09/90
WHITEHEAD	Mark	Liz	PP	18/10/00
WILKINSON	Michelle	Steven		09/06/06

Key: Excused from Attendance \*  
 Honorary Member \*\*  
 Leave of Absence \*\*\*

PDG Past District Governor  
 AG Assistant Governor  
 PHF Paul Harris Fellow  
 PP Past President

ROTARY FOUR WAY TEST  
*Is It The Truth*  
*Is It Fair To All Concerned*  
*Will It Be Beneficial To all Concerned*  
*Will It Build Good Will And Better Friendships*

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15	Jim Nicholas	1974-1975
16	Bill Barber	1975-1976
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19	Laurie Healy	1977-1978
20	Fred Nicholas	1978-1979
21	Stuart Peterkin	1979-1980
22	Morris Klippel	1980-1981
23	Boy Hamilton	1981-1982
24	Jeff Nankervis	1982-1983
25	Andrew Melville	1983-1984
26	Clive McAuliffe	1984-1985
27	Bob Brown	1985-1986
28	Ian Harrison	1986-1987
29	Fred Werrett	1987-1988
31	Peter Whitehead	1988-1989
31	Jack Hillier	1989-1990
32	Don Grant	1990-1991
33	Garry Tribe	1991-1992
34	Mike Conroy	1992-1993
36	Kees Boonzaayer	1993-1994
37	Brian Spurgeon	1994-1995
38	Graham Middleton	1995-1996
40	Graham Pfeiffer	1996-1997
41	Doug Hill	1997-1998
42	Bill Whitehead	1998-1999
44	Peter Joyce	1999-2000
45	Gavin Hamilton	2000-2001
47	Paul Farrell	2001-2002
48	Fred Nicholas	2002-2003
51	Bill Whitehead	2003-2004
53	Mark Whitehead	2004-2005
54	Peter Humphrey	2005-2006
56	Bill Simpson	2006-2007

## *Dedication of Sound Shell*



*The Sound Shell Project is given to the Community to provide an open air performance area within Attree Park that will identify with the Man from Snowy River, Jack Riley, brought to fame by Banjo Paterson and*

*his ballad of the same name. It will become the focus for the future development of the Park as an Interpretive Centre of The Man from Snowy River.*

*The dedication of the Sound Shell acknowledges 100 Years of Rotary Service throughout the world 1905-2005, an International Service which provides opportunities for more than 2million Rotarians through the four Avenues of Service: Club, Community, Vocational and International to make a contribution to the well being of all peoples throughout the world.*



*District Governor Clive Walker will Dedicate the Sound Shell in recognition of 100 years of Rotary International Service and unveil the Plaque on Saturday 28th April 2007.*

## SHORT HISTORY OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF CORRYONG

Chartered on 25th April 1967, the Rotary Club of Corryong was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Tallangatta. John Showers was the charter President and there were 23 charter members.

Corryong is an isolated country town, of some 1400 inhabitants, located 120 Kms from Albury / Wodonga, in the foothills of the picturesque Upper Murray area. It is a close knit active community. Members are largely involved in rural sector enterprises.

The club's major project in Vocational Service was initiating the Ian Murphy Memorial Debate, which involves students from all district Secondary Schools in a public debating competition. A Shade House project to assist students with propagation of plants was built in Khancoban, a neighbouring town in NSW. Music workshops organised with the Victorian Concert Orchestra (VCO) is an ongoing project, involving all local schools, every time the club sponsors VCO concerts. The club sponsored a Rotoract Club which no longer operates because of the continuing movement of young people to the major centres.

Student Exchange has been a prime project with the club's International Service, with only a few years where students have not been exchanged. Sharing Group Study Exchange teams with local clubs has been a high priority. A team of 4 from the club went to Western Samoa to erect cyclone shelters, a very worthwhile and enjoyable project. More recently in conjunction with 2 other district clubs a Matching Grant purchased computer equipment for disadvantaged youth in Brazil, a project which grew out of a visit from a Brazilian GSE team. The club continues to support a student in Indonesia, assisting with education costs.

A major Club Service project was sponsoring and supporting Past President Graham Middleton's Marathon Murray River swim. On 30<sup>th</sup> November 1991 Graham began his swim from Bringenbrong and for the next 138 days swam 2366 km. to Lake Alexandrina, arriving on 14<sup>th</sup> April 1992. Funds raised went to Kids' n Cancer and The Australian Rotary Health Foundation. Catering for Riley's Ride has been a long term project for the club: the ride commemorates the last ride of Jack Riley (reputedly the model for Banjo Patterson's "The Man from Snowy River"), from Tom Groggin Station to Corryong. Jack was ill and died before the group reached Corryong. The Ride is the beginning of The Man from Snowy River Bush Festival, an annual event in Corryong.

The club has organised 2 District Conferences, has promoted fellowship within the District, hosting District management teams on several occasions and has maintained a high level of involvement on District Committees.

The first Community Service project organised by the club 40 years ago, was the Senior Citizens Dinner. From a relatively small beginning the event each December has grown in size to where members cater for over 200 senior citizens, enlisting help from other service clubs and the hospitality unit from the Secondary College. Cultural events have been organised on a regular basis, usually the Victorian Concert Orchestra, and on 2 occasions the National Boys Choir. Home hosting adds to the impact of these visits, and is enjoyed by both parties.

Meals on Wheels was introduced to the community by the Rotary Club 30 years ago. Another major Community Service project was the Rotary Roll a Long, an event which

involved the last passenger train on the Cudgewa Wodonga Rail line. Planning and organising the train ride was a test of members management skills as some major ride from Cudgewa.

The club helped with the removal of an historic homestead to the Man From Snowy River Museum. The Jarvis Homestead was the original home of the early pioneering Jarvis family in the district and was considered worthy of relocation to the museum site. The museum is considered one of the best small museums in Victoria staffed entirely by volunteers.



When the local hospital was successful in becoming a pilot Multi Purpose Service the Rotary Club of Corryong continued long standing support for local health services and assisted with fund raising over a three year period, honouring a commitment to the community which resulted in local contribution to the construction of a Nursing Home reaching over \$500,000. The resultant health service is considered one of the best small town complexes in Australia.

Each December members organise and run Carols by Candlelight in conjunction with the local church groups.

Club members help preserve a collection of glass negative photographs which depict early life in the Upper Murray. A PDG helps with printing the photographs and other members assist with sales to tourists and displays for promotion.

An Inter Club project bringing clubs together in the Upper Murray has been held most years, usually a Youth Exchange, Group Study or other Rotary Foundation program, sometimes a special guest speaker. In recent years these have been held at the Walwa Holiday resort.

Catering for local events has been our most significant fund raising effort, Riley's Ride, the Re-enactment, Nariel Folk Festival and regularly catering of Race Meetings at Towong and other events have given us a great opportunity to raise funds without imposing on local charity.

A Sound Shell in Attree Park will be dedicated on the 40th Anniversary weekend, this will be presented to the Community to celebrate 100 Years of Rotary International Service 1905-2005.