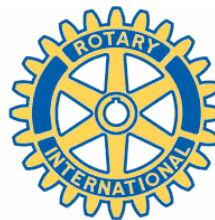




Rotary Club of Templestowe Inc 2005-06 Annual Report



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Club Number:	18385
District:	9810
Region:	ANZO
RI Zone:	8
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Incorporation Number:	A0013020S
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SERVICE Above Self

Membership As At 30 Jun 06

Keith	ANDERSON	PP, PHF	Natalie	MUDGWAY	
Brian	ATHERTON	PHF	Brian	NEGUS	PP, PHF
Russell	BARKER	PP, PHF	Mark	NUTTER	
John	BENNIE		Lance	PETERS	PP, PHF
Max	BRYAN	PP, PHF	Bryan	RADCLIFF	PHF
David	CARSON		Tony	RIZZO	
Graeme	COBB		Adrian	RODRIGUES	
Bill	COCKRAM		Frank	RYAN	PHF
Graham	COUCH	PP, PHF	Ken	SHARPE	
James	CUNNINGHAM	PP, PHF	Rod	SIMKISS	
Trevor	DAWSON	PP, PHF	Peter	STEVENS	
Gysbert	DIEPEVEEN	PHF	Helen	TILLEY	
Bruce	EVANS	PP, PHF	Brian	TYEDIN	PE
Terry	FLEMING		Graham	WALKER	PP, PHF
David	FORSTER	P	Ken	WALL	
Marilyn	FRASER		Clive	WATT	
Paul	GALLAGHER		Geoff	WILCOX	PHF
Geoff	GOUGH		Dennis	YOUNG	PP, PHF
Peter	GURRY	PP, PHF, C			
John	HENDERSON	PP,PHF, PDG	PP	Past President	
Andrew	HOGENDIJK	PP, PHF	PDG	Past District Governor	
Richard	HOLROYD	PHF	PHF	Paul Harris Fellow	
Matthew	HOOD		C	Charter Member	
Ken	HORROBIN	PP, PHF	H	Honorary Member	
Richard	JOURDAIN		P	President	
Graham	KANE		PE	President Elect	
Nick	KOTSIRAS	H			
Pete	LEWTAS	PP, PHF			
Harry	MARTIN	PHF, H			
John	MCINTOSH	PP, PHF			
John	MUDGWAY	PP			

2005-06 Club Office Bearers

President	David Forster (Tony Monley to Jul 05)
Vice President	James Cunningham
Secretary	Matthew Hood
Treasurer	Ken Sharpe
Fund Raising	Keith Anderson (Mark Nutter to Jan 06)
Community	Graeme Cobb
Vocation	Dave Roberts
Foundation	Dennis Young
International	Terry Fleming
Club Service	Brian Tyedin (David Forster to Jul 05)
Fellowship	James Cunningham
Membership & Rotary Information	Richard Jourdain
Bulletin Editor	Clive Watt
On-to-Conference	John Mudgway
Sergeant	Peter Gurry (Brian Tyedin to Jul 05)
Attendance & Catering	Helen Tilley (Kathy Monley to Sep 05)
Health & Welfare	Harry Martin & Peter Gurry
Marketing, Sponsorship & PR	Ken Wall (Evangelos Bladeni to Nov 05) Natalie Mudgway (PR from Jan 06)
Program	John Bennie
ARHRF Liaison & Health Awareness	John McIntosh
Property	Tony Rizzo

Service on District Committees 2005 - 06

College of Governors	John Henderson
Membership	John Mudgway (Chair from Dec 05)
ARHRF	Trevor Dawson (Chair)
Community (ANZAC Day Project)	Graham Couch & Keith Anderson
Foundation	David Forster (Centurion Club Coordinator) Russell Barker (Peace Scholar Counsellor)
Youth Exchange	Kathy Monley (Deputy Chair to Dec 05) David Forster (Deputy Chair from Jan 06)
ROMAC	Julie-Ann Cobb (to Jan 06)

Awards 2005 - 06

Paul Harris Fellows

Alan Wyatt
Trevor Dawson
Tony Monley
Eastern Honda Pty Ltd
John Mudgway

Companion of the Australian Rotary Health Research Fund
Menziess Australia Day Community Awards

Brian Atherton
Brian Atherton
Max Bryan
Bruce Evans

The Norm Newstead Community Service Award

David Carson

The President's Award for Leadership

Peter Gurry

100% Attendance Awards

(Based on recorded Attendance at Dinner Meetings and make ups at other Clubs, attendance at community service events and/or Board or Committee meetings at Club or District level)

Keith Anderson, Brian Atherton, David Carson, Graeme Cobb, James Cunningham, Trevor Dawson, David Forster, Peter Gurry, John Henderson, Ken Horrobin, John Mudgway, Tony Rizzo, Brian Tyedin,

Companion CD Rom

The Report is accompanied by a CD Rom for Members containing the following:

- The Annual Report for 2005/06
- The Interim Financial Report for 2005/06 as at 24 Jun 06
- The Club Bulletins for 2005/06
- A Photo Gallery for 2005/06
- The Club Plan for 2005/06
- The Club Constitution and Bylaws
- The Minutes of the AGM held on 7 Dec 05
- The Audited Financial Statement for 2004/05

President's Report

David Forster

Introduction

What do you call a year at a Rotary Club when you start with one President and end with another? A Palace Coup? Chaotic? Good? Unsettled? Fruitful? Satisfying? Bad Luck? Or all of the above?

I call it a bit of a surprise! There is no doubt that the year had been planned meticulously and with a sense of balance for all areas. Tony Monley put a lot of thought and work into his preparations. Sadly, an unexpected transfer to a role in Singapore was too good to forego from a career perspective.

So, I was fortunate to inherit a plan, both comprehensive in outlook and detailed in its scope. This was coupled with a supportive Board and a relatively balanced Committee structure to oversee its implementation.

The various Committee Reports follow and they cover the relevant detail for the year. My Report will highlight strengths and weaknesses as I have perceived them. I will go on to make some recommendations that the Board and the Club in general may care to consider to capitalise on these strengths and to eliminate and/or minimize the weaknesses.

Strengths

The Club continues to conduct projects in all Avenues of Service and holds a strong financial position. Reserves have been accumulated as a result of our annual Fund Raising efforts achieving close to the set budget and unexpected additional funds from the Commonwealth Games task.

Although figures are yet to be finalized and audited, the spread of expenditure and/or

allocation of funds from the Charity account is split about 60/40 between domestic and international projects and recipients.

A charity surplus of about \$13K will extend the benefit from the Commonwealth Games windfall into the next couple of years. The Administration account will have a surplus in the order of \$3K and Fellowship funds will carry about \$0.8K into 2006/07.

The Club is a strong participant at District level both in activities and committees as well as being an acknowledged leader in contributions to, and participation in, the activities of the Rotary Foundation.

Most of our Club Projects are managed efficiently and receive adequate support despite a very busy and sometimes overlapping schedule. Our ability to plan and conduct a major annual fund raising event (Templestowe Festival) at the same time as successfully participating in the unforeseen Commonwealth Games task is indicative of this capability.

The Club has undertaken service projects in accordance with the priorities laid down by the RI World President. These have been in promoting Literacy and Education (Onemda Computers, WCS Dictionary project in South Africa), Water Management (WCS Bores and Pumps Project in Zimbabwe, the ongoing project at Bulleen Special School) and Youth Exchange (we sponsored our 25th Outbound in January and will welcome our 25th Inbound in July).

The Board has initiated a consultative process and framework designed to encourage cooperation and continuity both within the Club and with other Clubs and Community partners. In the first instance,

this has come about from more interactive Forums and Assemblies along with a more structured Joint Board planning session leading in to the next year.

In the second instance, the Club has actively sought and engaged in discussion and cooperation with Clubs in our Cluster. This complimented a continuing and strong contribution at District level and maximized the effectiveness of available funds via combined projects. Strong liaison continues with local Council and is being rejuvenated with Schools in the area. Furthermore, the recent combined effort to successfully ship the Hospital Beds and other DIK items to an appropriate end user is indicative of what can be achieved through partnership with other groups.

The Club responds well to learning about new areas of need and strives to find ways to contribute and spread resources outside the annual budget where possible. Our response and donations to ROMAC, KOTO, East Timor Eye Clinic, Operation Cleft, Mission Australia, Disaster Relief and Shelterboxes, are all good examples of this sense of compassion and service.

Above all, members continue to display the principle of Service Above Self in a range of ongoing activities. However, some do have a tendency to become serial volunteers and need to try and share their workload a little more!

Weaknesses

Membership has declined and must be reversed through the efforts of the entire Club. This applies to the identification and induction of new members and the retention of both recent and long serving individuals.

In the past, a strong and over riding sense of fellowship has been a key feature of the Club. Although good fellowship is still evident, there has been a noticeable decline in participation in many specific fellowship activities. Perhaps it is time to review its purpose and reach to reflect any change in members' needs and circumstances.

Too many individuals are taking on more responsibilities and tasks than they should. Although most of those so afflicted do so from personal choice, the rest of us must look for opportunities to ease their burden if and where possible. This requires balance with work and family responsibilities but we need to ensure our colleagues are not over extending themselves. All contributions are valuable and no one person should feel that they are unable to make a worthy input.

From time to time, there appears to be a tendency to get bogged down on the minutia of process and procedure at the expense of focusing on the outcomes of supporting the community, both locally and internationally. This not only takes our collective eyes off the ball, it wastes time and energy and is not conducive to good fellowship.

Conclusion and Recommendations

Despite a decline in net membership, we still have energetic and committed people in the Club. As well as rebuilding numbers, we need to capitalise on this energy and commitment along with individual and collective initiatives to provide opportunities to become more cooperative in what we do both internally and with other Clubs and community groups.

Fellowship is also something we all need to address. This cannot come about through force feeding; it needs to be a concurrent and inclusive part of all our activities. We

need to look at opportunities to build and consolidate fellowship through hands on activities and widening circles of friends both in and out of the ebb and flow of the Club's weekly meetings and other activities.

The Club should not centre on any one individual or any one year to measure its progress or worth. I am a firm believer in continuity and cooperation to achieve the best outcomes possible. We cannot afford to look at specific years, tasks and functions in isolation. To do so is to encourage and accept a silo approach which can make it very difficult to succeed in the world today.

We are all part of this Club; the Club is part of the Rotary District, Zone and Rotary International as well as part of our local, national and international communities. We need to continuously look for ways to cooperate with all of them to maximize our ability to achieve the most cost and socially effective outcomes.

Just as we need to find balance amongst our own contribution to the Club, our work and/or vocational interests and to our families, we need to find a balance in all the Club's activities. I know I have freely drawn on the RI themes for next year, but I have no doubt that with cooperation and continuity as our priorities, we will be able to achieve the sustainability necessary to remain a strong service organization in the community.

As we head into our 30th year, the Rotary Club of Templestowe continues to make its mark in all of the communities it serves. Although we have encountered some difficulties along the way, face others now and will inevitably face more in the future, I believe that the spirit that drives and motivates us all as Rotarians will overcome them and provide the impetus to contribute to the betterment of many others whose lives we can change through offering "Service Above Self".

David Forster
President

Treasurer's Report

Ken Sharpe

Overview

The Board has implemented the Budget for the current year in accordance with appropriate timelines and has acted prudently and successfully throughout the year to deliver on all major activities.

Members' subscription levels enabled us to meet the Club's operating obligations resulting in a small surplus primarily due to the bank interest received from our \$12,500 Term Deposit and Exchange rate variations in relation to RI dues.

The various Rotary Programs have been well-managed and compares favourably with last year. This has ensured a small surplus to carry forward to the next Rotary year.

The ability to manage GST within our operating obligations has provided an additional benefit to our "bottom line".

Since the amalgamation of the Fellowship Account into the financial operations of the Club, there has been a full accountability of the income and expenses in relation to prior Audit recommendations and The Constitution.

The year-end forecast remains extremely favourable. Reserves are retained at an appropriate level that allows the Club to meet any future or ongoing obligations.

The interim and unaudited Accounts as at 24 Jun are attached to the Annual Report.

Ken Sharpe
Treasurer

Fund Raising Committee Report

Keith Anderson

Committee

Keith Anderson, Rod Simkiss, Lance Peters, David Carson, John Mudgway, Frank Ryan, Mark Nutter (to Jan 06), David Shrimpton (to Jan 06).

Introduction

Fund raising is a function of all Club members. Thank you for your support for the various activities during the past year. Many fundraising activities also provide avenues for fellowship amongst members and their partners.

The following summarises activities for the year and amounts realized and/or raised to date.

Copper Pot \$3,150+

Thanks to Sergeant Peter (not related to St Peter) and his various 'Corporals' that assisted when needed and to all members, partners and guests that gave generously throughout the year. ARHRF and Rotary Foundation were the beneficiaries.

Joker Raffle \$1,190+

The Joker raffle, introduced by our incoming President, Brian Tyedin, several years ago, was again successful in raising a good sum. Congratulations to Ken Horrobin who won the big one. (does Pauline know ?) Thanks to Lance Peters for coordinating this activity.

Carry Over Auction \$1951

An Auction to help finalise fund raising for last years Centennial Project at the Templestowe Memorial Reserve was

conducted at The Domaine. It not only helped finalise funding, it also provided an opportunity for fellowship early on in the year. Thanks to Kathy Monley, Graham Kane and the rest of the team.

TAFE BBQs \$4,216+

Most club members were rostered on for duty at these meetings. Special thanks to Helen Lewtas (Peter's bell girl) for the preparation of the sandwiches for these meetings. It is important that we offer other food besides the BBQ meat.

Special thanks also to Ken Sharpe who stores and maintains the items in the trailer and drops it off each month. Also to those who return the trailer.

Voices for Hope Concert \$3,538

A great night was had being entertained by Raymond Khong and May early in the year. This took the form of a dinner at the Domain. Thanks to Marilyn Fraser for organizing this excellent venue .

Shopping Tour \$906

Thanks to Helen Lewtas who organised the day's tour to visit retail outlets. The tour included morning tea and a great lunch. Again this provided fellowship opportunity amongst members and partners.

Finns Family Festival \$4,076

This was the second year of conducting this event. Although successful from a fund raising point of view there were some disappointed stalls holders due to the lack of attendees spending time, and more particularly money for goods available.

The rides were well attended by children. Several schools provided the entertainment and had a great time.

Special thanks to Eastern Honda, for major sponsorship and to our other sponsors for the rides, Victorian Mortgage Management Group and Adilam Electronics. Also to Ken Doggett for providing the stage in the form of a large truck.

A set of steps was made by the Templestowe College Carpentry Dept that proved very useful. We are looking at ways to improve promotion of this event to attract a larger number of people and a revised layout to satisfy stall holders.

Golf Day \$5,997

Thanks to Brian Negus, Dick Holroyd and Frank Ryan, (Tom, Dick and Harry) who have been organizing the Golf Day at the Rosanna Golf Course for some years. Great support has been given by other members. Special thanks to our sponsors that helped offset costs and make the day very enjoyable and successful.

Christmas Cards \$500 Puddings and Cakes \$207

Good support was given for these District 9810 efforts. Please consider mentioning these items to your extended family and friends for the coming season. (Only 170 days to Christmas).

Christmas Raffle \$10,992

Good support was given by members and partners on the rosters. One of the local Probus Clubs also assisted us. Special thanks again to Eastern Honda for their sponsorship.

A Paul Harris Fellow recognition was presented by President David at a club meeting during May acknowledging the terrific support Eastern Honda have given over the past few years.

We will need to keep in close contact with management at Westfield Shopping Town as the centre undergoes major changes over the coming year or so.

Christmas Dinner Raffle \$1,573

Thanks to the Fellowship Committee who traditionally organize the raffle at our Christmas Dinner to benefit the Salvation Army. We look forward to Harry's address and thank members for their generosity in the purchase of raffle tickets.

Commonwealth Games \$23,564

The major new venture was a *once only* opportunity to participate in the cleaning of the Commonwealth Games Athletes Village. Although we had our 'heads down and tails up' the experience was enjoyed by all who took part. It was interesting to 'meet and greet' some of the athletes.

President David Forster's leadership and organization skills were evident to all and ensured this activity was carried out in a timely and effective manner.

To bolster our numbers and ensure all days were covered we were assisted by members from the Rotary Clubs of Manningham and Doncaster Sunrise. In addition there were energetic volunteers representing members of St Mark's Church and the Templestowe College Chaplaincy Committee.

Templestowe Village Festival \$6,457

This year's Festival was possibly the best ever due to the entertainment, particularly 'Dorothy the Dinosaur', advertising and promotions and the excellent weather.

The Rotary stalls, cakes, craft, books and plants did very well and the Rotary Information stall gave out Rotary balloons and had an effective promotion of Rotary.

The BBQ was kept very busy. One thing we forgot to do was Roster Brian Tyedin on the fairy floss machine. (after all he promotes dental floss)

The Templestowe Festival is the major occasion during the year when our Club is in a high profile position in the community. It is an opportunity to have a great deal of interchange and fellowship amongst members and partners. It is also an ideal time to attract new members.

We are looking at ways to further enhance our net income. Please plan to be 'in town' when this event is held in March 2007. All members are needed on the day to ensure our significant involvement is adequately staffed.

Easter Eggs \$529

Thanks to Ken Sharpe for organizing the sale of Easter eggs through our Club, an activity we have not 'enjoyed' previously

Entertainment Books \$1,837

Our Club took the initiative to be a reseller of these popular books. They give terrific value for the small cost of \$60. One person uses these books as a thank you and an incentive to customers. If you need more

information contact Lance Peters or Keith Anderson.

Spit Roast and Auction \$2,722

The final activity for this year was enjoyed by 50 members and friends at St Marks. Graham Kane, ably supported by Berilie, was our enthusiastic Auctioneer. Thanks to all who assisted in getting the venue ready and the clean up. Special thanks to Rod Simkiss, supported by Margaret, who coordinated this activity and to my own wife Margaret for her involvement on the day. Fellowship contributed towards the costs of the pre-dinner nibbles and drinks. Also thanks to all whom either contributed or sought auction items from retailers.

Other \$1,815 +

Other income included sponsorship of the Rotary Bike Ride by John Mudgway and our Exchange Student Liz to District Conference in Adelaide. Thanks for your participation in support of ARHRF.

Conclusion

The Total Fundraising Income was over \$76,000 gross before donations direct to groups assisting with specific activities such as the Christmas Raffle and Commonwealth Games Task.

The outgoing and incoming committees have met several times to ensure there is a smooth carry over to 2006/07. Several new ideas continue to be investigated and evaluated.

Keith Anderson
Fund Raising Director

Community Service Committee Report

Graeme Cobb

Committee

Graeme Cobb, Brian Atherton, Tony Rizzo, Paul Gallagher, Ken Horrobin, Pete Lewtas.

Asset Maintenance

In September a working bee was organized to refurbish and update the History Pavilion located in Finns Reserve. The sides to the pavilion were replaced, the central map case replaced with a table and bench and the entire pavilion repainted. The working bee concluded with a BBQ and refreshments.

Odyssey House

The Odyssey House Christmas BBQ and children's party was again organized by the committee. Christmas presents for approximately 30 children were purchased, some distributed by 'santa' Ken at the BBQ and others being given by clients of Odyssey to their children on Christmas Day. The BBQ was attended by 100 clients and staff from Odyssey and 15 children whose parent/s were in residential programs. Once again this event was appreciated by clients, children and staff. One staff member commented that we should not underestimate the positive effect support from community organizations, such as Rotary, has on the chances of success clients in their programs.

Manningham Centre

In December the committee also organized a Christmas Party for the elderly residents of the Manningham Centre. This function was attended by 150 residents and family as well as the then Mayor, Cr. Bill Larkin. Drinks and some light refreshments were served by the members of the committee and the

residents and guest were treated to Christmas Carols from the choir of St. Gregory's Church and a Christmas Sermon from the Parish Priest, Father Kelly. At the end of the event residents, without family present, were escorted back to their rooms. This was the first time for this event and gave us the opportunity, with St. Gregory's, to provide a little Christmas cheer to some of our elderly citizens.

Onemda

The committee was successful in applying for a District Simplified Grant of \$1014 to part fund a literacy project at Onemda. Together with the Vocation Committee a need for computer literacy aids at Onemda was identified. A computer and learning software was purchased and installed in February. This has enabled 20 Onemda clients to work towards achieving their potential.

Schools' ANZAC Day Service

The Schools ANZAC Service was held in April. This year had the largest attendance achieved so far with 700 students representing all 34 schools in City of Manningham as well as local State politicians, the Mayor and some local residents. A memorable was given by Mr. Ron Barassi and support for the Service provided by the Australian Defence Force and RSL. We were fortunate to once again have support from IGA Templestowe, and City of Manningham staff that prepared the reserve and provided road closure services. This year we were successful in applying for a City of Manningham Community Development Grant for \$2200, and this helped defray the costs associated with transporting students to the Service. The

level of attendance and commitment from schools to attend indicates the importance of the Service.

Red Shield Appeal

The Club also collected in excess of \$3000 for the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal. This annual event was supported by 15 collectors who enjoyed a cool damp morning and an enjoyable Yum Cha after the collection.

Bulleen Special School

Liaison was continued with the Bulleen Heights School on a water sustainability project should commence in the next fiscal year as Government Grants become available.

Epilepsy Kits

The Club was approached by The Epilepsy Foundation to distribute Information kits to local Schools to save them postal costs of around \$10,000 nationally. Peter Gurry distributed the kits as an adjunct to his new role as Schools' Liaison Officer. Thank you Peter.

Manningham Centre Pathway

A project proposed by the RC of Doncaster on a walkway at the Manningham Centre has also been monitored. The aim of the pathway is to provide a safe outdoor walkway for the Centre's residents. This project would involve all clubs in the City of Manningham and require significant construction and landscaping. It is an opportunity for the local Rotary Clubs to demonstrate tangible results through cooperation. Currently architects drawings have been prepared and detailed costing is being sought. Should this go ahead, the incoming Community Committee will recommend to the Board the level of the Club's involvement.

Conclusion

I would like to thank the Committee for the work and support they have provided in organizing some of the individual events. Without their efforts this year would not have seen the successful community events the Club has participated in.

Graeme Cobb
Community Director

International Committee Report

Terry Fleming

Committee

Terry Fleming, Noel Freeman, Ken Wall, Geoff Wilcox, Bryan Radcliff.

The Committee met a number of times face to face and by email to discuss the year.

Fiji

The only project that carried over from previous year was the Fiji ambulance maintenance if its condition required. An amount of \$1000 was allocated and carried forward from previous year. Consideration was deferred to after a visit to Fiji by Marilyn Fraser. We understand that the Ambulance may require some repair to lights however, this will be deferred till next year. Hospital requirements will be considered on receipt of report.

Human-E-Tour

Human-E-Tour is an organisation based in Singapore that brings together a company with funds and a company that will release employees to undertake small projects of a week in Asia. Ken Wall has a business contact with the agency, and endeavoured to bring the contact and our committee together but we were unable to meet. The concept is to investigate if our club can facilitate funds and employees from companies in Australia to undertake projects here or overseas. The idea has been passed to 2006-07 committee.

KOTO

The KOTO (Know One Train One) visit to our club resulted in the Committee allocating \$500 on top of the special collection of \$300 on the night that was channelled through the Intrepid group and

was to grow to \$1800 which will train one person for 15-18 months. The KOTO project will be considered as a long term activity for the club.

WCS Projects

Funds were allocated out of the International budget to meet opportunities to participate in two Matching Grants to help fund Rotary World Community Service (WCS) projects in Africa. These were coordinated by Foundation at District level and funds for the Zimbabwe project were forwarded this year with funds for the South African project being set aside for next year.

Interplast

Interplast is another project that the club has denoted as long term and this year we made an initial donation of \$3000 with another \$2000 being made available from the Commonwealth Games Funds. Collection of soft toys was again coordinated by Helen Lewtas and several shipments went off during the year to help provide these very important items for the teams overseas

DIK

Freight Costs. \$500 was donated to the regional DIK (Donations in Kind) Committee to assist in the payment of freight for a Container to be packed for East Timor as we had donated the exercise books and bikes collected and delivered to the Footscray store.

Hospital Beds. The Hospital beds and other associated items sourced and stored through David Carson's initiative finally found a home. In partnership with Dr Bennie Foo and the ACMAV (Australian Chinese Medical Association Victoria) Foundation

and Project Africa Inc, they were loaded aboard a container bound for a Teaching Hospital in Sri Lanka. Thanks go to the various members, friends and relatives who have moved stock over the last several months and worked to load the container. The ACMAV provided the \$2000 funding for freight and a proposal to the Board to share this cost on a 50/50 basis was agreed.

Other International Donations

Our Commonwealth Games Fund Raising windfall allowed increased and/or out of Budget donations to be made to:

ROMAC.	\$2000
Wheelchairs for Kids.	\$1000
RAM.	\$500
Operation Cleft.	\$500
East Timor Eye Clinic.	\$500
Shelterboxes.	\$1200

During the year, used Stamps were again collected by the Club to support this annual District activity. The beneficiary this year was the Wheelchairs for Kids Project and the \$7000 raised from the proceeds made from used stamps in the District meant that 70 Wheelchairs were funded for children in developing countries. Thanks to all the stamp savers and well done to the Club's philatelic garbologist, Helen Lewtas!

Youth Exchange

The club continued to support the Youth Exchange Program for the 24th year with inbound and outbound students.

Outbound. We have found over the last two years that there is a dearth of applicants and we have worked hard to have a number of students present applications.

2005. Erin Cunningham left for Canada in January 05 to be hosted by the Rotary Club of Ancaster in Canada. Although getting on well for the most of her exchange, she did suffer homesickness at the start and again towards the end and returned before Christmas. Her Counsellor was Richard Jourdain. On return, Erin elected not to return to School but opted to enter the work force under a TAFE Business Certificate Traineeship Scheme in the Fitness Industry.

2006. Max Boughen from Lower Templestowe was the 2006 outbound student. He went to Germany to be hosted by RC Neandertal. Peter Gurry is his Counsellor and has been closely involved in his ongoing preparation and liaising closely with the first host family as Max settled in to his exchange year.

2007. The successful candidate was Lucien Reeder from Kangaroo Ground and Bruce Evans has accepted the role of Counsellor. He has been allocated to France and will depart in January 2007.

Inbound Students.

2004-05. Birgit Johnson departed in late June 2005 due to Visa approvals for most of the inbounds only running to 30 June.

2005-06. In July, Lison Colin arrived from France (her home is in the village of Perpezac-le-blanc which is near the town of Brive-la-Gaillarde in the central region of the southern half of France). Lison was to be counseled by David Forster but due to exceptional events, David was elevated to the Presidency and Russell and Glenys Barker stepped up. Lis was hosted by the Jourdain's,

Flemings, Cunninghams and Cobbs. Lison has been a delight assisting members with their school learnt French. Whilst her sojourn is coming to an end, we will miss her as we do all our inbound students. Lis participated in all club activities including the weekend away, bike ride, shopping tour, District Conference and I take this opportunity to thank the hosts; the Jourdain, Fleming, Cunningham and Cobb families plus Russell and Glenys Barker as counsellors.

2006-07. Ann Christina Pedersen, sponsored by the RC Maribo, District 1480, Denmark will arrive in July. Max and Leonie Bryan are the Counsellors. Maribo is the same club that sponsored Ann-Sofie Van Sorensen two years ago. Hosts are being finalised and will probably include the Forster, Stevens and Fleming families at this stage.

Assistance to Other Club. As RC of Warrandyte wanted to remain in the YEP program but were having difficulty in finalizing Host families this year, the Monleys graciously volunteered to assist them in hosting their Inbound student, a boy from Japan.

Club Hosting Support. The ongoing target for a minimum 40% level of participation from Club members (including host families) in some sort of hosting or support to our incoming student was not met – we fell short at 30-35%. The contribution of all those members who assisted is greatly appreciated.

Again, we would hope that additional Club members will look more closely at their ability to assist if at all possible. The Entertainment Books sold through Fund Raising which provide discounts for many activities around Melbourne is again highlighted to members as a means to assist with personal budgets!

Conclusion

I thank all the Committee for their great input during the year and to Ken Wall for stepping in to manage the outbound applications, bring together the selection panel and advising the outcome to the candidates.

**Terry Fleming
International Director**

Vocational Committee Report

Dave Roberts

Committee

Dave Roberts, Russell Barker, Kathy Monley (to Dec 05), Natalie Mudgway, Julie-Ann Cobb (to Jan 06)

NYSF

The candidate Paul Annabell, who we put forward for the National Youth Science Forum, was selected for this program. Paul reported back on completion of the program: *“I doubt that I am able to convey here exactly what a fantastic organization the NYSF is, or what its like to go through such a program. Hopefully, however, you may be able to gain a sense of how much I benefited from the forum, of how grateful I am to the organizers and to Rotary for giving me this opportunity.”*

RYLA and RYPEN

We were unsuccessful in sourcing participants for the RYLA and RYPEN programs. However, it is gratifying to know that at least two members have indicated a willingness to help assist with sourcing future RYLA candidates and that the new Schools' Liaison Officer (SLO) appointment will be able to assist with RYPEN.

Templestowe College Citizenship Awards

Two Templestowe college students were awarded Citizenship Awards and watches - Sean Marsicovetore and Kirby Hodkinson

for “Outstanding Commitment to School Life”. Each student was presented with a watch and certificate.

The School elected not to receive the cash Awards for achievement at each year level this year. No reason was given and again, the SLO may well be able to assist in this area next year.

4 Way Test Public Speaking

Through the efforts of Russell Barker, two candidates for the 4 Way Test Speaking Contest were sourced from Templestowe College. One of the candidates made it through to the semi finals in the inaugural year of this District initiated activity.

Literacy

Community and Vocation combined to donate funds to Onemda. Graeme Cobb applied and received a District Simplified Grant (DSG) to assist. The funds were used to purchase new computers to assist in the area of literacy.

Chaplaincy Brochures

Vocation assisted in the production and print of a leaflet promoting the Chaplaincy at Templestowe College

David Roberts
Vocation Director

Foundation Committee Report

Dennis Young

Committee

Dennis Young, Helen Tilley, Bruce Evans,
Trevor Dawson, Graham Walker.

Aims

- To participate in matching grants.
- To promote the Centurion Club to our members.
- To Host the French Incoming GSE Team.
- To Be involved in the Humanitarian Grants.
- To participate in “Lets Nail Polio” and Flip for Foundation Money Box initiatives.

Matching Grants

WCS Projects. We joined with other clubs in the District to allocate funds to Rotary World Community Service (WCS) projects – US\$2000 for bi lingual dictionaries for a literacy project in Estecourt South Africa and US\$1000 for the provision of a bore, pumps and associated equipment for vegetable gardens at Chiedze Children’s Home, Harare, Zimbabwe. District has applied or will apply for matching grants and pass funds through RI to local Clubs to undertake the work. Funds for Zimbabwe have been forwarded this year and have been designated for the South African project into next year’s reserves.

Simplified Grant. As noted elsewhere, the Community Committee also accessed a District Simplified Grant (DSG) to help fund a Literacy project at Onemda.

Centurion Club

Promotion of the Centurion Club netted an increase of 2 bringing total annual Donors to

the Foundation under this District managed scheme to 17 within the Club.

Group Study Exchange Team

The GSE Team from D1640 in France was hosted by our Club on the 3rd May. Our day began when we met them at the Nunawading Aquatic Centre, making our way to the MCG for an arranged tour of the G, which they thoroughly enjoyed. The Tennis Centre was next and another good look at a great stadium. Next came lunch at the Victorian Club situated on the 41st Floor of the Rialto Tower. Great views of the city and surrounding suburbs to be seen from the Observation Deck Tour. Special Thanks to all involved in the preparations and to Trevor Dawson for the planning of the day. We then hosted the exchange team at our club dinner meeting, where there was a French Theme incorporated into the menu, decorations and the special attendance of the Can-Can Dancers, which all enjoyed and capped off a most memorable day for our visitors.

Lets Nail Polio and Money Boxes

The Rotary Club of Moorleigh Bentleigh East invited Clubs in the District to participate in a Polio awareness project called Let’s Nail Polio. This project is a big salute to the volunteers, that make Polio Eradication National Immunisation Days possible. By being involved as suggested our members had a finger nail painted blue and donated a dollar. Most members supported this effort recognising “*a united foundation project symbolising our gift to the children of the world*”. The Polio Awareness week was capped by a Polio Quiz at a regular weekly meeting.

As part of the District's promotion of Foundation, Money Boxes were issued to all members under cover of a simple game to "Flip a Gold Coin". Helen Tilley worked to coordinate this District initiative. As a result of both initiatives, approximately \$200 was raised towards the Club's annual Giving Target to Foundation.

DDF Funding Policy

PDG John Glenn, District Foundation Chair, addressed the Club in Nov 05 on the Rotary Foundation. As part of his address, expenditure of District Designated Funds (DDF) Funds was discussed and the percentage split between humanitarian and educational expenditure was queried.

As a result, the Club formally raised the issue with District and proposed an amendment to District Bylaws. This proposal was successfully adopted at Conference and in future years, the DG will consult with Clubs and gain their agreement on the proposed split of DDF funds being allocated for humanitarian and educational programs.

Conclusion

Finally, I would like to thank all members of the Committee for their support and contribution during the year.

Dennis Young
Foundation Director

Club Service Committee Report

Brian Tyedin

Introduction

Club Service is the committee that keeps the club functioning and it has been a pleasure to work with 11 different chair persons representing their portfolios.

Fellowship (James Cunningham)

Committee. Graham Couch, Geoff Gough, Richard Holroyd, Graham Kane, Brian Negus

Purpose. The role of the Fellowship Committee is to provide a warm and inviting environment which will indeed foster real fellowship. It has often been said that fellowship is the “glue” which holds a club together.

Activities. Several specific and combined activities were held over the year as follows:

Dine Out Night. The first major event was the dinner out at various restaurants in the municipality commencing with drinks at the Council Offices kindly arranged by John Bennie.

Weekend Away. The weekend away was held in the Yarra Valley with accommodation and Saturday night dinner at the magnificent RACV Club.

Theme Club Nights. We ran special themed dinners for the AFL Grand Final and the Melbourne Cup which were a lot of fun.

Christmas Functions. We had our normal family Christmas function in the park at Eltham and supported Community at Odyssey House. The Christmas Dinner was magnificent with

outstanding entertainment provided by John Lidgerwood and his daughter Alexandra. The proceeds as always were donated to the Salvation Army. Colonel Harry Martin gave the Christmas address and accepted the donation.

January BBQs. In January we held a relaxed barbecue at the Cunninghams which was a lot of fun and fellowship. This followed the previous week’s gathering at Finn’s Reserve which was also attended by members of the RCs of Manningham, Doncaster Sunrise and Warrandyte as a combined and informal event. The consensus was that it should continue on an annual basis.

Club Anniversary. The 29th March saw us organize the 29th Anniversary for the Club at the Templestowe Bowls Club. We started with lessons on bowling with a “friendlies” competition followed by a terrific dinner with special awards for winners of the bowling competition.

Club Lunch. Following the Salvos annual door knock locally, Fellowship arranged a wonderful lunch or Yum Cha at Jackie’s Kitchen which was a great success.

Overview. During the year, Fellowship also provided hospitality at the Yarra Valley Country Club either before or after the dinner meetings which were well received.

A number of members and partners commented that some of the best fellowship was at the working bees for cleaning of the Commonwealth Games village. There may well be a message here because too many of the events are poorly attended. We are fully

aware that we are a club in transition and must address this issue. A survey was held during the year to determine what members and their partners wanted with fellowship. Unfortunately with only a 20% return rate the results were not very meaningful. Ah! Another challenge!

I thank each and every committee member for giving of their time and energy during another “full on” year in Fellowship. We had a lot of fun serving Rotary and its members.

Program (John Bennie)

(John put together a very comprehensive program this year of interesting speakers and meetings. Well done John.)

Members will always determine the true success of the annual program but from the coordinators perspective, the 2005/2006 program has been consistent; fair in its allocation of duties and relevant to the objectives of Rotary and needs and interests of members.

All available members contributed to the duty roster and their support has been greatly appreciated. 39 keynote speakers addressed us throughout the year and on other occasions, forums, assemblies, annual meetings and **fellowship events** filled a full annual agenda.

It has often been said that ‘Club speakers’ are among the best we hear and those who contributed during the year are thanked sincerely.

Of the external speakers, key among them were (in appearance order) **Michael Licenblat** who motivated and enthused us; **Don Draffin** inspired as he copes with visual impairment; **Paul Sheahan**, showed

his commitment to youth in his life after Test cricket; **Drs. John Kanellis and Mark Ellis** who respectively addressed kidney transplants and ophthalmology; **Kerryn Vellerman**, on women in business; **Les Bull** updated us on *Eastlink*; **Ramzi Elsayed and John Cohen** were other highlights raising our awareness of Islam and Indonesia respectively; and, through the ‘*Freddo Frog Speakers Challenge*’, we had entertaining addresses from **Sgt. Rod Hardy** (international crime); **John Lidgerwood** (on his ‘entertaining life’ and appearing again, following his Christmas entertainment) and **John Connolly** on his interesting life in athletics and business.

A particular highlight of the year was the evening we spent with **Jimmy, Phuong and Tiep – KOTO – Know One Teach One**. This night epitomised much of what our dinner meeting program is all about – we listened and learned from achievers outside Rotary; we were humbled by the efforts and determination of others; we saw how less privileged can grow from support and assistance; and, **we gave** – the spontaneous contribution of members and Club on that night to a small but significant cause would have made us all proud. A great highlight and the fondest memory in your coordinators opinion!

Bulletin (Clive Watt)

Clive has excelled in producing a very readable bulletin and the new format made for easier reading via the internet.

Membership (Richard Jourdain)

We were unfortunate to lose quite a few members this year but we were able to pick up a couple of new members later in the year.

Club within a club membership drive was not as successful as has been reported by other clubs and we need to reassess our strategy for the coming years.

Sergeant (Peter Gurry)

Peter used his wit and style to keep the copper pots filling up. Guest sergeants were a feature this year and provided a different style of sergeant from time to time.

Peter was also responsible for the logistics of the meeting and performed this part of the sergeant's job admirably. The duties of the sergeant were to set up for the weekly meeting. The setting up and putting away of the meeting equipment is a joint venture of the four members on Registration and Fellowship. This is not always understood by members of the duty team. It can happen that members of the duty team become engaged in conversation or hurry off home before putting away the meeting equipment.

The sergeant needs to open the equipment locker just before 6pm and lock up the locker after all equipment has been returned.

The sergeant needs to pass a Rotary Gift to the member moving the vote of thanks prior to the opening of the meeting. The sergeant also places a bottle of wine on the top table to be ready for heads and tails competition.

This year guest sergeants were used every 2 weeks. This gives other members an opportunity to be sergeant and the guest sergeant is given a week's notice for preparation. This system provides variety rather than the main sergeant being in action every week. It allows the main sergeant some respite and the opportunity to develop fresh themes when he is in action

Health and Wellbeing (Peter Gurry)

This portfolio provides information to all members and support to an ailing member or partner at a time of illness or injury. It is a challenge to receive all health and welfare information from members as some members wish to keep such information private.

Thank you Peter for your care and sensitivity in this area.

Catering & Attendance (Helen Tilley)

Helen Tilley is the Catering Officer and has the responsibility of liaising with the staff at the YVCC to organize accurate dining numbers for our meeting each week. Other responsibilities include co-coordinating special theme nights with the YVCC.

Meal service was reviewed and as of 7 Jun, it reverted to a 50/50 choice to simplify administration.

The main difficulty has been in getting members to inform the catering officer of their intentions in advance of the meeting.

Helen also looked after the attendance requirements.

Well done Helen.

Property (Tony Rizzo)

Club property assets have finally found a secure, safe and convenient home thanks to Tony Rizzo and Paul Howelling, Scout Group Leader 3rd Templestowe Scouts.

The facility is located at the Scout's Hall at Finns Reserve. It is 15 square meters, with a mezzanine section at the rear of the hall. It

is securely locked. Keys are held by Tony Rizzo.

Tony is also in the process of reviewing and updating the Club's asset list. The latest addition was one paper clip.

Well done to Tony for his persistence and patience in being able to locate a property storage area for the club

On to Conference (John Mudgway)

A successful conference involving much fellowship in Adelaide was arranged for the club by John. One of the highlights of the conference was the first prize for costumes at the Saturday evening function. Our club delegates attended suitably attired as Roman Senators accompanied by the Vestal Virgins (Second Class – Retired) of the Temple of Stowe and preceded by Exchange Students Lis and Henrique in the guise of Slave Attendants.

ARHRF (John McIntosh)

It is pleasing to note that the Club continues to be a strong supporter of the Australian Rotary Health Research Fund (ARHRF). Due to a successful fund raising year, the Club has donated over \$6,600 from Club funds.

About another \$2000 has been credited against the Club's annual contribution through the efforts of Past President, John Mudgway and exchange student Lis with the sponsorship for their Bike Ride to the District Conference in Adelaide.

These funds enabled the Club to allocate \$2500 towards an Indigenous Health Scholarship as proposed in the Annual Plan and to be able to recognise a Club member as a "Companion of the Fund". This

recognition went to Brian Atherton for his contribution to the health needs and awareness of our members and the wider community.

Health Awareness (John McIntosh)

Health issues are prominent in our Club Agenda and the current year proved no exception.

Guest Speakers on health issues included:

Dr Mark Ellis - Ophthalmology
Mr John Kanellis - Kidney Transplants
Lindsay Hyde - Road safety
Michael Licenblat - Performance Psychology.
Don Draffin - Dealing with Disability.

Marketing, Sponsorship and PR (Ken Wall)

This new committee's aims are to develop and foster closer relationships with our sponsors and to seek ongoing sponsorship of club events. As this committee develops it will take our club to the next level and will be of strategic importance to the financing and future of this club.

Based on the research from Clive Watt and Dick Holroyd, the PR and sponsorship committee has created a database of previous sponsors. The database is now in a form that allows for selective mailings and emails.

The first 'thank you' mail-out was sent in early May. The next mail-out will invite previous and potential sponsors to a special 'Change the World' club meeting designed to highlight the benefits of sponsorship and the impact that Rotary activity can have on changing lives throughout the World.

Eastern Honda as a distinguished sponsor of many events received a Paul Harris Fellow award. A press release prepared by Clive Watt saw mention of the event in the Leader Newspapers.

In 2006/07 the plan is to extend the current mailing campaign to new and potential sponsors as a critical component in funding our activities.

Conclusion

My sincere thanks to all who gave their time to serve on this committee this year.

Brian Tyedin
Club Service Director

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