



Rotary Club of Templestowe Inc 2007 – 2008 Annual Report



Club Number	18385
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Incorporation Number.	A0013020S
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Membership at 30 June 2008

Keith	ANDERSON	PP, PHF, **	PP	Past President
Bryan	ATHERTON	PHF	PDG	Past District Governor
John	BENNIE		PHF	Paul Harris Fellow
Karen	BILSON		C	Charter Member
Simon	BRAID		H	Honorary Member
Tony	CARROLL		P	President
David	CARSON		PE	President Elect
Graeme	COBB	P	DGN	District Governor Nominee
Bill	COCKRAM		PEN	President Elect Nominee
James	CUNNINGHAM	PP, PHF	**	Multiple PHF's
Trevor	DAWSON	PP, PHF		
Gysbert	DIEPEVEEN	PHF		
Bruce	EVANS	PP, PHF		
Terry	FLEMING			
David	FORSTER	PP, DGN		
Paul	GALLAGHER			
Peter	GURRY	PP, PHF, C **		
John	HENDERSON	PP, PHF, PDG **		
Ken	HENRY			
Andrew	HOGENDIJK	PP, PHF		
Richard	HOLROYD	PHF		
Ken	HORROBIN	PP, PHF **		
Vince	HORSBURG			
Richard	JORDAIN	PE		
Graham	KANE			
David	KNOOP			
Pete	LEWTAS	PP, PHF		
John	MACINTOSH	PP, PHF		
Harry	MARTIN	PHF, H		
Kathy	MONLEY	PHF		
Tony	MONLEY	PHF		
John	MUDGEWAY	PP, PHF		
Natalie	MUDGEWAY	PHF		
Brian	NEGUS	PP, PHF		
Lance	PETERS	PP, PHF		
John	PRENDERGAST			
Bryan	RADCLIFF	PHF		
Tony	REVELL			
Tony	RIZZO			
Adrian	RODRIQUEZ			
Frank	RYAN	PHF		
Ken	SHARPE	PHF		
Rod	SIMKISS			
Helen	TILLEY			
Brian	TYEDIN	PP, PHF		
Graeme	WALKER	PP, PHF		
Ken	WALL	PEN		

Club Office Bearers 2007 – 2008

President	Graeme Cobb
Vice President	David Forster
President Elect	Richard Jourdain
Secretary	Lance Peters
Treasurer	John Mudgway
Fund Raising	Richard Jourdain
Community	Tony Rizzo, Tony Revell (part)
Vocational	Tony Rizzo
New Generations	Graham Kane
Foundation	Ken Wall
International	Ken Wall
Club Service	Graeme Cobb
Membership And Marketing	John McIntosh
Fellowship	Richard Holroyd
Bulletin Editor	Rod Simkiss
On-to-Conference	Brian Tyedin
Sergeant	Frank Ryan, Simon Braid
Catering	Ken Horrobin
Health and Welfare	Helen Tilley
Program	James Cunningham
ARHRF Liaison	Trevor Dawson
Property	Paul Gallagher

Service on District Committees 2007 - 20008

College of Governors	John Henderson
ARHRF	Trevor Dawson (chair)
Youth Exchange	David Forster
District Conference 2008	Bryan Tyedin (MC)
District Conference 2008	Ken Sharpe (Caterer)

President's Report – Graeme Cobb

It has been my privilege to serve the Rotary Club of Templestowe for the 2007/08 Rotary year. I would like to express my thanks to the Board members, John Mudgway, Lance Peters, John McIntosh, Richard Jourdain, Ken Wall, Tony Rizzo and Graham Kane for their support and guidance during the year. Their individual reports will appear later in the annual report.

Like all years in Rotary there have been some achievements as well as the odd challenge or two. Our fundraising was impacted by the demise of the Apple Computer Users Group BBQ, Westfield building works and a smaller than usual attendance at the Templestowe Festival. Despite this we were able to meet our commitments to The Rotary Foundation, make meaningful donations to ARHRF, ROMAC and Interplast, continue to support core Club programs in Youth and Community and undertake a project at Odyssey House. Future fundraising looks to be on a sound footing. Rod Simkiss and Keith Anderson are to be congratulated on their investigation and groundwork to set up a Farmer's Market. With all of the Club's support this will provide a significant source of funds for some years to come.

This year a partial implementation of the "Club Leadership" model was trialed. I believe this has had mixed success. On the positive side focus on membership was achieved, and the opportunity for members to participate in multiple areas of interest was taken up by many members. The less formal committee structure caused some concerns to some members and we were unable to make the most of the opportunities to market the Club and Rotary in the community.

Membership has been a highlight of the year. After some years of declining membership the trend has been reversed with the induction of eight new members. It is particularly pleasing to note our Club has been able to attract two previous Club

members, two previous members of Rotary and four new members to Rotary.

A Rotary Club Health check was undertaken by Lance Peters and John Henderson. This has been reviewed by the Board and will be actioned, as appropriate, by the incoming Board. As we enter 2008/09 we are alive and well, but will only continue so by repeating our efforts to attract new members and promotion within the community.

Part of attracting and retaining members is the spirit within the Club. This year Fellowship has been managed by Dick Holroyd and assisted by Ken Horrobin and Trevor Dawson. Events have been varied and attracted wide support from Members without being too frequent and have ranged from support on meeting nights as in the film show and visit to 000; cocktails at the RSL Club and Christmas and Anniversary night meetings. The spirit of a club is also reflected in the weekly meetings. A varied program, with speakers to cover all interests has been managed by James Cunningham, and catering has been managed by Ken Horrobin.

We have also been fortunate to have Simon Braid and Frank Ryan as our sergeants and Helen Tilley to maintain a watch on the health and welfare of our members. Our bulletin continues to provide information and items of interest to our members, congratulations to Rod Simkiss for bulletin production during the year. Participation in Club activities has been very good with Members supporting our Festivals, packing of hospital equipment, Eastlink opening and a project at Odyssey House. Your participation in activities is what makes for a successful year.

Last year PP Brian Tyedin spoke of handing me a slightly used car, that car is now another year older with a few more miles on the clock. A few new parts have been added, a dent or two removed (and a couple added) and a new driver is about to take over to continue the Rotary journey. Thank you for being part of the 2007/2008 journey in Rotary.

Rotary Club of Templestowe International Report 2007-08 Ken Wall

Donations in Kind continue as a major activity, in particular through the passionate support of David Carson. One of our objectives this year has been to change the focus from the club level to involvement in DIK and RAWCS at district and regional level. Ken Wall attended the Southern Region RAWCS AGM in Ballarat and David Carson has been invited to join the District RAWCS committee for 2008-09.

District Involvement is aimed at maintaining a club involvement in DIK and at the same time taking advantage of the greater reach and opportunity, which might be possible at District and regional level. In this vein we are working with Bob Selinger – a Rotary Volunteer from the USA now working in Zambia, to see if we can help equip a hospice in Livingstone. Regional DIK response has already been encouraging and Glen Mills from UTI is working on shipping alternatives.

After an enormous amount of work both by members of RCT and the drumming group Purpledog Rhythms, the Nungua toilet project had to be abandoned because of limited response from the Rotary Club of Accra and the absence of an obvious 'champion' for the cause at the place of need.

Our application for a matching grant for Paul Gallagher to travel to Zambia to work with Project Africa was turned down. A number of Rotary Clubs in District 9810 responded favourably to the request (instigated by Graham Kane in the previous year) for funding for Paul's travel, but these amounts were subsequently returned to the

donating clubs due to unforeseen difficulties with the project.

The ladies at various Primelife Communities and the Manningham Centre knitted teddy bears, beanies and jumpers in huge quantities! All of them have now been shipped to various locations in Zambia, Uganda and Cambodia.

In March and April two 20-foot containers were packed and shipped. One went to the Nyenga Hospital in Uganda, a project being coordinated by Dr Benny Foo and the Australian Chinese Medical Association of Victoria. The other went to a hospital and school complex in Cambodia coordinated by the UTI Foundation and Glen Mills. The remaining usable items in the scout hall will be shipped to Sri Lanka.

A small surplus in the club budget allowed us to send \$2,400 as two donations for two Shelterboxes. The Shelterbox Project continues to be a major factor benefit in areas affected by the worst disasters. The recent earthquake in China and devastation in Myanmar has seen over 1,000 Shelterboxes being distributed from Cornwall, Dubai, Singapore and Melbourne.

Community Service and Vocational Committee Report - Tony Rizzo

During the Rotary year, our committee endeavoured to further enhance our community by being involved in a number of projects and bring enjoyment and benefits where it was needed. A big thank you to all who contributed to the activities initiated during the year.

School Anzac Day Service

18th Schools ANZAC Service held Tuesday 15th April 2008.

Approximately 600 students from local schools attended the service from 1.00pm to 1.45pm on a beautiful Tuesday afternoon. Congratulations to John Benny and his team from the Rotary Club of Templestowe for the excellent work in organising the event. Members of the Australian Army Catafalque Party attended the service. Official guests arrive to be welcomed by President Graeme Cobb of the Rotary Club of Templestowe. Colonel John Coulson RFD ED presented the Anzac Address to the students by taking them back in a time warp to 1915.

Bill Culbert, President of the Templestowe RSL presented the Ode. Manningham Mayor, Cr. Geoff Gough, responded to the welcome from President Graeme Cobb.

John Bennie – Team Manager

Manningham Aged Care Centre

A fun day for our senior citizens was held at the Manningham Centre on Sunday 17th February 2008, with the "Elster Vista Jazz BBQ" brought to us by the Elster-Vista Jazz Orchestra comprising; Janet Arndt - Singer, Tony Brothers on Clarinet, Ken Forbes on Piano, Jim Mills on Banjo, Jackie O'Neill on Drums and Washboard, Hans Rossner on Tuba, and Dita

Ludwig on Trombone, and are to be congratulated for their top rate performance.

During the bands' interval the audience was also entertained by Lil Francis on Piano.

Our club was represented by Tony Rizzo, Graham Walker, Dick Holroyd, Terry Fleming, Tony and Val Revell, Gysbert Diepeveen, and Graeme Cobb.

Tony S Rizzo – Team Manager

Odyssey House Xmas Bbq

Well done to all who participated in the Christmas BBQ and entertainment at Odyssey On 14th December 2007. Particular thanks to Ken Wall and the Purple Dogs who kept the rhythmic beat flowing throughout the night. The participation of the 75 Odyssey residents and children (and the odd Rotarian) generated a sense of total involvement rarely achieved in this style of event. An extremely pleasing aspect was the number of residents who saw fit to shake our hand and thank us for arranging the night, and also the appreciation expressed by Odyssey staff.

Thanks to Graham Walker, Ken Sharpe, Ken Wall, Ken Horrobin, David Carson, Paul Gallagher, Graeme Cobb, James Cunningham, Bryan Radcliff, Karen Bilson, Richard Jourdain, Bruce Evans, John Mudgway, Tony Revel and Tony Rizzo.

Graham Walker – Team Manager

Road Safety Education with Cluster Colleges

Templestowe College has been participating for the last 3 years, but have not submitted a proposal this year. The contact at the college is being followed up to see what further assistance we can offer, especially to have them institute the program again for next year.

Transmission is RACV's secondary school road safety program. Students learn about road safety and use their imagination to create a Community Service Announcement for television. The most outstanding designs will be produced and aired on Channel Seven and WIN Television. This program begins in Term 1 of each school year.

The RACV Transmission program is for Years 9-12 students and aims to:

- improve young people's road safety behaviour
- promote Traffic Safety Education programs in Victorian secondary schools
- encourage young people to be safer road users
- Encourage student-centred learning in a cooperative, team environment.

Through the program, students will

- select a road safety topic and investigate its impact
- analyse data and gather evidence to support the development and presentation of the safety message
- communicate safe and responsible road use and attitudes to the target audience
- Present their concept using a storyboard and script.

The RACV Transmission programs encourage students to plan, investigative and create in a team environment. Schools can use the program as:

- a component of an area of study
- a cross-curricular collaborative project
- an extracurricular project.
- transmission resource kit and registration

Brian Negus – Team Manager

Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal

On the weekend of 24-25 May 2008 eight volunteers from the Rotary Club of Templestowe collected \$1,597.35 on their door-to-door campaign. Peter Gurry's title of The Collector remains intact with a tally of \$500.00. There is a challenger to Peter's title. First timer Vince Horsburg brought in \$365.15 - a fantastic achievement. Thanks are due to each of our collectors - Keith Anderson, Karen Bilson, Terry Fleming, Peter Gurry, Vince Horsburg, Graham Kane & John McIntosh.

John Mudgway - Team Manager.

Volunteer of the Year Award

Tony Revell – Team Manager

Odyssey Passive Play Space

Work to upgrade current facilities on the Odyssey House play space was performed by approximately 12 RCOT members and 8 Odyssey House residents and staff involved during the 9 hour working bee held on Saturday 31st May 2008. Work included removal of some smaller plants, digging of holes to take platforms and fence posts, removal and relocation of sandpit boundary and digging of dry creek bed. The results of a hard days work saw our two exceptional builders Gysbert Diepeveen and David Knoop complete the construction of a boundary fence, a stage for the children, a platform around the sand pit and a bridge over the dry creek bed. The area was then finished off with a selection of plants. The project gave great satisfaction to all who attended and will provide great enjoyment to the children.

Ken Wall – Team Manager

Rotary Citizenship Awards

Rotary Citizenship Awards to College vice Captains" were presented by Tony Rizzo on behalf of our Rotary Club at the Templestowe College Presentation Night at the Ivanhoe Centre Tuesday 11, 2007 to Lee Thomson and Hayley Kernaghan.

NEW GENERATIONS. Graham Kane

Committee: Graham Kane, Bryan Radcliff, Karen Bilson, Peter Gurry (School Liaison).

Youth Exchange Programme

This year is the 26 th. Year our club have participated in the Rotary International Youth Exchange Programme with both inbound and outbound students.

Inbound

Larissa Vasconcelos de Souza arrived from Belo Horizonte, Brazil on 6 th. August. She was greeted at Melbourne Airport by several members including her counsellor Ken Wall and wife Angela. After an initial stay with the Walls Larissa moved to four successive Host Families. First the home of Jenny and DGE David Forster, then to Dee Sheffrin and Peter Stevens in Warrandyte, next was Andrew and Margaret Simons (RC of Warrandyte) and finally Ann and Terry Fleming. The Club is most grateful for the dedication of time and resources expended by those who have welcomed Larissa into their homes.

During her time here Larissa has enjoyed the companionship of many fellow YE students and members of our Club. She also toured The Centre and Great Barrier Reef. Larissa reported on her activities in an address to us at a dinner meeting in June.

Our next inbound YE student will be Katrin Heidgen from Bonn in Germany, she is expected to arrive on the 16 th. July. Terry Fleming, ably assisted by wife Ann, is to act as her counsellor and John and Gayle Prendergast will be the first host parent family. Templestowe College have generously acceded to our request to place Katrin for the year. We very much value their ongoing co-operation.

Outbound

Breanna Large

On 18 th. January Breanna Large headed off to central Sweden as a guest of the Rotary Club of Orebro – Vaster. Sixteen-year-old Breanna, who previously attended East Doncaster Secondary College, will benefit greatly for the year overseas. Breanna addressed the club at our dinner meeting last December when Youth Exchange Chairman and DGE David Forster, presented her with the distinctive green YE blazer. Bryan Radcliff, last year's New Generations Director, is supporting Breanna as her counsellor.

This year Lucian Reeder returned from an exciting year of Youth Exchange activity in France. He, along with a dozen other returning YE students, entertained DG Dick Garner and more than 100 guests at the Welcome Home Dinner in February. Lucian also spoke of his overseas adventures and played the violin to our Club in April. His experienced counsellor, Bruce Evans, proposed the vote of thanks. Lucian's parents, Anna and Haydn Reeder, attended both functions.

In February this year we received an application for outbound YE student departing January 2009, from Bettie Goodrick. A committee comprising Kathy Monley, Simon Braid, Bryan Radcliff and Graham Kane interviewed Bettie and recommended her to the RI Youth Exchange Committee for consideration as a participant in the YE programme.

National Youth Science Forum

Amanda Ting Gorman, year 11 science student from Methodist Ladies College, was selected to attend the National Youth Science Forum held in Canberra in January. A Certificate confirming her successful attendance was received.

The Siemens Science Experience

Evan Pappas, a year 9 student at Carey Grammar School, was sponsored by our Club to attend Melbourne University and

participate in the Seimens Science Experience.

Thank you to all members who gave so freely of their time, funds and enthusiasm to ensure our success this year.

Model United Nations Assembly

This year we did not receive any applications from local schools wishing to participate in MUNA, which is held at Victorian State Parliament in May. Templestowe College however did register one team of 2 year eleven boys through RC Doncaster. Both boys benefited immensely from the public speaking opportunity.

Club Protection Officer

Procedures for Districts and Clubs to be accredited to participate in the R.I. Youth Exchange Programme are now in place. In August 2007, the Board appointed Graham Kane as Club Protection Officer to oversee compliance with the programme.

We are now required to ensure that people directly involved in looking after our Youth Exchange student on their own have Department of Justice Working with Children Checks. This includes Counsellors and Host Families inclusive of members over the age of 18 years living in the host home. These procedures have been put in place to help ensure that all those involved in the Programme – Students, Host Parents, Counsellors and all Rotarians are able to participate in as safe an environment as possible.

Where to now?

I firmly believe that Rotary Youth Programmes are an essential part of our Club's destiny. We need to appeal to a younger age group in order to grow. To do this we must offer activities with fulfilling experiences, which give the middle aged - and younger a purpose to belong. Rotary Youth Exchange is one such programme.

MEMBERSHIP AND MARKETING

John McIntosh.

The Club commenced the year with 42 members (2 honorary) and introduced 8 new members during the year. Our current membership is 47 (1 honorary).

The Membership committee, in conjunction with the Club Secretary, carried out a review of the Club's procedures and activities as suggested by District. This was referred to as 'a health check'. The results of the review have been presented to the Board for consideration. The Board will present this report at our Club's next Assembly.

The Membership Two Up program was undertaken and resulted in us enrolling two new members.

Four editions of "Community News" were produced by David Forster. These newsletters promoting our community activities were delivered throughout Templestowe and Lower Templestowe.

Thank you to Peter Gurry, John Henderson, Bruce Evans and John and Natalie Mudgway for their help and support throughout the year.

FUNDRAISING - Richard Jourdain

Various methods were used to generate funds this calendar year. Our annual fundraising was down mainly because we lost some activities in the form of the TAFE barbeque (cancelled as a result of a venue relocation) and Shopping town reconstruction and also poor weather at the annual Templestowe festival.

ABC Garden show.

Was conducted at the home of John McIntosh and had a coin donation from all visitors. Attendance was a bit lower than we had hoped for. \$ 371.60

Finns Festival

Thanks To Keith Anderson and a team of hard workers this event proved a good and well planned event. This has been a good opportunity to show the "Face of Rotary" and to provide a service to the local community.

\$ 4 644.43

Christmas Raffle

Our annual Christmas raffle suffered a setback as Westfield Shopping Town was under serious reconstruction. We tried to hold the raffle at the Pines for an additional period of time prior to moving to shopping Town. Numbers were seriously down. The schools participated in a council raffle and were unable to support us this year.

\$ 2 825.74

Golf Day

Our annual golf day was held and coordinated BY Brian Negus and Dick Holroyd again. There was a fair support at this event. More sponsors are required to help raise this income.

\$ 3 587.60

Templestowe Festival

The Templestowe Festival was again held in conjunction with the Templestowe Traders. The financial

Returns this year are disappointing, but can be attributed to a number of contributing factors.

The weather was very hot. Two other markets were held on the same day in the near vicinity.

A post-mortem was held at Keith's home and was well attended.

An important consideration is that we must not loose sight of the fact that we do generate a strong visibility for Rotary at this event and is NOT ONLY a fundraiser.

\$ 4 591.55

Auction Night And Spit Roast

This evening event was well organised and co-ordinated by Graham Kane and Keith Anderson proved to be popular and fun for all who attended.

\$3 597.75

Miscellaneous

Christmas cakes, Puddings, Christmas cards, joker raffle and copper pot
Also, two attempts at a barbeque at the Macedon Square shopping centre. (See financial report for details)

\$3 900.99

LePine Funeral advertisement filming, Rotary Club of Templestowe's thespians and Simon's Braid's relatives.

\$1100

Money raised by Red Shield Collectors.

\$1 597.35

Twenty-six Entertainment Books also raised income for the club.

\$338.00

Next year outlook:

The FARMERS MARKET is now well advanced. Keith Anderson and Rod Simkiss have shown great leadership in investigating all pros and cons on our behalf of different market options and

venues. The club response has been great and we expect to generate a substantial income of about \$ 50 000 per annum)

Ken Wall set up a 'Brains trust" to see what fundraising options exist or could be achieved. There was again a very good turnout for his session at his home. Quite a few proposals have been formulated and will be expounded upon by various teams. These will be evaluated one by one for a "best result' option.

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Interim Financial Report
(As at 31st May 2008)