



**BULLETIN 15<sup>th</sup> May 2008**

**Where we meet**

Meets Thursdays 12.15 for 12.30  
Southern Cross Yacht Club, Mariner  
Place, Lotus Bay, Yarralumla

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**Apologies**

Please contact Pres Elizabeth before  
12 noon Thursday of the meeting or  
earlier

**Last meeting details**

16 members present

**This week's  
international toast**

Russell Kightley  
Next Week – Vera Lipton  
May 22<sup>nd</sup> – John Little

**Strategic Planning**

Last week Phil Hawke took us through Rotary International's Strategic Plan for the future. Barry Thompson presented this at last years International Convention in Salt Lake City. If you would like a copy please contact Phil.



**Membership Discussions**

Following on from our meeting the week before last when we looked at why we enjoy our Club, last week we considered ways to recruit new members to our Club. The following are your responses (in no particular order).

- \* Contact lapsed members (I understand there are almost 90)
- \* Contact GSE student from 6 years ago
- \* Produce relevant and current material re projects we are doing - who we are ...
- \* Not members for members sake but quality members with commitment
- \* Pre meeting development sessions
- \* Use the reasons why we like our Club to our advantage
- \* Put reasons we like our Club on our Website
- \* Put info. on Stomp on our website
- \* Do a membership/club brochure
- \* Invite good women speakers and invite women colleagues
- \* Promote projects with Aboriginal communities (visit to communities)
- \* Contact scholarship holders from past years.

I would like to thank you all for your participation in this exercise. As the person responsible for Membership in Bill's year, it will help me focus on those aspects of our Club that you value, and those attributes you see as important in a member.  
Cheers, President Liz

**Door Roster**

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May – Chris Gray and Keith Gray  
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Phil Hawke and Sharon Green  
Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Peter Dawson and Peter Holley  
If you can't do the door duties please arrange your own replacement.

## Rotary Grace

For good food, good fellowship, and the privilege to serve, through Rotary we give thanks.

## Coming Events and Speakers

14<sup>th</sup> May – Board Meeting  
15<sup>th</sup> May – Becky Layton from Pegasus Riding for the Disabled  
25<sup>th</sup> May – Salvo Appeal

## What's Cooking In Your Vocation

This is where members give a 2-3 minute update on their vocation  
15<sup>th</sup> May – Chris Coulton  
29<sup>th</sup> May – Birgitte Moltke  
Stand By – Jenny Swanson

Juris presented his life in retirement as a stand by last week. I don't think he has slowed down at all; he has just spread himself in at least four directions! Juris keeps himself busy through being heavily engaged in the Latvian community and has been a past president of the Canberra Latvian Association. As we know he has also been actively involved for approx. 10 years with NTA that has included 4 self funded trips for monitoring and training. His four grandchildren have also appointed Juris the Chief Entertainment Centre!

## The Rotary 4-Way Test

"Of the things we think, say or do:  
Is it the TRUTH?  
Is it FAIR to all concerned?  
Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?  
Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?"



## International Toast

Juris Jakovics proposed last weeks International Toast to the Rotary Club Lima Sunrise, District 4450, Peru. They were issued their charter on May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2005. They meet every Thursday at 7.15am at the Marriott Hotel, Larco Mar, Lima. Some of their recent projects include food for street children who live "Under the Bridges" of Lima and clothing for mountain dwellers who need warm clothing in winter. Juris printed a copy of this clubs impressive banner, which is a beautiful sunrise with a Lighthouse in the foreground.

## This Week

This week our guest will be a representative from Pegasus Riding for the Disabled, Becky Layton. Becky is the Executive Officer of Pegasus Riding for the Disabled of the ACT Inc, and has been for the last five and a half years. Pegasus is a not for profit community organisation that provides equestrian activities for people with disabilities. We will be presenting a cheque for \$2,000.00 to Pegasus, part of the profits from Stomp 13. Regards, Graeme

## Red Shield Appeal Sunday May 25th

Our club will be assisting the Salvation Army in the Counting House at the Hughes Community Centre. This will operate from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. We have offered to take on the responsibility for the counting house. Westpac will take responsibility for the funds and a security company will take the funds to the bank.

This is not an onerous role – unlike the STOMP and HandyHelp it does not involve any physical labour, nor late nights and early mornings.

Can I please have some more volunteers? There will be two shifts 8.00 – 11.30 and 11.30 – 3 p.m.

I look forward to hearing from those of you who have not already volunteered.

Regards. Sharon Green

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## Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment (RYPEN)

Last week, 17-year-old Clinton Lough from Wagga Wagga whom we are sponsoring for RYPEN joined us. RYPEN is a program run by a group of dedicated Rotarians for a full week-end with the intention of helping young people in developing new ideas, solving problems and encountering different social experiences. Clinton went to Mogo last weekend to enjoy his experience. He will come back to fill us in on all the details at a date soon to be advised.



Pictured here is Meredith (Phil's Niece) Phil Hawke and Clinton who is Phil's brothers grandson.

## Rotary Scenic Cycle Tour Of Canberra

SUNDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2008 - EARLY NOTICE

The Rotary Club of Canberra-Woden will be running this exciting cycle tour again in Spring 2008, to promote healthy outdoor activity, encourage community spirit, and raise funds for worthy local charities. Over the past four years the tour has become a "must do" event for keen cyclists from around Canberra and beyond.

Riders from a wide range of ages and abilities can choose a ride that suits them, in length and in degree of difficulty. – from an easy tour around Lake Burley Griffin to a longer trip, to one that takes in some of the local mountain viewpoints. All routes are sealed roads or bike paths, and will be signposted and staffed. Route maps are available.

The tour starts and finishes at Blundell's Cottage by Lake Burley Griffin. Free morning tea will be available at two sites on the tour, and at the finish there will be a free sausage sizzle.

This is a great chance to make up a group of family, friends, fellow Rotarians or workmates to enjoy the scenic beauty of Spring in Canberra. Be in it! After all, if you live in the Canberra-Queanbeyan area, it's right there for you.

Visit our website <http://www.rotarnet.com.au/canberrawoden> and access "Bike Ride", Email us at [nhart@netspeed.com.au](mailto:nhart@netspeed.com.au) or phone us on 62883568 for details.

Keith Avent – Secretary – Rotary Club Canberra Woden Inc.

## Handy Help Day 2008 - Saturday, May 3

The Canberra Burley Griffin RC held another of its regular Handy Help days on Saturday May 3, 2008. Around fifteen volunteers from the club joined forces with ACT Home Help staff Ruth Green and Vince Butler to lend a hand in tidying up a number of gardens around town before winter.

Our three teams worked in Narrabundah, Curtin, Hughes, and the Inner North on a total of nine gardens. The superb Canberra autumn day was a fitting backdrop to the main tasks of leaf raking and acorn collecting, interspersed with some prodigious pruning!

Everyone then wrapped the day up with the traditional BBQ lunch, this time held at the home of soon to be departing member Dorothea Polonyi.

The CBGRC's regular Handy Help days provide an enjoyable opportunity for members to get out into the community and deliver direct assistance where it is most needed. ACT Home Help staff is always very supportive during the planning process and on the day, making this worthwhile activity a breeze to organise. Photos on following page.



Chris spotted bending the neighbour's ear



Gardening puts Bill in a romantic mood!