



**BULLETIN 28<sup>th</sup> August 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 Bill before 12  
noon Thursday of the meeting or  
earlier

**Last meeting details**

19 members present  
0 Make ups  
2 visiting Rotarians  
68% attendance

**International Toast**

August 28 – George Scott  
September 4 – Graeme  
Howieson  
September 11 – Vera Lipton

**Meeting Co-ordinator**

August – Jenny Swanson  
September – Juris Jakovics

**Vocational Update**

August 28 – Tony Waring  
September 4 – Elizabeth  
Scrivener

**Rotary Youth Exchange – What’s Involved**

Last week we had Rotarian Geoff Purvis-Smith from the Rotary Club of Belconnen give us the run down on the Rotary Youth Exchange program. Geoff was an exchange student in America in 1987 and his now wife, went to Mexico in the same year on exchange. The fact that Geoff is still working with this program shows how impressed he was by the experience.

The Rotary Youth Exchange program is a 12 month exchange for 15 to 18 ½ year olds for full time students. Internationally there are 8000 exchanges each year and in District 9710 there are usually 15 inbound and 15 outbound exchanges each year. The program provides an environment in which students can learn a new culture and language, develop an interest in community service and act as an ambassador for their family, their country and Rotary. It is not a Rotary Foundation project so family of Rotarians can participate.

World wide 95% of Rotary Clubs are involved, in our district this figure is about 50%. 30% of participants are sons and daughters of Rotarians. 5% of students are repatriated each year but only 2% is for misconduct.

What’s involved in hosting? Costs - \$120 per month pocket money for the student, feeding them and bringing them along to Rotary meetings and transport. Complete reference checks, receive bios of available students, express a preference and complete the paperwork.

What’s involved in sponsoring? Agree to sponsor, find a student and commit to teach them about Rotary.

For more information please see [www.rotaryexchange.org.au](http://www.rotaryexchange.org.au).



**Door Roster**

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August – Mike Purvis and Ron Rabey  
Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September – Birgitte Moltke and Peter Dawson  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September – Juris Jakovics and Jenny Swanson

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

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August – Su Su Shen – A Chinese Lawyer in Australia

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September – Richard Piel – Fitness Challenge for September

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September – Board Meeting

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September – Lynne Pezzula from ACCESS Economics – Economics of Obesity (Women in Rotary)

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September – Dr Lilia Ferrario an astronomer from Mt Stromlo – Why is a black whole black

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## 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?"

## Club Programme

For all details of our Programme visit <http://www.canberra-burley-griffin-rotary-club.org/Program.html>



## International Toast – Rotary Club of Ulaanbaater in Mongolia

George Wilson offered our toast last week to the Rotary Club of Ulaanbaater in Mongolia which was the first club to be founded in Mongolia. It was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Shatin, Hong Kong, the club was admitted into Rotary International January 10 1996 and chartered on May 13, 1996. It is an English speaking club and they have about 30 members including citizens of other countries such as American, Australia, UK, Germany, Japan and Israel.

Over the past 10 years enthusiastic support has been received from many overseas clubs in support of the clubs community service programmes – donations have now exceeded \$2 million. Many of their projects have also received substantial contributions from Rotary Internationals Matching Grants Foundations.

## August Board Meeting Notes

Highlights Of August RCCBG Board Meeting were -

- Candle Festival arrangements for the event on 27 September are progressing well
- Next Stomp on 25 October
- September will be a Club Health month, with pedometers provided to members to check their level of physical activity
- a special Club social activity will be scheduled for each month (eg upcoming Dinner at the CIT)
- special Club meeting on 11 September to promote female membership
- Club Vocational visit to Canberra Zoo to be organised
- Members to be encouraged to undertake Police Checks enabling them to participate in events involving young people (eg YARN)

Tony Brickwood, Secretary



Pictured here is our Sergeant Vera Lipton picking on Secretary Tony Brickwood.