



District 9820

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**ROTARY CLUB OF FRANKSTON NORTH INC**

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Every Wednesday at the International Motel,  
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**THE FOUR-WAY TEST**

Of all the things we think, say or do . . .

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

**FROM PRESIDENT DON**



John Bradley from Universal Aviation presented to us last week on the Executive Airline industry, an industry that employs 1.2M people and generates \$150B of revenue per year. He was very entertaining and he spoke of a life of privilege that less than 1% of the global population experience! I mentioned in my closing of the meeting that the Rotary industry has 1.2M members too and

through their service generate with other donations more modestly less than \$500M per year, and with those funds benefit communities globally far in excess of those who use the Executive Airline industry. Rotary serves those who are impoverished in some way or other and we do it voluntarily, we do it as a service above self and through this activity promote peace and good will.

“tis the season to be merry” in the Christian Tradition at Christmas, we celebrate “peace and goodwill amongst men” - sort of? There are other religious traditions that have comparable celebration at this time—Jewish, Muslim, Hindu traditions included. I wonder about the peace when there is frenetic activity in shopping stores, acts of impatience and intolerance as we seek gifts for our family and friends. What is it that conspires to invoke this frenzy of inconsideration—it beats me! In Rotary we aspire to promoting “peace and goodwill” in a non seasonally adjusted basis, and our record is one to be proud of.

**THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM**

**6:00 for 6:30 pm.**

**Club Assembly**

Chairman: **Maureen Gillham**

**MILESTONES**

**ROTARY ANNIVERSARY:**

Brian Capon - 13 December 1989  
Bob Edgar - 15 December 1981

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:**

Nil

**BIRTHDAYS:**

Mark Sammut- 11 December



## LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

<b>Chairman:</b>	<b>Wayne Peterson</b>
<b>Apologies:</b>	<b>Michael Shanks, Mark Sammut, Maureen Gillham, Charles Mallia, Rod Puls, Linda Tinney</b>
<b>Leave of Absence:</b>	<b>Bob Edgar</b>

### President Don:

- ✓ The Board has approved a donation of \$1000 to the Frankston Community Christmas Appeal.
- ✓ The Finance Committee met last week and will report at the Club Assembly on the performance of our stewardship of Club funds this Rotary Year to date.
- ✓ The Children's Christmas Party, scheduled for 8<sup>th</sup> December, will not take place due to insurmountable issues with the organisation of it.
- ✓ While we have been conducting many barbeques for the community, the condition of the trailer and it's contents is not good. Those conducting those events are reminded that the trailer must be returned to storage in a clean and serviceable condition, ready for it's next outing.

### Acting Secretary David Hanlon:

- ✓ The Constitution & By-Laws Committee has engaged McKern Park Lawyers to assist with the formal presentation of the Club's documents.
- ✓ We are renewing our membership of the Greater Frankston Business Chamber.
- ✓ We will again be collecting for Christmas Gift Card for Menzies kids. Please see Secretary Mark with your donations of \$20 this week so we can present the Cards to Menzies kids on our Christmas Night of 18<sup>th</sup> December.
- ✓ We have been asked to provide a BBQ service for the Frankston Council Support Services "Breakfast in the Park" at Beauty Park on Friday December 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00—8:30 am.

### Announcements:

#### Eric Neill:

Eric thanked those Club Members for all the organisation that went into The Membership Development Night on 27 November at Yazaki/Australian Arrow facility in Carrum Downs.

#### David Cahill:

Accommodation the District Conference in Bendigo has been block booked. Those attending need to confirm their booking with the venues involved.

#### Tony Spring:

- ✓ Those wishing to attend the District Paul Harris Dinner (see page 4) can see Tony for bookings.
- ✓ The Tonga Global Grant Project donations have been received and talks

#### SERGEANT CON'S Fact of the Week:

They may not often make the headlines, but a recent study has shown that rip currents kill more people on average in Australia than bushfires, floods, cyclones and sharks combined.

Rip currents are strong channels of water that flow away from the shore into open water at surf beaches and large lakes. Rips can flow at speeds of up to 2.5 metres per second, which is faster than a human can swim.

Rips account for greater overall loss of human life than other high profile natural hazards, yet they do not get anywhere near as much attention and dedicated funding. Events like bushfires have the capacity to claim many in a single disaster while rip currents are almost always present and rarely result in more than one death at a time but more people die as a result of them.

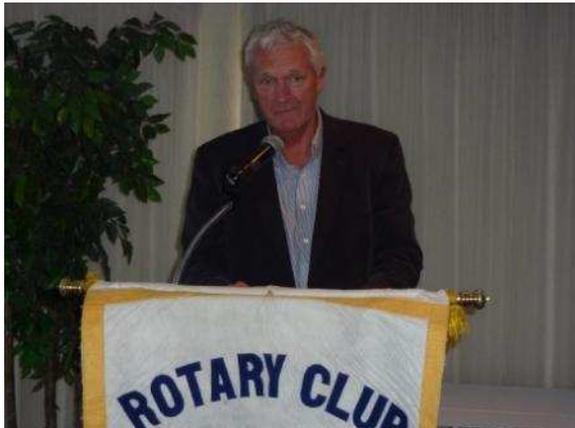
Surf Life Saving Australia advises to always look for:

- Deeper darker water
- Fewer breaking waves
- Sandy coloured water extending beyond the surf zone
- Debris or seaweed

with the NZ RAWCS equivalent and the Tonga Rotary Club involved. A visit to Tonga for meetings with the Tonga Village Trust and the Rotary Club will happen in February.

- ✓ Tony and David Loudon attended the Zone Institute in Canberra at which David presented a session on the Council of Legislation for which Tony has been nominated to represent our District. Prior to the Institute 70 future Rotary leaders attended the Leaders Seminar. This was very informative for those wishing to further their involvement in Rotary.

**Guest Speaker: John Bradley**



John is in charge of the Australian and New Zealand arm of Universal Aviation, which supplies chartered Corporate Jets. Their major clients are those who operate and fly private jets around the world. They can be corporations, rich individuals, governments and Air Forces. There are 11,000 corporate jets in the US, 7,000 in Europe and 200 in Australia/NZ. Only 3% of the top 500 corporations in the US are privately owned, so chartered jets are widespread. Annually 20 million flight hours are flown by corporate jets. The larger jets have an range of 10-12 hours flying time. A typical flying route would be from Melbourne to New York with a stop at Honolulu. About 1.2 million people are employed in the industry

**Jayco Caravans Vocational Visit**

Bill Fowler arranged for us to visit the Jayco factory in South Dandenong, where guide Peter Ryan showed us the manufacturing process of all type of caravans from start to finish at one huge site. At this site, Jayco produces 10,000 caravans per year and employs 950 people. There are 100 service agents in Australia, making the largest supplier of caravans in the country.



**NEXT WEEK**

**6:30 pm for 7:00**  
**Club Christmas Celebration**  
 Chairman: **Judi McKee**

**KEY DATES**

**08 January** -First Meeting of the New Year

Australians all let us rejoice  
 For we are young and free  
 We've golden soil and wealth for toil,  
 Our home is girt by sea:  
 Our land abounds in nature's gifts  
 Of beauty rich and rare,  
 In history's page let every stage  
 Advance Australia fair,  
 In joyful strains then let us sing  
 Advance Australia fair.

**THE INVOCATION**  
 "For good food, good fellowship and the opportunity to swerve through Rotary, we give thanks"  
**THE LOYAL TOAST**  
 "To The Queen, and the People of Australia"

**DECEMBER IS FAMILY OF ROTARY MONTH**

## **Grease—The Musical in Melbourne**

The proposed dates are Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2014 OR Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2014 for a Matinee Performance starting at 2.00pm. Tickets are approximately \$90.00 per person. This will be followed by Dinner at a Venue to be determined.

Depending on numbers attending we may be able to organize a Bus to Transport everyone to Her Majesty's Theatre.

PP Judi will be distributing a list seeking intentions at the Christmas Break Up, Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2014.

One Hundred and nine years young!

## **The District 9820 Paul Harris Dinner**

The District Governor Tim Moore invites all Rotarians, Partners and Friends of Rotary to a celebration of one hundred and nine years of Rotary service to the community.

### **Cardinia Cultural Centre – 'Lakeview Room'**

Lakeside Boulevard, Pakenham (Melway Ref. 215 H-5)

**Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> February 2014 - 6.30 for 7.15pm.**

#### **Guest Speaker : PDG Ian Riseley**

Trustee of The Rotary Foundation

#### **Cost : \$55 per person (incl. GST)**

Canapes on arrival + 2 course meal

All Beverages at Bar Prices

#### **Dress : Jacket & Tie / 'After Five'**

See PDG Tony for bookings

### **RI Presidential Message**

*RI P Ron Burton, from 'Rotary Leader', Sept 2013, Vol 4, Issue 2*

It's time to recognize that the real challenge we face isn't bringing new members into Rotary clubs; it's turning them into true Rotarians who are engaged and understand how their Rotary service can change lives.

We're committed to increasing Rotary membership to 1.3 million by 2015. And that's an achievable goal — if we make sure that as we bring in new members, we keep the ones we have. We need to work harder to make sure that Rotary works for people of all ages. Whether that means being more flexible with our meeting times and locations, or encouraging members to invite their families to volunteer activities, or even welcoming kids at our meetings, we need to look at all the options to find the ones that work.

We all have a job to do — to get fully engaged in Rotary, to lead by example, and to inspire others to join us. Sharing the Rotary story begins with each of us.

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