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THE ROTARY CLUB OF FERN TREE GULLY,

Charter Granted 16th May, 1963.

As Tuesday, June 30th, 1964, brings our Charter year to close, this first Annual Report should be prefaced with a brief account of the history of the Club up to our Charter presentation night of June 6th, 1963. When our Sponsor Club of Belgrave decided to investigate the possibility of extending Rotary to the Fern Tree Gully area, a preliminary Classification Survey was initiated by Past Pres. Bob Camm with the assistance of the Belgrave Rotarians residing in the area. At this stage Bob was forced to withdraw due to pressure of business and the honour and responsibilities of Dist. Gov. Special Representative were placed on the willing and capable shoulders of Past Pres. Horrie Mickelborough, whose preliminary findings were concluded in December, 1962, and showed at least 58 Classifications were represented. On these grounds permission was granted by R.I. through District Governor Ken Davies, to proceed with the formalities of this Club. After some 500 miles of travel and 150 interviews on Horrie's part, two information nights were organized for 26 prospective Rotarians and held on Friday, 21st and 28th, 1963, at the Progress Hall, Upper Fern Tree Gully, under the Chairmanship of Special Rep. Horrie. Dist. Gov. Ken Davies was present at the first meeting, which was well supported by Belgrave and Bayswater Rotarians.

Speakers and their subjects were --

Dist. Gov. Ken Davies: "Object of Rotary".

Past Dist. Gov. Len Trigg: "Obligations & Privileges of Rotary".

Past Pres. Norm Gartside (Dandenong): "What Rotary Means to the Community & Members".

Past Pres. Milt Sells (Belgrave): "Cost of Rotary".

Frank Hall (Belgrave): "Membership and Classification".

Pres. Geoff Hicks (Belgrave): "Club Service.

At the meeting of the 28th Past Dist. Gov. Frank Buckland of Dandenong dealt fully with the Club Constitution and By-Laws. On the following Monday, March 4th, all the prospective Rotarians attended the regular meeting of the Belgrave Club at Micawber Park as part of their education.

Our organization meeting took place at the Progress Hall, U.F.T.Gully, on Thursday, 14th March, chaired by Spec. Rep. Horrie. Those present were Dist. Gov. Ken Davies of Maffra, Dist. Gov. Nominee Tom Sides, of Morwell, Past Dist. Gov. Len Trigg, of Frankston, and a grand roll-up of Rotarians from our sponsor Club of Belgrave and from Bayswater, Dandenong, Berwick and Box Hill. In all there were 75 present to make our inaugural dinner a resounding success. Dist.Gov. Ken Davies declared the Provisional Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully duly constituted & we were on our way.

The next milestone was reached on May 16th, when our Charter was granted by R.I., and subsequently presented to our Club by Dist.Gov. Ken Davies at Dandenong Town Hall on June 6th, before a wonderful gathering of 300 Rotarians and guests, which included Dist. 282 Past Govs. Bill Birch of Korumburra, Frank Buckland of Dandenong, Bert Freak of Devonport, Len Trigg of Frankston and Gov. from Dist. 280 Ern Granger. This happy occasion under the Chairmanship of Pres. Geoff Hicks was a fitting climax to the many months of dedicated efforts sustained by Gov. Spec. Rep. Horrie with able assistance of Pres. Geoff and his team of Belgrave Rotarians.

It is interesting to note, gifts to our Club from other Clubs totalled 96 pounds 7 shillings (not including the table gong presented by our Sponsor Club) and ours was the only Charter presented to a Club on the mainland in Dist. 282 during the year 1962-63.

As a token of our appreciation, a presentation of a Cyma automatic date wrist watch was made to Horrie to serve also as a constant reminder of our affection and esteem and as an insurance he would always be on time for our meetings."

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The First 40 years

Past member, *Milt Sells* has provided the following information:

"At the time of formation by our mother Club, Belgrave, when *Geoff Hicks* was President, the first meeting of the Provisional Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully was held in the Upper Fern Tree Gully hall on 14th March 1963 and as we know our Charter was granted on 16th May, 1963. In those days, before late night shopping, the Club met on a Thursday evening, initially at the *R.S.L. Hall*, afterwards at *Bob's Restaurant*, Boronia (where three types of potato was part of the meal every week) from there to *La Danza*, followed by the *Stamford Hotel*, then to *Willora* followed by the *Knox Club, Rembrandts, Cavalier Motor Inn, Coby's Coffee Shoppe, Malibu on Stylus* (the old Swagman), to *Knox Tavern*."

1963-4 1st Year

PRESIDENT: Frank HALL
VICE PRESIDENT: Ken THOMSON
SECRETARY: Ian HIBBINS
TREASURER: Don GOUDIE

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Westy WRIGHT and Lyonel TOZER

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: Harry RUSSELL

VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Jim WEST and Ron JOHNSON

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Marty ALBERNI

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Tom SIDES

World President: Carl P. Miller.

Theme: "Meeting Rotary's Challenge in the Space Age"

Inductions: Dick MARTIN (6:6:63);

Alex ALLAN (20:2:64); Harold CLARKE (20:2:64); & Jim HAMILTON (30:4:64).

Resignations: Jim WEST (14:10:63);

Jack ABBOTT (6:2:64); Roy McKERNAN (31:3:64); &, Westy WRIGHT (20:4:64).

Membership: 24. (Eleven members were 100%). Dues:

Club Service: * A special sub-committee arranged a change of meeting place *from the R.S.L. Hall to "La Danza*" restaurant. It was agreed the dinner charge be left at 10/6 a head, 8/6 to the caterer and 2/- to go to Club funds.

- * Another sub committee was appointed to design a Club banner.
- * Two floor members invited to each Board Meeting.

Community Service: Christmas Toy Drive, good response and for 5 weekends all Club members participated in putting toys into shape: distributed to Legacy and by the Rotary Father Christmases who delivered family parcels on Christmas eve and morning. Special mention was made of restoration and dressing undertaken by Bet Thomson and her neighbour Mrs Morris.

Participated in F.T.G. Chamber of Commerce's Carols By Candlelight.

Put in island lawns at F.T.G. shopping centre parking area.

Organized BBQ for sixty boys from the Salvation Army Special School at The Basin.

Assisted the Seventh Australian Scout Jamboree, held at Rowville, to set out the site with Jack Callahan's bulldozer and members clearing up after him.

International Service: "Freedom From Hunger" campaign, 162 pounds collected.

Clothing for "Bita Paka" T.B. Hospital, Rabaul, project taken over from the R.C. of Dandenong and with help of the Rotary Annes 11 dozen pants, 6 1/2 doz. jackets and 3 doz. napkins were made and sent.

Exchange Club, Bromsgrove, District 106, England, we sent letters, a case of Abbots Larger (for Christmas) and a set of slides.

Participated in "The Great Exchange" program – received messages from 20 overseas Clubs; our Club program one evening was devoted to members toasting and giving addresses on these Clubs and messages returned.

World Understanding Week - 7 local minister approached to preach suitable sermons with Rotary members & families attending church parades.

During Coral Sea Week a party of sailors from the USS Goldsborough were picked up by bus and brought out to Sherbrooke Forest, BBQ lunch with our families, given a tour of the area and souvenirs before being returned to their ship.

* Rotary Foundation donation - \$15:00.

Vocational Service: Conducted a Safety Week project involving the Police Safety Squad; available at short notice resulted in one week 2,250 students from 11 schools successfully moved to centres in Upper Fern Tree Gully, Boronia and Upwey.

A number of Job Talks were given by members at regular meetings.

1964-5 2nd Year

PRESIDENT: Ken THOMSON

VICE PRESIDENT: Bern PAPWORTH (resigned 11:3:63),

Harold CLARK (appointed 11:3:63).

SECRETARY: Ian HIBBINS
TREASURER: Don GOUDIE
COMMUNITY SERVICE: Marty ALBERNI
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: Lyonel TOZER

VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Harry RUSSELL (resigned 10:9:64),

Jeff ELDRIDGE (appointed 10:9:64).

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: BILL BRETT

World President: Charles W. Pettengill.

Theme: "Live Rotary"

Inductions: Neville Haynes(15:10:64),

Ken Foster (22:10:64), Greg Langford (19:11:64), Laurie Hansen (25:3:65), Lyle Williams (25:3:65), Don Keith (25:3:65),

Peter Chamberlain (25:3:65), and

Les Jungwirth (11:6:65).

Resignations: Milton Sells (20:8:64),

Bruce Cocks (2:12:64); and Bill Mantle (28:5:65).

Membership: 29 (Eighteen members were 100%). Dues:

Attendance: During the month of May all members of the Club were 100% in their attendance.

Community Service: Supported the Elderly Citizens during the winter months of '64 & '65 with firewood; repainted the Wattle Club; undertook the erection of street seats.

Assistance given to Scouts' International Jamboree, Carols By Candlelight, Winston Churchill and Red Cross Door Knocks.

Ron Johnson arranged for members to host Aboriginal Children during Christmas vacation.

International Service: Student essay Competition, "The Future Relationship of Australia and Indonesia", judged by the Department of External Affairs - 1st and 3rd to Upwey High, 2nd to a Fern Tree Gully Technical School student.

Participated in the Student Exchange Program with *Dianne Martin* going to District 717, New York, USA; *Janet Gale* came from America and attended Upwey High.

Six dozen pants and shirts provided for the T.B. Hospital, Beta Paka, New Guinea.

A set of slides and a covering tape recording were sent to our paired Club - Bromsgrove, thanks to Harry Russell, Ian Hibbins, Frank Hall, Alex Allen and Jeff Eldridge. Surprise visit by Past President John Moss from the Rotary Club of Bromsgrove, England.

* Rotary Foundation donation - \$20:00.

Vocational Service: In conjunction with the Programme Committee organized "Shoppers in Fern Tree Gully" - two ladies were invited to tell members of the advantages and shortcomings of shopping locally.

"Students' Impressions of Rotary" - a number of students attended

the meeting one week to form an opinion and returned the following week to comment on their impressions of Rotary. Education Week - the Club was addressed by Mr.R.E.Thompson, Headmaster of Melbourne High.

Club Banner: A Sub-Committee was appointed by the Board, which suggested a Competition through the F.T.G. Art Society, with a 10 guinea prize for the accepted design. Few artists were either interested or competent to design a banner. Ian Hibbins' wife, Francis, suggested a circle of fern leaves, after a design on a Berli box containing "Light-as-a-Feather" underwear; while Lyonel Tozer suggested our Latitude & Longitude should be included.

Mrs.Roderiguez, of the Art Society, was asked to design a banner using a circle of fern leaves, the southern cross, lines showing latitude and longitude and a Rotary wheel.

Following a number of proofs the current design was accepted and Mrs. Roderiguez was awarded Ten Pounds (8:10:'64).

The Board voted in favour of purchasing 200 Club Banners at a total cost of £130 (13:06:65).

1965-66 3rd Year

PRESIDENT: Harold CLARKE
VICE PRESIDENT: Laurie MARTIN
SECRETARY: Jeff ELDRIDGE
TREASURER: Greg LANGFORD
COMMUNITY SERVICE: Ken Miller
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: Alex ALLEN
VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Ian HIBBINS

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Max CLEAVER

World President: C.P.H. Teenstra.

Theme: "Action, Consolidation and Continuity"

Inductions: John Ellemor(9:9:65);

Duncan Cook (29:7:65); Emit Richardson (12:5:66); E.(Mort) Scriven (23:6:66); &, Edward (Ted) Phelan (23:6:66).

Resignations: Ben Papworth (25:11:65);

Peter Chamberlain (10:2:66) &,

Marty Alberni (9:6:66).

Membership: 34 Dues:

14:10:65 - Moved that "a Benevolent Fund a/c" be opened. Carried.

Community Service: Rapid Reading instructors, in conjunction with R.C.of Belgrave, obtained; instruction available to community, and became a fund raising project.

Firewood, 8 tons, for needy pensioners, cut, bagged and delivered

Initiated the Bowling Club of Fern Tree Gully's formation.

Supported the formation of an Apex Club in the Fern Tree Gully area, as suggested by the Bayswater Apex Club.

Best Garden Award (under 2 years old), perpetual Shield donated; run in conjunction with the Horticultural Society; 16 entries.

Initiated that there is a need for the establishment of "A Day Centre for Retarded Children" for the areas of the Shires of Knox

and Sherbrooke; Mrs Rule and Mrs Deprader assisted; the R.C.of Belgrave was asked to join with us.

\$50:00 donated to the Dodsworth Appeal organized by the Upwey R.S.L. Branch.

International Service: YEP student, *Janet Gale*, arrived from USA, to stay with the Allen, Clarke, Martin, Chamberlain and Ellemor families; Don Keith to be her Counsellor; she received 30/- per week pocket money. B.B.Q., at Badger Creek, held for 7 YEP students from Districts 282 and 280.

Bita Paka Project continued, with material assistance.

G.S.E. - five candidates were interviewed and Dick De La Rue and Don McIntosh were selected to be nominated to the District.

Rotary Foundation - donated £20 [pounds.]

Vocational Service: Three Club Project - to organise and successfully run the Vocational Program at the District Conference.

Club Banner: A Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully was sent to all Rotary Clubs in District 282.

Meeting Venue: Regular meetings were moved from La Danza to the Hotel Stamford in December. Meal cost 15/-, Dinner Fee now 16/-.

Meeting Night: A secret ballot to move the meeting night from Thursday to Tuesday was **lost**, 12 for and 12 against, as a 2/3 majority was necessary.

1966-67 4th Year

PRESIDENT: Laurie MARTIN PAST PRESIDENT: Harold CLARKE VICE PRESIDENT: Jeff ELDRIDGE SECRETARY: Ken MILLER TREASURER: **Duncan COOK COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Jack CALLAHAN **INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:** Don KEITH **VOCATIONAL SERVICE:** John ELLEMOR

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: John GROVE

World President: Carl P. Miller.

Theme: "Better World Through Rotary"

Inductions: Arno Van Bergen (9:2:67);

Geoff Chapill (9:2:67); Norman Wilson (23:2:67); Arthur Tanish (4:5:67); & Jack Castricum (15:5:67).

Resignations: Laurence Hansen (4:8:66);

Donald Goudie (21:9:66); Ray Moon (11:10:66); &, Alex Allan (14:2:67).

Membership: 32 Dues:

Community Service: Working Bee to repair U.F.T.G. Community Hall; continuing support was needed. Donated \$20:00 to Freedom From Hunger Appeal.

Donated to Old Folks Dinner, \$50:00.

• "Day Centre Project" progressing; Keith Cathcart from Mental Hygiene involved; combined meeting with R.C.of Belgrave held 15th May, 67 - moved a Public Meeting be called; Car Raffle proposed.

"Bowls". Tender for Greens Construction advertised; commenced 8th May: Working Bee 13th and 14th May; A.G.M. 23rd May; Club House plans completed.

Benevolent Fund expenditure - \$40 to move destitute family; \$50 to assist Tasmanian Fire victims; \$10 for repairs to a Pensioner's glasses.

International Service: Hosted G.S.E. Team from Pennsylvania, USA, on 2nd October, '66. Fern Tree Gully Technical School approached regarding the establishment of an "Interact" Club within the school.

Vocational Service: Careers' Night held 2nd November, in conjunction with the R.C.of Belgrave and the Knox Jaycees.

1967-68 5th Year

PRESIDENT: Jeff ELDRIDGE
PAST PRESIDENT: Laurie MARTIN

VICE PRESIDENT: Ken Foster (resigned 24:10:67);

Harry RUSSELL (appointed 20:11:67).

SECRETARY: uncan COOK
TREASURER: Ken MILLER
COMMUNITY SERVICE: Ted Phelan
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: Keith Jensen
VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Bill Miller

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Tim JACOBS

World President: Luther H. Hodges.

Theme: "Make Your Rotary Membership Effective"

Inductions: Ken Foster (11:4:68);

Gordon Robe (19:5:68); Ron Brown (1968); & John Castricum (6:68).

Resignations: Boysie Dinsdale (13:7:67);

Ken Foster (24:10:67); Mort Scriven (23:11:67); &, Neville Haynes (14:3:68).

Membership: 35 Dues:

Community Service: To assist funds for the "Fern Tree Gully Bowling Club's Club House" - a Supper Dance held 26th August.

• \$700 donated at the Public Meeting called in respect of the

"Intellectually Handicapped Centre"; well attended and 21 nominated to the Committee of Management. Ivan Southall ("I Can Jump Puddles.") guest of Club when Dr.Dax was guest speaker at a regular meeting.

"Knoxbrooke" chosen as name for the Intellectually Handicapped Centre.

Knox News sponsored and conducted a "Grandfathers Race" to aid

Knoxbrooke. Committee of Management visited many other Intellectually Handicapped Centres to gain information and experience.

Negotiations begun to acquire suitable land for Knoxbrooke. Due

mainly to the efforts of Jack Callahan, the present site of the

Swagman was procured as a donation from the Knox Council and the

present Knoxbrooke site purchased.

Sponsored the cost of one child's holiday organized by the Good

Neighbours' Council.

Business Men's Dinner held Thursday, 29th February,1968 to launch the Knoxbrooke Appeal Month.

First Car Raffle organized in aid of Knoxbrooke; 588 tickets @ \$10 each were sold; drawn at the Carnival held on 16th March, car won by Kevin Gill of Dorset Road; proceeds of \$3,500 presented to Knoxbrooke on 4:4:68 by Pres. Jeff. Carnival proceeds of \$320:00 to the Benevolent account.

International Service: Continued relationship with the Good Neighbour Council.

Attempted to make contact with a Rotary Club in Indonesia – not possible due to ban on Rotary Clubs by President Dr. Soekarno.

Supported an I.P.A.C. project by collecting school books for India, after ascertaining the types of books required.

All Club members given the address of an Overseas Rotary Club and requested to make contact with that Club with the objective of establishing communication and friendship with same.

Vocational Service: Combined Vocational Guidance Night held 8th November, in conjunction with R.C. of Belgrave, with approximately 90 students and their parents attending.

Conducted District Conference, at Marybrooke for District 282.

1968-69 6th Year

PRESIDENT: Harry RUSSELL

VICE PRESIDENT: Lyonel TOZER, resigned 3:1:69,

Geoff CHAPPILL, appointed 23:1:69.

SECRETARY: Duncan COOK
TREASURER: Ken THOMSON
COMMUNITY SERVICE: Ian HIBBINS
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: Norm WILSON

VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Geoff CHAPPILL and Ron BROWN

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Alan McHardy

World President: Kiyoshi Togasaki.

Theme: "Participate"

Inductions: Ron Lomax (21:11:68),

Bob Bryant (5:6:69),

Laurence De Jonge (5:6:69), and

Max Finegan (5:6:69).

Resignations: Lynoel Tozer (16:1:69),

Don Keith (13:2:69) and Norm Wilson (5:6:69).

Membership: 30 (Eight members were 100%). Dues:

Community Service: Assisted Dick Lawrence to re-build the family home following a bushfire.

Road Safety Programme at F.T.G. Technical School, with assistance from Neil Neilson Motors.

Interact Club investigated.

Working bees at F.T.G. Bowling Club.

Committed to present an Honour Board when the Bowling Club House is furnished.

Sports Parade for Knoxbrooke with 30 boys from the Salvation Army Boys Home in attendance.

Assisted in the Barry Hanlon Appeal (Scoresby fireman killed on duty).

Conducted the Kathy Lee Appeal - a 6 year old F.T.G. girl in need

of heart surgery to remedy a congenital heart disease. \$1,900 for air fares for Kathy and one parent was required for her to have the operation in London, \$2,220:00 raised; picture on front page of The Sun. Kathy left on 8th May and was successfully operated upon on 20th May.

RYLA - the Club sponsored two Awardees - Keith Hogboom and Cam Watters, both representing local Youth Clubs.

International Service: Books for India, 300 school books forwarded to Visakhapatman, India.

Nagari Project, funds raised to help build 7 private wards onto the hospital at Nagari, Southern India - these would then provide funds to support a Public Hospital.

- * Rotary Foundation, establishment of a Small Change "barrel" on the tables each meeting, with \$38 raised in the 6 months.
- * Group Study Exchange: To District 686 Alabama, USA; two nominees, Rob Barfus and Neil Harrison Neil became a team member, to visit Alabama in August, 1969. (Both later became Rotarians).
- * From District 686, billeted the *Team Leader P.P. Bill Campbell*
- and team member Luther Clements with the Russell & Ellemor families.

* Showed Dist. 686 Team our Education with visits to Primary and Secondary Schools, Burwood Teachers' College, Mount Scopus College and Monash University.

Vocational Service: In conjunction with the Rotary Club of Belgrave, organized a Careers Night at the Community Hall, U.F.T.G. Thirty Counsellors interviewed 450 in three hours.

Paper presented at the Moe Conference, "Encouraging Employer - Employee Co-operation".

Business Men's Dinner: "Future Trend of Retail Development" by Ken Irwin, Manager of Myer Eastland.

Finance Committee: Fellowship asked to raise \$200 for general funds. Raffle: In aid of Knoxbrooke. 600 tickets at \$10 each

for a Holden Sedan. Winner - Max White of the R.C.of Bayswater.

497 tickets netted Knoxbrooke \$3,104. Effort by Emitt & Lorraine Richardson was recorded.

Classifications: During the year, the new "residential clause" came into effect.

Note: Annual Subscriptions - \$17:50.

Home for Rotary: Representatives from the Rotary Clubs of Bayswater, Boronia and F.T.G. met to discuss the possibility of a joint venture to purchase permanent Clubrooms. Unable to recommend a suitable basis on which to proceed.

"Our Ladies" supported the Club with - 1 gas Barbecue; \$400 for Knoxbrooke and \$41 for the Kathy Lee Appeal.

1969-70 7th Year.

PRESIDENT: **Geoff CHAPPILL PAST PRESIDENT:** Harry RUSSELL VICE PRESIDENT: **Duncan COOK** SECRETARY: Ron BROWN TREASURER: Arthur TAINSH **COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Neil NEILSON Arno VAN BERGEN INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: **VOCATIONAL SERVICE:** Jack CASTRICUM

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Keith NORMAN

World President: James F. Conway.

Theme: "Review and Renew"

Inductions: Don Keith (30:10:69);

Danny O'Donohue (30:10:69); Jim Bowyer (30:10:69); Rob Barfus (30:4:70); & Stuart Vize (19:6:70).

Resignations: Laurie Martin (31:7:69);

Ian Hibbins (18:12:69); Frank Hall (12:2:70); Keith Jensen (15:4:70); & Max Finegan (4:5:70).

Membership: 39 (Nine members were 100%). Dues:

Venue: The Club changed its meeting place from the Stamford Hotel

to Waiora Receptions as from 5th March, 1970.

Community Service: Assistance for two local Girl Guide Groups to raise money to build their own Guide Hall. Contributed \$930:00 (\$750 F.T.G Guides and \$180 to Upper F.T.G. Guides) from the Community Service Fund raffle and assisted their Car Rallies and sale of Recipe Books.

Sons & Daughters Night held 16th April, '70.

Working Bees held at Knoxbrooke and a Dinner Meeting held there resulting in a donation of \$50 (23:10:70).

Financial assistance given to the families caring for the two Lee children while the parents were in London with Kathie. Honour Board presented to the Fern Tree Gully Bowling Club on 15th May at a Dinner Dance, at the Club, in aid of Knoxbrooke.

Student Driver Training Program continued with Fern Tree Gully Technical School and Silesian College, Lysterfield participating.

Assisted with the purchase of a wheelchair for a Multiple Sclerosis patient; and a donation of \$25 to help a mother and her children return to Adelaide and her family.

A Perpetual Trophy was presented to F.T.G. Technical School for Sports Activity.

An allocation of \$400 made to finance the purchase a CARAVAN for Charity Street Collections and fetes within the City of Knox.

Fund Raising: This took the form of a Raffle (A Trip Overseas),

which resulted in a profit of \$1,094. The winner was Jack Anderson; the draw was made at the City of Knox Offices,18:12:69.

International Service: Raised \$200:00 to assist in the building of a Medical Care Centre in Sageri, New Guinea. International evenings were held by the Club, plus a Dinner Dance at the Bowling Club with a profit of \$192.

Technical Training Award. A number of applicants were interviewed for the one Award, a candidate (Michael May) was nominated but he was unsuccessful at District level.

F.A.I.M. - 22 financial members.

* Rotary Foundation contribution \$100:00.

Vocational Service: Careers Guidance Night at the Community Centre was held on 20th August, 1969. Thirty Counsellors took 450 enquiries.

The annual Business Man's Dinner was held on the 5th March, '70.

The guest speaker was K.H.Bunn, Senior Planning Officer with the Board of Works. One hundred and seven Rotarians and guests attended.

1970-71 8th Year

PRESIDENT: Duncan COOK
PAST PRESIDENT: Geoff CHAPPILL

VICE PRESIDENT: Don KEITH (resigned 4:4:'71), &

John CASTRICUM

SECRETARY: Lawrence de JONGE TREASURER: Emitt RICHARDSON

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Dick MARTIN (resigned 21:1:'71), &

Rob BARFUS

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: John CASTRICUM & Danny O'DONOHUE

VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Gordon ROBE

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: John EMMERTON

World President: William E. Walk.

Theme: "Bridge the Gaps"

Inductions: Colin Lowe (3:9:70);

Adrian Doyle (22:10:70); John Brown (22:10:70); Reeve Crane (18:3:71); Jim Williams (18:3:71); &, Denis Ball (18:3:71).

Resignations: Bill Miller (9:7:70);

Bob Bryant (7:8:70); Jack Callanhan (7:8:70); Harold Clarke (1970/71); Jim Hamilton (17:9:70); Ron Lomax (1:4:71); Con Hendricks (21:1:71); Dick Martin (21:1:71); Denis Ball (21:5:71); Arthur Tanish (31:12:70); &

Don Keith (1:4:71).

Membership: 35 (Seven members were 100%). Dues:

Six of the Club's members attended Rotary International's 62nd World Convention

in Sydney.

Community Service: Sponsorship of a R.Y.L.A. Awardee - Hank

Ellemans to Bellerive, Tasmania (\$83).

Organized and contributed to supply of Mini Bus for Knoxbrooke

Training Centre.

Swimming Pool - City of Knox called for representatives from Service Clubs to raise funds - Gordon Robe and Emit Richardson were elected to the Swimming Pool Committee. A Walk-a-thon conducted 25:4:71; Rob Barfus, sponsored by us, resulted in \$90 to which a donation of a further \$100 was made to the Pool Fund.

Merna Rule Family Planning Clinic, Bayswater received a donation

of \$100 towards furnishing the Clinic and another \$50 was set aside for a portrait of the late Merna Rule to be hung at the Clinic.

John Frawley was commissioned but the portrait was never begun as the Rule amily could not agree on a suitable photograph for John to use as a model.

A number of working bees were held to help repair and paint the home of a widow in Boronia.

During January '71 Rotaract was discussed; on 27th May 27 young people attended an Interest meeting.

Club decision - "No major raffle to be held".

* Mini-Bus for Knoxbrooke: Our Club called a meeting of the six Service Clubs in the area who agreed to raise the \$1080 needed. At F.T.G. all members were levied \$6. At a Combined Service Clubs Dinner held 26th April,'71 President Duncan was able to present the Mini Bus on behalf of the six Service Clubs.

International Service: Tanzanisa project - raised \$200:00 to assist in the purchase of hospital equipment.

* Rotary Foundation contribution of \$126:00 and we became 100% for the first time. Most of this money came from the "Small Change Barrel" which is passed around each week.

The Foundation granted this District a bonus award so we had two Technical Teaching Awards to fill; the Rotary Club of F.T.G. did not propose a candidate.

Vocational Service: Careers Night at the Community Centre; 600 students interviewed by 29 Counsellors, on 19th August, '70. Various Trade nights were held at Club level.

The Bulletin: In June it was agreed the Bulletin would no longer be posted to Members' homes but rather be placed on the tables at our meetings, with Bulletins being posted to absent Members.

1971-72 9th Year

PRESIDENT: John CASTRICUM (resigned 9:12:71), &

Ken MILLER

PAST PRESIDENT:
VICE PRESIDENT:
SECRETARY:
TREASURER:
COMMUNITY SERVICE:
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:
VOCATIONAL SERVICE:
Lawrence de JONGE
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Ken FOSTER
Geoff CHAPPILL
Danny O'DONOHUE

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Bill BERTRAM

World President: Ernst G. Breitholtz.

Theme: "Good will begins with You"

Inductions: Hans Eckelschot (28:8:71); John Bakkum (30:8:71);

Jack Hughes (25:11:71); Neil Neilson (25:11:71); Rusty Adams (17:2:72); Barry Morris (23:3:72); Reg Ponton (23:3:72); & Brian Sutterby (18:6:72).

Resignations: Jim Reid (30:6:71); Neil Neilson (30:7:71);

Emitt Richardson (12:8:71); Ted Phelan (4:10:71); Lyle Williams (20:9:71); Gordon Robe (6:2:72); Jack Castricum (23:3:72); John Bakkum (15:11:71), John Castrican (9:12:71); Hans Eckelschot (1:4:72).

Membership: 31 (Four members were 100%). Dues:

Community Service: Staging of the First Fern Tree Gully Rotary Athletic Club Gift on 6th February, '72 with a profit of \$1231:00 to be set aside for Cottages for the Elderly.

Certificate of Organization presented to our Rotaract Club on 9th October, 1971 with a membership of 17.

Completion of the Caravan Project commenced the previous year.

Shared the funeral costs of a small child whose parents were unable to provide.

Provided financial support to a family whose beard winner was in hospital for a considerable period.

Donation of \$100 to Parkfield Pre School Centre Building Project.

RYLA - recommended 3 Awardees; sponsored two and shared the other with the Rotary Club of Boronia - 14 to 21 May, '72.

International Service: Uganda Project, sponsoring of two deaf children at a cost of \$126. Two functions held to raise this amount - a Car Rally and Barbecue (\$47), and a visit to Arno Van Bergen's factory (\$76).

Hosted Team members of the Group Study Team from Missouri on 15th & 16th March. Arno and Julia Van Bergen hosted a team member while they were in our area.

Books collected and forwarded to Bandung Teachers' College.

Rotary Foundation contribution of \$250:00 making the Club 200%.

Vocational Service: Careers Guidance Night held in August with approximately 600 students attending. Businessman's Dinner held successfully at Knox Club on 6th April,'72 with Peter Risch from Monash University as guest speaker.

Rotaract: Following the first Interest Meeting on 27:5:71, regular fortnightly meetings were held with the Certificate of Organization being presented to President David Borthwick by District Governor Bill Bertram at a Dinner Dance held on 9th December'71 at the Bayswater Hotel. (Twenty members)

1972-73 10th Year

PRESIDENT: Greg LANGFORD PAST PRESIDENT: Ken MILLER

PRESIDENT ELECT: Lawrence de JONGE

VICE PRESIDENT: Reeve CRANE
SECRETARY: John BROWN
TREASURER: Reeve CRANE

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Jim BOWYER & Jack CALLANHAN

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: Ken THOMSON VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Adrian DOYLE

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: George ALLSOP

World President: Roy D. Hickman.

Theme: "Let's Take a New Look - and Act"

Inductions: Jack Callanhan (31:8:72);

Rod Thomas (23:11:72); Don Dasborough (12:10:72); Jack Tunstall (1972/3); and Alan Watson (1972/3).

Resignations: Jim Bowyer (10:5:73);

Jack Hughes (8:2:73); Ron Johnson (24:8:72); Barry Morris (10:5:73); Neil Neilson (29:3:73);

Arno van Bergen (29:3:73); and,

Jim Williams (1972/3).

Membership: 30 (Six members were 100%). Dues:

Community Service: Conducted the Second Athletic Gift with Wood Chopping added as an additional attraction. This was a most successful event & the Club acknowledges the following sponsors:

Neil Neilson Motors; Brian Wood Ford; Tupperware Australia Pty. Ltd; Fern Tree Gully Timber & Joinery; Artex Leather Goods; Knoxfield Traders; Jim Williams; Ken & Dot Miller; E.A.C.Russell Fern Tree Gully Pty. Ltd; Don Dasborough; and R & J Printing, without whom the Gift could not have occurred.

Rees Family Appeal (destitute family) started with a donation of \$50:00. The Public appeal raised \$527:00.

Repaired the Salvation Army Bus at a cost of \$86:00.

Sponsored a child at the Lord Mayor's Camp at Portsea.

Sponsored a student at its school camp.

Upper Fern Tree Gully Progress Hall Committee, four Club members involved, with the hope it can be sold and, with the assistance of the Shire of Sherbrooke, erect a new building for community use. (Although the Hall was eventually sold, no new Hall building eventuated. Ed.).

International Service: Supported I.P.A.C. project for the Blind in Rhodesia with a donation of \$110 following a social night at Knox Club.

Supported a further I.P.A.C. project - a Rotary Scholarship in New Guinea with a Donation of \$100.

F.A.I.M. was fully supported by all members.

Group Study Exchange: Our nominated candidate, Max Waugh, was unsuccessful at District level.

* Rotary Foundation contribution \$97:00 from the "Change Barrel".

Vocational Service: Vocational Guidance Night, was held at Fern Tree Gully Technical School on 16th August at which 188 interviews were undertaken by 21 Counsellors.

Successfully conducted an "Employer - Employee Night".

Rotaract Club: During this year the Rotaract Club flourished under the Chairmanship of Sue Crawford.

During the year they collected and distributed canned food for the aged; distributed firewood to the elderly; held a picnic for the

Boys at the Salvation Army Boys Home; erected Road Safety Signs; and, arranged to sponsor a child within World Vision.

1973-74 11th Year

PRESIDENT:

PAST PRESIDENT:

VICE PRESIDENT:

SECRETARY:

TREASURER:

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:

Lawrence de JONGE

Greg LANGFORD

Reeve CRANE

Shound BROWN

John ELLEMOR

Jack CALLAHAN

Stuart VIZE

VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Rusty ADAMS (resigned April, '74), &

Richard ROWE

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Lindsay PATISON

World President: William C. Carter.

Theme: "A Time For Action"

Inductions: Alex Macauly (23:8:73);

John Richards(26:7:73); Richard Rowe(6:8:73); & Geoff Arnott(1973/4).

Resignations: Geoff Chappill (12:7:73);

Adrian Doyle (2:8:73); Danny O'Donohue (13:9:73); Rod Thomas(11:10:73); Reg Ponton(29:11:73); Colin Lowe (1973/4); &, Rusty Adams (4:74).

Membership: 26 (Four members were 100%). Dues:

Community Service: Third Athletic Gift was held on 17th February,'74. Two acres adjoining the oval were cleared and levelled to provide a car park. The "Public" failed to attend in large numbers. The following sponsors ensured the success of the Gift: Neil Neilson Motors; Brian Wood Ford; Tupperware of Australia; Allan Crawford Newsagency; Wanda-In Gifts; Martin's Motors; Russell's Shell Depot; Swagman Restaurant; Callahan's Earthmoving; Tunstall Constructions; Neil Harrison; Manton's Pharmacy; Adrian Doyle's Meats; Rashleigh Newsagency; Underwood Hardware; Tozer's Supermarket; R & J Printing; Don Dasborough; Knox Engineering; El Electric; K.& D. Miller; Bob de Coite; &, Fern Tree Gully Timber and Joinery.

RYLA - sponsored a young married couple Robert & Gail Davies as our Awardees. They were both members of our Rotaract Club.

Upper Fern Tree Gully Progress Association: Continuing effort to sell and rebuild a more suitable Community Hall.

International Service: Club achieved 100% contribution to F.A.I.M. for the first time.

I.P.A.C. project, following Mr. Broderick's attending a Club meeting, resulted in a donation of \$30 to the Leprosy Mission for footwear.

* Our Rotary Foundation contribution places the Club at the 300% level. The "Small Change Barrel" becomes "The Copper Pot" thanks to Don Dasborough.

Educational Award: Our candidate Wendy Milligan's application for a Technical Trainee Award, to study blood disorders in India, was unsuccessful.

Group Study Exchange: Three members of the G.S.E. team from Tokyo, Japan were hosted by members of the Club. Our one likely candidate for membership for the return G.S.E. team had to withdraw as he and his wife were under consideration as "Cottage Parents".

Vocational Service: Career Guidance Night, 3rd October, 173, 48 Counsellors provided information to over 600 young

Local Traders' Night, at the Knox Club, with guest speakers Neville Haines and Harold Page a most successful night.

R.Y.L.A.: Two young people were nominated and sponsored – Gail and Robert Davies.

Businessman's Dinner: Held 4th April at Knox Club with Rotarian Owen Whelan the Guest Speaker; the history and development of Whelan the Wrecker. Another successful function.

Program: The Club was addressed by Tony Lamb, M.P. before (Nov.) & after (Feb.) he was elected as the Federal Member for Latrobe.

His later address on Education was extremely stimulating.

Rotaract: During the year President Michael May found it necessary to resign, due to his recent marriage his new home was out of the area. Gail Collins-Jenkins readily took over as President and despite difficulties with Council red tape the Rotoractors have continued with their project of "An Adventure Playground".

1974-75 12th Year

PRESIDENT: **Reeve CRANE** PRESIDENT ELECT: John BROWN **VICE PRESIDENT:** Ken FOSTER **SECRETARY:** John RICHARDS TREASURER: Alan WATSON **COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Jack TUNSTALL INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: **Brian SUTTERBY VOCATIONAL SERVICE:** Richard ROWE

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Don PITTARD

World President: William R. Robbins.

Theme: "Renew the Spirit of Rotary"

Inductions: Barry Morris (29:8:74);

Cliff Fisher (3:10:74); Hans Kroeger (19:12:74); George Baruday (6:2:75); Allan McNeil (3:4:75); Keith Whiffen (19:6:75); & David Walker (19:6:75).

Resignations: Laurence de Jonge(3:10:74);

Geoff Arnott (1974/5); Harry Russell (8:8:74); Rob Barfus (29:8:74); & Jeff Eldridge (1974/5).

Membership: 26 (Two members were 100%). Dues:

Community Service: Major project raised \$2563:00 for Multiple Sclerosis for the purchase of pool lifting equipment at their new Centre in Camberwell. This was achieved by raffling a colour television set.

Conducted an "apple pick" (with the Rotoractors) to raise \$165 towards the cost of the frame required by Miranda for her therapy. The Club purchased and installed the frame after receiving a request from Miranda's parents.

A B.B.Q. at Don and Louise Dasborough's home raised \$233:33 for the Darwin Appeal.

International Service: Club achieved 100% contribution to F.A.I.M. for another year.

Twin Student Exchange: The Club organised and had Peter Gray, from Fern Tree Gully Technical School, ready to go to New Zealand. Unfortunately, due to a problem in N.Z., Peter was unable to go.

The Committee endeavoured to participate in an I.P.A.C. project to send clothing to a Calcutta Girls Orphanage. We were advised this was not a viable project.

Vocational Service: Careers Guidance Night; 48 Counsellors held 453 interviews at Fern Tree Gully Technical School on 15th August,74.

Two Club visits to industry were conducted; firstly we visited the New South Eastern Sewerage Scheme (and went down the drain) and secondly we joined with Bayswater on a visit to Lysaght Steel Works at Hastings.

The Businessman's Dinner, held at Knox Club on 8th May, resulted in 103 Rotarians and guests attending to hear Tim Neville speak on the role of the Town Clerk in Local Government. Another successful project accomplished.

Program: As well as an excellent weekly program, the Club visited 31:10:'74) and was visited by (3:4:'75), the Rotary Club of Noble Park. We also visited the Rotary Club of Monbulk (5:3:'75).

A most successful Sons And Daughters Night was held on 19th June, '75.

Rotaract Club: A revitalized Club under the guidance of Don Dasborough. The Rotaract Club regained numbers to 12. Eight attended the Rotaract Conference at Leongatha.

Hosted the Asian students from Monash University at a Barbecue. Picked apples with the Rotarians.

Committed themselves to \$132 p.a. for World Vision.

And painted fences at Knoxbrooke and carried out several gardening jobs.

1975-76 13th Year

PRESIDENT: John BROWN
PRESIDENT ELECT: Ken FOSTER
PAST PRESIDENT: Reeve CRANE
SECRETARY: John RICHARDS
TREASURER: Don DASBOROUGH
COMMUNITY SERVICE: Barry MORRIS

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: Ron BROWN and Brian SUTTERBY

VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Alan WATSON

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Arthur PULLEN

World President: Ernesto Imbassahy de Mello.

Theme: "To Dignify the Human Being".

Inductions: Peter O'Reilly (1975/6).

Resignations: Ron Leinhart (1976).

Membership: 26 (Six members were 100%). Dues:

Community Service: Villa Maria Society for the Blind, having purchased land in our area appeared to be a group worthy of our assistance. After Mr. Crea their Public Relations Officer spoke at our meeting, this Committee met with their Architect, Finance Manager and Public Relations Officer. As they are not to commence until June 1976 it was inappropriate for us to become involved at this time.

Fern Tree Gully Swimming Pool, was investigated at the City of Knox by Jack Tunstall. Proposed cost \$40,000 to complete the project. Jack ascertained a parcel of land had been acquire by the Council, in the Fern Tree Gully area, for the pool. As there was already a Fern Tree Gully Swimming Pool Centre Association fundraising, it was decided the Club would only be involved upon request.

Sponsored two underprivileged children attendance at the Lord Mayor's Camp at Portsea.

Glengollan Village, Fern Tree Gully, Elderly Citizens – purchased a set of Carpet Bowls for their use.

RYLA - two Awardees sponsored, Susan Whinney & Glen Jones.

Retarded Children's Centre. Extensive survey undertaken on further need in this area to Knoxbrooke. Ascertained a need existed and information compiled. In conjunction with the Rotary Clubs of Belgrave and Monbulk and the Shire of Sherbrooke a Committee of Management was formed with Ken Miller, Royce Beasley and Errol Loffler representing our Club. Duncan Cook was heavily involved in this project.

International Service: Club hosted a Y.E.P. student, *Annette Lopp* from Seattle, Washington, U.S.A. after a student from Alaska was unable to fulfil our early expectations when she failed to accept the exchange after winning an Educational Scholarship.

Achieved 100% contribution to F.A.I.M. for another year.

* Rotary Foundation contribution \$86:37.

Attempted to organize a candidate for the Graduate Award after an approach from the Haemophiliac Society to have a Research Doctor trained overseas. Unfortunately, the candidate lived outside our area and eventually was found to be too old.

Vocational Service: A successful Businessman's Dinner with guest speaker, Therol Merritt, was held at Knox Club on 22nd April,'76.

Conducted a successful Careers Night at and with Fern Tree Gully Technical School. Careers Night attendance was excellent.

Program: Combined meeting were held with Bayswater and Boronia, at Dorset Gardens and with Boronia at Knox Club.

Two visits to manufacturing plants were made; to Dandenong Glass Works, and Fibre Makers, Bayswater.

Rotaract Club:

lan Musgrove President increased membership from 8 to 14; and became Zone 1 Representative.

- o Raised \$1,140:00 for equipment for William Angliss Hospital.
- o Painted fences at Knoxbrooke.
- Conducted Road Safety Campaign.
- o Relay Race against F.T.G. Police Force.
- Conducted a Billy Cart Race.
- Undertook gardening and home maintenance for people in need in Fern Tree Gully, Tecoma, Upwey and Belgrave.

1976-77 14th Year

PRESIDENT: Ken FOSTER
PRESIDENT ELECT: Jack CALLAHAN
PAST PRESIDENT: John BROWN
SECRETARY: Barry MORRIS
TREASURER: George BARUDAY

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Alan McNEIL & Greg LANGFORD INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: Hans KROEGER & Reeve CRANE

VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Ken THOMSON

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Les GILBERT

World President: Robert Manchester II.

Theme: "I Believe in Rotary"

Inductions: Zac Magraby (1976/7);

David Sharp (15:2:77); John Corbett (21:4:77); Hans Kroeger (19:12:76);

Richard (Dick) Saunders (1976/7); Ron Blackman (16:06:77); & Royce Beasley (12:7:76).

Resignations: Peter Barrett (1976/7);

Alan McNeil (1976/7); and, Hans Kroeger (1976/7).

Membership: 28 (Five members were 100%). Dues:

Community Service: Major project for the year revolved on the investigation of a Gardening Centre for Handicapped People. Land has already been offered and guide-lines set. Funds to be raised for the project by holding a fishing competition at Cardinia Dam.

RYLA, raised \$160 through a raffle conducted by Sherbrooke Lions.

Assisted the Salvation Army Farm, at The Basin to restore an area of ground and a recreational hall to enable family camping holidays.

Presented the Knox Sherbrooke Women's Amateur Athletic Club with a Stop Watch to enable officials to "split-time" performances.

Two children sponsored through Knox City Council, with a donation of \$90, to attend the Reach Out For Kids children's camp

Held a Working Bee at Knoxbrooke to paint fences in preparation for the Opening of Stage Two. This was well attended by members.

International Service: During the latter part of '76 our YEP student, *Annette Lopp*, left our Club earlier than expected to be hosted by the Rotary Club of Frankston North until the end of her Australian visit.

Attempted to set up a liaison with the Rotary Club of Johor Bahru, but unfortunately our correspondence received no reply.

* Rotary Foundation contribution \$76:31.

John Richards appointed to the District Youth Exchange Committee.

Vocational Service: Careers Guidance Night held on 7th October '76 resulted in excess of 500 interviews.

Andrew Lachowicz, Chief Executive Officer of Consumer Affairs was guest speaker at our regular meeting (18th Nov., '76) who spoke on the Businessman's Obligation to the Consumer.

Visit to the City of Knox Council meeting (15th February, '77) as guests of Mayor Wal Tew (Honorary Rotarian) and the Council. In his address Mayor Wal commented on the value of service clubs and stated this was the first time the Council had entertained any Service Club.

Businessman's Dinner at Knox Club on 24th March,'77 saw 108 in attendance and were addressed by Norman Hughes on the Knox City Shopping Centre and how it would affect the City of Knox and surrounding areas.

Industrial visit. Visit to D24 with the Rotoractors, organized through Royce Beasley.

Program: There were nineteen guest speakers from outside the Club and ten from within Club membership. On five occasions the Club met with other Clubs.

During the year we returned to the Knox Club for our regular weekly meetings.

Rotaract: President Judy Musgrove continued the impetus begun by Ian last year. Membership has continued to grow.

Projects have included assistance to elderly persons premises; running a cake stall at Mountain Gate; working bee at Salvation Army Farm; organized the Rotaract District 282's joint meeting at Bright; long weekend at Mirboo North, Gippsland to which four under-privileged children were sponsored.

1977-78 15th Year

PRESIDENT: **Jack CALLAHAN** PRESIDENT ELECT: Ken MILLER **PAST PRESIDENT:** Ken FOSTER **SECRETARY: Barry MORRIS** TREASURER: Richard ROWE **COMMUNITY SERVICE:** John RICHARDS INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: Jack TUNSTALL **VOCATIONAL SERVICE:** Stuart VIZE **DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Wall CUBBIN**

World President: W. Jack Davis.

Theme: "Serve to Unite Mankind"

Inductions: Barry Shorter (10:11:77); and,

Adrian Doyle (22:10:77).

Resignations: Ron Blackman (1978);

Les Jungworth (1977/8); Hans Kroeger (1977/8); & Zac Magarby (1977/8)

Membership: 28 (Two members were 100%). **Dues:**

Community Service: Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully's first Fishing Competition, with prizes in excess of \$6,500:00, to raise money for the establishment of the Garden Centre for Handicapped People. Held at Aura Vale Lake on Sunday, 6th November, '77 this project was a resounding success. It was to be an Annual event.

RYLA, the Club sponsored two young people to attend the week long programme at Mt. Eliza.

City of Knox Frail Aged Home (Amaroo) was presented with a cheque for \$3,580, being the proceeds from the Fern Tree Gully Gift and was to be used to purchase a colour television, refrigerator, stove, settees and lounge chairs.

The cheque was presented at the Official Opening by President Jack.

Donated \$100 to the Pensioners' Christmas Appeal.

Following the sale of the community hall, discussion was undertaken between the Trustees of the Fern Tree Gully Community Hall and this committee, regarding the future plans for a Community Centre in Fern Tree Gully.

A Working Bee was conducted at Ron Blackman's home.

Organized a Blood Pressure Clinic at Knox City Shopping Centre.

Donated \$200 to the City of Knox Welfare Trust Fund to assist those who were experiencing hardship due to industrial disputes.

International Service: Extensive collection of books were sent to the Ranfurly Library Scheme, Singapore - I.P.A.C. project.

F.A.I.M. was supported.

Hosted a member of the Group Study Team, namely Bob Watson.

Helped to entertain the Team for a morning and took them to luncheon at the Swagman Restaurant.

Vocational Service: Organized three specific guest speaker for Club meetings. Careers Guidance Night held 6th October at Fern Tree Gully Technical School. A full page advertisement in the local paper resulted in 50 Counsellors undertaking 750 interviews. Fern Tree Gully Datsun sponsored leaflets which were distributed widely to schools in the area, resulting in students from twelve schools attending.

Ron Blackman conducted a Drug Awareness program on 10th November,'77. His untimely death was a blow to both our Club and the Drug Awareness Program.

Brian Powell, Director of the Victorian Chamber of Manufacturers was to be the guest speaker at our Businessman's Dinner held at The Knox Club on 23rd February,'78; he was unable to attend and Frank Phillips attended in his place resulting a successful evening for over a hundred.

Geoff Hayes, our local Member, spoke at a regular Club night.

On 6th April we entertained seven of the City of Knox Councillors, and the Town Clerk, taking the opportunity to improve their knowledge of our contribution in our fifteen years of existence.

On May 9th the Club visited the Victorian Parliament, observing both Houses briefly before being treated to supper. Joined with the Rotary Club of Boronia for a visit, dinner and observation of the Knox Council in session.

1978-79 16th Year

PRESIDENT: Ken MILLER
PRESIDENT ELECT: John RICHARDS
PAST PRESIDENT: Jack CALLAHAN
SECRETARY: Dick SAUNDERS
TREASURER: Duncan COOK

COMMUNITY SERVICE: John CORBETT and George BARUDAY

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: Barry SHORTER VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Errol LOFFLER

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Neal WICKENTON

World President: Clem Renouf. (Australian)

Theme: "Reach Out"

Inductions: Colin Watt(29:06:'78); Mike Baron(20:07:78);

Bob Boscott(27:07:78); John Nyhuis(25:01:'79); David Stafford(24:01:'79); John Ball(25:01:'79); Alan Seymour (15:03:79); Murray Oakley(22:03:'79); Geoff Thomas(8:04:'79); Don Harrison(26:04:'79); Bill McDowell(31:05:'79); &, Carl Nagel(21:6:79).

Resignations: John Corbett(18:1:79); Ken Foster(15:2:79);

Richard Rowe(20:7:78); Peter O'Reilly(13:7:78); Barry Morris(1978/9); and, Cliff Fisher(1978/9).

Membership: 33 Five members were 100%). Dues:

(John Richards was a member of the District Youth Exchange Program Committee -

N.Z. Twin Exchange).

Community Service: Conducted the successful Second Annual Fishing Competition at Auravale Lake on 12th November, '78.

Conducted a Basket Cabaret in aid of the Spastic Society's Centre being build at Boronia Rd., Wantirna (\$294:00). Instigated the formation of a Brass Band within the City of Knox.

Assisted the John King Family, when John was left with 3 small children following the death of his wife at the age of 29, with a cheque for \$400:00.

International Service: Sponsored a World Vision child, A.W.Joeriz, in India and sent a Christmas gift.

World correspondence - letters to 9 Rotary Clubs whose banner we held. Their return letters were published in our Bulletin.

Participated in a New Zealand "Twin Exchange". *David Lee* came to F.T.G. and *Marco Klomp* returned with him, to N.Z., for a Term.

Sent two Toys to the Rotary International Toy Exhibition.

Conducted six "International Nights" at Club level.

Hosted a member of the English Group Study Exchange Team, Peter Brown from London.

F.A.I.M. contributions resulted in the Club being 100% for another year; 200% really as all members subscribed for their wives.

R.Y.L.A. - the late Mike Baron was heavily involved in the running of the programme at late notice.

* Rotary Foundation - our donation saw us reach the 500% plateau.

Vocational Service: A successful Careers Night was held at Fern Tree Gully Technical School(4:10:79) open to all student in the area.

Two Vocational nights were held at Club level; on 10th August Keith Norman spoke on "What is Vocational Service" and the second was a factory visit to Kenworth Truck Plant in Bayswater.

On the 8th March the guest speaker at our Business Man's Dinner was Father Brosman; while the speaker on 24th May at our Business Interest Dinner was Peter Boschma who spoke on "Management in Small Business" resulted in an attendance beyond expectations.

Membership/Classification: During this year the Club completed the largest survey of classifications throughout our area.

Rotaract: President Ian Musgrove and his Rotaractors had a most successful year with 3 or 4 Rotarians attending all their meetings. Conducted 7 working bees, a Car Trial, an Asian Students' barbecue, as well as participating in the Red Cross Murray Marathon and the Bed Push for the Children's Hospital.

Assisted in painting at the Salvation Boys' Home.

Membership continues to be a concern; lost 8 and inducted eight.

1979-80 17th Year

PRESIDENT: John RICHARDS PRESIDENT ELECT: Royce BEASLEY **PAST PRESIDENT:** Ken MILLER **SECRETARY: Greg LANGFORD** TREASURER: **Duncan COOK COMMUNITY SERVICE: Barry SHORTER** INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: Don DASBOROUGH **VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Brian SUTTERBY**

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Bob CAMM

World President: James L. Bomar.

Theme: "Let Service Light the Way".

D.G. Rep. - Group 5: Colin Couper

Inductions: Joe van Winckel (1979/80); Eric Marsh (1979);

John Brennan (17:1:80); Ian McKay (29:10:79).

Resignations: Jack Callahan, Bob McDowell, Murray Oakley,

Mike Barron, Errol Loffler,

Eric Marsh (20:9:79), Dick Sanders, Geoff Thomas and Colin Watt.

Membership: 30 (Seven members were 100%). Dues:

Initiated the formation of a second Rotary Club in this area.

Community Service: Endeavoured to establish a Knox City Band. Unfortunately, the committee formed at a Public Meeting, folded due to the lack of support.

The Third Annual Fishing Competition was marred by foul weather resulting in, but for the Rotary Annes' "Lucky Dip", a financial failure.

Members showed their unity by covering, for Jack Callahan, the cost of the "lost tent".

Raffled a bicycle at the Children's Christmas Party with a profit of \$95:00.

Endeavoured to run a Sportsman's Night but this too, despite much hard work by a few, had to be cancelled due to a lack of support.

Purchased equipment, in the form of workshop tools, power equipment and a plant propagation tray for the garden centre at the new Spastic Centre in Wantirna from proceeds of the First Fishing Competition.

R.Y.L.A. Sponsored Peggy Ashby at the Mount Eliza programme.

International Service: Correspondence with the Rotary Club of Hanover, Germany for possible Exchange Student. Following further correspondence, Dr Greg White of the Tibetan Welfare Dalek Hospital in India, spoke at one of our regular meetings and was presented with an Oroscope donated by George Baruday. Received a letter of thanks from

Hosted the Welcome Home for the Group Study Team at the Knox Club in November '79 and were given the opportunity to collect for the

Kampuchean Relief Fund. We raised \$1,069:00, with the Rotary Club of Bayswater contributing \$250 of the amount. Participated in the N.Z. Twin Exchange Programme with *Carolyn Doyle and Helen Murray* our "twins" for the year. Dinner Dance at Swiss Club in the City raised \$612:00. \$50 for a blazer for our Twin, \$168:00 support for our child sponsored through World Vision and \$393:50 to Rotary's 3H Programme.

F.A.I.M. The Club was 100% again this year.

the Hospital.

Vocational Service: Business Interest Nights were conducted on 20th September and 20th February, our speakers were Geoff McComas who spoke on "Communication in Business" and Rudi Werner, the Victorian Manager of Enterprise Australia whose topic was "Employer/Employee Relations". We had 125 to hear Geoff who enthralled us with his "How to use the telephone", whilst 120 attended Rudi's night.

Our Career Guidance Night was once again held at Fern Tree Gully

Technical School on 4th October thanks to the efforts of Jack Callahan and the school's, Owen McGee; F.T.G. Datsun again supplying the information pamphlets.

During November, '79 Jack and Owen produced, with the assistance of Geoff Thomas, a video tape Interview Programme - Employers and prospective employees, with six interviews for use at the school.

Two Industrial visits were undertaken - 15th May,'80 we visited the fully computerized Vulcan Warehouse at Bayswater and on 12th June,'80 we visited the William Angliss Hospital at Fern Tree Gully.

Fellowship: A most successful Christmas Party (124 attended) at the Horticultural Research Institute was the highlight of the year, closely followed by "Flexitime" at the Alexander Theatre, Monash, the Progressive Dinner at McDowell's, Nagle's and Boscott's and the Family Day at Callahan's holiday mansion.

David Stafford worked extremely hard for the success of these occasions.

Financially, fellowship "did well", raising \$640:00. \$40 of which was used to purchase a flag.

Note: Purchased the Flag of Kenya for presentation to the District Collection of Flags of Rotary Countries.

Rotaract: President, Erica Ireland and her band, although few in number, had a good year of fellowship and were especially helpful at the Career's Night at F.T.G. Technical School.

1980-81 18th Year

PRESIDENT:Royce BEASLEYPRESIDENT ELECT:Barry SHORTERPAST PRESIDENT:John RICHARDS

SECRETARY: Joe VAN WINCKEL & Ian McKAY

TREASURER:Duncan COOKCOMMUNITY SERVICE:Bob BOSCOTTINTERNATIONAL SERVICE:John NYHUISVOCATIONAL SERVICE:Greg LANGFORD

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Harry OAKS

World President: Rolf Klarich.

Theme: "Take Time to Serve".

D.G. REP. - Group 5: John RICHARDS

Inductions: Ron Mitchell (17:7:80);

Heiny Achermann (17:7:80); Ian Wastell (6:12:80); Colin Riddiford (5:3:81); David Guiney (30:4:81); &, Harold Roberts (4:6:81).

Resignations: John Ellemor, transferred to R.C. of Knoxfield;

Alan Seymour (1981); David Sharp (Dec. '1980); &, David Stafford (1981).

Membership: 30 (Seven members were 100%). Dues:

The Rotary Club of KNOXFIELD: It was President Royce's privilege to see our Club Sponsor the creation of another Rotary Club.

Community Service: Investigated the possibility of placing electric BBQ's at Dobson Park. Not favoured by the Council and the project was shelved.

July 1980 - held a "Fun Run" to aid the family of Greg Anderson, tragically killed playing football, raised \$500:00.

Donated \$50 for house "repairs" to a family in Rankin Road. In conjunction with the Rotary Club of Knoxfield, donated a "Collection Barrel" to Villa Maria; the first two months resulted in \$65:73 being collected.

The Sportsman's Night, with Harry Beitzel, raised \$365:00, thanks to the Chairman of the night, Greg Langford, and the donation by Colin Riddiford, of autographed North Melbourne footballs. The raffle raised \$246.

Conducted the Fishing Competition at Aura Vale Lake on Sunday, 16th November, 80. 499 adult and 132 junior entries resulted in a profit of \$1,542:91. The prizes presented, totalled \$4,300. Don Dasborough paid tribute to the efforts of Brian Sutterby and John Richards in making the Fishing Competition a success.

Donated: \$500 to Willow Road Hostel for the Aged,

\$100 to R.C. of Boronia's "Super Tooth" project, \$100 to "Sherbrooke Youth Need Group", \$500 to Maroondah Driving Centre,

\$150 to Templar Society, to purchase unwanted land from Knoxbrooke,

\$100 to Baptist Church's "Homeless Youth in Crisis", leaving \$573:28 free funds to the incoming

Community Service Committee.

International Service: Supported World Vision and sponsored, Joe Riz, from the Philippines.

Supported F.A.I.M., and were again 100%.

Rotary Foundation supported with a donation of \$290, the result of a B.B.Q.

Participated in the Twin Exchange Programme. *Andrew Garratt* from N.Z. arrived in February and *Richard Fisher* returned with him on 18th May.

Participated in the Group Study Exchange programme by hosting the Team from Sweden for one day.

Past President John Richards is to lead District 981's Group Study Team to Sweden. We unsuccessfully proposed Ross Campbell and Kelvin Legg as team members.

Vocational Service: Held, in conjunction with the Rotary Clubs of Monbulk and Belgrave, a most successful Career Guidance Night at F.T.G. Technical School. Possibly the best yet, as having the Army, Navy and Air Forced stationed in the centre of the hall, helped move the students around. We appreciated the assistance of our Rotaract Club in providing the evening meal.

Conducted a Business Interest Night on 2nd April with Eric Risstrom, Secretary of the Tax Payer Association, as guest speaker. The 84 who attended were delighted with the project but as a Club Project it could have been better.

Fellowship: The Annual Christmas Party was successfully held at the Horticultural Research Institute.

The Theatre Night at the Twin Cinema, Boronia was enjoyable.

The Club hosted the Swedish G.S.E.Team at the show "Greatest Little Whorehouse in Texas"; an excellent night.

The Snooker Night at George Baruday's home was most successful because of the involvement of most members.

Rotaract: Membership was again a problem. Donated \$250 to the East Ringwood Red Cross and \$50 to the Knox branch.

Participated in the Red Cross Murray Marathon at the checkpoints.

Conducted a financially successful Hamburger stall at the Fishing

Competition and provided the evening meal to the Rotarians and "others" at the Careers' Night.

The Rotary Club of KNOXFIELD.

A brief history of the formation of the Rotary Club of Knoxfield.

The initial move or suggestion on extension was from Past District Governor Les Gilbert, following an extensive survey of our territory by Membership Development Chairman, Stuart Vize and his Committee, assisted by all members of the Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully, during August, 1978.

This area was again reviewed during December and January 1980.

Following considerable discussion by the Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully and Board approval being granted to an extension survey, the appropriate forms were forwarded through District Governor Bob Camm to Rotary International. Permission to proceed with an additional Club sharing the territorial limits with the Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully was granted 14th May, 1980. A list of Classifications was opened, totalling 130 business and professional concerns. The first Interest Meeting being held at the "Rembrandt", Burwood Highway, Knoxfield on 11th August, 1980 at 12:30 p.m. with six potential members in attendance. Meetings were held each two weeks until 22nd September, 1980. On this date the group of 22 members formed the Provisional Rotary Club of Knoxfield. District 982 Representatives in attendance 22:9:'80 were District Governor Harry Oakes , Past District Governors Wal Cubbin, Arthur Pullen, District Governor Nominee Ken Oldmeadow, Zone Representative John Richards.

24th October,1980 - A Charter list of 22 members was forwarded to

District Governor Harry Oakes and Dennis Livensen, R.I. Service Supervisor, Evanston, U.S.A. received the list of Members and application forms on 31st October,1980. Within 10 minutes the list was on its way for a Board decision, after a minor adjustment a Charter was granted on the day of receipt.

27th November,1980 - Charter Presentation Night, at "The Windsor", Dandenong.

Seventeen Charter Members only being inducted on the evening. District Governor Harry Oakes journeyed to "The Swagman" at a later date to induct President Maurice McKernan and the three remaining of the original list.

"President Royce and Fellow Rotarians, may I take this opportunity to sincerely thank you and Officers of Rotary International, especially District Governor Harry Oakes, for a most rewarding year in Rotary".

Ken Miller.

Ed. But for the dedication of Ken Miller there would not have been a Rotary Club of Knoxfield. Thanks Ken, for a "job well done".

1981-82 19th Year

PRESIDENT:
PRESIDENT ELECT:

VICE PRESIDENT:
PAST PRESIDENT:
SECRETARY:
TREASURER:

Barry SHORTER
Bob BOSCOTT
George BARUDAY
Reoyce BEASLEY
Ian McKAY
Duncan COOK

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Ian WASTELL & David GUINEY

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: Ron MITCHELL
VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Heiny ACHERMANN

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Ken OLDMEADOW District 981.

World President: Stanley E. McCaffrey.

Theme: "World Understanding and Peace Through Rotary"

D.G. Rep.- Group 5: Don GRIFFIN

Inductions: Robert Hurst (2:7:81); Geoffrey May (9:7:81);

Bill Gladwin (27:8:81); Bob Williams(22:10:81); John Elliott (11:2:82); Lionel Ling (4:3:82);

Stephen Smithett (4:3:82); Ron Woodward (6:5:82); John Mason (16:5:82); Brian Adams (17:6:82).

Resignations: John Brennan (1982); John Brown (1981/2);

Carl Nagel (1981/2); &, Ian Wastell (1981/2).

Membership: 34 (Four members were 100%). Dues:

District: John Richards became District Governor Ken Oldmeadow's Representative and Team Leader of the Group Study Exchange Team to District 233, Sweden. Well done John!

Paul Harris Fellow: Our very first, congratulations Ken Miller.

Community Service: November 15th, 1981 Fishing Competition at

Aura Vale Lake - prizes given approximately \$5,600:00 with our profit \$1,732:00. Don Dasborough's efforts are especially noted.

The weather turned against the event during the day, however the

project was a success. The support given by our Rotaract Club should be noted.

Darts Championship, held in conjunction with the Winfield Super Darts League at F.T.G. Technical School on Saturday, 27th February,'82 resulted in a profit of \$758:93. Sponsored prize money on the day was \$2,000:00. We record, with thanks, the help of our Rotaractors and our Rotary Annes.

The "Small Change Barrel" at Villa Maria raised \$149:05 without any help from the Club. This continued to be a worthwhile project.

Investigated support of the transport system between Knox and Moorabbin for unemployed youth. Dropped due to a lack of interest

by the youth in this area not being prepared to travel that far.

March, '82. Sent letters to local newspapers requesting suggestions from "the Public" as to the needs of the community. No response from the community.

Sponsored: \$200:00 Ansua (A New Start for Under Achievers),

\$200:00 Rafter (Investigation of Cot Death Syndrome), Rotary Club of Mornington,

\$250:00 Maroondah Driving Centre,

\$350:00 Knox-Sherbrooke Alcoholism & Drug Dependence Centre.

International Service: Hosted the "Welcome Home" to the Group Study Exchange Team to Sweden, led by P.P. John Richards, 175 guests, profit \$184:00. The organization of this function requires a special mention of Colin Riddiford's efforts.

World Vision - supported a child, A.W.Groeniz, from the Philippines.

F.A.I.M.- supported at the 100% level and had a participant, Frank Moloney, speak on his experiences at Wonenara in Papua New Guinea at a regular meeting.

* Rotary Foundation - our BIG event of the year was the presentation of our first Paul Harris Fellowship to Ken Miller. Twin Exchange, was supported. Unfortunately our candidate withdrew her application late and we had to cancel our participation in the programme. Marco Klomp, Carolyn Doyle and Richard Fisher, our past three twin exchange students and their parents attend our Twin Exchange Family Night.

Vocational Service: Careers Guidance Night held at F.T.G.

Technical School on 6th August with the involvement of the Knox

Career Group, made up of Career Teachers from 12 High and Technical schools in the area. An outstanding success as over 1,300 interviews were conducted. Jim Ellis from F.T.G. Technical School was particularly responsible for the success of the project.

Business Interest Night. Guest speaker was Bob Hawks, Director of the Australian Association of Independent Businessmen who stressed the need for small businessmen to join together and plan an effective pressure group. Business Dinner '82. We filled Knox Club with 175 guests to hear Brian Powell, Director of the Victorian Chamber of Manufactures, who was interesting, controversial and not afraid to answer questions. A most successful evening.

"Emergency Fund": The Board put to the Club the idea of an "Emergency Fund" to give the Club a reserve of funds to be available in the event of an emergency in the area. 10% of the money raised in any year to be put into an interest bearing account. \$2,000 was put aside for the Fund.

Rotaract: President, Debra Toone, and her small group were active throughout the year. Their contribution at the Fishing Competition and the Darts Championship were especially appreciated.

Band: Ken Miller continued, from previous attempts, to form a Band in the City of Knox. Through his efforts the Concert Band of Brass and Woodwind Instruments practised weekly at Knoxbrooke under the leadership of Geoff Glenn. Congratulations Ken on your ability to have this project succeed.

1982-83 20th Year

PRESIDENT: **Bob BOSCOTT** PRESIDENT ELECT: George BARUDAY **VICE PRESIDENT:** Don DASBOROUGH **PAST PRESIDENT: Barry SHORTER SECRETARY:** Harold ROBERTS TREASURER: Ron MITCHELL **COMMUNITY SERVICE: David GUINEY INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:** Bill GLADWIN

VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Ian McKAY and Ken MILLER

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Fred HAY

World President: Hiroji Mukasa.

Theme: "Mankind is One - Build Bridges of Friendship Throughout the World".

D.G. Rep.- Group 5: Bruce McLaughlin

Inductions: John Sime (17:2:83); &

Leo Simmons (5:5:83).

Resignations: Heiny Achermann (23:12:82);

Greg Langford (21:4:83); Ron Woodward (3:2:83);

Stephen Smithett (19:5:83); and,

Colin Riddiford (10:3:83).

Membership: 33 (Nine members were 100%). Dues:

Emergency Fund: Ash Wednesday Bush Fire – initial contribution of \$4,000.

Community Service: Tree Planting at the Wattle Senior Citizens' Hall, Underwood Road, Fern Tree Gully, 35 trees planted with assistance from the local Brownies.

Gang Show. Took 30 senior citizens, by bus, to the Palais Theatre, StKilda to the Gang Show with tickets provided by the Rotary Club of Waverley.

Fishing Competition. Due to the 1982-83 drought and lack of water in the Auravale Lake it was necessary to postpone the project until next year.

Rotary Youth Leadership Award. Although extensive investigation was undertaken, the Club was not able to make a nomination.

Probus. Information regarding the formation of same arrived late in the year and was recommended for future consideration.

Theatre Night. 22nd March,'83 at the 1812 Theatre with Jon Lowe and his Group donating their services free witnessed our major effort for the Fire Appeal. \$1,416:00 was raised and, through Ken Thomson, a metal shed with a wooden floor was purchased and donated to the "Salvo's" for use at Cockatoo. Later it became an Op Shop and later still was moved to The Basin.

Supported the Red Shield Appeal, 3rd July, '83 with "Callers". Donated: \$50:00 to KNOX R.O.K.(Reach Out for Kids).

\$250:00 to Knox Sherbrooke Alcoholism & Drug Dependence Centre.

\$250:00 to the Maroondah Driver Training Centre.

Rotarian Lionel Ling wrote poem - "Tribute to Cockatoo".

International Service: World Vision. Supported Aw Joeriz of the Philippines and sent a Chritmas gift. (\$252 + \$28). F.A.I.M. 100% for another year.

40 Hour Famine resulted in \$132:00 being achieved and forwarded.

Rotary Foundation. Achieved 1,100% membership level.

Vocational [Ambassadorial] Scholarship. Nominated a candidate who was unsuccessful at District level.

New Zealand Twin Exchange. As a new District, this was not possible, as arrangements were not in place.

Youth Activity. Thanks to Greg Langfords' initiatives, two South African YEP students addressed the Club on 9th Sept.'82 - Elizabeth Winhall and on the 3rd June,'83, Anton Boonzaier. Both spoke well and gave forthright answers to questions.

Interplast. 110 attended Rembrandt's for an information night on the function of Interplast. Raffle of a Fur Coat meant a profit of \$233:00 for Interplast on the evening.

World Understanding Week. Through Reeve Crane's efforts we have been able to "Build a Bridge" with the Rotary Club of Ipoh-Kinta, District 300.

Matched District - Ibiza, Spain. A Club Night was devoted to this project and as a result a booklet was prepared of the old and new International Committees of our Club and sent to District 220, Spain with the hope of future communication in years to come.

* Rotary Foundation supported with a \$50:00 donation.

Vocational Service: Business Persons' Dinner - guest speaker:Bob Ansett, of "Budget Rent-a-Car" fame, spoke at Rembrandt's, on "Entrepreneurship in the 80's" on 26th May, '83, with 275 in attendance.

Careers' Night, in conjunction with "Knox Careers' Group, held at Fern Tree Gully Technical School on Thursday, 12th August, '82. Fifty Counsellors provided over 1,000 interviews in 3 hours.

Vocational Service Award, a District award, was made to Michelle Bouwmeister, a Dental nurse and active Rotaractor. Club Nights - Cr. Frank Johnson spoke on affairs within Knox, Reg Macey spoke on Rate Reform, & visited Knoxbrooke, with a history by Duncan Cook.

Blue Light Disco. We were able to convene a meeting on 22nd March between Knox Councillors, Youth Workers, Local Police and the School Council of Fern Tree Gully Technical School resulting in an extension of bookings for the Blue Light Disco at the Tech.

* The Club, through the Board, set up a "*Disaster Fund*" to assist future help in the case of disasters e.g. Bush Fire, Flood.

1983-84 21st Year
PRESIDENT: George BARUDAY and Don DASBOROUGH.

PRESIDENT ELECT: Ron MITCHELL VICE PRESIDENT: Robert HURST **Bob BOSCOTT PAST PRESIDENT: SECRETARY:** Harold ROBERTS TREASURER: Ron MITCHELL **COMMUNITY SERVICE: Brian ADAMS** INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: John ELLIOTT **VOCATIONAL SERVICE:** Robert HURST

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: John ELLERY

World President: William E. Skelton.

Theme: "Share Rotary - Serve People".

Inductions: Ray Jarvis (25:8:83);

John Fregon (25:8:83); and, Ron Lewis (19:1:84).

Resignations: George Baruday (12:4:84);

Ron Lewis (31:5:84); Geoff May (4:8:83); Ian McKay (5:4:83);

Transferred to other Rotary Clubs: Royce Beasley (5:4:84), Warrandyte;

Leo Simmons (6:10:83), Dandenong; and

Ken Miller (18:8:83), Knoxfield.

Membership: 31 (Four members were 100%). Dues:

District: John Richards (Rotary Foundation), and

Brian Sutterby (Rotaract)

Community Service: Supported the local Carols By Candlelight.

Fishing Competition cancelled due to drought.

Probus was further investigated.

Senior Citizen's Week was supported.

Information on Super Text on T.V. for the benefit of Deaf people was investigated and information distributed locally. Red Shield Appeal supported by members collecting in this area.

R.Y.L.A. The Club sponsored Kevin Doyle at a one week conference.

Continued to assist and support the Blue Light Disco.

St Johns Ambulance. A portable Hand Held Radio, at a cost of \$547:00, was purchased and presented.

International Service: N.Z. Twin Exchange investigated but no

suitable candidate was found.

An "Island Night" provided funds for future International Project

planned for New Guinea and India.

Rotary Youth Exchange was discussed and explained, in detail, at a Club meeting.

* Rotary Foundation was supported to the extent of \$310:00.

Vocational Service: Careers Night was held at Fern Tree Gully

Technical School on 29th September in conjunction with the "Knox

Careers Group"; over 70 Counsellors catered for more than 1,200

enquiries. Somehow a profit of \$141:00 was produced.

Business Persons' Dinner held on 21st March with Sir Billy Sneddon, our Guest Speaker resulted in a profit of \$700:00.

People Management Course at Hawthorn Institute of Education, from

7th to 11th November, conducted by Don Gandell from the Waikato

Institute, Hamilton, N.Z. resulted in a \$2,000:00 profit.

Our Industrial Visit to the Rosella-Lipton's Factory in Fern Tree

Gully Road was both informative and enjoyable. (5th April,'84).

The 17th May, '84 Club Night was a discussion of the 4 Way Test and proved most interesting for all concerned.

Our 1983 Vocational Service Award was presented to Neil Galloway

for his teaching and service to hearing-impaired students.

Vocational Service Speakers included: Darcy Good from Rosella-Lipton; Fred Phillips on "Bridging the Gap" between school and work; Don Gandell from N.Z. and Alan Gibbs on the Group Apprenticeship Scheme; plus Gary Baxter from Elders Laboratories.

1984-85 22nd Year

PRESIDENT: **Ron MITCHELL** PRESIDENT ELECT: Robert HURST **VICE PRESIDENT: BILI GLADWIN PAST PRESIDENT:** Ken MILLER **SECRETARY:** John MASON TREASURER: Harold ROBERTS **COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Bill GLADWIN **INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: Bob WILLIAMS VOCATIONAL SERVICE: David GUINEY**

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Geoff PRIOR

World President: Carlos Canseco.

Theme: "Discover a New World of Service".

Inductions: Peter Wylie (12:7:84); &,

Ron Woodward (3:1:85);

Resignations: Don Dasborough (27:9:84);

Adrian Doyle (20:12:84); Brian Sutterby (14:2:85).

Transferred to John Nyhuis (21:3:85) R.C.of Ringwood,

Lionel Ling (2:4:85) R.C.of Footscray, & John Sime (30:6:85) R.C.of Berwick.

Membership: 26 (Two members were 100%). Dues:

Held a 21st Birthday Party (8th Nov.'84), with many former members present. Used this occasion to begin a new President's Collar.

Note: President's Garden Party, held at Ron & Maggie Mitchell's home on 23rd February,'85 was a tremendous success.

Community Service: 31st May, '85, Opening of the Family Care Centre, 16 High Street, Bayswater to which we donated the playground equipment and painted the interior of the Centre.

Tidy Towns. Supported through the "28 Club".

R.Y.L.A. A candidate was proposed but was unable to participate at the last moment due to his employment situation. Supported the Salvation Army "Red Shield" Appeal with collectors.

International Service: Investigated Rotary Foundation Scholarships and sought candidates, without success.

District 981 Rotary Foundation Public Relations Officer, Neil Harrison (formerly F.T.Gully's GSE representative) addressed a regular Club meeting on the work of the Foundation.

Supported the District's Overseas Students Dinner at Monash Uni.

Group Study Exchange. Supported the function held for the English GSE Team's visit to the Swagman on 26th February where Barry Shorter and Bob Hurst did the Club proud.

World Vision. Donated \$134:00.

* Rotary Foundation supported with a donation of \$271:20.

Vocational Service: Career's Night was taken over by the Knox Career Group. Having established this "event' to a stage were it can be self-perpetuating we could quietly bow out.

"People Management Seminar" at Hawthorn Institute of Education in November, '84, with Don Gandell for the second year was not as financially successful as previously but was extremely beneficial for those who attended. Was to be an ongoing project.

"Bridging the Gap", donated \$250 to the District Project – to assist school leavers equip themselves for finding a job e.g. applications, interview technics, appearance and conduct.

Business Persons' Dinner on 8th May,'85 at Rembrandt's. The speaker was Bob Hawkes, President of the Small Business Association and his topic "Tax Reform and the Small Business", he was supported by John Robinson. The project resulted in a \$230 profit.

Vocational Service Award; this was presented to the recently retired Sergeant Harry Pritchard, formerly of the Fern Tree Gully Police Station.

1985-86 23rd Year

PRESIDENT: **Robert HURST** PRESIDENT ELECT: **BILL GLADWIN VICE PRESIDENT:** John ELLIOTT **PAST PRESIDENT:** Ron MITCHELL SECRETARY: John MASON TREASURER: **Bob WILLIAMS COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Peter WYLIF **INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:** Harold ROBERTS **VOCATIONAL SERVICE:** John FREGON

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Ted SHAW

D.G.Rep. Group 5: David FINN

World President: Edward F. Cadman.

Theme: "You Are The Key"

Inductions: Bill Coombs (25:7:85),

Ken Sinclair (10:10:85), Ron Bailey (20:2:86), Tony Homberg (1:5:86), Philip Jackson (5:6:86), and Peter Banks (25:6:86).

Resignations: Barry Shorter (5:9:85), and

Bob Williams (15:5:86).

Membership: 26 (Only one Rotarian member was 100%). Dues:

Paul Harris Fellow: **John Richards** was presented with the Club's **second P.H.F.** at the "Celebrity Dinner" on 16th April, 1986 by President Bob. Congratulation John.

Community Service: Bike-A-Thon, conducted in February, based at Fern Tree Gully Community Centre, although not a resounding financial success did have the affect of bringing the Club together for a successful social event.

Sir Hubert Opperman Opened and gave his support to this project.

Rotary Shed on loan to the Ash Wednesday Relief, relocated to Op. Shop which made profit of \$17,500 in two years; now transferred to Bayswater Community House.

R.Y.L.A. Sponsored Heather Serfiet to the week long seminar.

Red Shield Appeal. Organized 100 Collectors, who collected \$4,500, up approximately \$350 on last year.

International Service: Save Water Save Lives. In conjunction with the Rotary Club of Knox, conducted a Charity Auction at Knox City Shopping Centre raised over \$5,000.

F.A.I.M. 100% financially for another year.

Examined the possibility of establishing a Flea Market.

* Rotary Foundation. Donated \$264:01.

The following "Appeals" were supported:

East Africa Appeal \$104:00 Mexican Disaster \$500:00 Columbian Disaster \$2,000:00

Vocational Service: The Business Persons' Dinner was renamed "Celebrity Dinner" with Professor Geoffrey Blainey as Guest Speaker. Held at Rembrandt's on 16th April, '86; 433 attended a most enjoyable evening and a \$839:00 profit resulted. (Thanks to Marcia Fregon for assuring the success of this project).

"People Management Seminar" was again held at Hawthorn Institute of Education and conducted by Don Gandell from N.Z. from 28th Oct. to

1st Nov.'86. The assistance of Ron Mitchell, Bob Hurst, Harold Roberts and David Guiney made this project a success. All participants expressed their appreciation of the Seminar.

Began "Show Biz" a project instituted by the State Government to assist students in knowing more about business and businesses.

Proposed two candidates for the Australian Industry Development Corporation Summer Science School held in Canberra. Investigated "work experience" locally for students in remote areas.

Club meeting speakers were organized relating to: Council Valuations; Small Business Development; Unionism; Retailing; Personal Motivation; and, The Impact of the new Tax Package.

Note: The brilliant (?) Fern Tree Gully Follies were remarkable for fellowship.

The "Ladies" demonstrated their ability to run a meeting; congratulation to guest speaker - Dame Sybil.

1986-87 24th Year

PRESIDENT: **BILI GLADWIN** PRESIDENT ELECT: John ELLIOTT VICE PRESIDENT: **David GUINEY PAST PRESIDENT:** Robert HURST **SECRETARY:** John MASON TREASURER: **Duncan COOK COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Ray JARVIS **INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:** Stuart VIZE **VOCATIONAL SERVICE:** Peter WYLIE

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Bill TIERNEY

World President: M.A.T. Caparas.

Theme: "Rotary Brings Hope"

Inductions: Graham Faulkner (30:10:86).

Resignations: Ron Bailey (7:8:86); and,

Ron Woodward (11:12:86).

Membership: 24 (Three members were 100%). Dues:

During the year, moved our place of meeting from Rembrandt's to "Cavalier Motor Inn", 343 Stud Road, Wantirna South, 3152; and the Mitchell's, Ron & Maggie, became real Aussies.

Community Service: Fund Raising Projects:

- * Sale of Chocolates resulted in a profit of \$244:00; plus
- * Christmas Tree sales with a profit of \$887.
- * Successfully combined, with the Rotary Club of Knox, for a major raffle & auction at Knox City; the raffle raised \$11,000, & the auction \$8,355.(Knox City were pleased with the project).

Assisted through donations:

Polio Plus contribution \$5,025:00,
Make-A-Wish Foundation \$5,000:00, and
Assisted children going to camp \$325:00.

The donation to Polio Plus fulfils the Club's District allocated contribution.

International Service: Attended the Forum of International Friendship at Monash University Group Study Exchange:

- * Proposed two candidates, *Mike McShane* and *David Nicholson*, with David successful at District level and became a GSE Team member to go to District 522, California, USA.
- * Hosted the District Welcome, for the first "all women's" Group Study Exchange Team from District 522, U.S.A., at Knox Club on 18th February, 1987. Presented each member, after investigation as to suitability, with a gift of a kangaroo skin.

Thanks to Ken Sinclair and Adidas who made this possible. This was an outstanding success as we filled Knox Club to its capacity and produced a small profit of \$79.

* At this function, John Richards was presented with a "Rotary

Service Award" by D.G. Bill Tierney. Congratulations John.

- * Club members hosted the Team members in their homes while they were in our area and thoroughly enjoyed the experience.
- * Hosted the Team's program for a day with the highlight being a Civic Luncheon given by the Mayor, Marie Wallace, City of Knox.

F.A.I.M. Ken Miller, recently returned from a F.A.I.M. project, addressed the Club. We were again 100%in our contribution.

Sent Helen Hall, of ADRA, working in Thailand,9 boxes of readers.

Successfully nominated Youth Exchange Student, Jodie Smith to go to Glen Falls in New York state, U.S.A.

"Save Water Save Lives", Harold Roberts as District Team Leader led a team to New Britain, to construct water tanks. Congratulation Harold on a job well done.

Vocational Service: Nominated a candidate for the National Science Summer School held in January in Canberra.

A Vocational Service Award was made to Wayne Berry who promotes International speakers.

Organized an apprentice exchange with District 978 and the Rotary Club of Ararat.

The Business Persons' Dinner was postponed due to the lack of a suitable speaker after a number of prospective speakers were unavailable.

One of the most interesting speakers to come to our Club during the year was Peter Leith of "Dome", his topic "Don't Overlook Mature Expertise".

Fellowship: Do you remember?

- The "Clayton's Christmas Party" held in October at Clancy's Restaurant.
- The "Roaring Twenties Night" held in November, at Rembrandt's.
- Our family Christmas Party at Ron & Maggie Mitchell's home.

1987-88 25th Year

PRESIDENT: John ELLIOTT
PRESIDENT ELECT: David GUINEY
VICE PRESIDENT: John FREGON
PAST PRESIDENT: Bill GLADWIN
SECRETARY: John MASON
TREASURER: Duncan COOK

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Tony HOMBURG & Brian ADAMS

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: Stuart VIZE

VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Bill COOMBS & Graham FAULKNER

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Kevin SPEER

World President: Charles C. Keller.

Theme: "Rotarians - United In Service - Dedicated To Peace"

Inductions: Robert Moore (2:6:88); and

Roger Graham (20:8:87).

Resignations: Ken Sinclair (9:7:87);

Tony Homburg (10:3:88); and,

Ray Jarvis (3:3:88).

Bill Gladwin (22:10:87), transferred to R.C. of Nagambie.

Membership: 21 (Only one member was 100%). Dues:

At District level John Richards was a member of the Rotary Foundation, Group Study Exchange Committee. Stuart and Beth Vize became D.G. Kevin Speer's Representatives to lead the G.S.E.Team to District 651, Illinois, U.S.A.

Paul Harris Fellow: Past President & Charter Member **Ken Thomson**, was presented by President John, with the Club's **third Paul Harris Fellowship** (17:5:88). Congratulations Ken.

Community Service: Initiated an investigation into the erection of an illuminated Flag Pole as a part of the Bicentennial celebrations.

Red Shield Appeal supported, once again, with collectors.

International Service: Y.E.P. *Jodie Smi*th, our student in Glen Falls, was sent off well prepared with information, blazer and Akubra supplied by the Club. The Club accepted a Danish YEP student, *Anne Hansen*, in August. John and Marcia Fregon were her

Counsellors. This was a successful exchange. Anne attended Fairhills High and stayed with the Fregon, Richards, Smith and Vize families. *Nichole Evans*, a student at Scoresby High School, was proposed as our next YEP student to go to Mendocino in District 513, California, USA. Niki left in January, '89.

The Club was represented at the Forum of International Friendship at Monash University.

Reeve & Dorothy Crane sent our Club Banner to the North Pole. An article re this appeared in Rotary Downunder.

The Salvation Army Concert, in aid of Polio Plus, enabled the Club to add \$100 to our previous contribution.

Group Study Exchange. The Club hosted the District 981 Welcome to the Team from District 651, Illinois. Held at Rembrandt's, this was a most successful project and financially beneficial due to a raffle, with prizes organized by Reeve Crane and Peter Banks.

We hosted the Team for a day. Touring the Horticultural Institute at Knoxfield, enjoyed a Civic Reception at the City of Knox, visited the Eastern College of Tafe and attended a night game of Australian Rules at V.F.L. Park, Waverley. Our thanks to Mayor of the City of Knox, Frank Johnson, for his reception of the Team.

Dalis Nicholson was successfully proposed as a candidate for the GSE team to Illinois. Dalis is the wife of David, last years Team member, this creates some type of record for GSE Team membership.

Stuart & Beth Vize were selected as District Governor, Kevin Speer's Representative to lead the GSE Team to District 651, Illinois; other Team members were Peta Harvey (Oakleigh), Heather Allen (Bayswater) and Jenny Norrish (Forest Hills).

* Rotary Foundation: Donated \$660:00.

Vocational Service: Business Persons' Dinner held at Rembrandt's on 22nd October,'87 with Peter Boyle, Federal President of the Small Business Association, as guest speaker was different in organization as sponsors were given floor space for advertising on the night. Although 10,000 businesses were contacted, only 207 attended. A profit of \$831 was achieved.

The Club held a "Series of Club Vocational/Educational Evenings" - vocational talks by members with special interests, plus debates to highlight practical problems.

NOTE: Change Over Night at Villa Borgese, on 30th June, not only celebrated the handover of the Presidency from John Elliott to David Guiney but was also our 25th Anniversary as a Club.

As many past members as possible were contacted and invited with many attending to celebrate with us.

1988-89 26th Year

PRESIDENT: **David GUINEY** PRESIDENT ELECT: John FREGON **VICE PRESIDENT:** Stuart VIZE **PAST PRESIDENT:** John ELLIOTT **SECRETARY:** John MASON TREASURER: **Duncan COOK COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Peter WYLIE **INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: Brian ADAMS VOCATIONAL SERVICE:** Philip JACKSON

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Mick MATTHEWS

World President: Royce Abbey. (Australian)

Theme: "Put Life into Rotary - Your Life".

Inductions: Graeme Aspinall (10:11:88); and

Alan Ash (6:10:88).

Resignations: Alan Ash (30:3:89); and,

Roger Graham (15:6:89).

Membership: 22 (Only one member was 100%). Dues:

Paul Harris Fellow: **Duncan COOK** and **Stuart VIZE** were presented with **Paul Harris Fellowships** by President David (28:6:89). Congratulations Duncan and Stuart.

Community Service: Red Shield Appeal. The Club collected \$6,816:51 on behalf of the Salvation Army. (July 1988). The Chocolate Drive netted \$265:00, and two raffles \$94:00 for project funds. Raised \$60 towards the fare of a lad with Leukaemia to go to U.K.

The illuminated Flag Pole project did not come to fruition due to a lack of funds and acceptance by the Council. Christmas Tree sales netted \$1,538 and a community service.

An Art Show, organized by Bill Coombs, despite a lack of public support was successful and netted \$375:00 of which \$150 was donated to Knoxbrooke where the function was held.

1989 Red Shield Appeal, which clashed the District Assembly, resulted in \$2,505:67 being collected, considerably down on last year. The Board donated \$1,000:00 to further increase the Club's total.

International Service: Y.E.P. As this project is expensive, it was necessary to arrange regular fund-raising raffles and Theatre Nights etc. to ensure the project was viable.

Niki Evans, from Knoxfield, left for Mendicno, California, USA in January, '89 having been selected early in 1988.

The Club interviewed a number of prospective students but did not propose a candidate at this time.

Anne Hansen, after a successful year left us for her home in Denmark She was a fine ambassador for her country, a credit to her family and to her sponsoring Rotary Club.

The Club welcomed *Jodie Smith* back home from Glen Falls, New York State and a successful exchange was completed. Group Study Exchange. Two excellent candidates for the Team to go to Japan were proposed and *Mike Wilson* was successful at District level. The Team will leave late '89, in the next Rotary year.

* Donated \$1,100:00 to Rotary Foundation, which enabled the Club to present two P.H.F. Awards.

Vocational Service: Business Persons' Dinner. The emphasis was on new Computer technology and a change in guest speaker.

Paul Jennings, impersonator, topped off a remarkable project. The project was a fine financial success with a profit of \$2,500:00.

Congratulation go to **Philip Jackson** and his Committee.

1989-90 27th Year

PRESIDENT: John FREGON
PRESIDENT ELECT: Stuart VIZE
VICE PRESIDENT: Brian ADAMS
PAST PRESIDENT: David GUINEY
SECRETARY: John MASON
TREASURER: Duncan COOK

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Robert MOORE & Graeme ASPINALL

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: John RICHARDS
VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Graham FAULKNER

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Ray ADAMS

World President: Hugh M. Archer.

Theme: "Enjoy Rotary!"

Inductions: Ron Mileham (30:10:89);

Dennis Brennan (23:4:90).

Resignations: Bill Coombs (17:8:89).

Membership: 22 (Two members were 100%). Dues: \$

Meeting & Venue: During the year, moved our time of meeting from Thursday evening to Monday evening and moved our venue from "Cavalier Motor Inn" to Coby's Coffee Shoppe, Shop 10/101 Station Street, Fern Tree Gully, 3156.

Paul Harris Fellow **Robert HURST** was presented with a **Paul Harris Fellowship** (25:6:'90) by President John. Congratulations Bob.

Community Service: Investigated the occurrence of Multiple Sclerosis sufferers in the City of Knox. Thwarted by an inability to obtain information as to the need in our area.

Funds raised through the sale of chocolates (\$482) and Christmas Trees (\$1,844).

Supported Ringwood School Support Centre's, Visiting Teachers' students' annual Magazine (\$175). Without our help the Magazine, of the students' work, would not have been produced/printed.

Rotary Health Research Foundation donation \$206:00.

Assisted a Widow with \$500:00 to pay for home renovations.

Supplied collectors for the Salvation Army's Red Shield Appeal and raised \$2,900:00 despite the clash with District Assembly.

Donated \$500:00 to the Newcastle Earth-quake Disaster.

Knox Homeless Kids. Duncan Cook introduced this project to the Club for consideration in the future.

International Service: Y.E.P. *Jeff Eberle* from Amsterdam, New York, USA arrived in July, 1989 and stayed with the Adams, Vize, Moore, Fregon and Richards families during his year.

Niki Evans returned from her year at Mendocino, District 513, California, USA in January, '90. Unfortunately we were not able to benefit from Niki's experiences as her family moved to South Australia as she arrived back, although she was most enthusiastic re her host Club, families and Mendocino.

Karin Stockinger was endorsed as a YEP student for 1991-92.

Applied for a Scandinavian/European student for the next exchange.

Group Study Exchange. Supported *Mike Wilson* our representative on the GSE Team that went to District 262, Japan in late 1989.

The Club hosted the Japanese Team for a day. They visited the National Bank, the Local State Emergency Service Unit, had lunch with the R.C. of Knox, then visited Fairhills High School.

Supported P.P.Bob Hurst's excellent application and presentation to the District for D.G.'s Representative to take a G.S.E.Team to Canada in October, 1990. Unfortunately, Bob was unsuccessful.

R.Y.L.A. Sponsored **Kate Scott** as the Club's representative at the 1990 RYLA Camp at Mount Evelyn National Fitness Centre.

Melbourne Welsh Male Voice Choir assisted the Club with a Charity Concert at Kartalika Theatre, Ringwood. 330 attended, a profit of \$2,500:00 was distributed between the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Victoria and Rotary Youth projects.

* Donated \$850 to Rotary Foundation.

F.A.I.M. The Club was once more 100%.

Vocational Service: Business Persons' Dinner, held at Rembrandt's on Tuesday, 15th May,'89, with major sponsors Phil Jackson's J.I.T.; Audiphone (Aust) Pty. Ltd.; and State Bank, Victoria providing a professional Trade Display. We thank Phil for his donation of computer hardware and software package plus Brian Adams' donation of a computer desk. Our Guest for the evening was **Campbell McComas** who entertained 365 guests, permitting the Club to raise \$4,858:00. Two Industrial visits were undertaken to A.P.M.'s carton box factory in Scoresby, and to Kenworth Trucks at Bayswater. Club members successfully presented "Credit Control in Business", "Risk Taking"(in Business) and "Cash-Flow and Trimming Overheads" at our regular meetings.

Note: Our first Melbourne Cup "Calcutta" was successfully conducted as a regular meeting on Cup Eve.

Bob Hurst is performing a magnificent duty each week with his "Eskies". Thanks Bob. A very enjoyable weekend excursion was made to Corowa organized by **Bob Moore**.

Remember **Ruby Aspinall** teaching us how to Yum Cha at a local Chinese Restaurant on a certain Sunday midday?

1990-91 28th Year

PRESIDENT: Stuart VIZE
PRESIDENT ELECT: Brian ADAMS
VICE PRESIDENT: Peter WYLIE
PAST PRESIDENT: John FREGON
SECRETARY: Robert MOORE

TREASURER: Duncan COOK & Ed WILLINGHAM

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Graeme ASPINALL INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: David GUINEY VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Ken THOMSON

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Neil HARRISON

World President: Paulo V.C. Costa.

Theme: "Honour Rotary with Faith and Enthusiasm".

Inductions: Ed Willingham (29:10:90);

Frank Kemp (22:8:90); and, Heinz Stockinger (24:06:91).

Resignations: Duncan Cook (21:1:91);

Ron Mileham (6:8:90); Frank Kemp (6:10:90); and Dennis Brennan 13:8:90).

Membership: 22 (Two members were 100%). Dues:

Paul Harris Fellow: **Ron Mitchell** was presented with his **Paul Harris Fellowship** by President Stuart on 24th June, '90. Congratulations Ron.

Community Service: Fundraising was achieved through the sale of Christmas trees (\$1,428) and a Trash and Treasure (\$250).

The Club had a joint meeting with R.C. of Boronia and the Knox Council, reviving a previous regular occurrence.

Following an address by Christel Jensen re C.A.R.A.(Christian Alternative Reception Accommodation) we forwarded a donation.

Reeve Crane organized a number of "carrot pulls" with carrots donated to Amaroo, Glengollan and William Angliss Hospital.

The Wantirna South Primary School received \$117 for a school camp assistance.

Red Shield Appeal supported with collectors & raised \$5,500:00.

Donated \$1,000 to Barry Quirk (Salvation Army) to permit him to travel to Kathmandu & restore the plumbing of the Nepal hospital.

Donated \$1,000 to the Nyngan Flood Relief.

The "Small Change Barrel" we placed at Villa Maria in 1980 was stolen and, when found, was wrecked. It will not be replaced at the suggestion of Vila Maria.

International Service: F.A.I.M. Donated \$200 which assured we maintained our 100% record.

Group Study Exchange. Sponsored and organized the District GSE Welcome to the Canadian Team, from District 708, at Rembrandt's on 11th February '91. We presented each Team member with an Akubra and were still able to show a \$154 profit.

The Club hosted the Team for a day at National Bank Computer Centre, Composite Buyers and a Civic Reception and lunch with Knox Council and its Officers, then shopping at Knox City.

Youth Exchange Programme. *Jeff Eberle*, after being with us for a year, left for home in Amsterdam, New York, USA on 21st March 1990. We congratulate his Counsellor, Brian Adams. Jeff stayed with the Adams, Richards, Fregon, Wylie and Vize families.

Karin Stockinger was selected to go to Tumwater, Washington, USA for the 1991-2 period and left in January, '91. We prepared to receive *Kati Launonen* from Iislami, Finland in August, '91.

Charity Concert - we were unable to organize this which was disappointing after the previous year's success.

* Rotary Foundation donation \$670:00.

Vocational Service: The Business Persons' Dinner was the main project for the year and "*Dinner With Bruce Bond*" at Rembrandt's on 29th May,'91, when we had 620 in attendance, was an outstanding success and a credit to the efforts of members.

District Governor Neil Harrison and wife Coral attended along with the Mayor of the City of Knox, Cr John Raymond and his wife Margaret. The City of Knox provided a copy of "Prolific in God's Gifts" which was suitable inscribed and presented to Bruce Bond.

Rotary Health Research Fund benefited by \$845 from the evening.

The committee was responsible for a number of Club Nights during the year e.g. "Credit Aid"," Business Problems"," An Effective Team"," The Current Economic Situation" and "Running A Business in USA".

Remember? Our second "Calcutta" held Cup Eve at Coby's.

The Rock'n'Roll night put on by the Sherbrooke Players at the Boronia Progress Hall.

Attendance at "The Importance of Being Ernest" and or the weekend away at Rutherglen and dinner at the "Old House", Mount Prior Winery. Who could forget "Mrs. Mouse" and her luncheon basket?

Bob Hurst is continuing to perform a magnificent duty each week with his "Eskies". Thanks Bob.

1991-92 29th Year

PRESIDENT: Brian ADAMS
PRESIDENT ELECT: Peter WYLIE
VICE PRESIDENT: Graeme ASPINALL

PAST PRESIDENT: Stuart VIZE
SECRETARY: John MASON
TREASURER: Ed WILLINGHAM
COMMUNITY SERVICE: John FREGON
VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Peter BANKS
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: Graeme ASPINALL

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Bruce WHITTAKER

World President: Rajendra K. Saboo.

Theme: "Look Beyond Yourself"

Inductions: Laurie Adams (17:2:92);

Hilton Edmunds (11:11:91); Jim Marshall (9:9:91); and, Sandy Yeats (18:8:91).

Resignations: Philip Jackson (6:4:92); and,

Harold Roberts (12:8:91).

Membership: 23 (Two members 100%). **Dues:** \$150:00

District: District 981 became District 9810.

Paul Harris Fellow: Reeve Crane and David Guiney.

Community Service: Donated a Toyota Hi-ace van with Braun Hydraulic lifter to Glengollan Homes enabling the aged and infirmed residents to be easily transported on excursions.

Participated in the inaugural "Knox Community Fair", providing a "Photo with Santa" service and a Rotary Display. Fund raising was through the sale of Christmas Trees (\$1371:00) and chocolates (\$187).

The Salvation Army, *Red Shield Appeal* was again supported with collectors who raised \$8,000:00. Special thanks to **Graeme Aspinall** and our friend **Peter Boswell** for their efforts.

Following a request, we donated a Stair Trolley(\$192), to the Salvation Army.

International Service: Sponsored **James Saw**, St Joseph's College F.T.G., for the C.R.A. National Science Summer School. James was eliminated at the District interviews.

YEP. *Karin Stockinger* returned, in January '92, from twelve months in Tumwater, Washington, USA to complete yet another successful exchange.

In August '91 we welcomed *Kati Launonen* from Iislami, Finland who attended Tintern C.E.G.G.S. She was hosted by the Fregon, Hurst, Richards, Stockinger and Vize families. We thank John Fregon, as her Counsellor, for a job well done.

We endorsed *Megan Hale*, who attended Ringwood College, of Wantirna South as our representative who is to go to Japan. We are to receive a Japanese student in March, '93.

Group Study Exchange. Two members of the G.S.E.Team from District 7770, South Carolina, USA were hosted by Brian & Gloria Adams and Stuart & Beth Vize; while the Club hosted the Team for a day at the National Australia Bank's Computer Centre, O.T.C. and the Knox Civic Centre where they were entertained to lunch by the Council and given a Civic Reception. They shopped at Knox City in what was left of the afternoon.

Fund-raising was through

the sale of chocolates (\$217);

- a Theatre Night in August, "The Fair, The Fearless and the Frightful" by the Sherbrooke Players and the "International Dinners".
- * Donated \$520:00 to the Rotary Foundation.

Vocational Service: The Business Persons' Dinner, with guest speaker Peter Reith, Deputy Leader of the Opposition whose topic was "The GST and You". Questions from the floor were lively. However, this was a successful project despite an attendance of 192 as we cleared (including the raffle) \$940:64 and had no complaints.

An enjoyable industrial visit was made to Siemen's in Bayswater thanks to **Heinz Stockinger**.

Remember: Sandy Yeats' visit to the Antarctic in the Nella Dan?

The Cup Eve "Calcutta" held at Coby's and the Box Dinners?

The surprise both Reeve Crane and David Guiney received when they were awarded Paul Harris

Fellowships.

Bob Hurst is still performing a magnificent duty each week with his "Eskies". Thanks Bob.

1992-93 30th Year

PRESIDENT: **Peter WYLIE** PRESIDENT ELECT: Graeme ASPINALL VICE PRESIDENT: **Graham FAULKNER PAST PRESIDENT: Brian ADAMS SECRETARY**: John MASON TREASURER: Ed WILLINGHAM **COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Heinz STOCKINGER **INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:** Robert MOORE **VOCATIONAL SERVICE:** Jim MARSHALL

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Don HOLDERNESS

World President: Clifford L. Dochterman.

Theme: "Real Happiness is Helping Others"

Inductions: Joe Pawlaczyk (21:12:92);

John Flemming (19:04:93).

Resignations: Nil to date.

Membership: 24 Dues: \$150:00

Community Service: Fund-raising was through the Sale of:

Christmas Trees (\$1,093:00).

Wine (\$3,000).

Trash & Treasure (\$291:00), held at F.T.G.Timber & Joinery.

Christmas Puddings (\$191:00).

The Club participated in the Annual (2nd) Knox Community Fair at Chandler Park again providing "Photo with Santa", Hot Dogs, Hamburgers and Ice-cream sales(\$677:00), on the same day as we sold the trees - a real Club effort.

* The Club has made donations to:

Somolia \$1,000:00 Knox Youth Accommodation \$500:00 Salvation Army Canna Appeal \$100:00

Our donation to the Canna Appeal, through a contact at Heinz in Dandenong, was converted into thirty-two (32) dozen cans of food being donated to the needy in the Knox community.

Following the auction, of six donated plants, donated \$40:00 to the Australian Rotary Health Research Fund (A.R.H.R.F.).

International Service: Youth Exchange Program (Y.E.P.).

Kati Launonen left for home, in August '92, after nearly twelve months with us. Kati certainly enjoyed her time with us as we had trouble in getting her on the plane home. Be assured, she will be back !!!

Megan Hale left in January,'93 for her Exchange to District 2620, Japan; and **Yumiko Mizuno** arrived from Tabata Kita-Ku, a northern suburb of Tokyo, Japan on 4th April,'93. Her sponsoring Club is Tokyo Ohsaki in District 2750. She will stay with the Aspinall, Hale, Stockinger and Moore families, while Reeve & Dorothy Crane will be her Counsellors.

* Supported **John Fregon** and **Brian Adams** applications to be the D.G's Representative to take the GSE Team to South Carolina. Unfortunately, neither John nor Brian was successful.

Vocational Service: The Business Person's Dinner is to be held at Rembrandt's on Wednesday, 28th April,'93 with "Nobby" Clarke, as Guest Speaker.

Held a successful industrial visit to MacRobertson's chocolate factory in Canterbury Road, Ringwood.

Remember:

- The President's Garden Party, and those who wouldn't "Go Home!"
- Our Cup Eve "Calcutta" at a different venue, Drools, but a consistent winner? We were pleased to see Coby and Barry there.

Bob Hurst continues to perform a magnificent duty each week with his "Eskies". Thanks Bob.

*1993-94 31*st Year.

PRESIDENT: **Graeme ASPINALL** PRESIDENT ELECT: Robert MOORE **VICE-PRESIDENT:** Ed WILLINGHAM PAST PRESIDENT: Peter WYLIE **SECRETARY:** John MASON TREASURER: **Ed WILLIMGHHAM COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Hilton EDMUNDS INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: Sandy YEATS **VOCATIONAL SERVICE:** Stuart VIZE

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Bob LASLETT

President of Rotary International: Robert R. BARTH. R.C. of Aarau, Switzerland.

Theme: "Believe in what you do. Do what you believe in."

Inductions: Fred Mason [09:05:'94]& Roger Cochran [06:06:'94]

Resignations: Graham Faulkner [...] & Reeve CRANE [...].

Membership: 25 (3 members 100%)

Paul Harris Fellow: No award.

The Rotary International Conference was held in May,'93 at Melbourne and was attended daily by President Graeme Aspinall, PP Stuart and YEP student Yumiko, while many others Club members also took advantage of the Conference's proximity to attended on numerous occasions.

This was a fantastic opportunity to meet, to learn and participate in Rotary International.

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

- Our Car Boot sale, at Safeway, was a success financially and in Club participation. It is unfortunate Safeway altered its opening times so this cannot become a regular service.
- Renovated bathroom at Harrison Youth Services in Boronia with donations and funds from a Theatre Night –
 "The Brides of March".
- Supported "One Canna Ganna" with \$200 plus funds from R.C's of The Basin & Knox resulted in \$400 to appeal. Canned food passed to the Salvation Army for distribution.
- Sold Christmas Trees to advantage & investigated possibility of establishing a Christmas tree plantation not, in reality, viable.
- Heavily supported Knox Life Education Prevention Is Better Than Cure [PIBTC]. Poster competition in schools with poor response.
- Joined the Combined Rotary Clubs of Knox in a Highway Tin Rattle for PIBTC for a Life Education Caravan for an educational approach against drugs
- Supported the Salvation Army's *Red Shield Appeal*, which, like all other economic areas, was down despite a fine response from our members.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:

• Conducted **an International Cultural Evening** at the Malaysian Restaurant at Knox Tower Point where the guest speaker was Tsebin Tchen Bin from the Springvale Asian Business Association, his topic – "Doing business with Asian business persons in Australia".

Youth Exchange Program:

Out Bound - **Megan Hale** returned home from Kofu [D.2620] **Japan** as a YEP student in March, '94, where she had been a worthy ambassador & had had a wonderful time.

In Bound - Yumiko Mizuno from Tabata Kita-Ku, a northern suburb of Tokyo was here until March '94 & went home after proving herself to be a most impressive ambassador. "Yumi" attended Fairhills High and obtained good results. She possibly attended more sessions of the International Conference than many Rotarians.

In & Out Bound - Australia New Zealand Matched Youth Exchange – Due to costs, the Club has chosen to participate in Twin Exchange rather than the YEP program for next year.

RYPEN. 6 schools approached but only *Kate O'Meara* applied & was sent. Kate profited from the experience as was shown when she addressed the Club.

Siemens' Summer Science School – sent three students: *Thomas Fay, Charles Hocking & Peter Harding* who attended Monash University or the Victorian University of Technology. From their address to the Club all received considerable, suitable experience.

Group Study Exchange.

Inbound – We hosted the GSE Team from South Africa on 14th Feb. & visited the National Bank, Knoxfield Research Institute, City of Knox (lunch with the CEO), Laimbok Leather, Telecom & Knox Shopping centre before they presented at our Club meeting.

Outbound - put forward 2 possible candidates for the GSE Team to go to South Africa, without success .

• Grant for University Teachers in a Developing Country – participated in this R.I. Program by approaching faculties of Education & Medicine at Monash University. *Mary O'Dowd* became our candidate but could not find an accepting University although she made seventeen approaches.

VOCATIONAL SERVICE:

- Two successful industrial visits were undertaken to the Scoresby Mail Exchange & the Knox District Police Station.
- Investigated the possibility of making an "Award for Excellence" & re-introducing "Job's Information Night" but without success.
- Businessperson's Dinner. We were powerless to conduct the Business-Person's Dinner despite approaching Paul Keating [PM]; Senator Bronwyn Bishop; Kevin Gosper [Chief Ex. of City of Melbourne]; &, Ian McNamara [Australia All Over] – none were available at a time suitable to the Club.
- Participated in the Live Wire program but did not have a candidate who completed the exercise.

FELLOWSHIP: Remember the following:-

- Theatre Night "My Fair Lady"
- Our Calcutta on the Melbourne Cup.
- The Christmas Party at "The Bank's"
- Fellowship at the District Conference in Ballarat.

1994-95 32nd Year.

PRESIDENT:Robert MOOREPRESIDENT ELECT:Ed WILLINGHAMVICE PRESIDENT:Hilton EDMUNDS

PAST PRESIDENT:Graeme ASPINALLSECRETARY:John MASONASST. SECRETARY:Roger COCHRANETREASUER:Heinz STOCKINGER

COMMUNITY SERVICE:Joachim [Joe] PAWLACZYK

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: Hilton EDMUNDS
VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Graeme ASPINALL

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Max BUCHANAN

President of Rotary International: Bill HUNTLEY. Sutton-On-Sea, Lincs., England.

Theme: "Be A Friend".

Inductions: Mike Spark [17:10:'94] (from R.C. of Melbourne North), &

David Gilbert [3:4:'95].

Resignations: Laurie Adams [31:12:'94].

Membership: 24 (2 members 100%)

Paul Harris Fellow: Sapphire pin to Ken Thomson's PHF.

Venue: Moved from "Coby's" to **Stylus** [the former Swagman].

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

• Again supported the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal, collecting \$2,000 plus, in very cold, wet conditions and considering the District Assembly was held that same morning, an excellent result.

The committee also concerned itself to support:

- "High Challenge Program" Victorian Police 3 day camp to promote understanding between teenagers & the police.
- "The Rotary Peter Nelson Leukaemia Research Fund" with \$100:00.
- Donated \$100:00 to the Rotaract, D.9810 "The Fantastic Fun Fair".
- The "Peer Support Foundation" with \$100:00.
- Marissa Turner (Downs Syndrome) received \$200:00 to attend Special Olympics.
- The "Motor Neurone Disease Association" received \$200:00.
- Fern Tree Gully Girl Guides with \$500:00 after a fire at their hall.
- The Relationship Australia which runs "Family Violence Prevention Program".
- The seminar at Wm Angliss Hospital on "Care For the Aged" given \$250:00.

To raise the necessary cash for the above, members of the Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully slaved over a hot BBQ every Saturday morning at the Gully shopping area.

We must acknowledge our appreciation of the traders who supplied, free of charge, the necessary requirements for us to sell sausages in bread with tomato sauce and or onions.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:

Financially supported:

- R.I. Bangladesh Project [\$300]; assisted Ms Jan Quiney, an exchange student going to Japan, with \$50:00; raised \$58:10 for the Rwanda Appeal; provided \$500:00 for the District Chernobyl Hut Scheme; &, with extra contributions by Ken Thomson & Sandy Yeats were able to send off \$1,643:00 to the Anzac Kadoka Appeal.
- Hosted for a day the Belgian GSE Team. They visited the Siemens complex; Knox Council where they had lunch
 with the Commissioners, Lyn Davies & Douglas Geekie, who informed them & us of local government;
 followed by a tour of the local TAFE college; to finish their visits they toured the Telstra OTC complex before
 attending our Club meeting as guest speakers.

- The committee successfully undertook to organize & sell Christmas Trees on behalf of the Club at Fern Tree Gully Timber & Joinery thanks Ken.
- In the area of **Youth** our Club has effectively supported:
- Siemens Summer Science School.
- Rotary New Zealand Matched Twin Exchange.
- Rotary Youth Exchange Program with students both in and out.
- RYPEN Seminar.

VOCATIONAL SERVICE:

- Participated in the "Operation Live-Wire" project with two "Live Wires", unfortunately neither was successful in reaching their goal.
- Visited Hayman Reese factory, and had a number of most interesting job talks from members.
- It was not possible to obtain a suitable speaker for a Business Persons' Dinner despite considerable endeavours.
- Planned an event centred around what business opportunities, in the Eastern suburbs of Melbourne, could be gained from the Sydney 2000 Olympic Games. Once again we were disappointed this did not come to fruition, due mainly to the lack of a suitable facilitator.

FELLOWSHIP: Remember the following:

- Our Calcutta on the Melbourne Cup.
- O The Christmas Party, once again, at "The Bank's".
- O Fellowship at the District Conference in Albury.

"On-To-Conference", Albury:

Attended by a good representation from the Club made themselves known in & at Albury.

1995-96 33rd Year.

PRESIDENT: Ed WILLINGHAM
PRESIDENT ELECT: Hilton EDMUNDS
VICE PRESIDENT: John FLEMMING

PAST PRESIDENT: Robert MOORE

SECRETARY: John MASON
ASST. SECRETARY: Roger COCHRANE
TREASURER: Heinz STOCKINGER
COMMUNITY SERVICE: John FLEMMING
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: John RICHARDS

VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Sandy YEATS / Mike SPARK

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: John HENDERSON

President of Rotary International: Herbert G. BROWN. Clearwater, Florida, U.S.A.

Theme: "Act with Integrity. Serve with Love. Work for Peace".

Inductions: Tony Ogle [25:03:'96]; &, Sandy Yeats [24:06:'96]

Resignations: John Elliott [31:12:'95]; Sandy Yeats [28:08:'95]; &,

Ron Mitchell [31:01:'96].

President Ed Willingham [31:06:'96].

Membership: 23 (6 members 100%)

Paul Harris Fellow: No award.

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

• The Club again supported the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal collecting \$2028:10.

- The major project for the year was the "Paint Your Heart Out Project" when we were responsible for painting Mrs Hancock's house. The Knox City Council & Community Services were involved. A successful and worthwhile project for the Committee & Club.
- Attempted to find accommodation for the family of a heart patient going to San Diego, USA.

Financially Assisted:

- Christine Mitchell to attend a Girl Guides gathering in India.
- Mark James (disabled) for a holiday with his mother.
- Knox Police's "Christmas Dinner" for the elderly.
- Make A Wish Foundation.
- Crop A Cop (Cancer fundraising)
- Sausage Sizzled at the Open Day of the Institute of Horticultural Development.

VOCATIONAL SERVICE:

Unfortunately, our Business Person's Dinner was again not able to come to fruition.

• A vocational visit was made to Stihl Pty Ltd, a debate between two teams from members and a number of "Job Talks" have been the work of this committee.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:

Y.E.P.

- Steven Gage returned in September 1995 to complete our Twin Exchange with New Zealand.
- Another successful project has been our hosting of Catharina Crolow from District 1890, Germany. Catharina
 arrived in July 1995 for a twelve months stay. Her Counsellors have been Robert Moore and Joe Pawlaczyk.
 Obtaining host families has been a problem and the Moores and Richards families are to be commended for

allowing this project to be completed. Catharina has made the most of her time: she has visited the Gold Coast with Margaret Moore and the Red Centre with other YEP's; attended Tintern GGS; made her debut; attended the District Conference in Adelaide; visited Tasmania with Tintern and she has seen the Penguins!

Group Study Exchange.

- Our Club entertained the Team from District 1890, Germany for a day and we had the honour, on behalf of District 9810, of conducting the *District Welcome*.
- The evening was a resounding success, but was marred by a number of Rotarians from other Clubs failing to attend at a financial cost to our Club. Stylus, our venue, was excellent.

Fundraising.

- The Annual sale of Christmas Trees netted \$646:00.
- Our other success was a Trivia Night, raising \$2,375:00
- Sale of Christmas cakes & puddings, profit from thee 'sales' equalled \$1,104:00, a big year thanks to Sandy
- Weekly Sausage Sizzle realizing \$3,918:00.
- World Community Services.
- \$400:00 was donated to provide 12 Sleeping Kits for children around the world.
 - o (IPAC #191.)
- Donated US\$1,000:00 to Rotary Foundation.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE - Youth:

- **R.Y.P.E.N.** and **R.Y.L.A.** were both supported. We sent two students to R.Y.P.E.N. and gave another two to the Rotary Club of Boronia to sponsor.
 - O Elisa Milsome attended the weeklong R.Y.L.A. Camp due to our sponsorship.
- The CRA National Youth Science Forum and the Siemen's Summer Science School have both been supported.

"On-To-Conference", Adelaide

- Another little town which will remember our visit following a successful District Conference.
- Attendees included: President Ed & Irene Willingham, Graeme Aspinall, Hilton & Marie Edmunds, Peter & Cheryl Wylie, David & Nerida Gilbert, & Catharina Crolow [German YEP].

WE HAVE:

- Conducted another successful Calcutta on the Melbourne Cup.
- Donated \$500:00, with the help of Ken Thomson, to the "Rotary International Shrine Restoration Appeal".
- Collected "Cents For The Shrine" from 3 Hotels and 7 Tatts Agencies
- Sausage Sizzled each Saturday morning in the Lower Fern Tree Gully shopping area, with considerable financial success due to the generosity of many of the shops donating goods and services.
- Begun our 2nd year at Stylus on Malibu our thanks to Laurie and his staff

1996-97 34th Year.

PRESIDENT:Hilton EDMUNDSPRESIDENT ELECT:Mike SPARKVICE PRESIDENT:John FLEMMING

PAST PRESIDENT: Graeme ASPINALL

SECRETARY: John MASON
ASST. SECRETARY: Graeme ASPINALL
TREASURER: David GILBERT
COMMUNITY SERVICE: Roger COCHRANE
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: Joe PAWLACZYK
VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Graeme ASPINALL

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Graeme WOOLACOTT

President of Rotary International: Luis Vincente GIAY. Arrecifes, Buenos Aries, Argentina.

Theme: "Build the future with action & vision".

Inductions: Sandy Yeats[01:06:'96]; Geoff Gerlach [11:11:'96];

Robert Dawson [12:05:'97]; &, Graham Maxfield [01: 07:'97].

Resignations: Robert Moore [00:00:'97]; Brian Adams [31:06:'97];

Peter Banks [01:06:'97]; &, Heinz Stockinger [30:06:'97].

Membership: 22 (4 members 100%). **Annual Dues:** \$160:00

Paul Harris Fellow: Graeme ASPINALL; John FREGON; &, John MASON.

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Achievements in this area of service included:

- Participation in the "Bike Mark Day";
- Participation in the McHappy Day at McDonald's, Fern Tree Gully;
- Again successfully supported the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal;
- Craig Wilson's parents' front steps replaced;
- Assisted in the supply of a refrigerator for Ms Simpson, a single mum with teenage children;
- Participated in the "Drains to the Bay" with local schools;
- Investigated involvement in capital funding for Angliss Community Hostel;
- Conducting a number of successful "shopping tours";
- Assisted the ARHRF by participating in the "Fund-Razors" & "Toss the Coin" projects;
- Made regular collections from Newsagents & Hotels for "Cents-for-the-Shrine"; &,
- Pledged financial & physical support along with the Rotary Clubs of Berwick & Benalla in respect of the recent bush fires in the surrounding hills.

Conducted the regular Saturday morning **Sausage Sizzle** at Fern Tree Gully with the assistance, by donation, from Norm's Quality Meats, Enzo's Quality Meats, Adams' Furniture, Gully Green Grocers, Foodtown SSW Supermarket, & Fairbrothers Hardware Store.

This project, staffed by FTG Rotarians, was a major fund-raiser for the Club.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:

- **Group Study Exchange.** Hosted the all women's Team from D.7930, Boston, Mass. on 17:02:'97. They visited Glaxo, lunched with the Council & Commissioners from the City of Knox and Nutri-Metics before addressing our Club in the evening.
- Supported, unsuccessfully, *Megan Llewel*lyn as a candidate for the team to go to Boston.
- Conducted a Trivia night to raise funds (\$1,300).
- Supported the R.I. Shrine Restoration appeal.

- Supported the District "Fund Razor" for A.R.H.R.F.
- Entertained, at a Club meeting, the parents of the Club's first Y.E.P. student, Janet Gale.
- Cultural Ambassadorial Scholarship. Supported Zaheed Evans as a candidate but without success.
- Had Lindsay Pollock, an Ambassadorial Scholar from U.S.A., address the club on "Women In Business".

VOCATIONAL SERVICE:

- A low profile year in this area with members representing their vocation within the Club & upholding high ethical standards in their workplace.
- A number of members provided the Club with a Program based on their profession.
- Participated in "Operation Live-wire" with two Live-wires, with mentors Mike Spark & Graeme Aspinall; unfortunately they did not progress beyond the initial stages.
- Co-ordinated the sale of Christmas Trees, plus Rotary Christmas puddings & cakes realizing over \$1,600 for the Club. (All members participated in these projects).
- INTERNATIONAL SERVICE Youth:
- Siemens Summer Science School sent two students from St Joseph's College.
- Peer Support Program supported.
- C.R.A. National Science Forum supported two students but they were unsuccessful at District level.
- RYPEN— supported three students from St Joseph's College.
- RYLA supported an applicant who was unable to attend due to a university commitment.
- Y.E.P. insufficient support for hosting.

"On-To-Conference", **Launceston:** - P.P. Peter Wylie organized another appreciative group being able to attend "Conference". The eleven participants enjoyed both the mental & social stimulation the over-seas experience provided.

FELLOWSHIP:

Organized – "8th Calcutta Night", "Family Christmas Day", "President's Garden Party".

As a fund-raising project - organized "Fellowship Dinners".

The "President's Garden Party", held at De Bortoli's Winery, was a great success.

1997-98 35th year.

PRESIDENT: Mike SPARK PRESIDENT ELECT: John FLEMMING VICE PRESIDENT: David GILBERT PAST PRESIDENT: Hilton EDMUNDS SECRETARY: John MASON **ASST. SECRETARY:** Graeme ASPINALL TREASURER: David GILBERT **COMMUNITY SERVICE:** John FREGON **INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:** Joe PAWLACZYK **VOCATIONAL SERVICE:** Graeme ASPINALL

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Eric FARMER

President of Rotary International: Glen W. KINROSS. Brisbane, Queensland, Australia.

Theme: "Show Rotary Cares".

Inductions: John Gerrard [4:5:'98]; Doug Kollmorgan [4:5:'98];

Gael Traa [4:5:'98] &, Tony Nankervis[00:00:'98].

Resignations: Grahan Maxfield [01:04:'98].

Membership: 24 (5 members 100%). Annual Dues: \$160:00

Paul Harris Fellow: Bett THOMSON.

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Again supported the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal.

- Donated a Tympanic Thermometer to the Haematology ward at the Alfred hospital.
- Donated to St Joseph's "Human Powered Vehicle" project.
- Assisted Wayne Fielding attend a conference on "Elder Abuse" & organized a "lap top computer" for his work in assisting elders.
- Donated significantly towards a specialized wheel chair for the "Hopton family's" daughter, Kim, who has Cerebral Palsy.
- Donated finance for "Girl Guide Support Group" representative to attend an International Conference.
- Conducted the regular Saturday morning Sausage Sizzle at Fern Tree Gully with the assistance, by donation, from Norm's Quality Meats, Enzo's Quality Meats, Adams' Furniture, Gully Green Grocers, Foodtown SSW Supermarket, & Fairbrothers' Hardware Store. This project, staffed by FTG Rotarians, has been a major fundraiser for the Club.
- Conducted a Trivia Night & a Shopping Tour as successful fund-raisers.

• INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:

- **Group Study Exchange**. Hosted the GSE Team from Dist.1250, Sussex, U.K. for a day (6th March,'98) at Australian Roses, Templeton Primary School, Knox Civic Centre (for lunch with the Mayor), & the Institute of Horticultural Development, before the team "Presented" at the Club Dinner at Stylus.
- It was unfortunate this was a Friday and we did not have Stylus to ourselves.
- **GSE home hosting.** Two families host team members from the D.1250 team Richards & Vizes hosted *Susan Davies & Carol Cotterill*, respectively, for a week.
- **Cultural Scholar & Honorary Rotarian** was "guest speaker" at the Club. Dr. *Vasundhara Doraswamy*, with a PhD for Dance from Madras, India danced & explained her movements and dress.
- Ambassadorial Scholarships.
- Mark Schauerte, from Perior, Illinois, USA spoke on his business study course at Melbourne University was "guest speaker" on one occasion.

- Had enquiries from local university students, *Teresa Kennedy & Damien Taylor*, who did not proceed due to some of the requirements.
- **Donated** \$1,341 to fund three shelters for underprivileged family units in India.
- **Donated** \$1,490 to Rotary Foundation.
- **Responsible** for the sale of Christmas trees from, once again, Fern Tree Gully Timber & Joinery [Ken Thomson's] with a profit of \$1,180:50.

VOCATIONAL SERVICE:

- Participated in "Operation Live-wire" program with mentors Sandy Yeats, Robert Hurst & Mike Spark offering their skills but once again we were unsuccessful as none of the applicants completed their project.
- Organized many guest speakers and job talks throughout the year.
- **Responsible** for the organization of fund-raising through the sale of Christmas Trees and Rotary Christmas Cakes & Puddings.
- The "BULLETIN": It was with a great deal of pride the Club collected the "Best Bulletin Award" for District 9810, due to the support given editor Stuart Vize by Marg Hurst, Hilton Edmunds, Sandy & Irene Yeats. Began collecting "used Stamps".
- "On-To-Conference", Warrnambool: Attendees President Hilton, Graeme Aspinall, Bob & Margaret Hurst, Dave & Nerida Gilbert, Peter & Cheryl Wylie, John & Anne Flemming, Rob & Marj Dawson, & Mike Spark. A worthwhile experience for those attending and as usual what happens at Conference stays at Conference.

Do You Remember?

- Our 9th Annual Melbourne Cup Eve "Calcutta".
- The theatre night "Crazy For You" we eventually had a night at the theatre.
- The Family Christmas Party at Sandy & Irene's at Cranbourne South.
- Our meetings, in January, at Sparks' & Hurst's; and yes, although we reversed the order it still rained when we
 were at Harnett Street.
- The **President's Picnic** at Fergusson's Winery in the Yarra Valley a perfect setting & what a day.
- Fellowship dinners were a great success.
- The night Niki danced & put the Rotary Club of FTG on everyone's visiting list.
- The 2nd theatre night 'Les Miserables".
- &, for a few, the weekend away at Phillip Island.
- 'Red Faces", R.C. of Burwood's Charter and the Monbulk Salvo's Auction.
- The induction of our 1st lady member Gael Traa.
- Another *full year* at our venue Stylus on Mailbu.

1998-99 36th Year.

PRESIDENT: John FLEMMING

PRESIDENT ELECT: Tony OGLE **VICE PRESIDENT:** Sandy YEATS

PAST PRESIDENT: Mike SPARK

SECRETARY:

ASST. SECRETARY:

John MASON

ASST. SECRETARY:

John GERRARD

Hilton EDMUNDS

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Bob BOSCOTT

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:

VOCATIONAL SERVICE:

Fred MASON

NEW GENERATIONS:

Graeme ASPINALL

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Ian RISEBOROUGH

President of Rotary International: James L. LACY. Cookeville, Tennessee, U.S.A.

Theme: "Follow Your Rotary Dream".

Inductions: Debbie Weavell [26:10:'98]; Marilyn Hall [16:11:'98];

John O'Connor [22:02:'99]; Jo Atkins [15:3:'99]; &,

Paul McAloney [15:03:1999].

Resignations: Joe Pawlaczyk [30:06:'98]; Tony Nankervis [31:12:'98]; &,

Gael Traa [31:12:'98] – our 1st lady was regrettably transferred by work.

Membership: 27 (3 members were 100%). Annual Dues: \$160:00

Venue: A week prior to Christmas, 17th Dec., '98 **Stylus on Malibu closed** their doors & we were without a "home"; February'99 saw us happily begin meeting at **Knox Tavern. Dinner cost:** \$12:95

Paul Harris Fellow: Hilton EDMUNDS; &, Peter WYLIE.

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

- Again supported the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal with the expertise of P.P. Graeme Aspinall's organizational skills.
- Had representation on the City of Knox "Life (Drug) Education Committee".
- Donated \$2,000:00 to the **District 9810's Gippsland Disaster flood appeal**.
- Painted as part of "Paint Your Heart Out" project, the St Vincent de Paul community house with labour provided by those on Community Based Orders.
- Supported the Linton Bush-fire Appeal; the local CFA; &, the Nursing Mothers' Association.
- Assisted **Max Lulham**, a blind carpenter who teaches other blind people & those with drug problems, to use power equipment. Organized repairs & new equipment for him.
- Nominated Max Lulham & Neweyn Millen, successfully, for "Shine On" Awards.
- Donated (\$100) for signage to the Karoo Safety House Committee.
- Provided shortfall from P.A.D.P. funds of \$430 to purchase a wheel-chair for Wayne Johnston.
- Donated \$500 to **Anglicare** for assistance to a grand-mother, who had lost her legs, but was caring for two children whose mother had died as a result of illness.
- Donated \$50 to the Leukaemia Research Appeal.
- Conducted the regular Saturday morning Sausage Sizzle at Fern Tree Gully with the assistance, by donations, from Norm's Quality Meats, Enzo's Quality Meats, Gully Green Grocer, Foodtown SSW Supermarket, & Fairbrothers Hardware Store.
- This project, staffed by FTG Rotarians, continued to be a major fund-raiser for the Club.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:

Supported the Solomon Island Literacy project – donation \$264:07.

- Donated \$2,000 to the Papua New Guinea Flood Disaster District 9810's Appeal the result of a tidal wave wiping out whole villages.
- Raised funds for "RAWCS" & "RAM" [Rotarians Against Malaria] through sale of badge stickers.
- PNG Disaster Roger Cochrane volunteered his services to help reconstruction.

• R. I. FOUNDATION.

- Donated \$200 to Presidential Appeal to assist displaced persons resulting from the wars in the **Balkans Relief Project.**
- Supported Megan Hunter's application as an Ambassadorial Scholar. Megan is a Lithographer who wished to
 extend her skills by attending University in Italy. Unfortunately her application was not successful at District
 level only 1 chosen for D9810.
- Hosted the GSE Team from D.5050 [USA/Canada, west coast] for a day, 11th March'99.
- Unfortunately neither of the two candidates, for the out going GSE team to Scotland, was successful.
- Fund Raising the Club sold Christmas Puddings & Cakes resulting in a profit of \$726:00.

VOCATIONAL SERVICE:

- All members participated in "the person behind the badge".
- Participated in "Live Wire" project. However neither of our two applicants proceeded beyond initial stages.
- During Vocational Service Month (October) sixteen invitations were sent to the Carribean Gardens Industrial Estate. From the seven responses, **three excellent speakers** unfortunately did not increase our membership.
- Participated, successfully, in the "Victorian Shine On Awards"
- Raised funds by selling the Christmas trees [\$669].
- Prepared the way for next year's committee to be able to conduct an "Apprenticeship Award" as desired by President John.

NEW GENERATIONS:

- Funded Samantha Blogg to the RYLA camp.
- Funded three year 9 girls from Fairhills High to the RYPEN camp in late February, '99.
- Nine applicants for the Siemen Science Experience.
 - O Three from Fairhills High & six from Rowville Secondary College.
 - O We sponsored three from each school and recommended the others were self funded.
- Funding to local schools:-
 - Ferntree Gully College received \$500 for implementation of "Supportive Friends Program of the Peer Support Program".
 - Ferntree Gully North Primary received \$500 for "Peer Mediation Support Program"
- "Rotary International "Children's Opportunity Grants".
 - O Following our application to R.I. we received \$US9,000:00, one of three in D.9810.
 - Further funds were necessary to construct "Shade Sails" at the local Athletic Track to protect against the UV ray of the sun.
 - Knox Councillors, Athletic Clubs & the Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully provided the balance of the funds required.

"On-To-Conference", Bendigo: Attendees: John & Anne Flemming; Sandy & Irene Yeats; Hilton Edmunds; Graeme Aspinall; &, Peter & Cheryl Wylie. There was little or no reported information about this Conference except –"It was very good!"

Do You REMEMBER?

- Our **first lady member** moved to Gippsland & resigned from FTG?
- Our 10th Calcutta with Bob & Stuart ?
- **Stylus** is no more & our move to Knox Tavern?
- We revised the Club's Constitution & By-Laws!
- We inducted more lady members?
- The party on Anne & John's back patio [few can]?
- Hilton Edmunds & Peter Wylie being surprised with P.H.F. awards?

1999-2000 37th Year.

PRESIDENT: Tony OGLE

PRESIDENT ELECT: Sandy YEATS

VICE PRESIDENT: Roger COCHRANE

PAST PRESIDENT: John FLEMMING SECRETARY: John MASON **ASST. SECRETARY:** John GERRARD TREASURER: Hilton EDMUNDS **COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Doug KOLLMORGEN **INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:** Robert DAWSON **VOCATIONAL SERVICE:** Roger COCHRANE **NEW GENERATIONS:** David GILBERT

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Ian RISELEY

President of Rotary International: Carlo Ravizza, Milan, Italy.

Theme: "Act with Consistency, Credibility, Continuity".

Inductions: lan McFarlane [06:04:2000] & Phil Walters [24:01:2000].

Resignations: Debbie Weavell & Geoff Gerlach [31:12:1999].

Membership: 25 (2 members were 100%). **Annual Dues:** \$160:00 ?

Paul Harris Fellow: Fred Mason.

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

• Donated \$400 to **Equiknox** for a local preschool in Knox.

- Donated \$848 to **V.S.D.C.** (Victorian School for Deaf Children) for accommodation of deaf country students.
- Provided assistance to 1st Upwey Scout Group to help a scout obtain a uniform.
- Assisted Simon Anning make a **cricket tour of Sri Lanka** received a photo of the Team plus a plaque of appreciation on his return.
- Provided funds for A.R.H.R.F. by selling Toss the Coin raffle tickets plus a \$500 donation.
- Organized guest speakers on "Youth Suicide"
- Investigated a monthly **Car Boot Sale** at Chesterfield Farm not viable.
- Continued our Annual assistance of the **Salvation army's "Red Shield Appeal"**, with many of our members [as usual] out collecting over a wide area..
 - Money was tight this year possibly due to the economy.
- Conducted the regular Saturday morning Sausage Sizzle at Fern Tree Gully with the assistance, by donation, from Norm's Quality Meats, Gully Green Grocers, Foodtown SSW Supermarket, & The Salvation Army Store.
 - O This project, staffed by FTG Rotarians, has been a major fund-raiser for the Club.

VOCATIONAL SERVICE:

- Saw the fruition of last year's committee's work for an Apprentice Encouragement Award (\$300 Tool Voucher & Certificate). This proved difficult & two Awards were made Steven Sigismund [Fit out] & Daren Frost [Electrical], both live locally & were 1st year apprentices.
- Enjoyed an industrial visit & tour of "The Angliss" to learn of the aspects of the hospital.
- Investigated how we might **assist older unemployed** in the area after an approach to a number of agencies Centrelink was the only one with suggestions that we assist through advice on CV's & interview practice. We were involved with two such persons.
- Offered our expertise to the "Live Wire" central committee but no-one in the area applied for assistance.
- "What's New In My Business" weekly three minute talks initiated.
- Fund-raising:

• Responsible for the sale of Christmas Trees at two venues – at Fern Tree Gully Timber & Joinery and also at Mountain Gate Shopping Centre with a nett profit of \$1,142:00 – a very solid effort.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:

- Donated \$1,630 to Rotary Foundation.
- Donated \$100 to R.C. of Burwood's "Thongs for Timor" project.
- Donated \$500 to Rotary District 9810's "Interplast Australia", who send a team of doctors & support people overseas to our north to perform plastic & reconstruction surgery.
- Donated \$100 to the R.C. of East Doncaster's "East Timor Appeal".
- They provided a machine to produce corrugated iron for roofing for buildings destroyed by the 'war'.
- Rotary Foundation.
 - O Group Study Exchange Program.
- Participated in both of the in-coming Teams from D.1020 Scotland, & D.5450 Colorado, USA.
- **GSE from D.1020, Scotland.** Provided a program for the day Australian Roses, Templeton P.S., Knox Council for lunch, Swinburne Institute followed by their presentation at our meeting. *Vic Pemberton*, their Team Leader, gave us a Scottish grace which only they & possibly Sandy understood.
- **GSE from D.5450, Colorado**. Provided home hosting, for a week, by four of our families Fregons, Hursts, Richards & Vizes. Attended the R.C.of The Basin's meeting to hear their presentation very interesting, as they were all involved with youth problems as a pre-requisite to being a member of this Team.
- Supported the successful application by *Melissa Nossack* for the **GSE Team to visit D.5450, Colorado**, a prerequisite being concerned with youth problems.
- Observed the *benefit of GSE* when Melissa spoke at the 'Welcome Back' for the Team, also when she spoke at the District Conference.
- Proposed *Nichole Stockinger* for the **GSE Team to visit Japan in Oct., 2000.** Unfortunately, Nichole, after being accepted, had to withdraw due to a major career change.

NEW GENERATIONS:

- **Siemen's Science Experience.** Received ten applications to attend and supported three from each of Fairhills High, Mater Christi, & Rowville Secondary College. This was the largest group we have supported.
- **R.Y.L.A.** Supported, successfully, the application from **Stephanie Smyth** to attend the week long camp. Stephanie spoke on her return & demonstrated she had greatly benefited from the experience.
- Shade Sails for Knox Park.
 - The finance for this project & the progress towards its fruition was only possible through the tireless work of David Gilbert, assisted by Tony Ogle, John Flemming, Roger Cochrane, & John Richards.
- **Rotary Youth Exchange.** Paul & Kay McAloney participated in the R.C. of Knox's exchange by hosting 'Phil', a German student. As a result of this experience Paul challenged the R.C. of Fern Tree Gully to become involved in this program once again.
- "On-To-Conference", Canberra: Attendees: Tony & Julie Ogle, Stuart & Beth Vize.

Do You REMEMBER?

- Alas we lost our second lady member because she moved to the Western suburbs.
- Our 11th Calcutta & Debbie Weavell's decorations before she moved.
- Fred Mason's surprise on receiving his P.H.F. award?
- Our 1st Christmas Party at Knox Tavern & who sat on Father Christmas's knee & whose knee F.C. sat on?
- "Red Faces", why didn't our "Elvis" win ?
- The first night at 'The Basin Theatre' and the Champagne & Chicken sandwiches with the cast afterwards?
- The inaugural 'Car Rally' in place of the President's Garden Party. What a day!

2000-01 38th Year.

PRESIDENT: Sandy YEATS PRESIDENT ELECT: Marilyn HALL **VICE PRESIDENT:** Paul McALONEY **PAST PRESIDENT Tony OGLE** John FLEMMING SECRETARY: **ASST. SECRETARY:** John MASON Hilton EDMUNDS TREASURER: **COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Graeme ASPINALL **INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:** Doug KOLLMORGEN **VOCATIONAL SERVICE:** John O'CONNOR David GILBERT **NEW GENERATIONS:**

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Patrick HARTLEY

President of Rotary International: Frank J. DEVLYN. Anahuac, DX, Mexico.

Theme: "Create Awareness, Taken Action".

Inductions: Richard Cane [18:06:2001].

Resignations: John Mason [01:01:'01], & John Richards [18:05:'01].

Membership: 24 (4 members 100%). **Annual Dues:** \$160:00?

Paul Harris Fellow: John Flemming [25:06:'01].

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Again supported the annual Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal.

- Supported the initiative of forming a Community Bank with a financial contribution & representation on the investigating committee.
- Supported the **Upwey Baptist Church's Christmas Carol Night** with a B.B.Q. raising \$400.
- Co-ordinated the selling of Christmas Trees, Cakes & Puddings realizing \$1368:00.
- Donated \$450 to Wattleview P.S. to enable three [3] Year 6 students attend a camp.
- Donated \$200 to Australian Sports Foundation for Sam Quinn to attend the Deaf Games in Rome.
- Donated \$500, to a Year 11 blind student, at Rowville to permit her to attend a special Space Camp run by NASA.
- Conducted a Mental Illness Forum on 23rd May at the Knox School with 100 members of the community attending.
- **Conducted** the regular Saturday morning **Sausage Sizzle at Fern Tree Gully** with the assistance, by donation, from Norm's Quality Meats, Gully Green Grocers, Foodtown SSW Supermarket, & The Salvation Army Store.
 - O This project continues to be a major fund-raiser for the Club.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:

- Participated in RAWCS project #86 donated \$200 to Salvation Army in Indonesia for medical assistance for leprosy patients.
- ROMAC DINNER. Raised \$2918. Guest speaker: Olympian Jane Flemming. Joint Rotary meeting.
- Papua New Guinea Donation-In-Kind. Redundant Moreland College equipment shipped to school in converted hospital on Kokoda Trail. Paid \$1500:00 to ship one, of 3, Containers packed. Special commendation to Peter Wylie for obtaining equipment & Robert Dawson et al for packing the containers so efficiently.
- Rotary Foundation.
 - Group Study Exchange Program.
- Participated in the in-coming Teams from D.2620 Japan by **hosting the Team for a day**, with them presenting at our club meeting in the evening.
- Tony & Julie Ogle & the Vizes home hosted team members for 5 days.

VOCATIONAL SERVICE:

- Regular job talks "What's New in My Business" have enlightened members on other members.
- Vocational visits to Glaxo Pharmaceutical Company & to Port Philip Prison.
- Continued the "Rotary First Year Apprentice Encouragement Award".

NEW GENERATIONS:

- "Shade Sails" were finally completed and 'Opened' by the Mayor, Cr. Jenny Moore. This project has taken a
 considerable time to come to its final fruition but can now be signed off as a successful "Rotary International's
 Rotary Foundation Children's Opportunity Grant".
- Sponsored 3, Year10 students from Fairhills High to the Siemen's Science Experience.
- Donated \$250 to assist St Simmonds P.S., Rowville implement **Peer Support.**
- Sponsored two students from Mater Christi to the R.Y.P.E.N. camp Mt. Evelyn.
- National Youth Science Forum. Attempted, once again, to sponsor a student to this 2 weeks in Canberra. Shae Hansen, from Fairhills High, was an excellent candidate but was unsuccessful at District level most disappointing.
- **Rotary Youth Exchange.** After 5 years the Club decided to sponsor an exchange. **Tegan Smith,** our candidate, went to Denmark & **Sarah Dawe** from Flamborough, Ontario, Canada came to us for a year.
- On-To-Conference", Adelaide: Those who attended included Sandy & Irene Yeats, Graeme Aspinall, Stuart &
 Beth Vize, John & Ann Flemming, Peter & Cheryl Wylie, Paul & Kay McAloney; & who had the largest room all
 to himself? [GA]
- A most informative & enjoyable Conference and the company & accommodation were fabulous.

FELLOWSHIP: This has been a 'vintage' year from one changeover to the next.

- 28 attended **The Basin Theatre** in August to see "The Herbal Bed".
- September saw a Fishing Weekend were Graeme Aspinall won the "Penguin Award".
- The **12**th **Melbourne Cup Calcutta**, best attended for years, saw many colourful costumes & much hilarity; also, in November we went to **The Basin Theatre** to see "Do Not Disturb".
- December & we went Bowling Ten Pin at Boronia.
- The Annual Christmas Party was again at Glengollan & the Partner's Night at Knox Tavern.
 - O We heard 'The 12 days of Xmas' Rotary style rendered by President Sandy & Irene.
- Fellowship evenings were the order of Mondays in January. [We needed rain].
- The "Gully Wannabees" prepared for months for "Red Faces"!
- Then there was the "ROAST" of an old Sec. .
- Finally, another great changeover arrived.

Do You REMEMBER?

- Sandy being "piped in" to become our new President.
- Peter Wylie's **DIK** & Robert Dawson supervising the packing of the Container?
- Who was John Mason? Oh! What a roast it was, with Judge Adams & Prosecutor Elliott in attendance to conduct the ??????????.

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2001-02 39th Year.

PRESIDENT: Marilyn HALL
PRESIDENT ELECT: Paul McALONEY

PAST PRESIDENT: Sandy YEATS

VICE PRESIDENT: John O'CONNOR John FLEMMING SECRETARY: **ASST. SECRETARY:** John GERRARD TREASURER: Fred MASON **COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Graeme ASPINALL **INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:** Doug KOLLMORGEN **VOCATIONAL SERVICE:** Ian McFARLANE Mike SPARK **NEW GENERATIONS:**

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Brian FOLEY

President of Rotary International: Richard D. KING,

Fremont, California, USA.

Theme: "Mankind is our business".

Inductions: Sheryl Thomas [30:06:'01]; Dean Wishart [20:08:'01];

Julie Goodchild [17:09:'01]; Lawrie Hurley [08:10'01];

Cassandra Bench [18:02:'02]; Fran Mandergeddes [04:03:'02]

Retirement: Terry Maher [31:06:'02] CEO of City of Knox who retired as CEO;

Resignations: John Gerrard [30:12:'01]; Ian McFarlane [30:06:'02]; &,

Terminated: Sheryl Thomas [30:06:'02]

Membership: 24 to 28 (five [5]members 100%) Annual Dues: \$198:00

District Citation: One of only four awards for D.9810.

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

- Again successfully supported the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal (\$1,100).
- Involved in "Pedalling Pete" in the fund-raising ride to Shepparton.
- Collected corks for the Motor Neurone Association.
- Acted as pre Christmas Traffic Wardens at Knox City.
- Manned a stall at the FTG Community Fair.
- Donated \$1,000 towards a wheel-chair for a local Bill Finney.
- Donated \$150 to assist Ron Muller, Pastoral Care person at 'The Angliss', for property maintenance.
- Sold Christmas cakes & puddings [\$500] plus Christmas trees [\$1,020].
- **Conducted** the regular Saturday morning **Sausage Sizzle** at Fern Tree Gully with the assistance, by donation, from Norm's Quality Meats, Gully Green Grocers, Foodtown SSW Supermarket, & The Salvation Army Store.
 - O This project has been a major fund-raiser for the Club. [\$2,800:00]

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:

- Donated to Red Cross & World Vision, \$2260, for assistance to the Congolese after the volcanic eruption.
- Continued collecting used stamps to help clear landmines from Cambodia.
- Sold Christmas Cards for RAWCS.
- Hosted GSE Team from D.1580, The Netherlands for a day (4th March) including our meeting at night. Visited the Knox Police Station, Fairhills High School, Knox City Council for lunch with the Mayor Gary Scates, & the new CEO Graham Emondson, the Arboretum, and the Institute of Agricultural Research.
 - Their presentation at the meeting was excellent even though the projector would not function & they were forced to give an "off the cuff" version.

• The Vize's **hosted Marjolijn** van Essenburg, one of the Team, for a week.

VOCATIONAL SERVICE:

- Continued 'What's New In My Business' talks.
- Conducted two vocational visits Melrose Food, Mitcham & Cadbury Schweppes, Ringwood.
- Conducted /continued the "First Year Apprentice Encouragement Award" Matthew Scheele, an electronics apprentice at Swinburne TAFE was the successful recipient..
- Investigated & recommended an "Encouragement Award" for Year 10 Ferntree Gully College students to be awarded at the end of the school year.

NEW GENERATIONS:

- Two students from Rowville Secondary supported at **RYPEN**, & two from Ferntree Gully Secondary College. [RYPEN = Rotary Youth Program for Enrichment].
- Supported Kellie Eberbach at week long RYLA camp. [Rotary Youth Leadership Award]
- National Youth Science Forum
 - O P.P. Marilyn Hall has been invited to be on the District selection committee next year.
- Camp Awakenings (new program) Year 9 students needing self-confidence; two from Upwey High sent for weekend to great advantage.
- Rotary Junior Community Awards Year 6 pupils at Ferntree Gully North P.S. participated in R.C.of Bairnsdale program of Community Service over two terms. Initially successful; will be developed more fully next year.
- Considered the possibility of re-awakening of the FTG Rotaract Club.
- Club continued hosting **Sarah Dawes**, the YEP student from Canada and sent off **Tegan Smith to Demark.** Sarah certainly endeared herself to every-one.
- Organized for Olympe Bory, a 16-year-old girl from Loire district in France to arrive in July, as a new YEP student.
- Chose **Emma Hemsler** as our **outgoing YEP** to go to Finland in 2003.
- President Elect Paul McAloney & YEP student Sarah Dawes participated in the "Ride to Conference". A first for our Club.
- "On-To-Conference", Shepparton:
- P.P. Sandy organized attendees, we stayed at Mike Sparks' time-share at Numurkah, President Elect Paul McAloney & YEP student Sarah Dawes rode bicycles to Shepparton,
- The Blow-flies included President Marilyn Hall, Julie Goodchild, Graeme & Ruby Aspinall, John & Ann Flemming, Bob Hurst, Stuart & Beth Vize, Mike Spark, Rob & Marj Dawson, Paul & Kay McAloney, Sandy & Irene Yeats, & Sarah Dawes (YEP student, Canada).
- The Club Dinner at Monichino Restaurant & Winery will long be remembered by "The Blow-flies" & the staff. What a wonderful evening! The food was terrific and ...
- It really is a pity what goes on at Conference, stays at Conference.

Do You REMEMBER?

- **Change-over:** The Change-Over which began Marilyn's year and "the slaves" carrying in the new President plus the bevy of beautiful "belly dancers"?
- Christmas at Knox Tavern and Father Christmas's visit ?

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2002-03 40th Year.

PRESIDENT: Paul McALONEY

PRESIDENT ELECT: John O'CONNOR / Robert DAWSON [from 11:11:'02]

VICE PRESIDENT: Robert DAWSON

PAST PRESIDENT: Marilyn HALL

SECRETARY: John FLEMMING
TREASURER: Fred MASON
COMMUNITY SERVICE: Robert DAWSON



INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: Phil WALTERS
VOCATIONAL SERVICE: Graeme ASPINALL
NEW GENERATIONS: Mike SPARK

DISTRICT GOVERNOR: John GLENN

President of Rotary International: Bhichali RATTTAKUL, Dhonburi, Bangkok, Thailand

Theme: "Sow the seeds of love".

Inductions: Michael Koopman [21:10:2002];

Steven Lindsay [?:05:2003]

Transfers: In Vanessa Noble [01:07:2002] from South Perth;

Out Doug Kollmorgan [31:12:'02] to Bendigo;

John O'Connor [30:06:'03] to Leongatha;

Resignations:

Membership: 28 **Annual Dues:** \$220:00 + \$25 levy [1:1:'03]

Paul Harris Fellow: Cheryl Wylie

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

- Involved in "Pedalling Pete" in the fund-raising ride to Geelong Paul & Olympe rode.
- **Conducted** the regular Saturday morning **Sausage Sizzle** at Fern Tree Gully with the assistance from Norm's Quality Meats, Gully Green Grocers, Foodtown SSW Supermarket, & the Salvation Army shop.
- This project continues to be a major fund-raiser for the Club.
- Sold 186 Rotary Christmas Cakes & Christmas Puddings with success. Profit: \$502:00.
- Re organized Playground for the Anchor Foster Care Centre.
- Rob D. removed rubbish from the "little old lady's" home, as Rob had done last year.
- **Supported Knox Community Services** with a donation of \$1,000:00.
- We will again support the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal in May.
- As we will have a new Salvation Army Captain at Fern Tree Gully, it is hoped our number of collectors will have swollen by the time the Appeal comes around.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:

- **Nominated** Llewela Humphries for the GSE Team to go to Milan but she withdrew, immediately prior to selection, which was a disappointment as she appeared a likely team member. This is the second time, in recent years, this has happened to our candidate. Let's hope the next candidate will be successful.
- Hosted the GSE Team, from D.2040, Milan, Italy, successfully for a day (17:03:'03); including our meeting at
 night. Visited the Knox Police Station, Swinburne University of Technology (which included lunch), Checkpoint
 Meto (make security tags), Knox City Council for a late meeting & drinks with the Mayor Karin Orpen, & the
 new CEO Graham Emondson, plus a number of other officers.

- The Teams' presentation, at our meeting, was excellent especially as the RC of Boronia joined us, with 34 members & friends, to make the evening a success.
 - Special thanks to President Paul, Secretary John & Irene Yeats for their part in the Team's transport during the day and Tony & Julie Ogle for their assistance after the meeting.
- Continued to collect **Used Stamps** to assist Polio Plus.
- A Trivia Night is planned in order to raise funds for future projects.

VOCATIONAL SERVICE:

- The Sale of Christmas Trees, once again, was left for Graeme Aspinall to organize & be in attendance for the whole time of selling. The trees were the best ever and, although there was considerable opposition from other sellers, the Club benefited by \$1,450:00. Special mention as the "best at sales" goes to Cass Bench well done Cass!
 - We are buying twice as many trees next year.
- Conducted /continued the "First Year Apprentice Encouragement Award."
- Continued "The Person Behind the Badge" talks throughout the year.

NEW GENERATIONS:

- Sarah Dawes left early in July for home in Canada, & before the end of the July
 - Olympe Bory arrived, as our new YEP student, from Loire district in France.
 - Emma Hemsler, left for a year in Finland during January. The Club presented her with her Blazer at our Christmas Meeting at Knox Tavern.
- **Junior Community Rotary Awards** the Committee's project, in conjunction with some 2002 Year 6 students at Fern Tree Gully North Primary School, relating to the **students' overall development**, was most successful.
 - O As the program is designed to run over a full period of twelve months they worked very hard to complete the requirements of the Award over two(2) Terms.
- We can report the 2003 students have begun the project with enthusiasm.
- The Club has agreed to apply for a YEP student for 2003-'04, host parents are being sought.

Do You REMEMBER?

- Who could forget **Elvis**, the **dancing girls**, the ½ **Barbershop Quartet's** "Don't step on the President's Toes" to Elvis's "Don't step on my Blue Suede shoes". Well done Bob & Sandy.
 - O Another "Change-over" with a difference.
- The weekly message from Elvis, in the Bulletin, with his photo so it must be him!
- Those two excellent members who transferred to other Clubs **John O'Connor**, off to his hometown of Leongatha, after being offered a position he 'just couldn't refuse'; & **Doug Kollmorgen**, like many before him in the Salvation Army, was moved to Bendigo. We are sorry to see them transferring but at the same time wish them, and their families, every success in the future.
- The Club is particularly thrilled **Rob Dawson** volunteered to step up a year and become President for 2003-04.
- Thirty people enjoyed "Run To Your Wife" at The Basin Theatre in November. Excellent show which kept us all laughing all night.
- Our Christmas meeting at Knox Tavern and later receiving a refund in the N.Y.
- There was no rain in FTG on the first Monday in January, 2003. We met at McAloney's.
- The **train trip to Echuca** organized by President Elect Rob Dawson a great social occasion.
- The District Conference in Geelong an "extraororordinairy" time was had by the 23 who attended from the Rotary Club of FTG President Paul & Kay McAloney; John & Anne Flemming; Graeme & Ruby Aspinall; Peter & Cheryl Wylie; Tegan Smith & Olympe Bowery [YEP's]; Rob & Marj Dawson; Roger & Chris Cochrane; Mike Spark; Fran & Brian Mandergeddes; Julie Goodchild; Bob & Margaret Hurst; Stuart & BethVize and YES, what happens at Conference stays at Conference to the "Sound of Music"!