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Preface

As a founding member of the Rotary Club of Berwick and still attending meetings in 2018, I feel proud in putting together this history of the Club. I have been a part of this history since its first interest meeting in March 1961 with members of the Rotary Club of Dandenong, have been involved in countless projects and activities of the Club and have held many Club positions.

This project began when the then President Tim Moore visited me in 2005, as always Rotary was the subject we would talk about, when I asked Tim about recording the history of the Club for future generations and as reminder to current members of what has been achieved, he approved the idea and the project was started. What a 13 year challenging exercise this has turned out to be, it was completed in 2018.

My thanks must go to the wives of Past Presidents and families in the recovery of material to hand, to Tim Moore for initially accepting the idea of collecting and writing the History (book title) and to Gus Dominguez for his collaboration and collating the information ready for publication.

Henry William (Bill) Minns
Charter Member and Past President (1969/1970)

It has been a privilege and a pleasure to collaborate with PP Bill Minns in the compilation of the Club's History. This project involved countless hours perusing through paper cuttings, old bulletins and annual reports when available and not always complete or detailed, phone calls to current and past members and, in some cases, their spouses and descendants to compile a record of the main events that characterised each year of the Rotary Club of Berwick.

As a result, this history is written on a yearly basis, ensuring that the document contains the history of the Club rather than of its members. I trust this structure will facilitate the work of future Club historians.

Gustavo Ernesto (Gus) Dominguez
Past President (2014/2015)

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Charter Members

The Rotary Club of Berwick was charted on the 3rd day of May 1961, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Dandenong, in turn sponsored by the Rotary Club of Melbourne, the Premier Australian Club.

The charter members of the Rotary Club of Berwick were:

Jim Brown	<i>Dry Cleaning</i>	
John Bush	<i>Cabinet Maker</i>	
John Comely	<i>Police Service</i>	
Harry Fox	<i>Fruit and Vegetables Retail</i>	
Allan Funston	<i>Milk Distribution</i>	
Tom Hocking	<i>Men's Hairdresser</i>	
Bill Henry	<i>Furniture Retail</i>	
Reg Kurl	<i>Wool Growing</i>	(Charter President)
Cyril Lloyd	<i>Motor Engineer</i>	
Colin Marshall	<i>Private Bus Service</i>	
Bill Minns	<i>Motor Engineer</i>	
Keith McCombe	<i>Fuel Distributor</i>	
Harry McKinley	<i>Real Estate Sales</i>	
Graham McMasters	<i>Bank Savings</i>	
Jack Nobelius	<i>Postal Services</i>	
Jeff Paterson	<i>Sheep Raising</i>	
Jeff Robinson	<i>Apple Growing</i>	
Geoff Silverwood	<i>Grocery Retail</i>	
Herb Warren	<i>Banking Commercial</i>	
Graham Westaway	<i>Meat Retail</i>	
Joe Wills	<i>Primary Education</i>	
George Wilson	<i>Cattle Raising</i>	
Tom Warne	<i>Painter and Decorator</i>	
Wilfred Thomas	<i>Golf Club Management</i>	
Ken Symons	<i>Delicatessen</i>	

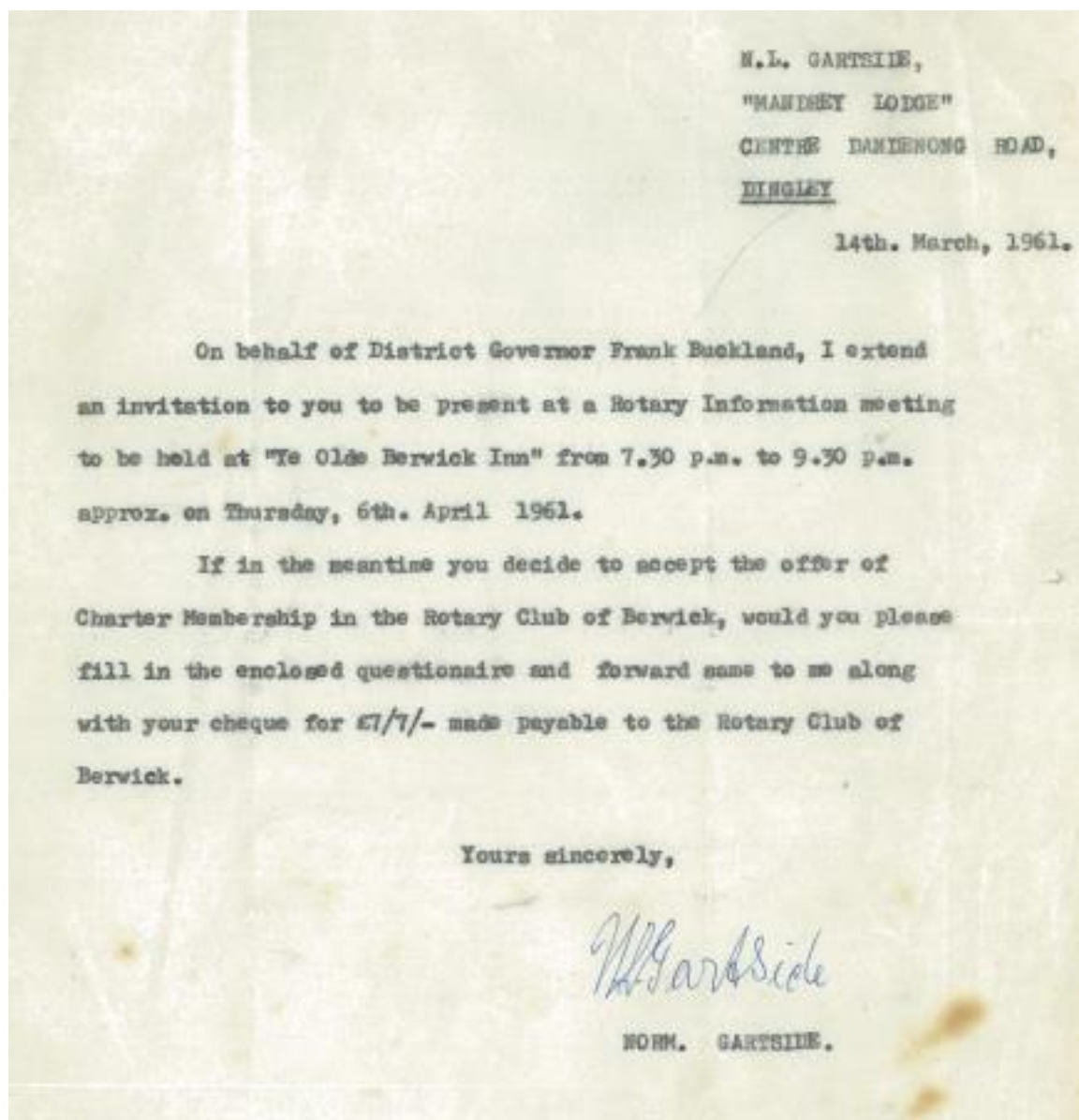
Club Formation and Meeting Locations

The Beginnings of the Rotary Club of Berwick

The history of the Rotary Club of Berwick started when Graham Westaway, a member of the Rotary Club of Dandenong, suggested the creation of a new club in Berwick. The Rotary District Governor Frank Buckland asked his Special Representative Norm Gartside (also a member of the Rotary Club of Dandenong) to do a survey in the Berwick area about the formation a new Club.

Interested Berwick businessmen attended two information nights held in March 1961 at the Berwick Inn Pool Room and a provisional Club was formed, with the first meeting held on 20 April 1961. The charter night was held in the Dandenong Town Hall on 3 May 1961 before a crowd of approximately 240 people.

Although the Club was chartered on 3 May, the actual Club Charter was presented officially to President Reg Kurll at the meeting on 22 June 1961 with approximately 235 guests from neighbouring Rotary clubs attending the night.



Location of Club meetings

Meetings were held at the Berwick Inn until 1963, when the club moved to the RSL Hall on High Street, which soon after was sold by the RSL to the Masonic Lodge. The RSL then moved to its new quarters in Langmore Lane and the club meetings also moved to that location.

In 1974 the Club met at Salisbury House, Upper Beaconsfield. Then, after trying a few venues which included the Berwick Senior Citizens building, in 1986 meetings were carried at the Beaconsfield Central Hotel. After a while the meetings were held at the Narre Warren Tennis Club and the Pine Grove Hotel in Upper Beaconsfield, followed by the Berwick Springs Hotel (the latter known also by its owner's names, first as Castello's and later changing to Zagame's).

In April 2013 the Club moved its meetings to the Beaconsfield Football Club quarters in Holm Park Reserve, Beaconsfield.

Club Presidents

Rotary Year	Name	Classification
1961/62	Cyril Reginald (Reg) Kurll	Wool Growing
1962/63	Graham Westaway	Metal Retail
1963/64	Geoffrey (Geoff) Silverwood	Grocery Retail
1964/65	William (Bill) Henry	Furniture Retail
1965/66	James (Jim) Brown	Dry Cleaning
1966/67	Allan Funston	Milk Distribution
1967/68	Cyril Lloyd	Motor Engineer
1968/69	Harry Fox	Fruit and Vegetable Retail
1969/70	Henry William (Bill) Minns	Motor Engineer
1970/71	Keith McCombe	Fuel Distribution
1971/72	Cyril Molyneux	Insurance Life
1972/73	Kainie Harris	Motor Freight Transport
1973/74	Stewart Holloway	Pharmacy
1974/75	Frederick (Fred) Rae	Dairy Farming
1975/76	Ian Pask	Vealer Raising
1976/77	Maxwell (Max) Schumann	Apprenticeship Supervision
1977/78	Martin (Marty) Alberni	Stud Cattle, Beef
1978/79	Laurie Gage	Livestock Buying
1979/80	Raymond (Ray) Rankin	Automotive Engineering
1980/81	Dennis Dwyer	Used Car Retailing
1981/82	John Gaunt	Plumbing Services
1982/83	Robert McIntyre	Real Estate Residential
1983/84	Bryan Leonard	Banking Services
1984/85	Graeme Beasley	Past Service (Banking)
1985/86	Roger Gordon	Grocery retailing
1986/87	Albert (Bert) Ainge	Primary Education Administration
1987/88	Maxwell (Max) Pawsey	Municipal Engineering
1988/89	Ian Wake	Fruit growing
1989/90	Gary Evans	Building Residential
1990/91	Frederick (Fred) McCubbin	Teaching Primary Education
1991/92	Neville Green	Education Secondary
1992/93	Jack Kraan	Environmental Planning
1993/94	John Kluyt	Roofing Tiles Marketing
1994/95	Peter Binning	Warehousing Distribution

1995/96	Robin (Rob) Taylor	Engineering Electrical Maintenance
1996/97	Christopher (Chris) Booth	Mechanical Services Consulting
1997/98	Gerald Treasure	Timber Retailing
1998/99	Ray Martin	Printing Administration
1999/00	Adrian Funston	Garden Services
2000/01	Alexander (Lex) Buchanan	Milk Packaging
2001/02	Laurens (Laury) Gordyn	Electrical Engineering
2002/03	Graham Tudge / Laury Gordyn	Veterinary Surgery
2003/04	Adrian Froggatt	Information Technology Services
2004/05	James (Jim) Wilson	Financial Management
2005/06	Timothy (Tim) Moore	Accounts Administration
2006/07	Terrence (Terry) Carmichael	Project Engineering
2007/08	Geoffrey (Geoff) Rankin	Chartered Accounting
2008/09	Lynne Westland	Funeral Services
2009/10	John Rosenthal	Plastics Manufacture
2010/11	Sjaak Kusters	Voice Professional
2011/12	Garry Cooper	Transport Services
2012/13	Michael (Mick) Morland	Cleaning Commercial
2013/14	Bruce Shaw	Travel Services
2014/15	Gustavo (Gus) Dominguez	Geographic Systems
2015/16	Geoffrey (Geoff) Double	Arborist
2016/17	Mark Caulfield	Animal Boarding Services
2017/18	Ricardo Balancy	Federal Revenue Management
2018/19	Lea Paton	Construction Administration

Year of Presidency: 1961/62

President
Reg Kurll (Leila)

Club Year: 1
District 282

Board of Directors	
President	Reg Kurll
Vice President	Graham Westaway
Secretary	Harry McKinley
Treasurer	Graham McMaster
Club Service	Graham Westaway
Community Service	George Wilson
International Service	Herb Warren / Geoff Silverwood
Vocational Service	Joe Wills
Sergeant-at-Arms	Harry Fox



R.I. President	Joe Abbey
R.I. Theme	Act, Aim for Action, Communicate for Understanding, Test for Leadership
R.I. Convention	Tokyo, Japan
District Governor	F. Buckland 61 B. Freak 61/62
District Conference	Devonport

Honorary Members:

The first activity of the new Club for the benefit of the local community consisted on members cutting, splitting and delivering firewood to the elderly and needy as a gift. Christmas hampers were prepared and given with other gifts to lonely families and children, distributing 26 parcels.

The International committee was successful in entertaining Pakistan and South African students from Melbourne University to lunch at members' homes and taking them to an apple orchard, a dairy farm, a poultry farm and finally to the Narre Warren North Hall in the afternoon for tea. The students were then returned to the Dandenong rail station to complete their visit.

Rotary Foundation was supported with a donation of 25 pounds to the Rotary Club of Dahuna, India, to assist villagers. A Sons and Daughters night was held on 26 April 1962.

Through the Good Neighbours Council funds were provided to pay for a fortnights' camp for New Australian Child at Anglesea. The inter-club Golf Tournament delivered a profit of 40 pounds which was donated to the Berwick Nursing Hospital.

The Club organized a Bowls event held over two nights at the Berwick Bowling Club. Sixty rotary clubs entered the tournament and the home team won. The Club also played a challenge cricket match with the Dandenong club at the Berwick oval and the home team won by 8 runs. The return match ended in a draw, but the Berwick Captain claimed the scorer favoured the visiting team.

The membership increased by 4 with the incorporation of John Lloyd, Paddy Ireland, Tom Rickards and Angus McDonald.

Charter Members

JIM BROWN	.....	Dry Cleaning
JOHN BUSH	.....	Sash & Door Manufacturing
JOHN COMELY	.....	Police Service
HARRY FOX	.....	Fruit & Vegetable Retailing
ALLAN FUNSTON	.....	Milk Retailing
BILL HENRY	.....	Household Furniture Retailing
TOM HOCKING	.....	Hairdressing
REG. KURLL	.....	Wool Growing
CYRIL LLOYD	.....	Garage & Service Stations
KEITH McCOMBE	.....	Refined Oil Products Distrib.
HARRY McKINLEY	.....	Real Estate Agency
GRAHAM McMASTER	.....	Banking Savings
COL. MARSHALL	.....	Bus Services
BILL MINNS	.....	Garage & Service Stations
JACK NOBELIUS	.....	Postal Service
JEFF PATTERSON	.....	Sheep Raising
GEOFF ROBINSON	.....	Apple Growing
GEOFF SILVERWOOD	.....	Grocery Retailing
KEN SYMONS	.....	Delicatessens
BILL THOMAS	.....	Golf Club Management
TOM WARNE	.....	Painting & Decorating
HERB WARREN	.....	Banking Commercial
GRAHAM WESTAWAY	.....	Meat Retailing
JOE WILLS	.....	Primary Schools
GEORGE WILSON	.....	Dairy Farming



"SERVICE ABOVE SELF"

ROTARY CLUB OF BERWICK

PRESENTATION of CHARTER

City Hall, Dandenong
Thursday, June 22nd, 1961

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Rotary Club of Dandenong

FRANK BUCKLAND
GOVERNOR DISTRICT 282
ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

ROTARY CLUB OF BERWICK

DISTRICT 282 :: ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

District Governor FRANK BUCKLAND
Rotary Club of Dandenong

Governor's Special Representative
NORM GARTSIDE

Rotary Club of Dandenong

Club Organized 20th April, 1961
Charter Granted 3rd May, 1961
Charter Presented 22nd June, 1961

OFFICERS

President REG. KURLL
Vice-President GRAHAM WESTAWAY
Secretary HARRY McKINLEY
Treasurer GRAHAM McMASTER

DIRECTORS

HERB WARREN, JOE WILLS, GEORGE WILSON
Sergeant At Arms HARRY FOX

Club Meets 6.15 p.m. Thursdays
Ye Berwick Inn, High Street, BERWICK

A Message from your District**Governor**

May Rotary in Berwick, mean a fuller life for
Rotarians, a contribution to Society, and an
awakening to the identity of humanity.

FRANK BUCKLAND,
22nd June, 1961.

Year of Presidency: 1962/63

President
Graham Westaway (Daisy)

Club Year: 2
District 282

Board of Directors	
President	Graham Westaway
Vice President	Geoff Silverwood
Secretary	Harry McKinley / Angus McDonald
Treasurer	Graham McMaster
Club Service	Geoff Silverwood
Community Service	Keith McCombe
International Service	Colin Marshall
Vocational Service	Bill Henry
Sergeant-at-Arms	Allan Funston



R.I. President	Nitish C Laharry	Honorary Members:
R.I. Theme	Kindle The Spark Within	
R.I. Convention	Los Angeles, U.S.A.	
District Governor	Kenneth L. C. Davies	
District Conference	Lakes Entrance	

President Graham was a member of the Rotary Club of Dandenong for 11 years before charting the Rotary Club of Berwick.

The Club was involved with the Acoonah Park committee in a two day working bee. At the time, this land was the Shire of Berwick pound for holding wandering stock.

The Rotary Club entered a float in the Shire of Berwick Centenary celebrations held in High Street on 15 September. In October 1962 the committee organised a Bowls Night at Berwick Bowling Club, showing a profit of \$64.

The firewood project was once again a successful event well supported by members and the delivery was very gratefully received by senior members of the community.

On Berwick Show Day the Club hosted eight Asian students on a tour of the district in the morning, at the show in the afternoon and then a meal with a member's family. It was a very successful day.

Members collected books, pencils and other school items and forwarded these to a Rotary Club in Suva. A reply was received thanking the Club.

The first Hobbies and Art Show was held June 1963.

The Club had five away visits to Rotary Clubs (Pakenham, Drouin, Belgrave, Dandenong and Camberwell).

A cricket match was held at the Narre Warren North cricket ground against a team from Rotary Club of Dandenong, resulting in a draw. A return match was held on March 3, with the result so hotly disputed by the team captains that the scorers couldn't count. An excellent social day was had by all who attended.

The International committee organised a film night. The profit raised on the night was directed to the Freedom From Hunger fund.

Rotarians Colin Marshall and Graham McMasters left the club in late 1962, Colin due to losing his classification and Graham was redeployed for work away from Berwick. Ron Tivendale joined with the classification of Wood Industry - Lumber Preserving.

Membership 27 Attendance 92%

Year of Presidency: 1963/64

President
Geoff Silverwood (Norma)

Club Year: 3
District 282

Board of Directors	
President	Geoff Silverwood
Past President	Graham Westaway
Secretary	Angus McDonald
Treasurer	Tom Richards
Club Service	Bill Henry
Community Service	Jim Brown
International Service	Alan Funston
Vocational Service	Jack Nobelius
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Cyril Lloyd



R.I. President	Carl Miller	Honorary Members:
R.I. Theme	Meeting Rotary's Challenge in The Space Age	
R.I. Convention	Toronto, Canada	
District Governor	Tom Sides	
District Conference	Lakes Entrance	

Freedom From Hunger Campaign: Club members braved the elements visiting district residents to obtain support for the campaign. As a result of this practical demonstration of Service Above Self, the Club's contribution to the campaign reached fifty-four pounds.

Wood Supply: The community service project to cut and deliver 13 lots of firewood to needy families in the community was completed in true Rotary fashion, despite the rough weather.

One Day Institute: This year Berwick had the pleasure of acting as Host Club when the One Day Institute was held at the Berwick Bowling Club, with approximately 90 Rotarians in attendance representing all clubs in District 282. The main theme of the Institute was R.I. President Carl Miller's International Exchange program together with all aspects of Rotary Information and Extension. In his closing remarks D.G. Tom Sides paid credit to our club for organizing a successful one-day institute.

The Vocational Service committee organised a Career Conference that was held at the Berwick State School. Ninety parents and students attended, together with leaders of various professions and trades who acted as consultants. All agreed that the project was highly successful and decided on turning it into an annual affair. The committee also organised a father and sons night with a suitable speaker followed by an evening for mothers and on an alternate evening. These were nights held at the RSL Hall, High Street, strongly supported by the community and the Club was congratulated on the worthwhile initiatives.

Club Service Director Bill Henry made sure that the members were kept informed of the open classifications and were published in the bulletin and that the committee chairman had this program was ready for their allotted night.

On Tuesday 10 December 1963 the Club hosted a bowls night for the benefit of the Berwick Fire Brigade.

One week, President Geoff “turned on” to record the proceedings of a meeting on tape, to be sent abroad. In spite of some microphone jitters, the members were assured the Cheadle Club of Staffordshire would get a lot of enjoyment (and information we hope) from the playback.

Membership 24 Attendance 89%

From the bulletin no 114:

Year of Presidency: 1964/65

President
Bill Henry (Margery)

Club Year: 4
District 282

Board of Directors	
President	Bill Henry
Past President	Geoff Silverwood
Secretary	Cyril Lloyd
Treasurer	Tom Richards
Club Service	Jim Brown
Community Service	Allan Funston
International Service	Tom Hocking
Vocational Service	Harry Fox
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Angus McDonald



R.I. President	Charles W Penttengill.
R.I. Theme	Live Rotary
R.I. Convention	Los Angeles, U.S.A.
District Governor	R W A (Bill) Brett
District Conference	Hobart

Honorary Members:

This year the Community Service committee organised a Cemetery Working Bee held over 2 days. The Firewood project cut and delivered 13 tons. The club also organised Christmas hampers to needy Families and a road side rubbish collection.

Six fireside meetings were held.

In the International arena, the Club hosted 10 Boy Scouts from Malaysia, the Jamboree to the Berwick Show. They were then home hosted for their evening meal. A group of 6 secondary children tried to establish correspondence with students of overseas clubs through Rotary Clubs but was not successful. Accommodation was arranged for three Asian students at Melbourne University.

The Club participated in a careers conference, organising a talent quest between 4 primary schools (Berwick, Upper Beaconsfield, Beaconsfield and St Michaels), which was a great success with standing room only. A Film Night was organised at St Margaret's School Hall in relation to accident prevention. Books were donated to School Libraries.

A Sons and Daughters night was held on 20 August 1964.

A vocational visit to Volkswagen Car Plant at Clayton was arranged for members and friends. A total of forty five member photos were to be taken in February for history records. (NB: these photos have not been located).

A Golf Day was very successful with over 90 players. The Club got 3 trophies, with Cyril Lloyd (First), Bill Henry (nearest to pin) and Jim Brown (wooden spoon). The Governor's Cup was won by the Rotary Club of Sorrento.

At the Christmas party, the Vocational Service Committee entertained the crowd with a theatre play (What a Life). The Rotarians acted with a reasonable amount of confidence, but a special mention was made of the star performer Harry Fox in the role of "Gwen" for a mop top of blond hair and the body line.

Christmas parcels were distributed to needy families.

Membership 27 Attendance 91%

Year of Presidency: 1965/66

President
Jim Brown (Dora)

Club Year: 5
District 282

Board of Directors	
President	Jim Brown
Past President	Bill Henry
Secretary	Cyril Lloyd
Treasurer	Tom Rickards
Club Service	Allan Funston
Community Service	Harry Fox
International Service	Bill Minns
Vocational Service	Cyril Molyneux
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Keith McCombe



R.I. President	Sput Teenstra	Honorary Members:
R.I. Theme	Action Consolidation & Continuity.	
R.I. Convention	Atlantic City, U.S.A.	
District Governor	Max Cleaver	
District Conference	Hobart	

Community:

In a very active year, firewood was cut and delivered to elderly people and needy families, 17 deliveries in all.

The cemetery clean-up was again a successful project, which included dispatching 2 snakes as an additional activity.

Some members welcomed several elderly citizens to have Christmas dinner with the families.

Chairman Harry Fox's committee successfully formed an Elderly Citizen Club. The club office bearers were appointed on Sunday 6 December 1965. (NB: This was a precursor to Probus clubs).

A working party was sent to repair a fire damaged home of Mr Jorgenson, a local neighbour.

International:

The committee tried to hold International day at Akoonah Park, but there was no interest shown. It then arranged to host 20 students from Melbourne University for a day visit to the district showing them the agriculture and historical points of interest. Rotarians then hosted them to an evening meal and members took them to the Dandenong railway station for their travel to Melbourne. The Club received several letters from the group, thanking the participating members for an interesting visit.

The committee organised several interesting guest speakers. Miss Glenys Chilver was involved with a work party to the New Hebrides islands and showed coloured slides. She also had a map of the area where she gave assistance to the people.

Vocational:

The committee was successful in arranging a mini student exchange with the Rotary Club of Alice Springs in May 1966. Our club flew two students (Mary Gage and Joanne Webb) to Alice Springs for 10 days and the Club hosted Elizabeth Wauchope and Brendon Litzman.

On Sunday 6 July, Rev Vic Murrel welcomed 12 Rotarians and families to an interesting service at Saint Andrew's Presbyterian Church.

The committee arranged a Club Bowls Night on 7 December 1965, plus guest speakers as required.

John Richardson was the Club's first team member in Group Study Exchange. The tour was over a period of three months, leaving on April 2nd and arriving home on June 20th 1966.

Membership 35 Attendance 95%

Year of Presidency: 1966/67

President
Allan Funston (Betty)

Club Year: 6
District 282

Board of Directors	
President	Allan Funston
Past President	Jim Brown
Secretary	Keith Downard
Treasurer	Tom Rickards
Club Service	Cyril Lloyd
Community Service	Bill Minns
International Service	Tom Ortenberg
Vocational Service	Jack Lewien
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Laurie Gage



R.I. President	Richard L Evans
R.I. Theme	A Better World Through Rotary
R.I. Convention	Denver, U.S.A.
District Governor	Max Cleaver
District Conference	Springvale

Honorary Members:
 Lord R G Casey

From the President's Report 1966-67

The Rotary Year commenced with the theme Thoughtfulness for Others as the basis of Service, helpfulness to others is an expression, as one looks at the various projects and activities the Club has undertaken this year, one can only say that this theme has been foremost in our minds throughout the year, which proves we are upholding the great principles of Rotary.

In this Rotary Year, the Club had privilege to extend an Honorary Membership to Lord R G Casey, the Governor General of Australia. Only special guests were able to attend, with two representatives of the Rotary Club of Melbourne (President W. J. King and Secretary R. A. St.John) in attendance.

P.P. Jim Brown made the presentation to Lord Casey, who replied with suitable comment in thanking the Rotary Club for the honour of bestowing this membership on him. He mentioned that he was a past Rotarian, being a member of a club in Calcutta, India.

The Club hosted an official visit from Rotary of Club of Hawthorn (17 members) and the Rotary Club of Melbourne (11 members).

Past Presidents Bill Henry and Jim Brown provided guidance and were able to form the Rotary Club at Cranbourne; their first meeting was on the 21st February 1967.

Community Service:

Chairman Bill Minns gave a report on the successful firewood cut and delivery of 19 loads that were delivered to needy families.

The Club held a successful fundraising night for the Elderly Citizens Hall fund and also hosted children from the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children during the Easter period.

Two Sons and Daughters nights were held, one counting with Monash University Professor Maurie Balson as speaker, talking about the Education Explosion. In April the club held two nights for mothers and daughters on the topic of Teenage Problems and Sex Education, with similar sessions following for fathers and sons.

International Service:

Chairman Tom Ortenberg reported that the monster BBQ held at Akoonah Park was very well attended. An estimated 700 people were there to witness the fireworks and other attractions. The committee organised a Bowls Night which exceeded all expectations. Tom also reported that our two volunteers to Dogura (Papua New Guinea), Mr & Mrs Moysey, have settled in and requested to forward any scout clothing or equipment available.

Vocational Service:

Chairman Jack Lewien led the organisation of the first art show (called Art & Craft Festival) held in the RSL Hall in High Street, reporting the show was an outstanding success.

Membership 32 Attendance 91%

Year of Presidency: 1967/68**President
Cyril Lloyd (Dot)****Club Year: 7
District 282**

Board of Directors	
President	Cyril Lloyd
Past President	Allan Funston
Secretary	Keith Downard
Treasurer	Ted Hanlon
Club Service	Harry Fox
Community Service	Marti Alberni
International Service	Vic Murrel
Vocational Service	Bill Jessop
Youth Service	Cyril Lloyd
Sergeant-at-Arms	Allan Funston



R.I. President	Luther M. Hodgers	Honorary Members: Lord R G Casey
R.I. Theme	Make Your Rotary Membership Effective	
R.I. Convention	Nice, France	
District Governor	Tim Jacobs	
District Conference	Hobart	

The Club organised a successful First Aid course held in the RSL Hall over a period of 14 weeks with 16 students attending. The lectures were under the guidance of Dr N Stephenson and John McMillan from St Johns Ambulance Service, Pakenham.

Traditional club activities held included the cemetery clean-up and the cutting and distribution of 500kg of firewood to needy pensioners in the area.

Two boys and two girls were sponsored to attend the Youth Forum in Morwell at a cost of \$180.

In December 1967 the Club held a discussion on what was needed in the town of Berwick, establishing that the town needed a sewerage system, improvements at the rail crossing, and a village was needed for Elderly People.

The Club sponsored a scholarship for an Indian Student at a cost of \$67.58 and also sponsored two local people to spend 12 months in New Guinea, Ian & Geraldine Moysey. David Robinson was sponsored to attend the first District 282 RYLA meeting and was gifted with a writing case.

The Art Show organised by the Club was held at the Masonic Hall in High Street, Berwick, led by Stuart Holloway. Lady Casey agreed to provide two of her paintings for display and 280 paintings were exposed, with the paintings sold amounting to \$467. 206 catalogues were sold and 520 persons paid for admission, delivering a total profit of \$80.

The club accepted an invitation to a joint Rotary BBQ at Rotarian Chas Huyskins in Pakenham.

On the 2nd November meeting we had the pleasure of having Dr John Perkins from the Dept. of Economics speaking in reference to Australia and the Common Market. On said night 7 Senior students from St Margaret's School and teacher Barbara Philips attended and the students became very involved at question time.

The Club donated \$10 to the Berwick & District School Sports Association for the purchase of trophies.

Membership 35 Attendance 88%

During this year, Past President Allan Funston was elected President of the Shire of Berwick for 1968/69 and the RSL raised the cost of hosting the meetings from the usual donation to \$8 per meeting.



Year of Presidency: 1968/69

President
Harry Fox (Nelly)

Club Year: 8
District 282

Board of Directors	
President	Harry Fox
Past President	Cyril Lloyd
Secretary	Ted Mellor
Treasurer	Ted Hanlon
Club Service	Bill Minns
Community Service	Ian Pask
International Service	Fred Rae
Vocational Service	Marty Alberni
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Ken Whiteside



R.I. President	Kiyoshi Togasaki
R.I. Theme	Participate.
R.I. Convention	Mexico City, Mexico
District Governor	Alan McHardy
District Conference	Moe

Honorary Members:

Lord R G Casey
George Rae

The Club had the pleasure of Mrs Betty Pearson speaking to the meeting about the International Girl Guides organisation. Betty has made a world tour of guiding and told us how strong the Guides are worldwide.

President Harry Fox welcomed the first Rotary Exchange student to be hosted by our club for twelve months. Shozo Fuji will attend Haileybury College at Keysborough. His host families were PP Fred Rae and his wife Joan and Tom and Betty Rickards.

The Rotary Club held our golf day at Amstel Golf Course, Cranbourne. The Frank Buckland Cup was contested by teams from other Rotary Clubs, the winning team on the day is not known.

Membership 33 Attendance 93%



Hobbies and Crafts Exhibition

MASONIC HALL, BERWICK

SATURDAY, 23rd NOVEMBER, 1968

2 p.m. — 9 p.m.

SUNDAY, 24th NOVEMBER, 1968

1 p.m. — 5.30 p.m.

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Year of Presidency: 1969/70**President
Bill Minns (Joyce)****Club Year: 9
District 282**

Board of Directors	
President	Bill Minns
Past President	Harry Fox
Secretary	Jim Brown
Treasurer	Ted Hanlon
Club Service	Keith McCombe
Community Service	Fred Rae
International Service	Marshall Baillieu
Vocational Service	Ian Pask
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Stan Exell



R.I. President	James F. Conway	Honorary Members: Lord R G Casey George Rae
R.I. Theme	Review and Renew	
R.I. Convention	Honolulu, U.S.A.	
District Governor	Keith Norman	
District Conference	Launceston	

President's Report

The main activities during President Bill's year included:

- Hosting of the Japanese exchange student Shozo Fuji, which was completed in March, 1970
- Organised a working bee at the senior citizens club establishing new garden beds
- Held a successful malt and beverage night raising \$100 and presented the money to the Berwick Gymnastics Club
- Members of the Rotary Club hosted babies and children to the age of four years, from the society for prevention of cruelty to children
- Also completed the annual clean up at Berwick Cemetery; and
- Arrangements were made to accommodate three cadet students from overseas at the Melbourne University.

An amount of \$413 was forwarded to the Rotary Foundation. A golf day showed a profit of \$160 of which \$150 has been forwarded to the Mentally Retarded Foundation in the Berwick Shire, a remarkable achievement since this association only got off the ground on June 23rd 1970. The Rotary Club's cheque went out the following day with an assurance of fullest support.

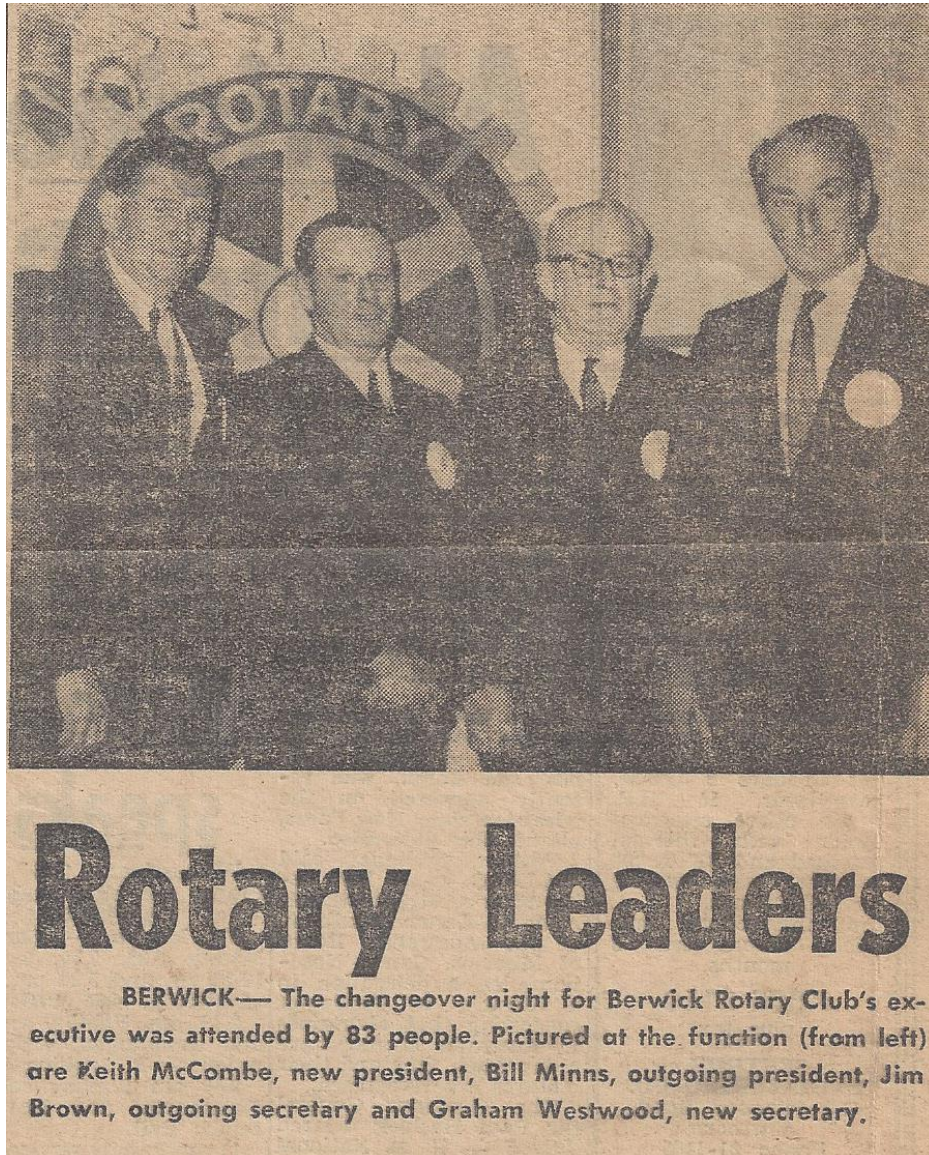
Another big project included a very successful art show. Awards were issued for the most courteous shop assistant.

Attendance figures were extremely good and the Club finished four times in the top ten, out of fifty-seven clubs in the District 282.

The Club made a presentation honouring Rotarian Reg Kurll, who was the charter president of the Rotary Club. President Bill made a comment stating that Reg set a standard of leadership, which was hard to live up to.

In his annual report to the Club, President Bill urged to build the Club on quality members rather than on quantity.

Membership 34 Attendance 94%



Year of Presidency: 1970/71

President
Keith McCombe (Vera)

Club Year: 10
District 282

Board of Directors	
President	Keith McCombe
Past President	Bill Minns
Secretary	Graham Westaway
Treasurer	John Layton
Club Service	Cyril Molyneux
Community Service	John Vyverberg
International Service	Laurie Gage
Vocational Service	Kainie Harris
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Marty Alberni



R.I. President	William E. Walk Jr.	Honorary Members: Lord R G Casey Dr Percy Langmore
R.I. Theme	Bridge the Gap	
R.I. Convention	Atlanta, U.S.A.	
District Governor	John Emmerton	
District Conference	Frankston	

Each month President Keith McCombe would present his monthly message for publishing in the bulletin. The following are some highlights of his year as President.

The Rotary Club made an offer to Dr Percy Langmore of becoming an honorary member and he willingly accepted. Dr Langmore began practicing medical services to the community in the early 1900s. A remarkable person, he was 90 years old when he accepted the honorary membership.

On the 27th May 1971 President Keith had the pleasure of extending a warm welcome to Past President George Togasake, who was World President of Rotary International in the years 1968/69. President George spoke to members in reference to his year as world president and told of experiences encountered during his leadership.

President Keith asked members for their full support to assist Bill Minns and Harry Oakes in their attempt to establish a mentally retarded centre at Pakenham. The Club decided to support this project by entering a young lady in a fundraising contest called Miss Golden Dollar Quest. The Club participant was Miss Sharon Fox, daughter of our member Harry Fox and she resulted runner up in the fundraising event.

First Aid Classes were held with 17 people passing the exams. The firewood cut for the needy was another project that went well, with approximately 15 ton of wood cut and delivered. The house painting working bee proved to be another successful effort, held over two weekends at the home of an elderly citizen located in Brisbane Street, Berwick.

The Club organised a Junior Art Show for all primary schools in the district, which was held at the Berwick State School, Peel Street. This was very well attended by junior artists and parent support.

Being held over two days over a weekend, the arts and craft show was organised once again with record exhibits and public attendance.

Rotary Clubs in Victoria organised a Bus-a-thon for 47 school children plus 4 Adults as supervisors to a day at Caribbean Gardens, with the support from the following schools: Berwick, Beaconsfield, Upper Beaconsfield, Officer, Narre Warren, Narre Warren North and Narre Warren East.

PP Bill Minns was appointed as the District Governor's representative.

The Rotary Convention held in Sydney was attended by five Rotarians and their partners, being PP Jim Brown, PP Bill Minns and Rotarians Kainie Harris, Robert Frost, and Brian Foster.

Membership 35 Attendance 90 %



Changeover PP Bill Minns to P Keith McCombe,



● The Rotary Club of Berwick had a distinguished guest at their dinner meeting on Thursday of last week — George Togasaki, of Japan, who was World President of Rotary International in 1969/70. Over here for the international convention in Sydney, he said he had little chance of getting to the hinterland, but it was a real treat to get to a small country meeting. He said the spirit of service pervaded all Rotary Clubs. Rotary was a way of life, not a religion. He urged Rotarians to do projects within their reach, to find something to "bridge the gap," to make the world a better place for the next generation, to help bridge the gap between nations so that they would work together. Fellowship, warmth and friendliness had marked the Sydney convention. Their aim should be to prove that the Pacific Ocean was pacific.
(Above) President Keith McCombe presents a Berwick banner to the distinguished visitor. June 2, 1971



● At the Prince Mark Hotel, Doveton, on Thursday of last week the Rotary Club of Berwick celebrated its 10th anniversary. Our camera caught Reg Kurl (Charter President) and Keith McCombe (President) in the act of cutting the cake, which had been beautifully made and decorated by Mrs. S. Exell.

P Keith and CP Reg Kurl

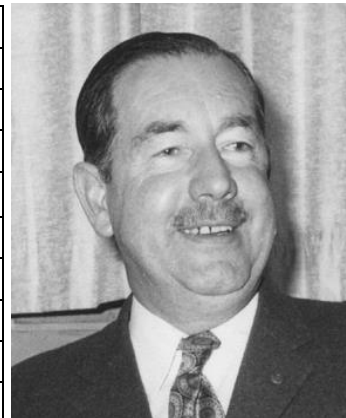
President Keith and Rotary International Past President George Togasaki, 4 June 1971.

Year of Presidency: 1971/72

President
Cyril Molyneux (Thelma)

Club Year: 11
District 282

Board of Directors	
President	Cyril Molyneux
Past President	Keith McCombe
Secretary	Graham Westaway
Treasurer	John Layton
Club Service	Kainie Harris
Community Service	Bob Gray
International Service	Stewart Holloway
Vocational Service	Tom Beal
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Bob McIntyre



R.I. President	Ernst G. Breitholtz	Honorary Members: Lord R G Casey Dr Percy Langmore George Rae Norman Beaumont
R.I. Theme	Good Will Begins With You	
R.I. Convention	Sydney, Australia	
District Governor	Bill Bertram	
District Conference	Moe	

In his year as President of the Rotary Club, Cyril required each committee to raise the necessary finance to support their intended projects.

The Community Service committee cut and delivered 14 loads of firewood to needy families in the district. The fire wood was cut on Rotarian Ian Pask's property at Upper Beaconsfield.

The committee supported the Clean Up Our Streets initiative, forming teams to collect all the rubbish on the sides of the highway east and west of Berwick Township, down Clyde Road as far as Centre Road and up Lyall Road. The then Shire of Berwick supplied two trucks and drivers to collect the bags filled. A barbeque was arranged for members and families at Akoonah Park starting at 1pm as this was a Sunday effort.

The Club also organised First Aid instruction classes held at the Berwick Fire Station at Gloucester Avenue, Berwick. Under the guidance of Dr Noel Stephenson, 20 people passed plus 3 juniors.

Under the leadership of Tom Beal, the Vocational Service team organised a Sons and Daughters Night which was very successful evening strongly supported by parents and families.

Once again the Club hosted the children from the Society of Prevention of Cruelty to Children's home at Fitzroy this was held in the Easter Holiday period.

Rotarian Ian Wake was successful in forming a Rotaract Club, with a membership of 36 being inducted into the Club on 9th September 1971. They were presented with their charter on 21st October and the first President was Maurie Dean.

The Art Show was organised over 2 ½ days. An excellent show, well organised and well supported by the community.

The committee was successful in organizing a junior art show held the Berwick Primary School, with children from surrounding schools invited to exhibit their drawings. Another well supported program by the community.

To fund these projects, the committee run a BBQ and a Progressive Dinner.

With Stewart Holloway as International Service leader, an International Costume Night was organised and held at the Von Rine Restaurant, Dandenong. Members and friends dressed in their homeland style where applicable, 12 nationalities where on display, 108 people attended this evening. To fund the event Stewart's group organised a Bush Dance held at the RSL Hall with people dressing as country folk. This was a very exciting night. Stewart Holloway, our local pharmacist, was dressed as a rabbit trapper and Nell Fox, dressed as dairy maid, could not resist swooning over Stewart.

With other clubs in our district, a book drive was organised to collect school and well explained text books, which were placed in 13 cases and forwarded to New Guinea.

The Social committee organised a car trial ending with a BBQ at David and Sandra Hamil's property. A monster fund raising day was held at Tuckfield's gardens, Manuka Road Berwick. All service clubs within the area where invited to raise funds towards a respite for senior members in our community. This event raised the sum of \$3,000. The Rotary Club raised \$334 towards the total.

Membership 39 Attendance 85%

P Keith McCombe and PE Cyril Molineux moments before the transfer of the presidential collar, June 1971.



● Retiring President Keith McCombe presents the incoming President Cyril Molyneux with the Club's charter.

Year of Presidency: 1972/73

President
Kainie Harris (Betty)

Club Year: 12
District 282

Board of Directors	
President	Kainie Harris
Past President	Keith McCombe
Secretary	Graham Westaway
Treasurer	Frank Canobio
Club Service	Stewart Holloway
Community Service	Harry Oakes
International Service	Ian Wake
Vocational Service	Bob McIntyre
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Noel Gould Ted Budge



R.I. President	Roy D. Hickman	Honorary Members: Lord R G Casey George Rae
R.I. Theme	Let's Take A New Look -- And Act	
R.I. Convention	Houston, U.S.A.	
District Governor	George Allsop	
District Conference	Mornington	

A sons and daughters night was held on 19 October. A fireside meeting was held on 23 November at Geoff Wilson's home.

January 18th saw a joint Rotary-RA combined meeting with Apex and Lions occurred on November 15.

Stan Prentice tendered his resignation due to loss of classification. John Layton resigned as he moved away from the area.

The Club sponsored the travel of Doveton Youth club members to a camp in Lake Victoria, Gippsland. A junior art show was held in October and proved to be a great initiative. The annual Art Show event was held in May at the Masonic Hall.

Community projects included the cemetery cleanup, two youths sponsored to attend a Youth Leadership Forum held in Morwell, first aid classes held at the RSL during August for 16 students and half a ton of firewood cut and delivered to needy families in the area.

Membership 39 Attendance 89%

\$1400 for Hospital




- An important interlude at the change-over night of the Rotary Club of Berwick last Monday was the presentation by President "Kainie" Harris of a cheque for \$1400 to Dr. N. Stephenson, President of Berwick Bush Nursing Hospital. In responding Dr. Stephenson thanked Rotarians for what they were doing not only for the Hospital, but also for the community generally.

July 4th 1973



- Members of the new Board of Directors: Back row: Alan Funston, Frank Canobio, Bob McIntyre, Ray Rankin, Stan Exell. Front row: Fred Rae, Stewart Holloway, Kainie Harris and Harry Oakes.



Rotary Club of Monbulk

Chartered November 11th, 1971 — District 282, Victoria, Australia

Meetings 6.15 p.m. Wednesdays — "Blue Peacock" Restaurant

"Service above Self"

President:
PETER DAMEN
 Phone: 756 6170

Secretary:
DON MURDOCH
P.O. Box 89 MONBULK 3793
 Phone: 756 6568

20th March, 1973

*The Secretary,
 Rotary Club of Berwick,
 Rotarian Graham Westaway
 P.O. Box 84 Berwick,*

Dear Graham,

Since it appears that the prayers of your members are being continually answered so that bad weather persists in preventing our Bowls Match we are forwarding the enclosed cheque to cover the trophy already purchased by your club.

We assure you will eventually pluck up courage and actually "play the game" — until then feel free to look at the trophy each meeting until such time as we call for it.

*Yours in Rotary,
 Don Murdoch*

The healthy rivalry between the Rotary Clubs of Berwick and Monbulk has been a source of fun for many years.

Year of Presidency: 1973/74

President
Stewart Holloway (Gwen)

Club Year: 13
District 282

Board of Directors	
President	Stewart Holloway
Past President	Kainie Harris
Secretary	Harry Oakes
Treasurer	Frank Canobio
Club Service	Fred Rae
Community Service	Stan Exell
International Service	Alan Funston
Vocational Service	Ray Rankin
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Noel Gould



R.I. President	Wm C (Bill) Carter	Honorary Members: Lord R G Casey Cr George Rae Norman Beaumont
R.I. Theme	A Time for Action	
R.I. Convention	Lausanne, Switzerland	
District Governor	Lindsay Paterson	
District Conference	Traralgon	

President's Report

President Stewart reported that all the Projects and Activities which the Club carried out during the year were very successful and pointed out that the Club has made notable progress in other ways drawing attention to the following achievements:

- 1 The club membership had a net gain of 7 new members.
- 2 The best attendance yet by members of the Club to a District Conference. All who attended thoroughly enjoyed this great Rotary event.
- 3 Through members support, the Club has now reached the 500% contributions plateau for Rotary Foundation.
- 4 The Club support for flood relief was the highest per capita of any club in our district.
- 5 The Rotary Club of Berwick was acknowledged in District 282 as a progressive and active club because of its interest and participation in District matters.
- 6 The Club provided three appointments to the District Governors Team for 1974/75 (more than any other club)
 - Harry Oakes Dist Secretary
 - PP Frank Canobio Dist Treasurer
 - PP Kainie Harris Dist Attendance Officer

NB: PP Frank Canobio was later selected for the position of District Governor.

The Club inducted 8 new members into our club, named as follows, Trevor Stone, John Conquest, Stan Prentice, Jack Spruitenberg, Bob McIntyre, Len Buck, Dennis Dwyer and Ron Evans. The Club accepted the resignation of fellow Rotarian Bill Whiteside who sold his business to the newest Rotarian, Stan Prentice.

Community Service

Organized a Two day Garden Visit to Mr F Tuckfield's home and garden located at Manuka Road Berwick, a very successful venture raising the sum of \$1800.

The cemetery working bee was held in November with start time of 7:30 am, a very good effort by members.

The club members once again hosted the children from the Society of Prevention of Cruelty to Children.

After much discussion the Club purchased 26 steers to fatten up and sell in 1974, these steers were placed on several properties in the area. However, when it was time to sell the steers the market was low in price and disposal of the steers was held over to the Rotary year 74/75.

Vocational Service

The committee organised a Bus Tour for members and wives to Echuca via Bendigo. Visiting the Historical Museum and Chinese Joss House at Echuca, members visited historical sites around the area. All members stayed at a motel on the Sunday morning. Members had cruise on a paddle steamer down the Murray River and returned home on Sunday afternoon.

A junior art & craft show was held at the Berwick State School with all local schools strongly supporting the event held over 2 days.

The Club had a visit from 2 Rotary Clubs. The first visit was from the Rotary Club of Warragul, and the second club to visit was Rotary Club of South Melbourne. We had the pleasure to make a return visit to Warragul.

The Club also organised a combined Service Club meeting of the following clubs at the Highway Hotel Pakenham: RC of Berwick, RC of Pakenham, Lions Club, Apex Club and the Rotaract Club of Berwick. The guest speaker was Mr Peter Roland, President of the Royal Melbourne Agricultural Show Society and also a Councillor on the Shire of Berwick.

The highlight of the year was a visit from His Excellence Lord RG Casey, known as Baron Casey of Berwick, Victoria and the City of Westminster, Life Baron.

NB: Lord Casey was the second Australian born appointed as Governor General of Australia (1965-1969).

Membership 41 Attendance 88%

Year of Presidency: 1974/75**President
Fred Rae (Joan)****Club Year: 14
District 282**

Board of Directors	
President	Fred Rae
Past President	Stewart Holloway
Secretary	Harry Oakes
Treasurer	Arthur Wheelow
Club Service	Ian Pask
Community Service	Ray Rankin
International Service	David Poulson
Vocational Service	Max Schuman
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Dennis Dwyer



R.I. President	William R Robbins	Honorary Members: Lord R G Casey Cr George Rae
R.I. Theme	Renew The Spirt of Rotary	
R.I. Convention	Minneapolis, U.S.A.	
District Governor	Don Pittard	
District Conference	Mornington	

President Fred provided ideals in a thought proving article using Rotary's 74/75 theme "Renew the Spirit of Rotary":

"What a wonderful opportunity we have to help bring some sanity into this troubled world of ours. Here we are men of all Faiths, Nationalities and Opinions working for the one cause.

How long is it since you put this ideal into action? How long is since you went and visited some elderly person, even if only to talk to them, let alone do some chore for them? What about going out of your way to talk to some of our new friends from other countries that are making their homes near you?"

Encouragement awards were issued to Peter Godfrey (plumbing and gas fitting); Neil Holman (electrical mechanic); Jonjes (Tony) Oldenburger (panel beating); Michael Finnerty (SEC linesman); and Lynette Henry (ladies hairdressing).

A trash and treasure sale was organised, which yielded \$654.66.

President Fred introduced two new segments:

- 1 Know Your Fellow Rotarian: In three minutes, one Rotarian gives a brief history of another, or what he is able to find out about the member; and
- 2 Publish a Rotarian's name in the Bulletin this week and ask him to give three minute talk on overseas country, i.e. Britain, Ireland, Russia, etc.

At the Cemetery working bee, the Club was joined by the local Lions Club. A remarkable transformation has taken place as, at the end of the day, the Lions Club suggested that another two-day working bee be organised in four weeks' time, in the spirit of service clubs serving the community.

On 10 February the Club hosted a combined meeting with Lions and Apex, attended by the Minister for Local Government, Mr. Hunt, who stated that "the district would develop at a fairly rapid rate and some controls would be necessary".

The Lord Mayor's Camp at Portsea for children was most successful, with 4 leaders and 32 children, going from the City of Casey. Construction of the Lookout at Kurll Park was commenced and, with good attendance from members, a twilight BBQ was enjoyed at dusk on 20th February 1975.

Early March 1975 the Club was visited by the Rotary Club of Warragul. 40 members joined us for the meeting and the guest speaker was The Hon Brian Dixon MLA, Minister for Youth, Sport, and Recreation. As a fund raising project the Club purchased 6 steers and fostered them onto 3 local farms to be fattened and resold at later date this venture made profit of \$34. The Club also purchased more stock in an attempt to raise further funds in a similar manner.

From the information at hand, there had been many progressive dinners, BBQs, etc. organised as fund raisers, from all reports these were successful.

Due to inflationary pressures, Salisbury House, the Club's meeting venue in Upper Beaconsfield increased the cost of the dinner to \$3 per head.

Membership 49 Attendance 84%.

NB: P Fred Rae's father (George) was the founder of the Berwick and District Benevolent Society, control of which would be taken over by members of the Rotary Club of Berwick in 2014 due to the aging membership not able to continue with The Benevolent's management.



Equipment donated to a training centre in Madras, India as part of an international project, 1975.

Year of Presidency: 1975/76

President
Ian Pask (Edith)

Club Year: 15
District 282

Board of Directors	
President	Ian Pask
Past President	Fred Rae
Secretary	Ian Wake
Treasurer	Tony Turner
Club Service	Max Schumann
Community Service	Stan Prentice
International Service	Roy Heath
Vocational Service	Trevor Stone
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Stan Exell



R.I. President	Ernesto Imbassahy De Mello	Honorary Members: Lord R G Casey Cr George Rae
R.I. Theme	To Dignify the Human Being	
R.I. Convention	Montreal, Canada	
District Governor	Arthur Pullen	
District Conference	Albury	

The Rotary Club of Berwick deemed that the growth of the region warranted another club, so steps were made to form one in Narre Warren and PP Kainie Harris was appointed the District Governor's special representative by District Governor Arthur Pullen.

The Club was successful in forming a new Rotary Club within the then boundaries of the Club, known as the Rotary Club of Narre Warren and chartered on 14 April. Rotarian Harry Oakes accepted the responsibility of the charter presidency.

The Club was asked to host the District Assembly on behalf of the DG. This was another first for the Club.

As Community Service activities, the Club held a Camelia display at Mrs Tuckfield's property.

A Country and Western Night was held to celebrate the end of the calendar year. A football match was held between the Rotary Club of Berwick and the Berwick Rotaract Club.

A Golf Day was successfully held and also were trash and treasure days in November and June.

The Club was the first to reach the \$1500 plateau for the Rotary Foundation in this district.

NEW LEADER FOR BERWICK ROTARY



● At the change-over night of the Rotary Club of Berwick at Salisbury House, Upper Beaconsfield, last Thursday, Outgoing President Ian Pask invested the Incoming President, Max Schumann.

Change Over Night
"Salisbury House"
24/6/1976

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● Stan Prentice presents cheques to Mrs. Rahilly (for Minibah) and Sister Easton (for Berwick Hospital Building Appeal).

Year of Presidency: 1976/77

President
Max Schumann (Olive)

Club Year: 16
District 982

Board of Directors	
President	Max Schumann
Past President	Ian Pask
Secretary	Ian Wake
Treasurer	Tony Turner
Club Service	Marty Alberni
Community Service	Ron Evans
International Service	Bryan Leonard
Vocational Service	Trevor Stone
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Marty Alberni



R.I. President	Robert A Manchester II	Honorary Members: George Rae Rob Maclellan
R.I. Theme	I Believe in Rotary	
R.I. Convention	New Orleans, U.S.A.	
District Governor	Les Gilbert	
District Conference	Croydon	

With the cooperation of the previous International Committee the Club made a gift of Medical Equipment to Mr Lindsay Smith for a hospital at Telefamin, New Guinea.

As fund raising events, the Club held two trash and treasure events at Akoonah Park, inviting to outside organisations to have a stall to support their own organisation, proving very successful with twelve new stalls participating on the day.

Other events included two Country and Western dance nights at the Harkaway Hall; a dog show at Arch Brown oval, an excellent show well attended by the public; the Art Show was well supported event; the Golf Day was also strongly supported; a bush dance held in a Wool Shed at Narre Warren Nth, excellent night was reported; several BBQs were run during the warm weather; and, to top it off, a Square Dance competition.

Arts screens were hired to the Anglican Parish of Cranbourne for their Arts Show at a sum of \$25 and to the Lions Club of Phillip Island for \$50.

The Allan Funston Trophies were the centre of attention at the Lawn Bowls Challenge between Rotary Clubs of Monbulk and Berwick.

At the changeover night President Max Schumann had the pleasure to present cheques to Mrs Rahilly towards the Mimibah Retarded Centre and to Matron Easton for the building development at Berwick Bush Nursing Hospital.

Once again, the Club presented two Apprenticeship Awards. The first award was presented to Miss Loris Joiner employed by the Shire of Berwick and the second was presented to Mr Stephen Cameron employed by the State Electricity Commission.

The Building Fund of the Berwick Bush Nursing Hospital received a donation from the Club of \$1800. A donation of \$172 was made to the Berwick Mechanics Institute and Free Library.

An interclub visit to the Rotary Club of Pakenham happened on the 25 January 1977. The Club also successfully hosted the District 282 Assembly.

Further details have come to hand re this Rotary Year, attached below are cuttings published in the Pakenham Gazette that are of great interest.

Membership 47 Attendance 87%



ROTARY DOINGS

Berwick

At a recent meeting Berwick Rotary Club did a well deserved tribute to Jack Fritz for his great service to the community, and especially his 36 years as a volunteer fireman. As well as the CFA long service medal and bars, he was recently honored with the Queen's Medal. Passing it is worthy to note that his father was the first Captain of Berwick Fire Brigade. Last Thursday night Rotarians were delighted to have as guest speaker Mr Roy Fraser just appointed as Principal of the new Berwick High School. He gave most informative address on education today and the use of English. He was unable to outline in detail the courses of

study at the new High School, as staff members have yet to be appointed.

At another meeting recently Mr Gary Baldwin gave members an interesting talk on the subject of wine making and blending.

Mr Ken Pommeroy, Stipendiary Magistrate, addressed the Club on the subject of court procedure, and Rotarians found this very enlightening.

A wine night at the Harkaway Hall added to the International Committee's funds and was most enjoyable.

A reminder to those interested in the Club's encouragement awards that their names should be submitted at once.

Tomorrow (Thursday) night the Club will be honored by a visit from District Governor Les Gilbert.

Sandra will lead the Berwick Rotaractors



● Out-going President Tony Rae invests incoming President Sandra Crowe, at Berwick Rotaract Club's change-over night. (Further photos and details in next issue). 29/8/76.

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● Members of the new Board. (Standing): David Hamill, Brian Leonard, Ron Evans, Trevor Stone, Ian Pask (Immediate Past President), (Seated): Tony Turner, Max Schumann (President), Arthur Wehlow.



● Trevor Stone hands a cheque to Mrs. Darling, for Berwick Library.

Change Over Night 24/6/1976

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Rotary team for Papua, New Guinea



Mr and Mrs Van Der Velde (front) with
two other members of the team.

Pakenham

Morwell

Mr & Mrs Van Der Velde

Bruce McMaster and Ian Cain

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Girl apprentice



● **FIRST-YEAR apprentice, Loris Joiner, spreads fertiliser on young trees after re-potting. The wheat husks are mixed with the soil to make it more porous. The soil is hand-sieved and fumigated to kill off plant diseases.**

Berwick District Scout Association is to be given \$100 by Berwick City Council.

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A motion to that effect was submitted to last week's council meeting by Crs Byron and Hudson, following a letter from the Association stating that "the six Scout groups in Berwick District are currently conducting a Leadership recruitment campaign to lessen the workload of the present complement of scouts. It is anticipated that the campaign will confront the Berwick District Scout Association with the expense of providing Leadership training for between ten and twenty adults."

"The cost of Leadership training for the number of recruits necessary is expected

to be around \$150 and the Association seeks Council's agreement to meeting this expense."

"Were we not given notice that a Service Club would assist in cases like this?" asked Cr Pargeter.

The town clerk (Mr Northeast): Berwick Rotary Club sends two away to RYLA, but I don't think they made any other offers to give money.

The motion was carried.

Berwick Rotary

The Club has organised its annual trash and treasure sale at Akoonah Park for Sunday 28th November. Many local auxiliaries will have stalls on that occasion. If you have any goods to be picked up, contact any Rotarian.

The Club is seeking a young man to sponsor for an overseas study tour under a technical training award for 12 months. Get details from any Club member.

The annual clean up at Berwick Cemetery is being arranged for early in December.

District Rotarians should note the change of venue for the function on Thursday, 2nd December — at Noel Gould's showrooms.

Rotarian A. Whelow attended the last Rotaract meeting and reported that the Club was going very well, with 26 members in attendance. A Dutch auction held that night raised \$126. If you are between 18 and 28 and would like to help the community, this could be your opportunity.

A Country and Western Night is being arranged for November 20 at Noel Gould's showrooms.

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ROTARY CLUB OF BERWICK

ANNUAL

TRASH AND TREASURE
and AUCTION SALE

Sunday, November 28th

AT AKOONAH PARK, BERWICK

Stalls open at 9 a.m.

Auction starts at 10.30 a.m.

The Club would be pleased to receive any gifts for sale. Pick up can be arranged by contacting JOHN GAUNT on 707 2896

Pakenham Gazette 24/II/1976

\$2,500 from "Trash" Sale

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Gazette
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"Bigger, brighter and more profitable than ever." That is the general verdict in regard to the Rotary Club of Berwick Trash and Treasure sale at Akoonah Park last Sunday, held in perfect weather with a large crowd attending.

On a conservative estimate various district organisations will benefit to the extent of \$2500 over all. Rotary's direct share of the effort was \$1100 from the sale of 'white elephants' and other sources of revenue. In addition the International Committee, led by Brian Leonard, ran a plant stall which brought in \$200.

As well as this, fourteen organisations had stalls and most of them reported good business. In some cases running up several hundred dollars profit. So the odds certainly are in favor of the estimated

figure of \$2500 being well below the mark.

Max Schumann, as president of the Club, was in charge of proceedings, with Ron Evans and his Community Service Committee responsible for the arrangements.

Laurie Gage conducted the auction in his imitable style.

Altogether it was a very good effort.

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Gazette
1/12/1976

THEY'RE TOP APPRENTICES



Pakenham Gazette 3/11/1976

At last Friday's dinner meeting of Berwick Rotary Club Apprenticeship Encouragement Awards were made to Loris Joiner, of King Street, Pakenham, and Stephen Cameron, of Brown's Road, Pakenham. Loris is employed as a Parks and Gardens apprentice by Berwick City Council, and Stephen as a linesman by the SEC at Berwick. They are seen with Trevor Stone, chairman of the Club's Vocational Service Committee (left) and President Max Schumann (right).

Year of Presidency: 1977/78

President
Marti Alberni (Ivy)

Club Year: 17
District 982

Board of Directors	
President	Marty Alberni
Past President	Max Schumann
Secretary	Geoff Hudson
Treasurer	Tony Turner
Club Service	Laurie Gage
Community Service	Dennis Dwyer
International Service	Stan Prentice
Vocational Service	John Gaunt
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Greg Ross



R.I. President	W. Jack Davis	Honorary Members: George Rae Norman Beaumont
R.I. Theme	Serve To Unite Mankind	
R.I. Convention	San Francisco, U.S.A.	
District Governor	Wal Cubbin	
District Conference	Albury	

On the luckiest day of year 7-7-77, President Marty conducted the Domestic Night at which discussions were held in which members "can blow your top and Marty says thank you". At that night, precursor of Club Service nights, Committee programs were outlined and fully discussed.

Vocational Service

The Drug Awareness Committee chaired by Rotarian Frank Canobio, conducted extensive preparatory work in organising the Drug Awareness Night at St Margaret's School Hall. Some 500 parents brought their children away from homework and a warm home on a cold winter night, which was taken as a fair indication of their concern and thirst for knowledge of the drug problem in the society. The hall filled to the point of overflowing.

Unfortunately, due to the influence of certain Health Department personnel, the night turned out to be a disaster. Instead of revealing the stark reality of the drug problem, the speakers gave a watered down address of no real meaning. One speaker went as far as saying "Australia has not got a drug problem". Most people felt defrauded by the address.

The committee was successful in organising the Art Show which was held at the Holden Car Show rooms in Berwick, once again a well-attended event and a financial success.

The committee held a combined service club dinner at the Narre Warren North Hall with the Lions and Apex clubs. A Businessmen Dinner was held at Amstel Golf Course. The annual

Golf Day was also held at Amstel Golf Course, with the winning team being the Rotary Club of Noble Park, retaining the Frank Buckland Cup for the year.

International Service

A very successful fund raising night was organized at the Robinsons Wool Shed under the guise of a Country and Western Night, to raise funds towards our exchange student from Japan named Myoshi Shimazu staying with the Club for twelve months. All reports about the Western night revealed a fair percentage of the cowboys finished wobbly on their riding boots.

Community Service

A trash and treasure market was organised at Akoonah Park in November, well attended by the local people and with good results. A Dog Show was held at the Arch Brown Oval under the guidance of Rotarian Gerald Hardy, a very successful event. The Club accepted the committee's suggestion to erect a barbeque at Buchanan Park in Clyde Road. A wine bottling afternoon was held at Ron and Kath Evans home, which was followed on a BBQ.

Membership 47 Attendance 84%

Berwick Rotary Leaders



Past President and Rotarianne Schumann and President and Rotarianne Alberni

Right: Flowers for Rotarianne Schumann.



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29/6/1977.

Below: Members of the new Board. (Back row) Geoff Hudson, Max Schumann. (Front): Frank Hauser, Laurie Gage, Marty Alberni, Stan Prentice, Dennis Dwyer. (Absent): Tony Turner and David Hamill.



Year of Presidency: 1978/79

President
Laurie Gage (Molly)

Club Year: 18
District 982

Board of Directors	
President	Laurie Gage
Past President	Marty Alberni
Secretary	Geoff Hudson
Treasurer	Harry Leigh
Club Service	Ray Rankin
Community Service	Gregory Ross
International Service	John Gaunt
Vocational Service	Jeff Wallace
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	John Conquest



R.I. President	Clem Renouf	Honorary Members: George Rae Norman Beaumont
R.I. Theme	Reach Out	
R.I. Convention	Tokyo, Japan	
District Governor	Neil Wickenton	
District Conference	Noble Park	

Community Service

The Club has purchased a caravan, which has been modified to suite our requirements and it is now available for community use by approved organised users.

The Family Fun Day at Akoonah Park was an outstanding success. Full credit for this is directed to Rotarian Greg Ross and his wife Carol. Just some of the support to the day events where the cast from the show Cop Shop (this was a weekly series that ran for a few years on television) and Humphrey Bear was a knock out with the children as they went crazy. In attendance was the Victorian Mounted Police and the Commonwealth weight lifting team gave demonstrations,

There where cake stalls, ice cream vendors, donut van and numerous other outside organised clubs. The attendance figure could not be estimated. This day was held on the third day in March 1979 from 11 am to 4-30 pm. Members assisted in parking in excess of 400 cars.

This day was promoted with hand bills and radio coverage by three Melbourne radio station plus 3UL Warragul, which also broadcasted from the Rotary Family Day in the afternoon.

The members attended the Berwick Show held over two days collecting entrance fees and directing traffic to park.

International Service

Chairman John Gaunt commented on the successful visit of Mioshi Shimazu, our exchange student from Japan. Mioshi has returned home and there were tears of joy and sadness. When leaving, Mioshi stated she will save her money and return one day.

The Golf Day proved to be a well-run event. The Barn Dance at Robinson`s shed was a successful social and fund raising night. The Bowls Night with the Monbulk Club at Berwick Bowling Club was a great night for fellowship with members from the Monbulk Club, who had the pleasure of taking home the Challenge Shield again until next year.

Vocational Service

Chairman Jeff Wallace stated that the Art Show at Noel Gould`s showrooms was an outstanding success, high quality exhibits and excellent public support over 2 ½ days.

Young Adult Night: a good night was had by all.

The following Donations were made:

- Travelers Aid Society \$100-
- Dandenong Day Hospital received a Spinning Wheel plus \$100-
- Kelvington Memorial Fund (half way house) \$1450-
- Peter McCallum Hospital \$557-
- Berwick/Beaconsfield Red Cross \$557-
- Dandenong and District Aboriginal Co-operative Society \$557-
- Berwick and District Sclerosis Society \$557-
- Berwick High School Library Books to the value of \$250-
- Berwick Fire Brigade \$250-
- Berwick Benevolent Society \$450-

Year of Presidency: 1979/80

President
Ray Rankin (Helen)

Club Year: 19
District 982

Board of Directors	
President	Ray Rankin
Past President	Laurie Gage
Secretary	Bob McIntyre
Treasurer	Harry Leigh
Club Service	Dennis Dwyer
Community Service	John Gaunt
International Service	Gregory Ross
Vocational Service	Ian Wake
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Philip Lewien



R.I. President	James L. Bomar Jr	Honorary Members: George Rae Norman Beaumont
R.I. Theme	Let's Service Light The Way	
R.I. Convention	Rome, Italy	
District Governor	Bob Camm	
District Conference	Albury	

Community Service

The committee under the leadership of John Gaunt decided to purchase suitable material to erect tables and seats at Buchanan Park located on Clyde Road, Berwick.

The Club was requested to cater at the Dandy Dollar Athletics meeting. Provision was made to provide a scholarship to the Berwick High School. The Rotary Caravan was placed in the Bourke Street Mall for one week, in use by the Country Women's Association.

The Club supported the Berwick Benevolent Society in their quest to donate 150 Christmas hampers in the Berwick area.

Vocational Service

A successful Art and Craft Show was held at the Community Centre; a Chicken and Champagne supper was supplied for \$3 per head, which was successful in forming a Rotaract Club. At the first interest night 40 people showed their interest and on the charter night 38 members were inducted.

International Service

Under the leadership of Greg Ross a Black and White Minstrel Show was held at Beaconhills Golf Club, an excellent night's entertainment. Certain members and their wives were in the cast of singing and acting. This night was organised to raise financial support for our ex-

student from South Africa, but had poor club support. However, President Ray gave full marks to Greg and Carol Ross for their training of the Minstrels.

Foundation Committee

The committee organised a Country and Western night at the Montuna Golf Club, raising \$441. Of those in attendance, most ventured into costume. It was noted that 7 members declared they would be in attendance but failed to arrive. The golf day was held at Amstel Golf Course and was declared a success, with a profit of \$629.

Bryan Leonard and PP Harry Fox were awarded PHF recognitions during changeover night.



Harry Fox and Bryan

Year of Presidency: 1980/81

President
Denis Dwyer (Marlene)

Club Year: 20
District 982

Board of Directors	
President	Denis Dwyer
Past President	Ray Rankin
Secretary	Bob McIntyre
Treasurer	Peter Salmon
Club Service	John Gaunt
Community Service	John Parkinson
International Service	Bryan Leonard
Vocational Service	Greg Ross
Youth Service	Ian Wake
Sergeant-at-Arms	Joe Cullen



R.I. President	Rolf J Klarich	Honorary Members: George Rae Norman Beaumont
R.I. Theme	Take Time To Serve	
R.I. Convention	Chicago, U.S.A.	
District Governor	Harry Oakes	
District Conference	Cowes	

International

Chairman Brian Leonard led this committee's activities throughout the year, which included the recommendation of the District Foundation Committee of Robert Schubart (a clarinettist) for a Vocational Award. Robert was our nominee for a Foundation Award. The committee continued with two projects from the previous Rotary year, those being the continued support to the South African student Sharon Barker and the outbound exchange student Andrea Kirkham, who went to South Africa.

An attempt to undertake a Matched District project with an Indian Club did not get off the ground.

On the social side the committee organised a film at Vern and Jill Detutsher home, Christmas Night at Harkaway Hall, with several raffles to raise funds to assist costs regarding the exchange program.

Vocational

Chairman Greg Ross and his committee ran two major projects this year.

The Flower Show in conjunction with the Berwick Garden Club which was opened by Honourable Rob McLellan M. L. A., a very successful event, and the Club's own Art Show opened by Terry Norris (TV artist). This year the Arts Show was held in the car showrooms of

Noel Gould (Holden Dealer) and Peter Durkin (Ford Dealer). This was the largest art exhibition held to date.

Other projects were a "Dress as a Vocation" night which was a lot of fun, with entertainment by the Woodside Bush Band and a mini student exchange with a Mildura Club was very successful. These exchanges were held during the May school holidays.

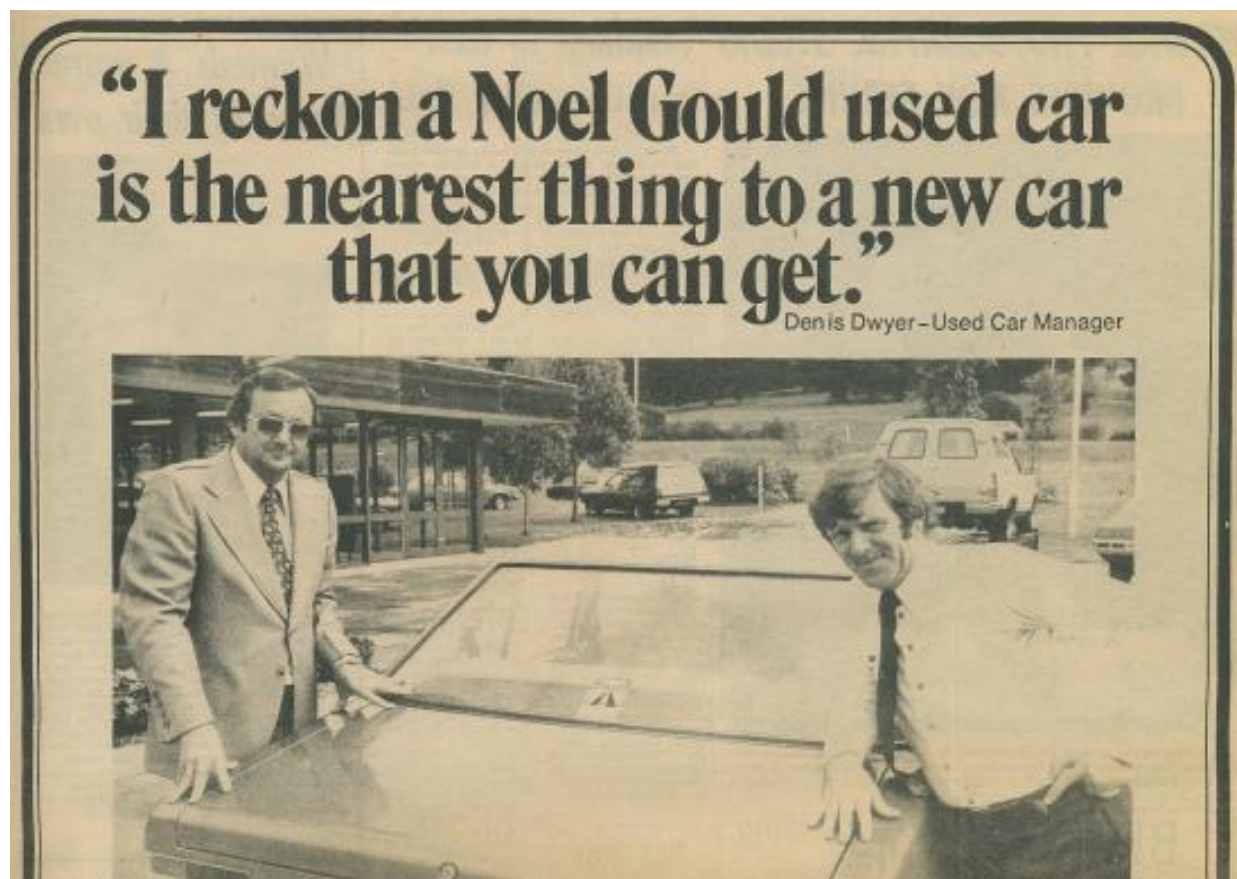
Community

Chairman John Parkinson reported that his boys gave full support to the organised events and expressed his thanks to all Rotarians and their wives and friends. A successful raffle was held to raise funds for further projects, with the first prize a weekend at the Hilton Hotel.

A car trial was organised, finishing at David and Sandra Hammil for a barbeque and fellowship. The Community Committee donated a Chainsaw to the Berwick -Pakenham Emergency Group. The Bring and Buy auction night raised \$132. The Hilton raffle profit was \$500, the Car Trial \$200 and the Dandy Dollar Athletics day catering showed a profit off \$357.

Youth & Recreation

President Dennis praised Ian Wake's involvement and work with his committee to the Rotaract and Interact Clubs.

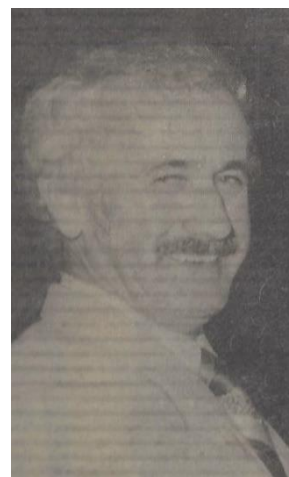


Year of Presidency: 1981/82

President
John Gaunt (Gwen)

Club Year: 21
District 982

Board of Directors	
President	John Gaunt
Past President	Dennis Dwyer
Secretary	Graeme Beasley
Treasurer	Roger Gordon
Club Service	Bob McIntyre
Community Service	Brian Leonard
International Service	John Parkinson
Vocational Service	David de Crespigny
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Bill Henry



R.I. President	Stan McCaffrey	Honorary Members: George Rae Norman Beaumont
R.I. Theme	World Understanding & Peace Through Rotary	
R.I. Convention	Sao Paulo, Brazil	
District Governor	Ken Oldmeadow	
District Conference	Albury	

Community Service

This year shined through a number of community focused events:

- Providing lengthy, informative articles on home safety, 23 articles on safety in the home were published in the Pakenham Gazette.
- Heart Foundation door knock, collecting the sum of \$375.
- The Rotary Caravan was used in the Berwick Shopping centre, staffed by two nursing sisters who provided the service for citizens to obtain blood pressure tests. 160 people were tested in the morning.
- On seven occasions the caravan was placed on site for use by service and church organisations.
- The committee organised the food and drinks stalls at the Dandy Athletics Meet
- The Club supplied a new pager to the Berwick Urban Fire Brigade.
- The committee appeal to the Berwick City Council for BBQ repairs in Buchanan Park was successful.
- A new trestle table was donated for use by local service and church groups plus a suitable protective housing.
- A request to the National Safety Council for them to provide instruction to local schools was abandoned, as their requirement of \$450 per day was considered excessive.
- A donation was made to the Red Cross Appeal.

- Medic Alert information was distributed to all Medical surgeries throughout the Berwick District.
- Construction commenced on a display frame to display all Service Club signs at roadside entrances to Berwick Township.

Vocational Service

Rotarian Ian Wake was successful in forming the first Interact club at Berwick High School, Ian reported that it is performing very well.

The Mini Exchange Student program with the Rotary Club of Mildura proved to be successful with two students from each hosted during the May school holidays.

The Club Art Show was an outstanding success with more than 700 entries received.

International Committee

This year the outbound student was Madeline Hausegger, hosted by the Rotary Club of Westport Mississippi USA. Madeline was farewelled in June 1982. The incoming student John Hoffam from the USA arrived on the 8 Feb 1982 for his 12 months student study. John attended the Berwick High School.

Andrea Kirkham returned home from South Africa on 6 January 82 commenting that this was one of the best things that had happened to her and expressed her thanks to the Club.

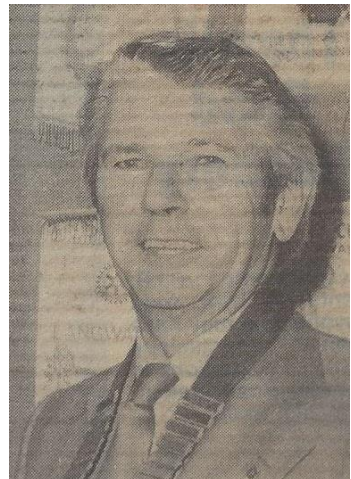
To cover the expense of the exchange this committee ran a Monster Car Trail.

Year of Presidency: 1982/83

President
Bob McIntyre (Bev)

Club Year: 22
District 982

Board of Directors	
President	Bob McIntyre
Past President	John Gaunt
Secretary	Graeme Beasley
Treasurer	Graham Hughes
Club Service	Bryan Leonard
Community Service	Vernon Deutscher
International Service	Trevor Stone
Vocational Service	Roger Gordon
Youth Service	Ian Wake
Sergeant-at-Arms	Gary Evans



R.I. President	Hiroji Mukasa	Honorary Members: George Rae Norman Beaumont
R.I. Theme	Mankind is One -- Build Bridges of Friendship Throughout the World	
R.I. Convention	Dallas, U.S.A.	
District Governor	Arthur Davis	
District Conference	Morwell	

Community Service

Chairman Vern Deutscher reported on the following projects:

- Firewood cut and delivery
- Cemetery Clean up
- Bench Seats in town area
- Donated \$400- towards a motorized wheel chair
- Donated \$1500- to the Dandenong Hospital for the purchase of an Infusion Pump
- Assisted in clearing burnt out housing sites after the Ash Wednesday fires in February 1983

The Operation Small Change project organised by the Rotary Club of Seaford had 101 barrels in 88 hospitals in NSW, VIC, SA and ACT at June 1982. the Club purchased a barrel and placed it in the foyer of the Berwick Hospital (later named St John of God Hospital). In the first 12 months the barrel collected \$148.50.

Vocational Service

- The Berwick High School Work Experience Program was successful in placing year 10 students in a work trial situation of their choice.
- Assisted the Berwick Rotaract Club in holding a Careers Night at Fountain Gate Centre

- The Club nominated Marcus Wade to the 1983 RYLA camp held at Raymond Island, East Gippsland.

International Service

Thora Fenga was the incoming student from Denmark, arriving on the 14th August and attended Berwick High School. Suyan Sedich went to Denmark in January 1984.

IPAC (International Projects Advisory Committee) projects received \$100 for sleeping bags and \$100 for school books. These IPAC projects had variable funding amounts and were considered most practical. PDG Arthur Dell wrote thanking the Club for its involvement with IPAC.

Treasurer Report

Funding raising amounted to \$5100. Exchange student costs were \$1,123.

The community service committee thought it was time for the Club to consider raising funds to supply and erect a Rotary Clock (as a long-term project) and also to see the erection of a suitable frame to display all service club signs within our locality.

NB: The words "as a long term project" proved prophetic, as the clock was finally commissioned 17 years later, in 1999/2000.

The Art and Garden show was held, however the public support was not as good as previous years. After a discussion with the Garden Committee, they agreed to accept a lower fee of \$200, being \$100 less than the previous year. Changeover night will cost \$12 per head.



On the way to Monbulk for a bowls night.

Year of Presidency: 1983/84

President
Bryan Leonard (Joyce)

Club Year: 23
District 982

Board of Directors	
President	Bryan Leonard
Past President	Bob McIntyre
Secretary	Max Schumann
Treasurer	Graham Hughes
Club Service	Roger Gordon
Community Service	Ross Neilson
International Service	John Rothschild
Vocational Service	Bill Peeler
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	John Gaunt



R.I. President	William E Skelton	Honorary Members: Norman Beaumont
R.I. Theme	Share Rotary - Serve People	
R.I. Convention	Toronto, Canada	
District Governor	Frank Canobio	
District Conference	Shepparton	

After the Bush Fires in February the local service clubs (Rotary, Freemasons, Lions and Apex) joined together on three following weekends to plant new tree seedlings at Upper Beaconsfield and at Cockatoo to assist in renewing the forest area.

In September the Club was hosted by the Rotaract Club of Berwick in the RSL Hall to have combined meeting, the evening was a great success.

The Interact Club formed at the Berwick High School held a camp at Amaroo Caravan Park, located at Cowes, Phillip Island, which was supervised by four Rotarians. Thora Fenger was the inbound exchange student from Denmark.

The Club formed the first Probus Club under the chairmanship of Roger Gordon on the 28h May, meeting at the supper room in the Church of Christ, Berwick. The formation of the Rotary Club of Upper Beaconsfield saw 3 members transferring to seed the new club.

The annual Art Show was organised over 3 days and was well received by the locals raising \$2,800 and the annual golf day proved to be a very successful event (\$700 profit). Total distributions amounted to \$8,706.

Renovations to the Berwick Senior Citizens building saw the Club having to move the weekly meeting s temporarily to the fountain gate hotel and then more permanently to Maryvale.

Probus club is chartered

In a ceremony at the Church of Christ Hall, Berwick, Rotary Club president Bryan Leonard and club service director Roger Gordon assisted District Governor Frank Canobio to formally charter the Probus Club of Berwick.

Chairman Roger gave a rundown on the purpose of Probus, and insights into the activities of the Cranbourne and Frankston Probus clubs were given by District Chairman of Probus Clubs Des Dean.

Fourteen charter members were inducted and Jim Westland was elected charter president. Harold Cousins is president elect., Bryan Leonard secretary and Rod Powers treasurer.

The first regular meeting of the club will be held at 10 am. on Monday June 25th and then on the fourth Monday of each month at the Berwick Church of Christ in Lyall Road.

These meetings will provide an opportunity to meet other compatible members of the community (not necessarily past Rotarians) and to listen to a speaker or participate in a structural discussion.

At the June meeting men who are interested in joining the Probus Club will be welcome to sit in and see whether the fellowship and acquaintance is for them.

Contact secretary Bryan Leonard, phone 707 1909 or president Jim Westland, phone 707 1540 for more information about Probus if you are interested and live in the area of the Rotary Club of Berwick.



Rotarian Roger Gordon presents District Governor Frank Canobio with a copy of the Charter of the Probus Club of Berwick.



Rotarian Roger Gordon presents president Jim Westland with the Club Charter.

Year of Presidency: 1984/85

President
Graeme Beasley (Merle)

Club Year: 24
District 282

Board of Directors	
President	Graeme Beasley
Past President	Bryan Leonard
Secretary	John Kluyt
Treasurer	Ross Neilson
Club Service	Bert Ainge
Community Service	Gary Evans
International Service	John Rothschild
Vocational Service	Jack Kraan
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Gerald Hardy



R.I. President	Carlos Canseco	Honorary Members: Norman Beaumont Charles Gamble
R.I. Theme	Discover a New World of Service	
R.I. Convention	Birmingham, U.K.	
District Governor	John Dunn	
District Conference	Geelong	

Past President Bryan Leonard handed over the reins to President Graeme Beasley on 28th June 1984 in front of 145 members and guests.

July began with a progressive dinner with the ladies, soup at Roger & Margaret Gordon's, main at Ron & Kath Evans' and sweets at John & Suzanne Parkinson's.

Thora Fenger our Rotary Exchange Student from Denmark went back home at the end of her exchange. Gerry Albers was inducted into the Club with the classification of Ceramic Artist.

This was the year in which the challenge to rid the world of Polio by Rotary's 100th Anniversary was set.

Sheridan De Larue, a Berwick High School student, was selected as an Exchange Student to New Zealand.

John Blyth was inducted into the Club with the classification "Ice Cream Manufacturer".

Two recently returned Rotary Exchange Students Andrea Kirkham and Madeline Haussegger reported to the Club on their experiences. Bodil Groh, Exchange student from Finland also spoke to the Club.

December commenced with the news that our Rotary Exchange Student to Denmark Sue Sedich had joined Rotaract over there.

Sheridan De Larue Exchange Student to New Zealand and Robyn Halliday nominee for a Graduate Exchange with Georgia, USA addressed the Club.

A joint meeting was held with the Rotaract (Norma McGreal, President) and Interact (Richard Bowman, President) Clubs. Past President Bob McIntyre organised a night out at Mt Eliza Music Hall (John Hancock's Theatre) 93 members and wives attended.

Howard Tilly was inducted into the Club with the classification "Education Administration" and subsequently gave his job talk.

The Probus Club of Berwick was chartered with Jim Westland as President.

The Club joined the Lions Club of Berwick to run a Melbourne Cup Eve Ball. A joint meeting was held with the Rotary Club of Upper Beaconsfield.

The Club, together with the Rotary Club of Beaconsfield, England, erected the "Bell tower" at the Beaconsfield Upper Public Hall. Rotary provided a Float with "Flags of the World" for the celebration of Victoria's 150th anniversary.

Three Debutante Balls were held for Berwick College. The Club also visited the South Eastern Purification Plant.

A Christmas Family Day involving Rotary, Rotaract, Interact and Inner Wheel was held at "Roundhay Farm", Bill Hudson's property.

Paul Harris Fellows were issued to PDG F Canobio and PP A Funston.



Year of Presidency: 1985/86

President
Roger Gordon (Margaret)

Club Year: 25
District 982

Board of Directors	
President	Roger Gordon
Past President	Graeme Beasley
Secretary	Harry Leigh
Treasurer	Ross Neilson
Club Service	John Kluyt
Community Service	Jack Kraan
International Service	Max Pawsey
Vocational Service	Gerald Hardy
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Harry Fox



R.I. President	Edward F. Cadman	Honorary Members: Norman Beaumont Charles Gamble
R.I. Theme	You Are The Key	
R.I. Convention	Kansas City, U.S.A.	
District Governor	Perc Hosking	
District Conference	Geelong	

According to P Roger, the landmarks during the year were:

- Formation of the Ladies Probus Club of Berwick;
- Celebration of the club's 25th Anniversary;
- Art Show;
- Berwick High School Debutante Ball;
- Organization of our first F.A.I.M. Team to New Guinea;
- Our student Exchange Program; and
- Our Fellowship Program.

The club had to leave its Narre Warren Tennis Club meeting venue and after an itinerant period commenced regular meetings at the Pine Grove Hotel from the 10th July 1986 for a couple of months. Meals were charged at \$7.50.

The Club held on 18 October a Cup Eve Ball with the Lions Club (for Caulfield Cup). On 24 October the Club visited the Rotary Club of Noble Park. A progressive dinner organised by PP John Gaunt was a great success with the support of Elsa and John Kluyt, Pat and Bert Ainge and Joyce and Bill Minns. The traditional bowls challenge against Monbulk was won by the Club.

The exchange student this year was Hilde Margarete Norheim from Norway. The Club sponsored Anthony McKenna, Sue Lamb and Anthony Bertoncello to attend the RYLA camp.

The Club was the only one in the District with Rotaract and an Interact clubs. John Syme was inducted early in the Rotary year, with Bob James, Dale Riley and Clive Sadlier joining later. PP John Kluyt left the Club when he relocated to Queensland. October 3 saw a combined Rotary, Rotaract and Interact meeting at the Tennis Centre with players from all sides enjoying the spring weather.

The FAIM team went to St Paul's Catholic Mission at Mt Hagen New Guinea ready to assist in the construction of classrooms and an ablution block for a Vocational School.

The Club agreed to build a shelter for users of Buchanan Park.

Polio Plus was initiated this year by RI, with an estimated \$120 million for vaccines and \$2.5 million to maintain the taskforce over the following 5 years.

Year of Presidency: 1986/87

President
Bert Ainge (Patty)

Club Year: 26
District 282

Board of Directors	
President	Bert Ainge
Past President	Roger Gordon
Secretary	Bill Minns
Treasurer	Bob McIntyre
Club Service	Max Pawsey
Community Service	Jack Kraan
International Service	John Blyth
Vocational Service	Fred McCubbin
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Ted Corke



R.I. President	M. A. T. Caparas	Honorary Members: Norman Beaumont Charles Gamble
R.I. Theme	Rotary Brings Hope	
R.I. Convention	Las Vegas, U.S.A.	
District Governor	Don Round	
District Conference	Ballarat	

According to President Bert, the year went remarkably quickly. It started slowly but finished wonderfully well and on top of everything.

The fund raising efforts were a record. All planned projects were completed satisfactorily.

Highlights of the year were many:

- The Club's first FAIM team went away;
- Continuation of our successful Student Exchange program;
- Continued growth of Interact, Rotaract and both Probus clubs;
- Another record Art Show;
- Twin Debutante Balls;
- Increase in Membership; and
- Golf and Bowls "champions" in the year.

Student exchange Robin Halliday return from 12 months study at the University of Georgia, Atlanta, U.S.A. Robin spoke to the members informing of her experience and the success of the program and the benefits to her and her host Club.

Inbound Norwegian exchange student Hilde Norheim departed Australia in July after a very eventful twelve months. Jason Hill returned home from his twelve months exchange in Norway. Inbound exchange student from Japan, Nozomi Kayeba arrived for her twelve months exchange with our club.

Community Service

The new caravan has been placed in service and was made available to social clubs and community organisations. Work has commenced on the Rotunda and Picnic Shelter at Buchanan Park.

Fund Raising

The Club successfully raised some \$20,000, shared among local and Rotary projects.

Year of Presidency: 1987/88

President
Max Pawsey (Loma)

Club Year: x
District 982

Board of Directors	
President	Max Pawsey
Past President	Bert Ainge
Secretary	Adrian Funston / Bill Minns
Treasurer	Bob McIntyre
Club Service	Alan Funston
Community Service	Fred McCubbin
International Service	Clive Sadlier
Vocational Service	John Sime
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Jim Robb



R.I. President	Charles C Keller	Honorary Members: Charles Gamble Norman Beaumont
R.I. Theme	United In Service - Dedicated To Peace	
R.I. Convention	Munich Germany	
District Governor	Henry Burman	
District Conference	Shepparton	

Community Service

Concluded the works to build a Shelter at Buchanan Park, Clyde Road, Berwick.

A Gala Auction was organised at the BP Service Station, Princes Highway Narre Warren. This event was a very successful fund raiser.

Vocational Service

It was decided to revitalise interest in the youth of the district. The club was successful in organising debating teams between the secondary schools within the district. The members made contact with the City Council to work with the youth leaders at council level.

An Employer- Employee guest night was organised, which was well attended.

The Club accepted an offer from Casey Aero Club to assist at the flying festival. PP Graeme Beasley accepted the leadership on behalf of the Club, he organised the Red Baron Ball on a Saturday night, an excellent night for all. The club accepted a cheque for \$1,000 as a donation.

International Service

The nomination for Miss Simone Waugh to spend 12 months as an exchange student to Springfield, Ohio, USA was successful. The Club has selected Miss Tania Barry as its

candidate under a program providing scholarships for 55 students to attend Colleges and Universities in Georgia, USA.

The Debutante Balls were an outstanding success from every point of view, both functions were excellent, the Debutantes and Partners were a credit to Pat Ainge and the Berwick High School. Also, the committee looked into organising a three months exchange for students to and from New Zealand and sought involvement in the National Science Summer Awards.

It was with some regret that the Club decided to terminate the Interact Club at Berwick High School due mainly to lack of interest by students, although Rotarian Ian Wake let the members know that the Club did very little in supporting the Interact Club and that, in his mind, this was part the failure and that another attempt should be made to form another club in the near future.



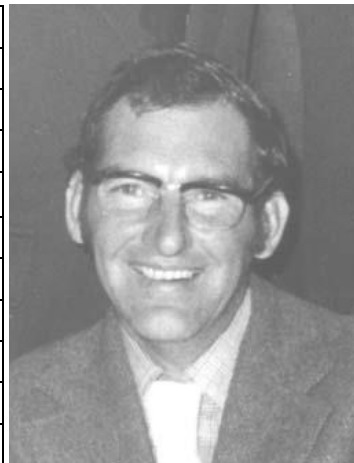
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Year of Presidency: 1988/89

President
Ian Wake (Jenny)

Club Year: 28
District 982

Board of Directors	
President	Ian Wake
Past President	Max Pawsey
Secretary	Adrian Funston
Treasurer	Harry Leigh
Club Service	Garry Evans
Community Service	Bill Minns
International Service	Neville Green
Vocational Service	David Nutter
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Fred McCubbin



R.I. President	Royce Abbey	Honorary Members: Tom Warne Ray Wilton Charles Gamble Alex Robertson
R.I. Theme	Put Life into Rotary -- Your Life	
R.I. Convention	Seoul, Korea	
District Governor	Lawrie Holley	
District Conference	Albury	

Simone Waugh was a guest at the home of Ron & Kath Evans for a BBQ to farewell her on her way to Springfield Ohio U.S.A. for twelve months. The Club also farewelled Tania Barry, who travelled to the University of Georgia, U.S.A. for twelve months of study.

Patricia Kirklan returned to her home town in New Zealand, after a Club Mini Exchange three month stay. Australia's mini exchange student Kathryn Taylor travelled with Patricia to New Zealand to begin her three months mini exchange.

The Golf day played at Montuna Golf Club was a successful event, with a strong contingent of visiting Rotarians and guests. The Club held two very successful Debutante Balls.

The annual Art Show was well attended. We organised a progressive dinner and a good night was had by all who attended.

The following club activities and appeals for assistance were supported: Berwick Clock Tower, Palliative Care, Surf Life Saving Club, Berwick Benevolent Society, Berwick Children Choir, Alzheimer's Research, Berwick Hospital, The Braille Library, Narre Warren Primary School, Minibah School, Boats for Dhaka (Bangladesh) and Berwick High School.

The total funds distributed to the above amounted \$12,500

The board recognized Rotarians Harry Leigh and Alex Robertson for their services to the club with Paul Harris Fellow awards.

Club membership was 42 members plus two Honorary.

Members recognised during the year were Tom Warne (a past charter member) and Ray Wilton (station master V Rail). The Club continued the distribution of teddy bears to new born babies at Berwick Hospital. The annual working bee was held at the Berwick Cemetery, after work was finished the participants moved to the Tennis Club for a barbeque meal and fellowship.

This year the Club hosted the Herb Thomas Memorial Dinner, a combined meeting with the Rotary Club of Endeavour Hills.

A Christmas BBQ was enjoyed by members and families at P Ian's home in Payne Road, Beaconsfield.



Cabbage field partly harvested.

A joint project between R. C. Berwick and R. C. Metropolitan Dhaka.

Drinking Water Project.
President Rabbi inaugurating a newly sunk tube well under a joint project of R. C. Berwick and R. C. Metropolitan Dhaka.





Fishermen assistance project. Boat making centre.



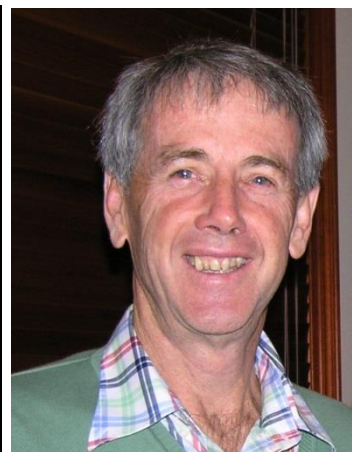
Looking back 20 years to 1988: Upper Beaconsfield orchardist Ian Wake was elected president of the Rotary Club of Berwick. The executive comprised, from left, Bill Minns, Neville Green (behind), Max Pawsey, Ian Wake, David Nutter, Gary Evans, Fred McCubbin and Harry Leigh. Not pictured: Adrian Funston and Jim Robb.

Year of Presidency: 1989/90

President
Gary Evans (Carol)

Club Year: 29
District 982

Board of Directors	
President	Gary Evans
Past President	Ian Wake
Secretary	Roger Gordon
Treasurer	Harry Lee
Club Service	Fred McCubbin
Community Service	John Kluyt
International Service	David Nutter
Vocational Service	Robert Cauzzo
Youth Service	Jack Kraan
Sergeant-at-Arms	Les Harrigan



R.I. President	Hugh M Archer
R.I. Theme	Enjoy Rotary!
R.I. Convention	Portland, U.S.A.
District Governor	Arthur Care
District Conference	Albury

Honorary Members:
Charles Gamble
Tom Warne
Ray Wilton

The Club met at the Central Hotel Beaconsfield, 6-00 for 6-30 pm start.

This year was specially marked by the admission of women into membership. Some members were against the change and some of the most conservative resigned.

Major Projects 1989/90

- Community Service Cemetery clean up and painting of wrought iron around graves;
- Continued the clock tower project fund;
- Fund raising during Berwick Festival, with a Wheel Barrow Push, starting at the Mechanics Library up hill to Wheeler Street corner, the winner received a cheque for \$1,000 donated by Trico Windscreen Wipers;
- Supplied bench seats for Public Seating in Berwick and Beaconsfield;
- Organised the horse show at Akoona Park in December, this was rained out that morning;
- Teddy Bear gift to new born babies at Berwick Hospital. This is an ongoing project;
- Supplied man power to the committee of Wilson Botanical Park for their social activity; and
- Assisted the Berwick Show Committee by manning the gates over two days of the show.

International Services

Maja Betts arrived from New Zealand in February to commence her three months stay with our club. Our mini exchange student to New Zealand was Jane Maddingly. Jane started her three months in New Zealand on the 16 May 1990. Both girls returned by plane, traveling together.

Exchange student Simone Waugh returned home from Springfield Ohio U.S.A. on the 7th January, while outgoing student Bernadette Kelly departed on the 9th January for her Rotary Exchange to Obenser, Denmark.

Tania Barry returned home from Atlanta, Georgia, U.S.A. after completing her scholarship at the University of Georgia. She was one of three Australians to receive an award to do a post graduate course. Tania studied Occupational Therapy.

Vocational Service

The Club organised an adult work exchange lasting fourteen days. This was arranged with Rotary Club of Noarlunga East S.A. Her name was Helen Charles. Helen was Graduate of the Year at Noarlunga College. Helen was home hosted at Harry and Nell Fox and at the home of Clive and Joan Sadler, another successful exchange.

The Art Show was held at the Leisure Centre, Manuka Road, Berwick. Sales and attendance were not up to expectations.

The Debutante Balls were held over two nights. This once again was a very successful social and fund raising event, run with co-operation with Berwick Secondary College.

RDU magazines continued to be distributed to doctor's surgeries, etc.

The Club was successful in nominating Melinda Stud to attend the National Science Summer School held in Canberra A.C.T.

Youth Services

Rotaract was supported by club members at their meetings. Three members acted as stewards at the OMPAHFEST held at Warragul, event supported with other Rotaract Clubs.

Club Statistics

Membership: 42 members at July 1st 1989 and 39 members on June 30th 1990.

Four members tendered their resignation, and we gained one new member for the year.

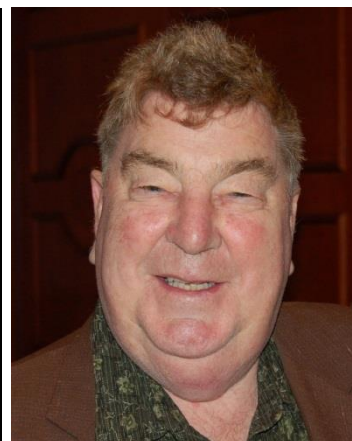
Attendance 78%

Year of Presidency: 1990/91

President
Fred McCubbin (Merle)

Club Year: 30
District 982

Board of Directors	
President	Fred McCubbin
Past President	Gary Evans
Secretary	Roger Gordon / Clive Sadlier
Treasurer	Gerald Treasure
Club Service	Neville Green
Community Service	Bob Waugh
International Service	Peter Binning
Vocational Service	Andrew Gray
Youth Service	David Nutter
Sergeant-at-Arms	Adrian Funston



R.I. President	Paulo V. C .Costa	Honorary Members: Charles Gamble
R.I. Theme	Honour Rotary with Faith and Enthusiasm	
R.I. Convention	Mexico City, Mexico	
District Governor	Michael Lee	
District Conference	Shepparton	

Exchange student Karen Klin returned this year to her home in U.S.A.

The Berwick Festival held on November 24 and 25 was a great success and counted with the help of other service organisations in the area. A working bee to paint the Berwick railway Station was held in November.

The social program included a night held at Hancock's Restaurant (27 July), Christmas function at Gumbuya Park and a murder mystery Ladies' night (24 July). A vocational visit to Dandenong Hospital was held on 18 April.

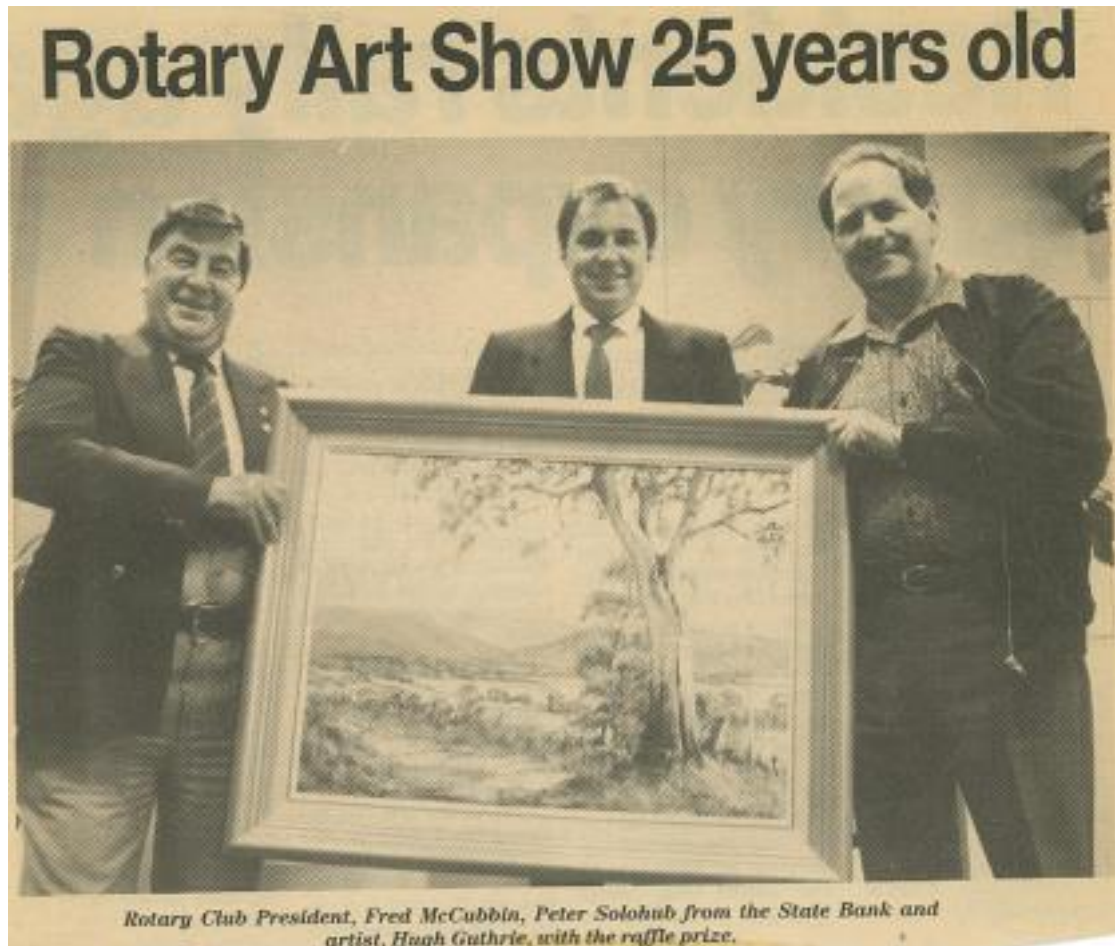
The Australia Day celebrations were well supported. Other events were the Golf Day, McHappy day (3 May), traffic control at the Berwick Show and the Art Show (10 May). Debutante Balls included 27 and 29 debutantes on June 7 and 8 respectively.

The resignation of PP John Gaunt was accepted with regret. Russell James and Greg Urand were inducted into the Club.

Apprenticeship Awards were issued to Shane Sybrowski (apprentice turf manager at Montuna), Rhys Osborne (diesel mechanic apprentice) and Paul Maskell (cabinet maker apprentice).

Fiona daff was chosen as the outbound exchange student. Bernadette Kelly returned from her exchange in Denmark and Jane Mattingley returned from her mini exchange in New Zealand. RYLA Certificates were presented to Sam Aziz and Tammy Nieve.

A PHF was awarded to Trevor Stone for his many years of valuable and undemonstrative service.



Year of Presidency: 1991/92

**President
Neville Green (Freya)**

**Club Year: 31
District 982**

Board of Directors	
President	Neville Green
Past President	Fred McCubbin
Secretary	Rob Taylor
Treasurer	Gerald Treasure
Club Service	Jack Kraan
Community Service	Bob Waugh
International Service	John Kluyt
Vocational Service	Andrew Gray
Youth Service	Les Harrigan
Sergeant-at-Arms	Peter Binning



R.I. President	Rajendra K Saboo	Honorary Members: Charles Gamble
R.I. Theme	Look Beyond Yourself	
R.I. Convention	Orlando, U.S.A.	
District Governor	Tom Boyle	
District Conference	Geelong	

Despite some members leaving the club through the year, the club gained a total of 6 new members thanks to the fine work of membership development committee under capable leadership of PP Bill Minns. This was considered a great achievement in the light of the economic circumstances which caused many clubs to falter.

A great supporter of the club, Joyce Minns, excelled in her supporting role taking weekly apologies and arranging the hotel bookings.

1991-2 Aims

President Neville's aims for the year were:

- Increase visibility and standing of Rotary at the local level;
- Development of a prospectus to assist membership development and to reinforce successful achievements to date;
- Widen club activities to include such as Preserve Planet Earth, International, project of club choice, and involvement with the G S E Team;
- Provide interesting relevant programs with special ones to forge links with surrounding clubs;
- Increase membership by 10.

Considerable progress was made in all these areas, although not as much as originally planned.

The visit of the GSE team was an outstanding success thanks to PP Ian Wake's efforts.

The history of the Club's achievements is well on the way thanks to PP Cyril Molyneux.

Interaction with surrounding clubs increased through the enlargement of the Herb Thomas dinner to include the Rotary Club of Endeavour Hills for the first time, the combined meeting with the Rotary Club of Upper Beaconsfield through vocational service, the bowls night with Monbulk and the Combined Clubs meeting.

ROTARY and the Community

The Club supported a number of groups in the wider community through financial and/or physical support, including:

- Herb Thomas Memorial fund;
- Vicspan;
- Fire Brigades;
- Red Cross;
- Life Education;
- Berwick Secondary College;
- Benevolent Society;
- Rotary Health Research Fund;
- Heart Foundation;
- Medic Alert;
- Cemetery Maintenance;
- Foot Bridge at Wilson Botanic Park;
- Minabah-recycling;
- Berwick Children's Choir;
- Berwick Callisthenics' Club;
- Rotary Peer Support Program; and
- The Muscovy Duck Project in the Philippines;

The Club also provided a video on Breast Cancer to the Inner Wheel Club for distribution to community groups,

The Board distributed some \$ 11,718 with the policy of providing a significant sum to a few organisations to make a truly worthwhile impact in these areas.

The Annual Golf Day held at Montuna was an outstanding success, raising \$3,000 for the Life Education Program.

Ian Wake and his Art Show committee worked long and hard to get this excellent exhibition running well. It was disappointing that that sales were well below expectation. This was attributed to the poor economic climate. The Club considered the worthiness of future art shows.

Another successful season of Debutante Balls saw over 1,100 patrons attending over the two nights. It was a smoothly run operation under the guiding hand of Peter Binning and his team and a major fundraiser for the year. Other collaborators included John and Val Cripps, Chris Mete and Pat Ainge.

Paul Harris Fellows

A Paul Harris Fellowship was presented to Mrs. Pat Ainge by the District Governor Tom Boyle on the ball's Saturday evening. The club chose this time as a very fitting one for the presentation especially since she assisted with the Debutante Balls, which commenced in April 1985.

Committee Reports

Youth Service: The club had 6 children and one leader to the camp at Portsea, at a cost of \$650.

RYLA: Two students were nominated, Sandi Bateman from Pakenham, who worked in Berwick and Kathie Kerr from Beaconsfield. They attended a leadership training camp on June 21-26 At Mount Evelyn.



President Neville green at the Berwick Secondary College.

Year of Presidency: 1992/93

President
Jack Kraan (Ann)

Club Year: 32
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	Jack Kraan
Past President	Neville Green
Secretary	Bob Waugh
Treasurer	John Blyth
Club Service	John Kluyt
Community Service	Peter Binning
International Service	Andrew Gray
Vocational Service	Ted Corke
Youth Service	John Kluyt
Sergeant-at-Arms	Bert Ainge



R.I. President	Clifford L Dochterman	Honorary Members: Charles Gamble Pat Northeast Alex Robertson
R.I. Theme	Real Happiness is Helping Others	
R.I. Convention	Melbourne, Australia	
District Governor	Ken Matthias	
District Conference	Bendigo	

President's Report

At the 1992/93 changeover, President Jack put forward the aim of pursuing a balanced Rotary program with a number of objectives, most of which were achieved.

The year started off with 40 members and finished the year with 44 members, thus achieving the 10% increase target.

A strong program of club fellowship that involved spouses and families included a murder night trivia and a Christmas party. In the latter part of the year, the social events were overshadowed by club projects such as the Tractor Pull, Art Show and the Debutante Balls, which gave the opportunity for fellowship through working together;

Seven members and partners attended the District Conference at Bendigo and 21 Rotarians from the Club attended the International Convention.

The continued promotion of vocational awareness and the recognition of vocational achievements were achieved via a number of avenues including job talks, guest speakers, the Business Persons dinner and vocational awards.

The Club-supported organisations including the Benevolent Society, Windermere Retarded Centre and the Salvation Army, which enabled the Club to assist those in less fortunate circumstances. The Club sponsored 8 children to the Lord Mayor's camp at Portsea. New

emphasis into community service was placed by supporting areas such as Wilson Botanic Park, the Ambulance Auxiliary, the Berwick Hospital and other smaller groups.

The Club continued its active involvement with Rotary Foundation by way of financial contribution and the Group Study Exchange (GSE) program, assisting with the visit of the GSE team from Bangladesh by way of a joint dinner meeting and hosting of individual members from the team. Members also heard about the experiences of the returned District from Mississippi/Louisiana.


Unfortunately, the proposed Club's involvement in the Preserve Plant Earth initiative was not as strong as desired.

In the Youth area the Club was heavily involved in multiple programs including the mini exchange with New Zealand, RYLA, the National Science Summer School and the Lord Mayor's Portsea Camp.

Two Paul Harris Fellows were awarded to Mrs. Pam Darling in recognition of her service to the Mechanics Institute Library and to Past President Ian Wake.

BERWICK - GAZETTE 2/JUNE/93

Historic Rotary meeting in Berwick



In what is believed to be a first in the history of Rotary, representatives from Berwick Australia, Berwick-Upon-Tweed England and Berwick, Pennsylvania, were last week together for a joint Rotary meeting.

The historic event took place at the Central Hotel, Beaconsfield, last Thursday.

The two special visitors were Mr Walter Lutz, incoming district governor of district 7379 (and past-president of the Rotary Club of Berwick, Pennsylvania) and Mr David Conway, past president of the Rotary Club of Berwick-Upon-Tweed, England.

The two spoke of their current involvement with the Rotary organisation and of the time they have spent in Australia attending the recent Rotary International Convention.

"Both Walter and David gave very entertaining talks," said Berwick president, Jack Kraan. "Having representatives from the two overseas Berwick clubs made last week's meeting a very special and memorable one for us all."

"We had 21 Rotarians taking part in various stages of the Conference and they were able to meet and share ideas with many people from all over the continent."

The four day convention attracted more than 20,000 Rotarians from around 115 different countries.

President of the Rotary Club of Berwick, Jack Kraan (centre) with last week's special visitors, Walter Lutz (Rotary Club of Berwick, Pennsylvania) and David Conway (Rotary Club of Berwick-Upon-Tweed)

Berwick Rotary Art Show an outstanding success

With over 400 people attending the opening last Friday night and an outstanding exhibition of over 700 works of art, Berwick Rotary Club's 27th annual Art Exhibition has been hailed as one of the best yet.

Chairman of the evening, Gerald Thomas, said on Monday he was delighted with the show.

Events through the Berwick Leisure Centre, where the exhibition was staged, were visited throughout Saturday and Sunday.

Trees and plants supplied by Keweenaw Tree

Farm, and Berwick Greenery added to the atmosphere at Friday night's opening with guests enjoying a champagne supper.

A high point of the night was the official opening by Mrs K. President Anne Brown OBE.

Rotary President Jack Brown welcomed special guests: Bob Clarke, MBE, Robert Dunn MLA, Deputy Mayor G. Norma Macdonald, and President of the Berwick Village Chamber of Commerce, John Seymour.

Mr Brown said it had been difficult to keep the exhibition vibrant and

profitable in the current economic climate.

It had become obvious that the show needed an injection of new ideas, and Mr Brown said he had a few ideas.

Mr Brown said with 550 art entries, 85 China painting entries, the high quality of works displayed and almost double the crowd that attended last year's opening night, these ideas at least had paid off.

He thanked Mr Thomas, Ian Wake, Adrian Fyfe, Bob Brown and other members of the art show committee.



Technical 200, President Anne Brown OBE, who officially opened the 27th Annual Rotary Art Exhibition, (centre) "Days of Change" by David Thomas. With Mr Brown are Berwick Rotary President Jack Brown and Chairman of the Art Show Committee, Gerald Thomas.

PRIZE WINNERS

Judges of the art show, Mrs Brown, Mrs Clarke, MBE, Robert Dunn MLA, Deputy Mayor G. Norma Macdonald, and President of the Berwick Village Chamber of Commerce, John Seymour.

The award of the prize for Best Local Artist, £5000, was given to the artist, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Berwick.

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by Margaret McNeil.

The Best Oil Artwork, £1000, was given to the artist, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Berwick.

The Best Painting by a Local Artist, £5000, was given to the artist, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Berwick.

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"Waiting Road To Mount Waverley" by Carl Edwards.

All Other Painting entries were judged by John Clarke and sponsored by David Clarke. In the open section the prize went to Lorraine McNeil and second prize to Mary Carr.

John Seymour was the judge for a children's prize. The winner was a painting by a child named "The Blue House" and second prize to Mary Carr.



Winner of the Best Local Artist prize, David Thomas and sponsor Gerald Thomas with the winning artwork, "Waiting Road To Mount Waverley".



Rotary President Jack Brown and Arthur Ford from The City of Melbourne, with the Best Local Artist, "Waiting Road To Mount Waverley".



Rotary President Jack Brown and David Thomas with sponsor Eddie and Wilma Brown and the Best Local Artist, "Waiting Road To Mount Waverley".

Fight for our heritage urges RSL President

Victoria RSL President Bruce Gordon OBE, urged the people of Berwick to fight to retain their heritage when he officially opened last Friday night's Rotary Art Show.

Mr Gordon said he was interested in art - he has friends in the art world, William Douglas and Kenneth Jack.

And he has recently been elected by John Fitzgerald to be the

President of the RSL.

However, the reference to the art world was fleeting and Mr Gordon quickly moved his gaze to the future of the republic, a new flag for Australia and her allegiance to the Crown.

Ever since 12 March all we've been getting in the republic and change to the flag, he said, with a word about the bill has accompanied the country.

"The republicans are moving in - and look at Victoria, \$78 million in debt."

"For all we hear is a republic. This will cost us more millions of dollars."

Mr Gordon said he feared for his country. The people have lost their belief in the institution of the Crown.

"And it is the Crown that governs this country. They are the trust people in the world."

"What republic we have is from the American."

"It's the institution of the Crown that's important, not the monarchy of the world or the world in London."

"As long as we hold

onto the Crown, Common Law and the Constitution, we'll be all right. When they go, we're lost."

Mr Gordon said such a thing was not the way every Parliament around Australia was giving the monarchy - that's one of the reasons

we're going down fast.

Mr Gordon said he must encourage some of the people who are trying to disengage our heritage - the greatest heritage to the world.

"Don't discard it," he urged.



Year of Presidency: 1993/94**President
John Kluyt (Elsa)****Club Year: 33
District 9820**

Board of Directors	
President	John Kluyt
Past President	Jack Kraan
Secretary	Adrian Funston
Treasurer	John Blyth
Club Service	Peter Binning
Community Service	Andrew Gray/ Gerald Treasure
International Service	Rob Taylor
Vocational Service	Chris Booth
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Geoff Hudson



R.I. President	Robert R Bath
R.I. Theme	Believe In What You Do – Do What You Believe In
R.I. Convention	Taipei, Taiwan
District Governor	Bryan Puddy
District Conference	Echuca

Honorary Members:

Charles Gamble
Pat Northeast
Alex Robertson

The Club's articles of Incorporation were updated to be in line with RI, even though it took longer than expected.

An increase in club attendance was a set goal, and the Club finished number one in District 9820 in Dinner Meeting attendance.

Charter Night celebrations were held this year to remember the Club's 33rd Anniversary and was attended by 80 Rotarians and guests. In attendance was District Governor Brian Puddy and wife Pat, plus eight past presidents.

Support for the Herb Thomas memorial dinner was achieved by having two meetings combined with the Rotary Clubs of Pakenham, Narre Warren and Endeavour Hills. Donations to the fund were made at both dinners. The Berwick/Monbulk Rotary Club Bowls meeting was again lost to Monbulk.

Rotary information was prominent in the year's program effectively run by PP Bill Minns.

The Fundraising Committee was chaired by Peter Binning, raising close to \$30,000 of which \$18,000 were obtained from two Debutante Balls run for Berwick High School. Windermere received a \$7,500 donation. The Arts Show's sales were below expectations. Overall total donations amounted to \$41,000.

Special mention went to Joyce Minns, who once again looked after the Hotel Meal booking and kept the apologies list.

Berwick Rotary's Changeover Night

John Kluyt is inducted as Berwick Rotary Club's president for 1993-94

John Kluyt is Berwick Rotary Club's new president for 1993-94. He was inducted by District Governor Ken Matthias at the club's 32nd annual changeover night, held at Melaleuca Lodge, Beaconsfield last Thursday night.

A member of the club for the past 10 years, John Kluyt takes over from Jack Kraan, who has just completed a very successful and busy year for the club, which was recognised by the presentation by the District Governor of a presidential citation to the outgoing president.

In thanking his predecessor for a wonderful year as leader of the club, newly-elected president John Kluyt quoted Rotary International President Robert Bath's theme for the 1993-94 Rotary year - "Believe in what you do and do what you believe in."

President John said he hoped that theme would come to fruition in the Berwick Club in the coming year - "through service and fellowship this can be achieved, because this is what I believe Rotary is all about."

He continued: "Through

service we should all give our time generously to attend board, Rotary and committee meetings.

"We all have an equal voice in Rotary, so you only get out of Rotary what you put in. My quote is 'no input, no output'."

"The major committees will again present us with a workable program full of variety."

"We'll need muscle for the Wilson Park and cemetery work; organising power for the art show and the debutante balls; and brain or thinking power to think up good fellowship events and guest speakers."

"Never lose sight of the fact that it is your club and you need to put in to make it work for you."

"During this year we would certainly like to see an increase in membership, but my main goal is not to lose any members

and I believe that this may be more difficult."

"I am certainly looking forward to a rewarding Rotary year and with your help we will believe in what we do and do what

we believe in."

The board members for the coming year include past president Jack Kraan, president-elect Bob Waugh, secretary Adrian Funston, treasurer John Blyth, community service Gerald Treas-

ure, vocational service Chris Booth, fund raising Peter Binning and international youth Robert Taylor.



Watched by outgoing club president Jack Kraan, District Governor Ken Matthias inducts Berwick Rotary Club's new president, John Kluyt, at the annual changeover night last Thursday.

Rotary's highest honour for Kath and Pat



Club president Jack Kraan with Berwick Rotary Club's newest Paul Harris Fellows - Kath Evans and Pat Northeast.

Rotary's highest recognition for outstanding service - the presentation of a Paul Harris Fellow - has been conferred upon two people who have given distinguished service to the community as a whole and in particular to the Berwick district.

The presentations were made last Thursday night at the annual changeover night of the Rotary Club of Berwick.

The recipients were Mrs Kath Evans (wife of Berwick Rotarian Ron Evans) and former Berwick City Manager and honorary Berwick Rotary Club member Pat Northeast.

As the District Governor Ken Matthias presented the Paul Harris certificates, medallions and lapel badges to the two awardees, all present at the changeover night rose to applaud this high honour which has been so deservedly conferred upon these two great leaders and workers in our community.

In doing so, the District Governor said the money

forward for her award, Rotarian Ian Wake traced her life story, commencing with her schooling at Spotswood State School and Williamstown High School.

She was married in 1949 and lived in various places in New South Wales before settling down in Dandenoong to raise a family.

She became involved in a number of organisations including Dandenoong Hospital, Greenslopes and Dandenoong Technical School Auxiliaries.

As the family grew, there was a need for a bigger house and the family shifted to Lang Lang for a short time, before moving to Berwick in 1970, where they now live.

"Continuing in community involvement, Kath has achieved much in our area, being involved with the St Margaret's School Board, and the Berwick Hospital Ladies' Auxiliary."

"Over the years she has done much for the Rotary Club of Berwick by hosting

student exchanges and entertaining on social occasions for both our own club, and also group study exchange."

"In 1986 she took part in a FAM team which went to Mt Hagen, and acted as cook and bottle washer, along with others from this Rotary Club."

"She is a member of the Berwick Ladies' Probus Club and is incoming president of the Berwick Inner Wheel Club for 1993-94."

In tracing Pat North-east's 20-year association with the Berwick district, Rotarian Trevor Stone said Pat was appointed Town Clerk when the City of Berwick was created in 1973.

One year later he joined the Rotary Club of Berwick, and over the years he had given outstanding service to that club.

One of the highlights during his years with the club had been his role as secretary to the 1984 State Conference.

Rotarian Trevor said Pat North-east's greatest achievements, however, had been attained outside Rotary.

Appointed City Manager in 1980, he continued to play

a vital role in the development of the City of Berwick until ill health led to his retirement in 1990.

During those years with the City of Berwick he was also President of the Institute of Municipal Management (Victorian State Branch) from 1982-84.

In recognition of his lifetime service to community organisations, and particularly to local government, he was awarded the Public Service Medal in the Queen's Birthday honours in June 1991 and received a citation which recognised the outstanding service given as a member of the Victorian Public Service.

In March of this year he was further honoured when the Mayor (Ct Trevor Smith) recognised his services in the highest possible way when he gave him the "Keys to the city".

Now, the conferring of a Paul Harris Fellow upon this outstanding citizen has further acknowledged his great work for the community as a whole.

Congratulations Kath Evans and Pat North-east.

Balanced Rotary program had been achieved

In his report to last week's changeover night, outgoing president Jack Kraan said he believed the past year had been a successful, enjoyable and rewarding one.

At the 1992/93 changeover he had put forward the aim of pursuing a balanced Rotary program, with a number of objectives, most of which had been achieved.

Some of those objectives had been:

- * A net gain of members of 10 per cent.

- * A strong program of club fellowship including the involvement of spouses and family members.

- * A strong attendance at the District Conference and the Rotary International Convention. Seven members and partners attended the District Conference at Bendigo and 21 Rotarians from the club attended the International Convention.

- * The continued promotion of vocational awareness and the recognition of vocational achievement - through job talks, guest speakers and the business persons' dinner.

- * Assisting in addressing the needs of members of the community who required help, including the club's support for the Benevolent Society, Windermere and the Salvation Army, as well as sponsoring eight children to the Lord Mayor's Camp at Portsea.

- * Active involvement in Rotary Foundation and Preserve Planet Earth.

- * Continued involvement in Group Study Exchange, with the club actively involved in the visit of the GSE team from Bangladesh, and hearing the experiences of the returned District team from Mississippi/Louisiana.

- * Involvement in programs for youth, including the New Zealand exchange, RYLA, the National Science Summer School and the Lord Mayor's Portsea Camp.

Programs and groups that the club supported during the year included: Berwick Secondary College, Rotary Foundation, Aust. Rotary Health Research Fund, Berwick and District Benevolent Society, Berwick Ambulance Auxiliary, Berwick Hospital, Vic Span, local fire brigades, Royal Flying Doctor Service, Berwick Toy Library, Salvation Army, Windermere, Herb Thomas Memorial Fund,

Braille and Talking Book Library, Beaconsfield Rovers, Berwick Safety House, Berwick Calisthenics Club and Berwick Cemetery.

Interclub involvement had also been active. The club participated in the Herb Thomas memorial dinner with the Rotary Clubs of Pakenham, Narre Warren and Endeavour Hills; the bowls night with Monbulk; the businessperson's night with Upper Beaconsfield, and the combined GSE dinner with Narre Warren and Endeavour Hills.

HIGHLIGHTS

Some of the highlights of the year included the annual golf day which raised \$3,700 for Windermere; the art show, although not highly profitable, it was the dedicated efforts put into this project which pointed it in the right direction for the future; and the two debutante balls, with the end profit in the vicinity of \$18,000.

VISIT BY RUSSIANS

Another highlight - and a first for the club - was the visit by two Russians, Michael Goudiev and Alex Zilbermann. This visit was co-ordinated by Chairman Jack Olsson, District Special Exchange Committee of Canberra.

VOCATIONAL AWARDS

During the year the club made five vocational awards and these went to: Scott Mitchell (Kiewit), Pride of Workmanship Award; Glen Leeson (Cruise Butchers), Pride of Workmanship Award; Michael Batton (Berwick Nissan), Apprentice Award; David Schmalzfeld (KB Auto Transmissions), Apprentice Award; and Lloyd Rankin (Rankin's Nursery), Small Business Award.

THANKS

The outgoing president had a special word of thanks for Joyce Minns, who again had done an excellent job in administering the weekly apologies and hotel bookings. He also thanked past president Cyril Molyneux for bringing the club's birthday up to date and Chris Booth for bringing the club's activities to the attention of the public.

He also extended thanks to all members of his board and particularly to his wife Ann and son Daniel for their support throughout the year.

Guests

Earlier in the night President Jack welcomed a number of guests. These included District Governor Ken Matthias and his wife Marlene; District Governor Elect Bryon Puddy and his wife Patricia; Past President Bob McIntyre and his wife Bev; Past President Graeme Beasley and his wife Merle; President of the Berwick Inner Wheel Sue Hughes and her husband Graham; President of Berwick Probus Club Pat Kerr; and the club's honorary member, Pat North-east, and his wife Fran.

There were also a number of other guests from neighbouring clubs who were also welcomed at the changeover night.



Berwick Rotary Club's board of directors for 1993-94. Left to right: Gerald Treasurer, Bob Waugh, John Blyth, Adrian Funston, Club President John Kluyt, Peter Binning, Rob Taylor, Jack Kraan and Chris Booth.

Year of Presidency: 1994/95

President
Peter Binning (Pat)

Club Year: 34
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	Peter Binning
Past President	John Kluyt
Secretary	Adrian Funston
Treasurer	Bert Ainge
Club Service	Rob Taylor
Community Service	Russel James
International Service	Mario Mete
Vocational Service	Chris Booth
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Laurie Gordyn



R.I. President	William J Huntley	Honorary Members:
R.I. Theme	Be A Friend	
R.I. Convention	Nice, France	
District Governor	Peter Newman	
District Conference	Albury	

The year commenced in fine fashion with a full book of programmed activities organised by Past President Gary Evans.

Most meetings were held at the Central Hotel, Beaconsfield. The Club ventured to Ron and Kath Evans' for an early 95 barbeque and also had two breakfast meetings, one on the last meeting of the year to celebrate Christmas, and the other to celebrate Easter.

A meeting to celebrate Rotary International's 90th birthday was held at Melaleuca Lodge, Beaconsfield, with the Inner Wheel President Carol Buchanan as guest speaker. At this meeting Paul Harris Awards were made to Bert Damon, Bert Ainge and to Inner Wheel President Carol Buchanan. Other special meetings were the Herb Thomas annual dinner, Vocational Awards Nights, a Business Persons dinner and the Bowls Night dinner with Monbulk, night in which we retrieved the trophy.

This year the weekly meeting start time was changed from 6:30pm to 7pm. Six new members were inducted, three resignations were received from past District Governor Jack Hill, Rob Horan and Jim Peart.

The Fundraising Committee raised a total of \$39,300 for the year, with the Debutante Balls yielding \$17,900. A Golf day showed a gross of \$21,100 and Windermere received \$17,000 from this amount. Funds for the Clock Tower project amounted to about \$8,000 at the end of the year.

Total distributions amounted to \$40,871, with the Holland/Indonesia international project, Foundation, YEP, Windermere, Berwick Secondary College the major beneficiaries.

Mock interviews were held for Berwick Secondary College for all year 10 students. Six Vocational Awards were issued to local businesses and employees for the categories of Pride on Workmanship, Small Business and Apprenticeship.

PHFs were issued to Carole Buchanan (President of inner Wheel Clubs of Australia), and PP Bert Ainge.



Cemetery cleanup – 1995.



Year of Presidency: 1995/96

President
Rob Taylor (Ann)

Club Year: 35
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	Rob Taylor
Past President	Peter Binning
Secretary	Gerald Treasure
Treasurer	Bert Ainge
Club Service	Chris Booth
Community Service	Geoff Hudson
International Service	Ray Martin
Vocational Service	Max Pawsey
Youth Service	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Laury Gordyn



R.I. President	Herbert G Brown.	Honorary Members: Pat Northeast Alex Robertson PDG Jack Hill
R.I. Theme	Act With Integrity, Serve With love, Work for Peace	
R.I. Convention	Calgary, Canada	
District Governor	Rob Marks	
District Conference	Ballarat	

The membership for the year was 50 members, an increase of 3, although during that time 3 members resigned.

Fundraising under Chairman Bob Waugh successfully undertook the Golf day, two Debutante Balls and the Casey Artfest 2000.

The International and Youth committee chaired by Ray Martin was actively involved in Youth Exchange, supporting five students attending the Siemens Science and the National Engineering Science Summer Schools, three students to RYPEN and one to RYLA, undertaking the IPAC project and sponsoring eight students to the Portsea Camp for disadvantaged children.

The IPAC project consisted on the maintenance and support for St Dominic's Rural Training Centre in the Solomon Islands providing vocational training for young men in farming techniques and the use of farm tools, fishing and boat maintenance and building techniques.

This year the Club issued three Paul Harris Fellows.

Community Service looked after the Berwick Festival, food bins at supermarkets, sponsoring a seat in Wilson Park and contributing to the Cents for the Shrine collection with boxes at the Berwick Inn and the local Tattslotto shop.

The board allocated funds for the sum of \$69,970 to Rotary Foundation and local organisations, with Windermere, Berwick Secondary College, South Eastern Food Bank, the Berwick Benevolent Society and the Edwin Flack Memorial Fund being the main beneficiaries and with a considerable sum destined to the erection of the Clock Tower.

Rotary Youth Exchange provided the rare experience of managing five students arriving and leaving for their 12 months study tour overseas.



Scenes at the Berwick Festival



Year of Presidency: 1996/97

President
Chris Booth (Margaret)

Club Year: 36
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	Chris Booth
Past President	Rob Taylor
Secretary	Graham Tudge
Treasurer	Mick Morland
Club Service	Gerald Treasure
Community Service	Laury Gordyn
International Service	Ray Martin
Vocational Service	Jim Wilson
Youth Service	Ray Martin
Sergeant-at-Arms	Trevor Barnes



R.I. President	Luis Vicente Giay	Honorary Members: PP Cyril Molineux Alex Robertson PDG Jack Hill
R.I. Theme	Build a Future with Action and Vision	
R.I. Convention	Glasgow U.K.	
District Governor	James Webb	
District Conference	Melbourne	

This year PP Rob Taylor supported the provisional Rotary Club of Hampton Park, taking over his extension office in Bert Ainge's absence.

The Artfest this year delivered a profit of \$11,000, the golf day \$5,000, the Debutante Balls \$17,000. Total distributions were \$52,643, with Foundation, the Art Scholarship, the Berwick Benevolent Society, Make-A-Wish Foundation, Berwick Secondary College and youth projects being the major beneficiaries. A special fund for the Clock tower received \$10,822.

Mock interviews were held at Berwick Secondary College, with 250 students taking the challenge.

Vocational Awards were issued to Kylie Hall (Pride on Workmanship), Samantha Johnstone (Customer Service), Christine Burns (Endeavour and Encouragement) and Con and Effie from Berwick Southside Charcoal Chicken (small business).

The Club picked up the encouragement awards for the Upper Beaconsfield Primary School, after the demise of the Rotary Club of Upper Beaconsfield. \$1000 was received from the dissolved Club to be held for future awards.

Jessica Amsden returned from her exchange in Arizona, U.S.A. and Krista Ariail from Ashville West, North Carolina spent the year with the Club.

Katie Harrison was accepted to attend the CRA Summer Science School. The applications of 3 students were supported to attend the Siemens Summer School. Another 3 students were

sponsored to attend the RYPEN camp and eight students were selected to attend the Portsea camp.

Teddy bears were distributed to newborns at Berwick hospital. A hose block cleanup for a single mum in Doveton was well supported by members.

The Club participated at the Berwick Village Fun Day with a van in Main Street to serve coffee, drinks burgers and sausages. A money box was placed to raise funds for the Club at the Berwick Tattsлото at Fountain Gate.

The clock tower design had to be altered as the light post concept proposed was not structurally sound enough to support a clock.

Fellowship saw visits to the De Bortoli winery, a Christmas party, the traditional Monbulk-Berwick bowls competition (won by Monbulk) and a Deli Run day.



Induction of P Chris Booth, June 1996.



Year of Presidency: 1997/98

President
Gerald Treasure (Mona)

Club Year: 37
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	Gerald Treasure
Past President	Chris Booth
Secretary	Andrew Gray
Treasurer	Mick Morland
Club Service	Ray Martin
Community Service	Adrian Funston
International Service	Jim Wilson
Vocational Service	Jack Kraan
Youth Service	Jim Wilson
Sergeant-at-Arms	John Fisher / Trevor Barnes



R.I. President	Glen W Kinross	Honorary Members:
R.I. Theme	Show Rotary Cares	
R.I. Convention	Indianapolis, U.S.A.	
District Governor	Paul Newman	
District Conference	Bairnsdale	

At the end of the year membership was 47, after losing 4 members and gaining 3.

Community service chaired by Adrian Funston has had a successful year, with the Red Cross Calling and the Red Shield Appeal collecting in excess of \$5,000.

Vocational chairman Ted Cooke organised a Vocational Awards evening with the presentation to six children from grade 6 from Upper Beaconsfield Primary School. A visit to the "mortuary" organised by Morgan Tyres was a hair rising experience.

International Chairman Jim Wilson managed the student exchange and local programs, with Emma Hedlund arriving to spend 12 months with us, while six children were sponsored to the Portsea Camp.

Under the Chairmanship Graham Tudge, the Fundraising committee run the annual Golf Day raising \$8,732. For the first time a specific charity was nominated as the main beneficiary of our Golf Day, Asthma Victoria, who received \$3,000. The resurrection of the Legacy Golf day occurred under the Chairmanship of Mick Morland delivering \$668 to Legacy.

The Debutante Balls held at the Leisure Centre for the Berwick Secondary College, were held on two nights with the presentation of 36 debutantes.

At last the club organised with Casey Council a shed located at the Council land in Vesper Drive, Narre Warren, for storing all our goods and chattels including the caravan.

Total distributions for the year amounted to \$36,906.

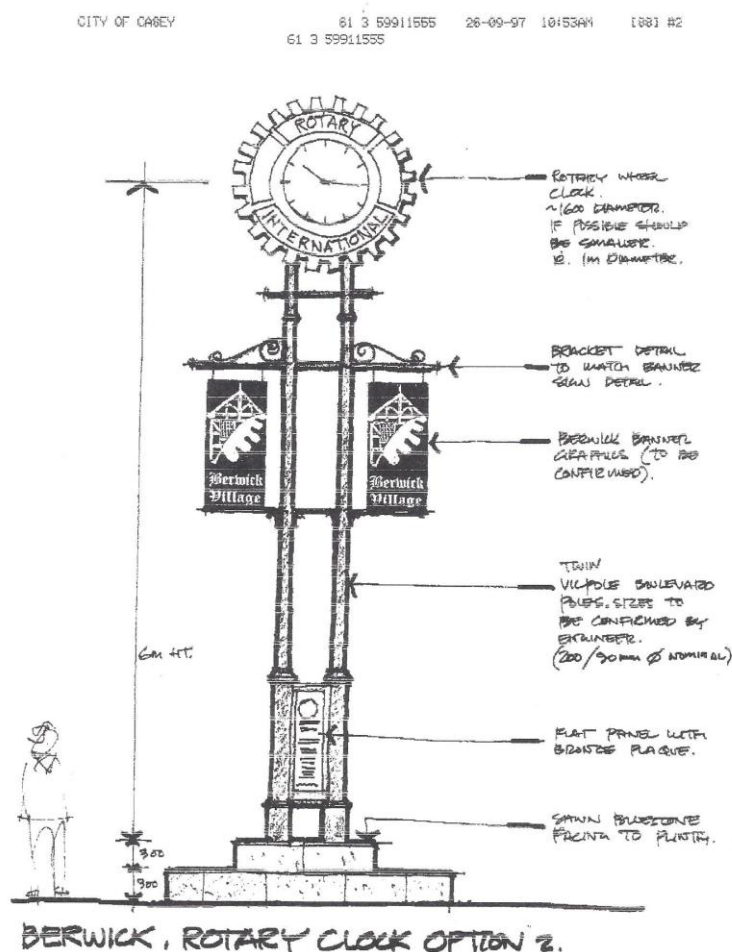
Outdoor play equipment in the form of a rocking elephant was installed at a halfway refuge house and was very welcomed by the kids. The Berwick Village fun day was also a great success with the BBQ working well.

The Art Show was held at the Berwick Campus of the Casey institute of TAFE. The Fred Hollows Foundation was designated as the major beneficiary and Gabby hollows attended to conduct the official opening. The show this year was the centrepiece of the Casey Artfest 2000 and raised \$15,000. A dinner to thank the show's sponsors was held at Tulliallan, the home of Lyndell and peter White.

Three students from Berwick Secondary College attended the RYPEN camp at Forest Edge. The Club also sponsored a teacher (Linda Proctor) to attend the Adventure in Citizenship, an initiative of the Rotary Clubs of Canberra and Canberra-Wooden, to improve community awareness of the responsibilities and privileges of Australian Citizenship.

The Club also sponsored two teachers to develop the Peer Support program at Berwick Secondary College, enabling senior students to provide support and mentorship to year 7 students.

Progress was made with City of Casey in the design of the Rotary Clock Tower.



Year of Presidency: 1998/99

President
Ray Martin (Judy)

Club Year: 38
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	Ray Martin
Past President	Gerald Treasure
Secretary	Peter Binning
Treasurer	Fred Edwards
Club Service	Adrian Funston
Community Service	Chris Booth
International Service	Graham Tudge
Vocational Service	Laury Gordyn
Youth Service	Tim Moore
Sergeant-at-Arms	Rob Taylor



R.I. President	James L Lacy	Honorary Members:
R.I. Theme	Follow Your Rotary Dream	
R.I. Convention	Singapore, Singapore	
District Governor	David Crane	
District Conference	Yarrawonga	

The Club successfully carried out two major projects in each of the four avenues of Rotary service, the basic pre-requisite for receiving Presidential Citation received this year.

The shed's erection was completed early in the year.

With the loss of 5 members and the gaining of 2 new members, the net result at the end of the year was 44 members. Attendance was just under 80%.

Tim Moore and his Youth Services committee had an extremely busy year with Youth Exchange both international and New Zealand, RYPEN, Stream Watch, as well as organising and running the Presentation Balls on three consecutive nights.

The International committee chaired by Graham Tudge arranged a matching grant for a project to provide fresh drinking water to a community in India. Our initial contribution of \$1,000 grew to US \$12,278 by the time Graham had discovered some of the secrets of the Rotary Foundation.

Laury Gordyn and his Vocational Service committee conducted mock interviews at the Berwick Secondary College. Academic awards were presented to students at Upper Beaconsfield Primary School. Added to this, the committee was responsible for the running of the Arts Show and the erection of the clock tower, handed over to the City of Casey at the very end of the Rotary year, early on 24th of June 1999, Changeover day.

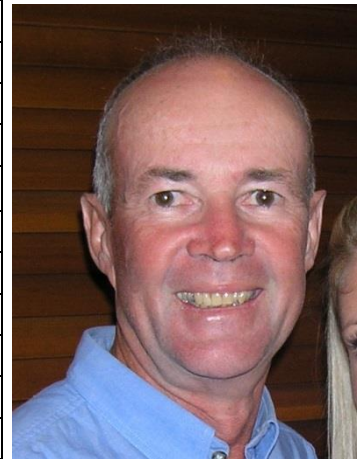
Past President Chris Booth led Community Service, supported by Lex Buchanan when on a leave of absence, organising BBQs at Edrington Park drive, standing in the rain collecting for the Red Cross or the Salvos, giving free advice about City Link, or giving out gender sensitive teddy bears to new born at the Berwick Hospital.



The foundation of the Clock Tower under construction during September 1998.

Year of Presidency: 1999/2000**President
Adrian Funston****Club Year: 39
District 9820**

Board of Directors	
President	Adrian Funston
Past President	Ray Martin
Secretary	Peter Binning
Treasurer	Fred Edwards
Club Service	Lex Buchanan
Community Service	Tim Moore
International Service	Laury Gordyn
Vocational Service	Ken Dearthcott
Youth Service	Trevor Barnes
Sergeant-at-Arms	Kerry Ann Perryman



R.I. President	Carlo Ravizza
R.I. Theme	Act with Consistency, Credibility, Continuity
R.I. Convention	Buenos Aires, Argentina
District Governor	Graeme Begg
District Conference	Geelong

Honorary Members:

Five new members were inducted and three resigned, resulting in a total membership of 46.

Matthias Roels, an exchange student from Germany, arrived in August 1999 for his 12 month stay. This year the Club continued with our Mini Exchange with a Club in New Zealand with Jessica Beattie going on a 3 Months trip.

The Club received a banner for being number 1 on the 9820 District for annual program fundraising.

Working bees included a garden cleanup at Narre Warren pre-school and the traditional Cemetery cleanup on 13 January.

A touch screen was donated to Harkaway school. The Club organised a Village Inn Day with caravan and sausage sizzle, huge success reported. Mock interviews were conducted at Berwick College.

The Red Cross collection resulted in \$1,914.15 collected. Once again the Debutante Balls for Berwick Secondary College were organised for 75 debs & partners on the 15th, 16th and 17th of June at the Berwick Leisure Centre.

Exchange student Daniel Kraan returned from Ohio USA;

The Rotary clock has been completed this year, after a long wait of 17 years.

Year of Presidency: 2000/01

President
Lex Buchanan (Carole)

Club Year: 40
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	Lex Buchanan
Past President	Adrian Funston
Secretary	Tim Moore
Treasurer	Jim Wilson
Club Service	Laury Gordyn
Community Service	Rob Taylor
International Service	Ken Dearricott
Vocational Service	Fred Edwards
Youth Service	Adrian Froggatt
Sergeant-at-Arms	Terry Carmichael / Joe Birky



R.I. President	Frank J Devlyn	Honorary Members:
R.I. Theme	Create Awareness - Take Action	
R.I. Convention	San Antonio, U.S.A	
District Governor	Ian Pickering	
District Conference	Shepparton	

President Lex's first step was to arrange a new executive team, recognizing that they too required as much time as possible to plan ahead, but soon after the year began he fell seriously ill after an Inner Wheel conference in Adelaide and was absent for a long time (approximately seven months), period during which PP Adrian Funston assumed the presidency of the Club.

The Business Dinner Guest Speaker was Jeff Kennett, past Premier of Victoria. Funds were donated to the Australian Rotary Health Research Fund.

A Paul Harris Fellow Award was awarded to Past President Jack Kraan, and to the Principal of Berwick Secondary College Barry Freeman.

Ten members were inducted this year: Thierry Auffray, Robert dean, Geoff Rankin, Colin Tidball, Peter Castricum, Mario Mete, Sjaak Kusters, Garry Cooper, Peter McIntyre and John Bennett. PP Cyril Molyneux and Rtn Ted Corke retired and Rtn Clive Sadleir died. The membership count at the end of the year was 51.

In the community Service area, 400 teddy bears were purchased and distributed at Berwick hospital. A two night Christmas lights event was affected by a total fire ban and subsequent rain, but the Club broke even.

Parking assistance at the Chamber of Commerce Christmas Carols had the members stretched all over Wilson Botanic Park. Parking assistance was also given for the Berwick Show at Akoonah Park.

Other activities included the Berwick Cemetery clean-up, ANZAC badges sold on behalf of the RSL, a painting working bee at the Wilson Botanic Park and the Red Cross roadside collection. The Club's caravan was loaned on several occasions to community groups. Centurion Club collected \$3000.

The New Generations area saw Tim Zubin to Brazil and Rachel Mason (St. Margaret's) sent to the National Youth Science Forum, support for the kids Rights for Books program, 6 students attending RYPEN and 6 students attending the Portsea Camp.

The Charity Golf Day had the Life Education Trust as a beneficiary. The Secondary College Debutante Balls were held over three nights.

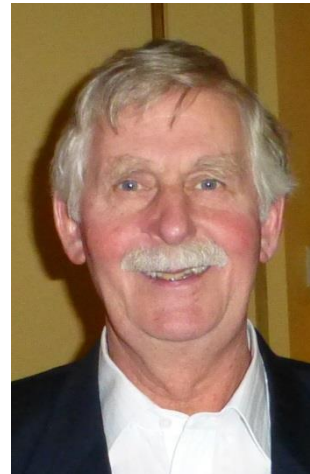
Vocational Service included mock interviews at Berwick Secondary College and several vocational visits.

Year of Presidency: 2001/02

President
Laurens Gordyn (Kate)

Club Year: 41
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	Laurens Gordyn
Past President	Lex Buchanan
Secretary	John Blyth
Treasurer	Jim Wilson
Club Service	Graham Tudge /
Community Service	Ken Dearthcott
International Service	Adrian Froggatt
Vocational Service	Trevor Barnes
Youth Service	Lyn Westland
Sergeant-at-Arms	Joe Birky / Sjaak Kusters



R.I. President	Richard D King	Honorary Members: Pat Northeast PP Cyril Molyneux PDG Frank Canobio
R.I. Theme	Mankind Is Our Business	
R.I. Convention	Barcelona, Spain	
District Governor	Noel Wheeldon	
District Conference	Bairnsdale	

Twelve new members joined the Club and immediately proved their commitments with their involvement with the Club's activities, while two members were lost.

Among the community activities conducted this year were the Cemetery clean up, Car parking assistance, Salvation Army and Red Cross roadside collections, teddy bears donated at Berwick hospital, Blood Bank squirts, building of a foot bridge at Wilson Botanic Park, golf day, RACV vintage rally breakfast, BBQ at Wilson Botanic Park, all events successfully completed.

This year the Club organised the District RYPEN Camp at Noojee. Ten Rotarians and their wives supervised the camp, including excellent speakers and events for 91 students. A team travelled to Fiji to support the FAIM program to construct houses for less fortunate people.

The Club had the pleasure of hosting the Shine On Awards at Hampton Park, recognising the outstanding achievement and abilities of persons with disabilities. The event was well attended by awardees and their supporters. Afternoon tea was served at the conclusion of the program.

The Club continued the Mock Interviews at Berwick Secondary College in May over 3 days, with 44 students interviewed.

Under the Shell Live program one person received advice and guidance on his business project. Peter and Nina Wenzall entered the Shell program detailing how they intended to grow and produce gourmet mushrooms for the market. The Wenzalls won second prize of \$3,000 offered by Shell Oil.

Vocational Awards were awarded to small business like the Harkaway Store and Splash Swimming School. Pride on Workmanship were Mrs Lynette Barnes and Mathew Donegan.

The program for the year was successfully completed as follows:

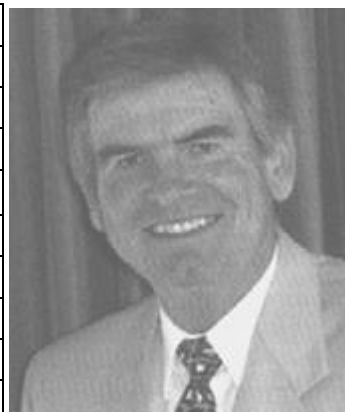
- Youth Exchange out going student to Brazil was Tim Zubin
- The Club hosted Jean Beriaux from Belgium.
- The Life Education Trust had very little involvement this year although a donation was forwarded to the trustee.
- Two trophies were given to primary and secondary students under the Beaconsfield Leadership Awards
- Two awards were presented to two Upper Beaconsfield Primary School students
- The club sponsored five children to the Portsea Camp in summer.
- Twelve applicants applied to attend the National Youth Science Forum, with Laura Watkins from St Margaret's Girls School chosen. Laura spoke to the members about her experience at the Science School noting that it was "the best week of my life", expressing her gratitude for the sponsorship.
- Lisa Sierakowski was the student sent to the Lady Somers Youth Camp, a 14-day girls leadership training camp. Two members attended the camp for a tour of the facilities and had lunch with them. The camp hosted 140 girls plus all female staff. Males were on campus on invitation only.
- In June 2001 three Debutante Balls were organised for the Berwick Secondary College. Fiona Newton showed such courage and determination on the night walking down the hall with the aid of a walking stick to accept her debutante certificate looking absolutely stunning. Fiona had fought cancer for three years but sadly lost her battle later in the year.

Year of Presidency: 2002/03

President
Graham Tudge (Betty) / Laury Gordyn (Kate)

Club Year: 42
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	Graham Tudge / Laury Gordyn
Past President	Laury Gordyn
Secretary	Jim Wilson
Treasurer	Geoff Rankin
Club Service	Adrian Froggatt
Community Service	Jack Kraan / Gary Evans
International Service	Lyn Westland
Vocational Service	Garry Cooper
Youth Service	Roger Gordon
Sergeant-at-Arms	Sjaak Kusters



R.I. President	Bhichai Rattakul	Honorary Members: Pat Northeast PP Cyril Molyneux PDG Frank Canobio
R.I. Theme	Sow The Seeds Of Love	
R.I. Convention	Brisbane, Australia	
District Governor	Allan Lyall	
District Conference	Geelong	

The year started with an excellent celebration at our new permanent home, the Berwick Springs Hotel (later known as Castello's and then Zagame's) on the corner of Clyde and Greaves Roads, with 100 Rotarians, partners and guests present, including nine past District Governors.

Emphasis during the year was placed on combined activities with neighbouring clubs, joint meetings being held with Rotary Clubs of Pakenham, Hallam Valley, Narre Warren and Endeavour Hills. The wonderful meeting in June with the Rotary Club of Hallam Valley epitomised this program with the returned GSE Team from Alabama USA as guest speakers.

A fundraising dinner at Kingston Links Golf Club was held early in the Rotary year, with General Peter Cosgrove as our guest speaker before an enthralled audience of 200. The night and fundraising organised by Terry Carmichael and his team was a success, with funds raised allocated to the SES, the fight against the childhood disease Mucopolysaccharidosis, Polio Plus and the matching grant with the Rotary Club of Guntakal in District 3160, to assist in avoiding blindness in Southern India.

NB: During his presidential year, Graham Tudge had an affair with Rotarian Margaret Aldred (married to Rotarian Ken). This resulted in the resignation of Rotarian Ken, President Graham and Rotarian Margaret. In light of the Club backlash against P Graham, Immediate Past President Laury Gordyn assumed the leadership of the Club for the remainder of the year.

At the end of the Rotary year President Laury commented "The club went through a number of unforeseen changes that had tested the resilience of our membership with a strength that is unprecedented and will continue as other challenges have come our way, it is true to say that the Board this year has done an outstanding job guiding the Club to where it is today ready for the next year ahead. Our first year Board Members were Geoff Rankin, Gary Cooper and with the resignation of Jack Kraan from the Board, Gary Evans was elected to fulfil his role".

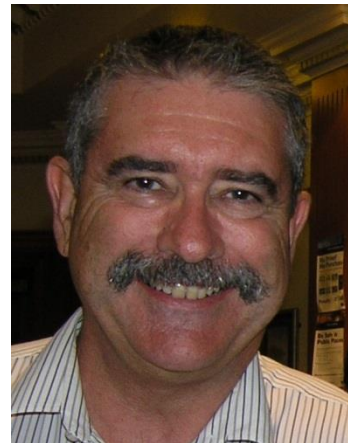
The year also saw the passing of two stalwarts of the Club, being Past President John Lewis and Rotarian Ken Dearricott.

Year of Presidency: 2003/04

President
Adrian Froggatt (Wendy)

Club Year: 43
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	Adrian Froggatt
Past President	Laury Gordyn
Secretary	Lynne Westland
Treasurer	Geoff Rankin
Club Service	Jim Wilson
Community Service	Mario Mete
International Service	Terry Carmichael
Vocational Service	Fred McCubbin
Youth Service	Bruce Shaw
Sergeant-at-Arms	Sjaak Kusters



R.I. President	Jonathan Majiyagbe	Honorary Members: PDG Frank Canobio PP Cyril Molyneux Pat Northeast
R.I. Theme	Lend a Hand	
R.I. Convention	Osaka, Japan	
District Governor	Ray Martin	
District Conference	Bendigo	

The 7 main objectives of the year were to have an active functional committee structure, high member attendance and participation, committee ownership of programs, clear reporting and responsible lines, a balance between social and service activities, members enjoying their membership, a successful district conference. Six of these seven objectives were achieved, while there remained some concerns about attendance and participation.

The Club was proud to host the District Conference on behalf of District Governor Ray Martin. Conference Chairman David Nutter organised and run a very successful conference with the assistance of Merle McCubbin as Secretary and PE Jim Wilson as Treasurer.

The RYPEN camp led by Secretary Lynne Westland hosted 79 students.

We inducted seven new members to the club and PE Jim Wilson run the STAR program to help the new members assimilate into the Club and be active. Resignations were received from Christine Anthony, Robert Dean, David fox-Smith, Lucy Guidice, Roger Gordon, Jim Madsen, Peter McIntyre and Graham Tudge. New members welcomed were Julie Allgood, Geoff Double, Claire Nash, John Rosenthal, Brian Roche, Colin Tidball and Betty Tudge.

PHF awards were issued to PP John Blythe, PP Bill Minns and PP Laury Gordyn.

The business dinner led by PP Peter Casticum generated \$24,184 with Windermere being the main beneficiary. PP Gerald treasure led the golf day, raising \$6,968.

Project income account for the year was \$33,849. However, \$38,000 was dispersed from the project account during the year. Major support given included \$14,500 to Windermere Kids Crisis Support program, \$4,000 to Life Education, \$2,840 to Rotary Foundation, \$2,500 to Interplast, \$2,430 to Matching Grants and \$2,000 to Legacy.

Community projects carried out through the year included the delivery of teddy bears to newborns at Berwick Hospital, Red Cross and Salvation Army collections, BBQs at Wilson Park events, Cemetery and Kurll and Wilson parks working bees and car parking at the Berwick Show. Two “backyard blitzes” were done at homes in Narre Warren upon the recommendation from the Narre Warren North Community Centre.

An entertainment day at Fiddlers Green was organised and conducted by Sjaak Kusters, with entertainers donating their time.

Year of Presidency: 2004/05

President
Jim Wilson (Josephine)

Club Year: 44
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	Jim Wilson
Past President	Adrian Froggatt
Secretary	Geoff Rankin
Treasurer	David Grant
Club Service	Tim Moore
Community Service	Terry Carmichael
International Service	Garry Cooper
Vocational Service	John Rosenthal
Youth Service	Mike Hildred
Sergeant-at-Arms	Robert Wingrave / Gary Evans



R.I. President	Glen E Estess Jr.	Honorary Members: Pat Northeast PP Cyril Molyneux PDG Frank Canobio
R.I. Theme	Celebrate Rotary	
R.I. Convention	Chicago, U.S.A.	
District Governor	David Loudon	
District Conference	Shepparton	

The year started with a gift to the people of the City of Casey of a Rotunda in the new formed Berwick Pioneers Park.

Membership started the year at 52 members and finished with at least 58. This is the highest it has ever been.

Major achievements and accomplishments of the year were:

- Business Dinner 2004; guest speaker being Police Commissioner Christine Nixon, where we raised \$17,000 for the major beneficiaries of the Austin Cancer Research Foundation, Windermere and Rotary Foundation.
- The Club formed another Probus Club being the Combined Probus Club of Berwick Central, which had an inaugural meeting on the 15th March 2005 with 68 members.
- Centenary project: with the help of many willing hands and a couple of older heads the construction of the Rotunda in Berwick Pioneer Park as a gift to our community to mark Rotary's 100th year.
- Local community projects included the Berwick Hospital opening catering and car parking; Wilson's Park annual clean up; Berwick Cemetery annual clean up; Wilson Park outdoor cinema parking (twice); Wilson Park Jazz Night, BBQ and parking; Kurll Park annual clean up; Berwick Show annual car parking (over two days); Berwick Chamber of Commerce Grand Prix Night; Wilson Park Swing Night, BBQ and parking; Environmental Expo BBQ (over three days); and City of Casey Riding of the Bounds BBQ.

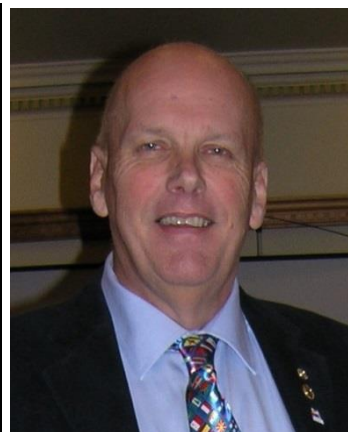
- Welfare Projects were Berwick Hospital Teddy Bears; Rotary Christmas Cards; Rotary Christmas puddings and cakes; Annual Red Cross Collection with \$2,300 collected at Clyde Road High Street corner; Anzac badges.
- Exchange student: the club sponsored Anthony O'Connell to Austria, who returned home on the 15th of January 2005. Our Outward Bounds student is Melissa Westland who left for Switzerland in January. The club hosted exchange student Matthaeus Herout from Austria.
- Group Study Exchange: Rotarian Lynne Westland was selected to lead a GSE Team to Denmark in September.

Year of Presidency: 2005/06

President
Tim Moore (Jane)

Club Year: 45
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	Jim Wilson
Past President	Adrian Froggatt
Secretary	Geoff Rankin
Treasurer	David Grant
Club Service	Tim Moore
Community Service	Terry Carmichael
International Service	Garry Cooper
Vocational Service	John Rosenthal
Youth Service	Mike Hildred
Sergeant-at-Arms	Robert Wingrave / Gary Evans



R.I. President	Carl-Wilhelm, Stemhammar	Honorary Members: Pat Northeast PP Cyril Molyneux PDG Frank Canobio
R.I. Theme	Service Above Self	
R.I. Convention	Malmö, Sweden & Copenhagen, Denmark	
District Governor	Ray Stewart	
District Conference	Geelong	

It was with great sadness that the year started with the passing of Rotarian Harry Lee.

Highlights of the year were the official opening of the Rotary Rotunda at Pioneer Park, the establishment of the Rotaract Club and the Framers Market, the use of fireside meeting on Club service nights, the star program for new club members and the District GSE program.

Three of the Club's Paul Harris Fellows were recognised with a Sapphire pin, being Rtn Bill Hudson, PP Gary Evans and PP Bill Minns.

The Club was actively involved in the district's GSE program to Denmark. Not only the Club successfully nominated Lynne Westland as GSE team leader but also a worthy team member in Teresa Borda, a great success culminating in Berwick being the first host of the visiting GSE team from Denmark.

Chris Borsch was the inbound student from Denmark. Peter Mikolajewski was sponsored to attend RYLA, Ben Taranto to RYPEN and Lisa Sierakowski attended the Lady Somers Camp. The Club also run a defensive driving course in conjunction with Murcotts, with 11 students participating.

School awards were supported for Hillsmead Primary, Upper Beaconsfield Primary, Brentwood Primary, Berwick Secondary and Kambrya Secondary.

The presentation Balls were well attended and were run well by Mick Morland and John Rosenthal. The Club also hosted the Herb Thomas dinner.

Local community projects conducted were the traditional Cemetery cleanup, a Jazz Night BBQ at Wilson Botanic Park, Kurll Park cleanup, Berwick Show carpark assistance (also with the involvement of the Rotaract Club of Pakenham/Berwick) and the Wilson Botanic Park Swing BBQ.

Discussions commenced with the Berwick Cemetery management board to extend the brick wall either side of the gates and to render them to improve the entrance's appearance.

The Club supported Dr David Young and his team with \$2,500 to set up 3 hospitals in Sri-Lanka following the 2004 tsunami. In addition to the Club's contribution we collected \$2,000 from the members for this cause.

Fundraising activities included a business dinner (\$11,000) and a golf day (\$8,000). This year the Club started a Farmer's Market, with the first market held on 16 March, 2006 with an investment of \$5,000, which was recovered by the end of June, providing the Club with a significant source of revenue for future years.

Year of Presidency: 2006/07

President
Terry Carmichael (Claire)

Club Year: 45
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	Terry Carmichael
Past President	Tim Moore
Secretary	Murray Mortaruolo
Treasurer	Peter Castricum
Club Service	Geoff Rankin
Community Service	Lynne Westland
International Service	Colin Tidball
Vocational Service	Sjaak Kusters
Youth Service	Mick Morland
Sergeant-at-Arms	Chris Booth / JR?



R.I. President	William B. Boyd	Honorary Members: PDG Frank Canobio PP Cyril Molyneux
R.I. Theme	Lead The Way	
R.I. Convention	Salt Lake City, U.S.A.	
District Governor	Dennis Heslin	
District Conference	Cowes	

At the beginning of the Rotary year President Terry and the incoming Board prepared a plan that was optimistic in its intent to involve all members in the running of the Club and in the projects to be undertaken.

In addition to continuing traditional activities including such projects as Business Dinner, Golf Day, Debutante Balls, Cemetery Clean up, Wilson Park and Kurll Park working Bees, Showground parking, Bowls competition and many other regular projects, the club also took on many challenges, some in accordance with district wishes and others as innovative club initiatives.

Some of the more significant achievements include the induction of 11 new members into the club, a successful contribution to the Australia Day celebrations in Pioneers Park, the success of the restructured Farmers Market at the Old Cheese Factory, reintroduction of the President's Night, Installation of the flag pole in Pioneers Park, establishment of a new Probus Club, Sister Club in Tasmania and finally completing the building of the Club trailer BBQ.

Perhaps more importantly we positioned the Club to take on the new RI Leadership Plan, established risk management protocols and introduced police clearance for those dealing with youth according to Victorian regulations.

In what had been a year of achievement, it was with great sadness that the Club farewelled its much-respected Honorary member, Past District Governor Frank Canobio.

This year also saw the Club's commitment to a significant international project in Indonesia in commencing to build a Hospital at the island of Halmahera, planned for completion in the next Rotary year. Given District Governor Dennis Heslin's commitment to Indonesia, he declared the project a District project and provided the Club with considerable support.

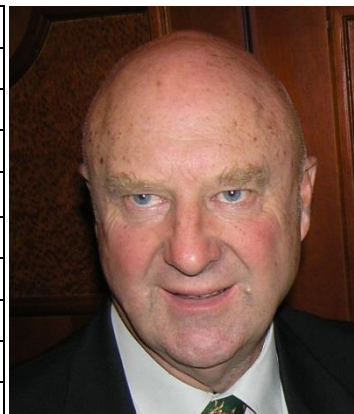
Contributors to the project included District 9820; the Rotary Clubs of Berwick, Warragul, Pakenham, Narre Warren, Morwell, Orbost, rye, Sommerville-Tyabb, Dandenong East, Endeavour hills and Traralgon; the inner Wheel Club of Berwick; Peter and Esther Scarborough and family; the Rotary Club of Bali Seminyak; and PT Nusa Halmahera Minerals (the mining company mining at the island).

Year of Presidency: 2007/08

President
Geoff Rankin (Kay)

Club Year: 47
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	Geoff Rankin
Past President	Terry Carmichael
Secretary	John Rosenthal / Julie Allgood
Treasurer	Peter Castricum
Club Service	Lynne Westland
Community Service	Mark Caulfield
International Service	David Button
Vocational Service	Mike Hildred
Youth Service	Greg Cornelius
Sergeant-at-Arms	Geoff Rankin
Projects (ex officio)	Lex Buchanan



R.I. President	Wilfred. J. Wilkinson	Honorary Members:
R.I. Theme	Rotary Shares	
R.I. Convention	Los Angeles, U.S.A.	
District Governor	Janet McMahon	
District Conference	Frankston	

The Club allocated substantial funds and effort to many projects in the youth area which included youth exchange and RYPEN.

The Debutante Balls once again were well supported. \$12,000 were allocated to the women and children of East Timor; over \$6,000 were donated to Windermere Kids and Crisis program; the Kambrya College student sent to Siemens Science School; and the 3 new and on-going trade school scholarships were created with the Caroline Chisholm Institute, the cost of which was \$6,000 over three years.

The construction of a hospital on the remote Indonesian island of Halmahera, started by PP Terry Carmichael in 2006-07, had the fit out was in progress at the end of the year. This project could not have been started without the financial help from other clubs in the District 9820 and Rotary's matching grant process which resulted in a \$66,000 grant for the fit out and other associated costs.

The Casey Berwick Farmers Market held every fourth Saturday of the month, continued to go from strength to strength since the move to the old Cheese Factory, and generated circa \$24,000 profit.

The Australia Day celebrations led by Mark Caulfield were attended well by the local community.

Once again the Club supported the Youth Exchange Program by hosting Marjukka Loukko from Finland. The outgoing student to France was Kristie Lee Clifford.

The Club organised two Debutante Balls for the Berwick Secondary College, with 70 girls making their debut and also organised to hold a Ball for Kambrya College in the next Rotary year, with 34 girls making their debut.



From left: Rotary exchange student Marjukka Loukko, Rotary Club of Berwick president Geoff Rankin and District 9820 governor Janet McCahon.

District governor explains her vision

NEWLY elected Rotary District 9820 governor Janet McCahon was guest of the Rotary Club of Berwick for the club's Thursday, 19 July dinner meeting.

Ms McCahon explained her vision for 2007-08.

The club also welcomed Finland exchange student Marjukka Loukko, who arrived in Australia on Sunday, 15 July for a 12-month exchange visit with the Rotary Club of Berwick.

Her first host family will be Sjaark and Joy Kusters and she will attend Beacons Hills College, Berwick.

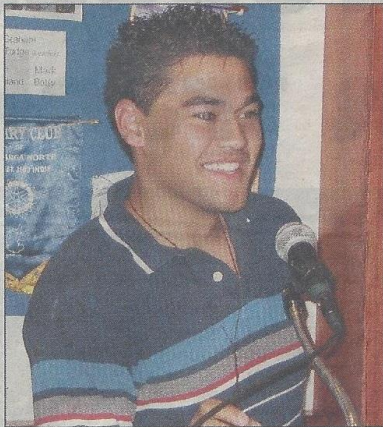
Beacons Hills College student Kristee-Lee Clifford of Beaconsfield was also a guest of the club.



Kristee-Lee Clifford talks about her visit to France next year.

Ms Clifford will represent the Rotary Club of Berwick as its outbound exchange student in France. She leaves Australia in early January for one year.

Rotary helps youths to secure their future



Christian Schrepel is undertaking an apprenticeship at Chisholm Institute of TAFE at Berwick with help from the Rotary Club of Berwick.

THE Rotary Club of Berwick is helping local disadvantaged apprentices through a partnership with the Caroline Chisholm Institute.

Christian Schrepel, Matthew Kool and BJ Swords attended an introductory night last month to learn more about the program and thank those involved in assisting them during their studies.

The three students will study at the Chisholm Institute of TAFE in Berwick.

The Rotary Club is providing the financial support with the aim of helping the neediest youths, including new migrants or students who have little family funds and experience hardship in their life.

Christian Schrepel, Matthew Kool and BJ Swords will be the first three students to benefit from the program.

Christian is undertaking an electrical apprenticeship, Matthew is working towards becoming a qualified boilermaker and BJ Swords is being assisted in his efforts to become a carpenter.

Rotary officials said they would provide the financial assistance for the students with Chisholm TAFE providing the technical training.



Rotary member Greg Cornelius presents a cheque for the scholarships to Chisholm Institute of TAFE executive Jo Saunders.



Matthew Kool speaks to the audience during the introductory night last month.



Greg Cornelius, Jo Saunders, apprentices BJ Swords, Christian Schepel, Matthew Kool and Rotary Club of Berwick president Geoff Rankin get together during the night.



Left: Rotarians Gerald Treasure and David Grant at the gate collecting the gold coin entry donation.

Farmers Market gate collection crew.

Rotary helps class enjoy the experience

By Sarah Pearson

AN entire class of Kambrya College students was able to go to the Siemens Science Experience thanks to sponsorship from the Rotary Club of Berwick.

The students participated in science workshops including biology and chemistry.

Year 10 student Evan Swindells said the event also enabled him to join the Young Scientists of Australia group.

He said the Siemens Science Experience was "extremely educational and great fun".

The Rotary Club's donation of \$1000 helped about 35 students to attend the three-day event at Monash University's Clayton Campus.

Kambrya students Kim Turner, Marijanka Ricca, Sam Facci, and Courtney Bugeja along with their teacher Carmel Turner gave a presentation about the Siemens Science Experience to the club on 20 March. And in a letter to the club, Evan thanked Berwick Rotary for their sponsorship.

As part of its educational activity, Berwick Rotary also backs the Youth Exchange Program, which sent a Berwick girl to France in January, and the club is currently hosting another girl from Finland.

The club also recently donated three Chisholm Institute of TAFE scholarships worth \$2000 each for tradespeople.

Geoff Rankin said the club's sponsoring youth activities like the Siemens Science Experience helped give the students an education that they might not receive



Youth and New Generations Chairman Greg Cornelius and teacher Carmel Turner with Kambrya Secondary College students Kim Turner, Marijanka Ricca, Sam Facci and Courtney Bugeja.



Sam Facci relates her experiences at the Marine Discovery Centre while Courtney Bugeja awaits her turn.

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He said the Kambrya students "came away very inspired by what they had learned". "It was a small gesture on our part."

Schools interested in the Rotary Club of Berwick's youth programs should contact Youth and New Generations chairman Greg Cornelius on 9796 9445.

Year of Presidency: 2008/09

President
Lynne Westland (Trevor)

Club Year: 48
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	Lynne Westland
President Elect	Geoff Rankin / John Rosenthal
Secretary	Chris Booth
Treasurer	Jim Wilson
Club Service	Peter Binning
Administration	John Rosenthal
Public Relations	Sjaak Kusters
Membership	Bruce Shaw
Foundation	Ray Martin
Fundraising	Adrian Froggatt
Sergeant-at-Arms	Chris Andrews



R.I. President	D K Lee (Dong Kum Lee)	Honorary Members: John Blyth Bert Damon PP Cyril Molyneux
R.I. Theme	Make Dreams Real	
R.I. Convention	Birmingham, U.K.	
District Governor	Ken McDonald	
District Conference	Albury	

President Lynne was rightfully very proud of the results of her tenure in the financial aspects, with the Club accounts left in excellent shape; the Club's emergency fund replenished; Jokers Wild money separated; and a surplus retained in the general account. A new trailer was purchased, art screens costs accrued and the Halmahera project was wrapped up and closed,

Fundraisers included the Bosom Buddy Ball and Golf day receipts, with the distribution for the year close to \$130,000 which was a club record.

The "Leadership Program" was introduced. Like all new initiatives there were some teething problems, but the Board continued to work hard, educating members as to what it was about and as a result we have resounding support for the program.

The year commenced with 120 people attending the changeover at the Berwick Bowling Club, the highlight being the presentation of a Citation Service Award to our esteemed Charter member Past President Bill Minns. Bill was a very worthy recipient, and his humble acceptance of the award made the evening very special indeed.

On a sad note the Club farewelled four members, being Past President Fred McCubbin, Past President Harry Fox, Rotarians Bill Hudson and Rotarian Bert Damon who were called to higher service.

Three Paul Harris Fellows were awarded to Wendy Boon, Mick Morland and Mike Tyler, Casey's CEO. Sapphire pins have been presented to PP Rob Taylor, PP Chris Booth and PP Tim Moore in recognition of their service to the Club and District.

Commencing the Rotary year with 68 members, the membership activities undertaken has seen the Club end the year with a membership of 51 male and 11 female members, totalling 62 members. Two long serving past Rotarians, PP Cyril Molyneux and John Blyth were recognised as honorary members.

Lynne breaks new ground



Lynne Westland.

THE Rotary Club of Berwick has inducted its first female president.

Berwick's Lynne Westland, a justice of the peace, bail justice and marriage celebrant, says she is proud to be the only female president in the club's 47-year history.

The mother of six took the position at last Thursday's official changeover dinner at the Berwick Bowls Club.

Former president Geoff Rankin

presented Ms Westland with the symbolic Rotary collar.

Ms Westland has been living in the City of Casey for the past 35 years and has been involved with the Rotary Club of Berwick since 1999. With nine years of experience as a Rotary member, Ms Westland said she was the club's second female member.

For the full story, see the Berwick-Pakenham Gazette.

Member fits the bill



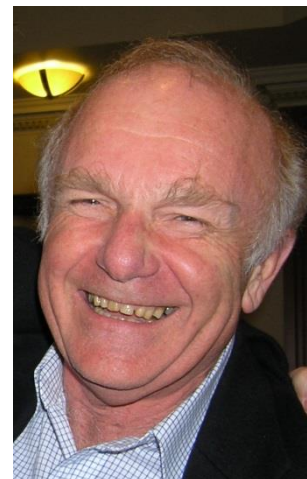
The Rotary Club of Berwick's Bill Minns was awarded the annual Four Avenues of Service Citation at last week's official changeover dinner. 20007.

Year of Presidency: 2009/10

President
John Rosenthal (Helen)

Club Year: 49
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	John Rosenthal
Projects	Garry Cooper
Secretary	Julie Allgood (assist. Mike Hildred)
Treasurer	Bruce Shaw (assist. Rod Bowman)
Fundraising	Geoff Double
Administration	Shark Kusters
Public Relations	Merve Clissold
Membership	Laury Gordyn
Foundation	Tim Moore
Sergeant-at-Arms	Mick Morland



R.I. President	John Kenny	Honorary Members: PP Cyril Molyneux
R.I. Theme	Rotary Is In Your Hands	
R.I. Convention	Montreal, Canada	
District Governor	Bryan Norris	
District Conference	Sale	

The Club had many activities during the year.

The Assistant Governor Alan Collier requested that the Rotary Cluster to which Berwick is part of have a number of meetings together where members in the Cluster, to which there are 7 clubs, can get together over dinner, be entertained and generally have a night of fellowship. We had 3 of these with Berwick hosting the last one in May. Too many clubs are inward looking and I think this is a positive step to broaden Rotary's scope through the clubs.

The incoming GSE team was partially hosted by Berwick with a team from Germany as guests. The club efforts led by PP Adrian Froggatt concluded with a well-attended Farewell Dinner.

In the International Service arena the Club became involved in refurbishing a building at Ermera in Timor for various community uses.

Once again, the Club supported 3 apprentices at Berwick TAFE College.

Community Service delivered many of the traditional projects such as the Cemetery clean-up, Kurll Park clean-up, etc.

The Australia Day celebrations held at Pioneer Park was a community project very well attended. The BBQ was overwhelmed at times but pulled through with the resilience that characterises the team led by Andrew Ireland.

Youth Exchange: Rachael Caulfield and Ellie Porter returned from their 12 months abroad, plus we had the pleasure of hosting inbound student Sebastian Bolsøy from Norway who proved to be one of the best.

Fund Raising: The Club continued to raise funds through the Farmers Market, Debutante Balls, Casey Kids Carnival etc. From that fundraising, approximately \$60,000 were contributed to various organizations including Berwick College, 4Cs, Legacy, Motive 8, Red Cross, Relay for Life, Casey Hospital, plus contributions to Rotary Foundation, Polio Plus, Ermera Building project, and a water pump for an Indian Village.



Club's new team



The Rotary Club of Berwick's new board of directors from left to right Sjaak Kusters, Garry Cooper, Merv Clissold, Julie Allgood, president John Rosenthal, Bruce Shaw, Tim Moore, Laurens Gordyn and Geoff Double.

By Kelly Yates

MEMBERS of the Rotary Club of Berwick welcomed their new president John Rosenthal last week as the club celebrated its 49th changeover dinner.

About 90 people attended the event at Castello's Berwick Springs Hotel in Berwick on Thursday.

New president Mr Rosenthal said some of his aims for the coming year included a focus on the club's growth in memberships and being more involved with the local youth through various Rotary projects and initiatives.

"We'll also be continuing to raise money through the Rotary Foundation for the Polio Plus Project which has the main aim of eradicating polio," he said.

District Governor Brian Norris inducted Mr Rosenthal as the new president on the night, handing over the symbolic Rotary collar.

Mr Rosenthal has been living in the local area for nearly 20 years.

He said he enjoyed the local and international projects led by Rotary.

"All of the projects have one aim – to make the world a better place," he said.

"The Rotary Club of Berwick does a range of things in an effort to give back to the community such as standing on the street corner collecting money for the Red Cross, holding the monthly farmers market and running school debutante balls for Kambrya College and Berwick Secondary College."

Mr Rosenthal said he also enjoyed the fellowship at the club.

"We have a terrific bunch of people at the club, with many friendships being formed," he said.

Rotarians Tim Moore, Chris Booth, Rob Taylor and Lynne Westland were also presented with Paul Harris Fellow Sapphires at the changeover dinner.



Ann Kraan, exchange student Philipp Leimkuehler, Tilly Hutton and Viviana Dominguez enjoy the Rotary Club of Berwick's changeover dinner.

Right: Outgoing president Lynne Westland, District Governor Brian Norris and new president of the Rotary Club of Berwick John Rosenthal celebrate the club's 49th changeover dinner.

Below: Rotarians Tim Moore, Chris Booth, Lynne Westland and Rob Taylor were presented with Paul Harris Fellow Sapphires at the dinner last week. 32705

Pictures: Kelly Yates



Year of Presidency: 2010/11

President
Sjaak Kusters (Joy)

Club Year: 50
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	Sjaak Kusters
Administration	Gary Cooper
Secretary	Mike Hildred (ass Andrew Ireland)
Treasurer	Bruce Shaw (ass Peter Mangan)
Public Relations	Mick Morland
Foundation	Jean Mawhinney
Fundraising	Murray Mortaruolo
Membership	Malcolm Kennedy
Projects	Greg Cornelius
Sergeant-at-Arms	Adrian Funston



R.I. President	Ray Klingensmith	Honorary Members: PP Cyril Molyneux PP Roger Gordon PP Bert Ainge
R.I. Theme	Building Communities, Bridging Continents	
R.I. Convention	New Orleans, U.S.A.	
District Governor	David Piper	
District Conference	Shepparton	

The Club celebrated its 50th year in the world organisation, with a birthday party held at the Berwick Springs Hotel very well organised by Rotarians Sharmaine Squire and Laury Gordyn and attended by Rotarians from neighbouring clubs and District 9820. At the event PP Bill Minns received a Paul Harris Ruby award for 50 years of service to our Rotary Club and to RI.

Exchange student Klara Kinnl returned to her family in Austria on the 23rd July 2011, Klara was a top-class student and will be sadly missed by club members.

The Charity Dinner committee led by PP Terry Carmichael delivered a net \$22,370, the Framers Market \$28,523 and the Debutante Balls approximately \$25,000. Other fundraising activities were the art screens, the golf day, Relay for Life and the BBQ.

In this year the Rotary Club donations amounted to \$95,700 with Foundation, Berwick College, Friends of Ermera (rehabilitation of the Women's centre at Atsabe, near Dili, East Timor), 4Cs, Polio Plus, St John of God and Ovarian Cancer research being the major beneficiaries.

Three apprentice scholarships were funded at the Chisholm Institute for building, electrical and mechanical trades. This was part of a 3-year commitment to see these awardees finishing their studies at an overall cost of \$6,000.

In addition to the traditional cemetery cleanup, the Club participated in the Kurll Park working bee concluding with the traditional BBQ. Mock interviews were conducted for Berwick College, 80 students at hillcrest College and 90 students at Beaconhills college.

The Australia day celebrations at Pioneers Park continued to grow in attendance and were enjoyed by all members working at the site.

The Club lost 3 members with the induction of Bob Lay and Gary Christieson, the transfer of PDG Dennis Heslin from Warragul, the return of Rosemarie Hughes and the departure of PP Peter Binning, Kay Evans, Peter Hockey, Andrew Ireland, Mario Mete, Leigh Mullen and Ross Zachariou.

Year of Presidency: 2011/12

President
Gary Cooper (Marlene)

Club Year: 51
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	Gary Cooper
Vice President	
Administration	Mick Morland
Secretary	Di Double (ass Laurence Gordyn)
Treasurer	Peter Mangan
Public Relations	Bruce Shaw
Foundation	John Rosenthal
Fundraising	Murray Mortaruolo
Membership	Gus Dominguez
Projects	Greg Cornelius
Sergeant-at-Arms	Julie Allgood



R.I. President	Kalyan Bannerjee	Honorary Members: John Blyth Bert Damon PP Cyril Molyneux
R.I. Theme	Reach Within to Embrace Humanity	
R.I. Convention	Bangkok	
District Governor	Kel Hobby	
District Conference	Shepparton	

With a yearly theme of “reach within to embrace humanity”, President Gary focused on the local community, working with local schools and colleges encouraging the youth of the area as follows:

- Assisting 16 sport minded students from four schools to attend the Sports Australia Hall of Fame dinner;
- Presenting the “Fred McCubbin Piano Concerto Memorial Scholarship” award to the most successful soloist as part of the South Eastern Arts festival;
- Performing mock interviews to help prepare students for their future;
- Providing 3 apprentice scholarships; and
- Presenting student awards to various local schools.

The Club also took part in many community projects:

- Wilson Park and Kurll Park working bees;
- Berwick Cemetery clean-up;
- Australia Day celebrations at Pioneer Park were a great success, with all members taking part
- “Shine On Awards” which are awarded to those in the community with disabilities who contribute back to the community. Awardees came from all over Victoria. This was a

very successful day thanks to all who participated, specially To Rotarian Rosemarie Hughes who was the Club's representative in the Shine On organising committee;

- Participation in the Relay for Life;
- Bowls competition between the Rotary Clubs of Berwick and Monbulk; and
- Red Cross roadside collection

The year's projects also included:

The Casey Berwick Rotary Farmers' Market, which saw some controversy as to the management staying with the Rotary Club of Berwick. The Club voted overwhelmingly against a proposal by PP Geoff Ranking to take over the management of the Market in a professional capacity, turning his involvement from a volunteer activity into a personal business.

The Charity Business Dinner was a roaring success with the popular John Bertrand AM as the guest speaker, raising funds for Sports Australia Hall of Fame Scholarship Program, Windemere Child and Family Services and the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia.

The Golf Day was again held at Beaconsfield Golf Course with many Rotarians participating. Funds from this event were donated to St John of God Hospital.

Two presentation Balls were held this year for Berwick Secondary College. Substantial funds from this event were contributed back to the College.

Donations amounted to \$88,199, with Foundation, Berwick College, Interplast, ROMAC 4Cs, Polio Plus, Disaster Aid Australia, St John of God, Beaconsfield and Berwick CFAs, Relay for Life, Prostate Cancer Foundation, Sports Australia Hall of Fame and Windermere being the major beneficiaries.

New art screens were manufactured by our very own dedicated Rotarians David Button and Laury Gordyn, in time for hire and transport to Sorrento, Brighton and Berwick.

Social convenor Rod Bowman organised a local winery tour and lunch, dinner and theatre evenings and a visit to the Zoo. Members enjoyed a Christmas breakup at Malcolm Kennedy's home in Upper Beaconsfield and the New Year started with the traditional BBQ at the Kraan's.

Fourteen new members were inducted this year, a record for the Club. Sadly, we lost PP Lex Buchanan on 19/6/2011.

Eight Paul Harris Fellows were presented as a mark of the Club's appreciation. The club farewelled Brazilian exchange student Jacqueline Paula da Silva and the outgoing student Caitlyn Langdon to Germany.

Packing up after Australia Day celebrations at Pioneer Park.

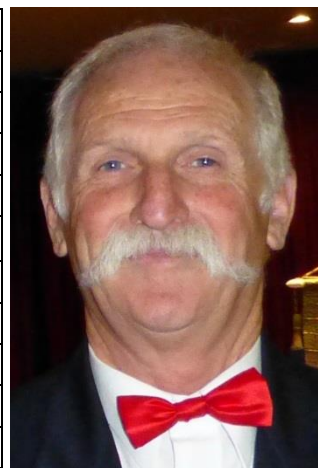


Year of Presidency: 2012/13

President
Mick Morland (Kay)

Club Year: 52
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	Mick Morland
Vice President	
Administration	Bruce Shaw
Secretary	Greg Cornelius
Treasurer	Peter Mangan
Public Relations	Dan Kraan
Foundation	Geoff Rankin
Fundraising	Laurens Gordyn
Membership	Gus Dominguez
Projects	Julie Allgood
Sergeant-at-Arms	Bob Lay



R.I. President	Sakuji Tanaka	Honorary Members: PP Cyril Molyneux
R.I. Theme	Peace Through Service	
R.I. Convention	Lisbon, Portugal	
District Governor	Tony Spring	
District Conference	Geelong	

This year we sponsored 16 young people from our schools to the Sport Australia Hall of Fame. The feedback we received from the schools confirmed it was worth the effort and the dollars spent.

The golf day committee led by PP Gary Cooper was a great success with Mayor Amanda Stapledon presenting trophies to the winners.

Laury Gordyn and his committee conducted the Presentation Balls over two nights. Feedback from many of the parents and teachers of Berwick Secondary College was that the Club should be proud of the efforts Laury and his committee put in. The Club attended a dinner night at the College to officially open a staircase funded through Club donations to allow the safer movement of 1,600 students on a daily basis. Principal Kerri Bolch and College Board Chairman Roger Hall hosted the meeting.

The Farmers Market successfully continued under the management of a team led by PP John Rosenthal.

An outstanding Business Dinner was held at the Cardinia Cultural Centre. The committee lead by Bob Lay organised two first-class guest speakers: Olympic swimmer Michael Klim and Olympic shooter Russell Mark, a very successful fundraising effort.

The Australia Day function this year chaired by Thierry Auffray was another great success, with over 5,000 Casey residents coming to Pioneers Park to enjoy our National day. Guest

speaker Phillip Brady was a delight to be with and stayed for over two hours and MC Sjaak Kusters put in another great effort. President Mick highlighted the Club's strength shown by running the Farmers Market and the Australia Day function on the same day, with the members from the Farmers Market rushing to help their fellow members at the Australia Day function.

As a sign of the times, risk management became an activity requiring dedicated efforts and Sam McCurdy led the assessment of risks at all events.

Other community projects this year were:

- Wilson Park and Kurll Park working bees
- Berwick Cemetery clean-up
- Australia Day Celebration
- Participation in Relay for Life, raising \$1,700
- Bowls competition between Berwick and Monbulk
- Red Cross collection
- Farmers Market at the Old Cheese Factory
- Debutante Balls

Led by social coordinator Rod Bowman, members enjoyed several theatre nights, a visit to the Carlei Green winery and a Christmas night function held at the Old Cheese Factory where most members enjoyed a great night of fun and dancing.

This year a few members were lost to other clubs being Jean Mawhinney, Victor Rodriguez, Murray Mortaruolo as they moved away from the area. Sandy Waugh and Geoff Rankin left Rotary to fulfil other commitments, but two new members were inducted.

Several members of the Club attended the funeral of PP Kainie Harris on 8 October. PP Kainie had requested a guard of honour by the Rotarians of the Club.

For the 35th year in a row we had an exchange student in Malou Johansen from Greenland. A delightful young lady who warmed the hearts of all members. She did her Deb presentation with Beaconhills College and several members went along to support her. On the 5th of July 2013 Malou went back home.

The art screens fundraiser continued strengthening thanks to PP Laury and David Button plus the many other Rotarians that contributed their time to this activity.

A Sapphire PHF was awarded to Joyce Minns in recognition to her support for the Club over the years.

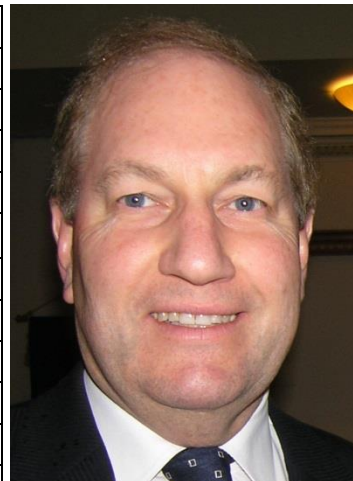
Total distribution for the year amounted to \$72,736.

Year of Presidency: 2013/14

President
Bruce Shaw (Robyn)

Club Year: 53
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	Bruce Shaw
Vice President	Gary Evans
Administration	Gus Dominguez
Secretary	Tilly Hutton (assist. Lea Paton)
Treasurer	Fred Edwards (assist. Lea Paton)
Public Relations	Mick Morland
Foundation	Sam Mc Curdy
Fundraising	Malcolm Kennedy
Membership	Dan Kraan
Projects	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Bob Lay



R.I. President	Ron Burton	Honorary Members: PP Cyril Molyneux PP Bert Ainge PP Roger Gordon PP Terry Carmichael
R.I. Theme	Engage Rotary, Change Lives	
R.I. Convention	Sydney	
District Governor	Tim Moore	
District Conference	Bendigo	

The Foundation team oversaw major program activities this year. Group Study exchange under the leadership of Bob Lay was a huge success with the Club engaging a candidate from the City of Casey in Jessica Monahan. Her presentation at our Welcome Home GSE dinner showed members the effectiveness of this program and what a great ambassador the Club had.

The Club obtained funds from a District Grant that were put towards one of the year's major projects, the 50th Anniversary Rotunda at the Berwick Cemetery. The Cemetery clean up in January 2014 saw President Bruce and Chairman of the Berwick Cemetery Trust in Don Moyes turn the first sod of soil to commence construction of the Rotunda, which looked fantastic by the end of June for its official inauguration in July.

Despite the Club's inability to apply for a Global Grant to assist in Vietnam due to a lack of a local Rotary Club partner, fundraising efforts allowed the Club to join St John of God's Hospital Vietnam Smiles project doing preliminary work via Rotarian Andy Merrill so that when the right connections are established in Vietnam we could continue this learning and teaching project. The Club also assisted the Rotary Club of Endeavour Hills in providing 3 Disaster Aid Boxes.

Foundation was well supported by club members and in turn there have been numerous PHF's awarded and upgrades provided to both member and non-members of the Club.

Merv Clissold again took charge of Youth Exchange and the inbound exchange saw Alison arrive in July but unfortunately her stay cut short having to return to Ohio earlier than anticipated.

In terms of vocational and school awards, the Club also recognised several people in their studies and vocations. The National Youth Science Forum saw the participation of Lillian Charman and Callum Evans, sponsored by the Club. Three candidates were sponsored to attend RYPEN.

Eric Boon and his team organised yet another successful Australia Day celebration. The weather was great and members rolled up in numbers to join in the fun, hard work and to celebrate Australia Day, delivering a fantastic free public event supported by the City of Casey.

Newly inducted members Doug and Rhonda Anderson headed up the Debutante Balls Committee, bringing new ideas and delivering a first-class program with major successes.

A team headed by Greg Cornelius, who saw a need to do something for Youth Suicide in the area, led the Charity Business Dinner with former Premier Hon. Jeff Kennett as the guest speaker and Beyond Blue as the main benefactor. At the dinner Jeff Kennett challenged the Club to team up with neighbouring organisations to achieve significant results, promising to refund the \$10,000 donated to Beyond Blue if we did so.

NB. The Club collected the money from Beyond Blue a couple of years later in support of the Positive Mental Health Forums held throughout the area and the training of key community individuals (school teachers, social workers, sport coaches, etc.) in the early detection of mental health problems.

The Art Screens fundraiser continued to grow under the leadership of PP Laury Gordyn, with the ongoing screens upgrade and high usage as more and more groups learned about this service. The Farmers Market was this year led by Joe Collins and Malcolm Kennedy, who looked after the monthly event during the year and continued with the market's ongoing development.

The Board considered not holding the Golf Day this year due to the heavy workload imposed by DG Tim Moore's Conference in addition to the normal activities. However, the City of Casey contributed with a community grant and, with some consultation with PP Garry Cooper and Rod Ladd, a Golf Day was organised in a matter of weeks. This was one of the best fundraising Golf Days for many years with major sponsorship provided by the Bendigo Community Bank Beaconsfield and the OzChild program as a major beneficiary.

Dan Kraan served as District 9820 Youth Exchange Director while also as the Club's Membership Director. In a very busy year for Dan several new members were inducted into the Club – Doug Anderson, Rhonda Anderson, Russell Dunn, Mark Plosnic, Jane Moore and Isobel Caulfield. A list of "Friends of Rotary" was compiled to give this status to Mike Hildred, Geoff Rankin, David Rowlands and Mercedes Benz Berwick.

Christmas cakes and puddings were donated in support of Inner Wheels Project with Windemere.

This year the Berwick Springs Hotel notified the Club that the venue would be refurbished and subsequently there would be no private room to hold the meetings. Many venues were investigated and trialled, finally settling for the modern facilities offered by the Beaconsfield

Football Club at Holm Park Reserve. However, the meetings had to be moved from the traditional Thursday to Wednesdays, still at 6:30 for a 7:00 start.

Recognising the need to modernise the Club, President Bruce fostered the analysis the Club's health and the meeting structure resulting in a majority vote to discontinue the use of the Loyal Toast. At the same time, new Victorian legislation required the review of the Club's Rules of Incorporation, resulting in the integration of the Club's Rules and Bylaws into a single set of Rules.

The Club also hosted the District 9820 Conference under the guidance of PP Jim Wilson and his conference committee in celebration of the club's own PP and DG Tim Moore.



Erection of the rotunda at the Berwick cemetery.

Year of Presidency: 2014/15

President
Gus Dominguez (Viviana)

Club Year: 54
District 9820

Board of Directors	
President	Gus Dominguez
Vice President	Tim Moore
Administration	Geoff Double
Secretary	Sharmaine Squire
Treasurer	Lea Paton
Public Relations	Sam McCurdy
Foundation	Jim Wilson
Fundraising	Bob Lay
Membership	Norman Pauline / Julie Allgood
Projects	Mark Caulfield
Sergeant-at-Arms	Di Double



R.I. President	Gary C K Huang	Honorary Members: PP Cyril Molyneux PP Roger Gordon PP Terry Carmichael
R.I. Theme	Light Up Rotary	
R.I. Convention	Sao Paulo, Brazil	
District Governor	Charles Speirs	
District Conference	Shepparton	

Following the change trend started by President Bruce, President Gus continued the transformation of the Club in many areas.

The introduction of a corporate sponsorships program early in the year secured funding for several projects and for club matters. The two gold corporate sponsors were St John of God Hospital and Beaconsfield District Community Branch of the Bendigo Bank which, in addition to Mercedes-Benz Berwick contributing as a bronze sponsor raised \$17,000.

In a decision supported through a vote by two thirds of members, the UK and US flags were replaced for the Rotary flag, donated to the Club by President Gus.

Members also voted favourably the proposal to take over the Board positions of the Berwick and District Benevolent Society, an icon of charitable services in the area which was in danger of being wound up due to its aging membership. The takeover of The Benevolent brought to the Club a great “hands on” project for Christmas time with the collection of food and toys to be distributed to families in need.

The Club co-sponsored, with the Rotary Club of Narre Warren, the charting of the Casey-Cardinia Rotaract Club, with Ben Hill assuming as the Charting President.

A new significant community project this year was the organisation of the Carols by Candlelight, after more than 15 years missing in Berwick. Learning on the job, the team led by

PP Adrian Froggatt managed to succeed beyond all expectations with more than 2000 members of the public enjoying a first class program. Many local businesses supported the event, like Gearon Civil, Abrehart's Transport and Coats Hire.

The Strategic Planning committee led by PP John Rosenthal worked with District and the members in defining the Club's vision and a plan for the Club's future. The vision adopted was "The Rotary Club of Berwick is a leading service organisation whose members provide support to local and international communities, enhancing lives through education, health and improved living conditions".

The Art Screens hire continued under the traditional guidance of PP Laury Gordyn, but this year the Club also acquired the art screens of the Rotary Club of Dandenong as an ongoing concern in exchange for a donation to their projects, with PP Laury being pivotal in negotiating the deal. This transaction positioned the Club to double the screens' revenue in years to come through a hands-on activity that fostered camaraderie among members.

Doug and Rhonda Anderson skilfully managed the Debutante Balls for the Berwick College, raising close to \$30,000 for the Club. PP Garry Cooper and Rod Ladd run a successful Golf Day.

The introduction of the Junior School Awards to bring Rotary close to the young sector of the community wasn't well received by local schools. Another failed project was the cancellation of the business dinner. However, the Trots Night Out (a new fundraiser proposed and led by Rod Ladd) partly compensated for the business dinner cancellation.

Membership Director Norman Pauline brought innovative member attracting ideas to reach the local people. Unfortunately, after a promising start that resulted in three inductions (Carol Gadsden, Ronney Moodley and Glenn "Shoey" Schumacher), Norman had to leave the Club and was replaced by PENDING Julie Allgood. With the disruption caused by Norman's departure, Membership efforts lagged behind, with a net result of three losses after five resignations, one transfer and three inductions. However, 3 of the resignations (Rob Wingrave, Leigh Scanlan and Norman Pauline, all for personal reasons) added to the Friends of Rotary group, continuing their involvement with the Club.

PHFs were issued to Rotarian Bob Lay (also named Member of the Order of Australia) and to Scott Double, recognising his disinterested and constant support for club activities.

Public Relations Director Sam McCurdy significantly improved the press and Web coverage and increased our use of social media. Sam also led the initiative to store all Club photos and Club documents on the Internet Cloud, providing a means to access this material readily on the Internet, a big improvement from previous practices.

Regarding Foundation, the Club hosted a Turkish GSE team and sponsored Jenny Randle for the reciprocal visit, on a very significant year that celebrated the 100th anniversary of the Gallipoli campaign. Two district grants were also completed to benefit the local community through the establishment of barbeque facilities at Pioneer Park and the donation to Casey Hospital of 3 sofa beds for parents accompanying ill children. Jim Wilson and Tim Moore also were very active establishing a Vocational Training Team in cooperation with the Rotary Club of Endeavour Hills (Disaster Aid Australia) for the deployment of Sky Hydrants in third world countries where clean water is not readily available.

Service Projects Director PEN Mark Caulfield organised a very involved youth program that included sponsorships for RYLA, RYPEN, MUNA, YEP and NYSF, mock interviews, school awards, the Junior Community Award, Rotaract liaison and the Chisholm TAFE scholarship. In addition to the youth-oriented activities, the portfolio included the new Carols by Candlelight project and Anzac Day activities, the Australia Day celebrations and cemetery cleanup.

The year saw \$100,057 distributed to Foundation, local charities and club projects.

Changeover, July 2014

Gus earns the chains

By LACHLAN MOORHEAD

GUS Dominguez beamed with pride last week as he received the Berwick Rotary chains of office that he will now wear for the next year.

The former presidents then dispersed from the front of the room at Holm Park Reserve Pavilion in Beaconsfield to join the crowd of Rotarians gathered to listen to Mr Dominguez's first speech as president after he took the reins from Bruce Shaw during the Rotary Club of Berwick's 53rd changeover dinner.

"As past Rotary International president Ron Burton said, you have to lift the woodpile a bit higher than you

found it, and I'm certainly intending to do that," Gus said last Wednesday night.

"I'm sure I'll have to iron a few wrinkles over the next couple of months until I get rid of the training wheels I have to start using today as president but, hopefully, the wrinkles will be small.

"Looking to the future, the leadership team has already been hard at work in the organisation of the club and looking at an ambitious program of activities on all fronts, with an energised club program, a snazzy bulletin design, new ways of reaching out to the local community, new projects and new mem-

bership strategies."

Mr Dominguez's new board includes Sharmaine Squire, Lea Paton, Geoff Double, Norman Pauline, Sam McCurdy, Jim Wilson, Mark Caulfield, Bob Lay and Tim Moore.

The changeover recognised Mark Caulfield, David Grant, Eric Boon and Helen Rosenthal as Paul Harris Fellows.

Service awards were then given to a number of Rotarians who have devoted at least a decade or longer to the club, culminating in the presentation of a 50-year service achievement to past president Bill Minns.

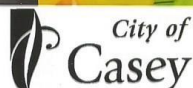


The new Rotary Club of Berwick board was announced at last Wednesday's changeover dinner including, from left, Mark Caulfield, Sam McCurdy, Tim Moore, Norman Pauline, Gus Dominguez, Jim Wilson, Lea Paton, Bob Lay, Sharmaine Squire and Geoff Double.



PP Mick Morland, P Gus and Sam McCurdy at the City of Casey 2015 volunteer awards night.

VOLUNTEER AWARDS 2015



Under the flag

By LACHLAN MOORHEAD

THE Australian flag flew buoyantly against the grey-blue sky in Berwick as the local community walked underneath it, celebrating their national day.

Roughly 6000 people visited Pioneers Park throughout Monday as the Rotary Club of Berwick held their annual Australia Day event.

Vintage tractor engines could be heard purring underneath the clip-clop of a horse-drawn carriage that carried guests through the park.

The ceremony was officially opened by Casey Mayor Mick Morland, after which the na-

tional flag was raised.

"Berwick was so busy, about 5000-6000 people over the day," Cr Morland said.

"It's fantastic because they're all free events for people to enjoy."

David Jacka, who became a quadriplegic after a motorcycle accident in 1988, was the Berwick Australia Day event ambassador.

After the accident Mr Jacka was left with just six per cent normal physical function and had to re-learn how to feed himself.

He later returned to full-time work, got married, and also be-

came a well-respected aviator.

Mr Jacka spoke to the crowd gathered at Australia Day about his battle with adversity and the perseverance and determination which saw him overcome it.

Mr Jacka also created his own charity, On a Wing and a Chair, to raise public expectations of what disabled people could achieve.

The free event ran from 10am to 3pm and included performances from a range of bands up on stage, food stalls and emergency services challenges.

News photographer Donna Oates visited Pioneers Park to take photos of the event.



Founding Member of the Berwick Rotary Club Bill Minns with Sandi Tarant and current Rotary president Gus Dominguez.



Nick Johnson, Jordan Knight and Jamie Sutherland from the Berwick Fire Brigade.

The crowd sits and listens to the musical entertainment.

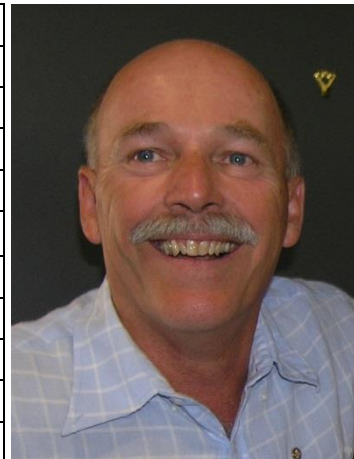


Cooper and Charli James, from Officer, dressed up for Australia Day in Berwick.



Year of Presidency: 2015/16**President
Geoff Double (Di)****Club Year: 55
District 9820**

Board of Directors	
President	Geoff Double
Vice President	Jack Kraan
Administration	Mark Caulfield
Secretary	Sam McCurdy
Treasurer	Lea Paton
Public Relations	John Rosenthal
Foundation	
Fundraising	Ricardo Balancy
Membership	
Projects	David Button
Sergeant-at-Arms	Ricardo Balancy



R.I. President	Gary K. R. Ravindran	Honorary Members: PP Cyril Molyneux PP Bert Ainge PP Terry Carmichael PP Roger Gordon Rob Wingrave
R.I. Theme	Be A Gift To The World	
R.I. Convention	Seoul, Korea	
District Governor	Alan Collier	
District Conference	Wangaratta	

Inductions this year included Jen Randle (now Marshall), Trevor Bailey and Diana Gomez-Fullaway. The Club also received the transfers of PP Jim Armstrong and PP Viv Armstrong, PP Terry Carmichael and PP Pete Batterham, from other Clubs in the District. This growth resulted in a recognition received at the District Conference in Wangaratta.

The Club also farewelled Merv Clissold, called to higher service.

Members from the Rotary Clubs of Narre Warren and Casey became involved in our activities, bringing the clubs together. A fellowship weekend away to Nagambie in September was also another opportunity to meet up with members from other Clubs.

Throughout the year many events were held to raise funds for local and international projects. These were the annual and very successful Debutante Balls for Berwick College; the monthly Casey Farmers' Market, which incorporated non-food stalls and was renamed the Berwick Farmers and Craft Market; the ever growing and successful art screen hire service; the annual Golf Day; the Trots Night; our first successful combined day with the Rotary Club of Casey at the Pakenham Cup; our first Biggest Morning Tea event; and ongoing catering with the BBQ.

The sponsorships from St John of God Hospital Berwick and Bendigo Community Bank Branch, Beaconsfield were renewed helping support local projects and organisations such as the Berwick and District Benevolent Society; St John of God Hospital; Berwick College and

other schools; the annual South East Arts Festival; as well as assisting with the purchase of a defibrillator for the Beaconsfield Upper Men's Shed. Other organisations to benefit from our efforts included the Berwick CFA; Narre Warren SES; Young Veterans; Interplast; the Royal Flying Doctor Service; and many more.

Fundraising also allowed the Club to be involved with, or support, many Rotary programs such as MUNA, RYPEN, NYSF, ROMAC, Rotarians Against Malaria, Polio Plus and The Rotary Foundation, with the Club's support for Foundation again recognised at the District Conference. Funds were also put aside for a Vocational Training Team that replaces the Group Study Exchange and to increase the reserve for a future project or event.

The other large program supported this year was Rotary Youth Exchange, with two inbound students in Evita Raijmakers from The Netherlands, co-hosted with the Rotary Club of Narre Warren, and Gui Mascella from Brazil, whom we started hosting in January this year taking over from the Rotary Club of Casey. This program would not have been successful without the support of both campuses of Beacons Hills College, which provided education and support for the students at no cost to the Club.

The second annual Carols evening was a success despite the heat, with everybody pulling together under difficult conditions, to provide a great night's entertainment for our local community. The Australia Day celebrations at Pioneers Park saw thousands coming to take part, with the success of this event recognised by the City of Casey.

The Youth Mental Health Forum, held in April at St Margaret's, was another example of the great work of our members. This event allowed the Club to recover the \$10,000 set aside by Beyond Blue two years earlier.

The Club also worked quietly behind the scenes updating the Rotary information signs at both entries of Berwick Village and restoring the Rotary Clock, relocated to Lyall Road after the works at the High Street intersection and back to its former glory with new banners on either side of the clock face.

The Club received the Communication Award at the District Conference, in recognition of the constant high standard of communication in the promotion of Rotary through its bulletin, the website and its Facebook page. The Club was also honoured to receive the Principal's Award from Berwick College for our outstanding service to the College.

PP Bill Minns was presented with a belated certificate from Rotary International for 50 years of continuous service. An application submitted to the Victorian Government the previous year was successful and the rotunda built by the Club in Pioneers Park was officially named in Bill's honour. Bill was also presented with a 55 year Service recognition certificate from our Club. President Geoff also presented Paul Harris Fellows to Joy Kusters, Gerald Treasure, Laury Gordyn and David Grant for all the hard work they have done over the years, all of whom were surprised by the occasion.

The Club sponsored Jesuina da Costa Belo, who was brought to Australia with her mother (Teresa) through ROMAC for open heart surgery to repair a valve.



Geoff Double receives the club reins from Gus Dominguez. 141253



Past district governor Charlie Speirs makes David Button a Paul Harris Fellow. 141253



Above: Di, Scott and Geoff Double. 141253



Left: Gus Dominguez presents a cheque to Berwick College principal Kerri Bolch. 141253



Back row: Annie and Neil Sutcliffe (donors to ROMAC), John Berends (ROMAC), Steve Paton and P Geoff Double. Front Row: Teresa and Jesuina da Costa Belo, Judy Berends (ROMAC) and Di Double (ROMAC Chair).