

# ROTARY CLUB OF RICHMOND

## The Tiger Rag

Meeting 2093

10 May 2010

### Speaker

Sophie Dowse  
Ambassadorial Scholar from California

### Chair

Ben Hosking

### Forthcoming:

Date	Meeting	Speaker & Topic	Chair
17 May	2094	Colin Mitchell - Indigenous Diabetes	Janice Kesterton
24 May	2095	Barbara Woodberry - Report on the East Timor Project	Pam Heath
31 May	2096	Michelle Henderson APM - Inspector - Alternative Dispute Resolution Advisory Centre, Victoria Police	Sue Bolton

### Birthdays

*Doreen Schofield - 13<sup>th</sup>*

### Wedding Anniversaries

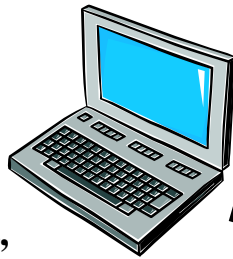
*Glenys & John Liddell - 13<sup>th</sup>*

### Induction Anniversaries

*Ben Hosking - 1980*

### ROTARY DISTRICT 9800, R.I. & OTHER ROTARY LINKS

Richmond Rotary website:	<a href="http://www.rotaryrichmond.org.au">http://www.rotaryrichmond.org.au</a>
District 9800 Home Page:	<a href="http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au">http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au</a>
District E-Zine:	<a href="http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/Members/Networker">http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/Members/Networker</a>
Rotary International:	<a href="http://www.rotary.org">http://www.rotary.org</a>



## From the President's Laptop

My Fellow Rotarians,

**Congratulations to all our Club members who have participated in any of the recently convened Richmond Rotary events.**

**Firstly**, congratulations to the Bowls Team who (I still don't believe it!), won the inaugural Heritage Cluster Bowls Night Shield. The team comprising of Sally O'Sullivan (Captain), Nellya Lode, Rob Mactier and Jean Marc demonstrated how to have fun, when not knowing what you are doing *and come out as the winners!* It was something to behold! Jean Marc must take a lot of credit for his 'WAR DANCE' of encouragement which he performed relentlessly throughout the evening, trying to guide the bowl with much foot-thumping and mental telepathy! The end result was a big win for Rotary's Indigenous Diabetes Program as over \$1,000.00 was raised on the night by the five Cluster Clubs. A very big **thank-you** to the 16 Members from our Club who came along to support this great cause. All of us will hear more about Indigenous Diabetes in the coming two years. I know that our PE Jo Cowling and our 2011-2012 PE, Rob Mactier, will be seeking your further participation in this project.

**Secondly**, our Congratulations to Rotarian Ben Hosking for the great job yet again in steering the Ainger Public Speaking Awards; 21 years of them all told! Truly remarkable! The format will change next year but under the tutelage of Ben it will be just as prestigious as ever. Many thanks also to John Griffiths, who apart from his usual participation, was seconded to produce the artwork for the handout which was as you would expect, just great! I am sure Ben is looking for help in preparing the event going forward. I encourage our Rotarians' to put their hands up and be part of the Ainger Award committee planning a new way for the 2011 awards and their future. Thank-you again Ben for the fabulous job! The adjudicators, Don Kinsey AM, PHF, (21 years of service to the Aingers'), assisted by his wife Margot, a co-adjudicator for 15 years, announced on the night that they are also stepping down from the role. Their commitment in a honorary capacity over so many years has been exemplary and the Club is indebted to them both. I look forward to welcoming them to our Changeover meeting to formally acknowledge their wonderful contribution.

**Thirdly**, our congratulations to Assistant Governor Chris Wang for his undying leadership of the Heritage cluster 'Rochester' Project, with great support also from his wife Janet and our own Trevor and Maureen Pang. This culminated on Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> May, with a 'Country Meets City' weekend in Melbourne. 40 drought-affected farmers arrived in Melbourne by coach for the weekend. (See report page 4) Janet Wang, assisted by Maureen Pang, even treated some of the visitors to a Chinese cooking lesson, while others visited the Shrine of Remembrance. Saturday evening's highlight was a wonderful dinner at a great Greek Restaurant in Camberwell and on the Sunday a leisurely morning was spent at the Abbotsford Convent market, followed by lunch. This support program has been running now for the past 2 years and I feel confident it will continue under the guidance of Jo Cowling and Rob Mactier. This is where you can come face to face with the people you are endeavouring to assist and what is so good about such initiatives. Our visitors really appreciated the efforts of the Heritage Cluster and stated as such often. A special thank-you to all our members for supporting this event & also a big thank-you to all who purchased the Rochester Calendars. These funds were used to acquire food vouchers for others less fortunate in the Rochester area.

If you are celebrating anything this week, celebrate well & remember –

**THE FUTURE OF ROTARY IS IN YOUR HANDS**

**Michael O'Sullivan**  
**President 2009-2010**



## MAY IS AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH MONTH -



Australian Rotary Health is Australia's largest non-government funding body of mental illness research. ARH also fund research in other health related areas. The genesis of Australian Rotary Health in 1981 was the mystery of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS). The late Ian Scott, from the Rotary Club of Mornington, established Australian Rotary Health to support research into SIDS. As Australian Rotary Health grew, so did the vision of medical research possibilities. Supported by Rotarians Australian wide, Australian Rotary Health was soon in a position to sponsor health research in areas that did not readily attract funding.

Australian Rotary Health has a broad vision of health. ARH is a catalyst for projects that improve the quality of life for people who are least able to assist themselves.

### Kids Matter - Primary Schools - Mental Health Awareness

Australian Rotary Health is joining with the Australian Government - Department of Health and Ageing, beyondblue: the depression initiative, The Australian Psychological Society and the Australian Principal's Association Professional Development Council to deliver the Australian Primary Schools Mental Health Initiative – KidsMatter. Web address: [www.apapdc.edu.au/kidsmatter/](http://www.apapdc.edu.au/kidsmatter/)

**KidsMatter** aims to improve the mental health and well-being of primary school students; reduce mental health problems - eg anxiety, depression and behavioural problems; increase support and assistance for students at risk or experiencing mental health problems.



**Other programs include:** Indigenous Health Scholarships, Rural Medical Scholarships and the Parnell Rural Nursing Scholarships. Other projects include the Road Transport Survey to evaluate the costs and benefits of proactive physical and emotional health screening and treatment in the workplace. Support for the Bowelscan Program is also given by over 250 Rotary Clubs across Australia.



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**YOUR WEEKLY NETWORKER: Check out Rotary District 9800's latest news at [http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/uploads/downloads/Networker/2009\\_2010/currentNetworker.pdf](http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/uploads/downloads/Networker/2009_2010/currentNetworker.pdf)**

**Includes current event listings at 'Notices and Events' and 'Events Calendar'.**

**FROM THE EDITOR** - Due to professional and personal constraints The Tiger Rag has been reduced to an 8-page edition this week. The 'Country Meets City' report, Ainger Public Speaking Award Finals and the Mock Job Interviews reports have been held over until Monday 17th May. Webb the Ed.

## ***BOWLING THEM OVER ON THE GREEN AT THE INAUGURAL HERITAGE SHIELD BOWLS TOURNAMENT 2010! Reporter – Annie Wysham, The Tiger Rag Sub-editor***

Approximately 50 Rotarians, partners and friends turned up to do battle with the bowls on Wednesday evening, 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2010, at the Fitzroy Victoria Bowls Club, North Fitzroy. Competition was keen with senses sharpened, eyes focussed and bowling arms flexed! Serious business Lawn Bowls.

Twelve teams of 4 players bowled under the curious monikers of:



- The Winston Churchills (RC Collingwood) Captain - Helen Connors
- The Cemeterians (RC Carlton) Captain - Peter Crouch
- The Mick Gattos (RC Carlton) Captain - Sharee Palieri
- The Wang Triads (AG Heritage) Captain - AG Chris Wang
- The Mario Condellos (RC Fitzroy) Captain - Terry O'Shannassy
- The Buntons (RC Fitzroy) Captain - Val Allpress
- The Casablanças (RC Fitzroy) Captain - Damian Scodella
- The Tuppence Morans (RC Brunswick) Captain - Mel Kennedy
- The Wicks (RC Brunswick) Captain – Peter Johnstone

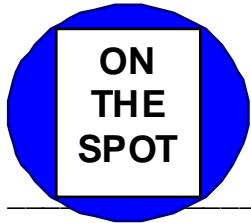
and

- The Squizzy Taylors (RC Richmond) Captain - Sally O'Sullivan
- The Tiger Woods (RC Richmond) Captain - Elissa Marriott

Before and after a BBQ and salad dinner, two rounds were played, resulting in 3 unbeaten teams. The unbeaten team with the best total winning margin went straight to the grand final and the other 2 teams played off for a Grand Final spot! In a tight, nail-biting playoff with The Winston Churchills, Richmond Rotary's team, The Squizzy Taylors - comprising Sally O'Sullivan, Nellya Lode, Rob Mactier and Jean-Marc Berthier - hung in undefeated throughout the night! With nerves of steel, well-placed bowls and French frolics, farce and frivolity from Jean-Marc, they secured the rights to the inaugural Heritage Shield! YAHOO!

Back in the Clubhouse, Peter Phille, President of the RC Fitzroy and the energetic organiser of the event, made the presentations to the winning teams. Second placement went to The Buntons and the dodgy 'Wang Triads' were placed third. The 'Squizzy Taylors' won a voucher prize of 3 days accommodation at a Yarrowonga resort to the value of \$1,000. The engraved Heritage Shield will be presented at a relevant club function in the near future. Profits of \$1,140.00 from the night will be directed to the RC Carlton's Indigenous Health Project (Diabetes). With such a positive response to this fun event a commitment was made to make it an annual fixture, with Peter Phille putting up his hand to organize it again.





**Kristen (Krissy) O'Reilly**  
**Rotary Club of Richmond**  
**2009-2010: OXYGens' Co-ordinator;**  
**Active, youngest and prettiest Club Member!**



**What year and why did you join Richmond Rotary?**

*When I joined in 2009, I was living in Abbotsford, and had lived in Richmond before that. I had commenced my first full-time job and finished studying; which meant I was in a position to connect with my community and make contributions within it. Richmond Rotary was an obvious choice!*

**What keeps you committed to Rotary?**

*My commitment to Rotary stems from the value I place on being part of my local community.*

**What was your first Rotary project?**

*I consider my first Rotary project to be the RYPEN camp at Camp Weekaway in Lancefield. Richmond Rotary were the hosts in 2009 and Nia was the co-ordinator. It was a really great team effort and I was very proud to be involved.*

**What's been your favourite OXYGens' commitment and why?**

*The OXYGens bushfire recovery project is a favourite because it was our first. I enjoyed getting out of town, into the fresh air and helping out... I was very pleased to contribute to that project.*

**What keeps you awake at night?**

*A high-pitched whistle that comes from an exhaust fan on the roof of the apartment building next door! Also, wondering if I'm being out-bid on e-bay while I sleep!*



**Down Under Breakfast in Montreal 2010**

A reminder to Rotarians attending this year's Rotary International Convention in Montreal from On-to-Convention Chairman, John Rafter:  
 There will be a Down Under Breakfast in Montreal 2010 at Le Westin Montreal Hotel, 270 Rue Saint-Antoine Ouest, Montreal – 6:45am to 9:00am, Sunday 20 June 2010.

For information contact Don Cox: Ph 0407 094 220 , 03 9337 1511.

Bookings can be made on this link:

<http://www.rotarydownunder.com.au/events/downunderbreakfastmontreal/>



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## **GUEST SPEAKER 19<sup>TH</sup> APRIL: Major Glenn Roche – The Benefits of Being an Army Reservist.**

*Our Special Tiger Rag Reporter is Rob Mactier*



Born in Columbo, Sri Lanka, Major Roche came to Australia where he studied Business Administration and Accountancy. He joined the Army Reserves in 1991 and by 2004 had been promoted to a Major!

### Joining the Reserves has benefits for Employees:

1. Civil accreditation of their military training
2. Enhanced personal skills
3. Employer support payments are provided at \$1 185 per week by the government for a replacement while the Reservist is undertaking 20 days service in 5 day blocks
4. The government has legislated that their jobs are protected, especially if they are called out.

They go to weekend training and the highlights are abseiling, team work, leadership's skills and firing weapons at \$ 1.75 a round! Reservists are 10% of the troops in Afghanistan and 100 % of the troops in the Solomon islands.

Defence Reserves Support Council links Australian Defence forces with Employers, Government departments and other stakeholders. They give policy guidance, development of national programs and advise the Government on related matters

Mission Reservists are part of the Country Defence Force and the purpose is to provide maximum availability in units to assist the Army etc in a crisis.

In Australia there are 26,000 in the Reserves, 17,000 in the Australian Army 2,500 in the Air Force and 6,500 in the Navy. Reserves are cost-effective as they use civilian expertise, military skills and fit in easily with defence forces in times of threats

Major Roche went to Iran via Kuwait to acclimatize in 3 days! The Americans had everything there - including MacDonald's! If you wanted a basketball court it was constructed in three days, no problems! "The biggest problem about being in Iran were the Iranian missiles which were mainly a nuisance value," he said, "Plus they had aircraft flying 24/7 which would inform them if they were coming, so you could retire to a concrete bunker!"

Footnote: The Australian Army Reserve is a collective name given to the reserve units of the Australian Army. Since the Federation of Australia in 1901, the reserve military force has been known by many names, including the Citizens Forces, the Citizen Military Forces, the Militia and, unofficially, the Australian Military Forces. In 1980, however, the current name—Australian Army Reserve—was officially adopted, and it now consists of a number of components based around the level of commitment and training obligation that its members are required to meet.

**According to UNICEF, there are an estimated 2.2 million orphans in Uganda. Nearly 65 percent of the nation's youth fall under the category of 'orphans and other vulnerable children.' Half of the country's orphans have lost one or both parents to HIV/AIDS.**  
*Rotary International Interactive, April 2010*

**WE WILL, WE WILL, WOK YOU...AT THE CLUB'S CHINESE COOKING CLASS!**



Chinese Cooking Class – a special Richmond Rotary Club event to raise money for the Indigenous Health Project (Diabetes).

Saturday June 19th  
Chris & Janet Wang's Home  
784 Orrong Road  
Toorak  
Time: 11.00 am  
Cost: \$45.00  
Includes lunch



Maximum Number: 30

Please email President Michael to book, as places will fill fast.  
E: [michael@mbsofficenational.com.au](mailto:michael@mbsofficenational.com.au)

**President MOS bought a Storm-themed dinner set at Myer as a wedding gift for his friends, keen Storm supporters. But he had to return it and get a refund - it was missing 2 cups!**

**CHARTER NIGHT FOR NEW ROTARY CLUB of MELBOURNE PARK**



With the help of some dedicated and experienced Rotarians a group of around 25 young people (21-35 year olds) have been working towards forming a Rotary Club that caters specifically to their needs.



Richmond Rotary is proud to be their sponsor Club.

**YOU'RE INVITED TO THEIR OFFICIAL CHARTER EVENING**

**WEDNESDAY 26TH MAY, 2010 - ARRIVE 7.00PM FOR 7.30PM**

**To be held at the brand-new  
AAMI Park, Olympic Park Complex, Swan Street, Melbourne**

**DRESS: Lounge suit/cocktail dress  
COST: \$65 per head, includes a 2-course meal**

Tickets can be purchased by contacting Trevor Pang  
B:9445 1234 Mobile: 0413 618 883

Online bookings:

<http://www.rotaryaustralia.org.au/dinner-signup.php>

 NEED TO NOTE –



*\*May is Australian Rotary Health Research Month*

☞ *Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2010 – ROTARY DISTRICT ASSEMBLY, Registration: 8.15am-8.30am for 9.00am-1.00pm, Melbourne Grammar School, Domain Rd, Sth Yarra (Notify Aivars ASAP re attendance)*

☞ *Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> May – RCR BOARD MEETING, 5.00pm, Amora Hotel (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday)*

☞ *Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2010 – CHARTER NIGHT FOR NEW R C MELBOURNE PARK! Richmond Rotary is their sponsor Club. 7.00pm for 7.30pm, AAMI Park, Olympic Park Complex, Swan Street, Melbourne. Further details see page 7.*

*\*June is Rotary Fellowship Month & the R.I. Convention, Montreal, Canada*  
**MONDAY, 14<sup>TH</sup> JUNE – NO MEETING – QUEEN’S BIRTHDAY WEEKEND**

☞ *Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 – Chinese Cooking Class: Chris & Janet Wang's Home. 784 Orrong Road, Toorak. Time: 11.00 am. Cost: \$45.00 - Includes lunch. Maximum Number: 30. Please contact Pres. Michael O'S to book ASAP as places will fill fast.*

☞ **20<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> June – ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION IN MONTREAL, CANADA**

☞ *Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> June – Combined RCR Board Meeting, 5.00pm, Amora – FINAL meeting for the Board of 2009-2010. FIRST meeting for Incoming Board- for 2010-2011*

☞ *Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 – RDistrict 9800 Changeover Luncheon – Palladium at Crown (RSVP to Jenny and Brian List @ [list@brendow.com.au](mailto:list@brendow.com.au))*

**YOUR INVITATION FROM PE JO & MICHAEL COWLING**

☞ *Monday, 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 - RCR Presidents' Changeover Night, Riversdale Golf Club, Corner Huntingdale and High Street Roads, Mount Waverley. Time: 6.30pm for 7.00pm. Cost: \$60 per person: drinks/savouries on arrival, main with 2 complimentary bottles red/white wine, dessert, tea/coffee. On-site parking. RSVP by 7<sup>th</sup> June to Sue Bolton*

**\*JULY - NEW ROTARY YEAR BEGINS: 2010-2011**

☞ *Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2010 – RCR BOARD MEETING & CLUB FORUM **plus:** Visit to the Club by our new Assistant Governor, Henry Drury, from the Rotary Club of Hawthorn. **We encourage ALL Members to support this very important Club meeting.***

☞ *Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> July – ‘CALENDAR GIRLS’ - Stage Play, Comedy Theatre, Exhibition St, City. Time: 8.00pm Cost: TBA (\$85 or less depending on numbers attending). Contact Janice K. ASAP as Richmond Rotary’s group booking must be finalized to gain good seats.*

☞ *Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> July, 2010 – Visit & Club Meeting at the Victoria Police Museum, 637 Flinders St, Melbourne. Host: Michelle Anderson APM (Further details: Sue Bolton)*

☞ *Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2010 – RYAP: ‘SNAPHOP’ EXHIBITION (See Tim Baker)*



☞ *TBA for a Sunday in Spring, 2010 – Car Rally (May date postponed) (Elissa)*

☞ *Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> Sept, 2010 – Slade Literary Award Finals, 6.30pm for 7.00pm, Amora Hotel, Bridge Road, Richmond. Cost: \$30 per head. (Chair: Melissa Carfax-Foster)*

☞ *Monday, 20<sup>TH</sup> Sept, 2010 – Visit to the Club by our new District Governor, Iven Mackay & Marilyn (Rotary Club Toorak) Members asked to support our DG’s RCR Visit*