

# ROTARY CLUB OF RICHMOND

## The Tiger Rag

Meeting 2124

17 January 2011

### SPEAKER

Michael Staindl  
The Zero Carbon Australia Plan  
(ZCA)

### CHAIR

Judy Nettleton

### Forthcoming:

Date	Meeting	Speaker & Topic	Chair
24 January	2125	Simon Taylor - Illusionist	John Liddell
31 January	2126	Dr Glenn Edwards - Artificial heart in sheep Advances in human heart surgery	Elissa Marriott
7 February	2127	Stephen Mayne - Shareholder activism, corporate responsibility, transparency, new media and politics	Aivars Lode

### Birthdays

*Jenny Crofts - 17<sup>th</sup>*

*Steven Widdop - 18<sup>th</sup>*

*Aivars Lode - 18<sup>th</sup>*

*Melissa Carfax-Foster - 22<sup>nd</sup>*

### Wedding Anniversaries

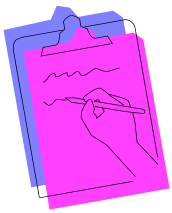
*Kristen & Steven Widdop - 22<sup>nd</sup>*

### Induction Anniversaries

*Jean-Marc Berthier - 17<sup>th</sup>*

### 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/current_networker">http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/current_networker</a>
Rotary International:	<a href="http://www.rotary.org">http://www.rotary.org</a>



# ON THE PRESIDENT'S CLIPBOARD

## Greeting Rotarians and Friends - Happy New Year!

We ended last year with a spectacular Christmas Party attended by over 120 people and this was highlighted by the induction of Liz Bartlett as a member of our Club – Liz's acceptance speech so truly reflected the essence of Rotary and we welcome Liz to our Club as the newest member!

It is the beginning of the second half of our Rotary year and still lots to do with the help and support of our members, friends and family. The year began on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> January with car park duties at the convent. It was a very hot evening and I did succumb to the conditions (remember: if it is hot, have plenty to drink before you arrive and take some water with you)! This was followed by our first meeting for 2011 which was held at our home on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January and I was thrilled to have 24 people attend. We all enjoyed a happy and relaxed evening and I think it was a great way to start the second half of the Rotary year.

We have a lot to look forward to and firstly it will be the arrival of our Youth Exchange Student Jordana. Kristen Widdop and her family are excited by Jordana's imminent arrival which we expect will be January 27<sup>th</sup>. The RC Fitzroy is the Host Club. We are fortunate enough to be able to share the experience with them and will have Jordana with us for the first 3 months of her stay in Australia.

We will continue to support our Club projects through Fundraising events, hands on experiences and fellowship. I do encourage you to look at our Club calendar at [www.rotaryrichmond.org.au](http://www.rotaryrichmond.org.au) which Trevor updates on a regular basis. The Tiger Rag continues to provide us with a fantastic communication tool for our members and FoRR and it contains loads of information on our Club and activities. I try to plan ahead so that I can support the many events we will enjoy in 2011 and I ask you to do the same.

**Our major fundraising event for this Rotary Year will be the Lunar New Year Dinner which is to be held on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March.** This is an important calendar date and I hope that many of you will support this evening by making up a table of family and friends. We will have a new venue, a great menu and we are also planning on having lots of fun!!! (The Tiger Rag will provide more details in the near future.)

The D9800 Conference to be held in late March will be another of the highlights and Janice and Dot have planned a great On-To-Conference tour. We are hoping that Jordana will join us on our journey to Adelaide.

We also have a great meeting program planned. A Club Forum will be held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February and I will provide more information re the format of this meeting in the next few weeks.

On a more somber note we must all be thinking of the people of Queensland who are currently experiencing such an enormous natural disaster. District 9800 will coordinate a response to this event and our Club will make a contribution.

I often think that Dorothea Mackellar's poem "My Country" so ably reflects our diverse land...

'I love a sunburnt country,  
A land of sweeping plains,  
Of ragged mountain ranges,  
Of droughts and flooding rains.  
I love her far horizons,  
I love her jewel-sea,  
Her beauty and her terror -  
The wide brown land for me.'

Finally, I would like to thank you all for your interest and support of our Club and the projects which make our involvement worth while.

Until next week –

**Jo Cowling**  
**President 2010-2011**



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**THIS MONDAY'S SPEAKERS CORNER:**  
**Meeting 2124, Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2011**

**Guest Speaker:** Michael Staindl  
**Topic:** The Zero Carbon Australia Plan (ZCA)  
**Chair:** PDG Judy Nettleton



Michael Staindl is a presenter for Beyond Zero Emissions Inc. (BZE), a not-for-profit, volunteer run, climate solutions think- tank. A nuclear physicist and software engineer by training, he has spent 20 years in Information Retrieval and Management in both public and private sectors and a further 15 years in home and building automation with his own company, SMART Systems Pty Ltd. As our Guest Speaker, Michael will talk about his work with BZE and their Zero Carbon Australia 2020 (ZCA) initiative. BZE's core goal is to facilitate the implementation of the social changes and technologies that will reduce the impacts of climate change and give our society and global ecosystems a chance of surviving into the future. To this end, BZE in conjunction with the University of Melbourne's Energy Research Institute and others has developed the ZCA initiative. It is a project to develop a blueprint for the transition to a decarbonised Australian economy by 2020.

Michael believes this is one of the most serious - and enlightening and optimistic - contributions to the sustainability debate Australia has ever had. This cutting-edge plan is the culmination of some years and thousands of hours of pro bono work by engineers, scientists and postgraduate students. It is a detailed and fully costed blueprint for transitioning our stationary energy sector to 100% renewable energy in ten years. The technologies utilised in BZE's plan are commercially available now. This is, the BZE team believes, the only way we can go if we wish to avoid irreversible damage due to uncontrolled climate change. And we need to move now!



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## **IMPORTANT PROGRAM UPDATE RE CANCELLATION OF THE 2<sup>ND</sup> SHOW & TELL...or is it just an illusion?**

**From Program Chair John Liddell:** The meeting subject on Monday Jan 24<sup>th</sup> was to have been another 'Show and Tell'. This has now been replaced by a performance from a young illusionist - which should be really good fun! This will be an evening with a difference!

**“SO HOW DID YOU KNOW THAT?”**

**SIMON TAYLOR, ILLUSIONIST**

**Guest Speaker, Monday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2011**

Award-winning entertainer Simon Taylor's mission is to create and share engaging entertainment, so come along and prepare to be amazed and bamboozled! Simon was the 'Winner Best Close-Up Illusionist' at the Adelaide Magic Convention in 2009.

**Bring your partners and friends for an evening of fun and puzzlement!**

### **UPDATE FROM OUR WEB CHAIR, PP TREVOR PANG –**

I have inserted the YouTube (a sing-along!) on the Richmond Rotary Homepage to reflect January's 'Rotary Awareness Month'.

Titled: (above the screen) '**ROTARY AWARENESS**'

<http://www.rotaryrichmond.org.au/index.php> (below the screen)

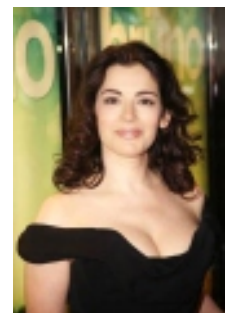
**'Building Communities - Bridging Continents Around the World'**



This woman is 51. She is a TV "health guru" advocating a holistic approach to nutrition and health, promoting exercise, a pescetarian diet high in organic fruits and vegetables, avoiding dairy products, sugar, salt and alcohol.

This woman is 50. She is a TV cook, who eats nothing but meat, butter and desserts and drinks copious amounts of beer & wine.

So forget "join a gym and eat more celery". This Christmas, it's food and booze all the way! And the only exercise you will need is dancing, drinking and laughing!



**DISTRICT WEB SITE: [www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/](http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/)**

**WEEKLY DISTRICT NETWORKER – E-ZINE, 2010-2011:**

[http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/current\\_networker](http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/current_networker)



### **JANUARY IS ROTARY AWARENESS MONTH –**

As we begin 2011 take time to reflect on Rotary, what a fantastic organization you are a part of and what Rotary means locally and internationally. In February, Rotary will celebrate its 106<sup>th</sup> birthday!



**NEW YEAR ROTARY GREETINGS & GOOD WISHES TO OUR READERS FROM YOUR RICHMOND ROTARY 'TIGER RAG' TEAM**



**✍ NEED TO NOTE – 2011\*\*\*\*\***

✍ **Monday 24th January – CHANGE OF PROGRAM!** Guest speaker will be illusionist Simon Taylor who won the title of ‘Winner Best Close-Up Illusionist 2009’ at the Adelaide Magic Convention. (NOTE: 2<sup>nd</sup> Show ‘n Tell night postponed.) **Accept/Apols to Janice K.**

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✍ **Monday 7th February – Guest Speaker: Stephen Mayne of the Mayne Report & founder of Crikey.com.** He is an entertaining speaker & a Councillor in the Manningham City Council. .To be advertised widely so we encourage early bookings with Sec. Sue.

✍ **Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> February – Rob Mactier’s 2<sup>nd</sup> ‘Pearl Day’ lunch at Elphinstone**

✍ **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February – 2<sup>nd</sup> Club Forum**

✍ **Monday 28th February – NO MEETING**

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✍ **Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> March 2011 – Fabulous Lunar New Year Dinner 2011 - Year of the Rabbit.** To be held at the Golden Dragon Palace, 363 Manningham Road, Lower Templestowe - approx 15 minutes by car from the Amora Hotel. It seats 200! An easy-to-access venue with plenty of onsite parking! **EARLY BOOKINGS RECOMMENDED!** (Contact/enquiries/donations/ideas to PP Trevor)

✍ **Sunday 6th March – CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY** – Richmond Rotary Club’s registered clean-up site is Burnley Oval/Burnley Park, Richmond.(Mel Map: H 11/H 12) Further details TBA. **VOLUNTEERS OF ALL AGES NEEDED** –Contact: Krissy O’Reilly. Email: kristen.o’reilly@monash.edu

✍ **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March – Labour Day, NO MEETING**

✍ **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March – 2<sup>nd</sup> Heritage Cluster Bowls Night, Fitzroy Bowls Club**

✍ **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March – Wine & Chocolate Fundraiser at Sandy’s.** (See Annie W)

✍ **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March – NO MEETING – Pre District Conference**

✍ **Monday 28th – Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March – Pre-conference Tour to Adelaide** (See Janice)

✍ **Thursday pm, 31st Mar-Sun 3rd April: Rotary District 9800 Conference to be held at the Adelaide Convention Centre.** RCR’s super-women-conference-contacts: Janice K/Dot B A last minute entry? See further Conference details at

[http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/major\\_events\\_rotary\\_district\\_9800\\_conference\\_adelaide\\_2011](http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/major_events_rotary_district_9800_conference_adelaide_2011)

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✍ **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May - FORR Visit to the Lyon House museum in Kew, 1.30pm – 2.45pm,** (limit of 25 people), followed by afternoon tea at the List’s home nearby.(Contact: Jenny L)

Check it out at <http://lyonhousemuseum.com.au/>

✍ **Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> May – RC Rochester’s ‘Pie N Port’ night & RCR’s weekend away** (Jo C.)

✍ **Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> May – Mock Job Interviews, MGC, Richmond.** Contact: Tim Baker

✍ **Mon 16<sup>th</sup> May – Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> May (inclusive) – Ainger Award HEATS** (Ben Hosking)

✍ **Friday, 20th May – ARH’s ‘HAT DAY’ fundraiser for mental health research** (Judy)

✍ **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May –Ainger Public Speaking Award FINALS** Amora Hotel (Ben H.)

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**FIRST RCR Board Meeting for 2011: ✍ THURSDAY: 20<sup>th</sup> January – CANCELLED**

✍ **THURSDAY: 17<sup>th</sup> February – 6.00pm, Amora Hotel, Richmond.** (Apols to Sue B)

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**WHEN:** Friday 28 January 2010

**WHERE:** Fitzroy Victoria Bowling & Sports Club  
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**TIME:** Registration from 7.00pm (teams of 4).  
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**COST:** \$25.00 per person  
\$50.00 for a family of Mum, Dad and two children under the age of 16

**FOOD:** Spit Roast & Salad - \$5 per plate

**DRINKS:** Available at Bar prices

**ATTIRE:** Smart casual  
Flat soled shoes, thongs, socks or barefoot

**RSVP:** Annie Davie on 0412 294 171 or [annie25@tpg.com.au](mailto:annie25@tpg.com.au)  
by 21 January 2011

*As in past years, all proceeds will go to  
RoCan (Ovarian Cancer Research) and the  
Prostate Cancer Foundation*

