



## Changeover

The changeover was a huge success, welcoming in President Adam's year. Feedback on our comedian Martin Ralph (yes, Maurice, that's his name) was that everyone enjoyed his performance, yo yo tricks and spinning top tricks. Interesting to witness Greg's surprise at his three sapphire Paul Harris Fellow recognition, which nearly rendered him speechless for once! Congratulations too to now PP Doug for his Paul Harris Fellow recognition.

Certificates of Service were presented to yours truly (Mel) and Dean for their work on the club's web site and printing/publications. Compere Mick Leahy also received a presentation from President Doug for his service to the club especially in times when it nearly came to an end.

## Club

The club presented Barry Cross with a well deserved Certificate of Service, for club service including being acting President, during the periods 2004 to 2005 and 2005 to 2006. Well done Barry!

Mick reported that he spoke to Karin, and Lauri is much better. He's still in ICU, but is obviously not too bad, considering he had a wine with his dinner!

It seems that Terry earns more as sergeant than Dean does ... look out everyone, I suspect Dean will start getting tough!

Congratulations to Peter Johnstone, who has been a member of the club for 28 years.

Mal's attempt at a joke: What do the Pope and Essendon have in common? They're both 16th ... Mal thinks!

Will Moulding's 102nd birthday is coming up on July 22nd! Will has mentioned he may be at the Essendon combined dinner on July 26th – the bulletin editor, for one, would very much like to meet our longest serving Rotarian! It was discussed that Barry would organise transport for Will.

## Upcoming Events

- The Rotary Club of Manningham are holding a tree planting event on Sunday July 23rd. See attached info. RSVP was last week, but extra help I'm sure would be welcome.
- The Rotary Club of Coburg celebrate their 50th Anniversary on 8 August 2006, and will host their Anniversary Dinner on August 2nd at Northern Golf Club from 7pm. The night includes a 3 course meal, and will cost \$50. As this is our daughter club, as many attendees from our club would be appreciated! This dinner will not replace our regular Thursday lunch meeting. See attached info.
- Senior of the Year - Applications close for nominations for Seniors Premier's Award on August 1st. Please contact Adam or Dean for further information.



- Seeing Eye Dogs Australia - is calling for volunteers – info attached.

## Guest Speaker

### Rebecca Andersen

Rebecca, a horticulturist who lives near Phillip Island, has recently returned from East Timor after civil unrest in Dili caused mandatory evacuations. Rebecca was the only Australian working as a volunteer, teaching horticulture and English, at the Don Bosco Agricultural College. Rebecca had only been working in East Timor for 2 months, but loved her time there, and is eager to return. She did not feel threatened during the unrest, and was sad to leave.

The college teaches horticulture and veterinary skills. It's main goal is to develop the agricultural production of the people in rural areas of the District of Lautem (eastern Timor Leste). Crops grown in the area include sweet potatoes, peanuts, rice, corn, cassava and most green vegetables. Teaching the the people to grow food helps to prevent hunger and increase the quantity and quality of crops, and helps reduce theft of food. Farmers can trade excess product, thus improving their economic life. The college provides social assistance to the poor farmers in the district, to develop their agricultural production, and helps the farmers by ploughing their corn fields.

East Timor's income per capita is less than US\$0.50 per day for many people, and 40% of the population live below the poverty line. East Timor is the poorest country in Asia, and employment is almost non-existent in rural areas and in the towns the unemployment rate is very high. Agriculture accounts for 75% of employment, however insufficient food production and an underdeveloped local market, have led to a dependency on imports of rice and other items.

Many of the farmers in Lautem depend on the tractors of the college, and therefore the college needs good equipment, which makes harvesting a much quicker and more effective process than manual harvesting. The recent unrest has caused difficulty for the farmers, including an influx of people from Dili escaping to rural areas, which causes a drain on local food supplies. The large number of children also creates a need for families to be self sufficient.



Harvesting must be done quickly before the wet season, as that season is very intense, and damages crops. This year, as a consequence of the unrest and economic system in East Timor, the college is unable to repair the tractors, which have broken down. The college needs to repair its tractors, and a good quality tractor can be used in the whole district. At present, only 1 of the 6 tractors is operational. Parts are required in order to repair the trucks, and is estimated to cost between \$20 and \$30,000 US.

Rebecca is seeking support from Rotary clubs for tractor maintenance, and Toll have offered free transport of the parts. If each Rotary club in our district could donate \$500, this goal could be reached very quickly.

## Weekly Program

|            |                    |  |
|------------|--------------------|--|
| July 20th  | Thursday lunchtime | Regular club meeting. Guest speaker PDG John Wigley, speaking about the Centurions and The Rotary Foundation                   |
| July 26th  | Wednesday evening  | Combined meeting with our "Mother club" – Essendon – to be held at Fredericks Restaurant in Mt Alexander Rd Essendon at 7:00pm |
| July 27th  | Thursday lunchtime | <b>NO MEETING</b> due to combined meeting night prior  |
| August 2nd | Wednesday evening  | Rotary club of Coburg 50 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of charter dinner – to be held at Northern Golf Club in Glenroy at 7:00pm   |



More entertainment from the Brunswick Neighbourhood House – here with their story about the mean giants.



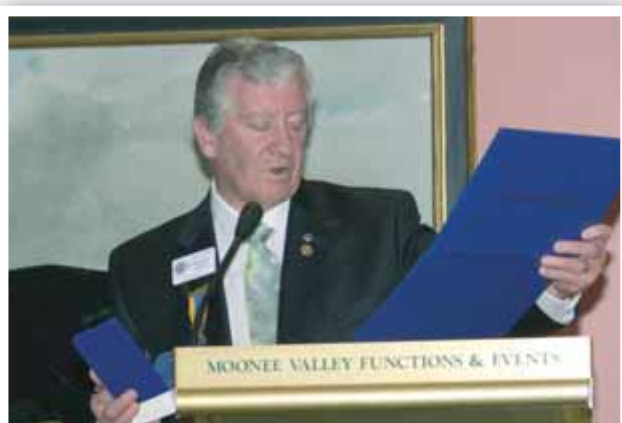
The club enjoys a traditional welcome from members of the Cougars Basketball Club (a program supported by our club)



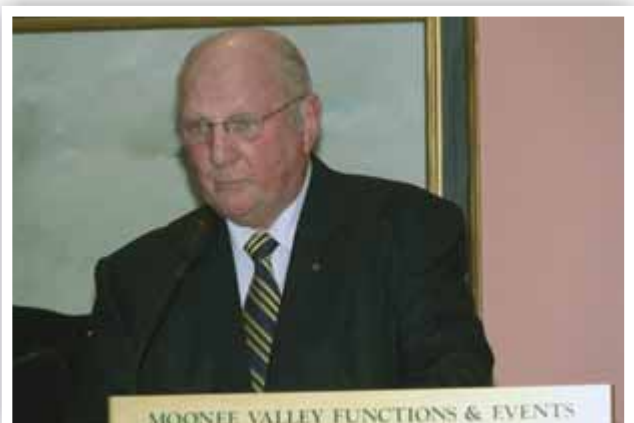
Brunswick Rotarian Mick Leahy in action as our master of ceremonies. Mick received special recognition from President Doug for his efforts in "saving" the club from near extinction.



New club president Adam and PP Doug listen with interest to DG Bernie Walshe



DG Bernie Walshe reads the Paul Harris Fellow citation for newly recognised PHF Doug Walsh



Greg Sewell's surprise Three Sapphire Paul Harris Fellow award leaves him nearly speechless





The Chairman and Committee of  
the Kind Cuts for Kids Foundation  
cordially invite you to attend an  
information evening for  
Kind Cuts for Kids

**Thursday the 20th of July 2006**  
Royal Australasian College of Surgeons  
Spring Street Melbourne  
**6:00pm - 8:00pm in the Hughs Room**

Wine and finger food provided

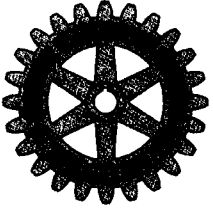
**Please RSVP by the 13th of July**  
Maggie Hammerton on  
0400 227 648 or 9537 1804

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Healthcare

**SURIMEX**

# Rotary Club of Coburg Inc.

District 9790



Alasdair Cameron    President  
Kelvin Minerds      Secretary  
2006 - 2007

PO Box 41, Coburg  
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28th June 2006

The President and Members  
Rotary Club of Brunswick  
PO Box 152,  
Brunswick Victoria 3056

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Re. 50th Anniversary of Charter Presentation Dinner

On Wednesday 2nd August 2006, the Rotary Club of Coburg Inc. is celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the presentation of its Charter from Rotary International.

To commemorate this milestone in the Club's history, a Dinner is being held at the Northern Golf Club, 97 Glenroy Road, Glenroy, commencing at 7.00pm for 7.30pm start.

As our Clubs have an historical involvement, we would like you to join us to recognize our years of Rotary Service.

Your Club may choose this night to be your weekly meeting?

The cost is \$50.00 per person for a three-course meal with drinks at bar prices.  
The seating arrangements are tables of eight.

Invitations for this evening will arrive shortly.

Yours in Rotary,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P.P. Ivon Lofts'.

P.P. Ivon Lofts  
Chair 50th Anniversary Committee

# ROTARY ENVIRONMENTAL PLANTING SCHEME

A Project of the Rotary Club of Manningham Inc.

District 9810

Correspondence to:

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Rotary Environmental Planting Scheme

Project of

Rotary Club of Northcote Inc.

## ROTARY TREE PLANTING DAY

As part of our ongoing R.E.P.S. programme, to help reduce "the salinity problem" in the Goulburn/Murray Rivers and the re-forestation of this area, the President and members of the Rotary Club of Manningham, invite you and/or your club to take part in our tree planting day on **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2006**, where 10,000-12,000 small trees will be planted in the Glenaroua area.

The area we have chosen to work in (10 year programme) is the Sugarloaf Catchment, a large area feeding the creeks that flow into the Goulburn River, then the Murray River. Six (6) tonnes of salt per square kilometre leave this area annually.

The aim of the scheme is to attack this salination problem from the source, which is known as the recharge area. This is where the water enters the land, to later fill the artesian storage to bring the water table to the surface; hence the rising salted water causes the devastation of plant life, eventually causing the disastrous salinity problem of the Goulburn/Murray Rivers.

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We need your commitment and your number of members, who can attend, to register before **7<sup>th</sup> July '06**. On registration a detailed map will be sent to you. People will need to bring **warm clothing, strong footwear, rainwear and gardening gloves**. Rotary will provide the equipment and material for the actual planting.

Activity requires teams of 4:

- 1 planting
- 2 placing and staking tree guards
- 1 supplying tube guards, stakes etc. Duties to be rotated between the team.

**Arrival 8.30am** at Glenaroua CFA fire station, as shown on map, it would be a big help as planting starts at **9am**. Morning tea will be provided on site and concludes with BBQ lunch about **1.30pm**.

**Directions:**

Travel north along the Hume Highway past Craigieburn, past Kalkallo for approx. 11km to the Northern Highway, turn off (swing left), then continue through Wallan and Kilmore, swing left 3km north of Kilmore and follow the Northern Highway for approx. 10km and turn right at Whitegate Road, High Camp (Rotary sign) and follow map directions and Rotary signs to assembly point (approx. 12km). P.T.O. map on back of page.

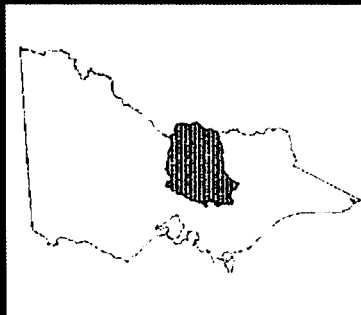


The Rotary Club of Manningham Inc.

## Rotary Environmental Planting Scheme

(A project of the Rotary Club of Manningham - District 9810)

Reducing salinity in part of the Goulburn catchment area - and therefore the Murray River - is the aim of our community tree planting project. The Goulburn River catchment contributes tonnes of salt to the Murray River. Tree clearing has led to excess rain water entering the soil surface and flooding the water table. These rising watertables contain large amounts of salt that end up polluting our waterways and soils.

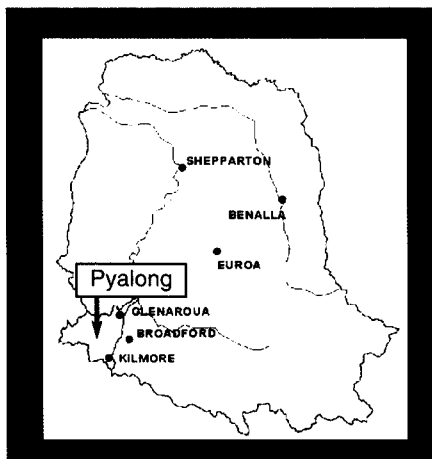


The problem is so large, it won't be fixed by governments alone. The community needs to take action now. Our project aims to create permanent forests of diversity to help reduce salinity, create habitat and help rescue the Goulburn and Murray Rivers.

Originating in 1997 via the Rotary Club of Northcote and now through the Rotary Club of Manningham, in collaboration with the Glenaroua Landcare Group, a project was formed to tackle salinity in the Sugarloaf and Mollisons Creek sub-catchment areas. These two sub-catchments are partly responsible for contributing some of the 31 tonnes of salt per square km in the South-West Goulburn. Bare hills permit rainwater to soak into the soil profile and eventually make its way into water tables, bringing with it salt stored from deep below. When close to the surface, saline water can affect plant and animal health, not to mention humans.

Native trees and shrubs are propagated from locally collected seed in the Glenaroua district. The Rotary Club of Manningham, along with the Glenaroua Land Management Group, other community groups and with assistance from the Natural Heritage Trust, help plant these trees and shrubs in areas that will best reduce the salt flows into the area. Since the project's inception, over 35,000 trees have been planted on bare hill tops in the district.

**The Rotary Club of Manningham**





## Rotary Environmental Planting Scheme

(A project of the Rotary Club of Manningham - District 9810)

More than 30 per cent of Australia's arable farmland could be rendered useless by rising salt within 50 years, the first nationwide assessment of salinity has predicted.

Federal Agriculture Minister Warren Truss said: "The National Land and Water Resources Audit had found 5.7 million hectares or 11 per cent of farmland was already suffering from salt affected rising groundwater". Mr Truss said that "the amount of land affected could be more than triple to 17.1 million hectares by 2050 unless something was done immediately.

"Also currently at risk are some 19,800 kilometres of roads, 1,600 kilometres of streams and lake frontages, 306 towns and 80 important wetlands.

The Audit called for massive re-vegetation schemes on farms and the mechanical desalination of rivers to ensure Adelaide and other towns have safe drinking water. Some scientists have predicted Adelaide's drinking water could become unfit for human consumption within 20 years because of salinity problems in the Murray River." - Quote: Age Newspaper 15th November 2000.



### Natural Heritage Trust

*Helping Communities Helping Australia*

A Commonwealth Government Initiative

**The Rotary Club of Manningham  
P.O Box 180 Doncaster East 3109**



### The problem

Salinity in the Broadford area showing signs of soil erosion, contributing to the contamination of the Goulburn and Murray Rivers.

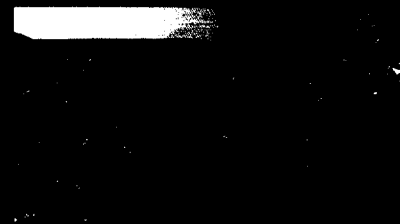
### The cause

Hill tops without vegetative cover lead to more rainwater entering the ground.



### The solution

School involvement is a vital part of what we do. Educating future generations about helping to care for our environment.



Hills are "ripped" and made ready for tree planting.



## SEEING EYE DOGS

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4<sup>th</sup> July 2006

Rotary Club of Brunswick  
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Dear Friends

As a neighbour, we write in the hope that you may be able to assist us.

As a not for profit, who receives no government funding, we at Seeing Eye Dogs Australia need to constantly look at ways to raise much needed funds so we can breed and train more Seeing Eye Dogs for our clients who are blind or vision impaired.

This is where we hope you can help us!

We have a need for volunteers who would be willing to assist in our community education areas. These include volunteer drivers, and assistance over two days at a shopping centre. We are able to provide a vehicle for this but unfortunately our dogs can't drive!!

If any members have some time free during a weekday and are interested in assisting us in this important area of our work please don't hesitate to contact me. We greatly appreciate the support your Club has given to our organisation in the past.

Best wishes for your Club's continued success

**PAUL ROBERTS**  
Community Education Supervisor

Appendix to "Dance Into Spring"

### **DANCE INTO SPRING AGENDA**

Dance Into Spring at the Brunswick Town Hall on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2006.

|         |            |   |
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| Timings | 4.30 p.m.  | Hall available,   |
|         | 5.00 p.m.  | Setting up commences,   |
|         | 5.30 p.m.  | Expect early arrivals, some tickets to be available, door to be manned, |
|         | 6.00 p.m.  | Dance commences,  |
|         | 6.30 p.m.  | Meal commences,   |
|         | 10.00 p.m. | Raffle Draw,  |
|         | 10.30 p.m. | Dance finishes,   |
|         | 11.00 p.m. | Must be clear of hall or extra charges apply.                           |

All available hands on deck please,

Co-ordinators:

|                      |         |
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| 4.30 p.m. to 8 p.m.  | Mal     |
| 7.30 p.m. to 11 p.m. | Cheryle |

Other notes:

1. M.C. Greg Sewell.
2. Music by "Swingmasters" band.
3. Catering by "Professional Catering service".
4. Names and addresses of all those attending to update the mailing list for the next event in Spring, Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2007. Boxes will be placed on all tables inviting attendees to put their names and addresses on the tickets for the door prize draw.
5. All spare Rotarians to start washing up early so we can clear the premises by 10:55 p.m. and circularise with the guests.

## DANCE INTO SPRING

1. "Dance into Spring" is a Community Service project of the Rotary Club of Brunswick
2. It will be a twilight function held on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2006 in the Brunswick Town Hall. Venue to be set up for the function to be held between 6 p.m. 11.00 p.m. The Hall is to be booked from 4 p.m. to 11 p.m. Although we must be clear by 11 p.m. or we incur extra charges
3. Tickets to \$20 each or (\$15 for Seniors).
4. Music by "The Swingmasters" band to the established series of dances.
5. All available Brunswick Rotarians and partners are asked to assist at the event.

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| 6. <u>Committee</u> | Mal Dubock<br>Dean Kennedy<br>Alice Nichols<br>Terry O'Meara<br>Barry Cross<br>Eric Gowers<br>Adam Ramage<br>Tony Cavoli | Maurice Sgarbossa<br>Mel Kennedy<br>Stavros Rekaris<br>Sally Gardner<br>David Kennedy<br>Doug Walsh<br>Michael Landry<br>Cheryle Landolina |
|---------------------|--|--|

7. Time table
  - a. Book town hall, liquor licence by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2006, - ASAP.
  - b. Letters, flyers out by 14<sup>th</sup> July 2006 - 8 weeks prior.
  - c. Advertising - 4 weeks prior
  - d. Follow up letters by 11<sup>th</sup> August 2006 - 4 weeks prior.

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| 8 | <u>Budget</u> – based on an attendance of 150. |                        |
|   | a. Band  | \$ 900                 |
|   | b. Catering                                    | 2975                   |
|   | c. Entertainment                               | 150                    |
|   | d. Hire of Town Hall                           | 325 (discounted price) |
|   | e. St John's Ambulance                         | 160                    |
|   | f. Printing/stationary/postage                 | 420                    |
|   | g. Advertising                                 | 550                    |
|   |  | \$5480                 |

(\$41.60 p.h. with 150 attending)

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|--|-------------------------------|------|------|---------------|
|  | less 150 tickets averaging    | \$16 | =    | \$2400        |
|  | 16 table sponsorships @ \$100 |      | =    | <u>\$1600</u> |
|  |                               |      |      | \$4000        |
|  |                               |      | LOSS | <u>\$1480</u> |

The loss factor of the two "Dance into Life" events, approximately \$3000 are offset by the profit from the Autumn T.V. Raffle

9. Committee roles:

Dean and Mel

All publishing, printing and design

Mel, Alice and Sally

Send letters to local community organisations

Send letters and flyers to attendees from previous function

A second reminder letter be sent

Mick

Ticket coordination, distribution, accounting

Stavros and Maurice

Raffle

Mal

Book Brunswick Town Hall

Book Band(s)

Liability insurance,

Check liability cover for buses,

Place advertisements in Seniors newspaper.

Place advertisements in local papers - Community News and Brunswick Leader, for four weeks. (Reservations about Radio).

Check security arrangement

Organise St John's Ambulance attendant

Michael and Alice

Table setting, table cloths (Michael), table decorations (Alice)

Mick

Book Caterer – Professional Caterers.

Order glasses. Buy or hire water jugs, crockery, condiments

Tony

B.Y.O. Alcohol permit to be obtained

Terry and Henry

Set up and establish a bar

Alcoholic drinks for sale

Purchase soft drinks for sale

Nibbles – chips, nuts etc for sale

Anything you like for sale (History of Brunswick )

Adam, Michael and Tony

Transport

Doug

Distribute flyers to local government senior citizens services

Follow up with phone calls to clubs

Visit bowling clubs, seniors clubs and residential facilities

Barry and David

Features – door prizes, spot prizes.

Eric

Promote the event to PROBUS clubs in the area

Notify the Police.

10. Sponsorship - Cheryle and David
  - a. Sponsorship
  - b. Naming of sponsors
  - c. Seeking cash or goods instead of sponsorship as an option
  - d. Tell those from whom we seek support what our plans are, what are we going to do.
  - e. Nominate our target group as stating that this is an event for seniors (other welcome)
  - f. Tell them who we are
  
11. Setting up includes:
  - a. Be ready one hour before the advertised start time – some attendees may arrive as much as half an hour early,
  - b. Check out cleanliness (incl. toilets)
  - c. Prepare and arrange tables and chairs,
  - d. Table clothes, glasses, decoration and flowers
  - e. Food & drinks; liquor,
  - f. Soft drink for sale,
  - g. Water and water jugs
  - h. Cutlery & condiments,
  - i. Be ready with the raffles prizes and tickets,
  - j. Pick up elderly and take home afterwards. 2 x 12 seater buses available from council,
  - k. Clean up afterwards. Check on Council requirements and routine cleaning.
  
12. Seating
  - a. Tickets to be sold by table, to clubs or groups, where possible.
  - b. But flexibility allowing people to buy in ones or twos should be allowed for.
  - c. Seating to be allocated to allow for comfortable compatibility.
  
13. Special Cases
  - a. Those who carefully look after themselves but would find even \$15 a difficulty – these after all (if identifiable) should be given our special care.
  - b. Transport needs to be provided, but managed with care.