



General update

- A limited supply of new handbooks were issued today, with more to come
- Eric advised that Reg's new medicine seems to be helpful, but that he is at work less. Peter feels that Reg is the best he's been for some months.
- Greg suggested that we should be proud of the club's involvement with BIA, and the role it's played over the last 38 years. He said it was great to be at the opening last week.
- **Thursday December 21st** will be a **breakfast meeting** at **Poached** 169 Lygon Street, Brunswick. Breakfast will be \$15. Monies to be given to the Treasurer as usual please.
- Lunches in January will be at the Lomond (subject to being booked by Mel!)
- February 1st and March 1st 2007 will be dinner meetings.

Christmas cakes, puddings and cards

Christmas cakes and puddings are still available – please order through Barry, they're \$13 each.

Christmas Cards are available once again. They're \$10 for a pack of 10, with proceeds going to the Australian Rotary Health Research Fund, and are available each meeting.

Notification of new member

The board has approved the application as a new member of David Earley, who attended the meeting today. If anyone has any objections to David becoming a member, please advise Adam. Upon approval, David's induction will be at our breakfast meeting on December 21st.

Tractors in Timor

Adam says thanks very much to everyone who supported him and the Tractors in Timor project, and requests that his thanks be passed on to those outside our club who contributed.

Pictures and more information will be provided in the next bulletin.

This week's joke

Courtesy of Mick

A three-year-old boy was examining his testicles while taking a bath.

"Mum," he asked, "are these my brains?"

"Not yet," she replied

And another one ...

BILLY'S GAY DANCER DAD

Billy was at school this morning and the teacher asked all the children what their fathers did for a living. All the typical answers came out, fireman, policeman, salesman, chippy, captain of industry etc, but Billy was being uncharacteristically quiet and so the teacher asked him about his father.



"My father is an exotic dancer in a gay club and takes off all his clothes in front of other men. Sometimes if the offer is really good, he'll go out with a man, rent a cheap hotel room and let them sleep with him."

The teacher quickly set the other children some work and took little Billy aside to ask him if that was really true.

"No" said Billy, "He plays cricket for England but I was just too embarrassed to say."

Weekly Program

December 14 th	Thursday lunchtime	Cheryle: plan for 2007-08
December 21 st	Thursday lunchtime	Christmas Week Breakfast Meeting At "Poached" 169 Lygon Street, Brunswick

Other Items

CONFERENCE

Time is ticking away....and it is not long before the Early Bird Special for the D9800 Canberra Conference closes. Make sure *you and your members* are in the draw for the fabulous *Early Bird Prize!*....

SAVE!! AND WIN!! HURRY!!

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL!!! NOT TO BE MISSED

Register by 13th December 2006 to Be In The Running To Win A Weekend Of Luxury Courtesy Of Lexus Of Blackburn.

Just a short 45 minute drive from central Melbourne, The Sebel Heritage Yarra Valley is part of the prestigious Heritage Golf & Country Club and Heritage Retreat & Dayspa. This weekend includes one night's accommodation at The Sebel Heritage Yarra Valley* in a deluxe room, including buffet breakfast for 2, access to all recreational facilities and the first private Jack Nicklaus designed signature golf course in Australia.

To travel to your destination in style and comfort, the winner may select a Lexus vehicle of your choice** for the duration of a weekend, courtesy of Lexus of Blackburn.

Win a weekend of luxury courtesy of Lexus of Blackburn.

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** Vehicle subject to availability on your chosen weekend, minimum one weeks notice and subject to terms and conditions outlined in the Loan Vehicle Agreement.

NB Vehicle and Accommodation must be used in conjunction with one another.

Have your members sent in their Registration Forms?

Need extra forms? Go to the Conference website for easy to download forms:
www.rotaryd9800.org/conference

Remember....'Procrastination Is The Thief Of Time'!!

Register Today! (online via the D9800 Canberra Conference website www.rotaryd9800.org/conference or returning the Registration Form by post to: PO Box 1092, Hawthorn, VIC 3122

Greetings from International House, University of Melbourne!

Our annual fund-raiser, Café International, will be held next year on Saturday, 5th May 2007 at International House.

"Café International 2007: The Golden Globe" promises to be an exciting night of fine dining and sparkling performances inspired by film and television classics over the last 50 years.

2007 also marks the 50th anniversary of International House. In celebration, the student residents have decided to donate 100% of profits from Café 2007 to Interplast Australia.

We would appreciate it if you could keep 5th May 2007 free on your Club calendar next year, so that your Rotary members will be available to attend this event.

Attached is a short blurb which contains essential details about Café 2007. You should also have received a letter from us enclosing information about this event, as well as our official poster. We would be very grateful if you could use these materials to help us spread the word about "Café 2007: The Golden Globe" to your Rotary Club members.

We will be sending your Rotary Club our invitation for Café 2007 early next year, and we look forward to a favourable response from your members.

If you have further questions about Café 2007, please contact us at Cafe07@gmail.com. We would be most happy to hear from you!

Blurb as follows...



INTERNATIONAL HOUSE
THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE

Café International 2007: The Golden Globe

A journey through 50 years of film and television

Come 5th May 2007, let the students of International House take you on a nostalgic tour through half a century of movie magic and television classics. Café 2007: *The Golden Globe* promises to be a glamorous, fun night of fine dining and sparkling entertainment – join us in jiving to the *Jailhouse Rock*, soaking in *The Sound of Music*, and reliving the *Happy Days* of yore! Whether you're dressed in your red carpet best, or as your favourite onscreen character, you'll definitely receive the star treatment from us on this special night.

2007 marks the 50th year since International House was established. In celebration of our *global* community's *golden* anniversary, the students of International House have decided to donate **100%** of proceeds from Café 2007 to **Interplast Australia**, a non-profit organisation that runs life-changing reconstructive surgery programmes in developing countries. Come experience Café 2007: *The Golden Globe* and support the *golden* hearts championing Interplast's *global* cause, while

treating yourself to a gourmet meal and a fabulous evening of familiar tunes and dazzling performances!

Tickets for “Café International 2007: The Golden Globe” are available at \$70 each, and can be purchased by contacting International House at +61 3 9347 6655.

ROTARY FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGE VACANCIES

D9800 Rotarians and Partners or Single Rotarians are being invited to take part in outgoing exchanges to the following countries.

This is a great way to see the world and be shown an area by a fellow Rotarian, a fun way to travel, a great way to meet and make new friends.

- D2390 Sweden (Malmo/Copenhagen) 12 - 25 June 2007
- D1100 England (Bristol/Bath) May 2008
- D23440 Sweden (Central, out of Stockholm) May 2008 (If sufficient interest this could be earlier 14 - 29 May 2007)
- D6000 USA (Iowa) June 2008 (after World Convention in Los Angeles)

Criteria:

- Max. of 12 in team.
- All costs met by participants.
- Exchange is for 2 weeks, home hosted by 4 clubs, for 3/4 nights each.
- Expressions of interest required by 20 Dec 2006

For further information please contact.

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