



## Changeover

This was the best Changeover in memory. An afternoon packed with lots of activity, fun and goodwill.

Cheryle had a look of horror on her face when she was served with balut instead of soup for the first course. Having eaten one as a guest of the Rotary Club of Marikina whilst in Manila, she felt she had done her duty and declined to eat this one.

Power point presentations by David Earley and two very significant ones prepared by Jason Cotton were amongst the highlights. Jason prepared one of the year's events, which Greg Sewell is selling for \$10 each. Apparently anyone who does not buy one will be fined every time Greg is Sergeant. Also shown again was the excellent one also prepared by Jason of Bagong Barrio at last Thursday's meeting.

The Fabulous Five from the Bagong Barrio trip lead by Jason performed the YMCA, suitably dressed, a marvellous imitation of the Village People. Everyone present at the Changeover stood up and joined in the fun by dancing with the team.

- Greg the cowboy
- Cheryle the motor cycle cop
- Doug the red Indian
- Jason the Bikie
- David the construction worker
- Mal the soldier

Greg Sewell told the odd joke and excessively fined some of those present. He also announced the raffle. Same as before 200 tickets, except his portfolio of investor is diminishing so the rest of us might have to do a bit more. This will be drawn when the Rotary club of Marikina visit us in early October, Cheryle has been advised by her "classmate" that seven are coming so far.

Eric Gowers, Peter Johnstone, Mel Kennedy and Cheryle Landolina were presented with 100% attendance certificates.

Joe De Simone was presented with a P.H.F. in appreciation for his term of office as President.



**Cheryle being served a balut instead of soup like everyone else, isn't really amused.**

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Cheryle was presented with a PHF in appreciation for outstanding year and also with a certificate declaring her the most Outstanding Club President in the South Pacific Region – Australasia (incl N.Z. and all the islands) and the Philippines.(2,183 clubs).



Special thanks for this marvellous day go to all involved but especially David Earley the M.C. for his work in preparing for the event and his excellent control (in the midst of chaos) of the agenda. Also to Jason Cotton for his contribution especially in preparing the power point presentation.

Flowers were presented to Cheryle, Sara Harris (David Kennedy's partner), Carol Studebaker (our D.G.'s wife) and Mel Kennedy in appreciation for all that she has done over the last year and before that. Bottles of Port were presented to Rohan Robertson (Cheryle's partner). Dean Kennedy for his outstanding contribution to the club particularly the website.

As well as our District Governor we were pleased to welcome Chris (our new AG) and Janet Wang, James Long and Cheryl (our past AG), and President's from the Heritage Cluster Gordon and Joan Little (Collingwood), Victor And George-Ann Sullivan (Carlton) and Trevor and Maureen Pang (Richmond) and David Redfern (Moreland)

## Guest speakers

Whilst reports will be given in this year's bulletins, very little will be written about the guest speakers' presentations. If you want to hear what they say you'll have to come to the meeting

## Further Appointments

President David will publish a list of the complete board next week. Additional duties are: Maurice Sgarbossa – Vice President and Foundation. Mal Dubock – Service Director, Bulletin And Child Protection.

## Mick and Mel Stand down

We pass our grateful thanks to Mick Leahy and Mel Kennedy who are standing down from the Board this year.

We recall Mick's outstanding service for many years particularly his term as President. After a period of regression Mick worked very hard to stabilise the club and took serious steps to build up membership. He sowed seeds that only started to sprout in his term but were the start of the regeneration we see today.

Mel's efforts over the last three years as Secretary, Treasurer and diligent efforts in Dances Into..., Sydney Road Street Parties, the Roast and virtually every event run by the club have been brilliant.

## A New Direction - Attached

A copy of the presentation speech made by Mal Dubock when giving Cheryle her Paul Harris Fellowship Award

## This week's meeting

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Thursday 10 July	<b>Lunchtime 12:45 for 1:00pm</b>	Location: Treacy Centre, 126 The Avenue, Parkville (near Walter St.,  President David will outline the coming year of activity and excitement.
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## A NEW DIRECTON

On being asked by incoming President David Kennedy to present Cheryle Landolina with a Paul Harris Fellowship on completion of her outstanding year of service to the Rotary Club of Brunswick as its President.

Her Vice President, Mal Dubock, made the following comments at the Changeover function on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2008.

1. It's obvious what's happened here. These young Rotarians have turned this club around. Starting with Adam last year. - Testing new concepts and ideas; searching for and studying other options; focussing on essentials, making decisive moves such as tractors to East Timor – what was it? \$10,000 in 6 weeks; setting the stage with the Youth Arts. Cheryle's outstanding leadership guiding us through what is probably our best year for over 20 years, bearing in mind there were more members 20 years ago. David a meticulous planner with acute analytical skill, an even stronger board of the highly talented younger Rotarians. Two younger President's coming up and more to follow with over half the board in their 30s and 40s.

2. Because I encouraged them to be our next two Presidents, I was highly privileged to have been invited to be Vice President to Adam and Cheryle, through this highly significant period of change in our club.

3. Cheryle also asked me to be her mentor and I have been thrilled to be associated with her in view of what she has achieved. She has taken this club to new heights. I have a strong rapport with her based on some amazing coincidences in how at times our lives often followed the same path. How we left home, started our businesses, observances we make and the books we read. I know a fair bit about her, not everything, of course, but enough to share my observances with you

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4. She is a woman of great fortitude and strength, when confronted by an obstacle, she climbs over it turns her head to the road ahead and with great courage walks on. She is overly generous, devoting much of herself to others whilst expecting little in return;, trusting and trustworthy: essentially honest, although she sometimes plays her cards close to her chest. She consults, listens, negotiates, makes her decision and resolutely pursues her objective quietly but with great deal of understated determination, drive, energy and persistence. Her work ethic and commitment to anything she focuses on business, Rotary or anything is absolute.

5. She has built a growing successful business from her kitchen table. The week before last, preparing a tender for a contract, she spent two nights working through the night getting three hours sleep the next two mornings. After 6 hours sleep in 48 hours. she got up and arrived to chair the weekly Rotary meeting that's leadership by example. A high sense of responsibility an essential facet of leadership as is her serious concern for people and outcomes.

6. As Vice President I never got to chair a meeting she was always here. Her work for and in Manila has been magnificent, her results enormous.

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7. This club has always had very good Presidents it's the nature of who we are. She now stands in line equally with the other 56 or so, except perhaps if we identified one in ten, that's 10%, 5 or 6 of them as the most outstanding Presidents. These are not Rotarians judged by their businesses or what they've done elsewhere, but what they did for our club as President and what the club achieved under their leadership. And we named them and we asked them to step forward, she would be one of those.

8. Cheryle, this PHF which is my great honour to bestow on you on behalf of the club signifies only little of what you have achieved in your year in office.

9.. So we convened the Exclusive Electoral College, I believe it is the only such body in the whole of the Rotary movement. By sheer coincidence the Electors are the financial members of the Rotary club of Brunswick. The ADG is not a member and cannot vote or sign the authority. Nor can the DG nor indeed the World president of R.I. because they are not member of that exclusive body the Rotary Club of Brunswick. You have been elected the Most Outstanding Rotary Club President for the South Pacific area, which includes Australasia and the Philippines

10. It is sign by all the active financial members of the RC of Brunswick 50 and under as an act of solidarity with you, Cheryle, and with each other. Older members can also sign as an indication of their respect for you in doing so much towards re-establishing the club they love so much to its former self.