



## Mark Sewell Award

Glenyce Sewell was a guest at our annual lunch at B.I.A. last week. After lunch we assembled to watch Greg and Glenyce unveil the Mark Sewell Award Honour board

After that Doug Walsh arranged for us to inspect the new Soup Van provided by the Rotary Club of Camberwell.

David Kennedy said that he and Adam were planning to do a night on the van. If there are any others preferably in pairs please let Doug know let Doug know.

## The President's report

President David reported that there is \$5,500 raised from the weekend at Rochester, which may be spent on something like food vouchers or bringing distressed wives to Melbourne for the weekend.

There will also be a calendar produced from photos taken at Rochester to be sold at \$20 each to raise further funds for the project.

David and Jason are interviewing two students with a view to recommending them for the Summer Science Experience if they are suitable.

## Changeover

Please reserve in your diary the date of the Rotary club of Brunswick Changeover.

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2009 12 noon to 3 p.m.

at Fredrick's Restaurant 980 Alexander Road, Essendon. \$60 per head

Please respond to President elect Dean Kennedy if you haven't already done so.

## District Governor's Changeover – This Saturday

To be held at the Melbourne functions Centre at 7 p.m. this Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2009.

D.G. elect Colin Muir is seeking to introduce the Rotary Year with a bumper Changeover to meet the spirit and challenge of this year's theme. \$75 per head

### "The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands"

Attending so far            Dean Kennedy Mel Kennedy  
   David Earley and Sandra

Bookings can be made up to Thursday through Dean Kennedy

## Racism in Brunswick Rotary

Surely it is a form of racism to continually identify, ridicule and outrageously fine Collingwood supporters.

A continual stream of Sergeant's bereft of any proper skills for the job, who are incapable of raising a laugh, try to cover their pathetic inadequacy by Colly-bashing. If I can quote a former President "Get a life".

Mind you this could be the time to get a good price on Collingwood to win the flag. I might have modest investment. Well you wouldn't want to back Hawthorn or Essendon unless you are a complete moron. And where's Melbourne?



## Combined Board Meeting - this Wednesday

The final Board meeting for the year is a combined meeting of the 2008/09 Board and the 2009/2010 Boards to be held in President David's Office. INLLEN, 29 Sydney Road, Coburg this Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 6 p.m.

## Where are they?

There was only one female member at last week's meeting, Karin, except for visitor Glenyce and there was only one female at the meeting the week before that, Cheryle.

It's now 14 years since our first two female members were inducted into the Club – Metta Gorway-Hayes and Rada Leeman. That was on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 1995.

Few though they may have been, the contribution of female members to the club has been significant. Also significant has been the contribution by many of the wives of Rotarians.

Metta and Rada both stayed for over seven years and were good active members. Metta in her time was Secretary and played a leading role with local young people. Rada was also very active, I recall her on club projects and tours to District Conferences as well as at meetings. There have been other female members who have contributed one way or the other.

It should not be overlooked that the wives of members have made significant contributions to the club and its activities over the years. Glenyce Sewell and Betty Luke were awarded P.H.F.s for their effort with the Pear Pick over many years; Denise Noble and Rina Paoli for their efforts with exchange students. Probably many others should have been recognised as well

In recent years there have been outstanding contributions to the Rotary Club of Brunswick from female members; Cheryle as President, and Mel and Karin as Secretary. As well as their other participation.

Our next three Presidents will be male by the look of things. Who will be beyond that?

It's not always easy for men in their middle years to contribute to Rotary, community service, sport, committees, childrens' sport. It must be harder for women. Those women with a profession or business and a family would find it more difficult.,

## District Conference

The District Conference is in Perth next year 2010 in March. My ideal would be to go by train from Sydney, flying back and spending a couple of weeks over there, but I would find it too difficult to plan that far ahead.

Maureen and I have enjoyed a number of interstate conferences, particularly when a group of us travelled together for four or so days on the way to The Gold Coast, Adelaide, Sydney and Canberra.

## Programme

Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June 2009	<b>Charter RC of Docklands 7 pm for 7.30 pm</b>	Surnac at Central Pier 161 Harbour Esplanade, Docklands
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2009	<b>Combined Board Meeting 6 pm</b>	President David's office, INLLEN 29 Sydney Road, Coburg
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> June 2009	<b>Lunchtime meeting 12.45 pm for 1 pm</b>	Bridie O'Reilly's. Guest Speaker Eric Gowers
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2009	<b>Club Project 10 am to 3 pm</b>	Jones Park playground. East Brunswick Running the BBQ from 11 am
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2009	<b>District Governor's Changeover 7 pm</b>	Melbourne Park Functions Centre
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2009	<b>NO MEETING</b>	Changeover is in lieu of this meeting
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 2009	<b>RC of Brunswick Changeover 12 noon – 3 pm</b>	Fredricks Restaurant 980 Mt Alexander Road, Essendon
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2009	<b>Lunchtime meeting 12.45 pm for 1 pm</b>	<b>DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S VISIT</b>