

# **Annual Report** 2011 - 2012 President - Tony Kuc

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ROTARY CLUB OF Mont Albert & Surrey Hills



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# Our Board and History

# MASH Board members – 2011-2012

President	Tony Kuc
Vice President	Robyn Pearson
President Elect, Director of Service Projects	Jennifer Coburn
Immediate Past President, Director of Founda-	Joe Somers
tion	
Secretary	Annette Kiernan
Treasurer	Nigel Cooper
Chair of Fundraising	Anita Galileos

#### Other Club Positions in 2011-2012

President Nominee	Michael Crichton
Sergeant	Rob Stamp
On The Radar Editors	Geraldine Battersby and Jenny Coburn
MASH News Editor	Rob Teese
Club Program and Rotary Information	Robyn Pearson
Website	Rob Teese
Certificates of Appreciation	Rob Teese
Social Media	Tony Kuc
Catering	Rosemary Knight and Geraldine Battersby
"Green Book" of club events	Tony Kuc & Robyn Pear- son

# Club Committee Chairs in 2011-2012

Community Service Committee	Anne Teese
Fund Raising Committee	Anita Galileos
International Committee	Graeme Battersby
Membership Committee	Stephen Knight
Marketing Committee	Rob Teese, Paul Gali- leos, Michael Crichton - jointly
New Generations and Vocational Committee	Fiona Kerr and Sue Pringle – jointly
Environmental Committee	Murray Neilson

# **Club Presidents**

2004 – 2005	Phillip Pearson (Charter President)
2005 – 2006	Leonie Moran
2006 – 2007	Ern Hermeler
2007 – 2008	Michael Willis
2008 – 2009	Roger Coburn
2009 – 2010	Shia Smart
2010 – 2011	Joe Somers
2011 – 2012	Tony Kuc

# **Avenues of Service Citation**

Jennifer Coburn - 2006 Robyn Pearson - 2010/2011

# Paul Harris Fellows

David Winter*	2004/2005, 2007/2008
Nicole Osner*	2004/2005 – recognised by RC Burwood, 2008/2009, 2011/2012
Robyn Pearson*	2005/2006, 2011/2012
John Maddock	2005/2006 – community recognition Box Hill Institute & Basketball Australia
Kevin Chewlun	2006/2007
Jennifer Coburn*	2008/2009 (Previous recognitions by RC Box Hill Cen- tral, District 9810, RC MASH)
Roger Coburn*	2004/2005, 2006/2007
Greg Moran	2006/2007
Leonie Moran*	2006/2007, 2009/2010
Michael Willis*	2006/2007, 2010/2011 recognised by District 9810
Geraldine Battersby	2007/2008
Graeme Battersby	2007/2008
Ern Hermeler	2007/2008
Susan Anderson – Community	2008/2009
Marilyn Lambert	2008/2009
Phillip Pearson – Charter Presi- dent	2008/2009
Joe Somers	2009/2010
Gillian Somers	2009/2010
Rob Teese*	2009/2010, 2011/2012
Anne Teese	2009/2010
Marlene Sinclain to ast masters	h both personal and club contributions
Nigel Cooper	2010/2page 3
Anita Galileos	2010/2011
Rosomary Knight	2010/2011

# Paul Harris Fellows cont...

Rob Teese*	2009/2010, 2011/2012
Anne Teese	2009/2010
Marlene Sinclair* - Toastmasters	2010/2011
Nigel Cooper	2010/2011
Anita Galileos	2010/2011
Rosemary Knight	2010/2011
Shia Smart	2010/2011
Michael Crichton	2011/2012
Annette Kiernan	2011/2012
Bev Winter – Community	2011/2012
Tony Kuc	2011/2012

The Ken Scheller Award (for a literary contribution of outstanding merit)

PDG Jennifer Coburn

2009-10 Honourable Mention for article in Rotary Down Under

#### Awards for MASH

In 2008/2009 MASH received the following awards:

#### Rotary International Awards for Membership

For highest number of members inducted For highest percentage increase in membership in the year For innovation in recruitment

#### **District 9810 Awards**

Best Club Excellence Public Relations and Marketing Vocational service: For the Migrant Information Centre Program titled "Cottage Business Development" Best Club Newsletter or Bulletin, titled "On The Radar"

In 2009/2010 MASH received the following awards:

#### **District 9810 Awards**

Best Club Newsletter or Bulletin, titled "On The Radar" Best Club Web Site

In 2010/2011 received:

#### **District 9810 Awards**

Public Relations and Marketing

# President's Report 2011-12



People often ask others in positions of responsibility "If you could turn back time, would you still have taken on this position, would you still have done what you did?". They are tough questions to answer. Personally I have never regretted the position decisions I have made – irrespective of their outcome. Philosophically, I maintain that positive thoughts result in positive actions, positive actions result in desired outcomes.

Looking back at the past 12 months as President of the Rotary club of MASH, have we as a club, and I as its president, had positive thoughts,

engaged in positive actions and attained desired outcomes? The Annual Report which you will all receive a copy of, will draw upon many examples of the positive response to these questions and I will leave the reports of Committee chairs to speak for themselves.

From my perspective, the Rotary year 2011-12 can essentially be described in phases, three defining descriptors, each bringing with it challenges and rewards – no, not 'beginning', 'middle' and 'end', but 'planned', 'unexpected' and 'expected'.

#### Planned

The 2011-12 goals were framed around the Rotary International Theme of "Reach Within to Embrace Humanity". In keeping with Kaylan Banerjee's words, this club successfully worked from the inside out. "Together we are stronger, we do more, and not only that, but when we do our work together with the people we want to be with, we do it better than we would if we were doing it alone only".

Also, "It is the unit not the individual which is the building block of the community, and hence it is the unit not the individual which is the building block of Rotary". Working from the inside out requires a lot of teamwork. While not neglecting to 'reach out' this club has successfully met the challenge to 'look within'.

#### On-going

To this end I wish to highlight firstly a selection of the on-going plans emphasising working together and from the inside out – from the individual to the team out into the community.

Primary School Speech Competition: There is nothing more satisfying than working with youth – the future adult citizens of our society. For the seventh consecutive year, the conduct of the Primary School Speech Competition was a resounding success. This required not only competent and passionate coordinators, but a club membership willing to 'be a part of it' – as indeed they were on the night. A bonus for us this year was the 'filming' of the night by Steve Pritchard of Feast Media, the subsequent posting of this record on You tube and featuring of the tape on Channel 31.

Hamilton Street Sausage Sizzles: albeit deploying a smaller team, this often forgotten activity is in many ways that which has the greatest exposure in our local community – and I personally love it! Every MASH member should engage in this at some stage or another.

There is no doubt in the mind of the local community who we are, why we are there, and how vital is the work we do. Besides, this activity IS the club's greatest fundraiser

Fiji: Our greatest impact on the international scene in the past Rotary year was the second visit by members of the club (and their families- son, wives, daughter) to Nabukera in August. With the added impact of a Rotary Matching Grant, this venture was huge, and involved other clubs' contributions and members. Through the efforts of the combined teams, the Ratu-Namesi Primary school benefitted from solar power, laptops, a library makeover and new equipment, as well as re-building of their recreation bure.

Marketing: The extent to which the club has been successfully marketed to the community has been for me a significant highlight of the past Rotary year. Michael Crichton has ensured that MASH meetings and activities have been consistently advertised in the Leader newspapers (and led to us gaining new member interest, as several people are now real live examples of this), and through the auspices of local community Radio 3WBC, MASH members have vocally passed on the messages from our club over the airwaves.

The Marketing Committee with Rob Teese stepping in as the Chair has worked cohesively as a team, ensuring that all avenues of marketing have been covered.

There have been many other on-going fund-raising, fund-giving and community service activities I could have mentioned in detail – such as on-going support for the Proactive Policing vehicle, the second production of the Alcohol and Drug Resource Booklet, Christmas Fruit Mince Pies, Easter Hot Cross Buns, the Antiques and Collectables Fair – all involving significant amounts of individual personal time and effort, and most of all teamwork.

#### New

Whilst the past year has in so many ways been one of consolidation, we have nonetheless found new ways of reaching within.

Environment: The Environment Committee produced a series of weekly tips for publication in our newsletter *On The Radar* (OTR). More significant has been the introduction of the "Tree Project" where members have, with varying degrees of success, propagated native plants from seeds to seedlings. Later in 2012, the seedlings will be planted in needy areas in the Beaufort region.

VincenPaul Sensory Garden: This local community project emanated from an on-line email query, grew to site inspection and design, succeeded in obtaining a District Simplified Grant, and came to fruition in April when the site was prepared and planted. Whilst the labour input from MASH was small, the planning was significant and the residents of the Aged Care facility will benefit for many years to come.

Alkira Bus: Through a successful grant from the local Bendigo Community Bank and our financial contribution, together with Alkira we have been successful in finding a new 42 seater bus for Alkira – with appropriate recognition of MASH's contribution through prominent signage on the bus. Another local community project.

Mont Albert Primary School Fair: A small team of MASH volunteers gave free labour support at the Mont Albert Primary School Fair in December 2011 by 'manning' the gourmet barbeque stand from late afternoon until the ending time. This was not a fund-raising venture, but a way of gaining further visibility in the local community and supporting the Primary School who so tangibly support our Antiques and Collectables Fair through the use of their Assembly Hall.

Rotaract: The Board made a clear decision to support the Whitehorse Rotaract Club in a meaningful way this past year. We established a roster for key Rotaract meetings and most of these have been attended by one or more MASH members.

Visioning: With the help of the district visioning team, the club engaged in the very important program of planning ahead. The vision statement of the club was in need of updating and every member of the club also had the opportunity, through workshops and follow up emails, of contributing to identifying priorities for future activities of the club. Coming out as the number one priority in terms of identifiable project priorities was the Young People in Aged Care financial assistance venture. I am pleased to report that the club has commenced this support with a generous donation to relevant organisations, supplemented by a guaranteed portion of the entry fees for entering the footy tipping competition.

# Unexpected

"Expect the unexpected" – a saying we have all heard. One measure of a successful club or organisation is the degree to which it copes with the unexpected. During the past Rotary year we had more than our fair share of 'unexpected' events.

Phil Pearson's longer than expected stay in Toulouse recovering from a detached retina while on an overseas trip with Robyn. How did Robyn cope once Phil was in convalescence – by conducting Rotary business via email, of course!

A club meeting in August when the President, Vice President, Past President, President Elect, and several committee chairs were all apologies (all overseas – either on the Fiji project or travelling) – the Club dispensed with the 'usual' meeting and employed the 'business dinner meeting' system instead.

Two months of 'double duty' at the Whitehorse Farmers Market – Hot Cross buns doubled up with Egg & Bacon stall and gate duty. Members coped by also doubling up – on duty time.

President Tony taking time out for 6 weeks after a triple by-pass heart surgery. Easily solved – Vice President Robyn, just short of becoming a grandmother for the first time, takes up the role of Acting President and together with Board members, the club's heart continued to tick ever stronger.

Ditto with OTR. With Geraldine's illness, Jenny (and when unavailable, Rob Teese) have maintained the standard and ensured that each week's issue is jam-packed with things members needed to know, wanted to know and didn't know but were told anyway!

# Expected

At MASH we have come to expect high quality speakers at our meetings and the past year has been no different. Walkers to weightwatchers, miners to musicians, bee-keepers to

beauticians, the range has been superbly organised by Vice President Robyn.

I believe that MASH members' expectation – that it is in giving that we receive fulfilment has been upheld. There is not one member who did not give something of themselves for some venture that this club has involved itself in over the past year. True, some have given a great deal more than their fair share, but did so willingly; others have given less visibly, but all have given.

And finally, members have come to expect the TAJ (Tony's Awful Joke) – that which everybody at meetings just loved to hate. One of my goals at the beginning of my term was to ensure that we affirm each other in some way each week, but that also we laugh together. Hence the injection of the TAJ – we use more muscles to smile than frown and laughter is literally good medicine for mind and body.

## Thanks

Has this been a successful year for MASH? I believe so. We may not have engaged in a whole host of new and huge projects, but we met budget on fundraisers and dispersed funds raised to planned recipients. We were highly visible in the community, we supported all manner of Rotary programs, attended weekly meetings in greater than average numbers.....and did it all with a smile on our face. Yes, we had a successful year.

I would like to thank every member of MASH for their support and their contributions. I quote again from the now immediate past RI President Kaylan Banerjee: "*Rotary is and always has been an organisation based on its clubs. The purpose of Rotary International is not to direct its clubs, but to connect, inform and support them. Where and how each club, and each Rotarian chooses to serve, is ultimately the decision of each one of them*".

In the context of the Board my particular thanks to Vice President Robyn for her stirling efforts as Acting President in my absence through illness and leave, and PP Joe my mentor who I turned to for wise advice, and to Jenny, Annette, Anita, Nigel (and while on the Board, Steven Knight), who collectively as Board members provided the experience and dedication to task that was so instrumental in ensuring that the club kept on an even keel.

To all, thank you for all you have done in this past Rotary year in living the Rotary theme "Reach Within to Embrace Humanity."

I wish Jenny Coburn and the Rotary Club of Mont Albert & Surrey Hills continued success in the 2012-13 Rotary year.

Tony Kuc President 2011-12

#### 2011-2012 – A Reflection on What We Have Done

# Membership 2011-12

The 2011-12 year started with 34 members, with our newest member Jill Turner, being inducted at the Changeover Dinner. It was at this same dinner, sadly, that we farewelled charter members Leonie and Greg Moran due to their relocation to an inner city apartment, having a few days earlier lost one member to retirement, another due to inability to attend for personal reasons and one for business reasons.

We suffered further two losses early in the Rotary year, both to the pressures of business commitments.

On the positive side of the ledger, however, were the inductions of 4 new members during the rotary year - Vasu in August 2011, Parijha in October 2011, Kay in February 2012 and Catherine in March 2012.

Hence, over the 2011-12 Rotary year, the club has a net gain of 2 members (according to the official statistics kept on the RI website).

We have known for some time, nonetheless, that Rosemary and Stephen Knight, having taken extended leave of absence after their relocation to the NSW coast in early 2012, but returning on several occasions, the most recent being for the Antiques and Collectables Fair in late May, would not be in the position to sustain their current membership after the conclusion of the 2011-12 Rotary year.

Early in 2012, we conducted a different approach to further promote membership with a BYOF (bring your own friend) night to correspond with the highly acclaimed "Swags for Homeless" speaker. While the night was successful we are yet to bear the fruits of tentative interest expressed by those 'friends' who attended.

Through the excellent marketing work of Michael Crichton and the Marketing team, our exposure through the Leader newspapers has been regular, resulting in a good number of membership enquiries over the year, and has been in many ways responsible for attracting our new members who followed up notices in the paper with a phone call to our club mobile. These two marketing tools – newspaper plus the 'personal touch' through follow up to phone enquiries, are proving to be our very best membership promotion tools.

The signs for the club remain healthy for further membership growth.

Tony Kuc Membership Chair

#### Electronic Media (Website, Facebook and Twitter)

Check out our web site (<u>http://www.rotarymash.org.au</u>) if you haven't already. It contains heaps of information. Rob Teese has kept the site up to date throughout the year. Earlier in the year Stephen Knight was maintaining our Facebook and Twitter presence, but President Tony Kuc took over when Stephen had a sea change. Tony has since kept entries flowing on Facebook and Twitter. Videos of the Antiques Fair and Primary Schools Speech Competition are available via the web site.

#### On The Radar (OTR)

Each week MASH members, friends and interested members of the public receive their electronic copy of our weekly newsletter. Filled with photos and reports from recent events and meetings, and information about upcoming events, OTR is a great way for members to keep abreast of MASH activities. We thank Geraldine Battersby and Jenny Coburn for their commitment to this weekly newsletter. Copies are also available on our web site.

#### **MASH Community News**

Two editions of the MASH Community News have been produced this year, with printing assistance from Anna Burke's Office, folding by Kevin Chewlun at Kwik Kopy and distribution to 7,500 homes in the Mont Albert and Surrey Hills area. Club members also assisted in distributing the MASH News to local shops. Electronic copies of the Newsletter have also been forwarded to members and friends of the club. MASH News continues to keep the community engaged with Rotary and the projects Rotary supports in the local area. Rob Teese has produced the Newsletter with assistance from Robyn Pearson and contributions received from a number of members. Copies can be seen on the web site.

#### MASH on the Radio

Thanks to Michael Crichton, we have had a spot every third Friday at 7pm on the Rotary & Community Service Radio Show on radio station, 3WBC 94.1FM. This has provided MASH with another opportunity to promote our club and our projects. Each month the program features a recent or upcoming MASH event so we can share the information with the local community. A number of members have had the opportunity to present on this show.

#### **Newspaper Promotion of Club events**

Michael Crichton has managed to get regular articles in local Leader publications and Melbourne Weekly magazine promoting upcoming events and interesting speakers. He has also managed to get entries in Royalauto magazine, community newsletters and radio spots.

#### This Month @ MASH

This monthly flyer produced by Rob Teese with input provided by Robyn Pearson sets out our speakers and activities for the month ahead. Copies are distributed at sausage sizzles and other club events with the view to promoting our activities. A copy is also added to the web site.

## **MASH Marquee**

The MASH marquee acquired towards the end of the previous Rotary year was used at every opportunity to advertise our presence at various events. The marquee is clearly marked with the Rotary wheel and the MASH name and logo. The marquee was erected at club activities including our annual winter woollies collection, the sale of Christmas Fruit Mince Pies and Hot Cross Buns at the Farmers Market, and at the Antiques and Collectables fair.

#### **Newsreel for Conference**

Rob Teese provided text and photos to the District Conference organisers regarding our tree planting project for inclusion in the Conference Newsreels.

## **Antiques and Collectables Fair**

Promotion of this great event has been very extensive. Paul Galileos designed and arranged placement of real estate boards. He also sent advertising emails to previous attendees and others from a large data base. Rob Teese organised banners and A Frames. Michael Crichton and Rob Teese arranged media coverage (Leader newspapers, The Age, Herald Sun, Royalauto, Radio 3WBC, and on-line diary listings). At the Fair we organised promotion of MASH, and Rotary generally, with an information board in the foyer and a range of brochures and flyers on the entry desk. A video of the Fair was arranged and is accessible through our web site.

#### **Community Volunteer Promotion Activities**

MASH has organised promotional stands at both the Whitehorse Spring Festival and the Whitehorse Volunteers Expo.

#### **Real Estate Welcome Packs**

The marketing team is exploring the possibility of having MASH Rotary promotion material included in real estate welcome packs.

#### Other promotional work

Our small but enthusiastic team of marketers, Rob, Paul, Michael, Joe, Robyn and Vasu have also assisted with flyers, posters, brochures, mail-outs, real estate advertising boards, on-line advertising to help promote a range of club events. We also continue to receive

promotion through the Proactive Policing vehicle. This vehicle was provided through the joint fund raising activities of MASH and the Rotary Club of Box Hill. The vehicle is regularly seen in the District and is clearly marked with the Rotary wheel and the donating clubs' names.

Rob Teese Marketing Chair 2011-2012



# **Social Activities**

There is always plenty of social interaction during dinner at the RSL after weekly meetings, and on Committee meeting nights. Working at sausage sizzles, the Antiques and Collectable Fair, Clean Up Australia Day, Whitehorse Farmers' Market, Mont Albert Christmas Fair and winter woollies sorting all provided opportunities to have a chat.

# MASH's 7<sup>th</sup> Birthday

On 25<sup>th</sup> October MASH celebrated its 7<sup>th</sup> birthday at Dumpling King in Box Hill.





# **Christmas Function**

On 20th December, Shia and Duncan Smart hosted MASH members, family and friends at their home, where we spent an enjoyable evening and of course, ate great food. A presentation was made to members Stephen and Rosemary Knight who have made a sea change to Bermagui, NSW.

# Guess Who's Coming to Dinner

Annette Kiernan had the brilliant idea that we could get to know one another better in an informal atmosphere. David & Bev Winter, Rob & Ann Stamp, and Loretta Murphy generously agreed to provide dinner to unknown guests – well, unknown until they turned up on the door step. Annette's brief was simple: "This is NOT "My Kitchen Rules".

On Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March, guests were sent a text message giving the address of their dinner location, one hour before dinner. Great fun was had by 20 members and partners who enjoyed this relaxed occasion. It was voted a resounding success. Annette, thank you for the time you took to make all the arrangements.



## **District Conference**

Shia Smart reported that over the weekend of 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> April this year's District Conference was held at Docklands, rather than in country Victoria or interstate.

The conference opened on Saturday morning, but the club still had its "traditional" Friday night club dinner. Meeting for dinner at One Thai in Balwyn meant that all club members and their partners were invited, not just those attending conference.

Rob and Anne Teese, first time conference attendees, have written the following report about keynote speakers.

The speakers covered a broad range of topics from Rotary programs to multiculturalism, the formation of the British Institute of Sport, IVF and even crime and punishment.

Many of the speakers had a link to Rotary through either being Rotarians themselves, children of Rotarians, or previous participants in Rotary programs. We also learned more about a range of great Rotary projects undertaken by other clubs.

We heard from young folk who had been in Rotary speech competitions, RYLA, Interact, Rotaract, Rotary Youth Exchange and GSE. These young people impressed us with their passion, speaking skills and their achievements. These speakers gave me confidence that our future is in good hands despite some negative media about the next generation.

Space does not permit us to cover all the speakers, but a few that impressed us were:

**George Calombaris** – the well known celebrity chef explained that despite being born in Melbourne his multi-cultural background has had a significant influence on his life and cooking.

**Marcus Godhino** – who spoke about FareShare. Currently 200,000 Victorians have inadequate food and 700,000 tons of food goes to landfill. FareShare collects some of this excess food from supermarkets, farms, restaurants etc then uses it to produce food for the needy. FareShare operates with no Government funding and relies on business donations, community assistance (including Rotary) and volunteers.

**Dr Leanda Wilton,** a previous Rotary Youth Exchange student spoke about her work at Melbourne IVF and the impact of the Youth Exchange program on her life.

**Natasha Madan**, a year 12 student, spoke enthusiastically about her school's Interact club which she started after participating in a Rotary Science forum

**Justice Lex Lasry QC,** a prominent lawyer and judge in the Supreme Court, spoke of his experiences as a defence lawyer and judge in a number of high profile criminal cases such as Mark Johnson (murderer of Carl Williams), Judy Moran, Robert Farquharson and the 'Bali Nine'.

**Jonathan Kolieb** is a lawyer committed to international conflict resolution. Jonathan was a World Rotary Peace Scholar in 2004/6 and now works at Melbourne University. He believes that world peace is achievable, but requires three 'corners' – peacemaking, peace keeping, and most importantly and often missing, peace building.

Past members Leonie and Greg Moran who live in East Melbourne kindly invited us for pre-dinner drinks and nibbles on Saturday afternoon. There we were able to change into our Saturday night attire for the Gala Dinner at the National Gallery of Victoria.

The theme this year was 'Into the Woods'. MASH members dressed as Twitchers wearing 'comfortable' attire, binoculars, cameras, and carried bird books. The entertainment provided by the 'singing waiters' was excellent and a great night was had by all.



The Twitchers

# Fundraising

The Fundraising Committee along with all club members has worked diligently throughout the year to raise funds through a number of ventures, many of which have become key projects in the club's calendar.

#### Whitehorse Farmers Market

The monthly Whitehorse Farmers Market has always been well supported by club members volunteering their time, filling rosters to man gates and run the Egg and Bacon Stall. In return, our club's share of the income from the market was \$6,395 as at the end of May 2012.



#### Weekly Sausage Sizzle

Our extremely dedicated "Tongmasters" (Graeme and Rob T) along with their steady stream of loyal helpers have established themselves as an iconic part of the Saturday morning streetscape of Hamilton Street, Mont Albert.

The commitment of our sizzlers is evident from the community support, the many happy returning customers and the weekly sell-out of sausages. This venture has proven to be an extremely successful and steady income stream for the club, raising in excess of \$10K annually.



#### The Best Baked Goods

Our Christmas Mince Pies and Hot Cross Buns projects have once again been particularly rewarding endeavours.

Despite the adverse weather in December and the Easter Sunday holiday in April, the Farmers Market proved to be a strong contributor to our sales. This was particularly evident with many shoppers from previous years commenting on the superior quality of our products.

We also received great support from other Rotary clubs with total sales exceeding 530 dozen and 300 dozen for Mince Pies and Hot Cross Buns respectively.

A very special thank-you to David Winter, MASH member and owner of Breadstreet Bakery in Hamilton Street, Mont Albert, for his ongoing support and generosity in making these projects and many others such a success.

#### Jumble Sale

A big thank you to Jenny and Roger Coburn for co-coordinating the Jumble Sale held in December 2011 at Balloons! Party! Hire! With many items donated, and the assistance of club members a total of \$1067 was raised.

#### Antique & Collectables Fair

Our 4<sup>th</sup> annual Antiques and Collectable Fair was held over 26-27 May 2012 at Mont Albert Primary School.

Despite the cold and at times very wet weather, the fair received a steady attendance over the weekend, with great feedback from stallholders and attendees. Many keen "bargain hunters" were seen snapping up some great wares.

The event would not have been possible without the seamless organisation and management by Nicole Osner along with the contributions and co-ordination of all the various sub-committees.

My thanks also go to all members that have assisted me with co-coordinating, selling and delivering much of the projects and goods throughout the year.

Anita Galileos Fundraising Chair 2011-2012



# **International Service**

This year has been relatively free of natural disasters in our region. Consequently the club's funds have not been required to the same extent as 2010-2011.

We continued to financially support a range of international projects, with total donations of approximately \$4,500.00 to Operation Cleft, Wheelchairs for Kids, ROMAC (Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children), Safe Water Saves Lives, Donations in Kind and Polio Eradication.

On 5th August 2011, MASH members Tony Kuc, Roger and Jenny Coburn, Rob Stamp, Anita Galileos and Graeme Battersby along with family members Janelle and Emily Kuc, Ann Stamp and Nathan Galileos were joined by five Rotarians from RC Hampton and one from RC Box Hill Central for the implementation of our Matching Grant Project at the Ratu Nemasi Memorial School, Yasawa-e-rara Island, Fiji. The Matching Grant of \$18,000.00 facilitated the supply and installation of computer equipment and training, solar panels, reconstruction of the school recreation shelter destroyed by cyclones and a revamp of the school library. We were all home-hosted in the village of Nabukeru, an eye-opening experience for most, particularly young Nathan who was immediately morphed into village and school life by the children of the village. As a result of this trip, other potential projects in Fiji have been identified.

Still in the South East Pacific, MASH member Mick Willis led a team of two teachers and eight apprentices from Box Hill Institute on a joint RAWCS (Rotary Australia World Community Service) and District 9810 project. The new nurses home at the Helena Goldie Hospital at Munda in the Solomon Islands, was completed. The team made a valuable and lasting contribution to the comfort of future students at the hospital. They can be justly proud of their work.

The 970 birthing kits packed by MASH members last Rotary year were not despatched to PNG until early in 2012. Depending on feedback regarding requirements in PNG this project may be reviewed and resurrected.

Many thanks are due to to International Committee members Rob Stamp, Mick Willis, and more recently Catherine, for their ongoing support.

Graeme Battersby International Chair 2011-2012

# **New Generations and Vocational**

2011-2012 has been another busy year with the New Generations and Vocational Committee being involved with various local primary and secondary schools within our area.

#### MUNA

Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA) is an initiative that commenced in Canada in 1980 to be taken up in 1997 by an Australian Rotary club. Rotary District 9810 is extremely privileged to host its MUNA in the chambers of the Legislative Assembly at the Victorian Parliament House in Melbourne.

This year MASH was fortunate to have the opportunity to sponsor two teams (two Year 11 students), one from Trinity Grammar School, Kew which represented New Zealand and the second team from Beaufort Secondary College which represented France. The Trinity team received the District Governor's award for their outstanding performance over the weekend. All participating teams are encouraged to wear costumes that represent their countries. The Beaufort team got into the spirit of this by wearing different outfits on each day of MUNA.

All participating teams were active in debating the resolutions putting forward the views of their respective nations and voting for or against resolutions based on their nation's stance. MUNA provides the participating students with a real-life insight into understanding the workings of the United Nations whilst also allowing them to build confidence in their ability to speak in a public forum.



#### **Primary School Speech Competition**

The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Primary School Competition was held at Chatham Primary School on 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2011. This outstanding evening was well attended by parents, families, peers, teachers and friends together with Rotary representatives and MASH members. Five of our local primary schools – Surrey Hills Primary, Chatham Primary, Wattle Park Primary, Robert McCubbin Primary and Our Holy Redeemer School, were represented by 10 students (two from each school). Everyone was thoroughly entertained and amazed by the confidence and presentation skills of the competitors. It is always wonderful to see and hear such young students being able to entertain a crowd of 100 people with their interesting and informative speeches.

We are also pleased that this program is now part of the literacy curriculum for these local primary schools. We are once again indebted to Toastmasters for making themselves available to judge this wonderful event.

This year's winner was Nicholas McFarlane from Chatham Primary. His speech was "The happiest moment of my life." The second place went to Holly Gilbert from Chatham Primary whose speech was "Someone I admire.." Daniel Parr from Wattle Park Primary gained

third place with his speech "Happiness is...." All participating schools are to be congratulated on their active participation in this competition.

The MASH catering team must also be congratulated on their wonderful supper which is hastily consumed at the end of this exciting event. It should be noted that this competition initiated by MASH has now been adopted as a District Program with many Rotary clubs using our model and procedures

#### Literacy Grant – Primary Schools

The New Generations and Vocational Committee presented eight local primary schools with their literacy grants of \$500 each this year. This project allows for schools to nominate their own programmes or areas of need of funds which relate to literacy for all year levels. The applications submitted by schools were fantastic with funds being sought for the purchase of new books for their libraries and classes for use by all students.

#### RYLA

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards recognises future Youth leaders and motivators who are aged between 18-26 years. Each year MASH aims to sponsor one candidate to this programme. The New Generations and Vocational committee has also considered sponsoring a team leader for future camps.

The successful candidate attends a camp in July where they interact with other people of their own age and learn to network and share ideas on how to achieve and look for opportunities to succeed through effective communication and leadership whilst building on their self-esteem and confidence. In 2011 MASH sponsored Andrew Reed from the Whitehorse Rotaract Club.

#### RYPEN

The Rotary Programme of Enrichment (RYPEN) is a three day seminar held for participants aged between 14 and 17 years. It is designed to demonstrate Rotary's commitment in vocational service for our younger generation. RYPEN covers topics such as: communication, tolerance, drugs and alcohol, police, ethics and social skills. In May 2012 MASH was pleased to sponsor Ana Tinc from Koonung Second College to attend this programme. Jarrod Thompson who MASH sponsored last year, attended this year's camp in a leadership role.

#### National Youth Science Forum

The purpose of the National Youth Science Forum is to introduce the scientist of the future to Australia's most distinguished scientists of the present and provide them opportunities to participate in group discussions and forums.

Unfortunately, MASH was not successful in finding a suitable candidate for this programme in 2011-12.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Geraldine, Gill, Phil and President Tony for their ongoing contribution and support to all the projects undertaken by the New Generations and Vocational committee. Without your assistance we would not have achieved what we have. Thank you.

Fiona Kerr & Sue Pringle Co-Chairs New Generations and Vocational Committee 2011 - 2012

# **Community Service**

#### Winter Woollies

The annual winter woollies collection was held at the May Whitehorse Farmers' Market. Market-goers were very supportive and kindly donated their unwanted woollies. After being sorted by MASH members these woollies were distributed to St Vinnie's Soup Kitchen, the Asylum Seekers Centre, CARA (nurturing & empowering young women), and other needy organisations.

#### Inala

Our relationship with Alawarra Hostel at Inala Aged Care Facility is ongoing. The residents really enjoy visits from Rotarians. At the Christmas morning tea St Luke's Primary School Choir sang carols and spoke to the residents while handing out morning tea. At the Easter morning tea the residents enjoyed a game of "pass the parcel". Once again we collected some beautifully knitted blankets which have been distributed to the needy. A blanket can brighten up someone's life. The Inala knitting program is very rewarding and beneficial to all involved. MASH provides wool to the residents, continuing this 'win win' project.

#### Swags for the Homeless

Tony and Lisa Clark came up with the idea of providing Swags which convert into a backpack for homeless people and developed this into a global prize winning program. Tony and Lisa attended our club where Lisa gave a heart warming presentation pointing out that the aim of the program is to provide shelter and save lives. The Swags allow the homeless to feel less vulnerable and to stay warm and dry when sleeping out - wherever that might be. The club provided funds for eight swags and made a presentation of knitted blankets for use with the swags.

#### Vicenpaul Aged Care Hostel

The Club was once again successful in its application for a District Simplified Grant. Funds were used to assist Vicenpaul Aged Care Hostel in Mont Albert North to transform an unsightly and little used area into a sensory garden where residents will be able to enjoy this outdoor space. Eleven Volunteers from the Procurement team of AGL and Shia Smart from our club worked hard laying Lilydale topping, filling wine barrels with potting mix and generally tidying up the area. Herbs, vegetables and flowers will be planted out by the more mobile residents – a great way for them to feel part of the garden. The club looks forward to enjoying an afternoon tea in the area in the near future.

#### Wattle Park Primary School – Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden

A donation of \$500 has been made available to the school for the purchase of blueberry bushes, a lime tree and a bay leaf tree.

#### Whitehorse Spring Festival 2011

The annual Whitehorse Spring Festival was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> October at the Whitehorse Civic Centre and MASH was again responsible for coordinating the Whitehorse cluster clubs' marquee. Show bags were filled by club members and were distributed. A Wheelchair for Kids was on display.

## **Caroline Chisholm Award**

The award recognizes volunteers within the Chisholm Electorate. The club nomination was Sandy Willis (wife of Club member Mick) who was a humble and deserving recipient of the award.

#### **Toy and Food Christmas Appeal**

bestchance Child & Family Care was very appreciative of the toys and food received from the members of our club for distribution to those in need.

#### **Rural Relationship**

We have a rewarding ongoing relationship with the Rotary Club of Beaufort. In November a number of members enjoyed a weekend in the country. The Beaufort Rotarians served a delicious dinner on the Saturday night at the Crossroads Fire Station Hall. The Beaufort Agricultural Show was on the Sunday and members helped with various tasks, assisting in the sheep shearing shed, as stewards in the pavilion, and as judges of events including junior show girl, junior show boy and beer tasting.

Anne Teese Community Chair 2011-2012



Sorting "Winter Woolies"

# **Proactive Policing Vehicle Update**

by Joe Somers

The Rotary sponsored Victoria Police Proactive Unit vehicle has been is use since 27<sup>th</sup> January 2011. Signage on the car advertises the generosity of the Rotary Clubs of Box Hill and Mont Albert & Surrey Hills who gave \$25,000 from Whitehorse Farmers Market funds.

Availability of this vehicle allows flexibility for unit members to attend meetings, presentations and security audits, including 'Look, Lock, Leave' at railway stations and shopping centres, 'Safe Plate' days at various Bunnings stores across Whitehorse, proactive youth programs and Neighbourhood Watch.

The car is regarded as an approachable community vehicle, or as a marked police car with a deterrent effect. It gets a second look at the lights! It is a fantastic talking point and can be an icebreaker, allowing people to feel comfortable approaching and interacting with the police. People say they feel safe knowing there are 'community-minded police officers'.

Anecdotally, the members of the Proactive Policing Unit (PPU) feel that the vehicle's mere presence helps reduce crime and the fear of crime across Whitehorse.

# **Environment Committee**

#### Carteret Islands Relocation ("The First Wave Project")

Working with the District 9810 Sustainable Communities Committee, we have formed a project-specific sub-committee of 11. Through this sub-committee, other groups who are working to assist the Carteret island communities have been contacted and formed an informal network to work collaboratively. The project has now been recognised as a RAWCS project.

Following approaches to Richard Marles MP, the Parliamentary Secretary for Pacific Island Affairs, we have learned that \$2 million of AusAid will now be released to the government of Bougainville to build houses for the Islanders. It is expected that there will be many items beyond the scope of the AUSAid funding for which Rotary can help, such as an outboard motor for a fishing boat so that they can return to their fishing grounds.

## **Tree Project**

MASH is coordinating a District trial including Rotary Clubs of Doncaster and Waverley. The project involves nurturing seedlings of selected species for planting in a nominated environment, which we have arranged with the RC of Beaufort for later in 2012.

Significantly, each of the clubs has organised the first stage (seed planting) differently, but all have experienced a highly rewarding social atmosphere with the same collective enthusiasm. It is proving a high fellowship value within each club.

#### **Clean Up Australia Day**

Thanks to the sterling efforts of nine MASH members on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March, we can report that Kingsley Gardens is in great shape! Another successful event.



## **Energy Tips**

Our District committee produced a large list of "Energy Tips" with a highlighted "Top Ten" for the District web site. Over several weeks we included information for MASH members in 'On The Radar'.

#### **District Sustainable Communities Committee**

We have extended our close relationship and involvement with the District 9810 Sustainable Communities Committee with both our committee members (Ern and Murray) on the District Committee. This enabled project coordination with a greater reach and scope of projects in partnership with other clubs. In keeping with our Rotary values, we prepared an article for the June edition of Rotary Downunder challenging our use of energy and resources.

Murray Neilson Environment Committee Chair 2011-2012



Nigel's emerging forest

Joe's seedlings well protected

# **Financial Statements**

#### Treasurer – Nigel Cooper

I am pleased to present a copy of the club's Financial Statements for the 11 months to 31/5/12. Audited accounts will be provided after the conclusion of the 30/6/12 financial year.

Once again we have raised funds on a regular and well organised basis. Our Fundraising account has a balance of \$28,216 after funds donated of \$20,986. A further \$2,926 has been donated from our Farmers' Market funds.

Since 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2012 the Board has approved a further \$9,980 in donations increasing our total funds donated to \$33,892 for the year – refer table below.

Net funds raised to date total \$39,999, including \$6,395 from the Farmers' Market.

Our Administration account has a balance of \$16,370, which includes \$10,297 held on term deposit and could be used towards fundraising donations if required.

The deficit of \$4,650 in the Administration account is as a result of a timing difference where we collected membership fees and centurion donations for this year in the previous financial year. After adjustment this would have resulted in a surplus of \$1,740.

Total funds on hand are \$36,395 and with a balance of \$7,868 held in the Farmers' Market account. We are holding \$11,659 more than that of 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011. The additional donations since approved by the Board means we expect to end up with an overall surplus of \$2,500 at year's end.

Details by account are shown in the following table:

Bank accounts as at 31/5/12	ADMIN	FUND	TOTAL
		\$28,11	\$44,43
Community Bank Account	\$16,320		6
	\$	\$	\$
Petty Cash	50	100	150
		\$28,21	\$44,58
Closing Bank Balances	\$16,370	) 6	6
Funds at Beginning of Year 30/6/11	\$21,020	\$15,37 ) 5	\$36,39 5
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	- \$	\$12,84	
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Overall the financial position of our Club remains very strong.

**Farmers' Market** – since the commencement of the Farmers' Market in 2005 our share of profits from this has been in excess of \$36,000.

This year we have distributed \$2,926 for Drug and Alcohol booklets to schools leaving us with a current balance of \$7,869.

#### **Major Fundraising Activities**

During the year and the net amounts raised from these are:

Antique Fair	\$ 5,200
Hot Cross Buns	\$ 4,104
Mince Pies	\$ 7,493
Sausage Sizzle	\$ 9,894

#### **Distribution of Funds Raised**

The table below shows the beneficiaries of our club's fundraising activities during the year. Funds Donated for 11 months to 31/5/2012

	\$
Aqua Box	480
Australian Rotary Health	1000
Autism Behavioural Institute	500
Birthing Kits	600
Blue Ribbon Donation	100
Citizenship Awards	150
Contribution to Rotary Foundation	3600
DEBRAA VIC	1000
District Governor's Project	200
Defying the Drift	1000
Disaster Aid	800
Donations in Kind	500
Inala	260
MND Association	500
MUNA	1380
Neighbourhood Houses	2000
Operation Cleft	1000
Professional Writing Scholarship	1000
RI Polio plus Challenge	400
RAWCS Admin acc	300
ROMAC	500
Rural Relations	200
Rypen	200
Schools Drug & Alcohol Booklets	2926
Schools Dictionaries/Literacy Grants	3500
Sensory Garden	1492
Safe Water Saves Lives	1000
Swags for Homeless	544
The Science Experience	220
Tree Project	522
Young People in Aged Care	5000
Wheelchair for Kids	1000
Whitehorse Spring Festival	18

#### TOTAL FUNDS DONATED

# Farmers' Market Account

Farmers' Market	account		Actual	Budget
Opening balance		30/6/11	\$4,399.59	\$4,399.59
Income to	May,2012		\$6,395.24	\$8,000.00
Sub Total			\$10,794.83	\$12,399.59
Expenditure				
Drug & Alcohol B	Booklets		\$2,926.00	
Budgeted donation	on			\$1,700.00
Balance of Fund	s	30/5/12	\$7,868.83	\$10,699.59

# Profit & Loss for Fundraising Account to 31 /5/2012

Income	11 months Actual 2011/12	Full Year 2010/11
Antique Fair	6494	5820
AFL Competition	390	0
Bendigo Bank	1355	2420
District Simplified Grant	805	4000
Ebay proceeds	0	1050
Emergency Medical books	0	34
Hot Cross Buns	4104	3619
Interest Income	270	548
Jumble Sale	1067	-
Mince Pies	7493	6065
Miscellaneous	0	33
Mont Albert Festival	587	10053
Open Gardens	0	480
Polio Badges	78	0
Raffle	117	0
Sausage Sizzles	9894	10139
Sergeants Fines	950	879
Wizzpegs for Joyville	0	10
TOTAL INCOME	33604	45150
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OUTGO	\$	\$
Alkira	0	701
Aqua Box	0	1500
Autumn Festival	300	0
Autism Behavioral Institute	500	0
Bank Fees	205	340
Birthing Kits	600	702
Blue Ribbon Donation	100	0
Christmas Cards	26	0
Christchurch Earthquake	0	5000
Citizenship Awards	150	200
Contribution to ARHRF	0	1000
Contribution to Rotary Foundation	3600	4000
DEBRAA Vic	1000	1000
Defying the Drift	1000	0
Disaster Aid	0	1600
District Governors Project	200	0
Donations In Kind	500	800
Fiji Matching - Grant	0	1020
Flood Relief VIC and QLD	0	6568
Inala	260	653
Japan Appeal	0	2000
MND Association	500	500
MUNA	1380	1442
Neighbourhood Houses	500	1744
NYSF	0	2240
Operation Cleft	326	191
Pakistan Appeal	0	2317
Professional Writing Scholarship	1000	0
RI Polio Plus Challenge	400	350
RD9810 Fistula Fund	0	1000

# Profit & Loss for Fundraising Account to 31 /5/2012 cont...

<b>OPERATING PROFIT/LOSS 2010/11</b>	12841	-4,819
TOTAL OUTGO	20763	49969
Winter Woolies	20	330
Whitehorse Spring Festival	18	0
Wheelchairs for Kids	439	1300
Unmasked	0	1000
Tree Project	218	0
The Science Experience	220	110
Swags for Homeless	544	0
Sponsorship - RYPEN	0	360
Sponsorship - RYLA	0	650
Sponsorship - BHI	0	1000
Speech Competition	265	212
Solomon Islands Project (RAM)	0	740
Shelterbox	0	884
Sensory Garden	1492	0
Schools Drug & Alcohol Booklets Schools Dictionaries/Literacy Grants	0 3500	2415 0
Safe Water Save Lives	500	0
Rural Relations	200	3800
ROMAC	500	0
RAWCS	300	300

# **Profit & Loss For Administration Account to 31/5/2012**

		Full Year
	11 months 2011/12	2010/11
Income	\$	\$
Centurion Fund Contributions	200	2200
Changeover Dinner	59	3311
Christmas Party	170	0
Club Shirts/Badges	20	0
Friends of Rotary Fees	250	300
GSE Dinner	660	648
Interest	672	724
Meeting Monies	5840	6646
Members Subscriptions/Joining Fees	4075	14560
Social Functions	0	135
Sundry	120	0
TOTAL INCOME	12066	28524
OUTGO	\$	\$
Advertising Costs	558	289
Allowances - President	200	48
Asset Purchases	411	5587
Bank charges & Merchant Fees	5	3
Centurion Fund	1300	1100
Changeover Costs	4457	4509
Club Member training	50	0
Club Planning	0	350
Christmas Party	0	114
District 9810 Assembly Fees	319	304
Donations to BHI	0	3500
Birthday Expenses	45	0
Family of Rotary Support Expenses	0	200
Functions - RC Dinners	0	332
Gifts	82	350
GSE Functions	660	576
Marketing	0	179
New Member Kits	297	0
Membership Expenses	130	348
PETS	155	150
Post Office Box Rental	93	86
RI District 9810 Levy	3664	4634
RI Fees	2042	2742
Rotary Down Under Levy	1141	1253
Secretarial and Sundry Expenses	436	250
Shirts and Badges	391	230
Speech Competition	0	0
Tea and Coffee	160	125
Transfers	0	0
Website Expenses	119	247
Whitehorse Spring Festival	119	465
TOTAL OUTGO	16716	27741
OPERATING PROFIT/LOSS 2010/11		
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# Guest Speaker Programme 2011-2012

28th June	Participants in two Rotary programs sponsored by MASH, reporting back:	
	Chloe Yap & Tom Gross	National Youth Science Forum
	Kiri McGarth & Jarod Thompson	Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment
5th July	Brad Kyle	Road to Santiago, Spain - 800 km walk
	Kallen Johnstone	Recipient 2011 Box Hill Institute MASH scholarship for Professional Writing and Editing Course
12th July	Peter Cummins	National Stroke Foundation
19th July	Committee Meetings	
26th July	Mick Willis, Shane Wright	Construction of Nursing Station in the Solomons
2 <sup>nd</sup> August	Colin Stucley	Bioenergy for electricity and transport fuels www.enecon.com.au
9 <sup>th</sup> August	Dr Jeannette Kavanagh	Reading the Text www.drjeannettekavanagh-and- daughter.com/
16 <sup>th</sup> August	Social night	
23 <sup>rd</sup> August	Committee Meetings	
30 <sup>th</sup> August	Primary Schools Speech Com	petition
6 <sup>th</sup> September	Pamela Sutton-Legaud	Zoos Victoria Foundation
13 <sup>th</sup> September	3 finalists from Primary Schools Speech Contest	
	Report from MASH members	who travelled to Nabukera, Fiji
20 <sup>th</sup> September	Committee Meetings	
27 <sup>th</sup> September	District Governor Juliet Riseley	y's visit
4 <sup>th</sup> October	Dr Kate Miles-Smith	Mathematics of Aging
11 <sup>th</sup> October	Club Visioning session	
18 <sup>th</sup> October	Committee Meetings	
25 <sup>th</sup> October	MASH's 7 <sup>th</sup> Birthday at Dumpling King, Box Hill	

1 <sup>st</sup> November	No meeting (Melbourne Cup Day)		
8 <sup>th</sup> November	Naomi Baulch	Bionic Ear Institute	
	MASH Annual General Meeting		
16 <sup>th</sup> November (Wednesday)	Whitehorse cluster Rotary Foundation meeting		
22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Committee Meetings		
29 <sup>th</sup> November	Judy Leibel	Proactive Policing (vehicle purchased by RC MASH and RC Box Hill)	
6 <sup>th</sup> December	Club Assembly		
13 <sup>th</sup> December	Andrew Reed	RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award)	
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Function		
10 <sup>th</sup> January 2012	Barbeque and tennis night		
17 <sup>th</sup> January	Leon Moore	"Stroke-a-chord"-choir	
24 <sup>th</sup> January	Vocation visit to Box Hill Police Station		
31 <sup>st</sup> January	Amber Whelan	Interior design – From the inside out	
7 <sup>th</sup> February	Various presenters (guest speaker unable to attend)		
14 <sup>th</sup> February	Committee Meetings		
21 <sup>st</sup> February	Lisa Clark	Swags for the Homeless, www.swags.org.au	
28 <sup>th</sup> February	Ken Wall	ABC Dreams programme	
6 <sup>th</sup> March	Ken Muir	Tunnel Engineer	
13 <sup>th</sup> March	Kate Brady	Psychosocial Recovery Following Emergencies	
20 <sup>th</sup> March	Committee Meetings		
27 <sup>th</sup> March	Jennifer Elliott	One Diet Does Not Fit All	
3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Rob & Anne Teese	Group Study Exchange	
	Kay Dunn	Following your Dreams	
10 <sup>th</sup> April	Committee Meetings		
17 <sup>th</sup> April	Group Study Exchange Team from Texas dinner hosted by RC Box Hill at Box Hill Golf Club		

24 <sup>th</sup> April	Mike Jackson	3 Million Smiles and still travelling
1 <sup>st</sup> May	Vanessa Kwiatkowski & Mat Lumalasi	Melbourne Rooftop Honey project
8 <sup>th</sup> May	Keith Maxwell	Conflict Resolution, Ongoing Change
15 <sup>th</sup> May	Committee Meetings	
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Club Assembly	
29 <sup>th</sup> May	Winter Woollies sorting	
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Br Paul Smith	Teacher development in PNG
12 <sup>th</sup> June	Leo McPhee	Time to Unlock the Myths of Purchas- ing Your Next Piece of Jewellery
19 <sup>th</sup> June	Pat Armstrong	Cateret Islands
29 <sup>th</sup> June	Changeover Dinner	

Robyn Pearson Programme 2011-2012

# Our Membership and Statistical History

#### Rotary Club of Mont Albert & Surrey Hills was chartered in October, 2004

Membership	at charter	28
	1 July 2005	28
	1 July 2006	31
	1 July 2007	32
	1 July 2008	32
	9 June 2009	47
	1 July 2010	43
	14 June 2011	38
	10 June 2012	36

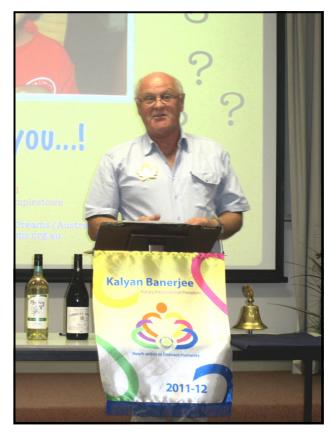
#### Membership of Club as at 10 June, 2012 - included 13 of the Charter members

Geraldine Battersby (Charter) Graeme Battersby (Charter) Kevin Chewlun (April 2005) Jennifer Coburn (Charter) Past District Governor, President Nominee 2012-13 Roger Coburn (Charter) Past President Nigel Cooper (August 2007) Michael Crichton (January 2010) Jeremy Desmier (June 2007) Catherine Dodgshun (March 2012) Kay Dunn (February 2012) Anita Galileos (November 2008) Paul Galileos (November 2008) Ern Hermeler (Charter) Past President Fiona Kerr (September 2008) Annette Kiernan (June 2009) Andreas Klieber (May 2008) Rosemary Knight (April, 2008) Stephen Knight (April, 2008) Tony Kuc (December 2005) President Elect 2011-12 Loretta Murphy (October 2005) Murray Neilson (Charter) Nicole Osner (Charter) Past President Philip Pearson (Charter) Past President Robyn Pearson (Charter) Past President Susan Pringle (November 2008) Vasu Ranganathan (August 2011) Parijha Selvan (October 2011) Shia Smart (Charter) Past President Gillian Somers (Charter) Joseph Somers (Charter) President 2010-11 Rob Stamp (November 2008) Anne Teese (May 2006) Rob Teese (May 2006) Jill Turner (July 2011) Michael Willis (April 2005) Past President David Winter (Charter)

# International Recognitions for 2011 – 2012

Rotary Club of New York, USA Rotary Club of Orkney, Northern Scotland Rotary Club of Paris, France Rotary Club of Grenoble, South eastern France Rotary Club of Nadi, Fiji Rotary Club of Suva, Fiji Rotary Club of Brue Valley, Somerset Copenhagen International Rotary Club (CIRC), Denmark Rotary Club of Cape Town, South Africa Rotary Club of Bangkok, Thailand Rotary Club of Cardiff, Wales Rotary Club of Johannesburg, South Africa Rotary Club of Sunderland, UK Rotary Club of North Pole, Alaska Rotary Club of Tauranga, New Zealand Rotary Club of Singapore Rotary Club of Londonderry, Northern Ireland Rotary Club of Honiara, Solomon Islands Rotary Club of Savannah, Georgia USA Rotary Club of Auckland, NZ Rotary Club of Dublin Fingal, Ireland Rotary Club of Oakland, California Rotary Club of Belfast, Northern Ireland Rotary Club of Alexandria, Eygpt Rotary Club of Oxford, UK

Rob Stamp Sergeant 2011-2012



# And our thanks go to our sponsors and supporters ....

#### (in alphabetical order)

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for the supply of materials for club events, truck for cartage and barbeque for weekly sausage sizzle

#### Bendigo Community Bank – Surrey Hills Branch

Literacy Grants, support of Alkira bus, and banking rebates

#### **Box Hill Institute of TAFE**

for allowing the Club to use rooms at its Nelson Campus for the weekly meetings

#### **BreadStreet Bakery**

for support of a diverse range of fund raising activities and our committee meeting catering

#### Chatham Primary School

for the use of the school hall for the Primary Schools Speech Competition

#### **City Of Boroondara**

for ongoing good relationship

#### **City of Whitehorse**

for ongoing good relationship in many areas, including the Farmers Market

#### **David Freeman of Amanda Addams Auctioneers**

for doing market appraisals at our Annual Antiques and Collectables Fair

#### **Fletchers Real Estate**

for providing billboards promoting our Rotary events

#### **Global Wise Travel**

Greg & Helen Wragg for their organisation of travel and other arrangements for the Fiji volunteering trip

#### Hon Anna Burke – Federal Member for Chisholm

for providing the paper and for printing of the MASH Community Newsletter for each of the three editions during the year

#### Kwik Kopy Burwood

for creating artwork, for printing many of the Club's promotional material, and for printing this Annual Report

#### Mont Albert Primary School

for the use of the school hall for the Antiques and Collectables Fair

#### New Litho Pty Ltd

Paul Daly for printing Alcohol & Drug Resource Booklet

#### Oscar Brown's: From Antique to Retro and Beyond

for assistance in the organising of the Antiques and Collectables fair

#### **Steve Pritchard of Feast Media**

for video and preparation of You Tube videos for the club

#### **Steven Wells**

for designing the sensory garden at Vincenpaul Hostel, Mont Albert North

#### Victoria Police Whitehorse Proactive Policing Unit

for their continued good work in the community, their co-operation with the Rotary movement, and for their willingness to support Rotary events

# 1<sup>st</sup> Mont Albert Scout Group

for allowing us to use part of their outdoor space to house our shipping container that is our club's storage facility



. and farewell from President Tony



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