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ROTARY CLUB OF FERN TREE GULLY 50TH ANNIVERSARY 2013

President, Rotary International - SAKUJI TANAKA & Kyoko,

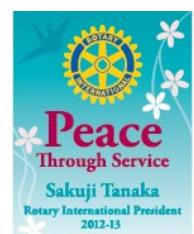
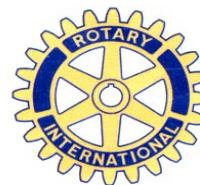
Rotary Club of Yashio, Saitama, Japan

District Governor, Dist. 9810 – BRIAN MARTIN & Sue,

Rotary Club of Box Hill Central

President, Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully – GRAEME ASPINALL

Benefactor, Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully – IVAN GIGOVIC, Vale: August 2003





**THE ROTARY CLUB OF
FERN TREE GULLY INC.,
2012-2013**



The Board

PRESIDENT	-	Graeme Aspinall
PRESIDENT ELECT	-	TBA
SECRETARY	-	John Flemming
TREASURER	-	Enid Hughes
PAST PRESIDENT	-	Enid Hughes
COMMUNITY	-	Julie Goodchild
VOCATIONAL	-	Phil Walters
INTERNATIONAL	-	Paul McAloney
NEW GENERATIONS	-	Greg Downes

Office Bearers

FOUNDATION	-	Robert Dawson
MEMBERSHIP & MARKETING	-	Graeme Aspinall
FELLOWSHIP	-	Fran Mandergeddes
PROGRAM	-	Mike Spark
BULLETIN EDITOR	-	Enid Hughes
Aus. Rotary Health	-	Graham Faulkner

THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do :-

- Is it the **TRUTH**?
- Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



PAST PRESIDENTS :

1963-64	HALL Frank	1989-90	FREGON John
1964-65	THOMSON Ken	1990-91	VIZE Stuart
1965-66	CLARKE * Harold	1991-92	ADAMS Brian
1966-67	MARTIN Laurie	1992-93	WYLIE * Peter
1967-68	ELDRIDGE Jeff	1993-94	ASPINALL Graeme
1968-69	RUSSELL Harry	1994-95	MOORE Robert
1969-70	CHAPPILL Geoff	1995-96	WILLINGHAM Ed
1970-71	COOK Duncan	1996-97	EDMUND Hilton
1971-72	CASTRICUM * John and MILLER Ken	1997-98	SPARK Mike
1972-73	LANGFORD * Greg	1998-99	FLEMMING John
1973-74	de JONGE Lawrence	1999-2000	OGLE Tony
1974-75	CRANE * Reeve	2000-01	YEATS Sandy
1975-76	BROWN John	2001-02	HALL Marilyn (First Woman President).
1976-77	FOSTER Ken	2002-03	McALONEY Paul
1977-78	CALLAHAN * Jack	2003-04	DAWSON Rob
1978-79	MILLER Ken	2004-05	MANDERGEDDES Fran
1979-80	RICHARDS John	2005-06	WALTERS Phil
1980-81	BEASLEY * Royce	2006-07	GOODCHILD Julie
1981-82	SHORTER Barry	2007-08	ASPINALL Graeme
1982-83	BOSCOTT Bob	2008-09	FAULKNER Graham
1983-84	BARUDAY George and DASBOROUGH Don	2009-10	LINCOLN Merv.
1984-85	MITCHELL * Ron	2010-11	LINCOLN Merv
1985-86	HURST Robert	2011-12	HUGHES Enid
1986-87	GLADWIN Bill		* Have "Passed on to meet Paul HARRIS".
1987-88	ELLIOTT John		
1988-89	GUINEY * David		

FIRESIDE MEETING—14th January, 2012

Our second fireside meeting for the year, hosted by Jill and Paul Wilson, was even more successful than the first. A number of partners were there to catch up with friends and news. Great night!



L to R:
Marj and Rob Dawson,
Graham Faulkner and
Virginia Rutledge

L to R:
Paul McAloney Mike
and Wendy Spark,
Anne & John Flemming
Jill Wilson
Backs to camera :
Bob & Marg Hurst



Photo taken from a high point in Paul's garden

UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Monday 4th Feb [6:30 for 7:00]	Monday 11th Feb [6:30 for 7:00]	Monday 18th Feb [6:30 for 7:00]	Monday 25th Feb [6:30 for 7:00]
Venue:	Knox Tavern	Knox Tavern	Knox Tavern	Knox Tavern
Program:	Committee Meeting	A Year in Germany	TBA	TBA
Speaker:	N/A	Damien Croke		TBA
Committee Subject	TBA	N/A	N/A	N/A
Chairman:	Phil W	Greg D	Mike S	Bob H
Cashiers:	Julie G & Bob H	Fred M & Rahul M	Angela L & Fran M	Paul McA & Virginia R
Grace & Toast:	Greg D	Julie G	Bob H	Phil W
Rotary Knowledge	Rob D Free Choice		Enid H District Simplified Grants	Paul McA Rotary Foundation Global Grants
Sergeant-At-Arms:	Virginia R	Virginia R	Rahul M	Rahul M
Scribe:	Paul McA	Paul W	Rob D	Angela L



<i>Birthdays:</i>	None
<i>Wedding Anniversaries:</i>	None
<i>Induction to R.C. of F.T.G</i>	None

Cambodian CHILDRENS TRUST

Roua Family Update: January 2013

Thanks to your support, since we have met the Roua family we have watched them progress in leaps and bounds, finally finding themselves in a position to fully support themselves independently from CCT.

Despite Ganya's difficult start in life she has come a long way from the child who ran away from home at age 11. She has blossomed into a loving mother and daughter and quite the savvy business woman! Her business is going through somewhat of a renaissance and proudly she is able to provide for her family. She is still in constant contact with her mother and now has a close bond with her siblings. Her husband, Borng, is also a hard worker and helps his wife when needed with her business and he is saving the money he earns to purchase a new motorcycle.

Ganya and Borng's children are all happy and healthy and attend the local schools, where they study in both Khmer and English, which has meant their English skills have improved immeasurably. Their youngest daughter, Viritha is now attending school and learning English too. Her brothers and sisters are happy to share her favourite song "A is for apple, A-P-P-L-E" with anyone who will listen!

On behalf of the Roua Family, and of CCT, thank you for your continued support bringing a brighter future into their lives.



President Alfred Sung
from the
Rotary Club of Wheelers Hill

Invites President: Graeme, Members & Partners
from the Rotary Club Fern Tree gully
to our combined Dinner Meeting
On Wednesday 27 February 2013.
To welcome our Districts
Group Study Exchange Team
from Malaysia.

At the Mulgrave Country Club
Wellington Rd
Wheelers Hill,
6.30 for 7pm
\$30ph plus Drinks
RSVP no later than 17 February 2013
with numbers attending

to
Paul Isaac
Ph 95613640
E-mail: rpmisaac@bigpond.com

Wanted: Sustainable Product Developer



This cushion was designed and made by one of our volunteers in Australia. An awesome cushion and great musical taste we think.

In order to speed up the product development process we are now looking for a "Sustainable Product Developer" to join our team in Cambodia.

Teaching Demonstration Classes



Part of our Child Friendly School project is organizing teaching demonstration classes. These classes bring all

teachers from different classes together to review teaching methods, provide feedback among each other and learn from each others experiences.

These classes help to improve the quality of education in the Poipet community and build capacity among teachers.

Saying Goodbye



We are sad to say goodbye to Anna Jolly this month. After being our loved volunteer engagement manager for a year,

she'll be moving to Phnom Penh to build capacity among local staff at a large Khmer NGO.



Anna has a real passion about development and Cambodia and we are happy that she'll stay in Cambodia to help disadvantaged and impoverished people elsewhere. Good luck Anna!

Learning from the past, planning for the future

As you might know, CFC's latest project is our Child Friendly Schools project. This project will run for 3 years and now encompasses 5 schools in the Poipet community (originally four). This project aims to build the capacity of school teachers and directors, improve learning facilities and actively involve the community in school activities.

Future CFS activities will focus on increasing teacher and school director motivation, improving teaching and management skills, and actively involving the Poipet community with the target schools. Please visit our website for more information and consider supporting this project by making a contribution.

Finally, we hope that you had a fantastic ending of 2012 and that 2013 will bring you many memorable moments. We will keep working to break the poverty cycle in Poipet and are looking forward to your continued support!

Our mailing address is:
info@carpetsforcommunities.org

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DISTRICT 9810 STAMP FUND 2012/13

The beneficiary of the proceeds of the stamp fund this Rotary year will be the **"Cathy Freeman Fund for Indigenous Youth.**

In Cathy's words---- "Every Indigenous child deserves the right to reach their potential and achieve their gold medal moment in life."

Cathy started the Foundation in 2007 and is deeply committed to the community of Palm Island and the future of its people. Currently, 90% of Palm Island children fall below the minimum standard of literacy for their age group.

The Foundation is committed to establishing an effective model of educational support to Palm Island and, once established, with lasting, positive outcomes, the aim is to introduce this model to Indigenous communities across Australia – inspiring a change of culture and a brighter future for all through participation in education.

With your help – your philatelic garbology – we can actually assist Cathy and make a difference.

DISTRICT 9810 -- STAMP FUND 20011/12

The number of contributors has grown enormously during the past few years, both in our own District and from Clubs interstate.

Not only Rotary Clubs but Inner Wheel Clubs and Probus Clubs.

Numerous hospitals, medical clinics, local Councils, local shopkeepers, CFA, local factories, just to mention a few.

Many individuals now send just a small envelope, perhaps once a month, they all help enormously.

TOTAL RAISED THIS YEAR \$5031.80 !

For any enquiries – phone Carroll on 9500-0140



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

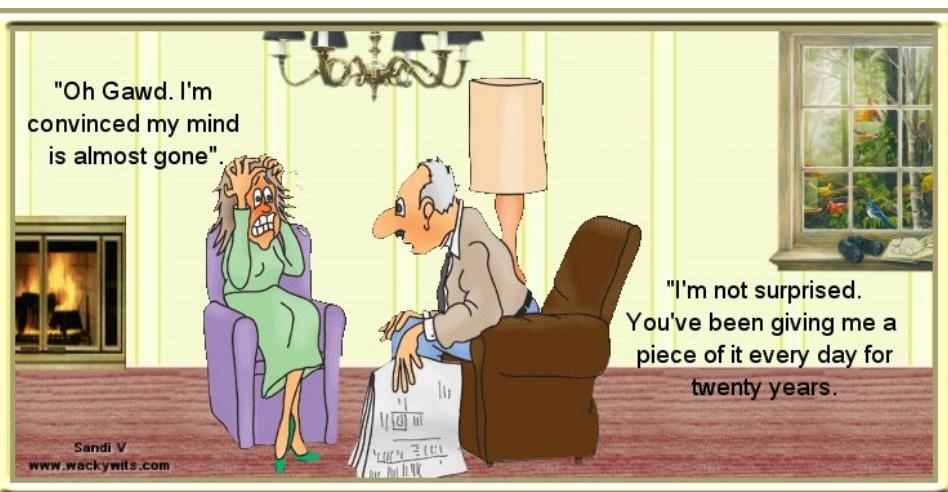
Congratulations to our fellow Rotarian Robert Dawson, O.A.M. Rob was awarded an Order of Australia Medal on Australia Day, for service to the community as a volunteer. As we are all aware, Rob gives much of his time to the Puffing Billy Preservation Society; in fact, it's been more than fifty years. It has been the many years of volunteering that encouraged someone to put his name forward for this award. Will this change Rob? I think not. When you receive your lapel pin Rob—wear it with pride! Congratulations once again.

Now that the holiday season is behind us the club still has much to do before completing this Rotary year. At our Board Meeting I would like to see some goals set for the remaining part of the year. At our committee meeting, all club members have the opportunity to put forward their thoughts and ideas for Club involvement. So let's have a productive committee meeting!

Next Meeting (11th February), Damien Croke, our outbound exchange student, recently returned from Germany will be the main speaker for the evening, addressing the club and bringing us up to date on his activities over the past year. This will be an opportunity for **partners** to also attend and learn more about what Rotary's Youth Exchange program has done, and is doing, for our youth.

See you all at Rotary.

Graeme Aspinall
President



WHAT'S ON IN DISTRICT 9810

THUR 14 FEB

Monash A & B, and Knox Clusters NEW GENERATIONS DINNER MEETING

Hosted by RC Monash,

Contact:

Alan Bamford Tel : **0414 187 796**

WED 27 FEB

Central Cluster

D9810 GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE DINNER WITH D3300 MALAYSIA.

Contact: Rotary Club of Wheelers Hill

FRI 22 MAR

7:30 pm

**The RC of Box Hill Central
presents a
Gala Charity Concert
featuring
The Victoria Police Show band and Pipe band**

Bookings:

9262 6555