



Rotary Club of Murray Bridge

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2008/09 President: Sam Cozens Secretary: Jerry Wilson



Bulletin

<p>ADVANCE AUSTRALIA FAIR Australians all let us rejoice For we are young and free We've golden soil and wealth for toil Our home is girt by sea Our land abounds in nature's gifts Of beauty rich and rare In history's page let every stage Advance Australia fair In joyful strains then let us sing Advance Australia Fair</p>	<p>THIS WEEK:</p> <p>TOPIC: SPEAKER: CHAIR: FELLOWSHIP: RESERVE: INVOCATION: National Anthem:</p>	<p>Meeting No 2808 5/5/09 School of St Jude Gemma Sisia John Whimpress Musekiwa Mafara, Kevin Male Peter MacCulloch Musekiwa Mafara Kevin Male</p>
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<p>LAST WEEK ATTENDING: 39, 86.6 % APOLOGIES: H Beauchamp, K Male, G Peake, B Frazer, P MacCulloch, W Jackson, G March, G Wilson, C Jarvis, B Murdoch LOA: S Smart.; Makeups; G Fischer, N Gleeson, P Macculloch, D Mellen, B Nicholson; AWC; K Prosser; Visiting Rotarians: J Burgess, B Rainey GUESTS: Natalie Hay, Kerry Wilson HEADS & TAILS: B Thomson RAFFLE: J Whimpress</p>	<p>INVOCATION: For good food, good fellowship, and the opportunity of service through Rotary, we give thanks.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>The Four Way Test</u> Of the things we think, say or do: Is it the truth? Will it build better goodwill & relationships? Will it be beneficial to all concerned? Is it fair to all concerned?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Thought for the week: By the time a man is wise enough to watch his step, he's too old to go anywhere. <i>Billy Crystal</i></p>
<p>BIRTHDAYS: x ANNIVERSARIES: x</p>	

Calendar Draw

21/4/09	Won by	#	Sold by
\$100.00	J Hopkins	389	M Whitehead
\$30.00	A Broughton	078	Lawn Tennis Club
\$20.00	C Searle	796	MBHS

NOTICE BOARD

- The incoming exchange student for the 2009/10 year will be **Emil Melgaard** from Denmark. Jim Mason will be his counsellor and host families are wanted. Bev & Trevor Curtis are the first host family. See Jim.
- **Carpets for Communities** have a range of carpets produced by families in Cambodia on sale at our Club Meeting on May 12th. The proceeds of these sales returns directly to help very poor families in Cambodia afford to send their children to school on a regular basis. There is a wide range of colour combinations and carpet sizes available. This will be a good opportunity for our members to make a difference directly with the recipients of our monies, and in return receive a useful item and a photo of the family being helped.
- Ron Lehmann advises that the initial meeting of the **MURRAY BRIDGE PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP** will be held on Thursday 7th May 2009 at Our Wellbeing Place, 108 Swanport Road Murray Bridge at 7.30. Enquiries to 85323277.
- Our **RYLA** awardees for this year are Ryan Hage and Leesa-Marie White who will be speaking to the club on 12th May. On 19th May Caitlin Hobbs will be speaking to the club on her experience at the Murray-Darling School of **Freshwater Research**.
- **Rotary Program of Enrichment (RYPEN)** presentation evening, on the 26th of May, 2009. Each of the RYPEN participants, Annalisa Mertin, Jasmin Milton, Nicky-May Mounce & Renay Persello will be presented with their Certificates of Attendance and will give a three minute talk on their personal experience at the RYPEN camp.

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PROGRAM

NEXT WEEK: TOPIC: SPEAKER: CHAIR: FELLOWSHIP: RESERVE: INVOCATION: National Anthem	12/5/09 Youth Exchange Constantin Pixa Gary Fischer Don McLean, Garry March Jim Mason Don McLean Garry March PARTNERS' NIGHT	FOLLOWING WEEK: TOPIC: SPEAKER: CHAIR: FELLOWSHIP: RESERVE: INVOCATION: National Anthem	19/5/09 Youth Exchange Constantin Pixa Gary Fischer Dave Mellen, Brenton Nicholson Graham Peake Dave Mellen Brenton Nicholson
DIARY DATES	26/5/09 Organ Donation 20/6/09 Changeover Dinner		

LAST WEEK

Chairman John Scarvelis introduced **David Bacon** who spoke to members about the charity he founded, **Carpets for Communities**. David has established a project whereby discarded t-shirt material is woven in to carpets by village women in Cambodia.

In poor Cambodian villages 35% of children aged 6-14 do not attend school because they are put to work to help the family survive. Where families are able to make an income the children can go to school. The project breaks the poverty cycle by empowering the women who control the resources and apply them for the benefit of the children.

The project runs several outreach services as well, including the provision of raincoats to school children, micro loans, bicycles and health promotion. C4C is an innovative social enterprise jointly supported by the Cambodian Hope Organisation, Givle.com, and World Youth International, all non profit organisations.

Members can help by making "Givle.com" their search engine as the revenue from this goes to C4C from Google.

BLASTS FROM THE PAST



ROTARY INFORMATION: PROBUS

PROBUS is a community service program of Rotary Clubs, but is an independent association for active retirees who join together in clubs, the basic purpose of which is to provide regular opportunities for them to keep their minds active, expand their interests and to enjoy the fellowship of new friends.

Probus meets the needs of retirees by providing opportunities to keep their minds active, expand their interests, stay healthy through activities, benefit from training programs, network between like minded people and enjoy the fellowship of new friends.

in England in 1965 and 1966 that PROBUS was conceived independently by two Rotary clubs. This new concept for retirees offered social contacts and no service constraints, using the name PROBUS from the words – professional and business. One club began with the name, 'Campus Club' but readily changed when the two groups realized they were offering a similar activity.

In very little time, through the wide network of the clubs of Rotary International, PROBUS spread throughout the world. PROBUS remains in Australia and New Zealand as the largest and most active Community Service project of Rotary. The solid links between PROBUS and Rotary remain invaluable. Our club, mainly through the work of Harry Beauchamp, sponsored the founding of the Murray Bridge and Mannum Probus clubs.

Don't let aging get you down...It's too hard to get back up.

