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## Message from the President

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Hi Everyone

I am really sorry I can't be with you this Wednesday. Unfortunately I will be up at the coast soaking up the sun, bending a few fishing rods and getting some sand between my toes. But in truth, I would love to be there because our Guest Speaker, Steve Stoneley's daughter has a great and inspiring story to tell.

Don't forget to pay for and collect Rotary calendars from Bev – also Christmas Cake orders to Kev are now due.

Regrettably another apology for Wednesday is Royce. Normally the absence of our Sergeant would be a cause for celebration but Royce had a cataract operation yesterday. We wish him a speedy recovery and hope to see him back at our meetings soon, filling Rotary coffers in his usual jocular and inimitable fashion.



### REMINDER

**Members attending March Conference to phone and confirm Motel bookings....**

Graham O

## Rotary News – At Home and Abroad

Thank you to all who have made themselves available for the Bunnings BBQ on Sunday 6th December, your response had made my job easier. Stephen Stoneley is now sourcing our guest speakers, so if you know of anyone who would make a good guest speaker please let Stephen know.

Bruce Wilson

In this age when Rotary membership is fluctuating more it is essential that we keep an eye out for any potential new members. Please keep this in mind and if you have any names give me a call and I can follow up for you. Also don't forget to use your new meeting invitation cards which we had printed. If you missed out on the cards or need some more let me know at the next meeting.

Bill Roberts-Thomson

On Friday the conference committee met in Chinchilla to iron out a number of issues with the upcoming conference. I think I can speak for Graeme when I say that we are now happier with the accommodation situation than we were before the meeting. Members of this club have received preference in the allocation stage as those who have registered may be required for duties as we are the co-hosts. Labour was discussed and Chinchilla have it fairly well in hand. They will be receiving help from the Rugby League club to run the bar on the Friday night and the Lions club will run the bar on the Saturday night. We now have a large school hall to use for morning and afternoon teas and lunches on Saturday and Sunday. Our major commitment will be setting up the hall for the DG's ball. This can only be done after the conference finishes on the Saturday afternoon. It will be a case of many hands make light work. President Graham will shortly be liaising with his counterpart re any requirements they have of us. They are a very affable bunch and I am sure we will have a very good time out there.

I seem to be three payments short for Christmas cards. If you have taken cards and not sure if you have paid or not please contact me. We are in the fortunate position of having a very healthy bank account at this time. However, in the true spirit of Rotary, I am sure we will have some major calls on it in the near future as we carry out our service work.

I am considering attending the RI Conference in Montreal next year. If anyone wants any information please see me.

John

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### CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

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### PRESIDENT GRAHAM'S AT HOME CHRISTMAS FUNCTION 12.12.09

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to:-

- ✚ 18.11.09 - Mark Blomeley
- ✚ 29.11.09 - Lyndell Gebert
- ✚ 28.11.09 - Russell Tomlin

## Upcoming Events

- 01.12.09: Corrective Services photo take for BeefBank
- 02.12.09: Election of Officers for Rotary Year 2010/2011
- 03.12.09: Eurobeat Concert
- 06.12.09: Bunnings Sausage Sizzle
- 08.12.09: Joint Meeting with Jindalee & Sumner Pk. Clubs at McLeod Golf Club
- 12.12.09: President's At Home Function

## Rosters

Duty	25.11.2009	02.12.2009
Chair	Bill Roberts-Thomson	Nev Beckmann
Duty Officer	Stephen Chiang	Kev McCullough
Fellowship Officer	Danny Strong	Stephen Stoneley
Rotary Talk	John Woodward	Nev Blomeley
International Toast	Bruce Wilson	John Woodward

## Picture Gallery



Dorina picking up some "Aussie ways"-Thanks to Bruce and Joanne Wilson. We heard Dorina had an "awesome" time!



### ROTARY GRACE

Lord, make us more thankful for what we have received;  
 Make us more content with what we have;  
 And make us more mindful of others who are in need.