

2008-2009

District Governor - Tony Hayes

President - Allen Richards



Rotary Club of Parkwood

Changeover Dinner

Tuesday 7th July 2009

2009-2010

District Governor - Peter Robertson

President - John Tunnicliff



Programme

Master of ceremonies – Chairman Mark Kent

6.30 pm

Complimentary glass of Champagne on arrival
Raffle tickets available
Fellowship

7.00 pm

Request from Chairman for all to be seated
Welcome by President Allen Richards dignitaries, members & guests
Rotary Grace and Loyal Toast
Rotary International toast, PRIT Brian Knowles and
Reply PDG Tony Hayes
1st draw of raffle tickets

7.30 pm

Main course
2nd draw of raffle tickets

8.30 pm

Dessert
Call to order
Speech and Presentations by President Allen

9.00 pm

Introduction of Club President 2009-2010 John Tunnicliff
President's message and introduction of incoming board
President's wife Anne Tunnicliff speech and presentations

9.30 pm

Arrival of Santa Claus
Final raffle draw of major prizes
Vote of thanks

10.00 pm

Closure of meeting.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

ALLEN RICHARDS

Fellow Rotarians, partners and guests it gives me great pleasure to present to you my report for the Rotary Club of Parkwood for the 2008 - 2009 Rotary year.

One wonders where the last 12 months have gone. It seems like only last week that the Rotary year began. I feel that the year has been reasonably successful with perhaps the only disappointment being unable to boost our membership significantly. We had three resignations being immediate past President Karyn Joyner, who moved to Sydney, long serving member Sel Hardy, and Lynn Massey. We will be also losing Craig Tobler who has been on leave of absence all year as he lives in Sydney and is transferring to the Rotary Club of Sydney Darling Harbour.

We had to vacate our venue at Parkwood Tavern as they intend to renovate the facility. After much looking around for a new venue we reluctantly moved to Volare Restaurant in Labrador. This venue proved unsuitable so we took up member Ron Wilsons offer to use Runaway Bay Retirement Village facility. Although outside our area and we have to bring in a caterer which means numbers are critical, the move seems to be working out quite well.

One of the pleasures of being president of a Rotary Club is inducting new members. We gained four new members this year, Paul O Neill, Harry Grace, Jon Murphy and Bob Menzies fitting into our club exceptionally well and are proving to be great Rotarians.

I wish to thank my board of Directors who have made my job as President easy and enjoyable. Without their support the club would not have run as well as it has.

President elect John Tunnicliff has approached the task of treasurer with a very professional attitude and has our financial records have been meticulously kept in order.

Our Club Service Director Charmaine White came to us from Tasmania with a wealth of business and valuable Rotary experience. Charmaine has organised a host of varied and very interesting guest speakers without letting us down once, a great effort. We will certainly miss, Charmaine when she completes her Dentistry Degree at Griffith University and moves on to greater endeavours.

The Youth portfolio has been covered by Ron Wilson. Ron is a relatively new Rotarian and carried on this job from last year. He has gained a lot of Rotary experience in this portfolio and will continue on the board next year with his excellent input and efficiency.

Several long serving and dedicated Rotarians, Dave Rolle, Mike Bottomley, and Ken Bonython all contributed to the Community Service role. Dave and Mike involved us with Brave Hearts where we assisted with painting the interior of the new building, cleaning up the site and landscaping the grounds. We catered for the Channel 9 Morning show at Labrador arranged by Susan Tyrell with great support from IGA supermarket. As usual Ken organised our fund raising sausage sizzles at Parklands and Seachange. He continued with the breakfast programme at Musgrave Primary School ably assisted by Ken Smith. Another Ken Bonython project was providing the shade sail at Arundel State School.

Teresa Dawson has very capably carried out the Vocational Service role. She organised and created Vocational Certificates and organised vocational visits. Teresa's company has been most generous in donating various items for raffles etc and has recently organised the purchase of a laptop and projector for the club through a grant from Gold Coast City Council and her company covered the short fall. I must also thank Margaret Grummitt for her role in gaining this Council grant.

Speaking of Margaret Grummitt, once again Margaret carried out the Secretary position with her usual efficient and organisational skills for the second Rotary term.

No Parkwood Rotary Club Presidents report would be complete if a special mention was not made of our Past District Governors Brian and Ken. Just to have these gentlemen in our club creates another dimension to being a Rotarian. A special thanks to Brian for his efforts benefiting the Rotary Foundation.

Up until she took leave of absence to attend a training course, Susan Tyrrell carried out the responsibilities of producing our weekly bulletin. This task she carried out in an excellent manner and I thank Susan for her dedication and consistency. Charmaine stepped up to plate and with Bill Pavey's assistance continued on from Susan.

The word LEGEND seems to be the catch word these days to describe people who have stood head and shoulders above their peers, and I think that you all will agree that Bill Pavey handsomely fits this description. Bill, in the Rotary World you are known all over as the LEGEND web master. Thank you so much Bill. I might also add that Teresa is involving herself with the web and perhaps one day will take over from Bill.

Other Parkwood Rotarians who I want to mention in my report are our attendance officer Klaus Gross, the Joker Raffle runner John Smith and Mark Kent who joined the board to fill the position of Immediate Past President. Another special mention to Charmaine White who joined a Rotary sponsored medical team to Kenya in her spare time, well done Charmaine!

To our resident photographers John, Paul and Teresa, thank you for providing fabulous pictures throughout the year.

Our treasurers report details where and how our donations were distributed. One donation in particular, that I would like to highlight is our donation to purchase another dinghy for the disabled sailor's fleet at Hollywell called 'Sailability'.

I would like to welcome John Tunnicliff and his board and wish them all the best for the coming Rotary year.

John and Anne have a great and rewarding year.

Well Rotarians, Partners and Guests, I think I have covered my year as President.

Yours in Rotary

**Allen Richards,
President, Parkwood Rotary Club 2008-2009**



ROTARY

The magic of Rotary is that it allows ordinary people to achieve the most extraordinary things. By using the powerful synergy of one, people unite to achieve exceptional global change. Many ordinary members of Rotary have developed projects that have brought significant change to the world.

Rotary's main aim is giving to the community, in the workplace, and supporting those in need in our home country and throughout the world!

<http://www.rotaryaustralia.org.au/>

Rotary Foundation Report

During the year the Club was actively involved in activities of The Rotary Foundation – Rotary's own charity. Much of this involvement was focussed on the PolioPlus program, and the fund raising efforts to raise US\$200 million globally to enable the organization to qualify to the US\$355 million so generously donated by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

Our efforts in relation to this program included participation in a District initiative, which involved a drive to encourage support from the general public. Our Club manned a collection point at Helensvale Railway Station for 3 days in November raising in excess of \$850. Other Clubs throughout the District were involved in similar collections in shopping malls or at other railway stations on the Coast. The Club also participated in two film nights at Reading Cinema at Harbourn town, where Rotary was given the opportunity Australia wide to have preview nights for 2 films – "Valkyrie" in January and "A Night in the Museum – 2" in May. These activities at Harbourn town included Clubs in the immediate vicinity. Total raised from these 2 nights was over \$3250, which was apportioned between Clubs on the basis of tickets sold. As the Club decided to allocate funds from other events during the year to the PolioPlus effort an amount in excess of \$5075 has been donated by the Club this Rotary year to this wonderful humanitarian project.

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner functions was held again, with the Rotary Foundation to be the beneficiary. A total of \$1325 was raised and thanks are expressed to all those Club members who acted as host for these functions, and also to those who participated.

The Club also contributed \$479 to a Matching Grant project with the Rotary Club of Mt Warning AM, for a water project in Nepal. The Club has certainly been active in supporting "OUR" Foundation this year and thanks are given to President Allen and the Board for this support.

**Brian Knowles,
Chairman, Rotary Foundation Committee 2008-2009.**



Club Service Report

Organising speakers has kept me very busy and we have enjoyed so many speakers during this Rotary year.

An informative night by a Chiropractor introduced by Ron Wilson, spoke about his career as a footballer with many injuries raising an interest in chiropractic procedures and consequently a career as a Chiropractor.

A Personal trainer gave us an insight into health and fitness. David Rolle introduced his Engineer from his company whom originates from Egypt and we had an interesting evening learning the history of Egypt. A Magistrate gave us an insight into justice in the court. Author Bob Menzies originally a headmaster, found his forte in writing to become an author. Bill Pavey introduced Bob and he is now a member of a club.

We heard from a consultant from the Spinal injuries Association and learned about the nurses from Bluecare.

'Rotary Donations in Kind' explained how donations in the form of material or goods no longer required are received from many businesses and are put to good use in other parts of the world. Bendigo Bank explained about their role in the community and community banking.

Arundel Primary School told us about the needs of special children in the playground. Ken Bonython investigated the possibility of purchasing a shade sail and arranged the installation for their playground.

Ambassadorial scholar Lauren Skaskiw spoke to us about her year in Australia. We attended a Vocational night at the Gold Coast City Council chambers and learned about the Gold Coast Rapid Rail project. We enjoyed speakers from our own club; Ken Smith informed us on the Dairy industry and Harry Grace on Jordon.

Bowelscan, Polio, 5H, the District Governor Visit, Clean up Australia Day and Homeless youth were other interesting topics provided by speakers from these organisations.

At a vocational night we heard about the racing life of Digby and Gwen and were able to view a magnificent custom built red Jaguar (only one in the world) a Ferrari and a red Porsche. At a combined meeting at Southport Yacht Club we listened to the inspiring Gemma Sisia from the School Of St Jude on educating children in Tanzania.

Charmaine White
Service Director 2008-2009

Community Service Report

The club had major changes in meeting venues this year. Our meetings have been held at the Parkwood Tavern for a number of years but due too the imminent closing of this facility, we relocated temporarily to a restaurant in Labrador. Ron Wilson manager of Runaway Bay Retirement Village and a member of our club, kindly offered the facilities of the kitchen and dining room of the Retirement Village. Catering is provided by 'Exclusive Catering' and they provide an excellent service. Moving to various venues in itself presented a challenging time, but the club handled the situation well under President Allen's competent Leadership.

Ken Bonython with his tireless enthusiasm in organising many fund raising, sausage sizzles throughout the year with the club members assistance resulted in a healthy profit. (Full details are available on the Treasurers report). I would like to extend a very big 'Thank You' to Ken Bonython for his commitment and dedication to this role.

Bravehearts would be our greatest achievement. Dave and Will Rolle are without doubt the biggest contributors to this enormous project, their generosity and time is to be commended and not forgotten. A number of working bees were held, from cleaning the new building and the grounds, landscaping, planting plants and the list goes on. The club worked hard, particularly in those hot summer months but the result was well worth the effort!

I would like to thank all the club members for their support and enthusiasm throughout the year, which helped make a very productive year for the club.

Mike Bottomley **Community Service Director 2008-2009**

*Bravehearts Gold Coast Headquarters
(construction of the building was innovated and supported by Will & David Rolle)*

*After three long hard years of tireless commitment from over 100 businesses who believe the dream that we CAN make a difference, **WE HAVE TODAY RECEIVED NEWS THAT OUR BUILDING HAS PASSED FINALS** and we can begin operations here on the coast.*

We have dozens of children affected by sexual assault, who have been waiting on our Gold Coast counselling list in urgent need of therapeutic intervention, and now we are finally able to open our doors and begin what we do best – bring healing, hope and a brighter future to these precious and innocent young members of our community.

To say these two words "THANK YOU" seems empty and doesn't even come close to the depth of our gratitude and overwhelming appreciation for what you as an industrial community of businesses have done in helping us help the children!

JO BRIFFA
Executive Assistant
Bravehearts Inc.

Youth Report

This year our club decided not to be involved in youth exchange programs but continued to support RYLA (**Rotary Youth Leadership Awards**), RYPEN (**Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment**), NYSF (**National Youth Science Forum**) and The Musgrave State School breakfasts. Every Tuesday morning either Ken Bonython and or Ken Smith attended the school and offered disadvantaged children a healthy hearty breakfast.

Arundel State School required a very large shade sail to protect children from the sun in the playground. Ken Bonython put this request to our club and arranged for funds and the installation of this shade sail, to very appreciative teachers and parents. An amount of \$400 was donated to the Rotary club of Broadwater to purchase tickets for Circus Quirkus to send underprivileged children to this circus.

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is Rotary's leadership training program for young people. RYLA participants can be ages 14-30, but most clubs and districts choose to focus on a narrower age range, such as 14-18 or 19-30. This year we sponsored two young people from another club.

Rotary Youth program Enrichment (RYPEN) aims to provide young people aged 14 to 16 years with the opportunity to develop their leadership potential, alongside their peers in a supportive environment. RYPEN encourages awardees to explore their ideas in problem solving, team and group activities, and gain experiences that will assist them in forming their own values and moral standards. As a part of this, RYPEN is about building confidence and developing skills to cope in a range of situations. We sponsored a nomination from another club.

For the National Youth Science Forum held in Canberra in February this year we sponsored a bright young lady called Abbey Wilson. NYSF is the only program in Australia that offers students currently in Year 11 the chance to test-drive a wide range of universities and careers in the sciences.

I would like to congratulate Paul O'Neill on his appointment as the Youth Director for 2009-2010 and wish the best of luck to the rest of the incoming board and President John Tunnicliff. I am looking forward to my new appointment in the role of Club Administration.

Ron Wilson
Youth Director 2008-2009

Vocational Report

An interesting year with a variety of speakers ranging from professional people such as bankers, consultants, motivational speakers, personal trainers, physiotherapists, chiropractors, nursing and our ambassadorial scholar from the USA.

Vocational evenings have been quite varied, in September our club presented three Vocational awards. Manager of the Year presented to Rebecca Dux from Zarrafa's Crestwood Plaza, Ashmore. Small Business of the Year presented to Tim Hoy from Fishbee both categories nominated by member Susan Tyrell. Employee of the Year, awarded to Ted Paget from 'Thomas Direct' nominated by member Doug Thomas. Parkwood Rotary recognises these wonderful achievements with Certificates awarded to each recipient and hearty congratulations to all. In October which is vocational month, we enjoyed an informative evening at the Gold Coast City Council Chambers at Evansdale facilitated by Margaret Grummitt and combined with other clubs. A presentation by Margaret on the Gold Coast Rapid Rail System was well received by all with many questions and discussions following.

Our member Charmaine White studying to be a dentist offered her time in September as a volunteer dentist in Kenya, Africa to a Medical Mission to assist "Rotary In fighting in Aids". To help Charmaine with funds Mark Kent organised a Fund-raising dinner at Fiasco's restaurant with many prizes donated by Harry Grace and Execugifts, \$500 was raised and our club matched this amount dollar for dollar. Our club purchased a small yacht for \$7000 in March 2009 for an organisation called 'Sailability' to assist 'Freedom on the water regardless of Ability' after earlier launching the boat an enjoyable BBQ at the Southport Yacht club in Hollywell was enjoyed by the members.

On the 7th of April, a wonderful vocational was enjoyed by many members at Queensland Health Supply. Dinner and funds raised by raffle prizes donated by Allan and Teresa Dawson from Execugifts were won by an excited Fay Pavey and Mark Kent. A great insight into the operation, warehousing and very efficient supply of medical equipment to hospitals on the Gold Coast was explained by our member Paul O'Neill, Manager and instigator of these fantastic systems. Our final vocational evening in May was spent viewing an awesome custom built Jaguar (only one in the world) a Ferrari, a Porsche (all red of course) and listening to the amazing racing life of Gwen and Digby Cooke.

I'm looking forward to another busy year in a different role under the leadership of our incoming President John Tunnicliff. Thank you President Allen, members and their partners for the assistance given to me over the past Rotary year.

Teresa Dawson
Vocational Director 2008-2009

Treasurer's Report

This year has seen some circumstances which have resulted in our expenditure exceeding our income by just over \$7,000. Some of these were as a result of the bush fires in Victoria, floods in north Queensland and a crisis for the ambassadorial scholar.

We also made a very much appreciated donation of \$7,000 to Sailability for a new yacht. The sailing activity brings enormous pleasure and freedom of movement to people with disabilities. We were also able to exceed our requested contribution to PolioPlus for this year.

Overall, the contributions we made were all very worthwhile, and the remaining funds of about \$14,500 at 30th June 2009 will be available to start the new financial year.

John Tunnicliff
Treasurer 2008-2009



Income item	Income	Expense item	Expense
Subscriptions	\$4200	District dues	\$2200
Meetings and meals	\$17660	Meetings and meals	\$12945
Functions Fundraising	\$1865	Club Functions	\$1797
2008 Changeover	\$400	2008 Changeover	\$580
Goods for resale	\$395	Goods for resale	\$715
Wine at meetings	\$1344	Wine at meetings	\$1251
Raffles	\$2840	Raffle prizes	\$859
Sergeants fines	\$1063	Club supplies (badges etc)	\$649
Bank Interest	\$656	RI dues	\$1665
Film night Polio Plus	\$1540	Rotary Down under/ Internet	\$904
Donations	\$1300	Sailability new yacht	\$7000
A.R.H.R.F Mug Coin Collection	\$454	Conference Assembly expenses	\$220
Polio Plus Coin collection	\$851	Polio Plus	\$5075
QBE Insurance	\$257	Miscellaneous Admin expenses	\$645
Guess whose coming to dinner	\$1325	Arundel School sail shade	\$2670
BBQ proceeds after expenses	\$5212	Southport Broadwater Circus Quirkus	\$400
		Qld flood appeal	\$1000
		Vic Bushfire appeal	\$1300
		Rotary Foundation	\$1804
		A.R.H.R.F.	\$500
		School of St Jude (sponsor 2 teachers)	\$1300
		R.Y.L.A.	\$880
		R.Y.P.E.N	\$460
		R.A.W.C.S.	\$110
		R.O.M.A.C	\$100
		Ambassadorial scholar	\$1000
		Conference assembly/expenses	\$220
		School breakfasts (2 year costs)	\$457
TOTAL	\$41,362	TOTAL	\$48,506

Expenditure in excess of Income:

\$7,144

**PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS
As of June 30 2009**

Ken Bonython	+1	Member of Parkwood
Gary Cummins		Member of Parkwood
Margaret Grummitt	+1	Past President
Mark Kent		Past President
Brian Knowles (AM)	+3	Member order of Australia Past RI Director/Treasurer Member of Parkwood
Nancy Knowles	+5	
Bill Pavey	+2	Web Master
David Rolle		Charter Member Past President
Ken Smith	+3	Past District Governor

Donors of US\$1,000 or more to the Annual Programs Fund, PolioPlus, or the Humanitarian Grants Program, or people whom have that amount contributed in their name, can be recognised as Paul Harris Fellows. Each new Paul Harris Fellow receives a commemorative certificate and a pin. For gifts of \$2,000 or more, a Paul Harris Fellow is eligible for multiple Paul Harris Fellows signified by a sapphire pin.

N.B. Paul Harris Fellow + 1 = one sapphire/ Paul Harris Fellow + 2 = two sapphires etc

HONORARY MEMBERS

Peter Richards	Past President Paul Harris fellow
Elsie Cummins	Past President Paul Harris fellow
Ingrid Nielson	Past Youth Exchange
Kelly Stallman	Past Youth Exchange

ROLL OF HONOUR

PAST PRESIDENTS

Fr John Broughton	1993-1994
Debra Harris	1994-1995
Jim Fairweather	1995-1996
Ken Nelson	1996-1997
Peter Richards	1997-1998
Lyn Nelson	1998-1999
Elsie Cummins	1999-2000
Peter Richards	2000-2001
David Rolle	2001-2002
Margaret Grummitt	2002-2003
Mike Bottomley	2003-2004
Klaus Mikschi	2004-2005
John Smith	2005-2006
Mark Kent	2006-2007
Karyn Joyner	2007-2008
Allen Richards	2008-2009

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?

ROTARY GRACE

Oh Lord and giver of all good

We thank thee for our daily food

May Rotary Friends and Rotary ways

Help us to serve thee all our days

**Thank you for attending the
Changeover Dinner
of
The Rotary Club of Parkwood
and
Welcoming the 2009-2010**

President

John Tunnicliff

