

### BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARIES

We have 3 birthday celebrations this week, firstly **PP Greg Houston** and **Richard Day** will be celebrating their special day on Tuesday, 5th August, and on 8th August **Anne Roman** will be celebrating her birthday. We also have a club anniversary with **PP Ray Begovich** being inducted into the club on 10th August 1987 giving him 21 years of service to the club. Congratulations to everyone.



### DIARY DATES:

<b>09.08.2008</b>	Village Aide Program Charitee Ball—Saturday 9.8.2008 6.00—7.00 pm at Portofino Function Centre 26 Atchison Street Wollongong —\$100 each or tables of 10 suit/evening wear. RSVP 09/07/2008 call 42253833 or email lee@vap.ph
<b>11. 8.2008</b>	DG's Aide John Gibbs visit
<b>25. 8.2008</b>	DG Paul Erickson's visit— projected program reports to be ready to present to him for the year.
<b>25. 9.2008</b>	The Rotary Club of Hawkesbury Race Day and Auction—Hawkesbury Race Course Clarendon
<b>2.11.2008</b>	9690 Family of Rotary pre Christmas Pantomime Club Marconi 2.00—5.00 pm
<b>17. 5.2009</b>	9690 Family of Rotary Annual Picnic Casuarina Picnic Ground, Nurragingy Reserve Doonside 11am

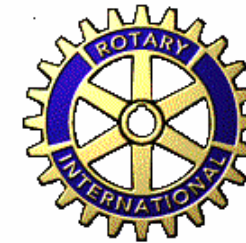
### AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP AND EXTENSION MONTH

It is a time to promote membership development within the club (internal extension) and new clubs (external extension). Also to emphasize that club growth is the business of **every Rotarian**.



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**Tonight's Program:** will be a normal meeting.

### FAILURE

The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena; whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs and comes short again and again; who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions, and spends himself in a worthy cause; who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement; and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly.....

- Theodore Roosevelt

**LAST MEETING:** The meeting opened at 6.17pm with President Bruce chairing the meeting. Sgt-at-Arms PP Graham extracted money from the members during the fine session. PDG Bill gave a talk on the Village Aide Program.

**Attendance:** 61.54%

**Apologies:** PP John Grujovski, PP David Butterfield, Rtn Gaye Day, Rtn Kay Farrell and PP Max Law

**Club Guest:** Vera Eberle

**Leave of Absence:** PP Geoff Lumley

**Raffle:** won by Vera.

**Secretary Report: PDG Bill Little**

- 100th Rotary International Convention to be held Birmingham 19-24th June 2009. Tour 11th—19th visiting Rome Florence, French Riviera, Paris and then Birmingham for the convention. You will be personally escorted by PDG Bob and Ann Aitken.
- Next Sunday Fairfield City Council clubs open day at Showground sharing with Wetherill Park Rotary Club 10.00am—3.00pm.

**Reports:**

**Club Service Report: Director PP Graham Shaw**

- The next 'Nosh Up' night will be Saturday 23rd August at Doytao Thai restaurant 207 – 209 Lyons Road Drummoyne Ph. 9713 1899

**Vocational Service Report: Director Rtn Robert Favelle**

- PP John Howie to give Job Talk tonight.

**International, Community and Youth Reports: NIL**

PP Greg spoke about his race in America. There were 67 starters in the race. Greg said that it was not a good run for him but Jack won his class. They had to ski 23 miles out to Catalina Island and 23 miles back. Congratulations to Jack on his win.

**Job Talk**

PP John Howie said that he left school in 1960 and started work as a Surveyor. In 1964 he went to Mudgee for 12 months and worked there. He worked for Wal Ayling in 1965 at Parramatta. In 1967 passed all his exams. He came back to Sydney and worked for Sydney Water for a

short time. John has worked all around Australia including Darwin surveying. In 1977 he went to Borneo for 7 months. They were overseas working in the Middle East for 3 years. In 1985 John went to work for Ern Brittan and later he became a partner in the business. In 2001 John took over the business.



PDG Bill was our Guest Speaker and gave a talk and DVD presentation on the Village Aide Program. He said that he is very passionate about the Philippines with having made 4 trips there another one coming up to build another building and is now the Director of the Building Program.



This program was started 7 years ago where we are in partnership with the Rotary Club of Philippines. The Village Aide Program is all volunteers and no paid staff. An annual audit is conducted by Certified Public Accountants.

The program is very varied with supplying safe drinking water, handing out free prescription medicines, renovating dilapidated school rooms, building new toilets, caring for the elderly and feeding 462 families who were starving due to severe drought in Casate, Bohol. VAP and PTA have fed over 120,000 hot meals to school children.

To make this program more effective we are seeking teachers, doctors, nurses and any volunteers, so join us on a future mission to the Philippines.

60% of the population is in poverty. PP Neil passed a vote of thanks.

**CLUB DUES**

Club dues are payable now members and they should be paid to Treasurer PP Neil as ASAP. The cost of the dues is \$250.00. Thanks members.

