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Qld; Loxton and Adelaide SA; Launceston and Devonport Tas; as well as many country and metropolitan areas in Vic and NSW.

This year, the program includes a reception with the Governor-General and an expanded contribution from NCA on the history and significance of the National Capital. The Parliamentary Education Office is conducting their usual excellent program including an election and other role plays, senate committee inquiry, question time, and meetings with delegates' Local Members and Senators.

The delegates spend time at CSIRO, War Memorial, Questacon and Australian Institute of Sport. They also attend a Rotary dinner and a Rotary youth dinner, as well as fitting in a game of 10-pin bowling and a few minutes in the shops before the Farewell dinner at Olims Hotel on Friday evening.

*With thanks Bruce Wyatt*

## Roster:

	THIS WEEK	NEXT WEEK
Program	<b>Monday</b> 14th August 12 for 12.30pm RAIC at National Museum of Australia	Sue Atkinson
Sergeant		Rex Hunt
Introduction		David Fox
Appreciation		Carlo Binutti
Fellowship		Val Bland
Raven Recorder	Keith Avent	Ajit Banerjee
Birthdays	Piers Booth 19th Aug	Piers Booth
Anniversaries	Phil and Louise Ibbotson 20th Aug	Ros Osbourne 28th Aug
		Bob and Helen Harvie Aug 25th,
		John and Julia Widdup 27th Aug
Trash & Treasure	20th Aug Gary Scott-Ken Goard 3rd Sept John Widdup-Ros Osbourne	27th Aug Des Henderson Kelly-Val Bland 10th Sept Shukry Sahhar-Ian Excell

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*Today:*

Annabelle Pegrum  
on

## The National Capital

Annabelle Pegrum was educated at the Holy Cross College, Woollahra, and graduated with an Honours degree in Architecture from the University of Sydney, winning the Leslie Wilkinson Prize for Design History and Theory.

She is a Fellow of the Royal Australian Institute of Architects, and is an Adjunct Professor of Architecture at the University of Canberra.

In 1998 Ms Pegrum was the Telstra ACT Business Woman of the Year, and won the MobileNet Corporate and Government Award. She received a Centenary Medal in 2003.

Recently Ms Pegrum was reappointed Chief Executive of the National Capital Authority, where she has undertaken a number of noteworthy steps to improve the recognition of Canberra as the Nation's Capital.

## Last Week:

Forty eight delegates are expected to attend the Rotary Adventure in Citizenship in the week beginning 12th August.. Photos of each delegate were circulated at our last meeting. A luncheon is scheduled for Monday at the National Museum – Peninsula Room. *Members have been asked to arrive early and be seated by 12.15 for a 12.30 start.* Bruce Wyatt sought assistance from members for various duties during the time of the stay of the delegates in Canberra.

**Club Award:** President Ray presented Gary Scott with a citation and certificate of the Club's recognition and appreciation for his outstanding contribution to the Club for the year 2005-06. Well deserved Gary, well deserved.

**Phone listing:** President Ray informed members that a phone listing is being arranged for Rotary information. Members will be advised when arrangements are finalised.

**New Directions Seminar:** To be held at the Burns Club next Saturday. Interested members invited to attend.

**DG's visit:** Members are reminded that the DG's visit is scheduled for this month, 30<sup>th</sup> August, which is a partner's night. Please inform Ros as soon as possible.

**Pegasus Foundation:** Val Bland reported on the Pegasus Foundation which is being set up to support the Pegasus Club. The Pegasus Club is a club dedicated to the enjoyment and improvement in handicapped children mental, physical and social wellbeing through their interaction with horses and horse riding. Two persons have been made co-patrons of Pegasus Foundation. One is Ray Silburn, well known and respected rider in thoroughbred horse racing, who suffered a fall months ago and became a paraplegic. Nicky van Duren, also dedicated to horses, has overcome burns and injuries suffered from the 'Jan 18<sup>th</sup> bushfires' is the other co-patron. The Foundation is being launched this month on 26<sup>th</sup> August. Attendance and support at this function will be appreciated. Speak to Val for details.

**Clare Holland House:** A gardening project is under way. President Ray has some information for members interested in participating. Murray Crowe spent his last days and hours at Clare Holland House, and his family has high praise for the care given to Murray.

**Attendance:** Ros Osbourne reported 19 members and one make-up for a total of 76.92%. In addition, we had some distinguished visiting Rotarians, visitors and members' guests.

**Topic: Indigenous Health Scholarships Guest Speaker: Cheryl Deguara**  
Cheryl, a Rotarian from Menai Rotary Club, was introduced by Bernadette Capello. It was great to hear from a dedicated Rotarian contributing to a highly worthwhile cause. Cheryl gave a brief history of the development of the scholarships, the vision of Ian Scott, the build up of relationships with the

South Australian Government and the spread of the scholarships by States of which Victoria will commence this year to contribute 58 scholarships provided in 2006 with 39 Federal Government Scholarships.



Cheryl mentioned the Objectives and Aims of the program, that ARHRF administered the Fund. Cheryl outlined the demographics of the Indigenous population as at 2001 and that life expectancy was much lower than the general population, that diabetes was a major disease and killer.

A reason for the bad statistics included the introduction of new diseases to the communities, and living conditions. The holistic approach impacted on the statistics. Low life expectancies damaged the benefits of passing down traditions. The trust factor in advisors was highly significant in the effectiveness of the advice and services provided.

For a person to be selected for a scholarship a Rotary Club had to be a mentor. A one year commitment for \$2500 a year was provided. Difficulties were addressed by counselling the student to enable continuance. Cheryl fielded questions and gave answers. She covered disciplines studied which were medicine, nursing, social work. Public health is not as yet included.

Gary Scott gave the vote of thanks for the excellent presentation and a vital subject.

*With thanks to recorder Des Henderson Kelly*

**RAIC in Canberra.....** Almost 50 year-11 delegates arrived on Saturday and are now immersed in their week of Adventure in Citizenship.

Our Club, together with 2 Darwin Clubs, is jointly sponsoring a young man and woman from Maningrida, NT. Their flights from Maningrida (between Darwin and Gove) to Canberra took all day and they are having to cope with enormous climatic as well as cultural differences from their home in Arnhem Land.

Other delegates are coming from as far a-field as Manjimup and Perth WA; Cairns, Townsville, Glasshouse Mountains, Surfers Paradise and Brisbane