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## Postscript

### ON FATHERS

One summer evening during a violent thunderstorm a mother was tucking her small boy into bed.

She was about to turn off the light when he asked with a tremor in his voice, "Mummy, will you sleep with me tonight?"

The mother smiled and gave him a reassuring hug. "I can't, dear," she said. "I have to sleep in Daddy's room."

Little voice: 'The big sissy.'

## Attendance

**Club Guests:** Vic Gibbons (RC of Hall & Speaker)

**Visiting Rotarians:** Nil

**Other Guests:** Nil

**Make-ups:** Jim Grainger (Palm Beach)

**Members present:** 21

**Percentage:** 70.00%

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<http://www.rotarnet.com.au/canberrawoden> > Click on 'Club bulletins'

## Rosters

Program	THIS WEEK - Wed 24 October	NEXT WEEK - Wed 31 October
<b>Introduction</b>	Professor David Croaker	TBA
<b>Appreciation</b>	"My time at Tansen Hospital, Nepal".	TBA
<b>Fellowship</b>	Carlo Binutti	Bruce Wyatt
	Des Pain	Peter Evans
	Neale Emanuel	Juliet Badu-Tiwaa
	Bob Harvie	Judy Skelton
<b>Raven Recorder</b>	Bernadette Cappello	Ken Goard
<b>Birthdays</b>	Robin Hart 22 Oct, D. Fox 23 Oct	Shukry Sahhar 28 Oct
<b>Anniversaries</b>	Piers & Maureen Booth 26 Oct	Nil

### TRASH & TREASURE

28 Oct.	Carlo Binutti- Judy Skelton	4 Nov.	John Widdup-Ray Newcombe
11 Nov.	David Fox-Gary Scott	18 Nov.	To be advised

In this Vocational Services Month it is useful to reflect on how founder Paul Harris brought the issue of vocation into Rotary from the very beginning. Harris was a lawyer and very proud of his profession – he took an active part in the work of legal associations. However in 1905 there was a gulf between members of the learned professions and those engaged in trade. He felt the need to bridge the gap and to dignify the occupation of others.

So to the first meeting in Chicago of the first Rotary club he invited "a coal dealer, a tailor, and a mining engineer". People of different vocations, trades and professions formed that first Rotary club. Vocation was the principle of selection at the beginning, and has remained the distinguishing core of Rotary ever since.



While over 100 years have now passed since that first meeting, the vision of Paul Harris has not been forgotten in RI's contemporary building in Chicago. When President David visited there recently he found a room constructed to resemble the one used by Paul Harris in the former offices of Rotary International. Perhaps to his surprise he also found there something very Australian.

The photographs and mementoes on the wall are those which Paul Harris hung in his room, and they are placed as he arranged them. The desk, used by Paul for many years, "is made of a variety of Australian woods, and was a gift to him from Rotarians in Australia". The other furniture, and the light fixture, were in his room at the headquarters office in Chicago.

## Our speaker tonight at the Yamba Club

**Tony Croaker, is Professor of Pediatric Surgery at Canberra Hospital. He will talk on "My time at Tansen Hospital, Nepal". We also welcome Bishop Pat Power who will receive tonight the George Paulus Vocational Service Award.**

*Thanks to Raven reporter Bob Harvie and photographers Robin Cromer, David Fox and John Gray*

## Club News

**Acting President Peter Evans** – Peter acted in place of President David who was on business in Adelaide. David passed on his congratulations to all involved with the Rotary Scenic Cycle Tour of Canberra.

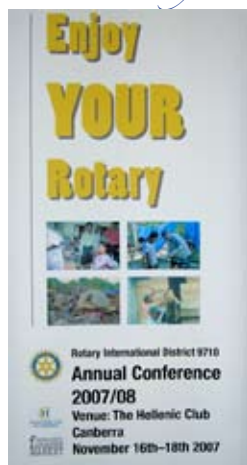
**Enone Jarman** – The club noted with regret the passing of Enone Jarman, a long time member of the Inner Wheel Club of Canberra-Woden. Bob Jarman, a past member of our club, passed on his best wishes to members.

**Racecourse parking** – Gary Scott indicated that arrangements are well in hand. He asked that those who volunteered bring their own drinks and snacks.

**Siemens Science School** – Youth Service Director Val Bland reported that the four delegates we are supporting this year, will be at our meeting this week.

**Eric Taylor** – Eric continues with his program of chemotherapy which is being administered every two weeks until February. On the in-between weeks members enjoy seeing him at Rotary – we wish him and Rosemary well during this difficult time.

## District Conference – 16-18 November 2007



Our guest speaker last week was Vic Gibbons, from the District 9710 Conference Committee. Vic spoke on behalf of the committee chair, Tony Howard, who has health problems. Vic is Secretary of the Rotary Club of Hall with a classification of “School Administration”. He was previously in the Army.

Apart from talking to us about the District Conference he also spoke of his club which, amongst other things, is also a supporter of the Children of the Golden Triangle project. The Canberra Region Farmers Market is a project of their club – there are 90 to 100 stall-holders at each market.

The theme for the conference at the Hellenic Club this year is: “Enjoy Your Rotary”.

On Friday from 3pm to 5pm there will be Special and General Meetings of District 9710 Inc. All Clubs have been asked to be represented so as to achieve a quorum. At the friendship

dinner in the evening the Black Mountain Jazz Band will play.

On Saturday the Keynote Speakers will be:

- \* British High Commissioner, Helen Liddell CV – “Giving”
- \* Former head of Australian Institute of Sport, Rob de Castella MBE – “Youth Health”
- \* UK Rep on Rotary Board & Member RC of London, Alistair Forsyth-Parker – “The Rotary Foundation”
- \* Senator for Queensland, Barnaby Joyce PHF – “Ethics”

There will be a conference dinner in the evening with entertainment from ‘Annie and the Armadillos’

On Sunday the Keynote Speakers will be:

- \* Marine Scientist Professor Richard Arculus – ‘Marine Science and Tsunami’
- \* Youth Off The Street, Father Chris Riley AM PHF – “Rescuing Youth”
- \* ABC 666 radio host, David Kilby – “Collectibles”

And of course there will be much more. For further information open the District Website at: <http://www.d9710.rotary.org.au> This is a tremendous opportunity for all members of our Club to attend a District Conference right on our front doorstep. What’s more, registration is free – you only pay for the meals.

On-line registration is preferred.

## Report – John Widdup and Noel Hart



Further to the report in last week’s Raven, David Fox and John Widdup thanked all concerned for a stirring effort and a very successful event. John said that the ride had run without hitches and with a record number of 350 entries.

On the financial side Treasurer Noel Hart has reported as follows:

“ Gross receipts were \$6486 which is a terrific result to the credit of the Club’s willing workers, volunteers from Pedal Power, Inner Wheel and others who gave up their time on the day to make it a great success. Expenses will include printing, morning teas, Tuggeranong Club BBQ, Bank credit card fees, hire of equipment and oop’s, all of which will bring the net takings down to around \$4500. The Club would normally give a donation to Inner Wheel for their efforts in manning (or womaning) the morning tea spots. This will leave about \$4000 for club Project funds which have been nominated for Aboriginal scholarships. Well done all.”

As reported last week there were more family groups riding this year. It was interesting to see the innovation of this family group in accommodating two adults and three children on two bicycles!

