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**Previous Issues of the Raven:**

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**The back page - Don't mess with the children - Episode 6**

A teacher was giving a lesson on the circulation of the blood.

Trying to make the matter clearer, she said, 'Now, class, if I stood on my head, the blood, as you know, would run into it, and I would turn red in the face.' 'Yes,' the class said.

'Then why is it that while I am standing upright in the ordinary position, the blood doesn't run into my feet?'

A little fellow shouted, 'Cause your feet ain't empty.'

**Last week's attendance**

**Guest speaker:** Dr Jannette Lindesay

**Club guests:** Wolfgang-Lukas Strohmayer, Elaine Kos

**Other guests:** Maureen Booth, Jill Cromer, Jenny Fox, Pixie Gray, Louise Ibbotson, Helen Sahhar, Celeste Rowlands & Pat Schmidt

**Make-ups:** Jim Grainger

**Members present:** 22 **Countable:** 21

**Percentage:** 73%

**APOLOGIES**

**BY 3 PM TUESDAY**

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**DINNER ROSTER**

**This week - 23 July**

**Next week - 30 July**

**Program** Holly will talk about a **Tourist Venture** at Campbell Park in the South Island of NZ  
**Introduction** Peter Evans  
**Appreciation** Norma Donaldson  
**Fellowship** Gary Scott  
 Jeff Ibbotson  
**Raven Recorder** Ken Goard  
**Birthdays** Norma Donaldson & Dorothy Macklin 22/7, John Widdup 26/7

Christopher Peters, CEO ACT Chamber of Commerce & Ind. "**Business in the ACT**"  
 Norma Donaldson  
 John Gray  
 Juliet Badu-Tiwaa  
 Bish Mukerjee  
 Ros Osbourne  
 Maureen Booth 31/7



**Media release: From the Rotary Club of Nasik Road, India**

In India, death from cardiac arrest and heart attacks is one of the leading causes of death. There are more than 1.3 million people in Nasik, and only very few of the victims of heart disease survive because effective treatment does not arrive in time. Dr Sadhanchandra Ray (Rotary Club of Nasik Road, District 3030), was instrumental in spearheading an International Service Project to have a cardiac ambulance donated to Jairam Hospital in Nasik Road.



Woden, David Fox, District Grants Subcommittee Chair Paul Street, District Governor Raje Sangram Singh Bhonsle, and DGSC Sanjay Wani were responsible for taking this project forward. District officers from D9710 Mick Newling and Paul Street sanctioned \$4000 USD for the project. This was matched with another \$4000 USD approved by District officers from D3030, Dr Satish Sule and Sanjay Wani. However, this project would not have been feasible without the \$10000 USD contribution from the Rotary Foundation.

Dr Ray wanted to do it as a matching grant project so he requested President Anil Kale to look for an international partner. Ray eventually got in touch with a Rotarian from Australia, Bish Mukerjee, a member from the Rotary Club of Canberra-Woden (District 9710). They prepared the proposal for a matching grant project. The President of Rotary Club of Canberra-

Nasik Road's first cardiac ambulance is the proof of the coordinated work done by the Rotary Club of Canberra-Woden, Rotary Club of Nasik Road, and The Rotary Foundation. The Foundation encourages Rotarians to work across Club and District borders and exemplifies the spirit of the theme for 2007-08 '**Rotary Shares**'.

**Tonight**

**Holly**

Will speak to us about a tourist venture at Campbell Park in New Zealand's South Island.

**Alternative venue**

The Thai Restaurant in Deakin (BYO) has been booked for the Club meeting on Wednesday 6 August. Let Ros know attendance and any special dietary requirements.

**July is Planning Month**

## Dr Jannette Lindesay: Climate Change, past, present and future

Dr Lindesay is an Associate Professor at the Fenner School, ANU.

She explained that changes are evident in frost, rainfall and snow patterns in the ACT with the winter months (and particularly Novembers) much warmer than 'normal'. Overall there has been a significant decrease in rainfall over last year and the first half of 2008. Overall, the ACT climate is drying and warming.

Over the longer term, the period from 1900 up to end of 1950's was wetter. During this time, irrigation areas, farming systems and hydro power schemes were put in place with an expectation that higher precipitation was normal. Since then, a drying trend has continued in the East and SW Australia, with the trend intensifying from 1970-2007. On the other hand, in the NW of Australia, the trend has been to get wetter, with increased Tropical Cyclone activity.

Globally there was a warming trend from the second half of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century up to the 1950's, followed by a levelling off and cooling of the atmosphere due to pollution in the Northern Hemisphere. Pollution control measures in Europe since then have led to the resumption of warming, which cannot be accounted for by natural forces. A graph showing average Global temperatures over the last 1000 years demonstrated significant warming had occurred in recent years



Dr Jannette Lindesay

The extent of the Arctic sea ice and Greenland icecap is reducing more rapidly than expected. If all of the Greenland icecap were to melt, global sea levels would raise by 7 m. This would impact on the natural environment and human land-use. Some believe that we may have crossed a "Tipping Point" making it possible that Arctic summer sea ice may disappear as early as 2013. The positives from this will be easier access to mineral resources and the opening up of new shipping lanes across the Arctic Sea.



Fellowship before the meeting

Climate modelling is used to look ahead, but all possible scenarios indicate a warmer future. We are unable to change the outcomes of the current warming trend up to 2025, BUT our actions from now on can help change trends after that. There is no single answer to controlling emissions but for generation of power, a mix of all methods including solar, wind and nuclear, will be needed. Curbing increases in World population will be critical.

## Joint Meeting

A joint Meeting with the Canberra City Rotary Club is being planned for the 19th August at the Canberra Club to launch the **Kintore Project**. Arrangements are in the hands of President John Gray of Canberra City and Past President David Fox. Partners and guests will be welcome.

### Club vote on 30 July aims to:

1. Change the name of the Club
2. Call the Club "Woden Valley Rotary Club Incorporated"

## Club News

**Parking at EPIC - Saturday 12th July:** Gary Scott reported that 4-5000 cars were parked with no problems. Over the past 12 months, a total of \$11,000 has been raised from parking. A new parking job may be available at Thoroughbred Park for the Oktoberfest with an expected income of \$6-8000 over 3 days, with 2 days continuing into the evening.

**National Membership Conference:** Piers Booth reported this had been held in District 9710 with President D K Lee in attendance. The format was based on small discussion groups. Rotary is losing members worldwide and the aim is to increase membership by 10% each year. To achieve this, each member should ask at least 2 people to join Rotary each year. Ros Osbourne reinforced the remarks made by Piers' and suggested that one way to modernize might be to institute and 'e' club.

**New meeting location:** The Thai restaurant in Deakin is keen to have us and they can provide food other than Thai cuisine. A trial dinner at this location has been organised (see Page 1). Peter Evans reported that he has checked out the Reinberger Conference Centre, where a room hire fee is charged and the catering is not cheap. He has had no replies from either the Yacht Club or the Forrest Inn.

## Raven Reporter - Guidelines

The Raven editors are very grateful for the hard work done by Raven Reporters each week and wish to ensure the job is not too onerous. Some broad guidelines are therefore provided for Raven Reporters on the nature and extent of information we would like from their reports each week.

The main aim of the Raven is to ensure that members are kept abreast of the wide range of activities in which the club is involved and to provide a summary of talks given by guest speakers.

Information relating to Club activities will be grouped under a heading of "Club News". Reporters should take note of dates and times of upcoming club events including information from the President and Board members about club projects and activities. If dates or times are missed, these should be followed up with the person con-

cerned or the Secretary so the information provided is correct. If confirmation is not possible, this should be noted in the Report so that the Editors are alerted. Information about District and broader Rotary events should also be noted so they can be included under the heading of "Important Dates".

When reporting on talks given by guest speakers, the major points made by the speaker should be emphasized with some detail of particular points where these are of interest. We do not, however, expect a lengthy and highly detailed account of the talk. The Raven is after all a newsletter, with a limited amount of space to provide members with a summary of our activities. It is not expected to provide a full published record of each guest speaker. Whilst we will avoid amending reports whenever possible, the editors reserve the right to reduce the length of reports when space is limited.

With thanks, the Editors

Raven Reporter  
Norma Donaldson

