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# THE RAVEN

THE WEEKLY BULLETIN OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF WODEN

Meetings: 6.00 for 6.15 pm Wednesdays, Federal Golf Club, Gowrie Drive, Red Hill

Organiser of the Rotary Spring Cycle Ride of Canberra.

Held annually in September.

## Farewell Past President Eric Taylor

I have known Eric and Rosemary Taylor and their family for 40 years. With Eric's passing, it is a pleasure and an honour for me now to recount a little about his life.

closed its Canberra office, he set up a specialist firm in acoustics.

Eric joined our Rotary Club in 1971. He was a quiet but notably effective force in the

Club, and never a person to shirk responsibility. Even in recent years, when he was ill, his concern was to remain an active Rotarian. For a number of years he designed the Club's award certificates and other documents – both in calligraphy and later with the clever software now available.



To sum up his life in the community and our Club, I can only repeat what so many have said to me: *Eric was one of the true gentlemen in this world.*

Eric spent his early years on a dairy farm at Tongala, Victoria. Then over some years he took degrees in Engineering, Architecture and Physics (Acoustics) at Melbourne University and worked with an architectural firm in Melbourne. He married Rosemary in 1954, and they had three children, Robyn (deceased), Ross and Rohan.

His memory will stay long with those who were lucky enough to know him.

Keith Avent

## The back page

### EXERCISE

I felt like my body had gone totally out of shape,  
So I got my doctor's permission to  
Join a fitness club and start exercising.  
I decided to take an aerobics class for seniors.  
I bent, twisted, gyrated, jumped up and down, and perspired for an hour.  
But, by the time I got my leotards on, the class was over.

## Attendance last week

**Club Guests & Speakers:** Marion Bateup  
**Visiting Rotarians:** Nil  
**Other Guests:** Nil  
**Members present:** 24  
**Makeups:** 5  
**Percentage:** 90.0%

## APOLOGIES

**BY 3 PM TUESDAY**  
**Norma Donaldson**  
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### DINNER ROSTER

	THIS WEEK – 18 November	NEXT WEEK – 25 November
<b>Program</b>	Carlo Binutti Canberra Brickworks	Brett Bailey 'How and why Art is beneficial'
<b>Introduction</b>	Ajit Bannerjee	David Fox
<b>Appreciation</b>	Ros Osbourne	Robyn Singleton
<b>Fellowship</b>	Lukas Strohmayer	Bernadette Cappello
<b>Raven Recorder</b>	Bish Mukerjee	John Widdup
<b>Birthdays</b>	Jeff Ibbotson Bruce Wyatt 18/11	Christine Bell Barbara Whitbread 25/11,
<b>Anniversaries</b>	Shukry & Helen Sahhar 21/11	Nil

**PARKING AT THOROUGHRED PARK**

Sun 29 Nov. –15 MEMBERS REQUIRED TO VOLUNTEER - GARY SCOTT ORGANISING

## Dates for your diary

**Parking** – See roster at foot of page 4 for next parking day.

**25 Nov.** –Landscape artist Brett Bailey, speaking

**28-29** – District 9710 Rotary Focus

**9 Dec.** – Club Xmas Party

**23 & 30 Dec.** – No meetings

**6 Jan.** – First meeting of 2010

**26-28 Feb.** – Canberra Show (parking)

## TONIGHT

### HERITAGE NIGHT

**6pm at the the brickworks gate in Yarralumla then later at Bentham Bar & Pizza as booked by Piers Booth.**

**Phone Piers if cancelling.**

**November is Rotary Foundation Month**

## Indigenous Health Scholar Marion Bateup



Marion informed the Club that she had finished her 4 year Bachelor of Nursing Degree at the University of Canberra. Her degree presentation will be at the Great Hall of Parliament House shortly.

She gave a very heart felt thanks to the Club for its strong financial support to her studies and presented President Ros with a gift. Without this help she would not have been able to complete her studies as a mature age student while caring for a family and unfortunately a husband suffering from a serious illness.

Marion's determination to complete her degree is quite remarkable. She is an excellent example of what is being achieved across Australia through Australian Rotary Health's indigenous health scholarship scheme.

She made a brief presentation about a poster she had created as part of her course. This was directed to the importance of the nurse/patient relationship with particular emphasis on indigenous communities.

Marion will spend her experience year at Queanbeyan Hospital. We wish her well.

## Review of Western Desert Health Project - David Fox

David Fox outlined the history of the project using a range of slides. He noted that the "purple" house at Kintore, which our Club is refurbishing will, when complete, enable the doubling of the existing dialysis capability there. It will supplement the existing dialysis facility at the "purple" house in Alice Springs. This new bed at Kintore will ensure that many of the Western District Nganampa Walytja Palyantjaku Tjutaku Indigenous Communities will be able to receive regular treatment at Kintore rather than travelling some 530 km into Alice Springs for regular treatment.

David highlighted the refurbishing progress to date covering the electrical, plumbing, carpentry, painting etc. He also outlined the past and future financial aspects, noting in particular that the Club needs some additional \$200,000 to complete the project. Shukry Sahhar provided information on the most recent electrical work completed and outlined future support that has been offered from several Canberra Rotary Clubs and the Wagga TAFE.

Christine Bell outlined the details of the Matching Grant with a Korean Club from District 3650 that is part of Seoul. The Korean Club donated US\$7,000 that translated into US\$25,000 for the project. Christine is researching the Korean Club. She noted that there were 82 Clubs in District 3650 and 144 in Seoul itself. Our Rotary Club has prepared a special letter of thanks (in Korean), with the help of the South Korean Embassy, to be sent to the Korean Club.

For further details on this project members are referred to the excellent News Bulletin No 1 (October 2009) that has been distributed to all members and supporters or the previous reports at <http://www.rotarnet.com.au/woden>.

## Club News

RAVEN REPORTER

GARY SCOTT

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**Cruise "of a lifetime":** Peter Evans reported on his cruise that started in Sydney and sailed to Brisbane, Rabaul (PNG), Solomon Is, New Hebrides, Guadalcanal & back to Sydney – a total trip of 18 days. Peter also gained two Rotary make-ups when he joined other Rotarians on the cruise for a couple of get-togethers.

**Rotary cakes:** Piers Booth still has a small number of cakes etc at \$15.50 each. Members should contact Piers directly if they are interested.

**Christmas Party:** The Club's Christmas Party will be on 9 December, 6.00 for 6.30pm, cost \$30pp and it will be a partners' night. Members are strongly encouraged to pre-pay before then at the normal Rotary meetings on the 25/11/09 or 2/12/09.

**Message from Des Henderson-Kelly:** Des apologises for his absence from Rotary and he will be away until he is able to walk again. He thanks all those who visited or phoned etc. We wish him a speedy recovery.

**District 9710 Rotary Focus in Moruya:** Rotarian Jeff Ibbotson noted that he will be attending the Rotary Focus at Moruya on 28/29th November. This is a wonderful opportunity for all Rotarians in our District to gain a much more detailed insight into the many and varied programs run by Rotary and supported by many of us. Jeff encouraged all Rotarians to attend this new district initiative.

## Board for Rotary Year 2010–2011

At the AGM last week the Club accepted the President's report for 2008-2009 and the audited financial statement for the same year.

The following Rotarians were elected for the 2010-2011 Rotary year. **President** – Gary Scott, **President Elect** – Bernadette Cappello, **Secretary** – Peter Evans, **Treasurer** – Lyn Svanosio, **Five Directors** – David Fox, Shukry Sahhar, Christine Bell, Lukas Strohmayer & Jeff Ibbotson.

## Certificate of Appreciation – Michael O'Hehir



Rotarian Noel Hart spoke on the Club's appreciation of the valuable services over a number of years of Mr Michael O'Hehir the Club's Honorary Auditor.

President Ros Osbourne presented a certificate to Michael to mark our appreciation of his valuable contribution to Rotary.