

ROTARY CLUB OF SYDNEY CBD



BULLETIN



The Rotary Club of Sydney CBD
Rotary District 9750
Meet 1st & 3rd Monday 6pm for 6.30pm
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FEBRUARY IS WORLD UNDERSTANDING MONTH

International President 2008-09 DK Lee
District 9750 Governor 2008-09 Barney Koo

19 JANUARY 2009

This Weeks Speaker
CAPTAIN PAUL MOULDS PHF
Member Rotary Club of Sydney CBD



As a 19-year-old teaching student, Paul Moulds spent his summer break as a youth outreach worker at the Salvation Army's Kings Cross shelter.

That experience in 1980, spelt the end of his teaching degree and the beginning of 28 years of working with Sydney's homeless youth, many of them abused, drug addicted, damaged or suffering mental illness and all of them living in appalling circumstances.

For the past 13 years, Paul has run the Salvos' Sydney Youth Support Network, Oasis, which has five locations in inner Sydney providing accommodation, food and support services to homeless kids [the Salvos are now rebranding their entire national youth support network as Oasis]. He manages 70 staff, trying to allocate Oasis's 55 beds, feed more than 100 homeless kids each night and run programs to give them a bit of hope.

When Paul started at Oasis it was a shelter where kids were fed and given a bed, but that was it. He quickly realised the Government's view was that giving the kids a bed would fix everything. He set about finding corporate sponsors to introduce day programs. Now, Sony operates an on-site radio station that gets kids back into learning by preparing a radio program and Nokia has an internet bus where the kids hang out and play computer games. Paul Moulds also made the decision, 13 years ago, to join the Salvation Army as an officer (with his wife Robbin), rather than just being an employee. As a recent TV documentary, The Oasis, showed, most of his time is spent on practical issues such as finding beds, getting places in rehab programs and making sure they're fed. The documentary, which screened on ABC1 in April last year, has generated a big response.

Paul Moulds was a founding member of Sydney CBD Rotary and reluctantly resigned after a few years due to being on call almost 24hours a day at Oasis as well trying to spend some time with his wife and young family.

During his membership, Paul was heavily involved in club Projects. The most significant of these was The Build-A-Boat project which taught disadvantaged young people various skills – not the least being 'working to achieve' as a team.

The great success of this project was when Kaye Cottee and PP Joan Richards launched the wooden sail boat at Darling Harbour in 1998.

The Salvation Army went on to carry out other Build-a-Boat projects as part of the 'Work for the Dole' program instigated by the Government.

We were so happy to welcome Paul back into membership of CBD Rotary in March 2008 where he continues to give service even though he has less time than he did originally!!

TONIGHT'S PROGRAM
 6.00 **PRE – DINNER DRINKS**
CHAIRMAN: PAST PRESIDENT GRAHAM STEER
 6.30/40 **CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME**

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY
"I wish to acknowledge the Gadigal people of the Eora Nation the traditional owners on whose land we hold this meeting tonight.
I pay respect to elders past and present"
ROTARIAN: Rees Rear

THE TOAST TO AUSTRALIA

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS
BY PRESIDENT JIM HARRISON

REPORTS

SPEAKER: ROTARIAN PAUL MOULDS
 Introduction: Sally Hetherington
 Vote of Thanks: Kim Smith

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

PRESIDENT JIM HARRISON

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AUSTRALIAN OF THE YEAR 2009



PROF. MICK DODSON AM

Aboriginal leader and academic Mick Dodson was named Australian of the Year at a ceremony at Parliament House in Canberra. Pictured here with the Prime Minister and Adam Gilchrist (Chair Australia Day Awards).

Prof Dodson a Yawuru man, originally from the Broome area is and continues to be a tireless campaigner for Indigenous and Human rights, was presented the Australian of The Year Award by the Prime Minister Kevin Rudd a year after he apologised to the stolen generations. Mr Rudd thanked Prof. Dodson for his lifetime commitment to improving the lives of Aboriginal people and in helping to close the gap between indigenous and non-indigenous Australians.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF SYDNEY CBD CONGRATULATES AND THANKS MICK for a lifetime of "Service above Self". As Mick said in his acceptance speech – he did not do it on his own. Professor Dodson says he hopes to build Australians' understanding of what it means to protect the rights and human dignity of all Australians.

"Upholding human rights is about looking out for each other... sometimes we don't speak up when we should," he said. "We pretend the problem will go away or ignore it because we think it's too hard, but I have great faith in all fellow Australians, my countrymen.



Within the Rotary Club of Sydney CBD's family, our indigenous members



and Friends including Jack Beetson (R), The Hon. Linda

Burney MP (Honorary member) (above) and her late husband (CBD member) Ric



Farley, and club members Dr. Clare Patterson (L) and Julie Welsh (R) have all contributed in many and various ways to reconciliation,



for most or all of their lives.

Past President Joan Richards OAM and District Governor Barney Koo initiated the Rotary District 9750 Indigenous Australians Goodwill Committee in 1998 to enable Rotarians to learn about indigenous history and culture and take up the cause for the advancement of human rights and reconciliation with Indigenous Australians. The Rotary Club of Sydney CBD has been a strong advocate of reconciliation in every possible way since 1996, when our Club was Chartered. One of our very first projects was the state-wide Indigenous First Aid Program.

Rotary CBD and the D9750 IAGC Committee took part and led a strong contingent of Rotarians in the "Walk for Reconciliation" across the Sydney Harbour Bridge on 28th May 2000 and we have been active with indigenous projects ever since.

This year President Jim Harrison unveiled another wonderful indigenous project (see item below) to fund a Walan Barramal Breakfast Program for 135 students across 3 schools, The Alexandria Park Community School, Marrickville High School and Tempe High School.

(It is my belief that reconciliation will be achieved by ordinary people, in cities and towns throughout this country. It doesn't begin and end in the corridors of power, indeed change begins "at home" with people like you and me. Reconciliation must be a grassroots movement. (PP Joan Richards OAM)

CBD ROTARY - MAJOR INDIGENOUS PROJECT

This years major community project will be the **Walan Barramal Breakfast Program for 135 students across 3 schools (Alexandria Park Community School, Marrickville High School and Tempe High School) in the Sydney metropolitan area.**

President Jim when taking up his presidency sought to carry out an indigenous project for children. **He requested Club member Carrie Bendeich (pictured- Deputy CEO of the National Aboriginal Sporting Chance Academy (NASCA) to suggest a Project which would benefit children in keeping with the RI President's theme to Make Dreams Real (and especially for children and health) .**



This project will cover extracurricular activities related to health and fitness, and hopefully will motivate and encourage indigenous students to continue their education, increase their post school

opportunities and improve their self belief and self esteem. This commitment of up to \$6,700 would cover 2 school terms of funding for the Breakfast Program as well as a Health and Nutrition Session and a No-Way Campaign Workshop.



NASCA aims to be the peak body for Indigenous Sport, Health and Education in Australia and set the international standard for imaginative and effective personal development programs for Indigenous communities.

Through the programs NASCA aims to encourage Indigenous children to: Persist in education Participate in sport & recreation programs, Lead healthier lifestyles, Be proud of their culture and history, Be motivated to achieve goals, Reduce substance abuse Improve school and community harmony

We look forward to all members supporting this project by fund raising for this program.

GET BUSY WITH THE \$30 DINNERS IN YOUR OWN HOME or any other imaginative plan you may have!

**ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES
ANDRE W SIH BY 12 NOON EACH MONDAY
OF ANY APOLOGIES OR GUEST NUMBERS
Text Mob: 0415 816 241 ("no say – you pay")**

LIFE FOR KIDS - Letter of thanks from Ailsa

Dear Joaquim and all at Sydney CBD Rotary,

Every year at *Life for Kids* we feel truly overwhelmed by the magnanimity of Sydney CBD Rotary in the donations of gifts for our children at Christmas. This year was no exception and the joy these brought to the 'kids' is indescribable. So it is with immense gratitude that I write, on behalf of all at *Life for Kids*, to thank you so very sincerely for your extraordinary and ongoing support and generosity which enables us to continue to support our 'kids' and their families in so many ways and also to extend our programmes. In particular, we extend our thanks to you, Joaquim, for your organisation of the gifts and never failing support.

Our Christmas Party on 13 December brought one hundred and fifty children and some of the family members to celebrate and enjoy our community and the Christmas spirit which pervaded. It was a time to delight in the real joy and wonder of the 'kids' with the face-painting, Christmas fairy costumes, decoration, Christmas dinner, singing of Christmas Carols and Santa with the presents and hampers for everyone.

We even had a very special newborn baby girl with us. Donna (one of our mothers) gave birth on the previous Monday, was out of hospital on the Tuesday and came to the party on Saturday with the baby (unnamed at the time). Quite wondrous!

During January we are outfitting one hundred 'kids' with shoes, uniforms and books for 'back to school' (some adventures!) and we have lots of plans for extended programmes in 2009, especially in education and health.

Once again, heartfelt thanks, and may 2009 bring special blessings to you all. Warmest wishes,
Ailsa Gillett OAM Co-ordinator



**ITEMS TO BULLETIN EDITOR
JOAN RICHARDS BY THURSDAY OF EACH
WEEK EMAIL: joan-ron@bigpond.net.au**

URGENT AND IMPORTANT

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL'S 104 ANNIVERSARY
ALL CBD MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO ATTEND**

Saturday 21 February is Rotary 104th Anniversary and our club will be celebrating with Rotary 9750 District at a special District Dinner when we induct Rotary Past International President Bill and Lorna Boyd as "Friends of Rotary CBD".

Also, number of new members to the Sydney CBD Rotary Maori Satellite Group will have the honour of being inducted on the night by Past international President Bill Boyd. A first for our Club, District 9750 and particularly Bill – as this will be the first Rotary Maori Satellite group in the world!!!

[Please book Now with PP Joan Richards](#)

We will be organising a mini bus to take any members from the city to the function – This will involve a small cost on the night.

Rotary District 9750

DG Barney Koo and Lorraine would like to extend an invitation to join with them in Celebrating Rotary's

*104th Anniversary
Special Guest*

*PRIP Bill Boyd & Lorna
21st February 2009*

at

Sutherland United Services Club

6.30 for 7pm start

\$40 per person

2-course meal

Drinks will be under Cash Bar Arrangements

Entertainment—Kaye Gordon & Maori Cultural Group

Bookings to District Secretary Cheryl Deguara

Phone: 0419 465 962

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Payment by Cheque made payable to RI District 9750

District Treasurer, 3 Westleigh Drive, Westleigh 2120

Rotary International receives another US\$255 million to help eradicate Polio from the world

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation has awarded Rotary International another US\$255 million in the global effort to eradicate polio, bringing the total committed by Rotary and the Gates Foundation to \$555 million.

(Pictured: Bill Gates administers a dose of polio vaccine)



Polio eradication has been Rotary's top priority since 1985, with more than \$1.2 billion contributed to the effort.

Bill Gates praised Rotary for providing the volunteers, advocates, and donors who have helped bring about a 99 percent decline in the number of polio cases. "The world would not be where it is without Rotary, and it won't get where it needs to go without Rotary," he said.

THE 2009-10 RI THEME

"The Future of Rotary Is in Your Hands",

**ACKNOWLEDGES THE IMPORTANT
ROLE INDIVIDUAL ROTARY CLUBS WILL
PLAY IN SHAPING THE FUTURE OF
ROTARY.**

2009

2 February – **Speaker:** Captain Paul Moulds

10 February – **BOARD MEETING**

16 February – Ms Sharon Jackson – "Tradewinds "

21 February – **Rotary International's 104**

anniversary with a Rotary 9750 District Dinner when we induct Rotary Past International President Bill and Lorna Boyd as "Friends of Rotary CBD". We shall present our Maori Satellite Group Rotary members to the District 9750 at this event

2 March – **The Hon. Meredith Burgmann – "Barack Obama's Aussie Volunteers"**

16 March – **GALA - ST PATRICKS DAY - MEETING**

6 April – **GALA MEETING – THE SYDNEY STREET CHOIR AND THEIR JOURNEY**

20 April – **Michael Kelly** – "The Audacity of Inspiration" - Speaking and Presentation Techniques of President Barack Obama.'

4 May – Job Talks - Castlereagh hotel

18 May – **GALA MEETING – "SHARING A JOURNEY OF HEALING WITH INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIANS"**

1 June – **Pride of Workmanship Awards**

15 June- Meeting Castlereagh Hotel

**29 June – CLUB CHANGEOVER DINNER
FRONT DESK ROSTER**

TONIGHT

2 February

Desk – Diane Malcolm, Sasha Miroshnikoff,
Meet and Greet - Amanda Clarke

16 February

Desk – Sharon Kerr, Kim Smith
Meet and Greet – Rees Rear

The members rostered should be at the club before 6pm - If you are unable to accept this duty please exchange with another Member

**ROTARY CLUB OF SYDNEY CBD
BOARD – 2008-09**

Our Mission:

“As members of the Rotary Club of Sydney CBD, we will mobilize the resources of our CBD market, its people, places and assets, for the benefit of our Rotary projects”

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The Rotaract Sydney City is organising a cruise with My Shelter <http://www.myshelter.org.au/> on 18 April 2009 to help raise funds for Watoto in a new project to build a village in GULU, North Uganda, the region where most of the child soldiers find refuge.

Rotaract Sydney City and My Shelter is co-organising "Building Relationships - Hollywood Cruise 2009"

Date : 18 April 2009 - Time : 7.30pm - 10.30pm onboard Captain Cruise Matilda 3
Boarding Time : 7pm at the Commissioner Steps, West Circular Quay
Cost : \$70 pre-paid by 18 March 2009, else \$80 for unlimited drinks and cocktail canapés.
Dress Code : Come as your favourite Hollywood Celebrity

There will be door prizes, best dressed, silent auctions and lots of other fun-filled activities!!! Our every own Rotary District 9750 Governor Barney Koo and Rotaract District Representative Stephen Lovison will be there too!!!

100% profit will go to the Watoto orphans in Africa - Making a difference in the life of a child. This cruise is not to be missed! Deposit the funds by March 18th via the following bank account details:

**Account name: Rotaract Club of Sydney BSB : 062 508
A/C : 1004 1455**

NOTE: When transferring the money, please write eg. Elaine Lim Ticket #01 = "ELIM010" (You will need to obtain the ticket number from the Sales Representative)
Thanks for all your support, and please forward this to all your friends, family and workmates. You are the people who will make this event extra special! PS: Donations are also welcomed if you can't make it to the event!



WHEN: SATURDAY, 18 APRIL 2009	DRESS CODE: YOUR FAVORITE HOLLYWOOD CELEBRITY
VESSEL: MATILDA III <small>THREE LEVELS OF EXPANSIVE ENTERTAINMENT DECKS WITH 360 DEGREE VIEWS</small>	DEPARTURE FROM: THE COMMISSIONER STEPS, WEST CIRCULAR QUAY <small>LOCATED ON THE WALKWAY BETWEEN INTERNATIONAL TERMINAL AND CIRCULAR QUAY</small>
BOARDING TIME: 7.00PM	DEPARTURE TIME: 7.30PM RETURNING AT 10.30PM <small>PLEASE PLAN TO ARRIVE ON TIME FOR BOARDING TO AVOID BEING LEFT BEHIND</small>
TICKETS PER PERSON - \$70 BEFORE 18 MARCH 2009 \$80 AFTER 18 MARCH 2009	<small>100% PROFIT WILL GO TO THE WATOTO ORPHANS IN AFRICA, MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIFE OF A CHILD.</small> BOOKINGS & PAYMENT BY 12 APRIL 2009: JULIE CHEANG: 0411 423 080 JULIE.CHEANG@MYSHELTER.ORG.AU ELAINE LIM: 0416 030 688 ELYNINE@GMAIL.COM

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BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS EVENT
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