



ROTARY CLUB OF HAWTHORN



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Notes From the Week

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Meetings

Hawthorn Receptions
555 Glenferrie Road
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Tuesdays 12:30pm for
1:00pm (Finish 2.00pm)

Rotary Club of Hawthorn

PO Box 33, Hawthorn 3122
Bulletins etc available from:
<http://groups.google.com/group/hawthorn-rotary/files>
Discussions, correspondence etc available from:
<http://groups.google.com/group/hawthorn-rotary/topics>

President Neil Says:

“Plenty of great ‘things’ are happening at the Rotary Club of Hawthorn – Your Club. There is a high correlation between involvement and enjoyment – GET INVOLVED and test the proposition!!”

Please put these dates in your diary NOW:

LUNAR NEW YEAR BANQUET—Fri 26 Feb.

- Crowne Plaza Hotel. \$65 p.h. 10 Courses.
- Supporting Rotary Ovarian Cancer Research.
- RSVP 15 Feb Michael O’Sullivan, President, RC Richmond, PO Box 138, Richmond 3121.

ROTARY DISTRICT 9800 CONFERENCE – PERTH 4,5,6 March

- Contact Bernie Walshe 0419 525 145

RELAY FOR LIFE – Cancer Support 24hr walk Sat27-Sun28 March

- Drinks and nibbles for supporters
- Contact Noel Halford 0419 018 901. Sign up for an hour or two!

SPECIAL PRESENTATION NIGHT - Monday 29 March 6.00 - 7.30pm

- Light dinner. In lieu of normal lunch meeting on Tuesday 30 March
- Recognising RCH charitable gifts and member effort.
- All members, All partners, Any friends, Reps from Charities and distinguished persons should attend.
- Contact Neil Roberts 0418 105 587

BOROONDARA PAPER - Thursday 15 April 7am Breakfast

- Hawthorn Town Hall.
- Contact Bernie Walshe 0419 525 145



BUNNINGS BBQ - Sunday 25 April (Anzac Afternoon)

- Can you do a shift? Help boost the club’s funds!
- Contact Neil Roberts 0418 105 587

Never Say Die

By **Glenn Tebble** (Cystic Fibrosis Ambassador)

This was a classic, impressive demonstration of how the human spirit can overcome human frailty.

Glenn Tebble certainly has a tale of woe to tell:

- At 3 months, diagnosed with Cystic Fibrosis (CF)
- (CF, a hereditary disease affecting the mucus glands of the lungs, liver, pancreas and intestines, is the most common genetic life-threatening disease in Australia).
- Life has been an uphill battle for Glenn: endless operations (did he really say 80-100?); fear of being different; 20 funerals of CF friends (including a very close friend aged 12); 28 tablets to take before each meal; a suicide attempt followed by 20 weeks of re-hab; a near death experience; even a final gathering of his family to say farewell to life.

But, wonderfully, amongst all this negativity, there is a love story, and – 3 years ago - a marriage. And now - thanks to his last-minute, very dangerous, 14 hour, double-lung transplant on 02 July 2009 - a hope for children.

Glenn is now an Ambassador for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Victoria, and he says he tends to focus more on awareness than facts and figures.

So how should we respond to this story, this person, this disease?

- Yes, we could give money for research; but how do we resolve the infinity of competing causes, each clamouring for the compassion dollar?



- Yes, we could – somehow – pressure our health system to respond to CF sufferers with the utmost compassion.
- Should we pressure the government to ensure that employment legislation gives employers an incentive to offer jobs to sufferers of conditions like CF?

- Should we pressure the government to transform the Organ Donor Register into an ‘opt out’ scheme, rather than an ‘opt in’ scheme that it is now?

Question time, as always, provided some excellent thoughts:

- David Pisterman asked whether it is true that the family of a recently died person can overrule his clear wishes that he wants to donate their organs. And the answer was ‘yes’. So, I ask: can the organ donor scheme be modified to make it harder for that to happen?

- Jim Earle asked about money: The Transplant apparently cost some \$200,000, and was ultimately funded by the Federal Government. So, I suggest: Let us all work and vote to ensure that at least this degree of socialisation of medicine is retained in this country.

- Kevin Rose raised the issue of modern-day screening of babies at the age of 3 months, and commented that this has greatly increased the proportion of CF sufferers who are detected early.

And, of course, the question of cause was raised: Apparently it is purely the result of the parents’ genetic inheritance. So, should we introduce genetic screening so that people can know whether they carry the gene? Or would this raise too many complications in how people select their life-partner?

(By Lawrence Reddaway)

COUNTRY VISIT - Sunday 2 May BBQ Lunch

- At the beautiful Wandin North home of Judy & David Rosback
- Yes, we will be coordinating some transport!
- Contact David Pisterman 0447 323 593

Past President, Past District Governor, David Rosback



Is Peace Possible?

The snail mail Rotary Down Under magazine had a most excellent 8 page supplement on this topic. It made me realise once again why I belong to Rotary!

Lawrence Reddaway

Ron Carr Business Enterprise Awards—Coming Soon!

Please send the names of potential Boroondara entrants to Jacky Cook

Would you like to show off your computer skills?

- You could so easily become a stand-by editor of this bulletin!

Would you like to enhance your computer skills?

- I could help you to learn sufficient so that you could produce the occasional edition of this bulletin!

Yes, we need a couple more stand-by editors!

Who was it who volunteered to help with writing up the speakers? Please approach me again!

Lawrence Reddaway

Photos of Kinglake De-fencing : Please email all your photos to Gerald Swinnerton: geraldswinnerton@lycos.com



Jim Braden at age 99 seems to be allowed to have chocolate bars—something new to be said for such longevity?

This Week's Meeting:

Attendance: 51 Members + 2 Guests = 53 Total

Guest Speaker: Glen Tebble (Cystic Fibrosis)

Guests of Members: nil

Visiting Rotarians: Cheryl Pisterman (RC Glenferrie)

Other Guests: nil

Thanks to: Ken McNamara (Chair), Barry Pratt (Sergeant), Jacky Cook (Raffle Donor)

Congratulations to raffle winner: Lawrence Reddaway

Apologies	RUSH David	WEEKS Jill
POHL Ian	SMITH Bruce	WRIGHT Geoff
ROSBACK David AM	TROEDEL Bill	

Make-Ups: Jill Weeks (e-Club 08/02)

Around

The

Club

Charles Morrison—flyer extraordinaire!

Charles Morrison claims to be over 80 years old, and The Shadow reluctantly refuses to accuse any Rotarian of lying! So let's salute our local member of the UFO—the Union of Flying Octogenarians. Yes, Charles has now been flying for a fantastic 55 years, including ultralights. However, recently—being a scrupulously responsible fellow—he gave up carrying passengers in his flying forays. (The Shadow supposes that he still trusts his flying skills sufficiently to avoid crashing on top of anyone!)

In the meantime, the Sergeant fined Charles for scoring 100 out of a possible 100 in a flying exam.

Dress Standards—The Shadow's Campaign Makes Progress!

Last week The Shadow railed against the Sergeant for being against practical hot-weather gear. This week's sergeant, in contrast, fined those who were wearing a tie and/or jacket. Hooray for The Shadow! Hooray for the Sergeant!

RCH fights the NAB

Geoff Dumayne told us how he took the cash from the Tennis Parking to the NAB branch, and the staff were delighted because they could not access their safe, and so had no cash. Feel Good All Round. Until the Nab charged RCH an \$18.70 'cash handling fee! Geoff, we understand, is girding his loins for a long fight, if need be, to get the \$18.70 refunded. Go, Geoff, Go!

The Shadow

Housekeeping						
(If you cannot perform your duty, please find a replacement. Or call Norman Hall 0401 100 177)						
Date	Setting Up	Badges	Front Desk	Grace	Raffle	Clearing Up
16 Feb	G. Wright	M. Brenner	I. Hamilton	B. Troedel	K. Rose	S. O'Donoghue
			D. Owen			N. Halford
23 Feb	G. Wright	J. Devereux	K. McNamara	D. Rush	G. Davey	P. Stewart
			N. McInnes			D. Corrigan

Forthcoming Speakers

Date	Topic	Speaker	Organisation	Chair
Feb 16	In Search of a Story	Tim Pegler	Ex-journalist and now author	Noel Halford
Award-winning journalist and author Tim Pegler will explore the importance of stories in society, citing some of the most memorable moments from his career as a newspaper reporter, website editor and novelist.				
Feb 23	The Vehicle Design Process in the Australian Automotive Industry	Doug Findlay	Recently-retired Ford Special Events & Product	Ian Stoney
For example, will the Ford Falcon still be made in Australia next year?				
March 02	Nuclear Power for Generating Electricity	Sander Vandeth	Retired Chief Engineer, Orica	Ian Warren
Sander will provide a quick insight into the world of nuclear power for generating electricity including the extent of nuclear power generation, how a reactor works, radioactivity, waste management, and safety (including a brief look at Chernobyl and Three Mile Island accidents.)				
March 09	My Fencing Experiences	Gerald Swinnerton	Club Member & Fencer Extraordinaire	Richard Bainbridge
Gerald doesn't need any introduction: Hear the story, see the photographs of Rotary in Action				
March 16	Two Australian Leaders: 'Weary' Dunlop and Ken Myer	Sue Ebury	Author	John Higgins
Sue Ebury is the author of 'Weary, The Life of Sir Edward Weary Dunlop' and 'The Many Lives of Kenneth Myer'				
March 23	Member Behind The Badge	Colin Crawford	Club Member	Chris Hanson
'Member Behind the Badge' talks are always highlights of the year—not to be missed!				

Leave of Absence

Second Bite Roster

Feb	13	Richard Groom	David Rush
Feb	20	Geoff Dumayne	Ian Stoney
Feb	27	Noel Halford	Philip Slobom
Mar	06	Bill Troedel	Dennis Shore