

Club Meetings:
Thursday for fellowship at 6pm followed by Dinner at 6:30pm

Location:
Hotel Grand Chancellor,
29 Cameron Street,
Launceston, Tasmania

8th June
2017

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 **Rotary**
Club of South Launceston
District 9830

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Weekly Bulletin

ROTARY SERVING HUMANITY

Guest Speakers this week: Sarah Ann Yates and Jo Hewson – Vibrancy Project




President's Notes

Fellow Rotarians,

Last week at our meeting we were all given the Constitution. I hope that most of you have read this document. If you feel that there is anything to change please contact Rotarian Graeme LeFevre. We will be voting on the Constitution in the next few weeks.

At the meeting we also managed to secure a few positions within the club. We now have 3 Rotarians in charge of the Guest Speakers list. I think this will work really well as often members are away at certain times of the year. I am looking forward to some very interesting evenings. We also managed to secure a few Sergeants for the next year as well. The fine sessions are going to be very interesting and different. Thank you to those Rotarians who volunteered.

This Thursday we are invited to Probus for their meeting and light lunch. The meeting starts at 10am and is held at Heather Hall Newstead.

I will be away for the next two weeks holidaying with my husband in China. Past President Les Baxter will run our meetings, please pass on any information to him.

Board members please remember to have your reports in to Secretary Krista by **17th June**.

I wish you all a wonderful week.

Regards,
President Glenda Iles

CLUB DUTY ROSTER

8th JUNE

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| ATTENDANCE | Martin Yates |
| CHAIRPERSON | Lara Alexander |
| REGALIA | Ian Smith |
| THANKS | Lance Pfeffer |

15th JUNE

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| ATTENDANCE | Karen de Groot |
| CHAIRPERSON | Wayne Higgs |
| REGALIA | Sheryl Guy |
| THANKS | Mike Waldock |

If you are unable to fulfil your rostered duty, please arrange for a replacement.





Birthday

8 June– David Peachey

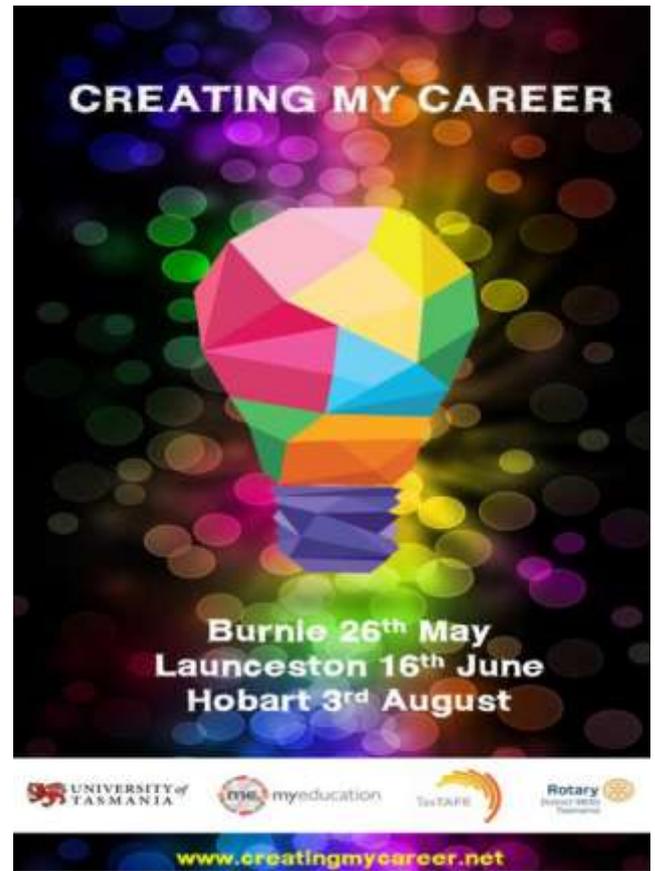
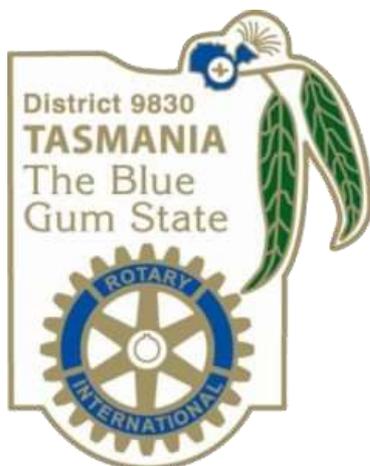
10 June- Jenni LeFevre

Club Forum

The main topic for the evening was the Constitution, with Club Service Director Graeme Lefevre explaining that all Rotarians need to be aware of the proposed changes that will be voted on two weeks after each member receives formal notice from our Secretary of the date.



Looks like Craig Mitchell is giving his copy of the Constitution a thorough going over.



Creating My Career

Creating My Career (CMC) is a partnership between the University of Tasmania, the State Department of Education's My Education program and TasTAFE with strong support from Rotary Tasmania. CMC has been designed in conjunction with the Department of Education's My Education. This program delivers real world learnings to students, who may not have a clear pathway in mind, as they transition through school. It aims to provide insight into what career, study and employment possibilities are available to them. This is done through practical hands on (as much as possible) activities. CMC provides students with a practical look into what a career in a chosen profession actually looks like across a range of careers.

For information about this project have a talk to our Youth Director Rotarian Lance Pfeffer

Member spotlight: Kindness of a stranger

Apostolos Mamatas arrived in America armed with a full scholarship to study at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. But things quickly turned bleak as his funding got delayed, and he had to work odd jobs to live. He slept wherever he could, frequently outside at the port in Boston. A Rotarian working on campus offered him a place to stay until his scholarship was sorted out. Mamatas stayed with the Rotarian, who is now deceased, for four weeks, eventually accompanying him to a Rotary club meeting where members discussed how to help the poor and homeless.

Mamatas knew all about poverty, having grown up in an economically depressed Greece that had been hit hard by World War II and a subsequent civil war. He left that meeting with “mixed feelings of joy, admiration, sadness, and jealousy, because at that time I wasn’t able to be a Rotarian.”

He never forgot the generosity he was shown and helped establish the Rotary Club of Ilioupoli when he returned to Greece in the early 1990s, later joining the Rotary Club of Kifissia-Kefalari when he moved in 2013. Today, he is governor of District 2470. Mamatas remains deeply committed to Rotary’s values. “In this difficult economic period for the Greeks, I consciously chose to join the Paul Harris Society,” he says. “I believe the level of contribution does not matter; everyone offers as much as they can afford.”

By Nikki Kallio
from the Rotarian Archives Dec 2016

Member Spotlight: Shamlu Dudeja empowers women through decorative arts

From the [October 2016 issue](#) of The Rotarian

Shamlu Dudeja, a member of the Rotary Club of Calcutta, India, helped elevate a humble embroidery stitch from relative obscurity to a celebrated decorative art and made life better for hundreds of women in the process. In the 1980s, Dudeja ran across some women at a craft market using the 600-year-old kantha stitch to make wall hangings. Women traditionally used kantha to sew together old saris to make blankets. But it reminded Dudeja of the stitch she used as a child to decorate her mother’s sleeves, and she persuaded the women to use it to embellish saris.

As demand for the revived stitch grew, she founded the nonprofit SHE (Self Help Enterprise) to train and pay women in rural Bengal, who previously had little opportunity for employment, for their kantha stitchery. “From the kantha, we have seen how even a little work gives them dignity,” says Dudeja, 78, a Rotarian for more than 20 years. “It’s not just about the money. It is empowering them.” Today, more than 800 women are part of the organization, which sells clothing and housewares to a global market. SHE also holds regular eye and health camps in rural Bengal and pays for schoolbooks and tuition for children. Dudeja says she’s happy that reviving the stitch has brought new opportunities to so many women. Some had never left their village and are now showing off their craft in Paris. “That’s a great sense of achievement for them,” she says.

Drake Lucas

Member spotlight: Do Nguyen builds schools and understanding

Three days after he was born, Do Nguyen’s family fled its small Vietnamese village during the First Indochina War. He didn’t have access to school until they returned nine years later. He made up for lost time, completing high school and then college. But after he came to the United States in 1974 to earn a graduate degree, the capture of Saigon by the North Vietnamese prevented him from returning.

In the decades that followed, Nguyen became an American citizen, co-founded a chain of video stores, and discovered Rotary, where he’s now a member of the Rotary Club of Maumee, Ohio, USA, and the governor of District 6600. All the while, he dreamed of building schools in Vietnam.

Nguyen’s dream has been coming true through the DOVE (Development of Vietnam Endeavors) Fund, a nonprofit he helped found in 2000. Since then, DOVE has built more than 50 schools in Vietnam, along with 11 day care centers and three medical clinics. Nguyen has made more than 15 trips with the organization, many of whose members are Rotarians, veterans of the Vietnam War, or both.

On one visit, seeing a veteran connect with the chairman of a workshop for the blind over their bullet scars gave Nguyen’s work a new meaning. “I knew then that the mission of DOVE is more than humanitarian work,” he says. “It is about bringing love, peace, healing, and understanding between the people of Vietnam and the people of the United States.”

By Anne Ford from the Rotarian Archives Dec 2016

**ROTARY CLUB OF
SOUTH LAUNCESTON**

Club Chartered

March 17 1962
with 23 members
55th Year of Rotary Service

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Rotary Grace

**For good food, good
fellowship and
the opportunity of service
through
Rotary, we give thanks.'**

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THE FOUR-WAY TEST
Of the things we think, say or
do:

1. **Is it the truth?**
2. **Is it fair to all involved?**
3. **Will it build goodwill
and better friendships?**
4. **Will it be beneficial to
all concerned?**