



### MARCH IS LITERACY MONTH



Literacy programs are an important part of all Rotary Clubs activities whether they provide assistance for people in developing countries or in our own communities. As I have travelled around the Clubs this year, I have learned of many good projects and some of these

have been facilitated by the utilisation of funds contributed by a District Simplified Grant. I hope that, by the end of this Rotary year, all clubs will have participated in a Literacy Project of one form or another.

I would remind you all that a literacy project does so much in making a difference in assisting people to a better standard of living in the longer term — it is a process of teaching a person to fish rather than being dependent upon consistent aid and support.

February and early March have been very demanding months in the District — much has been achieved by Clubs and Rotarians. Let me share some of these achievements with you:

#### THE ROTARY FOUNDATION EXPERIENCE

Elsewhere in this edition there are details of this event — we had over 100 attendees and all left enthused and educated about the Rotary Foundation. A new project to assist a school in Zambia was announced and has received outstanding support from many clubs in the District to date.

PP Colin Makin (right) was recognised with a sapphire for his outstanding contribution to the GSE program.



A really big thankyou to all who were involved in the day and especially to District Chairman of The Rotary Foundation committee, Doug Brown, and his team.

**Douglas I Geekie**

Rotary Club of Gold Coast Central / District Governor, District 9640, 2006–2007

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#### MEMBERSHIP RALLY

The District membership team held a Membership Rally on the first Sunday in March. Some 50 Rotarians attended and shared their success and disappointments about membership recruitment, retention and the attributes that make a successful Rotary Club.



Well done, Chairman Stan Shneider and his team, ably supported by District Secretary Steven.

#### ROTARY CLUB OF KINGSCLIFF TO GIVE IT ANOTHER GO

Members of the Rotary Club of Kingscliff have spent a significant amount of effort thinking about their future. The Club, chartered some 37 years ago, has seriously considered returning their charter to Rotary International.

At a special meeting, members voted almost unanimously (there was only 1 dissenting vote) to give it another chance. The problem has been a gradual loss of members and the average age of the Club now exceeds 70 years. With the assistance of the District membership team, a group of some 10 volunteers from adjoining Clubs is developing a strategy to recruit new Rotarians — particularly younger members — and perhaps re-badge the Club.

If you are interested in joining in the assistance team, please contact President Tom Flood or District Chair Stan Shneider. I can promise your assistance will be warmly received.

Good luck to the Kingscliff members and the army of helpers — stay positive and you will win.





## KYOGLE CLUB INDUCTS 15th MEMBER



The Rotary Club of Kyogle knows how tough it can be to rise out of the desperation of falling membership — from just 7 members about 3 years ago, with tremendous competition from Lions in the town, the club has now grown to 15. Meg Witcombe (left) was inducted on 28th February.

At that meeting 2 of the 3 RYLA attendees reported back to the Club and the meeting was also addressed by RYLA Secretary Leonie Laarhoven.

Leonie was recognised as a Paul Harris Fellow for her contribution to the RYLA program over the past 4 plus years.

## RYLA CAMP

During the month of February RYLA held its annual program with some 64 young people attending — sadly the number of attendees was well below the capacity of the camp and this meant that about twenty or more young people missed benefiting from the opportunity to attend. I find this somewhat sad as, in my view, this is one of the best programs that Rotary conducts for our younger generation and equips them so well for life. It's an opportunity that has been lost — however, the organising committee can take comfort in that this year's camp was an outstanding success and 64 young people have left the camp so much better equipped to manage their lives than when they arrived. Congratulations Chairman Bruce Flynn and your Team.



## BALLINA CLUB WINS THE GREAT DEBATE

The annual great debate between the Ballina and Ballina-on-Richmond clubs was won — by the narrowest of margins — by the parent club, Ballina.




The subject that “Little Things Mean a Lot” was both serious and light-hearted — more than 60 people attended and it was a superb example of Rotary friendship and family.


Congratulations to the organisers this year: President Bruce Bevan and his team.

By the way, I am told that under the rules next year, Ballina-on-Richmond will win.


## LISMORE CELEBRATES 75 YEARS OF ROTARY


On 24 February, Lismore Club celebrated the 75th anniversary of its charter. It was the first Rotary Club in the district. It is interesting to note that


 Lismore Club was chartered by the Rotary Club of Sydney in 1931 (only just on New Year's Eve), and has since, in turn, been the Mother of Seven (7) Clubs

 Lismore Club has been, in total, the Mother, the Grand-mother, the Great-grand-mother of some 25 Clubs. Just imagine if every Rotary Club had bred and developed at this rate — think how big would Rotary International be today?

The club has led the way with projects such as:

 The first project was the founding of a physical fitness camp at Lake Ainsworth, at Lennox Head on 400 acres of Government land 1941/42. Funds were raised by the club from popular weekly boxing competitions.

 The development of the original Lismore Airport, licensed in 1947, owed its existence to the determination of Lismore Rotarians.

 Assistance with establishment of the Summerland Sheltered Workshop in Caldwell Avenue.





Bowelscan: I am advised that the project was initiated by the Rotary Club of Lismore and has been taken up by many Clubs throughout Australia, At present there are 200 Clubs involved in Bowelscan, which in total issue 80,000 kits each year. Many people in our Australian nation have benefited from this project. Surpluses from the project are directed to research for colo-rectal cancer via the Australian Rotary Health Research Fund.

The anniversary celebration was a grand occasion and President Robyn Arnett and her team can be well proud — they Lead the Way for the District's 'Mother Club'.



My final reminder is about attending the District conference. Chairman Neil Jones has included a reminder for us all — please attend — it is a great opportunity to be entertained and Inspired. Register before it's too late. Remember to "LEAD THE WAY"

*Yours in Rotary Service*

*Douglas*



## Nominations for DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2009-2010

As your District Governor, I am inviting clubs to submit suggestions for the office of Governor for the Rotary year 2009-2010 for consideration by the Nominating Committee.

Please be advised that the deadline for receipt of such suggestions by the nominating committee chair is **15 March 2007**.

The qualifications required for a candidate to be selected as Governor-Nominee are detailed in Article 15, Clause 15.070 as set forth in the "Manual of Procedure 2004" on page 223. The duties of a Governor are detailed in Article 15.090.

Please direct all enquiries, in writing to DG Douglas Geekie, 3189 Riverleigh Drive, Hope Island, Queensland 4212.

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## LESS THAN 4 WEEKS TO GO !

We are now less than four weeks from the District Conference and arrangements are progressing well for what will be an entertaining and inspiring few days at Conrad Jupiters on the Gold Coast.

Registrations continue to filter in and we have now passed 350. Past experience has been that up to half of total registrations are received in the last month and if that pattern is repeated, this year's conference will certainly be the place for Rotarians and partners to be in mid-April — a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the many projects and activities being undertaken in our District, to be informed about Rotary's worldwide programs, to listen to quality keynote speakers, to be entertained and, above all, to enjoy the fellowship of fellow Rotarians and their partners from throughout the District.

**DON'T MISS OUT – REGISTER TODAY**

### SUPPORT TRF AND SURF LIFE SAVING AT THE CONFERENCE

A Silent Auction will be conducted during the Saturday Night Big Bash at the conference and support from clubs and individual Rotarians is being sought by way of donation of goods and services which can be placed in the auction. Any items with a retail value of \$100 and upwards will be welcomed and donors will be given appropriate recognition during the conference.

All proceeds will be directed to the Rotary Foundation (75%) and the Surf Life Saving Association. A contribution from each club would ensure a very successful District fundraiser for our own and another very worthwhile charity. If you are able to assist please contact Neil Jones by ph (07) 5570 1971 or e-mail <njon8522@bigpond.net.au>

**Editor's note:** As this is Literary Month we invite you to send us your caption for the photo below.  
em: <carolcheshire@mac.com>



# A Message from Bill Boyd



*“Like nothing else, literacy is a stepping stone away from poverty ... and it should feature among the projects of every Rotary club.” Bill Boyd.*

Dear fellow Rotarians,

As members of a family of book lovers, we have always made literacy a high priority in our lives. Our home is full of books, and neither Lorna nor I ever travel without two or three. Reading is a great joy for both of us, and it is a joy we've shared with our children and grandchildren. Unfortunately, for many people around the world, the simple pleasure of reading seems hopelessly out of reach.

Without literacy, all the written words we encounter every day – not just in books and newspapers, but in maps, labels, street signs, and billboards – are mysteries and roadblocks to full integration into society. For me, teaching someone to read is one of the most rewarding acts of service imaginable. All it costs is patience and time, and the rewards are incalculable.

Like nothing else, literacy is a stepping stone away from poverty. It is a gift of self-reliance, one that can be freely passed on from generation to generation. Once there's literacy in a family, it's almost always there to stay, as literate parents raise literate children. Literate parents are also more likely to raise healthier children, whose horizons will stretch far beyond their own homes and villages. Literacy, quite literally, opens up a new world.

We need to be aware that illiteracy is not a problem only of the developing world. Even in the wealthiest countries with universal education, many people are functionally illiterate. Where illiteracy carries a stigma, it can be especially difficult to combat. Yet, in highly literate societies, being able to read and write is crucial in almost every job. Go into any prison or hospital, and you will find a disproportionate number of people who are functionally illiterate. Too many of those who work in unskilled jobs are illiterate and need their workmates to read for them. But Lorna and I have seen illiterate women in Uganda learn to read within days and children exposed to books for the first time in South Africa finding a new world they didn't know existed. We've seen Rotarians in India and Nigeria and Turkey using the concentrated language encounter method to teach thousands of women and children, and some men, to read. The issue is not one of intelligence but of opportunity.

Literacy has rightly been high on Rotary's service agenda for many years now, and it should feature among the projects of every Rotary club. Whether the goal is donating books, running literacy

classes, supplying elementary school students with dictionaries, or just helping children with their schoolwork, literacy projects bring great results with very little investment of money. As someone who has spent many hours sitting on undersized chairs listening to children read, I wholeheartedly believe that the stiff muscles are a small price to pay for the lifelong benefits of literacy.

W.B. (Bill) Boyd  
President, Rotary International

## Turning fun into funds

Four Queensland charities each received a cheque for \$10,000 at a special presentation recently by the Rotary Club of Surfers Paradise Central.

Club President Warren Walmsley presented the cheques at a lunch meeting on Friday 23 February, at the Courtyard Marriott, to representatives of Cystic Fibrosis Queensland, the Ronald McDonald Learning Programme, Rotary Foundation and ROMAC.

Surfers Paradise Central Rotarians raised these funds at their immensely successful Spring Fever Ball and Auction, in November last year. The Ball, which was held at Conrad Jupiters Ballroom, is now in its sixteenth year on the Gold Coast, annually turning fun into funds for charity.

Carol Cheshire, PR Director, Surfers Paradise Central



[L-R] Surfers Paradise Central President Warren Walmsley; Doug Brown for The Rotary Foundation; Jill Ellis, Chair of ROMAC; Lynda Werder for the Ronald McDonald Learning Programme; John Parr for Cystic Fibrosis Queensland and Charity Ball organiser Rotarian Helena Wilson. [photo Sue Foskett]



## 3rd Annual Rotary

# KOKODA

## Memorial Walk

Sunday 22 April 2007

### Canungra to Cascades: Walk 2007



Registration is now open for this year's walk on Sunday 22 April 2007. All the forms, maps and information are now available on the GCCC website <[www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au](http://www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au)> or Rotary's: <[www.broadwatersouthport.rotary-site.org](http://www.broadwatersouthport.rotary-site.org)>.

With under 8 weeks to go, teams and walkers should start preparing for this special event along a route stretching from Canungra to Cascade Gardens, Broadbeach.

Stage One of the Walk starts at 7am from the heart of Kokoda Barracks and walking the first 7.5km inside the Military Training Area. This unique area to our Hinterland is rarely accessible to members of the general public and entering this year's event will give teams an unprecedented experience.

The Corporate Sector and Service Clubs are invited to apply and register for this special event which is limited to only 25 teams of 4 per team to complete the entire route from Canungra to Cascade Gardens.

Entry fee for Corporate Teams is \$2000 per 4 person team (\$500/head) and Service Club Teams entry fee is only \$1000 per 4 person team (\$250/head).

The general public is invited to join the teams at Carrara around 2pm for the Family Community Walk from the Stadium to Cascade Gardens — a distance of 10km. Entry for this stage of the Walk is by single note donation per walker.

ALL proceeds go towards the construction costs of the Rotary Kokoda Memorial Wall to be constructed at Cascade Gardens.

*Registration is now open and a limited number of fragments are on sale.*

Adding a special dimension is the release of a limited edition of fragments from the Kokoda Memorial Wall. These unique and very individual sections are taken direct from the actual wall-panel moulds, providing organizations or Clubs an opportunity to own a piece of the Wall.

The cost for each panel (fragment) will be around the \$5000+ mark, depending on the order and number required. There will be a limited edition of each fragment — only up to 6 will be available for purchase, to protect the integrity of the mould.

The fragments will be poured in the same materials as the main wall; i.e. reinforced glass concrete and finished in the proposed stain and anti-graffiti coating. They vary in size from a car bonnet (approx 3sqm) to coffee-table size (approx 1sqm) and will weigh anything from 50kgs to 100kgs (more or less, depending on the choice of fragment). The fragments can be made to order and typical examples are attached.

Download Registration forms and the Walk maps from [www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au/](http://www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au/) or <[www.broadwatersouthport.rotary-site.org](http://www.broadwatersouthport.rotary-site.org)>.

Or contact Rotary on mb: 0418418282 or em: [rsf@kokoda.com](mailto:rsf@kokoda.com)

## Southport North on the move

To increase our membership, our members have voted to change our venue to **Ashmore Steak & Seafood Restaurant**, Ashmore Road, Ashmore. We have also changed our meeting night to **Thursdays at 6pm for 6.30pm start.**

*Michael Turner, President, Southport North.*

## Special DG visit to Boonah

On 15 Feb DG Douglas presented Boonah Rotarian Ken Armstrong with a well-deserved PHF.





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# ROTARY FOUNDATION

March 2007

## news

### A MEMORABLE EXPERIENCE

Our seminar on Sunday 11 February was, by audience reactions, quite a success. More than 100 Rotarians attended from over 30 Clubs, to witness an informative review of the programs undertaken by TRF.

Four Clubs, Surfers Paradise Central (\$10,000); Ashmore (\$3,800); Grafton (\$2,600); and Murwillumbah (\$1,000), collectively presented cheques totalling \$17,400 toward their Annual Giving goals, whilst Surfers Paradise raised \$1,280 from their sausage sizzles toward Polio Plus.

DG Douglas presented two District Paul Harris Fellowships. Col Makin of the Rotary Club of Mermaid Beach was recognised for his outstanding contribution of being the Group Study Exchange chairman for the District's TRF committee for the past five years.

Yannick Martin of the Rotary Club of Yamba was recognized for her contribution in initiating, this year, two matching grants for a school in Zambia. Yannick presented her second case: the need for the school to obtain fresh water and, so far, at least 10 Clubs have expressed an interest in participating in this project.



Yannick Martin

I thank all those who participated at the Experience for the time and effort that went into their presentations and helped to create more awareness about TRF, "doing good in the world".

### GSE

Nomination forms for a team leader and team members to participate in a team to Scotland, in September this year, have now been forwarded to Clubs. This team will break tradition by travelling in the first half of the Rotary year, rather than the second, so it can participate in District 1230's conference in September.

Club secretaries are encouraged to treat these nominations urgently, as they close in early April, to facilitate the tight schedule in organizing and preparing this GSE team.

Since 1965, more than 57,000 individuals from nearly 12,000 teams from over 100 countries have participated in GSEs at a cost to TRF of over \$9.2 million. It is, by far, the most popular program undertaken by TRF.

### DISTRICT SIMPLIFIED GRANTS

We still have some capacity to provide these US\$500 (A\$650) grants before 31 March.

However, Clubs need to understand that we need the following information to ensue a grant is appropriate. Applications should include:

- 1 **A description of the project** and its expected cost, remembering that it must be seen to be for community or international humanitarian purposes.
- 2 **Your Club's contribution** to the cost (at least 50% or more).
- 3 **Your Club's participation**, whereby at least three Rotarians must be actively involved.
- 4 **When the grant will be required.**
- 5 **Expected completion date** of the project and how Rotary will be promoted.
- 6 **Name of Rotarian** in charge of completing the documentation required, e.g. collection of receipts and signing off the Activity Reports.

A gentle reminder, at this stage, to Clubs that have received grants so far this year, that they need to return their Activity Reports and receipts as soon as possible. If these are not returned, there will be NO grants available next year for any Club.

Doug Brown DRFCC





## A MEMORABLE MONTH



**High points of February, from top left clockwise: 1 True or False Quiz at the RF Experience; 2 Polio Plus presentation for RF; 3 Lead the Way editor Carol Cheshire receives a PHF for services to the District; 4 Bob Baldwin of Surfers Paradise Central is awarded a sapphire for 100% attendance over 40 years; 5 Rod Baines of Tweed Heads South Rotary, Mike Lawson from Kids in Need and Wendy Scarlett give a show of hands at the club's presentation of \$10,000 to Kids in Need; 6 DG Douglas checks the cheque for RF District Chair Doug Brown from Brad Francis of Ashmore Rotary Club.**

## GSE Charity Wine Offer

### In support of Literacy Projects in D5000

Our GSE team's fund-raising project is to contribute towards D5000's literacy project for providing dictionaries to Year 3 students across Hawaii. Our aim is to raise \$US1000 for presentation at the D5000 District Conference, where Rotarians from our District 9640 will join the GSE Team for fun and fellowship.

Proceeds from sales of the following wine offer will go towards our donation.



#### The wine list ...

**Golden Grove Estate** : an award winning winery on the Granite Belt are the suppliers of two exciting wines for this exclusive offer. All wines will be supplied with a unique label commemorating the Group Study Exchange to District 5000 Hawaii in 2007.

#### 2006 Cabernet Merlot Tempranillo :

\$ 100/dozen freight inc. An easy drinking red wine that can be served chilled – the perfect accompaniment to pizza or open a bottle at your next barbeque.

#### 2006 Semilion Chardonnay Sauvignon

**Blanc** : \$ 100/dozen freight inc.

This unwooded variety is light, easy drinking and best enjoyed with friends. Mixed dozens can also be ordered for the same low price.

Also available is :

#### Non-Alcoholic Sparkling Grape Juice :

\$ 80/dozen freight inc.

#### ... and there's more!

As a special bonus offer – the largest individual or Club order will receive a FREE Apple iPod Nano! This can be used for further fundraising by the club or individual enjoyment.



For orders contact: Team Leader  
Lew Verney

P O Box 200, Goondiwindi Qld 4390

#### NB : LAST ORDERS FRI 23 March

*Lew Verney, Secretary Goondiwindi Rotary Club*

## CLEFT's House of Friendship

The two recent photos below were taken on my trip a fortnight ago to Bangladesh. Arnan (upper photos) came to our programme in Jessore a year ago and came back this time to have his palate corrected. What a difference a year makes!

In the lower photos you can see Minnie's startling improvement – she had a rare facial cleft. The operation went until 1am in morning and I took the photo at 9am! Her parents had been trying to have the operation for years, with local and visiting teams of surgeons, but all had said "too hard" in the short time available. Not a bad result for A\$150!! She will be back next year for a further op on her nose and palate.

Our programme is unusual, in that we fund local skilled surgeons. It is also very relevant to Rotary International as Operation Cleft and Box Hill (Vic) Rotary is forming links to Rotary Clubs in Bangladesh, India and Sri Lanka. These clubs have indicated their help in locating patients and, in some cases, contributing to bus fares. Indeed I have been responsible for our participating surgeon joining Mangalore Sunrise in India!

*Colin Macfarlane, Box Hill Rotary Club*

[ed. You can see and hear more of CLEFT's great work, at the District Conference, at their stand in the House of Friendship.]



# DISTRICT 9640 MEMBERSHIP JANUARY 2007



# DISTRICT SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR MARCH

Rotary Club of	Attendance		Membership <i>change</i>		
	Jan-07	Yearly	1.07.06	31.01.07	
Allora	75.00	75.66	12	14	2
Alstonville	92.59	88.42	23	22	-1
Ashmore	84.00	85.85	38	38	
Ballina	73.62	81.90	33	37	4
Ballina-on-Richmond	58.00	67.42	25	25	
Beaudesert	88.00	90.57	26	28	2
Boonah	82.40	82.55	40	43	3
Broadbeach	64.40	64.40	54	52	-2
Broadwater-Southport	71.88	75.47	28	32	4
Burleigh Heads	60.00	60.79	25	29	4
Byron Bay	78.90	78.90	8	9	1
Casino	71.80	76.00	20	21	1
Coolangatta Tweed Heads	56.20	65.29	23	23	
Coomera Valley	60.00	64.85	26	25	-1
Glen Innes	68.92	73.00	31	31	
Gold Coast Cenral	77.00	75.66	28	31	3
Goondiwindi	70.00	79.33	24	24	
Goonellabah	77.66	77.66	23	25	2
Grafton	85.00	85.00	25	27	2
Grafton Midday	59.42	71.00	29	24	-5
Hope Island	68.33	64.71	35	40	5
Iluka	78.80	83.85	10	11	1
Jimboomba	"66,92"	66.14	27	26	-1
Kingscliff	80.90	79.28	13	12	-1
Kirra Currumbin	81.00	81.66	12	12	
Kyogle	69.40	84.83	13	13	
Lismore	81.00	81.83	22	21	-1
Lismore Central	69.00	71.66	16	15	-1
Lismore West	84.79	96.57	43	44	1
Macleay	77.64	84.00	48	48	
Mermaid Beach	90.00	81.71	24	23	-1
Mt Warning AM	89.74	84.57	26	26	
Mudgeeraba	75.00	76.71	24	22	-2
Mullumbimby	66.75	76.16	21	20	-1
Murwillumbah	76.00	76.00	36	36	
Murwillumbah Central	87.25	91.85	37	32	-5
Nerang	90.00	89.50	20	20	
Palm Beach	75.00	75.00	23	24	1
Parkwood	62.00	60.28	26	24	-2
Robina	80.00	80.00	11	12	1
Runaway Bay	67.65	73.60	41	37	-4
Southport	60.00	67.83	42	45	3
Southport North	69.50	69.50	22	22	
Stanthorpe	73.00	73.66	44	43	-1
Summerland Sunrise	62.00	62.66	15	17	2
Surfers Paradise	59.61	59.14	36	36	
Surfers Paradise Central	53.05	57.70	53	52	-1
Surfers Sunrise	70.34	71.50	30	29	-1
Tamborine Mountain	81.25	77.57	11	12	1
Tenterfield	86.50	82.28	21	22	1
Tweed Heads South	71.00	78.50	17	19	2
Warwick	64.30	69.00	17	18	1
Warwick Sunrise	63.00	67.85	18	19	1
Yamba	83.30	78.00	16	16	
<b>Totals</b>			<b>1411</b>	<b>1428</b>	<b>17</b>

Whilst preparing material for the recent District Membership Rally conducted at Robina High School, the matter of the importance of club culture arose in the context of inviting people to your club with a view toward becoming a Rotarian.

Club culture is essentially:

- the historical values ( inherited ideas, beliefs, values and knowledge ),
- the relationship between members,
- the perception of your club by members of the public in terms of fund raising and projects, and
- the demographics of your club membership.

If you examine the culture of your club you will obtain a clear view of the type of person who will most likely fit in and remain a long term member.

If you do not like what you see when you examine what the club has become, then take heart — anything can be changed. If you change one aspect of the club culture you will change perceptions.

If you then examine the list of vacant classifications and find yourself short of professional members for example, you will need to examine what would attract a professional person to your club. You then, with the understanding and support of the membership, provide that environment which enhances your club culture and environment.

If you then gain the support of the strategic thinkers in your club, they will in turn become the critical mass driving positive change.

Above all, be proud of your club and its achievements – a committed and loyal Rotarian who is well informed is a wonderful ambassador and generally a great salesman for Rotary.

It is no coincidence that in the most successful Rotary clubs there is a nucleus of hardworking Rotarians who know what they are about and are eager and enthusiastic in asking people to share their joy.



*Kind regards  
Steven Gill  
District Secretary*





**There's a much better way  
to wake up on a Sunday morning!**

**Have breakfast with two world champions & an Olympic gold medallist!**

### **Sporting Champions Breakfast**

This not-to-be missed, lively breakfast will appeal even to those who normally don't follow sports, as the topics will undoubtedly stray far way from simply sports! Our breakfast moderator and accomplished TV and radio personality **Ken Hose** has hand picked the following

sparkling and vivacious panellists:-

- ◆ **Neil Brooks** Olympic swimmer and gold medallist at the 1980 Moscow games, only male athlete to win three Gold medals at the 1982 Brisbane Commonwealth Games plus an array of medals in Los Angeles and Edinburgh. A commentator at six Olympic games, Neil won a Logie for his 1996 Atlanta Olympic games commentary.
- ◆ **Karla Gilbert** Starting her 10 year, award-winning career by winning 1990's first ever professional iron woman race in Australia. Karla has won gold medals for seven back-to-back series, eight Queensland and 15 Australian championships.
- ◆ **Cheyne Horan** was known as the radical surfer who developed the winged keel surfboard and was reputed to be the 'fastest surfer alive'. He started his amazing career by winning the NSW Juniors title in '74, the Australian schoolboys champion in '76, the Waimea 5000 in Brazil, the Op Pro in '82 and the '89 Billabong Pro. Today he runs a surf school on the Gold Coast,

**RSVP** 6 April via the attached registration form's 'red bits'

**Cost** Only \$45, naturally including a full, delicious breakfast

**Time & Date:** 7:15am, Sunday April 15

**Location** Conrad Jupiter's Marquee

**Be entertained. Be inspired. Be very awake!**

**Be entertained**

**The 2007 Rotary  
District Conference**

**Be inspired**

# District Conference Registration Form

Fri 13-Sun 15 April 2007  
Conrad Jupiters

Rotarian  Mr  Mrs  Ms  Dr Badge name: First \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_

Partner  Mr  Mrs  Ms  Dr Badge name: First \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_

Rotary Club of \_\_\_\_\_ Your contact details. Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Tel \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Special dietary requirements \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Conference Packages** Tick appropriate boxes and fill in the number and price. Costs are per person.

- The Paul Harris Sapphire** *Booked & paid by 15 December 2006, includes:*  
**A. Opportunity to own a luxury car** D. Saturday am & pm tea plus lunch  
**B. \$50 registration discount** E. It's the Big Bash on Saturday Night  
 C. Minimal Speeches Cocktail Party F. Sunday Sports Breakfast \$195 x [ ] = \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- The Paul Harris Discount** *Booked & paid by 15 February 2007*  
 Events C to F as per PH Sapphire above, **\$40 discount**, no chance to own a car \$205 x [ ] = \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- The Paul Harris** *Booked & paid by 6 April 2007*  
 Events C to F as per PH Sapphire, above, no discount and no car \$245 x [ ] = \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- The Non Rotarian/Rotarian Saturday Pass** *Booked & paid by 6 April 2007*  
 All Saturday presentations, includes morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea \$45 x [ ] = \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- The Non Rotarian/Rotarian Sunday Pass** *Booked & paid by 6 April 2007*  
 Sports Breakfast, all Sunday presentations and morning tea \$45 x [ ] = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- Social Events** For those not registered with a Paul Harris package.
- 6:00pm Friday 13 April Poolside Minimal Speeches Cocktail Party \$45 x [ ] = \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 7:00pm Saturday 14 April It's the Big Bash on Saturday Night \$125 x [ ] = \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 7:15 for 7:30am Sunday 15 April Sporting Champions Breakfast \$45 x [ ] = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- Fun Stuff Outside**
- 11:00 Fri 13 April 18 hole single stableford at Emerald Lakes, incl buggies \$60 x [ ] = \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 11:00 Fri 13 April 9 hole wander with friends at Emerald Lakes, incl buggies \$35 x [ ] = \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 9:15am Sat 14 April Harbour Town Outlet Shopping, transport costs only. \$20 x [ ] = \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 9:30am Sat 14 April Carrara Family Markets, transport costs only. \$5 x [ ] = \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 9:45am Sun 14 April Adventure Duck water tour \$45 x [ ] = \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 1:00pm Sun 15 April Top of Q1, Australia's tallest residential bldg! \$16.5 x [ ] = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total fees due and payable with registration form \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

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