



Rotary District 9830
Tasmania
District Governor's
Newsletter



December 2009

Tasmanian Craft Fair Rotary's Standout Project in Tasmania



Tasmanian Craft Fair Director, John Dare admiring the skill of the glass blowers who crafted a Rotary Wheel out of molten glass

From one venue and 17 stalls, the Tasmanian Craft Fair at Deloraine has grown to 13 venues and 200 stalls in the 29 years ago it's been going. The RC Deloraine assembled a cast of one thousand to stage the four day event this year. 34,000 visitors attended the 2009 Fair. Over the 29 years the Fair has been operating, \$2 million has been returned to the community.

In 2009, the major attraction of the Fair was Artistic Glass with high quality glass art on display from around Australia and from overseas.



- Registration now open
- Early Bird Registration closes on 22nd December
- First 200 delegates to register receive an invitation to a reception at Government House on the Friday afternoon of conference.
- For information and registration forms, go to www.rotaryhobart.org or www.rotary9830.org.au

Don't delay – Register Now

Rotary District 9830 Conference
26 – 28 March, 2010 at Hobart

Rotary Club of Wynyard Recognised for their contribution to Rural Health



RC Wynyard has been awarded the Rural Health Group Award for 2009 at a gala presentation at the Grand Chancellor Hotel in Launceston. The club was recognised for several health initiatives conducted by the club over a number of years, including:

- Introduction of Bowelscan to Tasmania
- Funding a Scholarship in Rural Health, enabling medical students to study at the Rural Clinical School in Burnie for two years
- "Pit Stop" – a program to attract predominately men and encourage them to become more proactive in preventative health care.



"Pit Stop" was held at the Myalla Community Centre to encourage farm workers, truckies and construction workers to take part in an informal atmosphere and enjoy a healthy lunch.

Foster Carers Recognised

Sixteen Foster Carers were honoured recently by the RC Salamanca. Tasmanian Minister for Human Services, Lin Thorpe MLC presented the Foster Carers with Vocational Excellence Awards.



Club Vocational Service Director, David Wallace, said the aim of the awards was to recognise Foster Caring as a vocation. Foster carers needed recognition for their work in providing vulnerable disadvantaged children with a safe homely environment. The awards could encourage others to be carers and provide an opportunity to promote foster caring.



Become a Benefactor of the Rotary Foundation

Rotarians can become a Benefactor of The Rotary Foundation (TRF) by making a direct donation of more than \$US100 to TRF or by bequeathing funds in one's will to TRF.

The monies donated/bequeathed become part of the Permanent Fund of TRF, the capital remains unchanged, and the interest from the investment ensures that the work of the TRF can continue.

Benefactors receive a gold and blue metal "ribbon" to attach to their Rotary lapel badge. It is thought that there are 15 benefactors in District 9830.

From the DG

December is Family Month. It is time to focus on our families, to involve them in our Rotary service and to challenge ourselves to do even more for those in need.

We are privileged to live in “the lucky country” where for most of us our children have been our first priority and we have made sure they have always had nutritious food, appropriate clothing, quality medical care and a good education. There are however, still far too many children in the world without these absolute essentials and I thank all Clubs who are helping to address this imbalance in a variety of ways.

With 2009 about to disappear into history books it is time to take stock of what our District has achieved over the past 12 months. All clubs have contributed greatly both financially and in-kind to assist the Victorian bush fire survivors and local communities coping with drought. We have collectively focused on the importance of membership development, public relations and the Family of Rotary, to ensure our ability to continue as a dynamic service organisation.

We have addressed the importance of our youth, through record numbers of participants being engaged in our educational programs. Clubs have also maintained a strong commitment to addressing local community needs, as well as contributing to the broader international areas of humanitarian service. Before the year concludes I invite clubs to plan early their participation in the Annual Giving and Family of Rotary Day on 7th February and the District Conference on 26-28th March.

So, as we approach this festive season, it is important to acknowledge Rotarians throughout our District have much to be proud of. May even more good news abound in 2010 as we all aspire to serve in our own chosen way.

DG

Ian Shuey



DG Ian and Glenorchy Mayor Adriana Taylor at Montrose Bay

**HEAR YE – HEAR YE – HEAR YE!!
MONTREAL AWAITS YOU**

**JOIN THE FUN AND FELLOWSHIP
OF
AN INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION**

**MONTREAL, CANADA
JUNE 20TH TO 23RD, 2010**

**EXPERIENCE THE TRUE
INTERNATIONALITY OF ROTARY**

Family of Rotary/Annual Giving Day on Sunday 7 Feb at “Lovely Banks”

Fiji University Teaching Grant Success

Rotarian Helena Mitev (RC Hobart) has just about completed her five month teaching program in Fiji. The success of the University Teaching Grant program represents money well spent by the Rotary Foundation through its Foundation Grant Program. Below is a letter from one of the participant's in Helena's course.

"It has been a great learning experience to be able to study the course; DG414: Fraud Examination as a student under your guidance. I work as a Financial Investigator for the Fiji Independent Commission against Corruption and deal with fraud and corruption cases everyday. I can proudly say that all the information and techniques taught by you in Fraud Examination and Detection will surely enhance my capabilities and assist me while I am at work.

It was a great learning experience and I consider myself lucky to attend a course conducted by you. The major advantages were learning what fraud and corruption are through real life examples and from your experience which you kindly shared with me. I would like to thank you very much for putting an extra effort to conduct this course and providing all the students with the materials and notes for the benefits of students and it will surely help Fiji Islands as a country as well. The course was simply excellent.

I wish you a great life and success. I hope to attend further courses if you are given an opportunity to conduct at The University of the South Pacific."

*Yours faithfully,
Umit Singh*




**The late Jenny Sewell
President of the R C Youngtown**

Jenny Sewell joined the RC Newnham – Esk in the 1990's. She served the club for five years as Secretary, followed by two years as President. She was named a Paul Harris Fellow by the club in 2005. Jenny transferred to the RC Youngtown when the RC Newnham – Esk folded. She proved herself to be an exemplary member with a 100% attendance record. Jenny held a number of positions in the club, leading to assuming the President's role for 2009/2010.

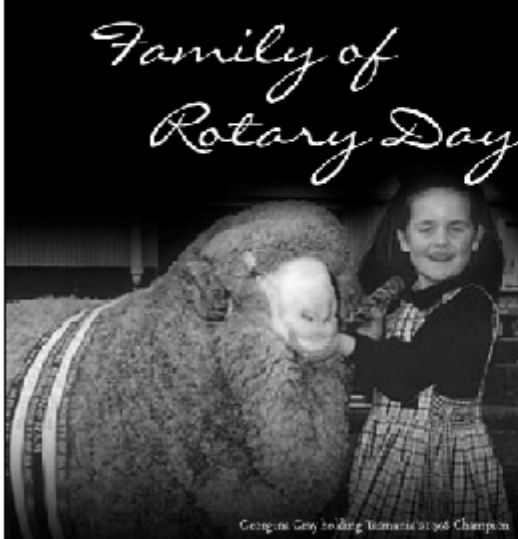
Jenny was the first female appointed as a Quarantine Officer in Tasmania, and was one of the first two quarantine dog handlers in the state. Jenny was active in the Church of the Latter Day Saints with a strong interest in family history research.



**Marjolijn de Jong engraving glassware
at the Tasmanian Craft Fair**



Family of Rotary Day



George Grey, 2nd King, Tasmania 2008 Champion

Sunday 7th February 2010 at "Lovely Banks" ram stud property, 3997 Midlands Highway, Melton Mowbray.
Hosted by Elizabeth and Gerard McShane in conjunction with the Rotary Club of Oatlands.

An exciting day out for all Rotarians and their families, combined with Annual Giving to the Rotary Foundation.

Great family entertainment:

- Sheep-shearing • Activities for the children
- Sheep-dog demonstrations • Full country-style catering provided • An amazing prize to be won!

Annual Giving and Family of Rotary Day

11.00am to 3.00pm, Sunday 7th February 2010.

DG Ian Shuey and Elizabeth extend an open invitation to all Rotarians and family members and friends to a special **Family of Rotary Day** on the 7th February, 2010, hosted by property owners Rotarian Gerard McShane and Elizabeth, in conjunction with the Rotary Club of Oatlands.

The Day is also dedicated as the **Annual Giving Day**, whereby Clubs are invited to present their cheques or pledges at 1pm on the day, toward their annual support of The Rotary Foundation. It is hoped all 48 Clubs will be represented to present their contribution to the District Governor.

Entry Cost: FREE

The Event.

A unique experience for both city and country folk to enjoy the workings of a national icon – the magnificent "Lovely Banks" ram stud property near Oatlands and to enjoy great fellowship.

Location and Transport.

3997 Midlands Highway, Melton Mowbray. [20 km south of Oatlands, 5 km north of Melton Mowbray]. Prominent highway signs displayed for drivers approaching the property from both north and south, plus parking assistance on arrival. Please approach the property entrance near the large white wind sock CAUTIOUSLY. Some clubs are already considering group travel in busses, so please contact event coordinator PDG Paul Grubb [ph 6261 1511 or 0438 611 511] should this be of interest.

Property facilities:

Very large shearing shed capable of accommodating 300 guests, if weather is unfavourable, adequate toilet facilities

- Gently sloping grassland adjoining shearing shed for outdoor picnic stations

Entertainment:

- Tour of sheep shed operations, Sheep-shearing & Sheep-dog demonstrations
- Fun activities for the children [Organised by the Rotary Club of Salamanca]
- Helicopter rides [see catering below].

Catering options and what to bring:

- **Bring your own food:**
Families are most welcome to come self sufficient, through bringing their own food and drinks and alcohol, utensils, ground sheets, camp tables and chairs, sun umbrellas, hats and sun-screen etc.

OR

- **Catering by the Rotary Club of Oatlands:**
The Rotary Club of Oatlands are renowned for their country-style catering for large community events. Food items may be purchased individually and include salads, snags and their legendary hamburgers [reputedly the best in Tasmania]. Soft drinks will be on sale, but no alcohol. Camping utensils such as tables, chairs also suggested. Purchase of a hamburger will entitle you to a number of lucky ticket draws throughout the day and a chance for you to win a helicopter ride over the property on the day. Catering profits by the club will be contributed to the Annual Giving on the day.

Enquiries to:

PDG Paul Grubb on 6261 1511, 0438 611 511,
grubbfamily@bigpond.com or
Gill Whitehouse on 6229 4174, 0417 551 436,
gewphysio@southcom.com.au

RSVP to:

Dennis Bordin on 6249 4810, 0408 494 802
dbordin@inet.net.au

Friday 29th January 2010.

Celebrating Tasmania Day with Rotary

From the Village Fair at Beltana Park, Lindisfarne (organised by RC Lindisfarne)



Lindisfarne President Richard Horswill and Fair Convenor Nigel Grey in front of the Rotary stall and ShelterBox



Lindisfarne Parachute Game

From Montrose Bay (organised by RC's Moonah, Glenorchy, Claremont and North Hobart)



AG Lorraine Walker and PDG Muriel Heron celebrating Tasmania Day at Montrose Bay

Longford Pride of Workmanship Awards

Thirteen employees from Longford businesses were recognised for their dedication, loyalty and hard work by the RC Longford which presented "Pride of Workmanship" Awards to them.



Longford businesses were approached to nominate employees who take pride in doing good work. The nominees, their employers, work colleagues and family were invited to a presentation dinner.

One of the younger recipients was Jess Little of Harcourt's Real Estate. She was recognised for excellent customer service and a proactive approach to all office management duties.

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Foreshore Concert at Montrose Bay



Taiko Drummers at Montrose Bay

## Welcome to New Rotarians

| Rotarians     | Club            |
|---------------|-----------------|
| Mark Nugent   | Devonport North |
| Jerry Thomson | Somerset        |
| Julie Oates   | Smithton        |
| Karen Badcock | Salamanca       |



**Congratulations to Margaret Gabbedy (standing), named a Paul Harris Fellow by her old Club, RC East Burnie Sunrise**

### Attendance Report for October 2009

| Club                 | Attendance | Rank |
|----------------------|------------|------|
| Howrah               | 96.30%     | 1    |
| Youngtown            | 91.75%     | 2    |
| Kangaroo Bay         | 91.06%     | 3    |
| Devonport North      | 88.40%     | 4    |
| Spring Bay           | 88.09%     | 5    |
| Tamar Sunrise        | 88.00%     | 6    |
| Wynyard              | 87.00%     | 7=   |
| Bellerive            | 87.00%     | 7+   |
| Devonport South East | 86.70%     | 9    |
| Longford             | 84.90%     | 10   |
| City Central Hobart  | 84.74%     | 11   |
| South Launceston     | 83.30%     | 12   |
| Smithton             | 80.56%     | 13   |
| Sullivans Cove       | 80.44%     | 14   |
| Launceston West      | 79.73%     | 15   |
| Central Launceston   | 79.00%     | 16   |
| Sandy Bay            | 78.00%     | 17   |
| West Tamar           | 77.00%     | 18   |
| Salamanca            | 76.67%     | 19   |
| Moonah               | 75.76%     | 20   |

### Congratulations to RC Howrah

For a full Attendance Report, go to  
[www.rotary9830.org.au](http://www.rotary9830.org.au)

## Joining Rotary through the Internet



Karen Badcock (left) was inducted into the RC Salamanca last week. The story of how she joined is an interesting one.

In September, the District 9830 Membership Development Director received an email from Anja Van Ostrand, Senior Coordinator, Membership Programs of RI's Membership Development Division, in Evanston., USA. She advised that RI had received an expression of interest via a **Prospective Member Form from our District through the RI website.**

The interested person was Karen. She lives in the Southern suburbs of Hobart. The District 9830 Membership Development Director then followed up by ringing Karen. She offered to accompany Karen to a number of Southern Tasmanian Rotary Clubs, firstly giving information of their meeting times and locations.

Karen's first request to visit the "Salamanca breakfast club" was based on the fact that she works in Hobart, and the suitability of that time for her daily routine was a good arrangement. It was believed at first that she may "try" other clubs. However she hasn't left. But she began attending Salamanca Rotary Club meetings in mid September. She loved us, and we loved her! "The rest is history."

We admired the initiative that she showed in finding her way to Rotary. After the due pre-induction process occurred, she was inducted into the club last week. This is surely the arrival of a committed member into our wonderful organisation. Other clubs may like to know of the RI website

[membershipdevelopment@rotary.org](mailto:membershipdevelopment@rotary.org)

December 2009



RC Longford running the Chocolate Wheel at the Longford Show for the 23<sup>rd</sup> consecutive year. This year, the wheel was spun 200 times for \$3,500 profit.



Chris "Westy" Westlake from RC Youngtown receiving a Certificate of Appreciation from the General Manager of Carpet Choice Australia, Paul Amos (right) in recognition of "Westy" completing the "Ride Round the Bay in Melbourne. Carpet Choice donated \$1,200 for one ShelterBox towards "Westy's" fundraising for the ride.



Setting the millinery style at the RC Salamanca's legendary Melbourne Cup Champagne Breakfast on Cup morning



Circular Head Mayor Daryl Quilliam speaking at the morning tea put on by RC Smithton for the teachers at Smithton High School to mark World Teachers Day.



Trying on a sunhat at  
Tasmanian Craft Fair  
2009

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