# The BULLETIN



### **BOARD REPORT**

**6TH DECEMBER 2016** 

The board of the Rotary Club of Glenferrie held its regular monthly meeting at Kooyong LTC on December 6 to wrap up business for the year and discuss major plans for 2017. The focus was on service projects in 2017, membership growth and the future development of the club.

The board resolved to underwrite a major fundraising event for the Sumba Eye Program, a dinner dance to be held on Friday May 5th 2017. International Services Director Mark Ellis will lead the project.

Club support for the Servant's Community Housing 4th House project was confirmed, with the matter referred back to the Community Service Committee to determine the level of support. The 4th House Project is endorsed by the Boroondara Cares Foundation, with the RC of Camberwell assuming responsibility as lead club. RC of Camberwell donated \$20,000 to the project as part of their 6oth anniversary celebrations. The Federal Government has committed \$300,000 to the establishment of the house, which will be reserved for homeless women residents.

Membership growth will be a key focus in 2017, to ensure the club is able to continue its broad service program. The board is planning a facilitated Club Visioning Session to be held early in 2017, to determine a medium to long term strategy for the club.

For a full report on the meeting, refer to the club website: => Board Report to Members Dec. 6, 2016

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#### **Meetings**

Tuesdays 6pm for 6:30pm Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club 489 Glenferrie Road Kooyong Vic 3144 Melways Map 59 Ref C3

#### **Bookings & Apologies**

Contact Bob Carey: attendance@glenferrierotary.org.au

Please be sure to let Bob Carey know by the **Friday before the meeting** if you are unable to attend.







# Club Meeting Report 6th December 2016

A life and career in television sports broadcasting

A small but attentive group of members and friends were entertained by a

light-hearted and frequently amusing life story by speaker Barry Minster at the club meeting on Tuesday December 6th.



Ex-soldier, broadcaster, Freemason, Past President of Kew Rotary and raconteur told of his disillusionment after his time in the army, during which he did two tours in the Vietnam conflict, and his decision as a still young man to head off overseas in search of adventure. While in Scotland he was fortunate enough to 'fall' into a role in Scottish television, igniting a true passion and starting a career which eventually brought him home.

Barry joined HSV7 in Dorcas Street South Melbourne in 1977, where he was technical director until 1982, specialising in live sports broadcasting. In those days Channel 7 had over 500 employees in the outside broadcasting area. After a number of roles, he started his own consultancy in the area.

Barry has worked on the broadcasting of numerous sporting codes, including AFL. He has worked on broadcasts of events at Olympic Games since the Moscow Olympics in 1980. He brought with him a substantial collection of souvenir mascots, most notable being his now extremely valuable and well preserved Misha, a souvenir of the Moscow Games. Television 1980 touches us all in some way. Barry's trip down memory lane brought back many memories for all.

Misha

For a full report on Barry's address and photos, refer to the club website:=> <u>About last</u> week's speaker - <u>Barry Minster</u>

#### **Coming Events**

• Tuesday December 13, 2016



- Tuesday January 10, 2017, Riverside Cluster BBQ, Alexander Gardens, Kew
- Tuesday January 31, 2017, First Club Dinner meeting for the year. Venue TBD. Speaker: Newton Langford
- Wednesday February 22, 2017, Riverside Cluster 100 Years of Foundation evening (replacing club meeting of Feb 21)

#### **Next Meeting**





#### Rotary Facts

Polio survivors make up the largest single physical disability group in Australia. Up to 40,000 Australians were diagnosed with the most severe form of the disease, paralytic polio, between 1938 and 1988. In Australia today there are an estimated 400,000 polio survivors. A growing number of polio survivors, once fully active members of society, are now experiencing new and debilitating polio symptoms, known as the Late Effects of Polio.

The Networker, December 2016



# My Rotary story.....Brendan Rice Disaster Aid Australia

Club member Brendan Rice addressed the club in the five minute segment *My Rotary Story* at the club meeting on December 6th.

Brendan's talk focused on his long involvement with Disaster Aid Australia (DAA), a program that was the initiative of the Rotary Club of Endeavour Hills in 2003. Brendan is a Director of DAA.

The mission of DAA is to deliver innovative Australian-based humanitarian aid packages to people in developing countries who have suffered loss following natural or other disasters. Volunteers, mostly Rotarian DARTs (Disaster Aid Response Team members) work in affected areas with local people, in particular local Rotary clubs, establishing what they need most. Delivery of services through willing volunteers means that overhead costs are kept to a minimum. DAA is highly respected internationally for its proven ability to deliver economical quality projects to disaster-affected communities.

Disaster Aid Australia and Disaster Aid International has learned through experience that it is critical to taken guidance from local people when seeking to help. In the early days a typical response, where homes had been destroyed, was to set up temporary shelters in community areas, such as sports grounds. However many of the regions, for example in Vanuatu, were home to squatter farmers, who were unwilling to leave their land, fearing that another squatter would take their place in their absence. Providing shelter on the squatter's own land was the solution. A moveable saw mill was purchased to provide timber so that farmers could build their own shelter on their own land.

DAA has led projects in Nepal, Vanuatu, the Philippines, Haiti, Sudan, Pakistan, and Malaysia. The basic product is the *Family Survival Pack* providing a disaster-affected family with the 'tools' to rebuild their lives. The focus now is on the provision of clean drinking water. Working with the Sky Juice Foundation, DAA's *Sky Hydrant* product requires minimal maintenance and can provide clean water to cater for approximately 7,000 people at a cost of just A\$5,000.

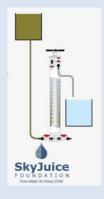
Through Brendan's commitment to DAA, the Rotary Club of Glenferrie is able to bring hope to people in need. An inspiring story and an example of just what one person can achieve through Rotary.



Club Member and Director of Disaster Aid Australia Brendan Rice at the club meeting on December 6th



A DAA Family Survival Pack can help a disaster-affected family at a cost of just A\$800



The Sky Juice Foundation's Sky Hydrant product brings reliable clean water to remote communities at minimum cost



## Glenferrie Gossip - Club News and other stuff...

#### Sumba Eye Program Dinner Dance - Volunteers Urgently Sought





Calling all interested in helping for this fund raiser booked for the May 5th Friday night at MCC Kew.

Please email me at mark.ellis744@bigpond.com to register your interest.

Planning of style and conduct of the event in infancy at present. This was a great example of Rotarians at work in the community at the last event 2 years ago.

Mark F Ellis - International Service Director"

#### Garden Design Fest raises \$130,000



The Rotary Garden Design Fest 2016 held on the weekends of November 12-13 raised a record \$130,000 for children's and Rotary charities, Tony Thomas of the Organising Committee has reported.

There were 17,000 garden visits, to 46 gardens throughout Victoria, making it the biggest open garden show in Australia

A number of Rotary Clubs provided volunteers, including the Rotary Club of Glenferrie, which has directed funds raised to the Sumba Eve Program.

#### **January Club Meeting Schedule Announced**



Club Services Director Peter Harries has published the meeting program for January, which includes plenty of opportunity for summertime fellowship.

The Christmas Party on December 13th is the club's last official meeting for the year.

The first official meeting in 2017 will be on Tuesday January 31st, but the meeting will not be at Kooyong, due to KLTC championship tennis commitments. Peter is currently negotiating an alternative venue and will advise club members when this is finalised.

Key Dates are published on the club website

#### Santa booked for the December Farmers' Market



The December Farmers' market will feature all the fun of the fare, with a visit by Santa now confirmed via sleighmail. Santa normally arrives in his well maintained vintage Austin to the delight of young and old. Perfect place to stock up for Christmas on genuine fresh produce.

Patterson Reserve, Auburn Road, Hawthorn East Saturday December 17th, 2016

#### Rostered on

#### Farmers Market Roster December 17th 2016

Early Shift 6:30am - 10:00am : Bob Scott (Captain), Carol Benson, Peter Harries, Janie Pirret, Don Heath, Santa Clause

Late Shift 10:00am - 1:30pm: Geoff Wood (Captain), Cheryl Pisterman, Brendan Rice, Lynette Spencer, Swinburne Rotaract, Santa Clause

#### Salvation Army Bread Run

15 Dec R	Richard Blakeman	Carol Benson
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#### Club Meeting Duty Roster

	Set up/Down	Cashier	Cashier	Welcome	Chair	
13 Dec	CHRISTMAS BREAK UP PARTY					
20 Dec	No Formal Meeting - Informal gathering of friends planned					

#### Thank you everybody!

Make-ups are automatically recorded for members on Bread Run and Farmers' Market duties.

#### **District Dispatches**



Early bird booking may be closed, but it is still not too late to book for 2017 District Conference. A fabulous multi-cultural dinner and an inspiring agenda are planned.

Book here: <a href="http://www.rotaryconference.org.au/">http://www.rotaryconference.org.au/</a>



As part of the travel to and from the January Sessions, some students will need to be billeted in various cities. Would you like to volunteer to billet students? It's a great opportunity to get to know NYSF students from across the country, and be involved with the program if you're not in Canberra.

In Melbourne, we're looking for people to host students overnight on these dates:



Sunday 1 January (students travelling to Session A)
Saturday 14 January (students travelling home from Session A)
Sunday 15 January (students travelling to Session C)
Saturday 28 January (students travelling home from Session C)
For more information, and to volunteer as a host, go to
<a href="https://goo.gl/forms/vBwhE6oWICM4QCML2">https://goo.gl/forms/vBwhE6oWICM4QCML2</a>.

Any people who billet are of course required to adhere to NYSF's Child Protection policies, and will be asked to complete a Child Protection <u>declaration before</u> being confirmed as a billet.

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