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Men's Shed



#### Meeting 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2013

Instead of the regular meeting of the RCFB, the meeting this week was a Vocational Visit to the RC Mosman Park's Men's Shed. With a Lottery's Commission Grant of almost \$750,000 plus a contribution of over \$90,000 from the RC Mosman Park, a huge and impressive building and project has been established. The benefits to all concerned, especially the men, young and not so young, who are members of the Men's Shed and regularly attend, is significant. Uses for the building are extensive, not only does the RC Mosman Park have a permanent storage room and meeting room but various courses, including cooking, are run from the building. Well done RC Mosman Park! The City of Nedlands and the RCFB will talk about where to from here.

Along with members of the RCFB, it was good to have in attendance for the Vocational visit, Hon. member Kay and Malcolm Mason, RF Alumni Prue Cowan and Graeme Hillier and Aaron Chinyimba along with RCMP Pres. Brett Pollock and other members of the Club, plus members of the Men's Shed.

#### Meeting 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2013

Our speaker next week is Jeffrey Williams who has been appointed as the Director of Nursing for the new St John of God Midland Public & Private Hospital. Jeffrey, a long time volunteer with St John Ambulance, was a member of a GSE Team to D. 5330, California a few years back. On his vocational days during this exchange, Jeffrey visited a number of hospitals and brought back ideas which he was able to successfully implement in the St John of God Hospital in Subiaco. He has been with St John of God Health Care since 2005 and his topic is 'Building a Hospital – more than just design and construction.'

#### **Committee Meeting**

New Generations Committee meeting, Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 2.00pm at Liz Hollingdale's, 27 Congdon Street, Cottesloe

#### Nomination for Significant Achievement Award

DG Phillip Skelton has advised Pres. Ken that the nomination form for a Significant Achievement Award for the Microscopes in Schools project has been received at Rotary Headquarters in Evanston. A Committee will review the nominations in April and make their selections.

#### From the RI Regional Newsletter

'It was pleasing to see RI President Ron Burton successfully launch his FIRST CLASS initiative. All DGE's contributed to The Rotary Foundation. Let's hope it is passed on by the DGEs and then the Club President Elect.

It would be great to see that all clubs become FIRST CLASS'

The Rotary Foundation is Rotary's Foundation for Peace. A number of current and former members of the RCFB have been beneficiaries of the Rotary Foundation as Scholars, GSE Team Members and a Peace Scholar. Along with that, we have successfully nominated GSE team members, an Ambassadorial Scholar plus received funding for Matching Grant projects both locally and internationally, as well as District Simplified Grants both for funding for microscopes for schools and most recently for the ESL literacy project. ALL members are asked to consider personally supporting the Rotary Foundation as without support for the Foundation, there will not be the funds to draw from for the many financial benefits the Club receives from it. All contributions are tax deductible and 100% of all contributions go to the projects. What better value could you have for your charity dollar? Can the RCFB become one of the first **FIRST CLASS Rotary Clubs in D. 9455**?

#### Neds eyes men's shed

Page 6 in the Post 16<sup>th</sup> March issue had an article on a planned Men's Shed in Nedlands, mentioning the possible involvement of the RCFB.

#### ESL Books

The order placed by Dir. Laura for ESL (English as a Second Language) are gradually arriving. Once they are all here and sorted into the books for the school / refugee families, arrangements will be put in place for presentations to the schools and to the refugees.

Discussion at the committee meeting suggested an amount be budgeted into next year to continue the project.

#### **Childhood Vision Screening Project**

Suggested at Community/Voc Committee Meeting that Yogi be asked to demonstrate the Test-I project for schools at an upcoming meeting so that all members can gain firsthand knowledge of the project. Dir. Laura suggested with all that has to be covered in the school curriculum in the metropolitan schools it may be a little challenging to get it started. A suggestion was that perhaps the testing could be done by volunteers either before or after school.

#### **Play Workshops**

The request for sponsorship from Moerlina School for two teachers from non-metropolitan schools to attend the professional development workshops by UK play guru Marc Armitage has been approved. The workshops will be conducted in July and the cost to sponsor the two teachers is \$720. Marc is an independent consultant, researcher and writer in children's play and the wider social world of children and young people, 0-19 years. During his visit to Perth he will be offering three full day professional development workshops and two parent seminars. Huge interest and demand is anticipated from urban designers, policy makers, local, state and federal governments, playgroups, conservation groups and community organisations along with teachers, early development professionals and parents.

Principal Perette Minciullo advises that a representative would be delighted to share the learning outcomes of the workshops with members at one of our meetings.



MLC students sponsored to attend RYPEN by RCFB

#### RYPEN

Forms for the upcoming Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment Camp have gone out to schools. It is a weekend camp at Point Walter Rec. & Conference Centre in Bicton from 17-19<sup>th</sup> May. Cost to the club is \$210 per attendee plus \$65 to the student. All up cost is \$275.00.

The aim of RYPEN is to provide young people (Yr 10s) with the opportunity to develop their potential and self esteem, provide experience that will assist them to form their own values and moral standards and to broaden their cultural, social and academic horizons.

RYPEN encourages students to explore their ideas of problem solving in team and group activities.

RYPEN is about building confidence and developing skills to cope in a wide range of situations.

RYPEN is also about having FUN.

#### **Interactors Movie Night**

A reminder that the Interact Club of Freshwater Bay plan a film night at Christ Church Church Hall, Cnr. Stirling Hwy and Queenslea Drive, Nedlands on Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> April. 5.30pm-9.30pm Cost \$10

Members are asked to support this event with assisting with the sausage sizzle, chaperoning, assisting with setting up, cleaning up etc.

Interact meeting this Thursday (21<sup>st</sup>) Pres. Martha Forrest introduced five more girls from Yr 12 at St Hilda's to the Club. Well done Martha. Currently there are no members from Scotch College and MLC. A couple of schools for the members of the RCFB to work on!

#### **Rotary Driver Awareness**

Shenton College Deaf Education Centre has expressed interest in having students attend a Driver Awareness course. The entire Deaf Ed. Centre is only allowed to have 25 students hence this would not involve many. Teachers, along with 'Signers' would also need to be involved. With the small numbers, the way this would be structured would be to 'piggy back' on a day that is organised for another school to include the participants from SCDEC. The District Chair Lindsey Francis has been asked to look into the request.

#### **Microscopes in Schools**

Microscopes have arrived and Rotary Clubs and schools have been advised they are now available for collection..

Kate Trinajstic is currently in the UK. She spoke at the RC of Kew Gardens last Wednesday and was well received. A member of the club, Peter Oldham runs a programme for disadvantaged people to gain access to the Thames and also runs an education programme for school kids. He was extremely interested in the microscopes and the Watercorp booklet. Peter has been

sent information on the microscopes plus a copy of the Activity Booklet and a comment in his email back is "*It is a wonderful programme that you have put together*". Kate is also arranging to meet up with UKs 'Naked Scientist, Dr Chris Smith. A busy time for Kate.

Last week at the Club's movie night, an attendee mentioned that her daughter is a science teacher at St. Emilies Catholic Primary School in Canning Vale. With the knowledge that the school had a set of microscopes sponsored by the RC of Southern Districts the feedback from the teacher was "Yes we have them and love them. I received our set late 2011 and the kids work with them regularly. We have a natural bush area at the school and the students go into the site to collect specimens for further examination back at class. So thanks very much to Rotary. Kerrie Cogger"

Always heartening to receive the positive feedback from teachers and students.



Br. James

#### **From Brother James**

Some members will remember our Charter Member Br. James who was at Christ Church Grammar School until July of last year. James, a Benedictine Brother, returned to the Abbey at Camperdown in Vic has now relocated to Yipirinya School in Alice Springs. Yipirinya, which means caterpillar, is an indigenous District High School with around 200 students. Yipirinya School caters for Indigenous students offering bilingual and bicultural education, teaching literacy, numeracy and western skills following the NT curriculum framework, keeping the traditional Indigenous Culture and Languages alive.

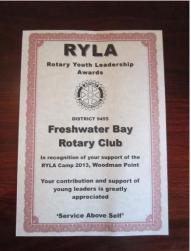
Asking James if there was any way that the RCFB might be able to assist the school in a small way, eg with s set of microscopes the response forthcoming was:

"Thanks for your offer of microscopes. YES PLEASE !!!!!

The microscopes would be very helpful as we have just built our science laboratory but have not equipped it yet.

The Governor for the NT is in Alice this week and will officially open the science lab on Thursday. I would be happy to send you some photographs."

James conveys his warm wishes to members of the RCFB and we look forward to receiving photographs in due course.



**RYLA Certificate** 

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During the week the RCFB received a certificate in recognition of the Club's support of the RYLA Camp 2013 for sponsoring Brett and Matt to attend the camp.

#### **Rotary Foundation Matching Grant Application**

The RFMG for the livelihood project in Sri Lanka is progressing with Dir. Rajah collecting the required signatures locally for the application form and Nathan working with the Rotary Club of Colombo South gathering the necessary information from their end. The completed application form must be received at Rotary Headquarters in Evanston by the end of March to be eligible for approval.



Pres Ken handing over Solar Lamps to Apisalome Waga (and sons)

#### Solar Lamps for Koro Scholarship Project

On behalf of Alistair and Mignon, Pres. Ken handed over the 48 solar lamps to Apisalome Waqa a health care worker in Wiluna who originally came from Fiji. His mother, who travelled to Fiji last Monday kindly took the lamps with her and arranged for them to be delivered to an address provided by Alistair and Mignon.

# Special GSE (Group Study Exchange) from Wiluna to Fiji

Some 18 months ago, Pres Ken was instrumental in arranging for a Uni Focus GSE Team to go from Wiluna to Fiji to learn about village life. Apisalome Waga was a member of the GSE Team to Fiji. He said it was extremely beneficial to all who participated and that it is still being talked about up in Wiluna. So much so that a group of younger people (about ten at the moment) aged between 20-30 years are currently arranging to travel to Fiji.

Another excellent program of the Rotary Foundation, which is all about world understanding and peace and building bridges of friendship throughout the world.

#### **Paint Your Pinkies**

Now that the new school year is well under way, Pres. Ken is contacting school about "Paint Your Pinkies". Responses are slow, however, there is a date in place for June for Quintilian.

# Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS)

A new arm of RAWCS to benefit people in 'necessitous' circumstances in Australia is now available. The home based version of RAWCS is called the "Rotary Australia Benevolent Society" (RABS). The criteria for the national tax deductible structure for Rotarians and the public is "for the direct relief of poverty, sickness, suffering, distress, misfortune, disability, destitution or helplessness as arouses compassion in the community."

The RCFB, though its Rotary Club of Freshwater Bay Charity Fund Inc, has this facility, however, has found it very restrictive in what it can actually support so it will be interesting to see if RABS is any less restrictive. The RCFBCFI is currently still working on tax deductible gift status for overseas projects, however, the application has been in for some time and as yet no word has been received on its progress.

#### From PRI Sakuji Tanaka's message March, 2013

"Rotary's Youth Exchange program has continued for more than 40 successful years and is now part of the Fifth Avenue of Service: New Generations Service. This avenue also includes service through Interact, Rotaract, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards and many club and District activities that involve people up to age 30.

When we focus on young people, we are focusing on building the future of Rotary and a more peaceful world. When we serve youth, we help bring Rotary to a new generation. We spread understanding among nations and cultures. We teach the importance of service to others, and pass on our core values. By doing this, we help build peace."

#### **Update on Members**

Kate Trinajstic heads to Morocco for a UNESCO Conference. Rajah and Jes Senathirajah are off to visit their daughter and her family in the USA.

**Anniversary** – A very Happy Anniversary to Rajah & Jes Senathirajah for  $3^{rd}$  April from all members of the RCFB.

#### Program for March / April

Date	Program	Attendance	Introduction and Thanks
23 <sup>rd</sup> March	New Generations Committee – Hollingdale's 27 Congdon St, Cottesloe	2.00pm	
27 <sup>th</sup> March	Jeffrey Williams – St John of God – Midland	Ann Karas	Alistair Brown
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Interact Meeting – CCGS Room M1	Liz Hollingdale	
3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Truman Forrest – Year as a Rotary YES & Rotaract	Paddy Ramanathan	Sivo Narendranathan
10 <sup>th</sup> April	John Duff – Thumbnail Sketch	Stephanie Rainey- Smith	Yogi Kanangasingam
11 <sup>th</sup> April	Board Meeting – Collins' 1 New Court Green, Mt Claremont	5.30pm	
17 <sup>th</sup> April	Liz Hollingdale – Thumbnail Sketch	Rajah Senathirajah	Laura O'Hara

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