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Visiting Rotarians and guests are welcome. Please notify the Club on 0432 298 325**

CLUB NEWS

Flying a kite

How do we respond to a challenge?

Cathy Gregory, relationship manager from the Redkite, and RC Fremantle member George Booth laid it out for us at last week's meeting: how many Booragoon members are prepared to tackle the Port to Port Fun Run?

This is a new event, set up by RC Fremantle to raise funds for Redkite and various Rotary charities. It's being held on Sunday, 7 November as part of the 2010 Fremantle Festival. This unique event is over a circuit that starts and finishes at the Esplanade – participants can run, walk or stagger around the circuit once (4km), twice (8km) or three times (12km).

Having the finishing line at the Esplanade means the Freo coffee strip is within crawling distance! So why are we being asked to submit ourselves to this suffering?

Cathy explained that Redkite is the new-ish name for what used to be known as the Malcolm Sargent Cancer Fund. Redkite's singular vision is to provide support to children and young people up to 24 years old who have cancer.

For 26 years, Redkite has been providing counselling and emotional support in hospital or at home for cancer patients and their families, including the hire of oncologists and other professionals to work in the hospitals. It also provides financial support where necessary.

Although Redkite works closely with hospitals, Cathy said the organisation gets no government funding and is totally reliant on community support.

Booragoon members/partners/family and friends prepared to join the team on 7 November should contact Wendy Castles.

And if you need some recuperation after the rigours of the Fun Run, George kindly pointed out that his club has organised a seven-night Rotary and Friends trip to Bali starting on 13 November. The trip will include visits to two Rotary clubs in Bali as well as all the usual Balinese cultural and retail attractions.

As well as visiting Rotarian George Booth and guest speaker Cathy Gregory, we were joined last week by partners Sony Sindhe and Wendy Littlely.

This week

Our speaker this week will be Lesley Murphy, community support director of the Muscular Dystrophy Association of WA. Lesley will be accompanied by David Castles, who is raising funds for MDA by competing in the Dwellingup 100 mountain bike event next weekend.

See more at www.everydayhero.com.au/david_castles

PRESIDENT'S SOAPBOX

The Rotary Foundation

An endowment for “doing good in the world” was proposed in 1917 by RI President Arch C. Klumph.

In 1928 this became a distinct entity within Rotary International and was renamed the Rotary Foundation. This not-for-profit corporation is supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotarians and friends of the Foundation who share its vision of a better world.

Its mission is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.

Over the years, it has established many programs which achieve the great work of RI, including Ambassadorial Scholarships, Group Study Exchange, awards for technical training and matching grants. The Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grants program was launched in 1978 and Polio Plus in 1984-85.

Contributions to the Annual Programs Fund (APF) keep Rotary Foundation programs working to help people with desperate needs. Your APF support through the Every Rotarian, Every Year initiative is vital to doing good in the world.

At the end of the Rotary year, 50% of each district's APF donations is credited to its District Designated Fund (DDF) while the remainder goes to the World Fund. The DDF funds support each district's Foundation programs while the World Fund supports worldwide programs.

The Rotary Foundation's goals for 2010-11 are to –

- + Keep the promise to eradicate polio;
- + Work to achieve a better world through six focus areas of the Future Vision Plan.
- + Implement the Future Vision Plan to help revitalise and strengthen the Foundation to support another century of Rotary service
- + Support Every Rotarian, Every Year and the Permanent Fund

The Paul Harris Fellowship was established to encourage donations by Rotarians to the Rotary Foundation by acknowledge the contribution by a Rotarian of US\$1000 in a single year.

Rotary International also recognises donations by Rotarians and Rotary clubs in other ways.

- If all dues-paying members of a Rotary Club are Paul Harris Fellows, the club can be certified as a **100 Percent Paul Harris Fellow Club** and receive a special recognition banner.
- A club in which every dues-paying member personally contributes US\$100 or more to the Annual Programs Fund during the Rotary year is recognised as a **100% Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member Club**.
- A club that achieves US\$100 per capita from active dues-paying members and 100 percent participation with every active member contributing some amount to the Annual Programs Fund during the Rotary year is recognised as an **Every Rotarian, Every Year Club**.

The first donation to the Foundation was \$26.50 in 1917, but support has grown tremendously to currently total more than \$1 billion. Rotarians donated a record of almost US\$115 million to the Annual Programs Fund in 2007-08 and, in addition, raised more than US\$143 million towards our US\$200 million PolioPlus challenge.

When every Rotarian contributes to the Foundation every year, we expand our capacity to bring help and hope to a hurting world.

Our club has regularly supported the Rotary Foundation through donations from our charity account but can we do more to support it as our charity of choice? Rotarians' circumstances vary, but is there room in our budgets for more sustaining members from our club? Could we achieve the Every Rotarian, Every Year challenge? Please consider these questions and support the Rotary Foundation.



Steve acknowledges blatant plagiarism in the writing of this week's Soapbox.

Steve Coady

Club program

This week	Muscular Dystrophy Australia: Lesley Murphy
14 Sep	WA's Next Offshore Gas Giants: Vance Valades
17 Sep (Fri)	Group 1 Clubs Sundowner, Piney Lakes (6-8.30pm). BYO drinks and plate
21 Sep	Footy Fever: The view from an AFL Umpire
28 Sep	Youth Reunion Night
5 Oct	Four Way Test Speech Contest
19 Oct	Endeavour Scholarships Presentation
2 Nov	Melbourne Cup Fellowship
23 Nov	Club Forum

If you cannot attend a meeting, or are bringing a guest, notify Attendance Officer Ernie Littlely by 6pm on Monday. In the event of a late change, please advise Ernie as early as possible.

Duty committee

August	International Service
September	Vocational Service
October	New Generations
November	Community Service

The duty committee nominates the meeting chairman (preferably a week in advance), selects a host to greet guests and visitors, sets up the meeting room by 6pm on the night and then returns the items to storage afterwards. Keys to the storage cabinet are held by committee directors and the Attendance Officer.

Meeting set-up items:

- + Attendance Officer's cash box
- + National flag and club banner
- + President's rostrum and chain
- + "Home of the DG" banner
- + Sergeant's bell and mallet
- + Collection box and contents
- + Coin toss prize bottle of wine
- + Song books/display box
- + Dinner badges case
- + Pull-up banner

Swapmart roster

Sep 12	Tom Pearson and Kasun Wijayamanna
Sep 19	Kasun Wijayamanna and Di Roberts
Sep 26	Di Roberts and Adrian Sumana
Oct 3	Adrian Sumana and Heather Anderson
Oct 10	Heather Anderson and Selwyn Castles
Oct 17	Selwyn Castles and Ednamay Foston
Oct 24	Ednamay Foston and Steve Coady
Oct 31	Wendy Castles and Glynis Armstrong
Nov 7	Steve Coady and Pauline Campbell
Nov 14	Pauline Campbell and John Elsbury
Nov 21	John Elsbury and Christine Feary
Nov 28	Christine Feary and John Feary (Proposed club stall)
Dec 5	John Feary and Ednamay Foston
Dec 12	Ednamay Foston and Tom Pearson
Dec 19	Tom Pearson and Sue McKay
Dec 26	Boxing Day break
Jan 2	Proposed New Year break
Jan 9	Sue McKay and Jean McKinnon
Jan 15	Jean McKinnon and Adrian Sumana
Jan 22	Adrian Sumana and Di Roberts

Note: If you cannot make it for your rostered day and need to swap, arrange it at a weekly meeting with someone further down the roster. Any problems, contact Tom Pearson on 9414 8224 or parkform@swiftdsl.com.au

AND FINALLY

Flight fright

Shortly after the flight reaches cruising altitude, the captain comes on the public address system and began:

“Ladies and gentlemen, this Captain Phil Johnstone speaking.

“Welcome to Flight 293, non-stop to Toronto.

“The weather ahead is good, so we are expecting a smooth, uneventful flight.

“So sit back, relax and ... OH, MY GOD!”

There’s a long silence.

Finally, the captain’s voice begins again.

“Ladies and gentlemen, I'm sorry if I scared you.

“While I was talking to you, one of the flight attendants accidentally spilled a cup of hot coffee in my lap.

“You should see the front of my pants!”

Suddenly a voice roars from the centre of the cabin:

“For *#!+! sake, you should see the back of mine!”



MEET THE NEW NEIGHBOURS!

- + BOORAGOON
- + COMO
- + CANNING BRIDGE
- + MELVILLE
- + MILL POINT
- + SOUTH PERTH-BURSWOOD



One of Piney Lakes' resident moaning frogs

The six Rotary Clubs in Group 1 of District 9465 are combining to hold a special “getting to know you” Sundowner.

WHEN: Friday, 17 September 2010.

TIME: 6pm-8.30pm.

WHERE: Piney Lakes Function Centre.

ADDRESS: Leach Highway, Melville.

COST: Zero (Venue hire costs met by RC Booragoon).

BYO: Your own drinks (alcohol is permitted) and finger food/snacks to share.

This is a family-friendly venue, so Rotarians’ partners and families are welcome.

President Steve is circulating an RSVP list to get numbers taking part by Monday, 13 September.

