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What's on this week?

This week is our Annual General Meeting. If you are not in attendance you run the risk of being nominated for President Elect nominee.

Last meeting, Dr Barry Kitchen, Chief Operating Officer and a founding partner of Horizon Science, a company that aims to make cocoa growing and processing a viable new industry in Australia, made everyone's day when he told us that chocolate is good for you. In fact, one piece of dark chocolate a day will lower your blood pressure. That's got to be better than taking tablets that's for sure. I for one am looking forward to trying the first wholly Australian grown chocolate from Mossman up in the Daintree area of Queensland, which is now on the market.

On Sunday 23rd October the Bunnings Sausage Sizzle raised a record \$2,200.00 and then on October 30th, another sausage sizzle at MRC raised much the same amount for Ashan Development in Ghana.

On Saturday 12th November - the Orphans of Ghana Gala Ball at Mornington Racing Club was a sensational night with the usual fantastic food from Wise Choice, great entertainment from the Ghanaian people and a great band played the night away. Tony and Cheryl should be congratulated on such a fantastic effort rewarded with about \$26,000 raised on the night.

This Friday, November 18 is the Nepean group fundraiser for PolioPlus at the Mt Eliza Community Centre. Cash on Delivery looks like being another good night and I am sure we can squeeze a few more people onto our table, if anyone else wants to come.

Sunday November 20, we will be doing a sausage sizzle at MRC once again - a great excuse to attend the Stevie Nicks concert and raise more money doing it.

Only a bit over a week to go and we will be heading off to Cambodia with our 15 students. I have had no response from any other clubs regarding donations to help buy rice for the outlying villages that have been so affected by the recent flooding.

I would like to thank Cheryl and Tony Carter who will be donating \$200 from the last sausage sizzle for Cambodia.

If anyone else wants to donate, all donations will be gladly accepted.

Don't forget to organise a table to support our Rotaract Club on Saturday 3rd December for their Trivia Night.

You had also better put the 18th December into your diary as Penny and Trenn Sayer have very generously offered their home for our Christmas Party this year. BYO everything you want to eat and drink.

See you ALL on Thursday!

Rotary International
President:
Kalyan Banerjee
District Governor:
Kel Hobby
Assistant Governor
Nepean Group: Chris Angerer
District Governor Elect:
Tony Spring
Club President:
Brad Bowman
President
Elect/Secretary:
Ross Bird
Treasurer:
David Osborne

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November is Rotary Foundation Month!

Are you a member of the Centurion Club?

It only costs \$100 a year and it's fully tax deductible!
Join now, ask Ross for the form!

Through Foundation grants and programs, Rotarians and other contributors can help change the world. They can finance a well for a village that lacks clean water, improve the environment, or provide scholarships to educate the next generation. The grants and programs available to Rotarians allow them to realize Rotary's humanitarian mission throughout the world, including its number-one goal of eradicating polio.

PolioPlus

To eradicate polio, Rotarians have mobilized by the hundreds of thousands. They're working to ensure that children are immunized against this crippling disease and that surveillance is strong despite the poor infrastructure, extreme poverty, and civil strife of many countries. Since the PolioPlus program's inception in 1985, more than two billion children have received the oral polio vaccine.

Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge is the Rotary Foundation's response to the two grants totaling \$355 million from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to help eradicate polio. Every dollar given to PolioPlus will be counted toward the \$200 million match, which must be completed by 30 June 2012.

There are many programs such as

PolioPlus Grants - Primarily applied for by National PolioPlus Committee chairs or a major partner agency, such as the World Health Organization or UNICEF. Support is available for eradication efforts in polio-endemic, recently endemic, and high-risk countries, including National Immunization Days, poliovirus transmission monitoring, and other activities.

Humanitarian Grants Program

Disaster Recovery - Allows Rotarians to donate money in response to specific disasters. Funds are distributed to local committees to support recovery efforts. The program was created in 2005-06, and the Foundation currently administers four Disaster Recovery accounts: Hurricanes Stan and Wilma (Guatemala and Mexico), Hurricane Wilma (United States), the Earthquake in India and Pakistan, and Solidarity in South Asia. Total contributions to the accounts were \$6.4 million.

District Simplified Grants - Support the service activities of districts locally and abroad.

Matching Grants - Provide matching funds for the international service projects of Rotary clubs and districts.

Educational Programs

Ambassadorial Scholarships - The Foundation sponsors one of the largest international scholarship programs in the world. Scholars study in a different country, where they serve as unofficial ambassadors of goodwill. Since 1947, more than 47,000 scholars from 110 countries have received scholarships of more than \$476 million through The Rotary Foundation.

Group Study Exchange (GSE) - Annual awards are made to paired Rotary districts to cover travel expenses for a team of non-Rotarians from a variety of professions. Rotarian hosts organize a four- to six-week itinerary of vocational, educational, and cultural points of interest. Since 1965, more than 57,000 individuals (almost 12,000 teams) from 100 countries have participated at a cost of more than \$92 million.

Rotary Peace Fellowships - Each year, up to 100 fellows are sponsored to study at one of the six Rotary Peace Centers for a master's-level degree or professional development certificate.

How could you resist those faces?



Congratulations to Tony and Cheryl on a fantastic night and fantastic fundraiser – over \$26,000 for the orphanage in Ghana.



*Help us raise
money for our
community project
in East Timor!*

*The Peninsula Rotaract Club invites you
to our annual trivia night...*

When: Saturday, 3rd December - 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start

Where: Bruce Park Hall - Margate Ave, Frankston South

*Price: \$10 entry per person – bring extra coinage as there
will be other activities/raffles during the night!*

*Theme: International! We encourage teams/individuals
to come dressed in culturally inspired attire.*

Tables of 8-10 people are recommended.

BYO nibbles and drinks.



*Please RSVP by the 25th
of November by e-mail:*

peninsularotaractclub@gmail.com

Dates for your diary

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| Friday 18th November | - Polio Plus Theatre Night |
| Saturday 26 th November | - Schoolies to airport for trip to Cambodia |
| Saturday 3 rd December | - Rotaract Trivia Night |
| Sunday 18 th December | - Christmas Party |
| 23 February, 2012 | - Rotary's 107th Birthday |
| 23rd - 25th March 2012 | - District Conference - Ballarat |

APOLOGIES..

The Rotary Club of Frankston Long Island meets on the first & third Thursday of every month at the Frankston Lifesaving Club at 7am for a 7:15am start. Apologies to Judy Rebecca 0415 109 859 or email judy.rebecca@bigpond.com before 5.00pm Wednesday.

