

District 9650 Weekly mailing update 8

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From **District Secretary PDG Laurie Barber**



Prepared and Edited by Publicity & Public Relations 2009-10 Director Ken Hall and circulated to all Club Presidents and Secretaries.

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Please ensure this information is available to all interested members of your Club.

✓ **September is New Generations Month.**

The programs of Rotary targeted at youth in our communities are many and varied. Your club's involvement in these programs is encouraged so that your member's investment in young people today will reap its own rewards tomorrow.

Please find in September's DG's newsletter a calendar of youth programs for this Rotary year. Respective committees, well before the commencement of the Rotary year, had determined many of the dates indicated for the operations of Rotary youth programs. This forward planning ensures the continuity of programs from year to year.

Have your board discuss/review your club's involvement in programs for youth. Refer to the District Directory for contact details for each youth program committee chairperson and secretary.

Review the calendar when you receive your September's newsletter to ensure your club's involvement in this raft of provision for young people by Rotary in your district.

Just Released "End Polio Now" Paul Harris Fellow Certificates

✓ New for 2009-10, the Paul Harris Fellow Certificates will carry the "End Polio Now" logo for all new Paul Harris Fellows (PHF) who become or are named a PHF beginning 1 July 2009. The special certificate will be available for the duration of Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge. This unique recognition is sure to be a treasured keepsake once polio is eradicated.

✓ The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie is holding a Trivia Night at Pier One at Panthers on Thursday 17 September from 7.00pm to 9.30pm. All proceeds will be going to the nominated Carnival of the Pines Charities. The cost is \$10 per person. So, again, let's get right behind this fun night.

✓ **A report from Interplast:**

As another Rotary Year begins it is opportune to reflect on Rotary Clubs and Districts involvement with Interplast and know it is more than just money.

"Without the involvement of Rotarians Interplast simply would not be" said PDG John Barnes (D9810). "It was the Rotarians in District 9800 that contacted the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons in the early 1980's with the idea of establishing Interplast Australia."

Rotarians, to this day, retain equal ownership of Interplast a company limited by guarantee, with three members of the Company appointed by Rotarians. A further three Company members are appointed by the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, and these six Members appoint one independent member, currently The Hon Dr Kay Patterson (former Senator for 21 years).

- ✓ A note from the Rotary Club of Gloucester:
Like our friends from Walcha last month we also adopted generic email addresses for our President & Secretary which will be passed on to the new executive each year – addresses are now – president@rotarygloucester9650.org.au;
secretary@rotarygloucester9650.org.au
- ✓ A joint Rotary commercial is being shown on TV. You can watch it at RDU or click on this link. <http://rotarydownunder.com.au/RDU/home-page-videos/join-rotary.asp>
- ✓ Wauchope Rotary Club now has generic email addresses for the board which will be passed on for each succeeding years. Club contacts are to: wauchopepres@gmail.com or wauchopesect@gmail.com
- ✓ **A 20 day trip of a lifetime to the International Convention, Montreal, June 2010. Join PDG Ken Hall and Di** with an experience of a lifetime... for just \$5784 pp AUD net Twin Share (\$7583 AUD Single).
5 June 2010 – leave Sydney for New York USA. Qantas. Chartered arrival transfer. Accommodation Hotel Wolcott (5, 6,7,8,9 June)
10 June 2010 – Travel to Elmira by charter bus. Holiday Inn Elmira 10, 11 June 2010. Visit RC Elmira and glass museum at Corning.
12 June 2010 to 17 June 2010 – Travel to Rochester. Home hosting by Rotarians in Rochester and associated suburbs. Basis of a future friendship exchange.
18 June 2010 – Rochester to Niagara Falls Hotel Oakes, Niagara Falls.
19 June 2010 – Travel to Montreal by chartered bus. Montreal 19, 20,21,22,23 June 2010. Quality Downtown Hotel opposite the Convention Centre.
23 June 2010 – depart Montreal Qantas Montreal to Sydney via New York. Arrive back in Sydney 25 June 2010.
A jam packed 20 days visit.
Additions: registration for the International Convention (on the Rotary.org website); Air taxes approx \$413 per person. Hotel portorage unless already specified. Gratuities to tour directors, coach drivers or local guides; Meals and beverages. Sightseeing, Optional excursions, travel insurance, visa fees, items of personal nature.
Deposit upon confirming participation: \$1500 pp. The remainder may be paid off and completed 60 days before departure to reflect updated exchange rates, at which time prices become definite.
Contact PDG Ken Hall for further details on hallkr@bigpond.com.au



- ✓ **Another Dilbert**
E-mail is not to be used to pass on information or data. It should be used only for Rotary business.
- ✓ **Happy Father's Day to all Rotarian Dads!!**