

# District 9650 Weekly mailing update 31

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

Please Note that all prior editions of this weekly news together with the Monthly District Governors Newsletter are available on the District website at <http://www.rotary9650.org.au/Newsletter.htm>



## February is World Understanding Month.

### Secretary

- ✓ RYLA nominations are due. Contact Ivana Agapiou , Port Macquarie Sunrise [ivana.agapiou@gmail.com](mailto:ivana.agapiou@gmail.com).
- ✓ Rotary International Exchange Rates against US\$ remains at \$1.10 for February
- ✓ Len Moss, District Membership director is now on Skype - ID len.moss or email address [lenmoss@tsn.cc](mailto:lenmoss@tsn.cc)
- ✓ District secretary Laurie Barber no longer has fax receival facilities. His fax machine died of old age and he sees no urgent need to replace it.
- ✓ A late message from PDG Richard Garner  
I have just had a message that the 7.30 Report covering the Sir Clem Renouf Polio story will not go to air this Tuesday. (That was last Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2010.). The good news is that it will still be screened and as soon as we hear form John Taylor at the ABC we will let everyone know the exact details.

### Australian Rotary Health

- ✓ At the last meeting of the board of Australian Rotary Health, Directors agreed they would like to recognise in perpetuity long serving past Director and Ambassador of Australian Rotary Health, PDG Dick White. The "Dick White Australian Rotary Health **District** Achievement Award" has been created to honour Dick's dedication to Australian Rotary Health. The inaugural award will be presented at the 2010 Institute in Perth. The criteria for selection are based on the following however any significant achievement for Australian Rotary Health can apply.
  - A presentation given at District Conference
  - A presentation at PETS & District Assembly
  - An Australian Rotary Health seminar held during the year
  - An increase in donations given to Australian Rotary Health
  - An increase in the number of Friends of Australian Rotary Health
  - A major fund raiser event
  - A major promotional function

The selection of the winning Rotary District will be made by the Executive Committee of Australian Rotary Health – in conjunction with Dick White or his representative. Contact PDG Laurie Barber for more information.

### Community Service - D9650 Bowelscan program

- ✓ COMMENCES Saturday March 6, and concludes Saturday April 3. Sale of kits by Rotary Clubs and in Pharmacies commences March 6. **KITS SELL AT \$ 8.**  
Kits to be returned to pharmacies for a month until Approx April 10 and placed in Box provided. Will be collected regularly by a Rotarian.  
Rotary Bowelscan is its 24<sup>th</sup> Year has saved over 550 people with detected Bowel Cancer and many thousands with Polyps being removed. Rotary thanks Pharmacy's in our area for your support. Any problems or need for further information please contact Rotarians; Max Carey 6553 9304 and/or Kevin Sharp 6552 6547 or your local coordinator.

✓ **Visit by US Consul General to District 9650**

The U.S. Consul General in Sydney, Mrs. Judith Fergin, is the Senior U.S. representative to New South Wales. Mrs. Fergin frequently travels throughout the state to promote the friendship between Australia and the United States. The Consul General will be in your area throughout the week of March 22 – 25 stopping in Coffs Harbor (22nd), Tweed Heads (23rd), Goondiwindi (24th) and Tamworth (25th) before returning to Sydney on March 26. This trip is an opportunity for the Consul General to reach out many Australian communities and to strengthen the U.S. Australian alliance.

The Consul General would be honored to have the opportunity to address one of the Rotary Clubs in Tamworth on March 25. The Tamworth North club and President John Green (normally meets on Thursdays at 6:30pm) will be hosting the visit and invite all local Rotarians to join them to hear Mrs. Fergin as guest speaker.

President John Green issues a welcome to all other clubs, community members and any local press, TV or radio stations that may be interested in covering the meeting. Watch this space!

**Vale Elwyn Hopper a message from Peter Lloyd – Inverell Rotary Club**

I regret to relate to you the passing of a past esteemed member of the Rotary Club of Inverell, Past President (1972-73) and Paul Harris Fellow, Elwyn Hopper who died on Sunday in Brisbane. Elwyn had been in poor health for some years and had latterly lived in a nursing home in Brisbane. I am not sure of arrangements at this time but believe that there will be a memorial service in Inverell in a couple of weeks.

The Hopper family has a special place in Rotary history, especially with the formation of FAIM by PIP Keith Hopper and everything that flowed from that.

✓ **Try this one on for size!!!**

Essendon North Rotary Club is conducting TWO national football tipping competitions (AFL and NRL). Total of 5 percent of each pool will be allocated to your cause. We seek your support to jointly market these competitions to your mailing lists and supporters... the more people who join the competition the more your project and Rotary benefit.

Competition details as per below:

**NATIONAL FOOTY TIPPING FOR ALL ROTARIANS AND SUPPORTERS**

**2 COMPETITION CODES AFL AND NRL**

Essendon North Rotary Club d9800 guarantees first prize – minimum \$ 1000- or 5 percent of total pool per competition ( whatever is the greater).

**YOUR OUTLAY \$20- PER ENTRY**

**ALL TIPS VIA THE INTERNET**

The big winner is Rotary as 90 percent of the pool will go to Rotary projects.

5 percent of the pool to the winner ( or a minimum of \$1000- )

5 percent to the winners nominated charity ( may be a Rotary Club)

To enter log onto : [www.footytips.com.au](http://www.footytips.com.au) and log into program and complete registration ( for the first time only); Go to or search for competitions Australian Rotarians

And then both the AFL and NRL competitions show - Click/enter on the one or both you wish to enter

✓ **AND ENJOY!!**

**ALLOCATION OF FUNDS AS FOLLOWS :**

5 PERCENT of total pool per competition to the winner

5 PERCENT of total pool per competition to the winner's nominated Australian registered charity

5 PERCENT of total pool per competition to the winners nominated rotary club - if non nominated this goes the organising rotary club

Balance to ROTARY FOUNDATION, RDU, Polio Plus, Romac, Australian Rotary Health ( ARH) Read to Me Literacy Project, Shelter Box. The remaining funding will be distributed to Rotary Community Projects by the administrating Rotary Club.

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