



ROTARY FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGE COMMITTEE 2009-10

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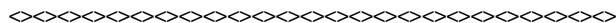
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OCCASIONAL E-NEWSLETTER – SEPTEMBER 2009

Fellow Rotarians of District 9650

Here is an update on Rotary Friendship Exchange activities involving our Rotary district.

This is the first newsletter for quite some time for two prime reasons. First, forward planning has seen exchanges to Denmark and Delaware/Maryland completed over the past year, and second, despite many attempts we have not been able to secure a suitable Rotary Friendship Exchange partner district during this period. But read on for all the latest.



NEWS OF RECENT EXCHANGES



D7630 DELAWARE/MARYLAND

OUTBOUND

This leg was completed in the period from 19th to 28th September last year.



Here is the team Bruce & France Montgomerie (Gloucester), Diana Clark (team leader) (South West Rocks), Kerry Green (Port Macquarie Sunrise), Brian & Susan Dixon (Gloucester), Ian Handley (treasurer) (Port Macquarie on Hastings), and John Brandis (Armidale AM).

Watch the D9650 website for a more detailed reports of this outbound team's visit.

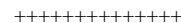
INBOUND

The inbound team of seven led by Rick Downes completed their visit in the period 6th to 16th March. Greg Joyce, Coffs Harbour was the volunteer driver. Our generous host clubs were Tamworth N, Taree on Manning, Laurieton & Coffs Harbour Daybreak. Clubs at Walcha, Gloucester, Port

Sunrise, Port on Hastings, & South West Rocks hosted whistlestops. Here's the team with members of Gloucester club at one of their enjoyable whistlestops



Teams might have been small but this was an enjoyable exchange for everyone who participated.



D1440 DENMARK (NORTH JUTLAND)

INBOUND

The visit was from 31st October to 17th November 2008. Svend Erik Jensen led the team of 27. Christian Kaptain the oldest member hosted our 1987 RFE team at Fredericia when he was club president.

Host clubs were Quirindi; Coonabarabran; Moree clubs; most clubs in Northern Tablelands cluster; Gloucester; South West Rocks, Kempsey & Kempsey W; and Sawtell. The enthusiasm and generosity of host clubs that had not had the opportunity to host for some time, was again a feature of this visit.

There were whistle stop encounters at Gunnedah, Narrabri, Inverell, Laurieton and Nambucca Heads.

OUTBOUND

Our team of 28 enjoyed this leg of the exchange from 30th May to 14th June, commencing in Copenhagen & concluding in Aalborg. Following a number of changes to personnel the final team comprised Max & Jenny Post (Armidale AM), Ken & Nola Tyson (Dorrigo), Terry Drury & Chi Too (Taree), Alan & Elizabeth St Clair (Guyra), Ray Willing & Judith Jackson (Woolgoolga), Stephen & Susan Wines (Great Lakes), Geoff & Judy Jhonson (Port West), Michael & Marie De Groot (Tamworth), Paul & Beverly Moran (Coffs Harbour), Claudia Stern (Coonabarabran), Lorraine Coffey & Denis



