

# Welcome

To the  
Rotary Club of North Launceston Inc.

Dinner Meeting

Tuesday August 19, 2008



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## PROGRAMME

This Week  
Chairman  
Corporal

Lucy Marshall - Active Launceston Project Coordinator  
John Frearson  
Peter Smith

Next Week  
Chairman  
Corporal

Brian Roche – Launceston City Mission  
Peter Smith  
Peter Stearnes

## CELEBRATIONS

August 23      Stephen Freeman - Birthday



### APOLOGIES

If members are unable to attend meetings and have not been able to advise the Club the week before, they are asked to ring **Peter Stearnes** on **63444392** before **1.00, Tuesday**.

### ITEMS FOR THE BULLETIN

Ian Fraser's contact details for Bulletin items are 0400 887224, or [ifraser@lcgs.tas.edu.au](mailto:ifraser@lcgs.tas.edu.au) before 1.00 on Monday please.

# CLUB NEWS - MEETING August 12

\*\*\* Attendance – 73.6%

\*\*\* Raffle winner – Geoff New

\*\*\* Fines of the Week

- non-acting Corporal Ian
- the pack of fines and attempted fines relating to our card seating system
- the recently-completed – not! – wheelchair access to vet Paul's surgery

## **FROM THE COMMITTEES**

\*\*\* Secretary's Report?

\*\*\* Secretary's Report – none this week!

\*\*\* On behalf of Naomi and his family, Andrew Hayward thanked the Club for its best wishes following the birth of Chloe recently.

## **Fund Raising**

- in Henry's absence Steve F circulated a sheet re poo collection at Benham for this weekend. Due to lack of available numbers though, members are asked to reserve the last weekend, either Saturday or Sunday.



## **DO WE HAVE ANY CENTURION MEMBERS OF ROTARY FOUNDATION?**

All you have to do to become one is donate (tax deductible) of \$100 pa. Renewal/registration of membership simply requires completion of a commitment renewal form. The Secretary has some and they are also available on-line. The form and money should be posted to District Foundation Chairman PDG Una Hobday 87 Bruny Island, Main Rd DENNES POINT 7150 who will forward it to RI Parramatta. On receipt, RI will issue a receipt for taxation purposes along with a certificate of Recognition and a Lapel Pin. Payment can be made by cheque to "'The Australian Rotary Foundation Trust' or by a debit authorization from your Credit Card on the form. Payment of US\$100 entitles a Rotarian to become not only a Centurion but a Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member as well.

A cumulative total is kept of Centurions' and Rotary Foundation Sustaining Members' donations. On reaching a total of US\$1,000.00 they may then request recognition as a Paul Harris Fellow. An existing PHF may claim a sapphire or may elect to name someone else as a Paul Harris Fellow. It cannot be given to the Club. Donations are paid into the Annual Programs Fund and after an investment of three years, 50% is returned to the District Designated Fund for expenditure on Programs identified by 9830 Clubs. Rotary Foundation is keen for CLUBS to become Centurion Clubs – for this to happen ALL members of a Club need to become Centurions.

# UPDATES ON SOME ROTARY PROJECTS

## ROTARIANS AGAINST MALARIA (RAM)

In the Western Province and Choiseul Islands (population approx 85,000) of **the Solomons** the rate of malaria has progressively and steadily declined from around 20-30% in late 2001 to around 5% and in some areas to as low as 2%.

The current emphasis is to get all people in Guadalcanal under chemically impregnated long life bed nets (LLN's). All villagers (approx 65,000) are now afforded such protection and steps are being taken to encompass the remaining approx 65,000 living in Honiara, the Capital. Rotary International is contributing some US\$220,000 to this aspect of the program.

It is most pleasing to note that AusAid and the Global Fund have now committed some millions of dollars to the Solomon Islands (and Vanuatu) so in due course all people (nearly 600,000) in the Solomons should be afforded the protection of LLN's. Rotary will be working closely with AusAid and the Global Fund in the implementation of this program.

In **PNG** (population some 5.5 million) Rotary has been working closely with the World Health Organization and the PNG Department of Health since the late 90's and over half of the 89 Districts in PNG now have the protection of LLN's. The LLN's have a five year life span. As Ron Seddon of the R.C. of Port Moresby says – to adopt a Village will probably save a life and will most certainly improve the general health and well-being of the local peoples. As in the Solomons significant in-roads are being made in reducing the incidence of malaria.

Rotarians can be proud of what has been achieved but much more remains to be done and your continuing support will make a difference. A small, medium or large village can be "Adopted" for the cost of \$1000, \$2000 or \$3000 respectively.

Michael Morrison (Southern Region RAM Coordinator)



## SHELTERBOX

### **TOM HENDERSON TO SPEAK AT 100th RI CONVENTION**

Rotary International **President Dong Kurn (DK) Lee** has extended a personal invitation to **ShelterBox** founder and CEO **Rotarian Tom Henderson** to be a Keynote Speaker at the next RI Convention. President DK Lee added, *"Please accept my congratulations and continued appreciation of ShelterBox as one of the world's best humanitarian programs."*

ShelterBox will once again have its information stand at the Birmingham convention but it will, according to **Sally Grint**, Communications Manager of the ShelterBox Trust in Cornwall be brand new and different to those at recent conventions.

