

# Welcome

To the  
**Rotary Club of North  
Launceston  
Inc.**

**Dinner Meeting**

**Tuesday February 9, 2010**  
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## CELEBRATIONS

**February 11**  
**Ray Bird Club Anniversary**

**February 14**  
**Naomi and Andrew Hayward Wedding Anniversary**



## MEETING, FEBRUARY 2<sup>nd</sup>

**ATTENDANCE** 12/16 = 68.5%??

**RAFFLE WINNER** – Ken Hayward – poor fellow, his first win for the year!

**ROTARY INFORMATION** – Rotary's 105<sup>th</sup> birthday coming up at the end of February. The original Rotary Club (of Chicago) - four gentlemen – met in Room 711 of the Chicago Unity Building. Following this building's demolition, Room 711 has been fully restored in RI Headquarters in Evanstown.

## 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@lcs.tas.edu.au](mailto:ifraser@lcs.tas.edu.au) before 1.00 on Monday please.

# DINNER / MEETING – FEBRUARY 2

## CLUB BUSINESS

\*\*\* BUNNINGS BBQ – SATURDAY, JUNE 12<sup>th</sup>.

- Were offered a week-day in the near future but problems with staffing and this is the next available Saturday.
- Food handling requirements spelt out.

\*\*\* Sheep manure collection probably Saturday, Feb 27<sup>th</sup>.

- Henry + Dennis visited Lewis Hill, property of Alistair Crisp on Royal George Road.
- Plenty of product, there may be problems accessing some parts due to grid arrangements, but Monica, the Super Sucker will overcome all!

\*\*\* Police checks necessary for all members.

- Forms will be available at next week's meeting.
- Confidentiality ensured.

\*\*\* Haiti Appeal

- State Government has again guaranteed \$ 4 \$ raised by Rotary to the end of April.
- Graeme LeF has an appeal bucket at Invermay News and Lotto to the end of this month.
- Ideas for Club fund raising to be considered at next week's Board Meeting.

\*\*\* **CLUB FUNCTION** suggestions

- Liam Clayton BBQ
- Wine Tasting & Appreciation
- Car Boot Sale still on the radar
- Shelterbox at Bunnings
- Car / Bike parts swap meet – put on a BBQ?

\*\*\* John F raised the issue of the Club shelter on Mt Barrow. It is now bullet-riddled and the picnic table has been burnt out – 'crappy' was his technical description!

- TBD by the Board

\*\*\* Ken H has been contacted by RC Scottsdale re Bowelscan.

- is the Club expected to be, or going to be involved? Who is responsible? Who contacts who? Highlights District communication issues.
- KH to contact local pharmacies

\*\*\* **LE SERGEANT**

- Peter S was a worthy winner of "Tie of the Week" – his was the only one there.
- Unfortunately (!!???) Joe Chromy will not be performing at 'his' concert – and neither will Steve Freeman.
- The Hayward dogs obviously enjoyed each other's company and taught each other new tricks during their holiday.

## FROM THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

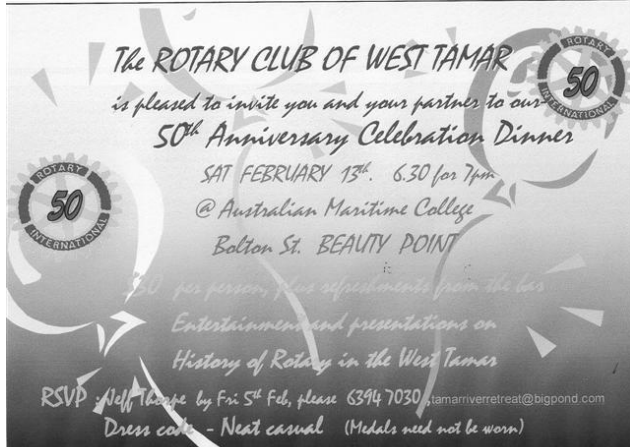
### Incredible Tasmanian Bushfire Relief Effort

Tasmanian Rotary/Timber Communities Australia work teams have completed one of the largest combined relief efforts ever to leave Tasmania. A total of almost 200 Tasmanians headed in teams into the hills of Traralgon South to be part of a **500 kilometre fencing program** over nine months. Without the cooperation of Rotary District 9830, Timber Communities Australia (TAS) and the RCs of Hazlewood, Traralgon and Traralgon Central, this could not have happened.

**An outstanding partnership that developed.** Special thanks are due to the major sponsors: Gaffneys who loaned a tractor and post hole operator for nine months, TT Line who transported all party members and vehicles, Toll Shipping for transporting machinery, Meander TCA for providing a fencing tool kit, Gunns for assisting with treated posts and timber, and the Cowwarr Cricket Club Hotel for accommodating and feeding many of the teams.

But far exceeding the physical contributions of the teams has been the moral support that the Tasmanians have provided e.g. the Rocky Cape tulips, thousands of coat hangers, and loads of Tassie vegies that crossed Bass Strait with the teams. Peter Olorenshaw, Police/Community Liaison Officer best summed the Tasmanian volunteers *"Their presence brings smiles of joy from tears of desperation in the daunting task of building infrastructure. We are just so grateful for their continued support and priceless commitment. Our farmers and residents will remember the Tasmanians and they will be forever in our hearts."*

The morale-boosting impact of the tulips was demonstrated by local resident and bush fire victim, Isabel Temple who wrote *"We have been in our new home since the end of June and I planted the tulip bulbs but felt that it may have been too late putting them in the ground. I was wrong. I had the most beautiful display for the spring which gave me so much happiness. The tulips did it for me."*



**CONGRATULATIONS  
RC WEST TAMAR  
ON YOUR 50<sup>TH</sup>  
ANNIVERSARY  
CELEBRATIONS**

### Second Bite in Tasmania

The Second Bite Program in Tasmania distributed fresh fruit, vegies and meat to Tasmanian charities in November 2009. This is food that would otherwise be dumped at the rubbish tip - it cannot be sold by supermarkets, but is fit for human consumption.

**Second Bite in Action** The Second Bite Program has been running at five Eastern Shore Woolworths supermarkets. Woolworths is the leading corporate supporter of Second Bite. It has just announced a \$2 million cash donation nationally to Second Bite and similar programs. The majority of volunteers who collect the surplus food from supermarkets or other sources each week are Rotarians. They transport the collected food to the Second Bite warehouse at Glenorchy. After the collected foodstuffs are sorted, Rotarians deliver the fresh food to charities like the Salvation Army, Colony 47 and Louis' Van, as well as school breakfast programs.

As one Rotary Second Bite volunteers remarked: **"Volunteering for Second Bite is a chance to do some service work that doesn't involve cooking sausages!!"**

## **WHAT A WONDERFUL LANGUAGE WE SPEAK ...**

Do infants enjoy infancy as much as adults enjoy adultery?

Why is a person who plays the piano called a pianist, but a person who drives a race car not called a racist?

Why do overlook and oversee mean opposite things?

If horrific means to make horrible, does terrific mean to make terrible?

If lawyers are disbarred and clergymen defrocked, doesn't it follow that electricians can be delighted, musicians denoted, cowboys deranged, models deposed, tree surgeons debarked and dry cleaners depressed?

And of course, we all know why the man who invests all our money is called a broker!

## **SOME OF LIFE'S GREAT QUESTIONS;**

If you throw a cat out a car window, does it become kitty litter?

If corn oil comes from corn, where does baby oil come from?

If there is no God, who pops up the next Kleenex in the box?

When a cow laughs, does milk come up its nose?

How did a fool and his money get together in the first place?

If it's tourist season, why can't we shoot them?

What is another word for "thesaurus"?

Why is "abbreviation" such a long word?

Why is there an expiration date on sour cream containers?

Why do kamikaze pilots wear helmets?

## **SOME TRUE HEADLINES – wonder what the articles were like**

Panda Mating Fails; Vet Takes Over

Red Tape Holds Up New Bridges

Typhoon Rips Through Cemetery; Hundreds Dead

Man Struck By Lightning Faces Battery Charge

Include Your Children When Baking Cookies

Something Went Wrong in Jet Crash, Expert Says

Police Begin Campaign to Run Down Jaywalkers

Safety Experts Say School Bus Passengers Should be Belted

Drunk Gets Nine Months in Violin Case

Prostitutes Appeal to Pope

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A new monk arrives at the monastery. He is assigned to help the other monks in copying the old texts by hand. He notices, however, that they are copying copies, and not the original books.

So, the new monk goes to the head monk to ask him about this.

He points out that if there was an error in the first copy, that error would be continued in all of the other copies.

The head monk says, "We have been copying from the copies for centuries, but you make a good point, my son."

So, he goes down into the cellar with one of the copies to check it against the original. Hours later, nobody has seen him so one of the other monks goes downstairs to look for him. He hears sobbing coming from the back of the cellar and finds the old monk leaning over one of the original books crying.

He asks the head monk what's wrong.

"The word is celebrate," sobs the old monk.