

# District 9810 Conference Hobart 26 – 29 March 2009 **NEWSLETTER**

November 2008



## Governor's Message

*Gaye and I would like to extend to those of you who are still undecided, a **PERSONAL INVITATION** to be a part of our Conference to be held at the Hotel Grand Chancellor in Hobart 26<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> March, 2009.*

*We are both very much looking forward to being "YOUR HOSTS" and to have you share with us a wonderful venue and an exciting and entertaining programme that will rekindle your passion for Rotary at Club, District and World level. We will, over three and a half days, showcase Rotary and all that it stands for.*

**ALL WE NEED IS YOU !!!!!!!**

*We have been encouraged during our Club visits (now numbering 46) by the level of support for Hobart, both as a Conference destination and somewhere to start or finish a few days exploring this beautiful State.*

*We have a wonderful, dedicated Conference Committee backed by the Rotary Clubs of Clayton and Monash, and the support we are receiving "on the ground" in Hobart from the Rotary Club of Salamanca has been quite amazing.*

*We and our Committee are doing all that we can, to make this Conference a memorable Rotary experience, and we **THANK** those of you who have already made a commitment to attend.*

*Your friends in Rotary*

*Gaye and John*

## MEET THE RIPPR!

One of the delights of attending our District conference is the opportunity we get to meet a Rotary leader from outside our area who is representing the President of Rotary International at our conference.



These charming people are very knowledgeable about Rotary and good fun to get to know.

Last year we welcomed Monty and Liz Audenart from Red Deer in Canada. Monty gave several inspiring addresses and is now Vice-President of RI.

The year before, we enjoyed the company of Gulam Vahanvaty and Haseena from Mumbai, India. Gulam had a wonderfully dry sense of humour and is now involved in many RI committees assisting the Rotary Foundation in India.

Remember Duane Sterling and Pat from Missouri, USA who represented President Frank Devlyn and Gloria Rita at our conference in Adelaide in 2001? Duane and Pat have recently been selected as aides to RI President-Nominee Ray Klinginsmith and Judie for 2010/11.

So come to the conference in Hobart and get to know the representatives of President DK Lee and Young. They may be destined for greatness.

## FROM THE REGISTRATION DESK

We have received a most encouraging number of Conference Registrations; however Governor John and Conference Chairman John would like to see more. Remember, if you register by **10th December, 2008** you will be in the draw for the "Early Bird Registration Prize".



The "Early Bird Prize" consists of 5 night's holiday for 2 people on the Gold Coast including return airfares, staying at the fabulous Tweed Ultima Resort.

***So remember "the early bird catches the worm".***

Register now for what will be another great District 9810 Conference. Please contact Val Glenn on 9551 4383 or email: [valrieglenn@bigpond.com](mailto:valrieglenn@bigpond.com)

## CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS VISITING THE CLUBS

At the Conference Launch in September it was announced each Club would be receiving a gift of two complimentary bottles of wine promoting the District Conference. **YES**, this is happening during November / early December.



This is a great opportunity for you to meet one of the Conference Committee, hear highlights and key points about the Conference and have any questions answered.

**If they haven't been to your Club yet**

**THEY'RE ON THEIR WAY!!!**

## GOLF

Would you like to enjoy a fun game of golf at one of Hobart's elite venues – Claremont Golf Club

Golfers & non-Golfers are all welcome to join in the days activities.

A bus will pick you up from the Grand Chancellor Hotel at 10.15 am on the opening day of the conference, then on arrival at Claremont G.C. you will enjoy a light lunch followed by 18 holes of golf on a beautiful scenic golf course which is surrounded on three sides by water.

Then it's back into the clubhouse for presentations which include several prizes for golfers and non-golfers alike.

The bus will then take you back to the Grand Chancellor in plenty of time for you to be ready for the Opening Ceremony at 7.30 pm.

Thanks to the generosity of the Management of Claremont G.C. the package which includes green fees, lunch, prizes and transport has been negotiated at the unbelievable price of \$50.

Full details are included on the registration form which is available on the District 9810 website under Conference 2009.

Any queries please contact Kevin Harrison on 9772 2233 or email: [kellyh@harrisonholden.com.au](mailto:kellyh@harrisonholden.com.au)

## HOUSE OF FRIENDSHIP

Does your club have a project or product that it wishes to promote (and/or) sell?

- If the answer is YES then we encourage you to consider a H.O.F. booth that will be centrally located within a world class venue
- We guarantee the display area will compliment your project and will attract hundreds of people daily over a 4 day period
- Commercially an opportunity like this would normally cost you 100's of dollars, however to you there is no charge

All you need to do is simply complete the H.O.F. Expression of Interest form available on our District 9810 website under Conference 2009.

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## SATURDAY NIGHT – THEME “HOLLYWOOD COMES TO HOBART”

You can come dressed up as a character from one of the films that have won an Oscar – or frock up as if you are going to the Academy Awards.

We start with the walk on the red carpet into a stunning ballroom, have entree and main in the Federation Ballroom and then we are going into the Concert Hall – for a concert by the Leading Men. From the creators of the world renowned, award winning act The Three Waiters, comes this thrilling new show. A premier collection of some of the finest voices gracing Australia's stages today, this unique combination of performers have all played lead roles in the major musicals you know and love. Encompassing everything from 'Beauty and the Beast' to 'West Side Story', from Leonard Bernstein to Andrew Lloyd Webber, it ensures there will be something to delight everybody on the guest list. The Leading Men, without doubt, provide one of the most charming collections of charismatic stage personalities presented in a long time. This is the show that will truly deliver the 'wow' factor and promises an evening of unprecedented enjoyment, sophistication and pure class.

After being entertained in the Concert Hall we move back into the ballroom for dessert and moving and grooving to a great band.

## LUCKY DOOR PRIZES – TO BE DRAWN SATURDAY NIGHT

You will all want to be there for this – a five night holiday for 2 people with return airfares to Fiji – and second prize, a five night holiday in Surfers Paradise - and how do you win – you just have to be there – how easy - you don't even have to buy a ticket – all you have to do is to be in the room when the lucky draw happens .

## NEWSREEL OPPORTUNITY

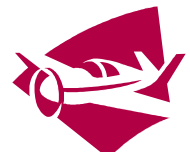
Spread the word !!!! Does your Club have a project you would like to get out there and tell other Clubs about? Let us know so we can put you down for a newsreel spot during the Conference , tell us now how you would like it presented, we have secured the services of PDG Bill Brundell, an ex Tasmanian ABC newsreader, to do the voiceovers if you required. Your DVD can have sound or Bill can speak over the pics. What a great opportunity for you to get your project out there. Any queries please contact Lynn Whelan on 0409 938 694 or Email: [lynnwhelanevents@hotmail.com](mailto:lynnwhelanevents@hotmail.com)



## TRANSPORT

The members of the Rotary Club of Salamanca – Hobart have arranged to establish an information booth at Hobart Airport that will enable them to give each and every one of us a warm & friendly Tasmanian welcome as only they can do. They have also arranged for a local bus company to transport us from the Airport to our place of accommodation at the affordable price of \$10 each.

To ensure they have adequate transport available could you please advise Kevin Harrison Email: [kellyh@harrisonholden.com.au](mailto:kellyh@harrisonholden.com.au) your incoming flight details when available.



## CONFERENCE SPEAKERS

Below are the confirmed Keynote Speakers todote:

Louise Yaxley – Cycling Champion

John Anderson – Founder of Contiki Tours

Deepa Willingham – International Champion of Underprivileged

DG Bernie Rodgers – The Rotary Polio Plus Program

Dominic Alafaci – Financial Planner

Walter Mikac – Inspirational Man – Inspirational Message

Professor Terry Dwyer – Medical Researcher – Murdoch Children's Foundation

**Make It A Date ..... See You In Hobart !!!!!**