



The Waratah



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President

David's Data



We were delighted last week to play host to the incoming Group Study Exchange team from France, in conjunction with the Rotary Clubs of Chatswood and

Lane Cove. We had a terrific turnout from many of the clubs in the District. In fact, we had about 30 more people than we had advised the Golf Club on Tuesday! Thanks to the professionalism and resourcefulness of the staff of Pymble Golf Club, everyone was served a great meal. We heard from a special guest speaker, Rashid Kotwal, on how to select and develop Rotary projects, as well as from the French team making their first presentation in Australia. We also enjoyed the special toast to District 1650 in France by Past President Russell Crofts, who dazzled us with his command of the French language. This week, we are holding a Club Assembly to discuss the way forward. We are fortunate to have one of the largest clubs in our District, a wealth of talent and experience, and one of the best club venues possible. We also have a Website and Club newsletter that are award winners. We have several ongoing major activities, including the Tree of Joy for nursing home residents, a Summer Concert to raise funds for special kids, key support for the Rotary



Rotary Governor of District 9680 Welcomes French GSE Team to Australia



John Cameron, Governor of Rotary District 9680 last week warmly welcomed the GSE Team from Bittany, France at a grand dinner held on 7th April at the Pymble Golf Club in St Ives. It was jointly hosted by the Rotary Clubs of St Ives, Lane Cove and Chatswood. Well over a hundred senior Rotarians and members from various North Shore Rotary Clubs joined in the celebration. The seven member GSE team made presentations on the night and exchanged their Club Banners with the District Governor. *More on Page 2.*

Youth Leadership Award program, and participation in Rotary Youth Exchange, and the Red Shield Appeal. We have become more aware of the breadth of Rotary through our weekly toasts to Clubs and Programs around the globe. A major commitment in 2010/2011 will be our support for District Governor Elect George Papallo's special activities, such as the District Conference in Canberra in March 2011. As we look ahead, however, let's challenge ourselves to make the most of our talents and resources to adopt next year's theme of "Building Communities and Bridging Continents" through Rotary.

*Yours in Rotary,
David Dean*

This Week:

**Club Assembly
Speaker: President
David Dean**

Attendance: Deirdre Agnew & Peter Perry

Fellowship: Greg Rappo & Grahame Rivett

3 On Me:

Geoff Fallow

International

Toast:

Geoff Fallow



Australia Welcomes GSE Team 2010

A GSE Team of seven from Bretagne-Mayenne, District 1650 is the guest of District 9680 from 2nd April to 30th April. They were welcomed by members of the Rotary Clubs of St Ives, Lane Cove, Chatswood, North Sydney, Wahroonga, Ku-ring-gai, Turramurra, Hills Kellyville, Beecroft, North Sydney Sunrise, and also from Chatswood Sunrise at a joint dinner meeting held last Wednesday night at the Pymble Golf Club in St Ives. District Governor John Cameron in his welcome address said, "The GSE is the jewel in the crown of Rotary among many others. Your dollars are at work here in D9680 as well as in Brittany in D1650."



A happy pose of the GSE Team from Brittany at the Welcome Dinner last Wednesday from L to R: Michael MacQuillan – Chairman GSE D9680, Alexandre Milanesi, Anne Fouche, Delphine Kermen, Moira de Vos, Leone Zago, Sandrine Cahuzacq, Ted Sheedy – President North Sydney Sunrise at the back, Evy Drezen, Caroline Jones, Yvonne Howie, DG John Cameron and Steredenn Hudson-Offret

The Team made up of Anne Fouche 37, Team Leader and General Manager in charge of HR, legal affairs and sales administration of Keroler SAS – manufacturing cookies, brownies, pancakes and cereal bars is a member of the Rotary Club of Rennes Nordo; Alexandre Milanesi 26, is International Property Underwriter with Zurich Global Corporate France Insurance Group in charge of large account analysis, pricing and follow-up for the property damage branch; Delphine Kermen 26, is Chef de rang at Mercure*** Vannes-le Port Hotel; Steredenn Hudson Offret 37, is Communication Manager at Institut Nautique de Bretagne, Concarneau; Evy Drezen 35, is a Web Project Manager and Graphic Designer at the National Brest Engineering School; Leonie Zago 37, is Communication Manager at Banque Populaire – a regional bank with 1500 staff; Sandrine Cahuzacq is Quality Manager of Societe normande de volailles specializing in Traditional Free Range and organic poultry – which is the number one producer in France. It was also Leonie Zago's birthday and when it was announced to the audience, they spontaneously sang the "Happy Birthday" song. All members of the Team exchanged Club Banners with the District Governor.



It was Leonie Zago's birthday and so her friends organized a Chocolate Birthday cake for her.





PP Russell Crofts' International Toast last week

was to District 1650 the home of the French GSE Inbound Team who were welcomed by DG John Cameron. Russell in his funny way tried to impress the audience with his French linguistic skills which only created loud laughter when he used words such as: Dijon, cabernet sauvignon, bonjour, a la carte, merci and bonsoir!

Russell then spoke of the time he and his wife Dinah toured the region of Brittany. "Among some wonderful memories I distinctly remember bringing smiles to the faces of all French men and women was whenever I spoke French! On our visits to the many beautiful regions in France, whether it was down through the Loire Valley, to Bordeaux, up through Le Mans, the coast, or from Paris to the Belgian border, I left the French speechless with my linguistic skills! I therefore claim the distinction of bringing Australians and the French closer together through language.



District 1650 stretches from Mayenne in the East to Brest in the west of France. There are 46 Rotary clubs in the district in some wonderful towns and cities that were extremely hospitable when we visited a few years ago.

Brittany today is one of the favourite destinations for the French and foreign holidaymakers who enjoy the beautiful landscapes and seaside resorts. Brittany's economy was originally based on its famous agriculture and fishing but now has a vibrant manufacturing, R&D, cosmetic and electronic Industries that employ 20% of the working population. Ships, planes & cars are all produced in Brittany.

Ladies and gentlemen, would you please now charge your glasses and stand: Ladies and gentlemen, a toast, to Brittany –Mavenne D1650”

Last Week Rashid

Kotwal addressed the question of whether customer service had any relevance in a voluntary organization. Rashid who works with International NLP Trainers Association, said that all of us want to do things worthwhile. "To make a real difference, we need to enlist the help of other people such as what Rotary does. We need to understand how it all works. In order for us to select a project, it involves a process that allows all the issues to come to the table. The heading for it is 'DICTATE'." Rashid then explained what each letter in the word stands for: 'D' stands for details – what good does it achieve? 'I' stands for impact. What impact is this project going to achieve? What impact will it have if we do not carry it out? 'C' stands for contribution and cost. What is the contribution that we would have to make? What is the cost to each one of us and the group? 'T' stands for time-line. Is it going to be a one off project or a long term project? 'A' stands for action and activity. What is required to do this?' 'T' is for team. The last letter is 'E' for engagement. "You have got to get everyone emotionally involved in the project. For the project to be successful, you would have to enthuse everyone in the team to work together just like a business is run." Rashid then concluded by involving PE Grahame Rivett to espouse the project that he had in mind in his year as President. "Helping the people of Timor Leste," said Grahame. Rashid then asked the relevant series of questions of 'Dictate' to determine the scope of the project to ensure the project is going to be a success.



Rotary Foundation is about Changing and Saving Lives.

Have you ever considered that your contribution to The Rotary Foundation may mean the difference between life and death? Rotary Foundation Matching Grant projects have helped provide the Malawi Children's Village (MCV) with everything from clean water, food and medications to blankets, sewing machines and a windmill. The Rotary Club of Canandaigua, New York, USA and Chakunga Sibale, director of the MCV, founded the program in 1997 and it is supported locally by the Rotary Club of Limbe. "The MCV has had a very great effect to relieve the suffering of children in my country," says Sibale. Rotarian's contributions to this project have literally meant the difference between life and death for many of the children in the MCV program.



Celebrations:



Birthdays:
17 Apr: Laurel Kindness

Club Anniversary:
14 Apr: Barry Barnes

Future Events

16 April (Friday) Social Night
Sunday 2 May : *Festival on the Green*. Our Club is participating
30th May (Sunday) *Red Shield Appeal* – Contact Don Murphy

Attendance Report Wk 36

Members present	30
Members' Partners	7
Other Guests	78
Total Present	115
Total Members	51
Attendance – week	66.7%
Attendance – year	76.5%
Members on LoA	7

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Next Week: 21 April

Africa Trip

Speakers: Africa Participants
Chair: David Dean
VOT: George Papallo
Attendance: Sathi
Sivasithamparam & Lindsay
Smith
Fellowship: John Steel & Dee
Stewart
International Toast:
Grahame Rivett
3 On Me :
Charmaine Willumsen

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INNOVATIONS

Future programme

(Changes are underlined)

28 Apr	Community Service Awards Chair: Don Murphy Attendance: John Tainsh & Ann Thomson Fellowship: Megan Tilley & Charmaine Willumsen	Speaker: Paul Fletcher MP VOT: Greg Rappo
5 May	WIRES Chair: Bev Paton Attendance: Jaco VS & Robert W.	Speaker : Stuart Eisler VOT: Murray Lennon Fellowship: Chris W & Bhuvan U.
12 May	GSE Team – Report on French GSE visit: & GSE Team with Barry Freeman Chair: Deirdre Agnew Attendance: Tim Wilson & Allan Williams Fellowship: Joe Adendorff & Bruce Farnsworth	Speaker : Fabian Chessell VOT: Robert Walker

Please indicate your apology or your intention to bring guests by 6pm Monday
by email to: attend@stivesrotary.asn.au.

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regalia. If you cannot make a duty, it is **YOUR** responsibility to find a replacement.

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