The Rotary Foundation is Rotary’s Charity.

In the last couple of years, direct contributions to TRF from our members has grown quite noticeably, independently of contributions made directly by the Club.

The Foundation’s mission is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education and the alleviation of poverty.

In our Club, we have had the chance to become closely involved with G.S.E., Matching Grants, PolioPlus and donations to the Rotary Foundation to support its work.

The Rotary Foundation’s significant role in polio eradication has brought us to the point where we are very close to eliminating polio from the world.

It is helped by the contributions we make as individuals and as a Club.

On the basis of his personal contributions, PP Peter Drake, PHF, was presented with a sapphire pin and recouted some of his experiences whilst recovering from polio in the Infectious Diseases Unit at Northfield Hospital with some interesting characters from Yatala Prison and elsewhere.

Congratulations and thanks for your contributions to The Rotary Foundation, Peter.
President Chris opened the meeting and welcomed visitors PP Peter Drake and son Tim, Karen Taylor and Shaniah Whitehead. Kevin Scott is home for the weekend next and is radio-active—glowing, positive and doing well. Ary has made contact and comments that the weather hasn’t been flash! Catering Van Committee will meet next week. District is encouraging applications for Club strengthening grants to $1500; open in August.

PP Don Dyson: President Chris will be repeating his talk at the Rotary B4 Work meeting, Thursday July 26th, 6:45am for a 7 am start. Breakfast options include a continental breakfast for $8 or a full breakfast for $16. As this is a great opportunity for a make-up or just an option for meeting with other Rotarians, please let Karen Leslie know if you are attending by either calling 87239949, or via email karen@kljltd.com

PP Peter Braithwaite: Subs are due. Pay a.s.a.p. Trailer Raffle is almost upon us; with Barrymac closing we need ideas for prizes. Talk with him.

Director Frank Monger: Careers Expo is in hand. A couple of extras have been recruited. Debrief next week.

PROGRAM—President Chris

Born 9/10/59 Box Hill Melbourne. Third of 4 boys. Youngest brother Matthew died in car crash at 18. Shifted to Adelaide in 1971 (when I was 12) after father was appointed as Principal of School of Wool & Textiles at the Marleston TAFE. Matriculated in 1977 and joined Bank of NSW. Bank of NSW amalgamated with CBA in 1981 to form Westpac. I worked there for 20 years.

Worked mainly in branches and commercial banking centres – teller, accountant/customer service manager, Manager’s Assistant. Adelaide, Coober Pedy, Lameroo, Keith & Jabiru. First Branch Manager’s position was in Jabiru in 1994. Excellent first branch. Jabiru is a Uranium Mining Town (Ranger Mines) and also the major service centre for the Kakadu National Park. High income of miners, borrowing for investment properties and money connected with the aboriginal associations. Managed to divert business that used to head to Darwin.

After almost 2 years in Jabiru/Darwin (where I did a 3 month relief in the second largest branch to tidy up a mess) I was offered the position as Business Banking Manager in Mount Gambier. Nearly 2 years in position when I was looking for a change in direction, mainly because of the regime in charge at the time. Westpac was an excellent employer for 19 of the 20 years I worked there.

Started at Tenison College in December 1997 as Business Manager. College amalgamated with St Paul’s in 2001. From Tenison until now we have gone from just under 400 students to nearly 1,300. Basically I am responsible for the finances, the asset management and development of the College and the non teaching staff.

Excellent place to work in an ideal environment. 25th August 1979 was best day of my life. Met Karen and Woodville had made the finals for the first time. Shortly after I got transferred to Coober Pedy where I was posted for 1 year. Married on 21st November 1981 @ 22 years of age.

I have 3 great daughters Melissa 28, Catherine 26 married with 2 boys Jordan and Theodore and Natalie 23. Have always been involved in Service clubs - Apex in Lameroo & Keith and Lions in Jabiru. Father was a Rotarian in Adelaide. Hobbies – Crows, Footy in general, Golf.
Kira McDonnell  
Switzerland  
Youth Exchange  
Outbound 2012

Seating Plan created some laughs.

COMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS
July 27  Careers Expo  
July 31  Canberra Conference and Membership—AG Libby Furner  
August 7  Committee Meetings  
August 14  Community Mentoring—Heidi Unferdorben & Anne Mulraney  
August 17  Careers Expo  
August 21  Club Assembly  
August 28  Self Managed Super Funds—Michael Young

CELEBRATE IN JULY
Birthdays:
Pat Galpin  1st.  
Janet Dyson  7th.  
Col Cameron  17th.  
Denis Goulding  19th.  
Raelene Monger  29th.  
Basil Mewett  18th.

Anniversaries:
Don and Janet Dyson 27th

FROM THE BOARD:

- After the expiry of the current contract, House to be put back on the open market, subject to negotiations with potential buyer and agent.
- Crossover between B4 Work and Club meetings supported and requested. It’s a two way street.
- Another Membership night is planned. Each members is asked to approach three potentials for joining, and don’t wait for Membership Night to bring them along..
- Planned programs but not tied to dates yet, are Carbon Tax, and alternate energy sources with solar focus.

ATTENDANCE:

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These are the accurate figures reported to RI and bear little resemblance to figures reported at our Tuesday meetings. B4 Work attendances are added two days after attendances are reported to our weekly meeting.

RECEPTION: JULY 31*  
Chris Klaassens, Frank Monger  
RECEPTION: AUGUST 7  
Frank Monger, Barry Page  
RECEPTION: AUGUST 14  
Barry Page, Lisa Rowley

GRACE
Mike Cain  July 31  
David Cameron  August 7  
Bob Chapman  August 14  

* Original plan didn’t work. Roster will proceed as outlined above. If an apology, please arrange substitute.
Rotary International and District 9780
2012—2013

Rotary International President: Sakuji Tanaka
District Governor: Helen Trigg (Richard) RC
Ocean Grove
DG 2013-2014: Ken McInerney (Sandra) RC
Bordertown
DG 2014-2015: Geoff James (Meryl) RC Maryborough
Assistant Governor Group 1: Ray Herbert (Deidre)
Assistant Governor New Generations: Max Dalrymple (Vena)
Assistant Governor Membership: Libby Furner (Bob)
Chairman, RYLA: PP Barry Clark
Chairman, ShelterBox & Director ShelterBox
Australia: PP Bob Furner

Meet; Commodore on the Park, each Tuesday. 6-6.30 p.m. Apologies by 4.00pm 8724 6400
Rotary B4 Work, each Thursday. 6.45 for 7.00 a.m. Call Karen if attending. 8723 9949

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