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## Twin Clubs

Date	29th May	5th June	12th June	19th June
Speaker	Caulfield General Medical Centre	TBA	GSE Welcome Home Dinner  Time: 7.00pm for 7.30pm	TBA
Topic	Mobility Garden Update	TBA	Venue: Grand Star Receptions Cnr. Grieve Parade & Doherty's Road Altona North	TBA
Chair	Jan Hill	PP John Leske	Cost \$45	PP David Nettelbeck
Toast to Australia	Sue Aarons	Veronika Martens	Dance to the music of <i>Double Chance</i>	Marilyn Faiman
Toast to Club	Robert Alford	PP John Strong	Confirm booking with President Ian by 5th June	Yoshiko Stynes
3 Minute Talk	Community	PP Adrian Nelson		
Cashier \$\$\$	PP John Strong	Robert Alford		Jack Dimand
Other meetings				Board

### Mark your Diaries

Saturday 2nd June  
6.30 for 7pm

**Dinner with Rotary International President Bill Boyd** at Moonlight Receptions, 622 Nicholson Street, North Fitzroy. \$60 per person. For further information contact Jan Douglas, RC Altona City (see District Directory)

Sunday 24th June  
9.30am

**Church Service at St. Silas and St Anselm**, 384 Ferrars Street, Albert Park. Hear Father Ray and the Archbishop of Melbourne Philip Freier talk then join Ray and Glenys for a cuppa afterwards. Talk to John Strong for further details.

Tuesday 26th June

**Changeover Night:** President Elect David takes the chains of office. More information soon



**Next week:  
We return to Full Colour!**

PP Adrian exchanges Club Banner and District Banner with President Edwin of the Rotary Club of Beets Edam Zeevang

May is still Australian Rotary Health Research Month

**Rotary Club of Glen Eira**



GLEN EIRA

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**Editorial.**

It's now the final week for the Group Study Exchange Team in Holland. It's also clearly the most challenging part of the trip for the team leader as team members tire and need to work harder for motivation. The distractions and bright lights of Amsterdam continue to beckon.

This Wednesday the team presents at a Farewell Dinner in Heilo, in the northern part of the District. Many Rotarians will be there.

A highlight this week was visiting the Delta Works, a massive engineering project that followed devastating floods in 1953. John Strong would enjoy it.

The editor returns next week...

**David Brent's Office wisdom**

1. There may be no 'I' in team, but there's a 'ME' if you look hard enough.
2. Process and Procedure are the last hiding place of people without the wit and wisdom to do their job properly.
3. Never do today that which will become someone else's responsibility tomorrow.
4. Accept that some days you are the pigeon, and some days you are the statue.
5. If at first you don't succeed, remove all evidence you ever tried.
6. If you can keep your head when all around you have lost theirs, then you probably haven't understood the seriousness of the situation.

**The GEN returns....**

The GEN returns to Melbourne next week, and with it, full colour. Please e-mail anything for inclusion by Friday.

You can still follow the GSE Team at its website: [www.d9800gse.blogspot.com](http://www.d9800gse.blogspot.com). It now features videos as well as photos of the adventures in District 1580.

E-mail your Rotary etiquette questions to the editor to pass onto Auntie Etiquette.

**Twin Clubs**

As most members are aware, our club has a sister club: the Rotary Club of Ogaki West in Japan. Several members visited there this year and last year we hosted a contingent of our Japanese friends.

In Europe, most clubs have a twin club. In Holland for example, the editor has visited clubs which have twins in Belgium, England, France or even Romania. One year, members of the Dutch club goes to (for example) England. The next year, the English visit the Dutch. The following year they have a year off!

For Australian Rotary Clubs, obviously it would be too difficult and expensive to have regular visits to an overseas club. However, maybe it is worth considering having a twin club either interstate or in rural Victoria which we could visit regularly. The Twin Club concept builds fellowship within the club, between the two clubs, and also (in Europe at least) results in some excellent joint projects. Perhaps this is worth discussing amongst members?

**May is Australian Rotary Health Research Fund Month**

*Do you know about the following ARHRF programs?*

**Indigenous Health Scholarships**

The ARHRF started its Indigenous Health Scholarship program in 2003 to help indigenous students undertake health-related studies. Thirty-two people have since graduated and 58 people are currently in the program. The program is a cooperative project between Rotary, the Federal Government and some State and Territory governments.

**Bowelscan**

Bowelscan was started in 1983 by the Rotary Club of Lismore on the initiative of the late Dr "Bill" Brand.

Almost 500 clubs are now involved. Each year the program detects cancers of the bowel in about 120 people and more than 400 people with polyps, which can be precursors of bowel cancer.

**Research Grants**

In 2000 the ARHRF began a commitment to invest in mental health research. Since then, \$7 million has been invested in mental health research. In 2007, the Fund will provide \$1.2 million in new research grants to mental health projects. For the first time, grants will be provided to research that focuses on evaluating a mental health service or program (\$475,000). Research that improves existing health services or evaluates new health services for people living in rural and remote areas will also receive funding (\$120,000).