

Coming events to lock in:

- Rotary Magic Night September 15 (partners)
- District Governor Colin Muir September 22
- Club Fellowship Classic Elsternwick Sunday 6 September 6.30pm *The Soloist* \$20 pp see Marilyn

	Aug 25	Sept 1	Sept 8	Sept 15
Speaker	Harry PLafadelis	New Generations Night	John Mountford	Magician Sol Rosenzweig
Topic	Our Hosts (London Tavern)	Youth Of the Year	Making Modern Wills	MAGIC SHOW
Chair	Ian Marks	Larry Blode	John Strong	Kurt Langfelder
Toast to Club	Jan Hill	Adrian Nelson	John Leske	David Heuberger
Toast to Australia	Keith Faiman	Marilyn Faiman	Ian Marks	Adrian Nelson
Meeting	Breakfast Briefing		PARTNERS LADIES	
Cashier	Ian Marks	Jan Hill	Syd Travitz	John Leske

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Rotary Club of Glen Eira

25 August 2009 – Membership and Extension Month

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Meets at: London Tavern, 414 Hawthorn Road, Caulfield



**This Week
Harry Plafadelis:
London Tavern**

**Inside the Gen:
Last Week's meeting
Board News
Rotary Grows (cover Story)**

ROTARY GROWS (the future is in our hands...)

In a year of economic havoc that rocked global markets and shook consumer confidence, Rotary International's most important asset – its members – steadily grew. As of 30 June, the end of the 2008-09 RI year, there were 1,234,527 members in 33,790 Rotary clubs. That's an increase of 3,044 members and 520 clubs from the previous year. "Businesses in tough economies plan how to grow, and most businesses then do grow. Rotary clubs also have to plan for their futures and take action on those plans," said Mike McGovern, chair of RI's Membership Development and Retention Committee. "New clubs are forming in communities with existing clubs by offering alternative times and the opportunity to bring fresh perspectives to Rotary," McGovern added. More than 5,700 clubs in the 534 RI districts achieved a membership growth rate of 10 percent or better during the 2008-09 year. The 10 percent goal was set by 2008-09 RI President Dong Kurn Lee, who presided over 12 presidential membership conferences held on six continents during the year. Each conference was attended by between 300 and 1,500 Rotarians. Lee also made personal calls to each of Rotary's district governors. "We must reach out to people who are different from us and from the members in our club, because this is the way to a stronger club with more connections and better potential," Lee said at the 2009 International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA. Rotary clubs must continue to build membership during the 2009-10 year, said RI President John Kenny. "I will simply rely on you, as responsible people, to see to it that we have more qualified members, true Rotarians, at the end of the year than we had at the beginning. And I will rely on you to do your best to see to the mentoring of our newest members, for retention is no less important than recruitment," Kenny told Rotarians at the RI Convention in Birmingham, England. "Rotary grows when members are motivated to invite Rotarians into their clubs and when Rotarians believe they are contributing to a greater good," McGovern said.

**Louise Nelson is having a Tupperware night at her home;
10 Nelson St Caulfield Sth on August 27th at 7.30 pm**

A percentage of the sales will go to Rotary ... Foundation see Adrian or Jan.

Leave of Absence : Members are encouraged to seek formal leave of absence from the Club when unable to attend for extended periods of time (say four weeks or greater). Applications for leave of absence should be submitted in writing (by e-mail meets this requirement) to the Secretary for consideration by the Board prior to the period concerned.

The following extract from the RI Manual of Procedure spells out the requirement:

Upon written application to the board, setting forth good and sufficient cause, leave of absence may be granted excusing a member from attending the meetings of the club for a specified length of time.

(Note: Such leave of absence does operate to prevent a forfeiture of membership; it does not operate to give the club credit for the member's attendance. Unless the member attends a regular meeting of some other club, the excused member must be recorded as absent except that absence authorized under the provisions of the Standard Rotary Club Constitution is not computed in the attendance record of the club.)

From the BOARD **Items from August Board Meeting**

Jeff Nirens is putting together a Club History and is seeking assistance in gathering the information and compiling the history. If you are interested in assisting please contact Jeff. The International Committee is currently considering a project in the Philippines and as well a project to supply water pumps in Cambodia. Two nominations have been received to attend RYPEN. We are still seeking appropriate speakers for the Sports night planned for November. If you have contacts or suggestions please talk to John Leske. Members are reminded that annual subscriptions are now overdue. If you have not yet done so, could you please forward your payment to David until Keith returns.

FELLOWSHIP: Sunday September 6 for 6.30pm

Members: A Film Night is being organized by Marilyn Faiman at **Classic Elsternwick just off Glenhuntly Road.**

The film to be shown is ***The Soloist*.**

\$20 per person

Marilyn will also gladly accept any assistance preparing some supper items, please liaise with her for this. We are aiming for 50 plus in attendance so this plans to be a fine fellowship evening and a good way to complete a weekend. FUNDS from this will go towards RYLAH student we plan to send to RYLAH getaway. **Thank you Marilyn.** Tickets also from **JACK DIMAND.**

Rotarians are encouraged to use **THE GEN** as a means of sharing information about Rotary coming events and news. Your item can be emailed to heubergd@anz.com Preferred deadline **Friday 5pm..**

Last Week's meeting:

Our Speaker last week Loretta Simmons came and conquered. Perhaps not our young bloods who have never heard of Al Bowley, Ray Noble, Victor Silvester, Freddy Gardner and all of those masters of music who turn President Sams' being into rapture. For anyone over sixty, Loretta was one of us.

In addition explaining the rise and rise of our own Golden Days Radio, broadcasting from under one of the stands at Caulfield Racecourse and opening its new state of the art studio at Glenhuntly last Saturday, the role of presenters and the army of unpaid volunteers, Loretta bewitched us with her way with words and her undoubted love of radio. (G Oscar)

Also in other news: John Leske grabbed his winning tatts ticket in his own fashion and collected returning Sgt Geoff's fines. (A cameo appearance by the Sgt of Sgts Mr Asher.) The Board also met so please see opposite for further notes.

All members can see opposite page, for details of the last Board meeting. Members wishing to attend a Board Meeting see Ian.

This Week's Speaker: ***Harry Plafadelis: London Tavern***

We all know Harry Plafadelis, our caring Duty Manager at the London Tavern. But did we know his surname? Tonight he is going to tell us a lot about our venue, history, workings, challenges – the lot. We will hear how he has progressed from a twenty year career as a Mechanic, before moving to the Hospitality industry via working in a family business.



To Harry:
The Club thanks you personally for always looking after us. Thank you for speaking with us tonight.