

Coming events to lock in:

- Christmas fellowship with Father Ray McInnes (6 December)
- Followed by Yum Cha (see John Strong)
- Christmas BBQ set for December 22 a great fun filled night
- The Club will NOT have meetings on December 29 or January 5

October is: <i>Foundation Month</i>	Nov 24	Dec 1	Dec 8	Dec 15
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Speaker	Mike McFarlane	G Asher	TBA	Denis Roberts
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Topic	Interplast	Program	Not to be missed	Nuclear Power Stations
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Chair	M Preston	G Asher		Ian Marks
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Toast to Club	J Nirens	A Nelson	G Oscar	J Strong
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Toast to Australia	G Fabian	K Faiman	J Hill	G Asher
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Meeting	Breakfast			Board
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Cashier	Y Stynes	J Strong	G Asher	A Nelson
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Bulletin

Rotary Club of Glen Eira

24 November 2009 – Foundation Month

www.rotarygleneira.com.au

Meets at: London Tavern, **414 Hawthorn Road, Caulfield**

We Meet at 6.30pm for 6.45pm each Tuesday evening



THIS WEEK

Interplast and what has Jeff Nirens been hiding?



Founded in 1983 as a joint project of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons and Australian Rotary Clubs, Interplast Australia & New Zealand (a Company limited by guarantee) provides voluntary medical teams who carry out plastic and reconstructive surgery and deliver training in developing countries. Whilst Interplast is not an official project of Rotary International, Interplast is actively supported by Rotarians in Clubs and Districts throughout Australia and New Zealand.



Bulletin News: This edition will be in early and please note the Editor will be away overseas for two meetings. The following Bulletin will be prepared by Kurt, many thanks Kurt!

SPECIAL CLUB NEWS: Congratulations to **Max Sherlock** on becoming even more Grand Father recently, well done and we wish you and Helen all the very best wishes. **Geoff Oscar** was recently at an Australian Awards dinner. Geoff is Vice Chairman of the Awards recipients committee. Now did our Foundation President see Eldrick Woods?

CLUB NEWS and Activities

Last week's meeting (November 17) Roma Nyhius was well appreciated and caused full member engagement with her topical gardening in drought talk. She noted some key points including: not to over water, importance of soil, mulching and different products that can assist our gardens. It was a pleasure to see how many green thumbs were in the Club and the enthusiasm of the audience. Roma has worked "across the road" from our meetings at Penhaulliarik's for two years. She brings a great passion to her work of gardening. A special note to thank **Jack Dimand** on stepping in as chairman for the night. Outstanding work. **Kurt Langfelder** spoke on Foundation and being a benefactor to Foundation via one's will. A fitting tribute to giving to such a worthy cause as Rotary.

This week's guest (November 24) Mike MCFarlane will speak on Interplast. Interplast Australia & New Zealand provide access to surgical and allied health services in developing countries in the Asia Pacific region by providing programs of free medical treatment and training. Each member of an Interplast program is fully qualified in their field of expertise and VOLUNTEER their time to participate in an Interplast program. Interplast volunteers provide free treatment to people living with a disability from a congenital condition such as cleft lip and palate, or an acquired condition such as burn scar contractures. Treatment is targeted to the indigent population who would otherwise not be able to afford to access services. Interplast assists with developing local capacity to provide surgery and ancillary services by providing training and mentoring programs for medical and allied health professionals. All Interplast programs are training programs — leaving a legacy long after the team has gone.

AGM News: our Club conducted its AGM and of significance was the confirmation of President Elect (2010-2011) **Jan Hill** and congratulations to our President Nominee (2011-2012) **Garry Fabian**.

Annual Church Service

Anglican Parish of the Parks

St. Silas and St. Anselm

384 Ferrars St, Albert Park

Vicar, Archdeacon Ray McInnes

When. 9.30am Sunday 6 December 2009

Afterwards. 12 noon onwards

Cafe Saigon

159 Victoria St, Albert Park

Yum Cha Banquet \$20 per person, BYO

(B114 in entertainment book for discount)

See John Strong for further details

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..**

Interplast

What we do: Interplast Australia & New Zealand sends teams of volunteer Plastic & Reconstructive surgeons, anaesthetists and nurses to developing countries in the Asia Pacific Region to provide free treatment and medical training. Treatment Interplast volunteers provide free treatment to people living with a disability from a congenital condition such as cleft lip and cleft palate or acquired conditions such as burns scar contractures. **Treatment** is targeted to indigent populations who would otherwise not be able to afford to access services. People living with a disability are among the most disadvantaged in the world. Many suffer from treatable deformities and injuries but are unable to access treatment due to poverty, isolation and the lack of surgeons skilled in plastic and reconstructive surgery. 70% of the patients of Interplast are under 15 years of age. Often these children are ostracised from their society simply because they look different, or cannot perform simple tasks for themselves. They often do not go to school because they are teased by their peers. They potentially live a life without friends, or an education and often are a continual burden on their family. A simple operation will repair their condition, and give them the confidence to attend school, restore functionality, and grow up to contribute economically to their family and ultimately the community in which they live. **Development & Capacity Building** Interplast is invited over, and works with, the countries Ministry of Health and collaborates with local partners to facilitate training to improve the access to health services for the indigent population specifically in the area of plastic and reconstructive surgery and the supporting anaesthetic and nursing services. Improved health and health service delivery are priorities for all countries visited by Interplast. Whilst most aid is directed towards primary health issues, the interdependence of all areas of the health system must not be overlooked. A health system must have a full range of trainee personnel to be effective. Training and capacity development activities are therefore given high priority by Interplast. Access to education, professional development, new technologies and mentoring are important to alleviate professional isolation, attract human resources, encourage commitment and cultivate expertise. Interplast is helping to build capacity in the health sector and address skill shortages by working closely with the government health departments, institutions, counterparts and partners to deliver mentoring and training to doctors, nurses and allied health staff and by providing support to local institutions to strengthen their training programs. Where appropriate training attachments to Australian institutions are facilitated to complement and enhance training delivered in country and importantly to foster the developing of further leaders, a key determinant in the success of longer term strengthening of the health sector.

20 Answers to the ? Why Join Rotary (the next two reasons)

11. Entertainment: Every Rotary club and district has parties and activities that provide diversion in one's business life. Rotary holds conferences, conventions, assemblies, and institutes that provide entertainment in addition to Rotary information, education, and service.

12. The Development of Social Skills: Every week and at various events and functions, Rotary develops one's personality, social skills and people skills. Rotary is for people who like people.

This is **NOT** the Editor. But we have learnt through sources that this was not Tom Sellick as Magnum PI, but in reality a younger and vibrant Jeff Nirens who was playing the role of this detective. Surely this information **MUST** come to light?

