

Coming events to lock in:
 Christmas festivity Mediterranean Greek Tavern December 21st

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November is Foundation Month	November 30 Caulfield RSL	December 7	December 14	December 21
Speaker	Dr Stephen de Graaff	Max, Kurt & Geoff	Mark Preston	Christmas Break Up
Topic	Polio Plus – What’s all the fuss about?	“It’s a wonderful world”	Metabolic Syndrome	Mediterranean Greek Tavern
Chair	Adrian Nelson	Sam Binstock	Max Sherlock	
Toast to Club		S Binstock	J Nirens	
Toast to Australia Meeting	Max Sherlock	G Sussman	G Gabian	
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Rotary Club of Glen Eira

November 29 2010 Week 21- Foundation Month

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Meets at: London Tavern, 414 Hawthorn Road, Caulfield

We Meet at 6.30pm for 6.45pm each Tuesday evening



This Week Meeting.– Dr Stephen de Graaff - Polio Plus. Dr De Graaff is a Consultant Physician in Rehabilitation Medicine. He is currently Chief of Rehabilitation Medicine at Cedar Court Healthsouth in Camberwell Victoria, and Head of the Neurological Rehabilitation Unit at Caulfield General Medical Centre. Dr de Graaff is Chairman of the Board of Continuing Education within the Australasian Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine, past Chairperson of the Victorian Branch of the Australasian Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine, and member of the Executive of the Australasian Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine. Dr de Graaff's interests include neurological rehabilitation and musculoskeletal rehabilitation pain management in the areas of stroke, acquired brain injury, multiple sclerosis and polio. Dr de Graaff has a particular interest in combining the neurological and musculoskeletal management of polio survivors

Rotary Responds to Polio Outbreak in Congo

Rotary International and its partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative are responding to a recent outbreak of wild poliovirus in the Republic of the Congo. Rotary is providing a total of US\$500,000 in emergency grants to WHO and UNICEF for immediate polio immunisation efforts throughout the country.

At least 97 people have died in the outbreak, with 226 cases of acute flaccid paralysis reported as of 9 November. Most of

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the cases involve young people between ages 15 and 29. To date, four of the AFP cases have been confirmed as polio.

The outbreak is due to imported poliovirus that is related to the virus circulating in Angola. The Congo Republic recorded its last case of indigenous polio in 2000, and urgent action is required by government and partner agencies to again make the country polio-free.

"Polio outbreaks highlight our global vulnerability to infectious disease," says Dr. Robert Scott, chair of Rotary's International PolioPlus Committee. "It reinforces the fact that polio 'control' is not an option, and only successful eradication will stop the disease."

According to WHO, at least three national vaccination campaigns are planned to combat the outbreak, with the first targeting three million people of all ages in the Congo Republic and parts of neighbouring Democratic Republic of the Congo and Angola on 12 November and 18-22 November. Subsequent campaigns are planned for 3-7 December and 26-30 December.

"Every man, every woman, every child will be immunised irrespective of their past immunisation status," says Dr. Luis Sambo, WHO regional director for Africa. "This way we can be assured that everybody is reached, including young adults, whose immunity may be low."

Outbreaks of imported polio cases are not uncommon during eradication efforts, underscoring the critical need to stop transmission of the virus in the remaining polio-endemic countries: Afghanistan, India, Nigeria, and Pakistan. *"Our experience shows that where polio transmission has been stopped before, it can be stopped again,"* Scott says. *"A fast, large-scale, high-quality immunisation response using the new tools at hand, along with strong surveillance, is absolutely critical."*



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 lblode@logon.com.au **Preferred deadline Friday 5pm..**



Getting to Know Your Fellow Member.

Q1 Name: David Heuberger

Q2: Birthday (day and month only) 14 February

Q3: What is your job at Rotary for 2010-11 year ? Vocation Director

Q4: Why did you join Rotary why not? seemed like a good idea at the time

Q5: What do you love about our club? what we achieve considering our numbers is quite terrific.