

20th May 2014

THE GEN



ROTARY
CLUB OF
GLEN EIRA



Past President Mark Preston searches for Bigfoot in the Canadian Rockies.

BUILDING LIFELONG FRIENDSHIPS

This month Past President Mark Preston has ventured to Canada for a reunion with other youth exchange students from his year in Japan over 30 years ago.

The third part of Rotary's Four Way Test is: Of the things we say or do, will it build goodwill and better friendships?

Mark is currently in Canada continuing lifelong friendships created by his Rotary experience.

This week, our Club Facebook page was sent a message from Nikita Nesynov, a Rotarian of the One World Rotary Club in the South of Russia. He has written a book about his lifetime experience, starting by growing up in the ghetto in Siberia. He then studied abroad as a youth exchange student in Michigan, and in later life hosted an exchange student from Japan back in Siberia. He now lives on the shores of the Black Sea and is a professional classical pianist, with friendships in the US, Japan and across the world thanks to Rotary.

Our guest speaker this week is our current youth exchange student Agata Kmiecik from Poland and she will recount the relationships she has made in her year so far, many of which are sure to last as long as Mark Preston's.

These friendships are not merely made via youth exchange. During Mark's Canadian tour, he will also visit our club's Ambassadorial Scholar from 2011, Sharmila Acharya who is working as a water engineer in her native Calgary.

We have another special guest visitor this week, John Dierksen from Texas. He led the GSE Team from District 5480 in 2011 where we hosted them one evening. Club members Iven Mackay and Adrian Nelson have since visited John in his home state.

And of course we have our friendship club in Ogaki West, Japan.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY IS AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH MONTH

Tuesday 20th May

Guest speaker Agata Kmiecik
Board Meeting

Tuesday 27th May

Guest speaker Jason Henderson
Lost Melbourne

Saturday 31st May

Sausage Sizzle in Glen Huntly

JUNE IS FELLOWSHIP MONTH

Sunday 1st - Wednesday 4th June

Rotary International Convention in Sydney

Tuesday 3rd June

Guest speaker Honorary Consul General of Denmark Jan Revnholt

Saturday 7th June

Sausage Sizzle in Glen Huntly

Tuesday 10th June

Guest speaker Michael Rothschild

Saturday 14th June

Blazing A New Trail (Documentary)

Tuesday 17th June

Club Rollover Night!

Saturday 21st June

Sausage Sizzle in Glen Huntly

Tuesday 24th June

Guest speaker Grahame Leonard

BUILDING COMMUNITIES BRIDGING CONTINENTS



DATE	GUEST SPEAKER	CASHIER	TOAST TO AUSTRALIA	TOAST TO OUR CLUB	CHAIRMAN
20th May	Speaker Agata Kmiecik "My Year Down Under"	Adrian Nelson	Keith Faiman	John Strong	Geoff Asher
27th May	Speaker Jason Henderson "Lost Melbourne"	Basil Ornellas	Jan Hill	Geoff Sussman	Geoff Sussman
3rd June	Speaker Honorary Consul-General of Denmark Jan Revnholt	Mark Preston	Marion Lau	Geoff Asher	Basil Ornellas

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND OUR CLUB?

MAY IS AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH MONTH

Every Rotarian, Every Year

Every Rotarian, Every Year aims to engage every Rotary club member in the life-changing programs of our Rotary Foundation.

The purpose of the EREY initiative is to:

- Encourage every Rotarian to participate in a Foundation program every year
- Encourage every Rotarian to personally contribute to the Foundation's Annual Fund every year

With their volunteerism and generous philanthropy, Rotarians are at the heart of The Rotary Foundation's mission to eradicate polio and further Rotary's humanitarian and educational programs worldwide.

\$100 a year is less a cup of coffee a week.



An extra \$100 per Rotarian each year would contribute over \$130 million to the Foundation. This financial support for the Annual Fund from every Rotarian is the key to helping rebuild suffering communities and nations by resolving conflict, eradicating disease, providing safe water, feeding the hungry, educating children and adults, and alleviating poverty.

Quote of the Week

"I was married by a judge, I should have asked for a jury." (Groucho Marx)

ROTARY PROJECT OF THE WEEK



Books for Africa

Through our new club website, we recently had an offer from a local library to donate books to Rotary's Books for Africa project.

Started by the Rotary Club of Eschowe, South Africa, Books for Africa has shipped over 28 million high-quality text and library books to children and adults in 49 African countries since 1988. The mission is "to end the book famine in Africa".

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THE GEN COMPETITION OF THE WEEK

Which photo below were our two Past Presidents best impersonating, A or B?



Club Mobile App
Scan the QR code to go straight to our website on your mobile device.

