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## Rotary Club of Narooma Inc. Bulletin



### EXCHANGE STUDENTS DROP IN FOR A VISIT



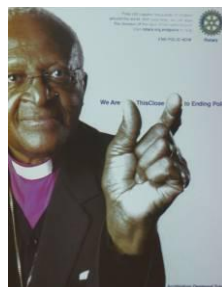
Left to Right: President Bob, Angie, Louise Couly(France), Haruka Murayama (Japan) Henrique Melo (Brazil) Drew Latimer (Texas) Braiden Bechard (Wisconsin) Jess Yen (Brazil) Erin Fahey (Organiser)- in front - Anna Tarvainen (Finland) Jasmin Haider (Austria) photo by Merinda

The Rotary Youth Exchange program is one of the most positive and life enhancing things available to young people. Erin Fahey, a former "out bouncer" from our Club, hosted current "in bouncers" at the Island View Resort in Narooma, this weekend. Erin has done a fantastic job and all the students had a great time, despite the weather. What a positive example of motivated, happy future leaders of the world.

## CINDERS THIS WEDNESDAY MARCH 23<sup>RD</sup>



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We are that close to ending Polio in the World. Last Thursday evening PDG Phil Mewett (*right*) gave a very passionate speech about the work of the Rotary Foundation. He told of the efforts to eliminate Polio through Polio Plus. It is comforting to know that we, Rotary, are leading the way in the World with many vital projects that are making a huge difference... *more on Pgs 3 & 4...*



**TONIGHT: Wednesday**  
**CINDERS – bring your Partners and Brains Trusts**

## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:

*Ted Bladwell* had a big one on Sunday and *Steve Deck*, partner of *Laurelle*, celebrates another milestone on Friday (25<sup>th</sup>)  
Well done and congratulations from all of us.

## COMING EVENTS

26 <sup>th</sup> March	DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!!!
27 <sup>th</sup> March	MARKETS – help please
31 <sup>st</sup> March	Board Meeting
7 <sup>th</sup> April	Youth Week Speakers from NHS with Kim Bush
14 <sup>th</sup> April	Club Assembly and Fellowship
21 <sup>st</sup> April	Board Meeting
24 <sup>th</sup> April	MARKETS
28 <sup>th</sup> April	Combined with Bega at Bermagui – Terry to supply map!!
5 <sup>th</sup> May	TBA

TASK	23 <sup>rd</sup> March	31 <sup>st</sup> March	7 <sup>th</sup> April
Cashier		Laurelle Pacey	
3-minute talk	Cinders	John Messner	
Wheel		George Barker	

## INTERNATIONAL TOAST:

None this week as we will be in Moruya

“You can’t do anything about the length of your life, but you can do something about its width and depth.”

*Humorist Evan Esar quoted in the Illawarra Mercury.*

## Short words from bob ant

Last week PDG Phil Mewett fielded a question from Chris O'Brien. Chris asked why Rotary wasn't sending physical aid directly to Japan - now. Phil responded by explaining that apart from the ShelterBox Program, we send money and resources for projects to assist in rebuilding. Projects designed on the ground and what the people need and want.

With that in mind, I read with interest "The Question" in Saturdays' Sydney Morning Herald. "Does foreign aid do more harm than good?"

The researcher, Terence Wood, says no.

The Statesman, Malcolm Fraser, also believes that aid helps and pushes the case for CARE, which he founded, and then quotes AusAID reports about the eradication of Polio and fails to mention Rotary!!!!

The Activist, Gary Lee, says yes but the programs need to be "driven by those whose needs are being addressed".

The Academic, Helen Hughes, says "for God's sake, please stop the aid". She quotes many reasons why throwing aid money in poor countries doesn't work.

These are valid arguments BUT what shines out to me, is that in Rotary we give to projects that REALLY make a difference to the individual on the ground. We don't squander money in administration, we don't get bogged down in the politics, WE DO. As Rotarians we can be proud to know that our contribution matters and is effective.

Y I R bob Ant... ☺



PDG Phil Mewett showed us some dramatic power points that show the success in the world Polio Eradication program, *Polio Plus*. On these two illustrations the coloured area represents the decrease since 1985 (left) to 2009 (right) *Impressive stuff.*

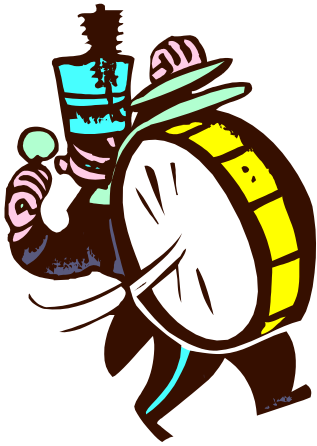


## STOP PRESS....



### YOUTH EXCHANGE – A POSITIVE INDORSEMENT OF YOUTH AND AN INVESTMENT IN THE FUTURE.

Louise from France wins Chris and Angie over with her wonderful smile and positive attitude to life. She added an extra spice to our meeting on Thursday and we now look forward to hosting our International student in the near future.



DUNTROON MILITARY  
BAND WILL BE BACK  
SUNDAY 27<sup>th</sup> MARCH  
B/BAY HIGH  
2.30 pm  
\$20 Adult \$15  
Concession  
DON'T MISS THIS ONE

WEDNESDAY NIGHT – BUS \$10 PER HEAD

Leaving the Depot at 5.50 pm  
Plaza (on Highway) 5.54 pm  
Bus Stop (near Linda's) 5.57 pm  
Near Chemist on flat 6.00pm  
Kianga phone box 6.06pm  
Dalmeny Shops 6.13 pm  
Binalong Street 6.15 pm



WE NEED NUMBERS BY MONDAY  
NIGHT. PLEASE CALL ROLF  
Some have already given details and two  
are meeting us there. Bring ten friends and  
join in the fun!

## CENTURION CERTIFICATES



Donating more than \$100  
to the Foundation can  
earn you a Centurion  
Certificate.  
ADG Maureen Manning  
handed out the certificates  
from President Jack's year



From the top clockwise

Maureen congratulates  
member George, Kris, Angie,  
Rolf, Jack and Bob Ant.