

# Kiwanis

Serving the Children of the World

Australia



Kiwanis Circle K Club students on Stockton Beach while on a 4WD trip hosted by the Kiwanis Club of Newcastle. See page 4

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“Kiwanis is a global organisation of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time.”

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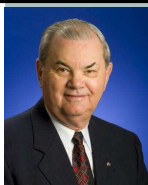
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**Next Board of Trustees Meeting****Thursday August 20th**

August District Convention 2009, Geelong

**Kiwanis International****President Don Canaday's Message****Ready, set, recruit!**

May has been deemed membership month for Kiwanis and it's time for us all to do our part.

Every one of us know people who have Kiwanis hearts—who have time, talent and treasure to share to help make a better world for children. Every one of us know men and women whose work with children—as teachers, as church leaders, as educators, as counselors and mentors—make them great candidates to become Kiwanians. Every one of us knows someone—several someones, I bet—that would help us help more children.

It's time to take a look at our clubs, our meetings, our members. Are our meetings fun? Are they informative, interesting? Do they feature interesting speakers talking about relevant topics to members, children and the community?

Are members involved, engaged? Do new members have the chance to get involved early and to stay involved? Are your projects and programs relevant? Do they benefit children and give members a chance to see their smiles.

These are all important. These are what provide the Kiwanis experience and let members experience the very personal and very special moments of being a Kiwanian, of seeing and feeling the difference they can make in a child's life.

Great Kiwanians live in every city in every country of the world. They just haven't been invited yet to be a Kiwanian, to join the "family."

Membership is important every month, but in May, every Kiwanis club is encouraged to schedule a membership event during May – special guest day, membership roundup, etc. Invite a friend, a neighbour, someone from your church or workplace to attend a meeting to learn more about Kiwanis, to experience what it means to be part of a club that enjoys the fun and fellowship as friends, but also of an organization that makes profound and life-changing differences everywhere in the world.

All it takes is a simple, "Hi, I am (insert your name here). I would like to invite you to join me at my next Kiwanis meeting. I believe you would enjoy the fun and fellowship we share, and I believe that we would benefit from your passion and commitment to children and to our community."

It's really that simple. And that important for the children who so badly need Kiwanis help.

**International President****Don Canaday****Kiwanis International**

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**Kiwanis**  
**Young Children**  
**Priority One**

# Governor Spencer's Message



## Growth Equals Service

### It's Time

Greetings to all Kiwanis members. If we watch and listen to the news, Kiwanis is needed more today than ever.

International President Don Canaday is serving Kiwanis at a very personally challenging time of his life having just lost his wife and partner.

He leads us with energy, focus, spirit, passion and commitment while carrying a heavy heart. He has asked us for GROWTH as his primary focus.

He and Kiwanis need our talents, input and efforts. We have a growth plan and tools to accomplish this.

### JUST DO IT!

To quote the 'Nike' motto, **It's time to "Just Do It!!!"** Roll up our sleeves & "Get the Job Done" and complete our journey to that 1000 membership of Australia District by September 09.

President Don's statement to us is "It's Time to Lead." Club, division and district leaders please climb aboard and join with all Australian Kiwanians to lead us to growth, which will result in successful service and being the world leader in making a difference one child and one community at a time.

## ALREADY AN INCREASE!

At present there are 956 members. In the first half of this 2008-09 year you have added 58 new members. However, we have lost 32 for a variety of reasons, leaving a net increase of 26. I congratulate all of the Clubs on their effort

There are 33 clubs that have not increased their membership. It's time to **Just Add One. ONLY 6 months to go** - I ask and challenge all members to introduce a new member to their Club. I don't ask for much, I need you to join in this effort to put all clubs at a positive membership.

## AND THREE NEW CLUBS

The District plan is also to build 3 new clubs on our club-building plan.

If any club has a potential new club site in their area and needs assistance to start please contact your Lt Governor and we can arrange the assistance.

We need you to take time to join us on this journey and give our best effort to increasing the District membership to allow Kiwanis the opportunity to make a difference in the time of people's lives in your communities and throughout the world.

## CLUB REMINDERS!

### VICTORIAN BUSHFIRE APEAL

The Kiwanis Australia District has sent to all Clubs a request for donations to The Victorian Bushfires Appeal. I want to congratulate all the Clubs & individuals for their support. The total at present is \$50,000.00.



### ANNUAL KIF GIFT CAMPAIGN

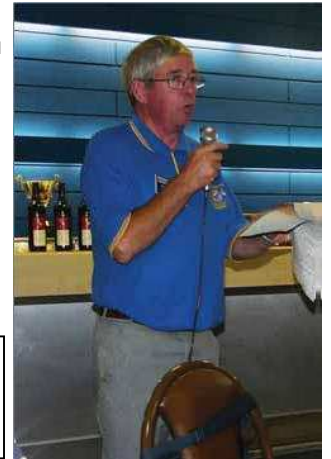
Kiwanis International Foundation Club "Annual Gift Campaign" Donation \$5.00 per member. So far 11 Clubs have donated \$ 20,000.00 US. Please send your club's KIF donation to Bill Craig Australia District Secretary.

My thanks to Ivan Bell

Thanking you all for your efforts

Spencer Harding

Governor 2008/09



Right : Spencer while on a visit to Adelaide announcing the winners of the Kiwanis Interclub Ken Farmer Bowls Shield, February 2009.

## Secretary Bill's stop press

Club Monthly Reports for March, (33 of 51) as of the 14 March are showing that Warrnambool has inducted 9 new members

this Kiwanis year, Geelong 5, Victoria Park 3, Newcastle 3, Rostrevor-Campbelltown 3, Melbourne 2, Barossa, 2,

Adelaide, Reedbeds, Doncaster, Brighton SA, Adelaide hills, Casuarina, Darwin, Gawler all have inducted one member each.

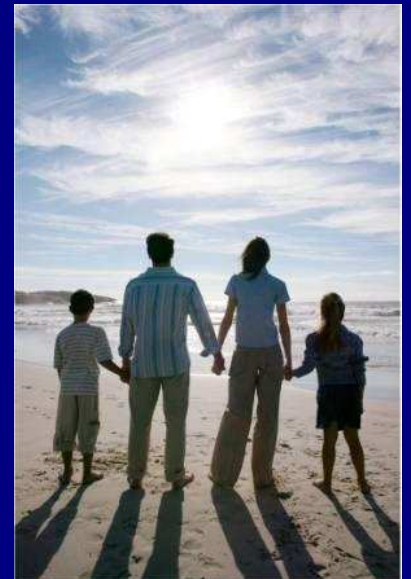
**DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP** October 1st 08 929- March 09. **957 Members**

## I sadly report

VALE: Harvey Dawes Adelaide); Ron Senior (Melbourne); David Milne (Reynella) Ken Hanley (Tea tree Gully); Eileen Gardner (Athelstone); Simon Keulen (Adelaide) Jim Curtin (Brighton Vic)

*In sharing other people's joys  
In helping when you can  
Your special way of giving love  
In everything you do  
Makes your gift the best of all  
The priceless gift of you*

District Secretary Bill Craig



## Division 8 Lieutenant Governor Ashleigh Gore



Ashleigh having his Lt Governor's badge pinned on him by his wife Ros at the Adelaide Convention 2008

I was born at Victor Harbour, South Australia, in January 1948. I spent my early years with my family at Stirling East in the Adelaide Hills, on a small rural property of 7 acres which is now the second 9 holes of the Mount Lofty Golf Course. I had three younger brothers and finally, a sister, who arrived when I was about 17.

How things have changed! We lived in a modest corrugated iron and mud brick house with outside drop toilet, kero fridge and lanterns and chip heater into an iron bath. I recall electricity being connected to our house when I was about 7 years of age as I was home from school with my brother, both of us having the measles and kept in a darkened room forbidden to open the blinds. But we still managed to watch the stobie pole erected a few metres from our bedroom window. I recall on Black Friday 1954, my father leaving with a neighbour to fight the nearby fires using just wet bags and tree branches, and that night you could see the fires burning right across the Mount Lofty Ranges.

We all had chores to do and for many years I had the job of milking a goat. I recall often getting into trouble for not stopping the goat from kicking over the bowl and returning with no milk! We used to walk several miles to and from Primary School.

My early years revolved around Scouts, tennis & football, and when I was 12 we moved closer to Stirling in the Adelaide Hills and I attended the Mount Barker High School, gaining my matriculation certificate in 1964. I spent a further year at Adelaide Technical High before joining the S.A. Police Force in January 1965.

This was the start of a career lasting just on 36 years. I recall that first day, of the 3 year cadet training course at Fort Largs Police Academy. It was the 4<sup>th</sup> of January, (my birthday, that fact I kept very quietly to myself).

We arrived by bus and were formed up by height in line and marched by the loud barking drill Sgt Fred Knight, with whom we were to get very well acquainted over the coming years. Then into the Fort area to await the welcome introduction from the Academy Commandant, Superintendent Eric Meldrum. And wait we did, for 45 minutes in the 34 degrees plus sun, with the Drill Sgt's bellow still ringing in my ears. "*Gore no talking*". He already knew my name! Fort Largs was run like a military establishment. I soon learnt how to do push ups and had many friends from our Course 11, joining me on the ground.

The three years went quickly, during which time we learnt and studied and were tested at many things, including statute law, common law, Criminal Law, typing, horse riding, etiquette, drill, self defence, swimming, General Orders (a huge Book) more Laws & regulations, Physical Education and how to run the kilometres from Fort Largs to Semaphore and back through the sand hills. It was pursuit driving at Mallala raceway where I enjoyed the second fastest time in a 'HR' manual Holden, and more drill on the parade ground, just to mention a few.



We had a number of 'out' phases where we were sent as Police Cadets, to Stations

with my postings including the Mounted Section at The Barton Barracks (*spending much time mucking out*

*stables and grooming horses*), Adelaide Police Station, Stirling Police Station and three months at Leigh Creek Police Station.


I graduated as a probationary Constable from Fort Largs Academy in December 1967 and commenced Police duties as a Uniformed Officer in the City of Adelaide which included beat and mobile patrol duties. I recall my first shift, during a heat wave, on a night shift uniform patrol, with a much older experienced Senior Constable and the first job was to '*pick up the keys to ward 13 and admit one*'. I soon found out the keys were at the Adelaide Police Station and were to the City Mortuary on West Terrace, where we met an ambulance and I had the task of admitting a deceased person to the mortuary with all the associated paper work

After a few months of being in a steep learning curve in the real world I had started to settle into the challenging and rewarding life of a Police officer until one night shift when a small mistake was to have huge consequences for my future. On this particular split night shift I arrived for work and lined up on Parade when the Duty Senior Sergeant said, "*Gore what are you doing here you're on a rostered day off*". Unbeknown to me there had been a number of roster alterations. The Duty Sergeant said, "*I've got just the job for you! Prisoner guard at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital*". Every young officer wanted to be out patrol, not stuck guarding a prisoner all night.


I arrived at the hospital to relieve the afternoon shift officer to find an extremely dangerous prisoner, handcuffed to the bed and totally sedated. The night only continued to get better with some lovely young nurses feeding me coffee and toast all night and seemingly giving me more attention than their patients! One particular young nurse caught my eye, with flashing blue eyes, attractive beaming smile, and easily teased. By the end of the night I had her details, phone contacts, rostered shift times and with the promise of a future date.



Within a few days phone contact was made but things had gone very decidedly cool and it took considerable persuasion to finally get a date, but on condition that I pick Roslyn up from her home and meet her mother.



I later found out that the police officer, one of my Cadet Course mates, who took my place guarding the prisoner at the Hospital, had, when he was asked by Roslyn what I was like, kindly as good mates do, spun such a story about fast cars, fast women and anything else he could think of, so that Roslyn decided that there was no way she was going on a date with this dangerous young Police Constable.



It took only a few minutes talking to Roslyn's mother to get her approval, but quite some weeks and several dates for Roslyn to realise that I wasn't all bad.

Within two years we were married and then over the next 12 years our five wonderful children arrived, three boys and two girls. They now have grown up with four already married and presenting us with nine equally wonderful, loving grandchildren.

During my Police career I worked at Adelaide, Port Adelaide, Murray Bridge, returned to Adelaide to take up promotion and we built a house at Hahndorf in 1975. I then had postings as a beat supervisor in Adelaide, Duty Sergeant, City Watch House Sergeant, Patrol Sergeant in the Adelaide Hills, Police Prosecutor, and many further years as a Team Patrol Sergeant in the Hills and Relieving Senior Administration Sergeant before deciding to retire from the Police Force in November 2000.

I then continued working from home doing some electronic manufacture and assembly of gauges and devices for the Auto Gas Industry. Since 2001, I have been enjoying the challenge of driving a local High School Bus, and have been impressed by the qualities and potential of the young students of today.



My interest in Kiwanis was kindled by an uncle in-law, the late, long standing Secretary of the Kiwanis Club of Adelaide, Vic Hugo, who had pestered me for years about joining Kiwanis, but I was always too busy with five children and working shift work. When the Kiwanis Club of the Adelaide Hills was being formed, I became a Charter member and within 3 years had the job

as Club President.

Kiwanis has had a huge influence on my life and enabled me to meet and know a whole new circle of friends who have a belief in their Communities, and felt that they could help make a difference while having fun at the same time. Seeing the positive outcomes of young people involved with or in the Kiwanis programs, of Aktion Clubs, K-Kids Clubs, Terrific Kids, just to mention a few, has been personally very rewarding, and I know that as this year progresses, in this job of Lieutenant Governor, I can look forward to hearing of many more of the positive outcomes of Kiwanis Clubs, and members, as they involve themselves within their Communities.

Ashleigh Gore

Lt. Gov. Div 8.

May 2009



## Growth at Newcastle University Circle K Club

The University year gets underway in February with "O" week. As with previous years this is the chance for campus organizations to showcase themselves and sign up new members. Most of 08 Newcastle Circle K members completed their studies last year and returned home or moved elsewhere to continue other studies. Newcastle Kiwanis members manned the stand at "O" week and obtained names and email addresses of interested students. The interested students have been kept informed of Circle K activities and 18 have now

committed to join Circle K and have attended at least one event.

The annual general meeting has been held and the executive elected. The good news is that many of the recruits this year are year one med students with 5 more years to complete. A chance to have some experienced Circle K members in future rosters.

This year's members have been involved in several community projects and social events already. The "clean up Australia Day" gave the students a chance to meet each other and members from Newcastle Kiwanis. The Circle K members also assisted Newcastle Kiwanis to host a BBQ for local Heartkids.

As most of the students are from overseas Newcastle Kiwanis hosted a 4WD trip on Stockton beach to let the students see our great beaches and sand hills. The group photo was shot on the beach with the wreck of the Sygna in the background. Circle K members were also in attendance at a recent Bunnings BBQ manned by Newcastle Kiwanis. They were there to sell raffle tickets in their Easter fundraiser but several were shanghaied into assisting with the BBQ as there were plenty of hungry customers.

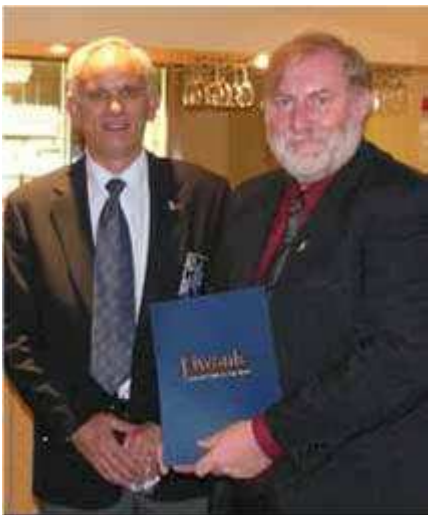
Newcastle Kiwanis Club is pleased to be involved with the young students at Newcastle University.

Bryen Smith

Newcastle Kiwanis Club



Wednesday March 11th 2009 was a historic date in Adelaide, with the foundation completed of a new Kiwanis Club. The Kiwanis Bus Service Operators Club of South Australia Incorporated, to give its full title, has now been officially chartered, following an idea floated two or three years ago by then Lt Gov Div 3 Don Millard. The concept for this K Club with a difference is straightforward. It caters for the drivers and staff of our renowned Kiwanis Bus - people who don't necessarily have the time or inclination to belong to a regular K Club with its meetings and protocol.



As Charter President Peter Zander commented - this new club strictly speaking only really needs to hold one meeting annually - the AGM, but they will probably host a couple more than that.

*Peter Zander, Right, with Div 8 Lt Gov Ashleigh Gore.*

Wednesday's MC duties were honourably covered by Charter Secretary/Treasurer Owen Donaghey - a well known Kiwanian who started at Reynella Club before transferring to Brighton. Those seated at the top table included Peter Zander and wife Yvonne, Raelene Telfer from Marion Council, Phil Hessling - President of Sponsor Club Brighton, plus Ali Turner and Imm. Past Governor Bill Van Diemen.

When Bill addressed the meeting, he reiterated how Don Millard's suggestion for a unique Club was picked up by Peter Z, who ran with it and followed up with the formation of the Bus Operators Club - unique with its single project objectives. Bill also advised of another unique factor. Members (who don't necessarily need to be bus drivers) are exempt from paying dues.

In fact this "one-off" Club, the only one of its type in the nation, has attracted the attention and praise from overseas of International CEO Robert Parker and also Don Canaday. Both these gentlemen were most impressed with our K Bus which they checked out when they were in Adelaide last year.

## KIWANIS BUS CLUB CHARTERED

Robert Parker sent a congratulatory message for Charter Night and also offered a complimentary registration for the upcoming International Convention in Tennessee - only snag is, it doesn't include the airfare!

During his "maiden" speech, new President Peter told how the Channel 9 item that went to air just before Christmas detailing the Bus Service resulted in at least ten new recruits - which is a great result.



Charter Certificates were presented to Peter Bowden, Barry Lang, Bruce Laity, and Chrissie Hibbert (who was Brighton President when this new Club was organised), with Bob Edwards and Janine Keulen to receive their certificates at a later date.

There was a large attendance on this special occasion. The whole evening was conducted in an air of good humour and camaraderie, and it's terrific to see the formation of another K Club.

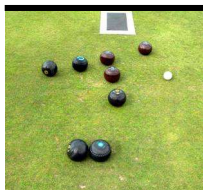


President Peter Zander with Immed Past Governor Bill van Diemen

The "new style" banners are attractive too! President Peter Zander officially concluded after the Objects had been read, by banging the brand new gong!

Well done, and welcome to our new Bus Operators Club.

Edited from the March KAN (Kiwanis Adelaide News)



## S.A. Kiwanis clubs play off for the KEN FARMER BOWLS SHIELD

The first Thursday in March is traditionally Kiwanis Bowls Night in Adelaide for Kiwanians. Last year we sweltered through nearly 35 degree temperatures. For 2009 it was almost the opposite - refreshingly "fresh" - but totally conducive to another great night of bowls action and socialising.

In 2008 there were 28 teams entered. With a few late apologies, this year (the 29th running of Bowls) the total was still a respectable 26 teams that took to the greens at Holdfast Bay Bowling Club, ready to duke it out for the Ken Farmer Shield.

There were teams entered from Adelaide Club, Murray Bridge, Adelaide Hills, Reedbeds, Rostrevor - Campbelltown, Prospect, TT Gully, Brighton, Glenelg, Burnside-East Adelaide, Modbury and Athelstone.

We welcomed two visitors from Victoria - District Governor Spencer Harding, and also District Secretary Bill Craig from Melbourne - great to see this well-known pair. They were seconded into battle in Hills #3 team, with Ros & Ashleigh Gore (Lt Gov Div 8 Ashleigh was the only Lt Gov present).

Former Murray Bridge President Peter Lovelock has an unusual bowling style - he travels barefeet! May have helped his team to win a trophy, albeit the booby prize for finishing last. But as Murray Bridge actually won last year, Peter's pre-match team talk philosophically conceded that they were unlikely to take top honours two years running, so his M Bridge 2 team was to "go easy this year!"

Once the last end had been played, just after 9pm, everyone adjourned to the Clubrooms to warm up and plough through a super pizza supper while Ken Foggo and Peter O'Keefe slaved away over Peter's computer to analyse the scores to come up with some winners!

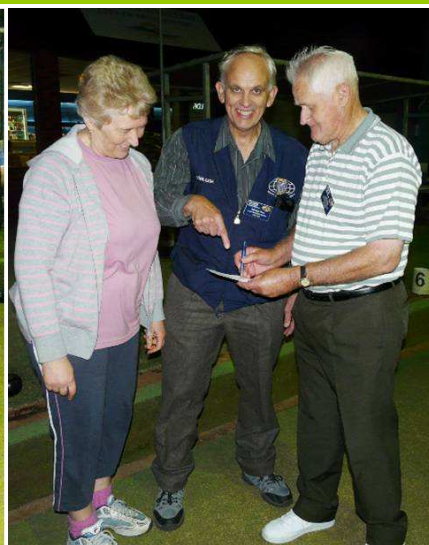
Governor Spencer spoke before presentations, mentioning the Victorian Bushfire Appeal, 2009 Geelong Convention, and the fact that an AKtion Club was being represented at Bowls Night. After much deliberation, winners were announced— Division 3 won the Division Award

### Photos

**At Top Left:** The District Governor in action. (Needs to bend more, improve the follow-through and take more grass. He's a Victorian)

**At Top Right:** Another Victorian, District Secretary Bill Craig getting words of wisdom (tactics) from Div 8 Lt Gov Ashleigh Gore and his wife Ros. (as if the Vics don't know how to play the game! )

*Contributed by David McNabb, Adelaide*



**Below:** The winning Team—Rostrevor-Campbelltown #1 (With their pennant players—ho hum!)



**Below:** The Runners-up Reedbeds #1—No shield but happy with their wine and not the win and didn't whine!



## GENEROUS International KIWANIANs

### Kiwanis International Foundation supports the Victorian Bushfire Appeal to the tune of \$20,000 US



An e-mail arrived on my computer just after the tragic aftermath of “**Black Saturday**” with a query of whether the Kiwanis International Foundation could offer assistance to the children who lost so much on that frightful day.

After receiving Governor Spencer’s approval, a request was sent to The

Foundation to ascertain how we apply for Disaster Relief, as this was something new for Australia District.

We had a reply and guidelines for making such an application within twenty four hours. After discussions with Governor Spencer it was decided to apply for a **Disaster Relief Grant of between \$25-\$30,000 US** dollars with the proviso added that the Children who suffered from this terrible advent would appreciate any assistance the Foundation might offer.

I provided regular updates and videos of the fires to the Foundation and they graciously made available to the Australia District the sum of **\$20,000US** to be used solely on the Children in the fire affected areas of Victoria.

This was approved and forwarded quickly because it was a grant for **Disaster Relief**, quite different from the

Grants for funding that we have been used to applying for.

This money the District received has to be used wisely and the District has to forward photo’s and newspaper articles to the Foundation showing just how the grant is used.

When I or your Lt/Governor ask your Club to support the Annual Club Gift Appeal please don’t ignore or dismiss the work of the Foundation as their support of “Black Saturday” should prove beyond all doubt that the Foundation is working for the Children of the World.

If you have any queries on the workings of the Foundation, please don’t hesitate to contact your Lt/Governor or me and you will be provided with answers.

*Ivan Bell  
District Chair Kiwanis International  
Foundation*

## GENEROUS Australian KIWANIANs

### Kiwanis Australia supports the Victorian Bushfire Appeal to the tune of \$51,135 AUS (and it’s still coming in)



Kiwanians around Australia have again showed that they care about the wellbeing of our communities in a massive act of generosity to

Australians in need as a result of the February Victorian bushfires.

Responding to a special appeal announced by the Australia District Board, a total of \$51,135 has so far been donated through the Kiwanis Australia District Charitable Trust. This included donations received from 24 Kiwanis Clubs, the K Kids of Mt Barker South in the Adelaide Hills and the Brighton Busy beavers AKtion Club in SA.

Interestingly nearly \$17,000 of the total (one third) was made by individual Kiwanians or other members of the community making donations through their local Kiwanis clubs as ‘Friends of Kiwanians’.

The District Board of Trustees will have the difficult task of deciding how best to allocate this money within affected areas. But I am sure that it will be a rewarding

task!

On behalf of the Kiwanis Australia District Charitable Trust and my fellow Trustees, I thank all Kiwanians and their friends for their generosity and their care for other people less fortunate than themselves as a result of this tragedy.

Further donations can be made to *Kiwanis Australia District Charitable Trust 4 Atherton Close, Aspendale Gardens, 3195* pending advice from the District Board on when this Kiwanis appeal will formally be closed. Individual donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

*Bryan Williams  
Chairman  
Kiwanis Australia District Charitable Trust*



### more GENEROSITY to the tune of \$20 million

Dan was a single guy living at home with his father and working in the family business. He found out that he was going to inherit a fortune when his sickly widowed father died. He decided he needed a wife to share his fortune. One evening at an investment seminar he spotted the most beautiful woman he had ever seen. Her natural beauty took his breath away.

“I may look like an ordinary man,” he said to her, “but in just a few days my father is expected to die and I will inherit \$20 million.”

Impressed, the woman obtained his business card and three days later she became his step-mother.

**Moral:** Women are so much better at financial planning and management than men.

*(Editor’s note—Don’t blame me—just sharing! I found it in the Brighton (SA) bulletin the “Seaside Soliloquy” March 2009.)*

# GENEROUS Victorian KIWANIANs



On the 6<sup>th</sup> April 2009, the Kiwanis Club of Moorabbin held an historic combined dinner meeting with the Kiwanis Club of Melbourne at the Buckingham Motor Inn in Highett.

This was a unique opportunity to have

the Melbourne Club (Club #1 in Australia) and the Moorabbin Club meet together, and officially recognise two of the original four members who brought Kiwanis International to Australia in October 1967. They are George Santos (still an active member of the Melbourne Club), and Ralph Doddrell, who went on with the Melbourne Club to form the Kiwanis Club of Moorabbin, and become its Charter President.

Also that evening, a framed resolution recognising the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Melbourne Club was presented to President of Melbourne Club David Griffiths by ex Governor Bryan Williams. This resolution was originally presented to the then Governor, the late Bill Lees, (another of the four founders) in the Australia Bicentenary year 1988, and was presented to the Moorabbin Club by his son.



Bryan Williams presenting the Resolution to David Griffiths

The guest speaker for the evening was **World Champion Triathlete Emma Carney**, whose presentation was called "Going the Distance". This was appropriate for two reasons. Firstly it fitted appropriately with the presentations to the two founders, and secondly it enabled Emma to introduce her involvement with Chain Reaction and the charities they serve.

Last year after their annual bike ride, Chain Reaction purchased a new "NETS" (Newborn Emergency Transport Service) ambulance for the Royal Children's Hospital, with the remainder of the funds going to the Starlight Foundation.

The recipients for this years "Round Tasmania Bike ride" have not been decided, but will likely include "Muscular Dystrophy".



From left to right: David Griffiths (Pres Melbourne), Ralph Doddrell, Emma Carney, George Santos, & Geoff Hergt (Pres Moorabbin).



Emma Carney was presented with cheques from both clubs to be used for the sponsored charities. David Griffiths, left & Geoff Hergt presenting cheques to Emma.

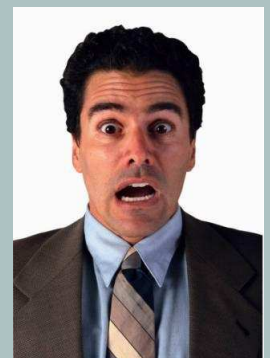
Tim Vine

## and there's more!

A youngish man shopping in a supermarket noticed a little old lady following him around. If he stopped, she stopped. Furthermore she kept staring at him. She finally overtook him at the checkout, where she turned to him and quietly said, "I hope I haven't made you feel ill at ease; it's just that you look so much like my late son." "That's okay." He answered. She said, "I know it may sound silly, but if you'd call out "Goodbye, Mum" as I leave the store, it would make me feel so happy." She then went through the checkout, and as she was on her way out of the store, the man called out, "Goodbye, Mum." The little old lady waved, and smiled back at him. Pleased that he had brought a little sunshine into someone's day, he went to pay for his groceries. "That comes to \$151.85," said the checkout operator. "What? How come so much ... I only bought three items!" The operator replied, "Yes, but your Mother said you'd be paying for her things, too."

**Moral** : No matter how old, women never forget strategies in financial planning & management.

(Sorry, it's those South Aussies again—this time it's from the Adelaide Club's April 2009 "KAN" )



## Australian Kiwanian Editor

Jan Hyde

# Does your club

**BULLETIN AWARDS:** Each year the District presents awards for Club Bulletins. The purpose is to stimulate interest in upgrading club bulletins, to build morale among bulletin editors and - as a result - to improve the primary source of Kiwanis communications. As The Australian Kiwanian Editor for the last 3 years it has been my job to judge Club Bulletins for District awards presented at the annual Convention.

This year I receive bulletins from the following clubs so they are in the running: *Adelaide, Adelaide Hills, Athelstone, Brighton (SA); Brighton (Vic) Mooroopna, Rostrevor-Campbelltown, Shepparton, Shepparton Sunrisers and just recently Waverley.* Some of these arrive via the District Secretary. If you would like to send your bulletin check my postal and email address on the back page.

## WHAT MAKES A GOOD CLUB BULLETIN?

A good bulletin reaches all members in advance of the date of the meeting for which it is prepared, and it includes:

- announcements of forthcoming club programs & activities
- a report from the President
- reports from Directors, committee and club achievements
- items of general interest about individual members
- information on forthcoming Division, District and Kiwanis International Activities
- Community news and events of interest to the club and promoted by the club
- biographical sketches of members and new members
- reminder to members to bring guests so others may share in Kiwanis meetings and activities
- 'fun items, such as humour, a joke, a 'Guess Who' column giving just a few facts on a member, etc.
- short inspirational message from the committee on human and spiritual values

Russell Broom, Shepparton Kiwanis Club at the Div 7 Interclub Bowls Comp. From Shepparton Club's "K News"



Above: Presenting a Legion of Honour to Bill Castle for his 30 years service to Kiwanis. From the "Rostrevor-Campbelltown Kiwanian"



Left: Mooroopna Kiwanis Club members making morning tea for the Diggers, Anzac Day Parade 2009

From the "Mooroopna Kourier".



Above: Paul Neal, Glen Burdekin & Geoff Wilson on left in the tent from the Club of Shepparton Sunrisers serving competitors at the Sporting Shooters Association, State Titles, April 2009 from the Shepparton Sunrisers' bulletin—"The Sunriser"

# have a bulletin?

**Bulletin cuts**  
 A selection from the latest club bulletins that to arrive by email.




Left: Kiwanis Life Member & Brighton club stalwart, Peter Cameron, helping Red Cross to dispatch dozens of Easter Hampers to needy families in Bayside.



Right: Some of the entries in the Children's Section of the Kiwanis Hampton Art Show 17-19 April 2009. Raised funds for HeartKids, Family Life and Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

*From the "Kiwanis Brighton Bulletin"*



April 2009, Athelstone Kiwanis participated in the combined service clubs barbecue and their Paediatric Palliative Care (PPC) Project sold their Multi-Purpose Bags, second hand cook and gardening books and pancakes.

New member Sheradeen Callaghan inducted to the Adelaide Club by Peter O'Keefe who performed the official "badging". *From the Adelaide "KAN"*

*From the Athelstone Club's "Gorge Gazette"*

The Equality Steamship Company is famous for the unfailing punctuality of its sailings.

Every day at noon Greenwich time one of its liners leaves Southampton for New York.  
 At exactly the same hour (also Greenwich time) another of its liners sails from New York to Southampton.

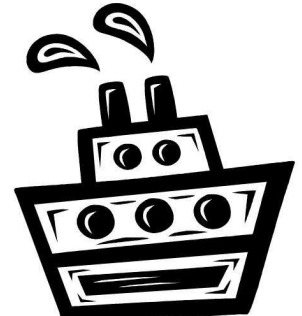
The crossing, in either direction, takes 7 days.

Thus, whenever an Equality ship departs from either New York or Southampton, another ship of the same line is just docking there, having arrived from the opposite direction.

The eastbound and westbound liners ply the same course.

If we board an Equality line ship at Southampton, how many Equality ships do we pass during our voyage to New York?

*Answer : I believe Peter Kimberley is the one to contact. Keep you posted. From the APRIL "Kiwanis Club of Waverley Bulletin"*





# Australia District

## A Strategic Action

At the last District Board meeting, Past Governor Peter Kimberley presented the following strategic action to add 500 new members in the next 5 years.

A Strategy is one that will change the 'status quo'. Having a "Strategic Plan" is not something restricted to a large organization but can be an important way for any group such as your Kiwanis Club to achieve a planned long term result.



Getting new members from an established Kiwanis program can be a great way to widen your community base and a simple strategy will do it.

If you already have Terrific Kids programs then its easy. If you do not have a Terrific Kids program then its time to start! A 'Terrific Kids' program requires only a few hundred dollars and

there are 9,000 Primary Schools in Australia to choose from. By the third year of the Terrific Kids involvement you will have established your club's credentials. Then is the time to seek a member for your club from the school community.

Approach the Schools and say "We have enjoyed our relationship with you over the past two years and we know you appreciate what we have brought to your school. To keep this relationship going forward we would like one of your Faculty or Parent group to join our Kiwanis Club"

After 5 years Clubs which have followed this plan will have 9 new members. These new members will be from 9 different schools, each with a wide range of experiences and interests. They also bring with them new contacts for your club.

## Helpful Hints

1. Adapt a Strategy to suit your own needs but keep the essential principles intact. ie Establish your credentials well before you expect new members. Play the numbers game. ie You need only 9 Schools out of 9,000 and one

Parent/Teacher out of 500.

2. Consider where your Club is right now. If you have established Terrific Kids Programs you may be at Year 2 or Year 3 already.

3. Be Strategic in everything you do. For example – target a recently retired Parent Committee President as your new member – you could get a K Club President/Lt. Governor in the making.



### Actions Year One

Establish Terrific Kids Programs at 3 Schools A, B & C

**That is all that is required in Year 1**



### Actions Year Two

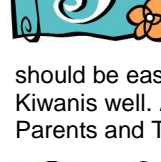
Establish Terrific Kids Programs at 3 Schools D, E & F

**That is all that is required in Year 2**



### Actions Year Three

1. Establish Terrific Kids Programs at 3 more schools G, H & J



2. Approach schools A, B & C for a member from each as described above. This sale should be easy to close. After two years the School will know Kiwanis well. At every school there will be on average 500 Parents and Teachers. WE only need one to join.



### Actions Year Four

**Only one action is required this year.**

Approach the Schools D, E & F for one member from each



### Actions Year Five

**Only one action is required this year.**

Approach the Schools G, H & J for one member from each.



Pictured - another proud Terrific Kids family at Paradise School. From the Athelstone "Gorge Gazette"

Athelstone continues with Terrific Kids Programs at Para Vista and Paradise Primary Schools. It is the intent of Athelstone Board to extend the program, together with Bringing Up Grades (BUG) in our area this year.



# Growth Program



This message was directed to Governor Spencer Harding but clearly Governor Spencer cannot do all of these things on his own in the vast Australia District.

He and I as District Growth Chairman need your help to grow our membership right now. We are now down to the final six months of this administrative year in which to get our membership above 1,000 members.

**Clear and unequivocal statements from the Kiwanis International Board have said that Districts below the 1,000 member level at September 30, 2009 will lose their District Status.**

**We are one of those critically positioned Districts. We will lose our District status if we don't act NOW.**

**Please take up the challenges laid out below by International President Don Canaday.**

*Graham Mould,*

*Chair Australia District Growth*

*2008 -2009*

**International President Don Canaday** has designating May as Membership Month. He sent this message to all Governors.

"While membership should be a focus for us every month in Kiwanis, I call on governors to place special emphasis on membership in May, membership month for Kiwanis.

We need to grow and the children and communities we serve need us to grow.

**So I challenge you** to think about how you recruit members. Are you talking to school principals, administrators, mayors, friends and neighbors? Do you follow through with prospective members?

**I challenge you** to look for people with Kiwanis hearts, men and women willing to share their time, talent and treasure for the benefit of others. There are millions of them out there who need us to invite them to become Kiwanis members.

**I challenge you** to think about building loyalty. In these busy times, what is your member retention strategy? Do you have one?

**I challenge you** to renew your members. Are your meeting times convenient? Are your meetings interesting and fun? Are your service projects relevant and do they make a difference?

**I challenge you** to fundraise so that you can help children in need. In times such as these, we need to continue to find ways to give more and more often.

**I challenge you** to use every tool in your membership toolbox, and to think about other things you can do. Invite a potential member to lunch, or plan a cookout for a few of your Kiwanis friends and invite people you think would be outstanding Kiwanians.

**The challenge belongs to us all** to grow Kiwanis so we can keep the promises for children and communities today and tomorrow."

*Yours in Kiwanis Service,*

*Don Canaday.*

*International President*

## CANDL

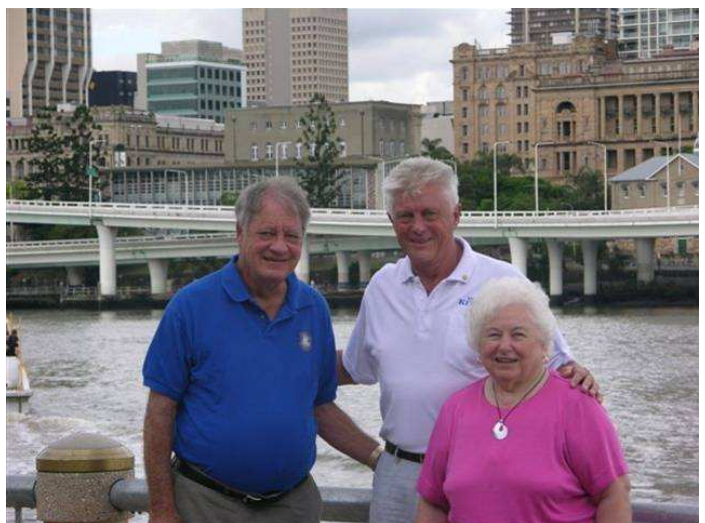
The Brisbane Kiwanis Club was recently honoured to be able to welcome the founders of the "CANDL Foundation" from America. Dr. Louis Brown and wife Carolyn who joined two of our members for the day and we were able to show them some of our City.

What is the CANDL Foundation? Well that is the name chosen by these two remarkable and caring people to launch their Foundation and distribute "The Phonics Phone" Kiwanis Program across America.

**Why CANDL?** Quite simple really, take C out of Carolyn and L out of Louis, join them with 'an' and then you have the name of a foundation that has put over 1,000,000 (no I did not stutter) of these simple and so very clever devices into American schools to help "Young Children".

Louis is a 23yr perfect attendance member of the Huntsville Kiwanis Club in Alabama and thanks to his generosity the Kiwanis Club of Brisbane has been producing the Phonic Phone and putting them in to schools in the Brisbane area. Louis arranged for every Club in America to receive a Phonics Phone kit and the clubs were given instructions on how to implement this

program in to schools all over America and the rest is history. Louis and Carolyn are two of the nicest people you could ever wish to meet and Brisbane Kiwanis was blessed with the knowledge these two people passed on to us.



Above: Louis Brown, Pat McKinney, Brisbane Kiwanis Club Vice President, and Carolyn Brown

Information on the Phonic Phone can be obtained from the Kiwanis Club of Brisbane.

*Ivan Bell, Brisbane Kiwanis Club*

# UPDATE: Kiwanis Timor Dairy Project



In the October 2008 Australian Kiwanian Peter Cecil reported on progress with the Salesian Dairy Project in Timor Leste after he visited it with Peter Kimberley and retired dairy farmers Brendon Read and Robyn Tomkins in June last year.

Again on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2009 a Kiwanis team is travelling to Timor and on to the Fuloro Agricultural College. The travelling team comprises Brendon Read, Robyn Tomkins, Kevin and Michael Wood.

Their objectives at Fuloro are to: re-establish contacts with the new College Rector Fr Jose (who has replaced Fr Manuel Ximines), assess the state of the Dairy Farm and make urgent "repairs" as necessary, agree the critical elements of strategies for pasteurisation, irrigation and herd breeding, conduct a stock-take of supplies and a shopping list of needs and other tasks as required

On 25<sup>th</sup> May Peter Kimberley and Peter Cecil will travel to Dili. In Dili they will meet with Land O'Lakes personnel, AVI Representatives, AUSAID personnel, our Salesian colleagues and Timor Government Officials from the Department of Agriculture. Our Objectives from these meeting are to:

- attempt to gain medium/longer term commitments of other parties to the Dairy Project
- progress rapidly the Recruitment and Appointment of a Farm/Dairy Farm Manager.

Brendon and Robyn and Fr Jose will join our Dili meeting with AVI on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>, where the focus will be the Farm Manager appointment. As we have previously reported the appointment of a full-time on-the-spot hands-on Manager is critical to the Project.

Peter Kimberley, May 2009

# UPDATE: HeartKids - Project Gecho



Above is Prof Jonathon Carapetis (Head of the Menzies School of Health Research) checking a child's heart.

Below is echocardiogram technician Joshua Sher from Cabrini Hospital Melbourne helping the team in the NT.



Project Gecho—Getting every child's heart OK!

Kiwanis Australia is one of a number of sponsors of this program. We have promised \$25,000 this year—the second of a two year commitment.

The Menzies School Of Health Research is on schedule with Project Gecho looking at the hearts of children to ascertain the degree of rheumatic heart problems. This Rheumatic Heart Screening Project, in the NT, is checking the hearts of 2000 young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in remote communities and 500 urban children. The aim is to identify children with early RHD, before they are sick when prevention works best.

This screening is well underway. Children in Darwin as well as those at Borroloola and Galiwinku in the Top End and schools at Yipirinya, Sadedeen and Santa Teresa in the central Area (Alice Springs) have been visited by the Menzies School of Health Teams.

## Kiwanis International Australia District

### 41<sup>st</sup> Annual District Convention      GEELONG, VICTORIA



**Convention Dates** 20 August - 23 August 2009

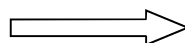
**Convention Venue** West Town Hall, Pakington Street, West Geelong

**Hosted by Kiwanis Club of Geelong**

## Convention Theme **Come Discover The Difference**

A snapshot of the Convention experience:

- The Committee's objective is to keep all costs to a minimum and retain the quality, standard and value of the Convention
- Registration will be streamlined for more manageable options.
- Bus Tours available
- Saturday night theme: 1935-1945 era (Bring your family and friends)
- Information Forums/Workshop
- Fun and Fellowship
- Quality catering
- Information sharing
- Emphasis on Kiwanis protocols and traditions – Bring your club banner
- Thanksgiving Service
- Sightseeing
- Courtesy bus from designated accommodation points to and from convention venue



There are Club incentives for attending convention – register 5 to 10 members and the club earns a 10% rebate of the registration fees paid by your members. Register 11 or more members your rebate increases to 20% of fees paid by your members (up to 20 members) These funds are a donation to your club for supporting convention 09.

Convention prices are on the Aust. Kiwanis web page

### Registration Forms.

A detailed Registration Form is now available and copies have been sent to all Club Secretaries. The form is available on line at Kiwanis Australia web site [www.kiwanis.org.au](http://www.kiwanis.org.au)

or email us at [neumannsn@optusnet.com.au](mailto:neumannsn@optusnet.com.au) and we will email you a copy

For much more information see [www.kiwanis.org.au](http://www.kiwanis.org.au) then click on 'Geelong 2009'

# Kiwanis Milestones



Serving the  
Children  
of the World



- 1915: The birthday of Kiwanis. Detroit: The first Club received its Charter
- 1916: First Kiwanis Club formed outside the US, Hamilton Ontario, Canada.
- 1924: Kiwanians adopted the name "Kiwanis International" and the six objects at the 1924 Convention in Denver, Colorado.
- 1967: First Kiwanis Club in Australia 2nd October, 1967, Kiwanis Club of Melbourne organized. (Organisation date is the official 'birthday' of a Kiwanis Club.)
- 1987: Delegates at the International Convention vote to admit women to membership. Our lady members now number more than 52,000
- 1992: Kiwanis International adopts its first 'Worldwide service Project.'
- 2005: Motto changed from 'We Build' to 'Serving the Children of the World'
- "Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child one community at a time."

## How do you become a Life Member?

# Life Members

Nominees must have been in Kiwanis for a minimum of three years before being proposed for life member status. Nomination for life member status usually comes from the club, division or district in which the nominee is a member, and is usually in recognition of

Any Kiwanian holding active, senior or privileged membership may be granted "Life Member Status" by making a one time payment of 15 times the International Dues. The members club does then not have to pay further International Dues for that member. Life member status is in force only while the member is a member of an affiliated Kiwanis Club.

Members enjoying Life Member Status in the Australia District include: *Former Life Members are shown in italics;*

**(from the Australia District Honours Booklet January 2009)**

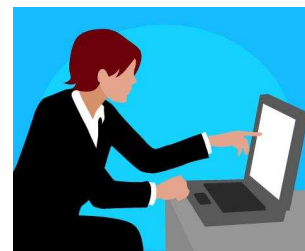
*Russell Allsop, Dennis Anderson, Raleigh Armstrong, Geoffrey Arnold, Bill Attwood, Ron Baldry, Ian Barrow, Brian Bashford, Peter Best, Harold Bennett, Brian Bergin, John Bird, H.C. Bottroff, Graham Brown, Murray Brown, Peter Cameron, Wallace Cameron, Peter Cattrall, John Adams, Peter Cecil, Ronald Clark, Chris Clayton, Barry Cleland, Peter Cownley, Harold Cox, Louis D'Amore, Edward Davis, John Dearman, Peter Dyer, Robert Elliot, Brian Emery, John Eyre, Des Fagan, John Fife, Ken Farmer OAM, Michael Flavel, Ken Foggo, Norman Ford, Frank Fotiades, Robert Funnell, Keith Furze, Michael Gallagher, Ian Gibb, Kerry Gillespie, Alan Gordon, William Haberfield, Bruce Harman, Owen Harris, Phillip Hatchard, Maurice Hawes, Glen Hazlewood, Michelle Henderson, Geoff Hergt, Brian Hicks, Geoff Hill, Geoff Holmes, Victor Hugo, Murdie Inglis, Bryan Ingram, John Jenkins, Ronald Johnson, Maurie Johnston, Brian Jolliffe, Gavan Jones, Graham Killian, Robert Kirby, Ted Kitto, Peter Langston, Bill Lees, Graeme Little, George Loch, Allan Lord, William Malloy, Angus McFarlane, Duncan MacKenzie, Ian McLeish, Peter Mann, Ed Maskiell, Bob May, George McLellan, Alan Meathrel, David Mercer, Bruce Miller, Derek Mitchell, Ken Muir, Ray Murphy, John Neville, Michael Newman, Adrian Nichols, Peter O'Keefe, John Osborne, Ray Packer, Brian Paliness, G Ray Peek, Geoff Peirce, Max Pell, Ian Perdriau AM, Geoff Peters, Murray Phillips, Ed Piggott, Neil Purbrick, William Potter, Jim Rae, Frank Reardon, John Rowell, Stewart Russell, Leigh Salter, George Santos, Quentin Schulze, Gordon Scorgie, Ray Segal, Dom Segrafredo, Kenneth Shanks, Graham Shevlin, Geoffrey Sibley, John Skinner, Bryen Smith, Phillip Smyth, Richard Stonehouse, Bill Thomas, Robert N Thompson, Graham Trist, Alex Trotter, Trevor Tschirpig, Donald Walker, Lionel Whalan, Bryan Williams, Rod Williamson, Frederick Wilson, Len Winnell, Robert Wyld OAM, Harry Young, Peter Zander*

Note from the editor: This and previous editions are available to view or download at [www.kiwanis.org.au](http://www.kiwanis.org.au) Thank you to the members who contributed to this edition. I look forward to receiving news and articles for the following edition.

The next issue of the Australian Kiwanian will be prepared in time for the Board of Trustees Meeting at the District Convention, Geelong August 2009.

DEADLINE is Monday 10th August 2009

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