

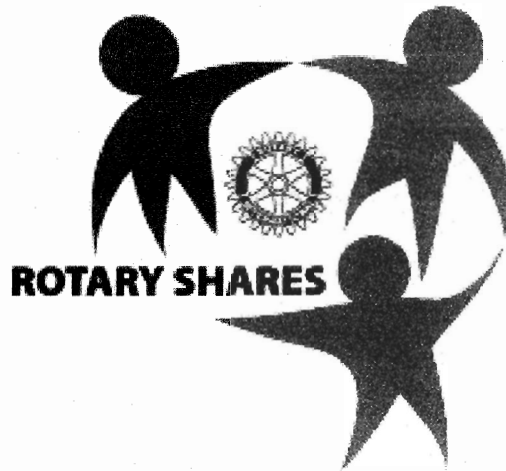
**ROTARY CLUB
OF
CAMBERWELL INCORPORATED**

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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 9800

ANNUAL REPORT

2007/2008



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PRESIDENTS REPORT

I would like to thank the Club for giving me the opportunity to lead you over the past twelve months. It has given me a new perspective on Rotary and I would recommend to all members that they aspire to be Club President at some stage in their Rotary membership.

The Club has achieved a balanced program of projects and I would like to thank all the Directors and their committee members for their efforts in achieving this. The projects are detailed in the individual committee reports.

At the start of the year my plan was to increase the Clubs membership, look for a major project and support Rotary Foundation.

We have been fortunate to have eleven new members join this year and it is most encouraging that some of these new members are young. Early in the year the membership committee invited Jenny Coburn, Zone 8 Membership Chairman, to run a Club Health check. The result of this health check saw the formation of the Continuous Improvement Committee, resulting in the Club changing its meeting procedures to make the Club viable for the changing generations. Other initiatives from the membership committee have been to encourage more female members to join and to involve the younger members in a community service project of their choice. I would like to thank Secretary, Mike Pavey, for his work on the Club Web Site which has led to some of the new members joining and to those members who have brought guests along. Murray Dance has provided an excellent selection of guest speakers to ensure members are enjoying the Club meetings.

The Club has supported Rotary Foundation with a donation of \$ 10,000.00 and through certificates presented to guest speakers, where a donation of \$100 to Foundation is made. This has resulted in a further donation to Foundation of \$2500.

At the time of writing the major project which has been identified is the Eva Tilley Centre however a Club vote will not be taken till the 11th. June. The Centre has undertaken a major building project to expand and upgrade its facilities at a cost of 15 million dollars and has launched an appeal to raise 1 million dollars for furnishing and other necessities. A Club cheque for \$30,000.00 will be presented to the Centre on the 11th. June. The money will be used to furnish ten of the new rooms.

I have had the pleasure of awarding Paul Harris Fellowships to Patrick Cunniffe, Don Fotheringham, Gordon Duxbury, Peter Pratt, Councillor Phillip Healey and Alan Lorenzini for their contributions to Rotary and in Gordon's case, Guide Dogs Australia and Apex, and Phillip, for his work in forming Boroondara Cares. Past President of Rotary International, Royce Abbey, attended our meeting to present awards in his name to Jim O'Hara and David A. Baker. Once again congratulations to Peter Allen on receiving the award of Boroondara Citizen of the Year. Peter is an outstanding Rotarian and the award is well deserved.

There have been many highlights over the year.

My thanks to Don Fotheringham and his committee for an excellent Business of Winning luncheon where the funds raised are combined with funds from the Australian Rotary Health Research Fund to sponsor research into youth suicide.

Jon Oppy and his committee are to be congratulated on raising the standard of our Art Show and ensuring the Club committees have funds to put towards projects in the next year. It has been a positive gain to have signed a Heads of Agreement with the City of Boroondara covering their sponsorship and the Club's responsibilities with regards to the Art Show.

Boroondara Cares and the assistance that has resulted to the drought stricken citizens of the Shire of Moira has proven an outstanding project. The Rotary Clubs in the City of Boroondara and the Shire of Moira have all participated in a positive manner. Our Club has provided the governance for the regular meetings of the participants as well as sponsoring the Night with the Stars at Katunga Reserve before Christmas, followed by a return visit earlier this year and more recently the sponsorship of a harness race meeting at Cobram. We have also assisted some of the other Clubs with provision of Christmas puddings and rice. My thanks to Peter Allen, Don Jago, Ian Feder, Warwick Heil and Honorary Member, Phillip Healey, for their contributions to this project.

The Club provided manpower for District Assembly held at LaTrobe University in May. Richard Gray supported by Alan Lorenzini and John Phillips led our organising team in a capable fashion and ensured things went smoothly on the day.

Some 14 members and wives attended District Conference in Shepparton. It was an enjoyable Conference despite the high temperatures. My thanks to Rob and Glenda Davies for their work in running an excellent pre Conference tour and making accommodation bookings for our group. The Club dinner at Monichino winery was certainly a highlight of the year for the scrumptious home cooked Italian meal.

Fellowship is the strength of Rotary. We have enjoyed a variety of functions, from Club dinners without guest speakers, informal dinner parties amongst members, the Club Christmas function and the children's Christmas party, the bar-b-que at the Guide Dogs Centre and the Art Show wind up dinner to name a few. I would also like to thank Jeny for her support in providing the morning teas for the wives and partners. Our Club is fortunate to have an almoner and I wish to record my thanks to Gerry Lavender for his work in this regard. The Club trialled several alternate venues during the year. The end result is that none proved suitable and we will work with the Rotary Club of Canterbury on updates and improvements to our current venue.

In concluding may I thank you all for your support during my year as President and wish incoming President, Neil Hookey, a successful and enjoyable year.

Peter Matthews

President

2007 - 2008

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Club was held at the Canterbury Centre on 28th November 2007 in accordance with Incorporation requirements.

Appointments

The following officers of the Club were elected for the 2008/2009 year:

President Elect:	Dennis Coleman
Secretary:	Ron Lear
Treasurer:	Frank Leigh
Fund Raising Chairman:	Jonathon Oppy
Club Directors:	Karen Nolan, Don Fotheringham and John Phillips

Ongoing Club Directors were confirmed as Graeme Hope, Richard O'Brien and David A Baker

Club Annual Report

Secretary Michael Pavey tabled the Annual report for 2006/2007.

Club Accounts

The audited Financial Statements for the period ending 30 June 2007 were tabled and received.

Board Meetings

Twelve (12) regular Board meetings were held during the year, as well as additional meetings as required.

District Governors Visit

The District Governor, John Davis made his official visit to the Club on 24th August 2007. The Assistant Governor Keith Ryall, made his official visit on 4th July 2007.

Membership

As at June 2008, the club had 66 Active members, 4 Life members and 9 Honorary members.

During the year we lost members Peter Dyson, Walter Fawcett, Ivan Andolfatto, Bill Feltham, Stephanie Reynolds and Paul Sullivan and short time member Andrew Tulloch.

We also sadly lost Honorary Member Alan Stacey, Past President and Paul Harris Fellow following an illness.

We welcomed new members: Greg Cuthbert, Floyd Gomes, Nathalie Gomes, Richard Stewart, Darren Saunderson, Nick Pane, Luke White, Richard Balsillie and Fabienne Nichola as new members.

Attendance

The average attendance for the year was 73.21% compared with 75.86% in the previous year.

To the best of my knowledge, all statutory and required District and Rotary International reports and returns were submitted appropriately.

Constitution and Bylaws

At a meeting on 26th March 2008 a special resolution was passed by a majority of members to adopt new Rules and Constitution and accompanying Bylaws for the Rotary Club of Camberwell. This was in response to a new RI Constitution which we as a club are required to adopt as well as the opportunity to update the Constitution and Rules in a more standardised form, but reflects the way the Club operates.

My thanks to Past President Gary Goldsmith for his assistance and guidance in the acceptance of the new Rules. Also those members who took the time and interest in providing questions and comments on the changes which assist in the strength of the final version.

The new Rules and Constitution have been approved by Consumer Affairs Victoria effective from 17th June 2008.

I wish to record my thanks and appreciation to Ian Bentley for assisting me during the year, particularly his meticulous keeping of minutes at Board meetings and preparation of agenda.

A record of thanks and appreciation is also extended to Ken and Norma Heyes who assisted in the finalisation of the Club Directory and with whose help, the completion of the Directory would not have been possible.

Michael Pavey

Secretary

TREASURERS REPORT

Financial Accounts - Balance Sheet of Charity Fund as at 30th June 2008

Assets				
National Bank Accounts				
Club Charity Call Account				\$ 172,906.35
Art Show General Account			\$ 1,484.42	
Art Show Call Account			\$ 76,943.21	
Artist Payment Account			\$ 23.74	\$ 78,451.37
Art Show Sponsor Debtors				\$ 9,593.50
Acquired Paintings (WDV)				\$ 13,734.00
Prepayments				\$275.00
			Total Assets	\$ 274,960.22
Liabilities				
GST			\$ 16,706.59	
Accruals			\$ 3,200.00	
Retained Funds				
Opening Balance - 1st July 2007		\$ 252,016.00		
Art Show Surplus for 2008	\$ 110,328.28			
Bank Interest Earned	\$ 8,285.91			
BOW Luncheon receipts	\$ 22,241.48			
Sundry other income	\$ 1,049.81	\$ 141,905.48		
	Sub Total	\$ 393,921.48		
Less outgoings				
Funds spent by various Committees		\$ 138,867.85		
(as per detailed sheet enclosed)				
		\$ 255,053.63	\$ 255,053.63	
			\$ 274,960.22	
			Total Liabilities	\$ 274,960.22

Financial Accounts – Income & Expenditure up to 30th June 2008

Club Income			
Subscriptions		\$ 15,102.45	
Surplus on Meals		\$ 3,365.30	
Weekly Share of Levy		\$ 706.87	
Sundries		\$ 439.64	\$ 19,614.26
Less outgoings			
District & RI Subs.	\$ 1,848.56		
Audit Fees	\$ 3,698.30		
President's Allowance	\$ 2,000.00		
Print. & Stationery	\$ 1,408.26		
Sundries	\$ 1,722.65		
Badges	\$ 636.90		
Postages	\$ 439.25		
I.T.			
Costs	\$ 280.00		\$ 22,033.92
		Club Operating DEFICIT	-\$ 2,419.66
Sunshine Account			
Function Surpluses		\$ 3,178.05	
Surplus on Beverages		\$ 1,437.53	
Raffle		\$ 2,023.21	
Fines		\$ 889.98	
Sundries		\$ 225.50	
	Sub Total	\$ 7,754.27	
	Less Fellowship Expenses	\$ 2,747.27	
		Sunshine SURPLUS	\$ 5,007.00
	Club SURPLUS for Twelve Months to 30th June 2008		\$ 2,587.34
	Balance of Funds - 30th June 2007	\$ 8,055.00	
Plus			
	Excess for 12 months to 30th June 2008	\$ 2,587.34	
	Members' Club Equity as at 30th June 2008	\$ 10,642.34	

Notes

Function Surplus in Sunshine Account is inflated by \$1600.00 from last year. Funds were not recorded or banked till December 2007.

Audit Fees were not accrued in last year's accounts.

hence high figure this year.

Financial Accounts – Income & Expenditure Statement
Rotary Herald Sun 2008 Art Show

Income		
Door Receipts	\$	64,643.41
Raffle	\$	5,871.00
Parking	\$	939.00
Interest Received	\$	5,414.77
Commission	\$	122,598.82
Sponsors	\$	56,928.00
Artist Entries	\$	54,067.81
Preview Function	\$	11,328.71
Sundries	\$	1,553.08
Total Income		\$ 323,344.60
Expenditure		
Advertising	\$	14,835.09
Audit Fees	\$	2,928.91
Bank Charges	\$	5,248.71
Computer Expenses	\$	5,080.00
Display Stand Hire	\$	27,172.30
Freight & Storage	\$	1,225.00
Hall Rental	\$	42,572.18
Insurance	\$	3,368.75
Judging & Demonstration	\$	3,290.75
Mailing Expenses	\$	9,038.86
Member Refreshments	\$	3,807.39
Preview Function	\$	16,209.09
Prizes	\$	53,454.55
Printing & Stationery	\$	20,499.25
Sundry Costs	\$	2,079.63
Telephone	\$	626.91
Commission Paid	\$	1,578.95
Total Expenditure	\$	213,016.32
Excess of Income over Expenditure	\$	110,328.28

GST has been removed from all figures.

Financial Accounts – Charity Funds Expended up to 30th June 2008

Community Service			
Eva Tilley Homes		\$	30,000.00
ARHRF - Youth Suicide Grant		\$	18,400.00
Boroondara Cares (Moirra Shire)			
RC Cobram - Evening with Stars	\$ 5,883.25		
RC Cobram - Sponsorship of Trots	\$ 9,880.00		
RC Kew - Re Moira	\$ 2,000.00	\$	17,763.25
Cystic Fibrosis		\$	9,000.00
BASS Centre		\$	5,000.00
Boroondara Family & Foundation		\$	3,000.00
Echuca - Christmas Hamper		\$	1,426.00
Sir Edward Dunlop Foundation		\$	1,000.00
St Johns Ambulance		\$	500.00
Immune Deficiency		\$	500.00
Handbag Security Brochure		\$	250.00
Total		\$	86,839.25
		\$	86,839.25
Vocational			
Echuca Moama Beacon Fund		\$	5,000.00
Maria McGrath		\$	2,825.00
Matthew Lee - Bert Stevens Award		\$	1,000.00
Ben Dixon - Bert Stevens Award		\$	1,000.00
Pride of Workmanship		\$	60.50
Peter Allen - Frames for Awards		\$	35.90
Total		\$	9,921.40
		\$	9,921.40
International			
Rotary Foundation		\$	10,000.00
Shelter Boxes		\$	4,800.00
Julie Sales - Katebo Project		\$	4,500.00
Rotary Int - Polio Plus		\$	2,500.00
RC Essendon - Royce Abbey Awards		\$	2,320.00
RI Water Grant Received		-\$	2,000.00
Rotary Foundation - re Polio Plus		\$	1,250.00
Rotary Against Malaria		\$	1,000.00
Total		\$	24,370.00
		\$	24,370.00
New Generations			
University Tuition - Eade and Bowes		\$	7,114.50
Friday Night School		\$	5,000.00
Camberwell High School		\$	2,000.00
National Summer School		\$	1,250.00
Youth Employment - Video Camera		\$	1,005.45
RYLA		\$	610.00
Freight on Product to Solomon Islands		\$	409.75
RYPEN		\$	247.50
Youth Exchange		\$	100.00
Total		\$	17,737.20
		\$	17,737.20
		Club Total	\$ 138,867.85

Financial Accounts – Business of Winning Luncheon 2007

Statement of Income and Expenditure			
Project Revenue			
Rate per head			
Guests - paying	354		
Guests - gratis	7		
Total booked guests	361	\$	35,400.00
Add sponsor (Expo Hire)		\$	2,500.00
Less Uncollectable (2x\$100)		-\$	200.00
Total project income		\$	37,700.00
Less Catering costs			
Meal rate per head			
Drinks rate per head (Hotel)			
Total cost per guest	\$ 65.93		
Total Catering		-\$	23,800.00
Gross surplus		\$	13,900.00
Less other function costs			
Audio Visual Services		-\$	3,553.00
Band fee		\$	-
Meal for band and volunteers		\$	-
Valet parking for talent		-\$	76.00
Printing		-\$	800.00
Stationery (Expo Hire)		-\$	432.76
Gifts for on stage talent		-\$	200.00
Total other costs		-\$	5,061.76
Function surplus		\$	8,838.24
Add raffle proceeds	\$ 4,700.00		
Less raffle costs	-\$ 50.00		
Total Raffle		\$	4,650.00
Add Auction proceeds	\$ 7,680.00		
Less Auction costs	\$ -		
Total Auction		\$	7,680.00
Add donations		\$	860.00
		\$	21,168.24
GST adjustment		\$	-
Total event surplus		\$	21,168.24

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Members Ian Feder (Chair), Warwick Heil (Deputy), Geoff heath, Richard Gray, Karen Nolan, Pierre Kreigler, Alan Lorenzini

BUDGET \$96,500 – The total funds disbursed by the Committee was \$88,909.

PROJECTS

Cystic Fibrosis Victoria – Research Project - Funding continued in 2007/08, \$9000. Researcher Susannah King provided an update on her work.

Business of Winning Luncheon – 2007 - Funds raised directed to the Youth Suicide Research Project.

ARHRF-ORYGEN Youth Suicide Research Project - Payments of \$18,500 made. Researcher Jo Robinson was Speaker at meeting in November, presenting a project update.

New agreement was signed, for a 3rd year, enabling a pilot scheme to be carried out at Camberwell High School for training of Resources Staff in counselling and identification of pupils. This project will finish by December 2008.

Foodbank – Bendigo – The Bendigo warehouse opened 25th February 2009. Funding now received from State Government and the Ian Potter Foundation.

Sir Edward Dunlop Medical Foundation – Donation of \$1000 provided.

Foundation Boroondara – Donation of \$2,000, used for 4 projects - Manresa Care, Alamein Neighbourhood & Learning Centre, Wesley Do Care, and Alamein Neighbourhood Centre.

Camberwell Area Projects – Donation of \$1300 made enabling Senior Citizens of Hawthorn, Kew & Camberwell Clubs to visit Cobram Trots on Thursday 8th May (Boroondara Cares project). Considerable discussions took place with Boroondara Volunteer Resource Centre, no conclusion.

Eva Tilley Hostel / Home Rebuilding Appeal – A major project, with a possible donation of \$90,000 over 3 years.

The committee approved donations of \$30,000 per year for each of 3 years to Eva Tilley Memorial Homes for equipment and furniture and that a suitable plaque be displayed indicating that RC Camberwell provided this equipment. Visits and discussions were made to Eva Tilley re equipment or furniture or a Snoozelen Centre which assists tactile senses. Final decision was for equipment and furniture. Discussion took place re 2nd & 3rd year funding at Club Forum meeting, 11/06/08. Presentation of cheque, \$30,000, to Eva Tilley CEO also occurred at this meeting.

Portsea Camp – Working Bee, Five Camberwell persons attended, who enjoyed good fellowship. Maintenance work carried out. About 70 persons assisted including other Rotary, Apex & Lions Clubs.

Boroondara Cares – Assisting distress in the farming communities in the Moira Shire. The then Boroondara Mayor, Cr Philip Healey initiated this project along with Peter Allen and four other Camberwell Rotarians. The committee now involves 8 Boroondara and 4 Moira Shire Rotary Clubs plus Boroondara City and Moira Shire Staff. Initial need was for people to visit and talk to country people.

Camberwell RC assisted in the first function, 'An Evening Under The Stars' on October 31st at Katunga, in the Moira Shire, providing funds for amusements, entertainment and food. Approximately 400 Moira residents and 65 Boroondara Rotarians and friends attended. Jeff Kennett was the eminent Speaker and very well received, as was the whole event. Local TV and Press coverage occurred. Cost was \$5,883 plus contributions from supporters. Camberwell RC organised a return Moira visit, February, 4th to 6th, visiting farmers on their properties to hear and see their problems - a very enlightening experience.

A Social Evening was changed to the Cobram Harness Racing Club (Trots) meeting on 8th May. Reports on the Trotting meeting at Cobram, are positive, again with local media and Sky TV coverage. Funds for amusements, entertainment, prizes and food was provided. Next years meeting on Monday 11th May has been put into the calendar with preparations already under way.

A submission re BC has been made to the District 9800 Awards committee. Peter Allen kindly authored the submission for me and the committee.

A donation of \$1000 for rice to Moira Shire Foodshare was made, also \$1000 towards Christmas puddings/cakes to needy Moira residents.

Total funds disbursed for Boroondara Cares was \$18,535.

Other activities are through 'twinning' in the areas of Schools, Churches, Sporting clubs, Rice supply, Children's visits to city events, Holiday camps, Farmers' market, Social evenings, Barramine gift, and City to Shire 'twinning'. For more extensive information and updates see the web site:- www.boroodaracares.com

Blood Pressure Awareness – Conducted on Friday 26th October at Pulse Pharmacy in Burke Rd Camberwell, 3 Rotarians assisted, 39 persons had their blood pressure tested.

Christmas Hampers, Echuca/Moama Residents – Christmas puddings were sent to the value of \$1425.

Christmas Cake/Puddings/Shortbread Sales – Six cartons of six cakes/puddings/shortbread were sold to Camberwell Rotarians.

Boroondara Family Network – A donation of \$1000 was made.

Immune Deficient KIDS Foundation – A donation of \$500 was made to fund a child to a repeat Children's Christmas Show for those children unable to attend the original show in December due to their illness or treatment. This enabled 5 Children plus their Carer to attend the additional Christmas Show in January.

Handbag Security Brochure - \$250 was provided to cover the cost of this publication for distribution to shoppers.

St John Ambulance – Following a Speaker earlier in the year, a donation of \$500 was made.

Thanks to the Committee for their efforts during the year, in particular Warwick Heil re Boroondara Cares.

Ian Feder

Chair Community Service 2007 - 2008

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORT

Members

Richard O'Brien (chair)

Don Jago (Foundation)

Patrick Cunniffe (extended leave of absence)

David Loftus (extended leave of absence)

Malcolm Munro

Jim O'Hara

Stephanie Reynolds (resigned from club)

Greg Cuthbert

Darren Sanderson

Luke White

The committee met regularly throughout the year; however attendance was spasmodic due to members' many and various other personal commitments. Our first meeting of the Rotary Year was spent discussing general ideas – suitable or possible types of project to which we could commit. The Committee agreed that projects to be supported should meet most, if not all, of the following criteria:

- There should be a clear and well-defined need for the project (as described by the intended recipient(s);
- The project should contain a strong humanitarian element (provision of food, water, shelter, education, health facilities, etc);
- The project should deliver a long-term sustainable benefit;
- As much of the equipment and supplies needed should be purchased locally, to keep shipping costs to a minimum;
- The project should satisfy the requirements for matching grants wherever possible, to maximize the use of our funds;
- The work carried out should be checked by a local Rotary club or Liaison Officer;
- Any auditing and reporting procedures should be able to be met.

Standing Obligations

There were two standing obligations to be met:

- A donation to the Rotary Foundation District Fund (for this year \$10000) – this money is invested by Foundation for three years and the money is then made available to the District to support both Educational and Humanitarian programs by means of matching grants;
- A donation of \$100 to Foundation for each guest speaker (a total of \$2,500 for the year).

The Committee agreed strongly that funds should be committed to on-going Rotary projects such as RAM and Polio Plus Partners, and that other projects that should be looked at included education, Donations in Kind, Micro-loans, and Adopt a Village.

Budget

The initial budget put to and approved by the Board is shown in Table 1.

Table 1: Proposed budget of the International Service Committee for 2007-2008

		Budgeted
		(AUD)
1	Rotary Foundation - Club donation on behalf of members	10,000
2	Rotary Foundation - Guest Speaker Donations [\$100/speaker]	2,500
3	Polio Plus & Polio Plus Partners	2,500
4	Katebo School, Uganda	7,500
5	R.A.W.C.S.	6,000
6	Royce Abbey Awards Program	3,000
7	Solomon Islands Projects	6,500
8	Micro Credit Loan Program	5,000
9	R.A.M.	1,000
10	Sundry Projects to be identified/adopted [Contingency Sum]	6,000
	Total	<u>50,000</u>

RAWCS supports a wide range of projects, and it was decided to look for a suitable project within the RWACS umbrella.

It was felt that the micro-loan project would be applicable to a large number of communities.

During the year a project in the Philippines (Bicol) was brought to our attention via RAWCS and the Rotary Club of Brighton Beach.

Specific projects

Special Development School – Honiara, Solomon Islands

The Solomon Islands proposal was the result of a project carried out several years ago and the Special Development School in Honiara. Plans included repairs to fencing and buildings, and provision of teaching aids such as computers.

Considerable difficulty was encountered in attempting to set up a clear communication process with the intended recipient. The Rotary Club of Honiara also indicated that they were unhappy with the way in which the intended recipient had spent money allocated to previous projects. Finally, it was decided to leave this project until next year and then to commence by approaching the Rotary Club of Honiara and asking which projects they felt were worthy of support.

Katebo School – Katebo, Uganda

The Katebo School proposal in Uganda resulted from work done by a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar, Professor Peter Sale, in Katebo, and identification by his wife, Julie Sale, of the need to refurbish existing buildings at the village school and provide new buildings (toilets, kitchens, and classrooms), desks, exercise books, etc.

A Memorandum of Understanding was set up between the Rotary Club of Camberwell, Julie Sale and the Rotary Club of Kiwatule in Uganda. The planned work was divided into several stages. Funding of \$4500 was provided for the first stage which is completed. Work on the second stage is about to commence.

As a result of Professor Sale's work in Katebo, the Rotary Club of Lilydale established a project to assist with a series of agricultural programs in Katebo. When the two clubs realized that there would be considerable benefit in combining these projects, discussions were held between representatives of both clubs, and it was agreed to combine resources and proceed with an Adopt-A-Village approach. Plans include the work on the school, testing to find ways of improving soil condition and crop yields, provision of reliable, easily accessible drinking water supplies, and a micro-loan program.

The Board approved the forward commitment of funds for this project. It is intended that the project will run for approximately three to four years.

Philippines (Bicol)

During visits by Camberwell members to Brighton Beach and Brighton Beach members to Camberwell, details of the planned work program were provided by Brighton Beach representatives and discussions were held to explore the possibility of Camberwell providing funding support for this project. The area where the work is to be carried out has suffered severe cyclone damage in recent years and much work is needed to improve housing and water supplies. The Camberwell committee decided to proceed via a Letter of Intent to commit funding to the general project and to a micro-loan program, subject to suitable matching grants being approved. This letter of intent has been signed by representatives of the Rotary Club of Brighton Beach, and the Camberwell Board has approved the forward commitment of funds from this year's budget to this project. Again it is envisaged that the project will run for approximately three to four years. This project is intended to be carried out under the RAWCS umbrella.

Royce Abbey Awards

Rotarians Jim O'Hara and David A Baker were nominated for Royce Abbey Awards. This involved a donation of \$2000 (through the Rotary Foundation) to the Royce and Jean Abbey Cultural Ambassadorial Scholarship Program, which is available to young men and women in developing countries.

RAM (Rotary Against Malaria)

\$1,000 was donated to the RAM program. This program provides bed nets for use in areas where malaria is endemic. Recent reports indicate that this program has led to a significant reduction in the incidence of malaria in those areas where the nets have been made available.

Polio Plus and Polio Plus Partners

\$2,500 was allocated to this program, together with an application for matching grants. The success of this program has been reported to the club on several occasions by Past District Governor Don Jago. Polio is now considered a major health problem in only four countries. The donation of \$2500 on behalf of the guest speakers was also allocated to this program, again with an application for a matching grant.

Miscellaneous

Shelterbox

A donation of \$4800 dollars was made from the Contingency allocation to the Shelterbox program, to sponsor the purchase of four shelter boxes. These boxes were sent to Kenya.

Bideau Water Project – Dili

This project, which involved the purchase and installation of water tanks for the Orphanage had not been finalised in 2006-2007 due to difficulties in obtaining the necessary receipts for the purchase and installation of the tanks, and photographic evidence that the tanks had been installed. The documents were finally obtained, and the final report on this project has been forwarded to District.

Water Well Project - Sri Lanka

This project was supported by a private donation of \$3500.

Summary of Expenditure

A summary of the expenditure (including funds committed for 2008-2009) is given in Table 2. By year's end it is anticipated that \$47,030 will have been expended or committed to budgeted projects. This will leave a surplus of some \$3000 for next year.

Table 2: Expenditure by the International Service Committee for 2007-2008

	Budgeted	Spent	Committed
	(AUD)	(AUD)	(AUD)
Rotary Foundation - Club donation on behalf of members	10,000	10,000	
Rotary Foundation - Guest Speaker Donations [\$100/speaker]	2,500	2,500	
Polio Plus & Polio Plus Partners	2,500	2,500	
Katebo School, Uganda	7,500	4,500	8,000
R.A.W.C.S. (Bicol Project)	6,000		6,000
Royce Abbey Awards Program	3,000	2,320	
Solomon Islands Projects	6,500	410	
Micro Credit Loan Program	5,000		5,000
R.A.M.	1,000	1,000	
Sundry Projects to be identified/adopted [Contingency Sum]	6,000	4,800	
Total	<u>50,000</u>	<u>28,030</u>	<u>19,000</u>

Conclusion

In conclusion, it was good to welcome new members Greg. Cuthbert, Darren Saunderson and Luke White onto the Committee during the year and see them become involved in the Club's various projects. I also would like to express my most grateful thanks to all members for their contributions to the committee's work. It is pleasing to note that several larger projects in Africa and the Philippines will continue on for several years and provide meaningful assistance to many people in desperate need of physical and financial help. A very busy year has ended on a high note which augurs well for the incoming 2008-2009 committee.

Richard O'Brien

Chair International Service 2007-2008

VOCATIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Committee started off the Rotary year with a full complement of members all of whom displayed much interest in its work. Regrettably, the resignation as a member of the Club of the Deputy Chair shortly after the commencement of the year, the leave of absence of two other members, and the other Rotary commitments of a third coupled with the unavailability of a further two members reduced the Committee down (for much of the early part of the year) to a committee of two: Geoff McCormick (Chair) and Peter Anderson. Later on in the year, however, Bob Heinemann also joined the Committee.

Despite these membership constraints, the Committee considered and participated in over the year a number of Vocational projects.

Geoff McCormick and Don Jago have participated throughout the year in the Police Mentoring program whereby Rotary and business people jointly mentor senior Victoria Police officers. The program has been an outstanding success and is continuing again this Rotary year with PP Peter Matthews participating in addition.

In addition, together with Boxhill TAFE, and with the much appreciated assistance of Geoff Angus as the liaison person, two Bert Stevens Awards were made to apprentices in training at the TAFE. In a modification of the previous practice with these awards, the money that forms part of the award now goes direct to the awardees.

The other program which has given the Committee great satisfaction is supporting the Echuca Moama Beacon Foundation. This Foundation seeks to provide training for rural youth in such things as essential skills necessary to enter the job market. It has suffered a considerable reduction of financial support: businesses and charities based in Northern Victoria that had hitherto supported it being unable to provide support due to their own financial problems because the drought is cutting into their own income. The Foundation sought support from the larger Rotary Clubs in Melbourne and Camberwell stepped up to the plate with an initial donation of \$5000.00. This enabled the Foundation to run its workshops for the rest of the year when previously it was looking as though lack of finance would prevent it from doing so. The value of the work the Foundation does cannot be underestimated. And the gratitude with which the donation was received speaks volumes to the difficulties that the drought is causing and to the essential nature of the work that the Foundation does. Clearly there is an on-going role for Camberwell Rotary, not just restricted to providing funds but also assisting the Foundation in other ways.

I thank my other Committee members for their able assistance over the year. Despite the inauspicious start the outcome by the end of the year is a credit to the Committee and the Club.

Geoff McCormick

Chair Vocational Service 2007-2008

NEW GENERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Your New Generations Committee has had a very successful 2007-2008 year during which our club has supported many projects:

- RYLA
We sponsored a student to attend the Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) which is a program that fosters youth with exceptional leadership potential.
- RYPEN
We sponsored a student through the Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment (RYPEN) which is a weekend youth seminar aimed at forming values and moral standards.
- NYSF
We sponsored a student to attend the National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) in Canberra which encourages youth to enter careers in science.
- KYM
We donated a video camera and other equipment to KYM which is an organisation that helps unemployed youth. KYM is a new project for our club and was introduced to us by Anne Murphy.
- Friday Night School
We provided financial support to this school which helps migrant and refugee children with homework and English skills.
- Camberwell High School
We provided funds to support extra school activities for children whose parents are unable to pay. Thanks to Malcolm Munro for liaising with Camberwell High.
- Youth Exchange
We currently have a student on Youth Exchange in Germany.
- Youth support / Suicide Awareness
We currently sponsor two students in the Graduate Diploma in Adolescent Health at Melbourne University.

Our budget request for the year was \$23,300 but we only anticipate spending around \$17,000.

I would like to thank Peter Matthews and the members of the committee for their help and wish the incoming committee under Karen Nolan every success for the 2008-2009 year.

Mark Hassed

Chair New Generations 2007-2008

FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Members: David A Baker (Chairman), Les Brown, Bern Connell, Don Fotheringham, Mark Geremia, Floyd Gomes, Nathalie Gomes, Eric Heyburn, Fabienne Nichola and Neil Hookey (ex-officio).

At the outset, our committee, led with characteristic enthusiasm by David A Baker, resolved to fulfill our responsibilities and provide an enjoyable, affordable and varied program of fellowship for members, but with a difference. Our aim was to “break the mould”, and bring some new ideas to club functions and encourage greater participation across our changing membership profile.

One such innovation was the regular scheduling of speaker-free meetings, enabling members and partners to meet and enjoy each other’s company in an informal setting at our weekly meetings. We are indebted to Murray Dance for organizing a roster of such interesting speakers, which has enabled this to occur so seamlessly. These evenings, sprinkled throughout the year, were usually a buffet-style format, and judging from the feedback we received were a popular addition to the fellowship calendar. The “Gourmet Seafood” presented on February 27th was particularly well received and set the standard high.

On August 29th our partners joined us and turned up in big numbers to enjoy an address from Colin Peasley from the Australian Ballet – a most erudite and entertaining speaker who won many new fans on the night.

A group of enthusiasts from the club membership list took to the briny off Queenscliff on October 30th with the aim of harvesting the marine life in that region, an objective largely met with the single exception of one member who shall remain anonymous, but whose initials are DF.

Our Christmas Dinner meeting, held at The Veneto Club on December 12th was a boisterous and festive occasion attended by over 100 guests. The Saint Vincent de Paul Society was the beneficiary of our Christmas toy donations, which were, as usual, a tribute to the generosity of our members.

On December 19th, our clubrooms rang with the unrestrained joy of a huge number of children of all ages as Santa paid a flying visit and the entertainers from “Little Devils” demonstrated their ability to juggle, spin, whirl, and generally mesmerize with their mystifying manoeuvres. Adults and children alike went home smiling.

Kay and Bern Connell once again generously opened their home for a New Year’s Day get-together, which was attended by a large number of past and present members, friends and partners. The club is indebted to the Connell’s for their ongoing hospitality.

A Cluster Group meeting was convened at the Kew Heights Sports Club on January 9th by Neil Hookey, and was well attended by members from the Balwyn, North Balwyn, Boroondara and Canterbury as well as Camberwell. Who won the games, including the NAGA Award is not recorded, but a good time was had by all.

After the hard work of the Art Show, The Tandoori Den was the ideal place to relax and celebrate on Sunday April 27th. Members, partners and friends of the show took over the entire ground floor area of the restaurant, where war stories abounded and good fellowship was the winner on the night. A great end to a really successful show.

There remains only Changeover night on June 25th to round out the events of this year. Arrangements for a combined Past Presidents and Partners night on September 10th at the East Malvern RSL Club are well advanced. This will be a major departure from previous PP nights, and will be a good exemplar of this committee’s wish to “break the mould”. It will be interesting to see how it unfolds.

The annual exchange visit with the Rotary Club of Horsham, a long held “tradition”, was not held this year. Expressions of interest in doing so were sought from members but there was insufficient response to progress the idea further.

Many ideas for fellowship activities have remained unfulfilled, but on the table, and these will be passed on to the incoming committee for consideration. We will also hand over a healthy balance in the Sunshine Fund, due largely to improved recovery from wine consumption and a portion of the dinner cost at our weekly meetings.

Don Fotheringham

Acting Chair – Fellowship 2007 - 2008

2007 – 2008 ART SHOW COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman	Jonathan Oppy	Printing	Jonathan Oppy
Treasurer/Secretary	Frank Leigh	Presentation	Glenda Davies
Freight	Neil Hookey	Operations/Equipment	Ron Lear
Publicity	Jonathan Oppy	Roster/Storage	Ron Lear
Computer System	Chris Carra	Sponsorship	Robert Davies
Presentation	Denise Oppy	Presentation	Margaret Hookey
Presentation	Judy Pratt	IT Systems Assistance	Judy Lear

New Moves and Directions

1. OPENING NIGHT. The Show opened Thursday evening with record attendees. An enormous success and amazingly popular. An extraordinary atmosphere of warmth, friendship and networking. Feedback was outstanding and we were all thrilled

2. COMPUTER SYSTEM AND BAR CODING. Once again the bar coding was a great success and new computer hardware and software. Endless hours and labour were saved. A little more fine retuning is required with the selling side of the software.

3. RETURN OF PAINTINGS. Excellent support, with smooth runnings, hoping to streamline even more next year. Hours were saved looking for lost and misplaced paintings.

Entries

Entries were up on last year with approximately 2,700 received. Once again, Artists were permitted to enter six paintings- a huge success from selling point of view. The number hung was again approximately 1,600.

Judging Panel

Chair of the panel was Colin Johnson assisted by Ern Trembath and Patricia Winnett. The panel worked well together in this difficult and exacting task. Our thanks go to all three for their time.

The judging system was greatly improved on previous years.

Winners for 2008

Award	Artists Name	Title
Herald Sun-Best of Show-GOLD	Tom O'Callaghan	KANGAROO ISLAND
SILVER	Angelo Quabba	HAVING COFFEE-PIAZZA
BRONZE	Gregg Allen	RESTING GONDOLIER
Still Life Less \$3000	Ronald Gibbings-Johns	AUST> BOTTLE BRUSH
Australian Landscape Less \$3000	Lois Brown	SQUEAKY BEACH

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Best Work any medium Less \$2,500	Helen Goldsmith	THE BLUE VASE
Best Pastel Less \$2,500	Michael Goff	SUMMER MORNING YEA
Best Work Not exceeding \$1500	David Taylor	AT REST KETTERING
Best Work Not exceeding \$ 900	Joshua Fennell	GOLDEN KNIGHT
Best Work Not exceeding \$800	Rodger Scott	A BIRD IN THE BUSH
Best Work Not exceeding \$500	John Walsh	COLLINS BAY-SORRENTO
Encouragement Award - Watercolour	Glenn Hoyle	DRY SUMMER YEA
Encouragement Award - Acrylic	Dennis Sonogan	BARWON HEADS RIVER
Encouragement Award - Pastel	Janis Lawler	FACES IN THE CROWD
Encouragement Award - Oil	Shirley Fisher	GEM PIER WILLIAMSTOWN
Framing Award	Yelena Kolotusha	ABALONE SHELLS
Framing Award	Sue Bayre	TEA CUPS AND OLD LACE

Attendance

The attendance this year showed a large increase against previous years with approximately 9,500 persons attending. This was due to several factors but major influences were, sending out a patron's mail out early, and increasing the publicity for the Show. The "Melbourne Art Show" which again was held on the same week end did not appear to affect our attendance. Their demographic quite different from ours as we have researched this well.

Publicity

Publicity was addressed this year similar to last year. Advertisements and exposure was provided in advertisements in the Leader Newspaper Group in 11 publications, the Melbourne Weekly, mail out to 12,000 patrons, editorials and advertisements in the Herald Sun and, Billboards, TV/radio Advertisements. This greater level of publicity was obtained at an extra cost of approximately \$15,000.

Sales/ Result

Sales this year amounted to \$485,000. This was an excellent result as overall income was increased, expenses reduced. This will provide a surplus in excess of \$100,000; the final result will not be known until all the receipt of all accounts.

Raffle

The raffle was organized efficiently by Peter Pratt and all available tickets were sold at the Show. Many club members sold multiple books. The prize painting was donated by Sydney Artist, Ken Knight, for which we thank him.

Overall Operations

This Committee as has previous committees undertaken to make all aspects of the Show as efficient as possible and to minimize the Club labour required. The introduction of Wanzl trolleys and rubber strips to the racks proved a success with the effect of minimizing damage to paintings. The Show this year was the most efficient in recent years.. All tasks were achieved well before time with the Show largely in “opening” mode before Wednesday. All those who worked to achieve this should be congratulated and a special thanks to Ron Lear.

Sales Desk and Operations Centre

Once again Judy Lear spent weeks prior to the Art Show entering all Entries, and was dedicated in her commitment to running the Sales desk.

Summary

The show was a success returning a substantial return to the Club for use in projects. The standard of the show both in its presentation and standard of the entries. Many compliments have been received on the standard we have achieved.

Fellowship again was the winner during the Show, with the highlights being the daily Jonny’s Jottings Bulletin- a huge thank you to David Baker for the humour and hours put in to add to our communication and enjoyment! And the “End of Show Function” in a local restaurant arranged by the Fellowship Committee and our back room organized by Sid.

Acknowledgements

I would like to thank the Committee, both the appointed and co-opted members who during the year attended faithfully the nearly twenty scheduled committee meetings prior to the Show, and contributed to the deliberations and review process. They have all worked hard and enthusiastically on their various tasks and we do appreciate their dedication; without this extraordinary commitment, we could not achieve these outstanding results.

Jonathan Oppy

Chairman Art Show 2007 - 2008

THE BUSINESS OF WINNING LUNCHEON 2007

Committee Members: Don Fotheringham (Chairman), Peter Allen, David G Baker, Denis Coleman, , Mark Geremia, Gino Gnoato, Don Jago, Michael Mullins, Joseph Orlando

The ninth Business of Winning Luncheon (BOW) was held at The Sofitel Hotel Melbourne on November 30th. 2007. Three hundred and sixty-one guests were entertained in grand style, and in return generated for us a grand financial result.

The surplus from BOW2007 of more than \$20,000 will be matched dollar for dollar by the Australian Rotary Health Research Fund, meaning that Orygen Health's research into youth suicide will be over \$40,000 better resourced. This is the largest single community donation initiated by our Rotary Club.

BOW is a core asset of the Rotary Club of Camberwell. Through this stand-alone function we manage to raise more money than many clubs raise in a full year. With the continued support of each and every club member, we should be able to build on the result of this year and continue to build into the future

The Business of Winning Luncheon is our second largest fundraiser and succeeds almost entirely due to a small group of club members who work incredibly hard behind the scenes over many months, to ensure that all the facets which go into making an event this complex come together seamlessly on the day.

It would be remiss of me not to acknowledge them here.

Peter Allen, the heart and soul of Business of Winning since its inception in 1999, along with David G Baker, Dennis Coleman and Mark Geremia are the engine room of the event, without whom the event would not go on. Each plays a vital role in its ongoing success and deserve our heartfelt thanks.

The amazing Michael Derum, self confessed "sports tragic" and our long standing Master of Ceremonies had another stellar panel to work with this year, comprising Max "Tangles" Walker, Olympian Russell Mark, Geoff Miles, CEO of Melbourne Victory and ex first class cricketer and Kevin Muscat, A-League Premiership and Melbourne Victory Captain.

The audience had earlier been entertained by the wonderful melodic meanderings offered by Greg Champion, whose quirky musical style had the audience wanting more.

Even with all this on-stage talent, there was a strong body of opinion that said our auctioneer Darren Saunderson was a highlight. Darren did a sterling job behind the gavel generating over \$7,600 in a masterful display of the auctioneer's art.

Once again, the support of our sponsors, particularly Expohire for their long term assistance and Bulova Watches for their magnificent donation is acknowledged with gratitude, as are the volunteers who give of their time to help make The Business of Winning such a winner.

Long may it remain so.

Don Fotheringham

Chairman,

Business of Winning Luncheon Committee 2007 - 2008

