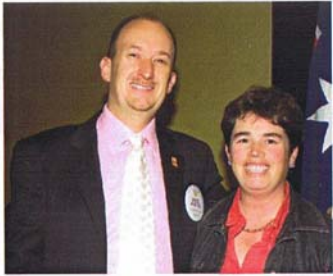


Bulletin

Rotary Club of Prahran



SERVICE Above Self



Meets Monday
Lago restaurant
Golf Course Entrance - Albert Park
Cnr Lakeside Drive & Queens Road
Melbourne
12.45 for 1 pm Luncheon

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Prahran chartered 27th December 1955

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District Governor 9800 John Davis

Board of Directors 2006/2007

President	Pike Peters
Vice President	Peter Schneider
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Treasurer	John Harris

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Community Service	Lewis Woolf
International Service	Richard Hardham
New Generations	Darren Rogers
Vocational Services	Geoff Heeps
Club Services	Graeme Newton
Foundation	Jim Smith
Public Relations	Pike Peters
Membership	Claude Ullin

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Internet/Web Programme	Graeme Newton
On to Conference	Rosemary Kaufman
Protection Officer	Constantine Panoussi
Bulletin Editor	Chris Southall
	Stephen Smith

No. 2317 Monday Luncheon 16th June 2008

12.45pm for 1.00 pm - Lago Restaurant

Club Forum Day

No. 2318 Tuesday Dinner 17th June 2008

7.00pm for 7.30pm - Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club

President's Change Over

Reception: L Woolf & P Angwin

Cashiers: P Betros & P Buxton

Previous Meeting - Monday Lunch 2nd June 2008 - Lago Restaurant

Apologies: Richard Hardham & Peter Angwin

Guests: Bev Cohen, guest of Eric Cohen, and Andrew Smith guest of the Club.

Des. Jones was our speaker.

At the Board meeting last week it was resolved the minutes of meetings would be emailed to the bulletin editor for inclusion in the bulletin.

A Message From President Pike

Time flies when you are having fun – so the often used cliché goes. And I am actually caught quite unprepared for the end of my term as President of the Rotary Club of Prahran.

The year has been hugely enjoyable and challenging. The goals set at the beginning of the year by me for the Club were ambitious and on many scores we didn't achieve what we set out to do. Twelve months is not a lot of time – even with a group as talented and dedicated as ours. I will detail the achievements of the Club in the annual report which will be completed and distributed within the next two weeks.

There are a few highlights that are worth mentioning – BUT I am certain to find other 'gems' as I read the annual reports and review the Bulletins:

- Program continued to be engaging – with many thanks to Rosemary Kaufmann and Geoff Heeps. Kate Leemings presentation on her bike ride around Australia and up the Canning Stock route drew big crowds. Erina Reddin's presentation of her book *Lillia's Secret* was another vibrant presentation. She appeared a couple of weeks after our meeting in the *Age* - so yet again our Club is ahead of the times with the hottest speakers!
- The fantastic (if cool) night at Zoo Twilights was enjoyed by the 'family of Rotary' – our fantastic partners, children and grandchildren turned out to enjoy fantastic music and the roaring lions. Great night! Two great evenings at Mecanix saw big numbers and great camaraderie. The night meeting at EQ Café and the Christmas meeting at La Camera Restaurant showed our Club's great capacity to have a great time.

- Geoff and his team continued great work with CCTVs that kept rolling along with added capacity. The Rotary Club of Prahran Scholarship for \$1000 being awarded to Thi Ha Chi Thai was a highlight – and the continuation of a long association between our Club and Swinburne Prahran. Having Thi along to the second Mekanix dinner was also a great way to enhance this interaction.
- Lewis and his team finished up our long support of the Big Breakfast program at Stonnington Primary. The Club also supported the Artists' Stables project through Prahran Mission. The future looks bright with Stonnington Cares taking shape – our twinning of Stonnington with Benalla to assist with drought relief.
- Dick and his team made certain that the Club's funds were used on a number of proven projects, including Rotarians Against Malaria (RAM), Vietnam Dental Project and a couple of projects at the School of St Jude. With the needs following the cyclone disaster in Burma, the Club also donated a Shelter Box to add to the relief efforts.
- John stepped in for Darren in New Generations – seeing our sponsorship of MUNA, RYLA and RYPEN continue. The committee has active leads out for the Youth Science Forum project.
- Claude worked tirelessly on Membership – and we did gain two during the year – welcome to Eddie and Andrea. Claude will ably lead the efforts next year – and we have a couple of strong candidates who are looking to join the Club.
- David led a magnificent fundraising effort this year. The Garage sale was a lot of work – as was the Camberwell Market day. We did make money out of both – and de-cluttered many Rotarian households in the process.

Many thanks to Andrea Walton who has completed our new website – **check it out today** www.rotaryprahran.org – it is fresh and up to date. Many thanks to Stephen Smith for his efforts as Bulletin Editor. I have big shoes to fill next year – or is that next week?

Yours in Rotary service,

Pike Peters

Notes of speaker at meeting of Prahran Rotary Club - Monday 2nd June 2008



PDG Des Jones addressed the club on the share life Australia group that he is part of which comprises Medical Community and business leaders working to stop Australians dying needlessly waiting for an organ transplant.

Australia's donation rate is one of the lowest in the world. Last year there were only 198 deceased donors and not increasing –even in 1989 there

were 231. Spain is 3 times higher than us. They don't have more donors on list but their systems are better in coordinating donors and recipients.

We have 6m registered donors but there are still 1800 people waiting for a donation and at least a quarter will die each year waiting. One hundred a month die and this will only increase with the ageing population. Its not that we don't care, we just don't have the systems in place.

The are 70 groups e.g. kidney association eye bank etc all involved. Share life proposes to:

- Have one national organization for donor/transplant registration
- Appoint specialist doctors to liaise with donor families
- Reimburse hospitals for costs of donor management
- An awareness program in media
- Training of hospital staff and,
- Set up for ongoing after care programs for donor families and recipients.

What can Rotary do? Spread the word in families and the community and register personally as a donor.

Des ended with the story of young Adam who had kidney failure from birth and needed a new kidney from 2 years old. When 23 and married with family, he was sick and on a dialysis and at 31 received another transplant and now can lead a normal family life. A great example of the organ donor system at work!

Author: Chris Southall

Pike's Night of Nights & his Presidency Change over to Peter Schneider for 2008-2009



Pike with his lovely family - wife Marianne and their three children - Julian, Cameron & Claire.

Welcome to this week's special edition of the Bulletin. It is Pike's last week of being President of the Rotary Club of Prahran and what a year it has been?

Pike has achieved so many wonderful things for our club including new membership, (welcome again to Eddie Muto and Andrea Walton), his continued support for many domestic and international Rotary projects such as St Jude and our own sponsorship child.

And we as a club congratulate all of Pike's hard working committees whom have continued to work tirelessly and have certainly and positively met **The Four-Way Test** of Rotary:



- Is it the truth?
- Is it fair to all concerned?
- Will it build goodwill and better leadership?
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

We as a club also welcome in our new President Peter Schneider. Peter is a long-term serving member of our club whom has also worked

tirelessly on numerous Rotary projects including last year's project which was the donation of funds to the Swburne University Rotary Grant Scheme. In our picture on the previous page, Peter is accompanying Thi Ha Chi (this year's worthy recipient) together with her partner at our Mecnix Resturant fellowship in May.

Peter was recently awarded a Paul Harris Fellow from our club, and has occupied numerous committee and Board positions in the Rotary Club of Prahran. So we look forward to a terrific night to celebrate Pike's success and to welcome in Peter –



**Tuesday night at 7.00pm for 7.30 pm (17th
June 2008)**

**Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club 489 Glenferrie
Road, Kooyong**

Cost is \$60.00 per person

Dress is Lounge Suite and evening dress for ladies

**And if you have not already done so, please RSVP Peter
Schneider on - 9510 8541 (B); 9529 2191 (P) or email Peter
at: info@patersonscakes.com.au.**



**So Let's Toast to a great evening
together!**



ROTARY CLUB OF PRAHRAN INC

Minutes of Board Meeting held at the BMW Showroom,

145 Williams Road, South Yarra at 6.00pm on Tuesday 27 May 2008

Present: Pike Peters (President), Peter Schneider, Helen Robbins, Geoff Heeps, Des Jones, Richard Hardham, Peter Angwin, Jim Smith, David Rosenberg, Ross Liebmann

Apologies: Lewis Woolf, John Mahan, Graeme Newton, John Harris

Minutes: Moved by Des Jones & seconded by Peter Schneider that minutes of Board Meeting held Tuesday 15th April 2008 are taken as read and confirmed. Carried

Matters Arising

Change Over: President Elect Peter, confirmed that the venue has been booked and that the arrangements were progressing.

Bridge Club: Peter Schneider updated the Board on the proposal to run a "Bridge Club" on a Tuesday night. Peter advised that there was demand for an additional Bridge Club in the area. The proposed charge/donation would be \$10.00 per person. Initially the proposal is to cater for up to 100 people. The cost of the venue would be circa \$150.00 per-night. A light supper by way of tea, coffee and biscuits would need to be supplied by our Club. Set up costs are envisaged to include card tables, and cards. The balance of the set up cost would be dependent on what was already available at the venue.

Club Tivoli was not available, and to date the Melbourne Bowling Club had not responded. A possible other venue was St. John's, Toorak. A letter to St. John's was to be sent outlining our Club's proposal. The concept had general Board support.

It was pointed out, that although this presented a good opportunity for fundraising, it was still reliant on members being prepared to donate their time on Tuesday nights. The concept was to be presented to Club members to gauge their support to being rostered on for some Tuesday nights.

Foundation: Jim proposed that a further \$1000 be given to Foundation, being part of the additional money collected from the weekly fee at Club meetings. This had previously been agreed to by the Board. Moved Jim Smith and seconded Peter Angwin that \$1000 be donated to Foundation. Carried.

Membership: President Pike advised that there was a number of new potential members.

Correspondence:

Moved by Peter Angwin and seconded by Pike Peters that the correspondence inwards as tabled at the meeting, be accepted as logged.

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There was general discussion that communications from District had not been as clear as it had in past years. Information on events was hard to find and sometimes late in coming. The District newsletter "Networker" was not viewed favourably by some members.

It was also highlighted that members could be better informed. It was determined that the bulletin editor be provided with the Board minutes to assist in disseminating information to the members.

The format of the current "Club Directory" was also discussed with a number of members preferring the previous style of booklet. It is proposed that for 2008/2009 that the former style of booklet be produced. A competitive price is to be sought. Peter Schneider advised that he would be prepared to make the booklets up himself if they were formatted.

The Board was also advised that Stephen Smith would be taking on a District role in Rotary.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report as attached form part of the minutes.

Moved by Jim Smith and seconded by Peter Angwin that the Treasurer's report, including cheques for payment be approved. Carried.

The draft budget as prepared by John Harris was presented to the Board by Jim. The Board accepted the draft and recommend that the draft budget be adopted at the Joint Board meeting.

Key points:

Subscription 2008/2009	\$295.00
Weekly Dinner Cost	\$25.00

It was also noted that the joining fee remain at \$50.00

Committee Reports

President: President Pike advised that Peter S and he were organising the Change Over. There was nothing further to report.

Vice President:

Key points:

District Assembly had occurred. A number of members had attended. It was noted that general support for the District Assembly from many clubs was not as strong as it had been in past years.

Lynne Wilton has offered to host a Christmas in July as a fundraiser. The cost to be \$150.00 per head. Andréa was going to assist as she was involved in the hospitality

industry. The Board was of the opinion that this offer from Lynne should be supported and approved the function.

Peter Schneider advised the Board that membership needed to be the key focus for the Club and the Board.

There was general discussion regarding which Committees the Club should have, taking into account the decline in numbers. It was decided that each of the General Committees remain, but they should not over extend themselves by taking on too many projects.

The club needs to focus on key projects such as Stonnington Cares. It is felt that key projects brings the Club together.

The Board was also advised of the Change of Venue to the Mt. Erica Hotel for 2008/2009.

Club Service: No Report (leave of absence)

Fellowship/ Social Secretary:

Des provided a copy of the Annual report for Social Activities and this forms part of the minutes.

Des advised that in general, functions on Saturday and Sunday nights weren't widely attended for all sorts of reasons, including competing interests and commitments.

Foundation: See above

Fund Raising:

David Rosenberg advised that he considered that the Club did not have the resources to undertake the "Ward Drop" offered to the Club in May.

Fundraising for the year was \$17,000 - \$18,000. A break up is to be provided.

Bridge Nights
See above.

Membership: See above

Public Relations: Nothing further to report.

Community Service:

The Community Service Director's report as attached forms part of the minutes.

International Service:

The International Service Director's report as attached forms part of the minutes.

Key points:

Richard put forwarded the following donations as shown in the report for approval:

RAMS	\$1500
Rotary Vietnam Dental Project	\$1000
Ongoing Sponsorship of fuel for a bus at the School of St. Jude	\$500
12 Month Sponsorship of a teacher at the School of St. Jude	\$500
DIK	\$1000

In Addition	
International House	\$250
Shelter Box Project	\$1200

Moved Richard Hardham and seconded Jim Smith that the donations as shown above be approved. Carried.

Vocational Service: Geoff advised that he was still waiting for several CCTV to be repaired.

New Generations (Youth): No Update.

General Business

Request for leave of absence were received from:

Michael Morrison	2 June 2008 – 2 July 2008
John Harris	4 Weeks
Hal Levy	1 June 2008 – 2 July 2008

Moved Peter Angwin & Seconded Pike Peters that the requests for leave of absence be approved. Carried

The Board was also advised that additional requests for leave of absence would be forthcoming. Committee chairs were reminded that annual reports were to be in by June 10 2008.

Next Meeting

(Joint Board Meeting)

Tuesday 10 June 2007 at the Bib Stilwell Board Room, 145 Williams Road South Yarra at 6.00 pm

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 7.10pm

Peter Angwin
Hon. Secretary

Club News



Our very own Lynne Wilton is back with our Rotary family again.

Lynne has offered to host a fund raiser at her home – XMAS in July. Details are outlined as per the below notice.

Great to have you back with us again Lynne!

Saturday evening 26th July 2008

A very festive evening of warmth & frivolity to be held at Lynne's home situated at: 1 Scotsburn Grove Toorak

**Entertainment will be: Lesley Walton - Soprano
And Accompanist is to be advised**



A selection of Arias & Light Music.

Further details & menu is to follow - so please stay tuned

5 Courses of tucker! & copious wines for all occasions - A mere \$150 per person - all inclusive.

See you all there for this festive occasion!

Bulletin Editor's Closing Comments after 2.5 years of service

Whilst all members in the club contributed to their Bulletin, I would like to publicly acknowledge the following members specifically for taking so much time to ensure that their stories were edited: Bev Cohen, Dick & Joan Hardham, Geoff Heeps, David Rosenberg, Pike Peters, Peter Angwin and Des Jones.

My sincere thanks also to all members that contributed to the guest speaker editorials. My gratitude always.

Yours in Rotary Service

Stephen MW Smith

Incoming Speakers

23.06.2008 Don Cullen – member of RC of Brighton North will be our Guest Speaker on a "Tibetan Village" Project in establishing Medical Clinics, schools, green houses and apprenticeship schemes for Tibetans.

Chair for the day is to be announced.

Forthcoming Events

29.06.2008 District Governor's Change Over Luncheon will be held at Leonda by the Yarra – 2 Wallen Road Hawthorn Vic. It starts from 11.30 am – please RSVP to Peter Schneider by Friday 13th June 2008. Thank you.

09.07.2008 Macchiato Mates – Romeos Restaurant – Toorak Shopping Village.

26.07.2008 Xmas in July Function - Saturday evening - A very festive evening of warmth & frivolity to be held at Lynne Wilton's home situated at: 1 Scotsburn Grove Toorak

28.09.2008 2008 Australian University Games – Volunteer help is required now. Refer Peter Angwin and Geoff Heeps for details.

	<u>23.06.2008</u>	<u>30.06.2008</u>
Reception:	A Walton E Cohen	J Harris G Heeps
Cashiers:	D Crittenden R Hardham	D Jones R Klapp
Bulletin:	S Smith	P Peters