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### Incoming Speakers

Rotarian Hine Otten – Projects In Poppendetta, New Guinea  
**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September**

**No meeting on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October – Night meeting 7<sup>th</sup> October.**

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### Forthcoming Events

7<sup>th</sup> October – **Night Time Partners Social Meeting**  
Mt Erica Hotel

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	<u>22.09.08</u>	<u>29.09.08</u>	<u>06.10.08</u>	<u>13.10.08</u>
<b>House Committee</b>	<b>A Walton</b>	<b>J Smith</b>	<b>J Smith</b>	<b>H Robbins</b>
<b>Duty</b>	<b>M Morrison</b>	<b>A Walton</b>	<b>H Robbins</b>	<b>J Mahon</b>
<b>12.00 Midday start</b>				
Bulletin:	J Smith	J Smith	P Peters	P Peters



### Bridge Club Roster

**14.10.08 E. Cohen; J Plowright**  
**21.10.08 J. Plowright; H Robbins**  
**28.10.08 H Robbins; G Newton**

# Bulletin

Rotary Club of Prahran



Meets Monday  
Mt Erica Hotel  
Corner High Street and Williams  
Prahran  
12.45 for 1PM Luncheon

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Prahran Chartered 27<sup>th</sup> December 1955

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<b>President</b>	<b>Peter Schneider</b>
<b>Vice President</b>	Graeme Newton
<b>Secretary</b>	Helen Robbins
<b>Treasurer</b>	John Harris
<b>Bulletin Editor</b>	Pike Peters

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**No. 2332 Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September**

**Hine Otten**  
**Projects in Popenetta, New Guinea**

**Mount Erica Hotel**  
**12.45pm for 1.00 pm**  
Reception: Ross Liebmann  
Cashier: Pike Peters

## Previous Meeting

Apologies: David Rosenberg, Ross Liebmann

Guests of Club – Rodney Swan (potential Member), Guest of Chris Southall – Tom McCarthy (potential member);

The Bridge Club of the Rotary Club of Prahran will kick off on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October** at St John's Church, Toorak. All members are advised that the success of this fundraising activity depends on your support – especially during your rostered sessions.

Our Bridge Director – Rena Kaplan came to lunch to urge us to promote our new venture! Rena's Bridge pedigree and her enthusiasm point to what will be a great success. We also welcomed Penny Weteswellan from the Alfred Hospital Breast Cancer Institute – the first beneficiary of our Club's new venture.

Hal had arranged for a photographer from the Leader Newspaper to take some publicity shots. The Bridge Juggernaut should start rolling with this and our mail out to Club Presidents!

## **New Club Roster**

President Peter announced that the current roster is not really working. **Two members must arrive at midday** to assist with setting up and running reception for the meetings.

This week: **Pike Peters & Michael Morrison**

## **Stonnington Cares Launch!**

**19<sup>th</sup> October – Benalla Racetrack**

**All Club Members and Family of Rotary should put this important date in their diaries!**

Our thoughts go out to Club Member's and their families who have recently lost loved ones:

Doug and Judy Crittenden on the loss of Judy's mother.

John and Colleen Harris on the loss of Colleen's brother.

David and Jan Rosenberg on the loss of Jan's mother.

Kevin and Jenny Biggin on the loss of Kevin's brother

## Help Sri Lanka – Beverly Pinder

### Projects that will be supported by the Spring Swimathon at H2O Swimming School.



**Beverly Pinder**

Beverly came and shared her experiences and stories of post-tsunami Sri Lanka with us. Her charity – Help Sri Lanka, and its achievements are highlighted in the following section of the Bulletin. Beverly highlighted a project to build a Secondary School where the school population had swelled from 150 students to 900 students as a result of schools being decimated by the Tsunami. The Club has donated \$200 to Help Sri Lanka.

#### **PROJECT: Dickwella North Maha Vidyalaya (High School)**

A major donation of A\$100,000 from the Sri Lanka Association of Victoria (SLAV) has enabled HELP Sri Lanka to make a significant contribution towards the construction of two additional levels to a new wing at the North Dickwella School in Matara, a project undertaken by the City of Melbourne. Gladstone Park Secondary College, Craigieburn South Primary, Greenvale Primary and Roxburgh College kicked off the networking that triggered this major undertaking donating \$9,098 towards the science laboratory. In another major show of support, networks aligned to a HELP committee member were explored to cement a relationship with King's College, in Guildford, UK, to arrange a fundraising program throughout 2007 for a home science kitchen facility to be built at the school. King's College donated \$2,500 and the donation by Gladstone Park Secondary College of a cricket ball signed by four bowling greats, Muttiah Muralidaran, Shane Warne, Glenn McGrath and Courtney Walsh raised \$5,000 when it was auctioned at a Cricket Victoria luncheon. With student numbers boosted from 150 to 800, as a result of 12 schools in the area ravaged by the tsunami tragedy of December 2004, North Dickwella Maha Vidyalaya will become a community hub for these students and their families.

**Total cost \$116,741**



#### **PROJECT: Bect Tsunami Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Trust**

Five houses were commissioned and completed in the village of Ruingama, Tangalle District with NGO BECT. A total village complex with 70 homes were built in this southern hamlet on the coastline.





**HELP Sri Lanka Inc. a Program Partner of**  
**AFAP Australian Foundation for the peoples of Asia and the Pacific Ltd**

HELP Sri Lanka Incorporated was formed after a public meeting held on 5th January 2005 as a non-profit organization incorporated in the State of Victoria to support community development projects in Sri Lanka for the victims of the Tsunami tragedy of 26th December 2004.

HELP Sri Lanka Inc. is an incorporated not-for-profit organisation formed in January 2005 in response to the unprecedented tragedy caused by the tsunami. Its sole purpose is to identify key projects within tsunami-affected areas of Sri Lanka and obtain the funding needed to support these worthwhile projects. Since then it has expanded its charter to provide aid to the needy across the island nation.

HELP Sri Lanka aims to create a better quality of life for the thousands of Sri Lankan men, women and children who “had pitifully little but have lost everything...”.

Based in Melbourne, HELP Sri Lanka’s dedicated and caring volunteers have committed their time and energy to help empower disadvantaged communities in Sri Lanka. HELP Sri Lanka abides by a strict code of conduct and applies rigorous investigation into each project undertaken. We have forged links with Non Government Organisations (NGOs) and not-for-profit organisations in Sri Lanka. Once a project is funded and delivered to Sri Lanka, our local representatives maintain an ever vigilant eye to ensure that the project does meet the desired needs, as promised.

HELP Sri Lanka Inc is a non-profit organisation and an accredited fundraiser with Consumer Affairs Victoria with charity status and offers **Tax Deductibility to donors** through our program partner AFAP – The Australian Foundation for the Peoples of Asia and the Pacific. For more information on our program

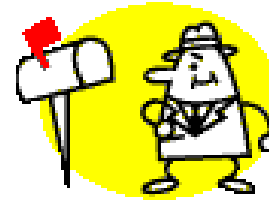
partnership with AFAP visit  
[www.afap.org/sectors/www.afap.orgsasia\\_SriLanka.php](http://www.afap.org/sectors/www.afap.orgsasia_SriLanka.php)

AFAP and HELP Sri Lanka Inc. are working jointly in the delivery of aid to communities overseas. AFAP closely monitors the work of 'HELP Sri Lanka Inc.' to ensure the delivery of relief and/or development programs in 'Sri Lanka' in terms of project outcomes. AFAP allows 'HELP Sri Lanka Inc.' to use donated funds or donations in kind only for benevolent activities undertaken by 'HELP Sri Lanka Inc.'

We 'HELP Sri Lanka Inc.' do not have DGR status in our own right and are relying on AFAP's DGR endorsed status by the ATO. AFAP retains the ultimate discretion whether to distribute any funds in accordance with the preference expressed by the donor.

#### **Our Beneficiaries**

Rotary Club of Colombo (Sri Lanka)  
Rotary Colombo Metropolitan (Sri Lanka)  
Lions International District 306A & 306C Sri Lanka  
Dickwella North Maha Vidyalaya (High School)  
Southern Provincial Centre for Disability  
BECT Tsunami Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Trust  
LEADS (Lanka Evangelical Alliance Development Service)  
Room to Read America  
Dr Quintus De Zylva, Dr Sian Hughes, Dr David Young & Dr Carlyle Perera –  
Members of the Australia Sri Lanka Medical Aid Team(AUSLMAT)  
The Foundation of Goodness



## Council Delivery Request!

Can all people who were involved in the last Council Mail Delivery please dispose of all old fliers!

This will ensure that only the current material gets delivered.

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RC Prahran will be sending local candidates and some from Benalla to RYLA and RYPEN.