

Clubs are being encouraged to place the books – with their club information sticker on the back – in all kinds of public and corporate places from waiting rooms to hairdressers, nail salons, doctors, dentists, clinics, hospitals, professional and business offices, coffee shops and restaurants, libraries, high schools and other appropriate institutions.

Supplies of the book may be ordered for \$3 each book plus GST, on a minimum purchase of 80 books. Send a cheque to District 9680 Treasurer Warren Soos at Rotary District 9680, 3/7 Sefton Road, Thornleigh, NSW 2120. Phone 02 9875 5090 or email d9680@rotamail.com.

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Reverend Spooner's Tips of the Slung

"Spoonerisms" are named after the Reverend W A Spooner, an Anglican priest and scholar who was born in London in 1844. He acquired a reputation for mixing words and sounds with sometimes confusing effect. He reprimanded one student for "fighting a liar in the quadrangle", and another who "hissed my mystery lecture" and thereby "tasted two worms". His toast to Queen Victoria became "three cheers for our queer old dean", and his vision of war's end would "have the hags flung out". At a naval review, he marvelled at a "vast display of cattle ships and bruisers".

PROGRAMME

- 17 May Family of Rotary picnic
- 19 May Primary Schools
- 24 May Red Shield Appeal
- 26 May Club Birthday
- 02 June Old & New Board Meeting
- 08 June Queen's Birthday holiday
- 09 June Community Service Award
- 13 June Markets
- 21-24 June RI Convention, Birmingham
- 04 July District Changeover
- 07 July Club Changeover

Murphy's Lesser Known Laws

- Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
- Those who live by the sword get shot by those who don't.
- The 50-50-90 rule: Anytime you have a 50-50 chance of getting something right, there's a 90% probability you'll get it wrong.
- The things that come to those who wait will be the things left by those who got there first.
- Flashlight: A case for holding dead batteries.
- The shin bone is a device for finding furniture in a dark room.
- A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing well.



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Kris Carrol (centre) receives his *Pride of Workmanship* award from District Chair Peter Wilson (right) and PDG Barry McConville

TONIGHT'S PROGRAMME

Thuy Van Nguyen (MUNA) and Club Assembly

NEXT MEETING

19 May – Primary Schools

The Rotary Club of *Padstow* Inc.

Summary of Club Notes for 05 May 2009

Michael Kenny – President

- Welcomed guests.
- Alex Thomas' father-in-law passed away.
- Garry Metcalfe's father passed away.
- Lorraine Cody's uncle passed away.

Glenda Murray – Secretary

- Various invoices have been distributed.
- Northcott Society donation request.
- District changeover dinner to be paid for.
- New laptop and printer for the Secretary has been delivered.

Joan Wells – Club Administration

- Julie Harris had an operation on her knee today.
- Market Signs were missing last month
- Emailed 3 radio stations with requests to advertise the Markets.
- Next week Thuy Van Nguyen will speak about MUNA.

Keith Roffey – Public Relations

- Nothing about Public Relations but he has been invited to attend a service provider forum by the Benevolent Society to discuss "Connections – Preventing Social Isolation Amongst Older People in Bankstown" – asked for members to let him know of any programs we provide for seniors so he can go prepared.

Terry Martin – Attendance

- 35/43 or 81.4%, including make ups.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Colin Duff

- Sewing day on Saturday for Wrapt in Love

Chad Pethybridge

- Red Shield Appeal sheet is being passed around.

David Edmunds

- The sheet for the fund raising movie "Night at the Museum 2" is missing.
- Not enough attendees for the movie at this stage.

Veronica Necyporuk

- Invitations for Primary School night have gone out.

Barry McConville

- Can't be the Elector at the RI Convention as he is not going.

Michael Kenny

- Yeramba Lagoon – government are cleaning up the pathways only.
- The club might do some small things over the next couple of years.

Gaille Walton

- Thank you card or certificate for knitting non-Rotarians?

PRIDE OF WORKMANSHIP AWARDS - "Do it Once and Do it Well"

- Peter Wilson, District Chair for *Pride of Workmanship* presented the awards.
- The 1st awardee was Kris Carrol – a Sales and Production Coordinator who works for Maurie Abbott.
- The next 4 awardees were Colin Radunz, Timothy Cridge, Michael Johnson and Keegan Flannery, apprentices who worked on Terry Pedder's house.
- The next awardees were the 19 people in the East Hills Girls Technological High School Administrative & Support Staff (SASS). Three representatives from SASS received the award and certificates on their behalf.

District 9680's PR hit

Governor Tony Castley of District 9680, NSW, must surely claim the RI Public Relations Success Story of the Year Award for his District's magnificent *Humanity in Motion* promotional glossy coffee table book.

Aimed at increasing Rotary awareness throughout the District – to increase membership and sponsorship – the book was released at the District 9680 Conference in March and has won unstinting praise.

Total cost to produce 10,000 copies was contained to \$32,000 as result of the professional skills of two Rotary club Past Presidents in editor George Richards (Wahroonga, NSW) and art director Ted Sheedy (North Sydney, NSW).

The project was funded by way of a Rotary International Public Relations grant of \$10,000, supplemented by \$22,000 from District funds. After the initial free distribution to all District Rotarians, the books are now being sold at \$3 each and early orders indicate the project will be self funded by year's end.

The book contains a superb collection of District 9680 community programs from most clubs in the District – beautifully illustrated and magnificently printed.

It is the perfect public relations tool for Rotary.

