

# THE BULLETIN

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## *From the President*

Hello Rotaractors

One of the things that many of us have always been aware of is how busy we are these days, and as modern Young People, we are not blessed as we might like with a care-free life style. It is often underestimated how hard Young People have to work to make it these days. Now there are a whole range of reasons for this, pressure from family and peers, media representation of us all living in suburban mansions by the time we are 25, trying to climb the corporate ladder or just a perverse desire to succeed.

For me it has been 6 years ago this month since I sat my HSC, and now another group of year 12 students are about to go through the same pressure and anxiousness that some of us would have experienced. While this is all happening, other people are scurrying to get Uni and CIT assessments completed before the end of the year, projects being fast tracked due to funding requirements, and with an election looming others are in overdrive to make sure the wheels are turning smoothly.

But within all of this, as well as our need to maintain healthy social lives and maintain relationships with other living beings, some of us can squeeze in a bit of time to give a bit back. I hope that people do not think that I do not understand or appreciate the pressures that they are under outside of their commitments to Rotaract. I think that we are lucky to have so many people who are as dedicated as they are, and who are willing to put time aside from their study, work or social time to assist the club in some sort of way. This effort is appreciated throughout the year, but it should be especially recognised that at times of the year like this there is extra strain on the club and it's members, and so to keep things going takes just that much more effort.

Do not despair because Christmas is only around the corner and there will be a short reprieve before we kick it up a notch again and go head first into another year.

Yours in appreciation and Rotaract,

Keiran  
President

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# Tuggeranong Community Centre Markets

The next Tuggeranong Community Centre Market date is coming up on

**Sunday 28 October – set up at 9am for the 10am-2pm market**

(yep that's THIS WEEKEND if you are reading this on our meeting week).

We need to discuss shopping and staffing details. Please email me on [frvr.stanton@gmail.com](mailto:frvr.stanton@gmail.com) if you will be able to lend a hand.

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# Wedding Congratulations

We extend our best wishes to Brett and Frances who will be getting married this coming weekend on the 29<sup>th</sup> September! Have a great day and may your lives together be filled with happiness and love.

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# ANU Film Group

The season's ending for the ANUFG for this semester and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members who have shared their time and retail skills helping out at the film group canteen. I hope you will not tire of lending your support to this club initiative.

There is only one screening that needs a volunteer or two - please email me (cc: [Kajemack@yahoo.com](mailto:Kajemack@yahoo.com)) let me know if you are available on Friday, 2 November 2007 Gremlins & Westworld. Thanks once again.

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# Fundraising and Incentives

I have received a few suggestions for club incentives. Thank you for your contributions! Please note that I (and the board) am always happy to receive your thoughts and feedback about club activities so please just give us a bell, an email or just come up to us and we'll have a chat.

## CLUB SHIRTS

Information from the Shoalhaven Rotaract Club about their club t-shirts roughly quoted \$25 for the shirts and silk screen printing. I am currently doing some research on our options and will be discussing with Keiran about silk printing contacts.

I have looked at the Rotary official merchandise website and found these:



**\$33 Ladies Blouse - Cherry**



**\$40 Blue and Gold Polo Shirt**

I have also requested for the EZIBUY catalogues (where shoal haven got their shirts) and will let you know if there are suitable shirts there. Let me know if you know of alternatives as we are keen to get the best value for the club.

***[SPEAKING OF DRY GOODS – could people please check their Rotaract box of goodies and see if you have any (or all) three of our Rotaract aprons? – will be great if we can use them when we have BBQs]***

#### BOAT CRUISE XMAS PARTY

This was a great suggestion from Bron and I've read in the last Minutes/Bulletin that she will give us an update on availability and other details soon J Thanks Bron

#### THEME PARTIES

Bummed that I missed the Roast Dinner hosted by the lovely Bron...I heard a great time was had by all. I've also received a social/club incentive idea from Jess who has a murder mystery dinner party game – murder mystery theme party anyone? Let's talk more about this at the meeting!

#### AND AWAY WE GO!

I received a lot more interesting ideas from Jess that I would love to raise with the club at the meeting...

\*Inter Club Road Trip...but at each stop we meet up with a Rotaract club and if possible get involved with one of their events, and get to know them. Perhaps visit 5 or so clubs?

\*Go to Melbourne during the summer and just hang out. Melbs is the best in summer when you have a great gang of people!

#### CLOSER TO HOME

\* A big social event in a park where we invite loads of people along to hang out, play cricket, soccer etc

#### CONNECTING WITH THE MOTHERSHIP

\* Perhaps our members can 'adopt a club'...each member who is keen is assigned to a Canberra Rotary club, to go to their meetings once every two months or so and keep the contact between our club and theirs alive...there are too many clubs to just leave the networking to the President and the Vice President, I think we should all go for it

{ I fully support this – we can use the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Rotaract as a flagship that we can go under – we'll go to Rotary meetings, listen to what they do (at meetings and projects), find networking opportunities and perhaps even raise the idea of their club sponsoring your plane and 40<sup>th</sup> celebration tickets to Melbourne next year!!!}

### FUNDRAISING

I have not had a chance to explore a lot of the means we can raise money for the club and I need your help...

BBQ opportunities – thanks to Keiran who has kindly taken this on.

Chocolate Sales – Nestle Mars and Cadbury

Wine and other Merchandise Sale – perhaps we can do 'commemorative' wines at Rotary Conventions?

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As always, don't forget to RSVP if you can't make it to the next meeting, and please contact Keiran if you have any agenda items.

**Yours in Rotaract,**

**Jessica**