

Year: 1999-2000

RI President: [Carlo Ravizza](#) from [Milan](#), Italy.



Theme: Rotary 2000: Act with Consistency, Credibility, Continuity

Convention held at [Buenos Aires](#), Argentina on June 4-7, with 14,301 delegates.

District Governor: John Gabb, Cooroy

District Conference location:

Club President: Ian Craig

Exchange Student:

Inbound:

Host parents

Outbound:

PHFs awarded:

With President Ian and his Board leading us with enthusiasm and spirit we look forward to another wonderful year.

Forty years.

Both Maleny and Pine Rivers Clubs are celebrating forty years of Rotary. During May 1999, a very enjoyable evening was shared at the Shaftesbury Campus. Members of both clubs enjoyed the delicious meal prepared by Shaftesbury. Rev. Alan Male provided a memorable address. We all appreciated his message.

A special evening was planned for 10 July 1999 to mark the fortieth anniversary of the chartering of the Club. An endeavour was made to find past members who were invited to attend the anniversary celebrations.

A history of the club's activities for the period was prepared by Club Historians Ian and Rose Craig, assisted by Dick Dancer.

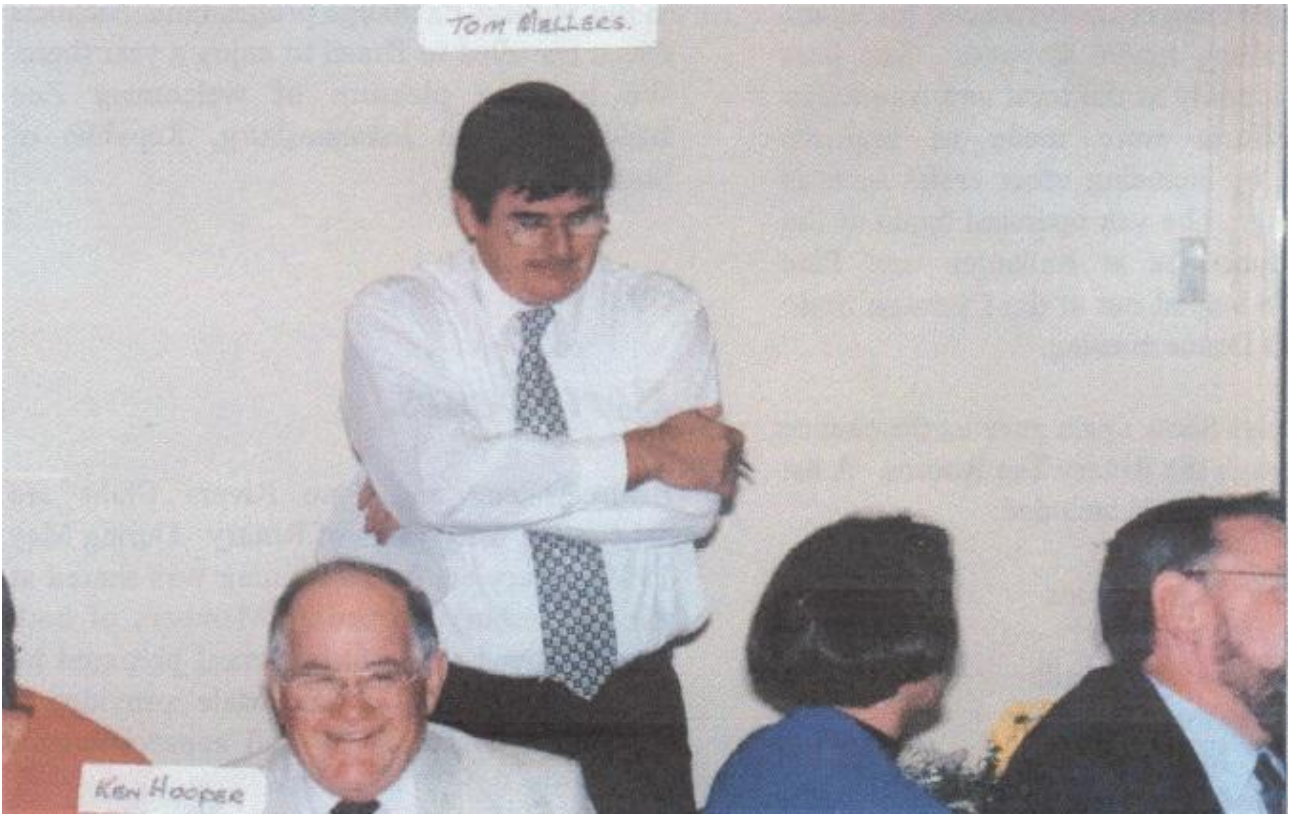
COMMUNITY SINGING

Perhaps we should end as we began with a song from the old Rotary Community Singing booklet, a song which was sung at our Club's Charter Night.

PARTING SONG

(Tune: [The End of a Perfect Day](#))

We are nearing the end of a Rot'ry Day,
Which will long remain in our thoughts;
It should send every member and guest away
With the joy that the day has brought,
For Rot'ry means Service at work and play
And friendships that never fade;
So we grasp at the end of a Rot'ry day,
The hands of the friends we've made.



Rotarian Tom Mellers, a prominent Sargeant at Arms in recent years, has never been known to let the truth get in the way of a good story.



Len Chamberlain, Ronnie Crawford, and Bev Bell preparing hamburgers at the Swap Meet.



Rotarian Ian Craig - Charter member and Club President again in 1999-2000. Congratulations!

Members of the Rotary Club of Pine Rivers Inc. on 4th July 1999.

Ian CRAIG	President
Brian HAYNES	Immediate Past President
Ron HEITMANN	Secretary
Keith CRAIG	Treasurer
Kevin DAVIS	Vice President and President Elect
Len CHAMBERLAIN	Bulletin
Tom MELLERS	Sergeant-at-Arms
	Vocational Service
Geoff WRIGHT	Club Service
Ken YOUNG	Community Service
Geoff CRAWFORD	International Service
Brian POVEY	Youth Service
Gordon ALLAN	
Stewart BELL	
Dick DANCER	
Leigh EWART	
Gary FULTON	
Phillip MAJOR	
Glenn NELSON	
Selwyn WINTER	

"A sunset is beautiful, yet it is nothing without clouds," said Past District Governor Allan Male recently at our dinner with the Rotary Club of Maleny to celebrate our forty years of Rotary service together.

Clouds are symbols. Dark clouds symbolise problems or impending unhappiness and despair. Clouds with a silver lining represent our hopes, good fortune and great joy.

Past District Governor Allan's metaphor was appropriate when we had gathered to remember forty years of service. We reflected upon our past trials and sadnesses, our worries and our disappointments. We matched them with those times of great joy and delight with projects completed, great benefits given, our moments of success and triumph. Those beautiful sunset clouds are stored in our memories for the sunset comes at the end of the day - a time to look backwards and remember.

Each morning I watch the sun rise across the sea. Each morning I wonder at its ever changing beauty. Sometimes it is cloudy and grey. On other mornings, the soft grey of the dawn turns into the loveliest, most beautiful soft rose-pink, before the sun touches the clouds with its gold and silver.

Can we also say: *"A sunrise is beautiful, yet it is nothing without clouds"*?

As we enter our fortieth year, we can look forward with enthusiasm. Ahead, there will be the grey dawns of troubled times, the moments of unhappiness and despair, the sadnesses and disappointments. That's life.

But also, there will be those beautiful sunrises which fill our days with great happiness and joy, those dawns of Rotary service and Rotary fellowship.

Perhaps it is better said in this quote attributed to R.I. Past President Clem Renouf *"We stand today on the peaks of the past, but merely on the foothills of the future."*