

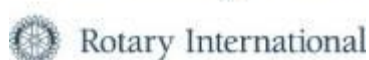
**Year:** 1997-98

**RI President:** [Glen W. Kinross](#) from [Hamilton](#), Qld, Australia.

**Theme:** Show Rotary Cares - for your community; for our world; for its people



Show Rotary Cares



**Convention** held at [Indianapolis](#), Indiana, USA on June 14-17, with 19,002 delegates.

**District Governor:** Boyd Fay

**District Conference location:** Caloundra

**Club President:** Tom Duncan, Phillip Major

Exchange Student:

Inbound:

Host parents

Outbound:

PHFs awarded:

After some months as president, Tom Duncan resigned. It was greatly appreciated when Past President Phillip Major agreed to lead us for the remainder of the year.

This Rotary year marked the appointment of the second Rotarian from District 9600 to become the world leader of Rotary International. After a distinguished career at all levels of Rotary service, Rotarian Glen Kinross from the Rotary Club of Hamilton became president of Rotary International. Some of our members accepted the invitation to be present at the Doomben Racecourse when Glen and his wife Heather made his official visit to our Rotary District. A portrait of Glen and Heather, painted by President Tom, was the District's gift to the R.I. President to mark his visit.

An International Night was held at Ian and Rose Craig's residence when much of our Club's memorabilia was on display.

An international theme marked the Guest Speaker List. At different times, we heard addresses from Julie Battern, an Ambassadorial Scholar from U.S.A. and from Connie, an Exchange Student from Germany, hosted by Strathpine Rotary Club.

Fund-raising was not overlooked. We worked hard again at the Swap Meet in June. We continued to work our van with some successful ventures at the Christmas functions arranged by the Pine Rivers Shire Council and the Kallangur District Business Assn. The Bridge to Bridge Raft Race was not quite as good. The van was hired again to several charitable organisations. We placed the van at the Pine Rivers Memorial Bowls Club for an extended period while the Bowls Club renovated its premises. Club funds benefited greatly from this arrangement.

Further work was done at the Shaftesbury Citizenship Campus. It was a big job to connect one of the houses on the campus to the existing sewerage lines, while at the same time, making provision

for future drainage works. We largely called upon the expertise of Rotarian Keith Craig. In the extremely hot weather, it was very trying work in the deep trenches, and became especially more so when over-enthusiastic volunteers trying hard to be helpful, tipped sand and gravel over him.

A second ceremony was held at the Spitfire Memorial. A Spitfire flew overhead, and later, many of the veterans and visitors were taken by coach to the Caboolture Airfield where they were able to inspect the plane.

A special dinner meeting was arranged so that volunteers from Meals On Wheels could be presented with 20 Year Service Awards.

A project to help Liaigam School in Papua New Guinea was initiated with the Club providing \$400 for school equipment. Support for Donations In Kind was continued with books collected and forwarded to their depot. An amount of \$500 was made available for nurse training in PNG. When we made a contribution to the Rotary Foundation it was also designated to this project.

Rotaryannes kept busy during the year even though unable to meet regularly. They purchased a pie warmer and supported the needs of the U.D.S.A. Veterans' Hostel at Burpengary with the gift of a bath chair.

At our Christmas function, Rotaryanne Evelyn Lehmhase accepted the position of Honorary Rotaryanne. Evelyn is constantly in our minds. We hope she will continue to regard our Club members and Rotaryannes as a source of assistance when needed, and know that in a big family like Rotary, we are always her friends.