

Year: 1994-95

RI President: [William H. Huntley](#) from [Alford & Mablethorpe](#), Lincolnshire, England, UK.



Theme: Be a Friend

Convention held at [Nice](#), France on June 11-14, with 34,077 delegates.

District Governor: William A (Bill) Waterfield, Karana Downs

District Conference location: Nambour

Club President: Stewart Bell

Exchange Student:

Inbound: Aya Tsukahara, Japan Host parents

Outbound: Jonathan Hadwen, to Denmark

PHFs awarded:

Chief task facing Rotarians this year was the rebuilding of the hot food van. The existing van was stripped of its cookers and other equipment, right back to its chassis. Under the expert guidance of President Stewart and President Elect Geoff Crawford, the new version was built. All members worked hard in support of the project, with great fellowship among the members. Working parties did various tasks at P.P. Tom Mellers' workshop, some at P.E. Geoff's workshop and the van was completed at President Stewart's workshop. The stainless steel work for benches and sinks was carried out at the workplace of Graham Chapman. The large barbecue plate was provided by our Rotaryannes.

The first outing was at the Grovely State School when Mr Michael Lavarch, Federal Attorney General and local MHR, requested that the club help in celebrations to mark fifty years from the end of World War II. The next outing was to cater for 3,000 people at the opening of the Riverwood Estate. A giant early morning sausage sizzle, in which both Rotarians and Rotaryannes worked frantically to feed the hungry horde proved a great success, and was also good for club funds.

Obtaining funds for our community service projects followed the normal pattern. The June Swap Meet and the Pine Rivers Show followed in due course. We revisited the Mango Hill Heritage Festival and supported the Bridge to Bridge Raft Race. An attempt to help another organisation raise funds for Camp Quality at the Taigum Hoedown fell far short of anticipated public support.

A new idea in fund-raising was proposed by Past President Phillip Major. He explained that the Shaftesbury Citizenship Campus had been given a very large number of used books which it proposed to sell at a Bookfest. It needed manpower to prepare the books for sale and to operate the Bookfest. Past President Phillip suggested that our Club assume this responsibility and receive a percentage of the proceeds for our club funds. Members agreed and several weekends were spent in preparing the books, sorting, classifying and packing them in cartons ready for sale. When the Bookfest was completed, club funds had benefited significantly. (And the additional reading had

rounded out the education of many of our members, especially in some areas you would not believe!)

Club members retained a full 100% membership of FAIM. Donations In Kind continued to receive our books for despatch to Papua New Guinea.

The Life Education van continued to operate at district schools and received financial help.

Considerable effort went into the provision of a vehicle for Blue Nurses, for use in the Sandgate and Pine Rivers area.

We received a request from Kippa Ring Rotary Club for support of a project to provide medical supplies to Sri Lanka. Kippa Ring had assisted a nurse to go to Sri Lanka to work on an aid project. On arrival, she found great need for supplies and equipment. The cost of obtaining and the cost of transporting these supplies was beyond the ability of Kippa Ring and through a past member of our Club, Rotarian Mike Gregory, they asked our Club to help. This was done and the equipment and supplies were forwarded.

Another great Apprenticeship Awards Night was held in October, and sponsorship was received from the Pine Rivers Shire Council. A fine group of young people received acknowledgement for their excellence in their professions.

Members assisted a group of Pine Rivers State High School students by visiting the students and conducting mock job interviews. This gave the students a greater understanding of what would be expected and greater confidence to face future interviews.

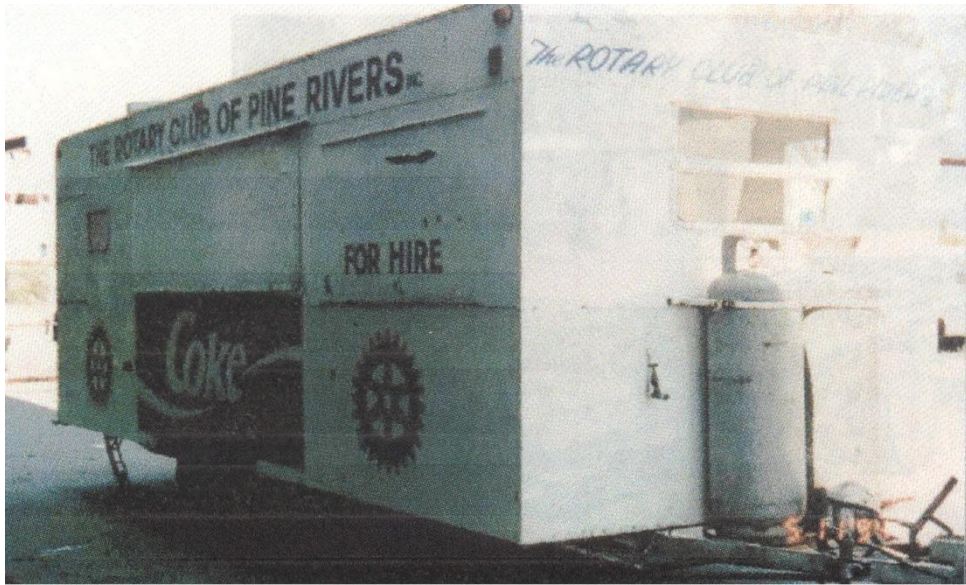
A large number of students were enabled to attend the Siemens Science Summer School, and we again proposed a student for the CRA National Science Youth Forum. We again supported the Rotary Adventure in Citizenship programme and sent two students to Canberra for this programme.

In Student Exchange, Nina Carter returned from Japan. Jonathan Hadwen went to Denmark while we hosted Aya Tsukahara from Gifu, Japan. Aya had difficulties with language and settling into the school at Dakabin S.H.S. so the club decided to transfer her to Bray Park State High School.

Thanks to some more fine work by our Rotaryannes, a lovely Progressive Dinner was enjoyed by us all.



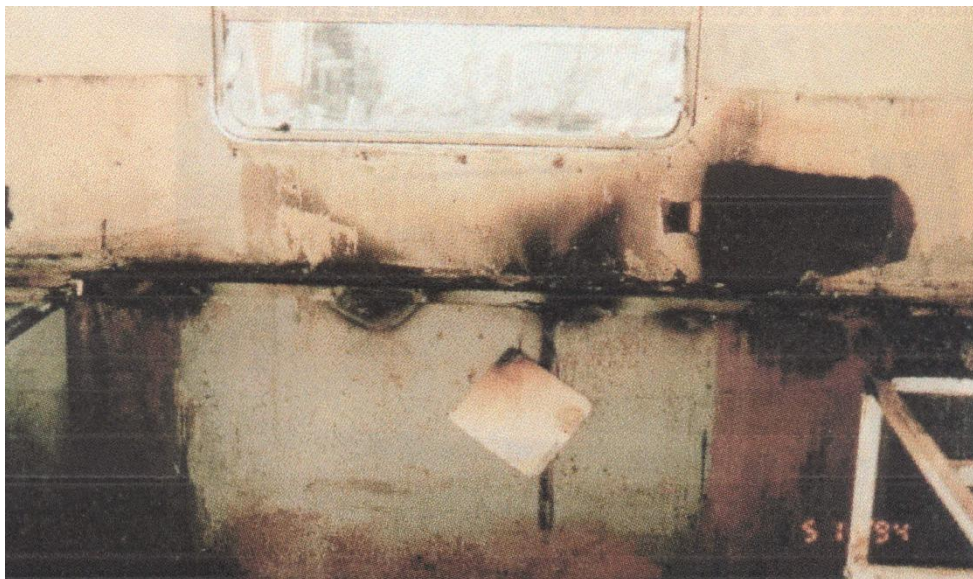
The bookfests at Shaftesbury have been rewarding in many ways.



Our second van did valuable service, but the club decided we needed to update.



Pull it apart to make a new one.



Behind the deep fryers this was found! Must have almost burned it at a fete!



Work on the chassis at Ken Young's property.



Then start building a new van at Geoff Crawford's place. (Go where the skills are.)



After much effort, a new van at Stewart Bell's workshop.

