

Year: 1983-84

RI President: [William E. Skelton](#) from [Blacksburg](#), Virginia, USA.



Theme: Share Rotary -- Serve People

Convention held at [Birmingham](#), England, UK on June3-7, with 22,452 delegates.

District Governor: Alan Millard, Hamilton

District Conference location: Surfers Paradise

Club President: Chas Stoodley

Exchange Student:

Inbound: Troy Tomsych, USA Host parents

Outbound: Cathy Hampson, to Norway

PHFs awarded:

Police Officer of the Year:

Our twenty-fifth year and Silver Anniversary were celebrated with a smorgasbord and entertainment.

The Marsden Home for Boys was the focus of our major project. Included in this work were a storage room, a workshop, a change room for the pool, a covered shelter and a W.C. On completion of this task, the management of the Marsden Home reciprocated with a "Thank You" afternoon tea.

Other working bees were held at the Safe Cycling Track and the annual manning of the Show Gates occupied our time. Further assistance was given to the Handihome project. Meals On Wheels were provided with a First Aid Kit.

The Pluto Pup van did its annual round of school and church fetes.

A simple but different request came from the Rotary Club of Cranbrook, Canada. They wrote to clubs around the world asking each club to donate to them for auction, items which would reflect the country in which the club was located. Our club obtained special illustrated books on Australia which it forwarded to them

Fund-raising ideas tried this year were a Trash and Treasure Stall at the Aspley Flea Market, an Art Union with a trailer as the major prize, and a Las Vegas Night. (This was similar to an earlier Funny Money Night).

A special Business Men's Dinner meeting was held to attract possible members. A very successful evening was held with a significant number of local businesses represented.

We hosted exchange student, Troy Tomsych, from Wisconsin, U.S.A. We welcomed back Tracey Hooper after a great year in the U.S.A. and farewelled Cathy Hampson, off for an exciting year in Norway.

The New Member Creed

A new member is the most important person in the Club.

A new member is not dependent on us, we are dependent on him.

A new member is not an interruption of your work, he is the purpose of it.

A new member does you a favour by joining your club. We do him a favour by serving him.

A new member is part of your club and not an outsider.

A new member is not just a name on the books. He is a flesh and blood human

being with feelings and emotions like your own.

A new member is not someone to argue or match wits with.

A new member is the life blood of this club or any other club.

A new member is A ROTARIAN