



Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

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### Meeting Apology

Please use the club web-site **before 3 pm** on meeting day to apologise or add a guest, or you will be required to reimburse the club for your meal cost.

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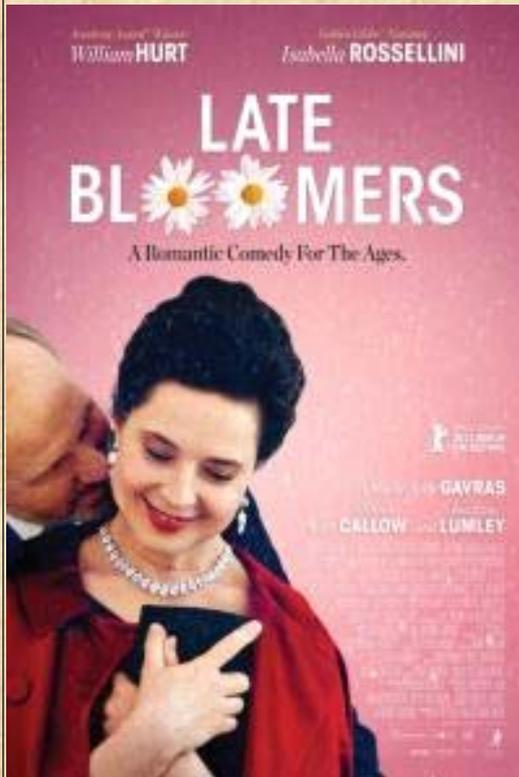
## Movie night

### Movie Night Monday 27 Feb 12

We have booked 200 seats to watch **Late Bloomers** at Roseville Cinema. Drinks & nibbles from 6.30 pm for a 7.30 pm movie.

This Movie evening is a great fundraising opportunity for our Club.

Please contact your friends and make bulk booking with Ross Egan. Tickets \$20 each.



## Attendance Sheet for up-coming Functions

Please see Caroline for the Attendance sheet to nominate for these functions:

- Mon 27 Feb** - Movie Night
- Mon 5 Mar** - Tour & dinner at Macquarie Library
- Sat 21 Apr** - Trivia Night
- Sat 26 May** - Dinner for 8 (host or attend)

## This Week

**Denice Kelly: Bendigo Bank**

## Last Week

**Travel Quiz hosted by Adele Mitchell**  
As Roger said in his 'thank you' to Adele, 'that will teach us to pay more attention while we are travelling!'

It was an interesting and entertaining evening and Adele added that extra level of interest by having 4-person teams seated at individual tables. Each team had to supply correct answers to some 30 travel questions.

Early questions were not too bad: 'The EuroTunnel joins which two countries?' - and 'Which island in San Francisco Bay is the site of a non-escapable prison?' Followed by: 'Which ancient city in Jordan is carved out of red rock?' ....well, at our table, things just went downhill from there!

However, overheard by your editor a few days later": 'That was great. We must ask her to do that again!' Well Done Adele!

Pics: see over...

## OK - Own Up!!

Who left this classy canvas bag behind at the club Christmas party?

(see Michael for a more detailed description - and a quote for its return!)



TRAVEL QUIZ



## Rotary clubs worldwide meet US\$200 million fundraising challenge for polio eradication

Despite a stagnant global economy, Rotary clubs around the world have succeeded in raising more than US\$200 million in new funding for polio eradication.

The fundraising milestone, announced today at Rotary's annual International Assembly in San Diego, was reached in response to a \$355 million challenge grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. All funds have been earmarked to support polio immunization activities in countries where this vaccine-preventable disease continues to paralyze children.

"We'll celebrate this milestone, but it doesn't mean that we'll stop raising money or spreading the word about polio eradication," Rotary Foundation Trustee John F. Germ told the annual conference of Rotary leaders. "We can't stop until our entire world is certified as polio free."

"In recognition of Rotary's great work, and to inspire Rotarians in the future, the [Gates] foundation is committing an additional \$50 million to extend our partnership," said Jeff Raikes, chief executive officer of the Gates Foundation. "Rotary started the global fight against polio, and continues to set the tone for private fundraising, grassroots engagement and maintaining polio at the top of the agenda with key policy makers."

Since 1988, the incidence of polio has plummeted by more than 99 percent, from about 350,000 infections annually to fewer than 650 cases reported so far for 2011. The wild poliovirus now remains endemic – meaning its transmission has never been stopped – in only four countries: Afghanistan, India, Nigeria, and Pakistan. However, India on January 13 marked a full calendar year without a case, paving the way for its removal from the endemic list.

But other countries also remain at risk for polio cases imported from the endemic countries. In Africa in 2011, Chad and the Democratic Republic of the Congo had significant outbreaks. Also in 2011, a small cluster of polio cases in China, which had been polio-free for a decade, was attributable to a virus from Pakistan.

Rotary members not only reached into their own pockets to support the Gates challenge, but engaged their communities in a variety of creative fundraising projects, such as a fashion show in California that raised \$52,000; benefit film screenings in New Zealand and Australia that netted \$54,000; and a pledge-supported hike through Kilimanjaro, Tanzania, that brought in \$38,000. Many events were planned around October 24, widely observed as World Polio Day.

To date, Rotary club members worldwide have contributed more than \$1 billion toward the eradication of polio, a cause Rotary took on in 1985. In 1988, the World Health Organization, UNICEF and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention joined Rotary as spearheading partners of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative. More recently, the Gates Foundation has become a major supporter. In 2007, the Gates Foundation gave Rotary a \$100 million challenge grant for polio eradication, increasing it to \$355 million in 2009. Rotary agreed to raise \$200 million in matching funds by June 30, 2012.

Reaching children with the oral polio vaccine in the disease's remaining strongholds is labor and resource-intensive due to a host of challenges, including poor infrastructure, geographical isolation, armed conflict and cultural misunderstanding about the eradication campaign.

## Remainder of 2011-2012 Calendar

DATE	Speaker (BM = Board meeting)
Monday 23 January	Adele Mitchell: travel quiz
Monday 30 January	Denice Kelly: Bendigo Bank
Monday 6 February	Ted Waters: community fund raising BM
Monday 13 February	Pride of workmanship
Monday 20 February	ROMAC: Philip Smith
Monday 27 February	Film night: Late Bloomers
Monday 5 March	Maxine Brodie: Macquarie University BM
Monday 12 March	Dilly Bag
16-18 Mar	Conference
Monday 19 March	Macquarie Park talk
Sunday 25 March:	Bobbin Head Cycle Classic
Monday 26 March	Ross Lambert: social media
Monday 2 April	Emyr Evans BM
Monday 9 April	Easter Monday
Monday 16 April	Saving our Heritage (New members night)
Saturday 21 April	Trivia night
Monday 23 April	
Monday 30 April	
Monday 7 May	BM
Monday 14 May	
Monday 21 May	Hat day
Saturday 26 May	dinners-for-eight
Monday 28 May	Red Shield collection
Monday 4 June	BM
Monday 11 June	Queen's birthday – no meeting
Monday 18 June	MUNA
Monday 25 June	Changeover

## Rotary Leadership Institute course

**Rotary Leadership Institute** course, beginning respectively on the 21st, 28th of January, and the 4th February. The first course is full but I know there were 6 or 7 clubs who felt their PE would benefit from the program.

There is some space on the second two courses so it is not too late to ring Barry Philps or Michael Schwarcz and get registered. The Rotary Leadership Institute is all about Rotary Awareness and knowledge, as well as providing some real personal benefit in terms of leadership skill development. [Details on District website](#)

Or copy & paste to your browser: <http://www.clubrunner.ca/Portal/story/StoryDetail.aspx?accountid=50081&sid=13460&stid=District>

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