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MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**

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SPEAKER LAST WEEK

JACOBS WELL: Rotarian **Joan Roose** spoke of the current status of her fast developing programme in Orissa State. Initially it was to provide bore wells for the poorest of tribes living in the foothill forests. The Indian government provided only one well per village and that well had to serve all imaginable doings which require water. Returning from a visit there in 2014 Joan launched into action.

Today, Jacob's Well has dug 75 bore wells and increasing. Developing from that Joan saw the glaring absence of education and medical care for these remote mountain people sharing over 68 tribal languages. Her answer was to buy some land and build rooms for a school. Women are the labourers. They did all the clearing and building and the result was Rejoice School and Rejoice Centre. 171 in school and over 170 children on the campus. All staff are Indian with Joan the sole westerner.

Young children are the baby-carers with marriage at 13 or 14 and a very high maternal death rate. Joan spent most of her talk on the medical needs of the people, particularly the children.



Their disabilities and general medical needs are rarely met.

Average birth weight is 2 kilos. Those born with

deformity often not exiting hospital. The foundation is working

hard in the area of hygiene and community health care. Children with treatable yet serious health problems are taken to distant centres for attention. T.B. and cerebral palsy are quite common. Good medical care can be 2,000 kms. away. Much time is spent in taking children for urgent attention. Using the overhead, Joan showed these children "before and after". The transformations were staggering.

An extended aim of Jacob's Well is to get 'graduates' to return to their villages and so contribute locally as nurses, foresters, teachers, water conservationists and the like.



*You may say that I'm a dreamer
But I'm not the only one
I hope someday you'll join us
And the world will be as one!*

John Lennon

MEMBERS, re-read Joan's email dated 10/11. Maybe respond to a recent happy or sad occasion with a generous gift to Jacob's Well.

joan@jacobswell.org.au

FAMILY OF ROTARY



Working with
Children Check

Club Membership currently is at 44 Members plus 2 Honorary Members. 13 Members still to register their WWCC.

Any questions see Secretary Geoff. Application forms readily available from Post Office or on-line.



THE GRAND-CHILDREN CYCLONE
CONTINUES: Carla Finocchiaro now records her seventh with the arrival of Thomas Benjamin Finocchiaro. All are well and congrats go to Rene and Phillip.

VISITORS LAST WEEK: Mary Gardner, Yvonne Tait

Rotary Ann.	Sally-Anne Allchin 18/11, Megan Verrocchi 18/11
Wedding Ann.	Christina and Peter Peyton 16/11/96

CLUB NEWS

SLAVERY STILL EXISTS cf. front cover October Rotary Down Under. Quote: "*Roughly 4,300 people are thought to be enslaved in Australia forced by criminals into work and prostitution*".

Modern Slavery, sometimes called Human Trafficking, is a broad term that encompasses a number of criminal practices: forced marriage, bonded labour, child labour and trafficking, sexual slavery, domestic servitude, forced labour

Steps every Rotarian ought to be taking:

- Investigate your slavery footprint, particularly your product purchases;
- buy from companies with transparent supply chains, ethical brands;
- reuse and recycle - rampant consumerism drives much of the forced labour and poor conditions.

Rotary Down Under, October

BELOVED SYRIA - Considering Syrian Perspectives Magazine
Launch Date: Sunday 19 November, 2017 Time: 3.00pm - 5.00pm
Where: Bargoonga Nganjin North Fitzroy Library, 186 St Georges Road
A free event to launch the second edition of the magazine - Beloved Syria - Considering Syrian Perspectives. Light refreshments. There is no charge for the magazine and copies will be available on the day.

SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON - Nov. 22.

Currently 55 visitors will be attending with the final number around 68. Les Woodland reports that he now has sufficient drivers while he stresses that the pick-up must be between 11.30 and 12 noon.



Those who offered to drive and have not been informed just turn up as usual at the dinner, St. George's Restaurant. Any confusion ring Les' office. Seated by 12.20 as dinner starts at 12.30.

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Members will remember the invite to this costly event sponsored annually by the Carbine Club at the Metropolis in Southbank. This year all profit went to The Next Step. Les Woodland, Peter Gilbert, Geoff McIlvenna and Peter Peyton attended. Happily and fortunately they weren't out of pocket as the group won \$2,000 in the sweep!

COMING EVENTS

Nov. 15	Chair	President Julie
	Topic	Club Forum
	Speaker	NOTE THEME CHANGE
	Welcomes	Joan Roose
	Sergeant	David Warry
	House	Norm Pinder
Nov. 22	Chair	Les Woodland
	Celebrating	Seniors Christmas Dinner
	Extra Event	2 Pride of Workmanship Awards
Nov. 29	Chair	Shaun Walsh
	Topic	Good Samaritan Inn
	Speaker	Cassandra Williams

VOLUNTEERS WANTED: It's a busy Christmas lead-up followed by a peaceful January!

Reservoir Neighbourhood House Annual Break-Up. December 1. It's a busy day after midday.

MacKillop Foster Care, Bundoora Park, December 2, 1pm till 4. A short start to the get the dinner on the road - 40 foster parents & children.

December 23, Barbie all day at Bunnings. Start 8am. Last year a big fund-raiser. Required $\frac{1}{2}$ hour, 1 hour, 5 hours . .

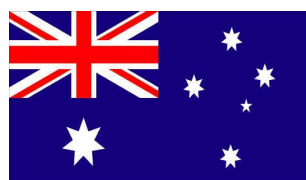
VOLUNTEER HOURS: D.G. Bernie Boff asks members to note them on a piece of paper and pass it on to Secretary Geoff.

ROTARY GRACE

O Lord and Giver of all good, we thank Thee for our daily food.
 May Rotary friends and Rotary ways
 help us to serve Thee all our days.

Rotary Club of Preston - Past Presidents

1960-61	Alf Bean	1989-90	Paul Smarrelli
1961-62	Bruce Connan	1990-91	Ted Begg
1962-63	Oliver Roberts	1991-92	Paul Josephson
1963-64	Royce Kronberg	1992-93	Peter Gilbert
1964-65	Perc Cleland	1993-94	Neil Grierson
1965-66	Ron Grierson	1994-95	Geoff McIlvenna
1966-67	Marc Crampton	1995-96	John McInnes
1967-68	Ken Land	1996-97	Constantine Panoussi
1968-69	Ray Brabham	1997-98	Les Woodland
1969-70	John Hunting/ Dave Harding	1998-99	Rod Draper
1970-71	Ian Cleland	1999-2000	Trevor Wilson
1971-72	Hilary Ellis	2000-01	Rosemary Wilcox
1972-73	Roy Kilkenny	2001-02	Ian Musgrove
1973-74	Keith Gibbs	2002-03	Peter Peyton
1974-75	Eric Thornton	2003-04	Bernie Lamers
1975-76	Vin Ross	2004-05	Lindsay Gale
1976-77	Arthur Morgan	2005-06	Carla Finocchiaro
1977-78	Arthur Grubb	2006-07	Richard Gozdzik
1978-79	Bryan Steele	2007-08	Les Price
1979-80	Laurie Bryant/ Don Andrews	2008-09	Les Woodland
1980-81	Bill Wonder	2009-10	David Sullivan
1981-82	Jack Morris	2010-11	Rosemary Wilcox
1982-83	Keith Porter	2011-12	David de la Coeur
1983-84	Norm Griffiths	2012-13	Peter Fitz
1984-85	David Warry	2013-14	Peter Byrne
1985-86	Vin Murphy	2014-15	Elaine Price
1986-87	Reg Dick	2015-16	Paul Smarrelli
1987-88	Sandy Mead	2016-17	Geoff McIlvenna
1988-89	Max Kirwan		



ADVANCE AUSTRALIA FAIR

Australians all let us rejoice, for we are young and free; we've golden soil and wealth for toil; our home is girt by sea; our land abounds in nature's gifts of beauty rich and rare; in history's page, let every stage Advance Australia Fair. In joyful strains then let us sing **Advance Australia Fair.**