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ANOTHER ROTARY YEAR – NO PROBLEMS

Comes July and it's again time for Rotarians to change seats as we move into 2009-2010. There will be no World Community Service surprises. There are many hands on projects being carried out in PNG and the Solomon Islands by Project Volunteers not only from D9600 but by Rotarians from other Districts. It has been said before there is so much that can be done by a couple of tradesmen supported by a couple of handymen and local labour from the villages. Interested in joining a working party? Contact RAWCS.

THE DIK STORE ROSTER TO DECEMBER

Clubs rostered on duty to help pack containers to the end of the year are as follows:

- 4 July **Samford Valley and Nundah**
- 1 August **Kenmore and Toowong**
- 5 September **Aspley and Albany Creek**
- 3 October **Hamilton and Redcliffe City**
- 7 November **Sandgate and Windsor**
- 5 December **Bris North and Caboolture**

Please advise as soon as possible if these dates are not suitable !!!.

As before there will also be Clubs on roster from District 9630. Our current aim is to send two containers a month, always dependent on the goods received from the Clubs for despatch.

DON'T FORGET THE BIRTHING KIT LADIES

The ladies are back again putting together the birthing kits at the DIK store. Their needs are simple; small soaps, rubber gloves, plastic sheets, clean razor blades or scalpel blades, clean cotton gauzes, clean nappy size cloths. These can be dropped off at the DIK store.

SETTLING IN

Clubs have noted the new DIK address and goods are coming in slowly, but we will be in need of more stock if we are to maintain the two containers a month. School desks continue to come in but the boxes of books to fit under the desks when packing are in short supply. Would be happy for Clubs to call their local Primary School and ask if they have any surplus stock!

KITS FOR KIDS

Easy to put together and so well received by the schools. What goes into the box is up to you, loosely called 'Classroom Stationery'. Paper, small exercise books, pens, pencils, sharpeners, crayons, rulers, glue sticks, and so on, all best packed in the empty box that holds 5 x A4 paper.

SOMETHING DIFFERENT

Following a call for help from the Rotary Club of **Dee Why Warringah** DIK sent a small team to Mater Hospital in Brisbane to pack a container for **Porgera, PNG**. RC DWW have a hands on community project for Porgera that involves service to Schools, hospital and support for the community.



Just the team you need for an emergency!
Three from RC Mt Gravatt, three from RC Kenmore and Peter from RC Ashgrove The Gap. Yes, I note there are only six in the picture but John Bailey was working while we played PR games!

FUNDING INTO DIK

Received since last Months News, Thanks to **RC Nundah \$3,500, RC Brisbane \$3,000, RC Hamilton \$6,000, RC Mt Gravatt \$1,300, RC Caloundra \$1,000, Queensland CWA \$500, RC Caloundra Pacific \$200.**

There may well have been other donations that did not come through Bill W, let me know, happy to put your Club name here.

ROTARACT IN PORT MORESBY

It started as a casual email from Rotaractor James in Port Moresby asking what we could do for his village. Not sure how the word got around, but DIK has been told to expect 1,500 books coming up from the Gold Coast in the next month or so for shipping to the **Port Moresby Rotaract Club**.

ROTARIANS AGAINST MALARIA

The RAM Conference at Caboolture in May was well attended by Rotarians from all States where we heard of the major funding from the Global Fund for PNG and the Solomon Islands.

While the provision of bed nets from this funding will have an initial impact, the work of RAM and the Adopt A Village programme will continue.

If you would like more details on RAM in District 9600 contact **PDG Bill Dethlefs** and in PNG **Ron Seddon**.

DISTRICT SIMPLIFIED GRANT 2009-2010

Applications for a share in the District Simplified Grant will be called early in August looking to make the selection in time for the presentation of cheques at the **Rotary Foundation Seminar** in October. This Grant is where Clubs are invited to submit their local projects in competition for a share in the DSG. Projects must comply with the Rotary Foundation terms and conditions.

NEWS IN BRIEF

- Thanks to **RC Caloundra** for the pallet jack donated to the DIK store. Very handy as when you look for the pallet jack it is always at the other end of the store, now we have one at both ends and one in the middle!
- Due to the efforts of Project Volunteers working in the areas, there is a good chance of forming two new Clubs. Paperwork is being put together for Clubs in **Kundiawa** and **Popondetta**. Watch this space!
- On behalf of the **Sunshine Coast Sister Cities Association** DIK will be sending a container of playground equipment to **Alotau, PNG**. There will possibly be space in the container for DIK to top it up with school desks. (We have looked at a new club in Alotau in the past but have never been able to break into the area.)
- **Sr Rita calls DIK each year** from Sydney when she takes a break from Manus Island asking for DIK to ship a few things she has collected while away, books and things. This year we have 54 boxes that will go the **RC Lae for Sr Rita** to arrange for on shipping to Manus.

STATUS OF MATCHING GRANTS

Status update for Matching Grants in the District, a selection as follows showing recent activity;

Three MGs recently closed

- Adopt A Village, supply and distribution of bed nets, RCs Kokopo and Coffs Harbour Daybreak. US\$25,150.
- City Mission Farm. Supply of training materials and tools, RCs Port Moresby, Kenmore and Projects Fair Clubs. US\$16,955.
- School desks made in PNG and distributed by RCs Madang and Bulolo/Wau, RCs Madang and Toowong. US\$21,495.

Work in hand

- Water services to Daumagini School. RCs Boroko and Noosa Heads. Held back due to school/indecisions, now settled and going ahead. US\$19,775.
- Water supply and desks. RCs Kokopo and Foster D9820. Well in hand, team from Foster recently visited the schools. US\$25,450.
- Water services to Aruligo High School. RCs Honiara, Samford Valley and Projects Fair Clubs. Completion expected mid August. US\$21,015.
- Six water bores to serve villages, RCs Goroko and Kenmore. Latest news said two more to drill. US\$19,805.
- 250 School desks made in PNG. RCs Boroko, Ashgrove The Gap and Projects Fair Clubs. US\$13,680.
- Dental equipment and Library security. RCs Madang, Karana Downs and Projects Fair Clubs. US\$19,330.

Approved waiting payment

- Library and toilets. RCs Honiara and Barossa Valley D9500. US\$16,300.
- Adopt A Village. RCs Port Moresby and Columbia D5080. US\$25,100.



Hospital beds spoken for but waiting for a shipping container

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