## PROGRAM

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<td>Barefoot Lawn Bowls, A la Carte Dinner before the event. Bring your partner, friends and even neighbours. Booking essentials.</td>
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BIRTHDAYS - Edwina Ricci Dec 2nd, Tony Wright Dec 4th, Greg O’Neill Dec 13th, Eric Thomas Dec 21st, Judyth Wright Dec 26th, Clive Baum Dec 27th

The Rotary Club of Croydon

“Hugs all Round”

“Enjoy the ride”

Fun, fellowship and friendship combined into one giving spirit.
**Club Information:**

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**Not Able To Come?--------- This is so important!**

Please advise apologies for meetings to Jean Stuart on 0416 036489 or mail: jeanieos007@gmail.com

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**Welcome!**

Greeter and hugger for December: Ian Cumming
Cashiers for December: Jean Stuart, John Hexter

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Two course dinner $25.00 at the Dorset Gardens Hotel.

Chronicle contributions and any articles of interest are invited from all members and persons that have an interest in the promotion of Rotary International.

Please email Richard at: pr/communications@rotarycroydon.org.au

By close of business Friday.

Tuesday December 9, 2014  Donna Cooper from Soksan School in Cambodia will be our speaker for this evening.

Tuesday December 16, 2014  At this meeting we will have an opportunity to review the projects that the Club has undertaken during the first half of this Rotary year and to learn about projects that will be undertaken in the second half of this Rotary year.

Tuesday December 23,
As this is our last meeting before Christmas the meeting will change to a “Breakfast Meeting” 7:00 AM for a 7:15 AM Start. Our Guest Speaker for this meeting will be Edwina Ricci who will deliver the Christmas Message. Let us make this a family meeting by inviting children and grand children. The meeting will be completed by 9:00 AM for those who need to hurry off to work, for those who have the time why not have another cup of coffee and a chat.

Tuesday December 30, 2014  No Meeting

Tuesday January 6, 2014  Barefoot Bowls at Chirnside Park. A booking has been made to play Barefoot Bowls at the Chirnside Country Club. Dinner will be available in the Bistro prior to commencing bowls. We have not arranged a set menu for the evening; please order and pay individually from the A La Carte Menu. Further details to be advised. As this is a social evening why not invite your partners, friends and neighbours, the more the merrier. Booking will be essential so that we can ensure there are sufficient bowls available.

Other Diary Dates:

Monday February 23, 2015  Cluster Meeting at Club Kilsyth. District 9810 and Carol Lawton will host the annual Youth Services information night.

March 13-15, 2015  District Conference Ballarat

Tuesday March 31, 2015  Possible Croquet Challenge between Lilydale RC and Croydon RC.

Ross Taylor
President’s Report

What a Christmas celebration we enjoyed!

Our room was nicely decorated with a Christmas tree, table decorations, bonbons, Christmas cakes courtesy of Marjan and elves. The complimentary glass of champagne or orange juice was much appreciated. We were first entertained with a selection of carols by the Femmes Flutale and a welcome address in verse by the president.

Di Paul with Roger on the sound system sang (and acted) about the problems of organising a Christmas dinner when so many friends have dietary requirements. A quote: “I made Margaret Fulton’s tart, sweet and high falutin; that six people could not eat, cos it contained gluten”.

Between the sumptuous main course and sweets much discussion took place at each table on the correct answers to the 20 questions of the trivia quiz (all questions relating to our members). Do you know, for example, that there is only one degree of separation between RI president Gary Huang and myself? Joy the mentor of both! Or that more than 25% of our members have a surname that is also a Christian name?

We finished with a hilarious version of Kris Kringle, where you could select (steal?) any of the parcels already opened. Marlene compered with contagious enthusiasm ably assisted by Marjan. Somehow, the face wash and body lotions were not stolen from Michael, yet the herb planter was very mobile.

Raffle ticket selling is going very well. We do need more people to fill the roster. If you can assist over and above what you are doing now please give me a call.

Thank you all for your attendance, assistance and willing participation.

Merry Christmas,

John
Croydon Rotary members receive photographic awards:

Croydon Rotary members Ross Taylor and Stephen Bode received awards at Maroondah Photographic Society’s Annual Award Night this week.

Ross was awarded the “Jack Milton Landscape/Seascape Photograph Award” for his photo of Eildon Weir and

Stephen received the “2014 Champion Black and White Image Award” for his photo of Sunrise on the Ganges.

Both Stephen and Ross have only joined the MPS this year.
Christmas is upon us, follow us in pictures
Rotary Club of Croydon

Fun, fellowship and friendship combined into one giving spirit.

Are you interested in helping in your Local and Worldwide Community, including issues with:- Health, Youth, Community Development and much, much more?.....

Would you like to meet some great Local People?

Would you like to help organize and hold events to raise funds for a range of charities?

Would you like to be involved in regular gatherings where you can enjoy interesting Guest Speakers, Great Company and Brilliant Field Trips?

Come and visit us at Croydon Rotary and find out what you can personally achieve as a Rotarian!

The Rotary Club of Croydon has been involved in the local and worldwide community for over 40 years and is involved in projects including:

✓ In co-operation with the State Government and Maroondah City Council developed the Croydon Y Space playground.
✓ Water Tanks at Monkami.
✓ Ran a Trivia Night Fundraising Event for a local school.
✓ Secondary School Youth Exchange.
✓ Many, many more projects in the local community and overseas.
✓ Involved in Ray White’s Little Ray of Giving for Rotary.

If you are interested in becoming involved in your Rotary Club contact:-

President: John Van Holsteyn 0434 836 695
Secretary: Greg O’Neill 0412 089 600 or
Email John president@rotarycroydon.org.au
https://www.facebook.com/CroydonRotary
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Cherish your family and friends as if the quality of your life depends on them

IT DOES!!!

“HUGS ALL ROUND”

Have you invited someone to our Rotary Meeting this week?
It is not that hard. Time to light up and continue your journey with Rotary and be proud of the Badge you wear. Look at what we did last year and it is going to get even bigger and brighter this year.
Share the light. We are!

Are you interested in becoming a member of the Rotary Club of Croydon? Membership will expand new horizons for you. Give John a call on 039 758 4699. Email president@rotarycroydon.org.au

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