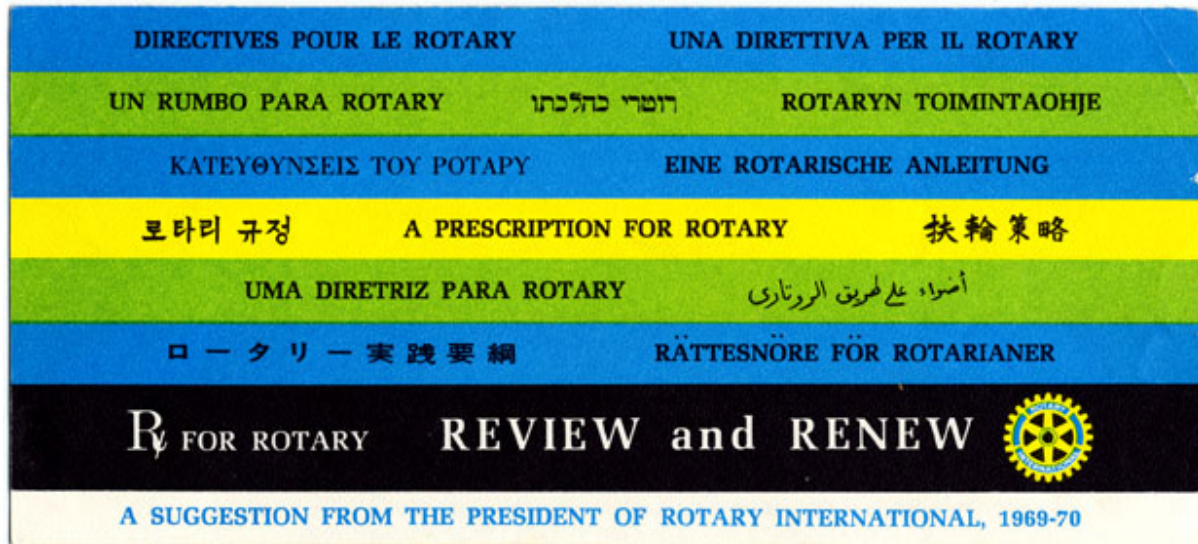


1969-1970 John Henderson

The most popular film in 1969 was: Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid with Paul Newman and Robert Redford. The most popular song was: Get Back, by the Beatles.



The RI President, James F Conway's theme for the Rotary Year was 'Review and Renew' and the new President of the Rotary Club of Bendigo was John W Henderson. President John's classification was Building Construction and when you view the documents for President John's year, you can certainly see that President John did just that.

The Art Show was still held outside. Unfortunately, the Art Show experienced a drop in revenue. There were 294 entries with 57 of the paintings sold, but the overall success of the Art Show was affected by poor weather. Consequently, the Club began looking at options to have the Art Show held inside a venue.



The Mannequin Parade, on the other hand, was held inside at City Hall. This year, the focus was 'Pure New Wool-1970'. The Australian Wool Board held two shows.

There were interstate models, musicians, a professional singer, a compere and lots of beautiful clothes provided! The event raised \$609.46. Importantly, the shows attracted nine hundred people and was not affected by the weather.

Social activities were well attended during the year. There was: a Danish Night; a Dinner Night at the Shamrock; a Cocktail Party at Favaloro's; a Progressive Dinner; a night out at the Drive-in; and the very popular Xmas Party held at the Axedale Camp.



A review of the functions held was that not only were they important to developing fellowship, but they proved to be successful with respect to fund raising.

The Walkabout event, held with the Men's Y's Club, was enjoyed by all and \$5,600 was raised (\$2,800 each).

The 60's/70's was a different era in lots of ways, but young people still had to focus on what they would like to do once they left school. Consequently, the Club went to great lengths to assist young people make decisions about their plans.

A Career's Night was held at Bendigo High School. Forty counsellors and one thousand students attended. For the Catholic Schools and Girton, the Club organised Discussion Panels to meet with their students.

One hundred girls and boys from



Melbourne went on the Train of Knowledge to visit local industries in Bendigo. This was organised by the Rotary Club of Essendon with our Club assisting. The students spent 24 hours in Bendigo.

Form 2 students from White Hills Secondary School were taken on visits to local industries and workplaces. Sixteen groups of 24 students were taken.



Rotarian Jack Rowe held a demonstration of firefighting equipment for White Hills Technical School students. There was also a talk on first aid from Rotarian Jack Rowe and his staff. The Club also held fortnightly lunchtime talks for interested students to attend.

Other highlights:

The Melbourne South Rotary Club held a weekend camp at Axedale for 50 financially disadvantaged students. Inner Wheel again came to the camp to provide all the catering required.

Two students were sent to RYLA. A Rotary leadership camp held in Geelong.

There was one Incoming and one Outgoing Exchange Student from/to South Africa.

Prominent speakers that spoke at luncheons were Emil Christensen, the Danish Consul-General; The Hon. Vernon Wilcox, Min. of Transport; Miss Nancy Khin-Thet from Thailand; Mr Jefferson Jones, President of Australian Yacht Club; Keith Glover from Radio Australia.

With respect to speakers that spoke about Vocation, they spoke on employer-employee relationships, apprenticeships and even how to retire gracefully!