

# **December 2015 Quarter Newsletter**



Another year of Rotary cricket is coming to an end, and planning is under way for an exciting 2016.

On behalf of the Board, I wish everyone a safe and festive season and a rewarding 2016 in the "Year of the Monkey".

When you open your new 2016 calendar there are two dates that should be the first entries. After that you can organise the rest of your year.

The important dates are:

- 11 19 March 2016 Tour of Tasmania
- 16 21 October 2016 –
   Australian Festival in Wagga
   Wagga

A separate newsletter with details of the Tasmanian tour will issue shortly when more information is available and final costs are determined. We currently have a potential tour party of 12 with replies to our expression of interest.

# Items discussed in this newsletter

- 2016 Australian Festival (including Wagga Wagga hotel attachment)
- Future world festivals in 2017 and 2020
- IFCR member World RI President 2017-18
- Member's requests
  - From Howard Barclay re donation for Motor Neuron Disease
  - From Patrick O'Shea Cricket game in Bendigo 25 February 2016
- IFCR Members out and about Tasmanian Over 60's Carnival
- IFCR History and Future tours replies required

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#### 2016 AUSTRALIAN FESTIVAL

Preparations for our Australian Cricket festival in October 2016 are well under way.

Here is a sneak preview of the dedicated website that will have all the details of the Festival.

As soon as details are finalised we will send out more information about how to access the web site where you should be able to register online.

To help with your planning, the Festival week will commence on Sunday 16 October at 6pm and the closing ceremony will be held on Friday, 21 October 2016.

At the end of this newsletter is a list of Hotels near the venue.

I look forward to catching up with as many members as possible at our premier event on the IFCR Australian calendar.



#### **Future World Festivals**

The Board at recent meeting on 19 November 2015 re-affirmed its commitment to investigate the holding of the 2020 World Festival in Australia. If we are to progress this item we need to have a firm proposal to put to the International group at the upcoming World Festival in Christchurch in January 2017.

Therefore, The Board is looking for a commitment from interested IFCR members to investigate some alternative venues and report back to our Board Meeting in March 2016. We then hope to select one or two sites to a position where we can put the proposed venue to you at the Australian Festival in October 2016.

If approved at that time, then we will need to create a proposal for presentation at the International Festival in January 2017.

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# Ian Riseley is selected as 2017-18 Rotary president



Ian Riseley, an Australian accountant and member of the Rotary Club of Sandringham Victoria, is selected as the 2017-18 Rotary president.

lan is a member of IFCR.

We wish lan well in his new role over the coming years.

#### **MEMBERS REQUESTS**

We have had a few requests from members. If anyone else wants to send a request to members, we will be sending out these newsletters each quarter.

### Request from Member Patrick O'Shea

District 9790 is holding a Conference Cricket Match on **Thursday 25**<sup>th</sup> **of February in Bendigo** 10am start cost \$30

Sportsman dinner also will be held that evening cost \$55 Caroline Wilson guest speaker

If anyone is interested please let Patrick know prior to Christmas at wandi86@bigpond.net.au

#### **Request from Member Howard Barclay**

I am feeling well, however I am slowing down and finding more and more tasks difficult to handle. I am still living independently although now only driving around town.

You will no doubt be aware of the situation with Neale Daniher and his work raising funds for research into Motor Neurone.

Could you email IFCR members and make them aware of this, I am sure AFL followers will know about Neale and if they wish to assist they can go on line and go <a href="https://curemnd.org.au">https://curemnd.org.au</a> to do so.

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#### IFCR Cricketers at Over 60's Carnival in Tasmania

(Photo and names provided by IFCR Board member Derrick Marsden)



Front Row: Martin Crump
Sitting (L to R) Paul Gini (NZ) John Lucas, Colin Murray-Smith Neil Hopkins
Derrick Marsden
Standing (L to R) Michael Boyd Brian Wallace David Benn Dennis Wade Trevor
West Tony Ferguson

Also taking part were Graeme Amoore, Robert Queale, Michael Boyd, Paul Gini (NZ), Charles Townsing, Lloyd Dungey, Bruce Pooley, Ian Petherick and Ian Robertson.

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# **IFCR History and Future tours**

Thank you to all those members who have returned the expression of interest form and their games history. For those of you who are yet to respond can you please do so as this will become part of the 'history' of IFCR.

# Hotels for Wagga Wagga in October



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