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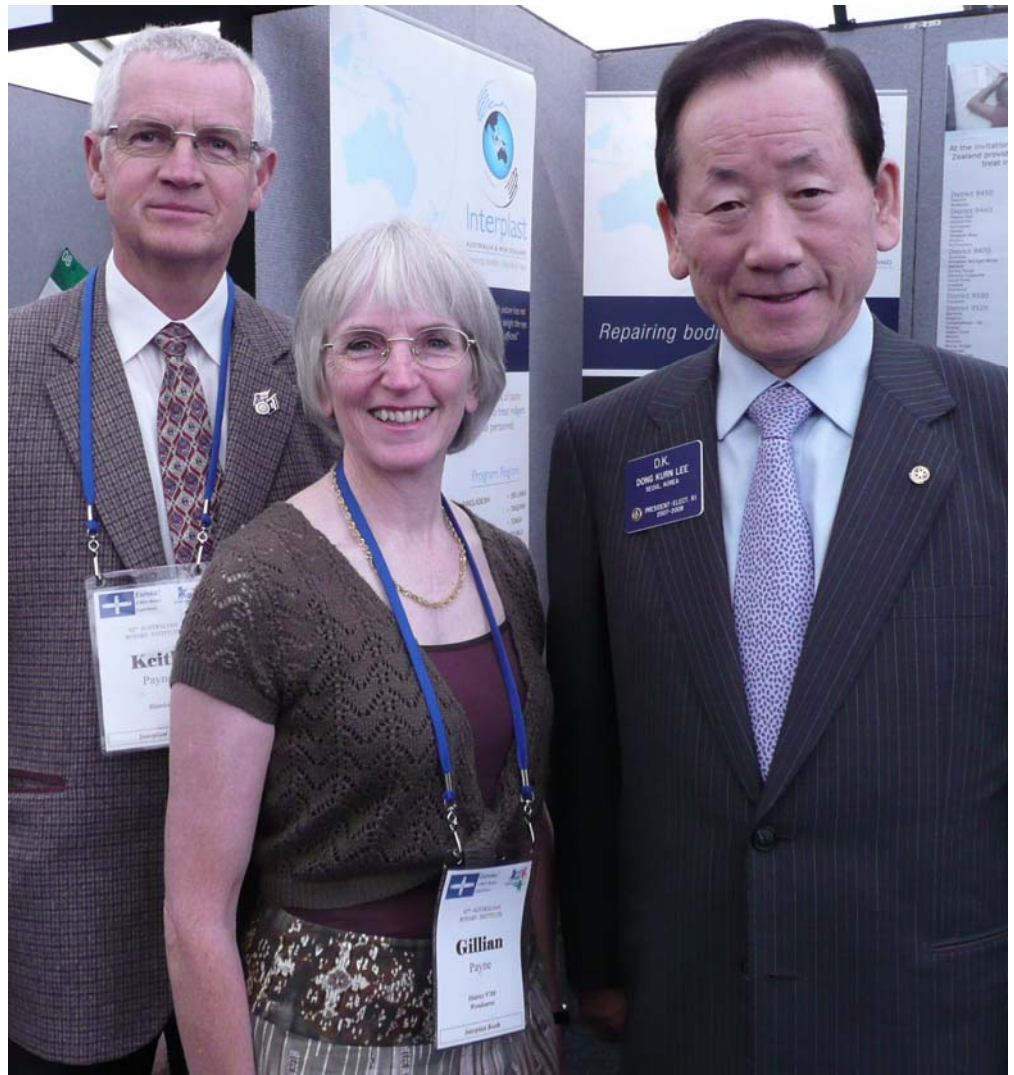
AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND

Repairing Bodies. Rebuilding Lives

ROTARY REVIEW INSIDE INTERPLAST

July 07 — January 08

Below: Past cleft lip patients treated in Cagayan De Oro. See page 3 for more.



Rotary International President-Elect D K Lee with Rotarians Keith and Gillian Payne (RC Wendouree) at the Interplast Australia & New Zealand booth at the 42nd Australian Rotary Institute.

42nd Rotary Institute, Ballarat

Interplast, like Rotary, has seen many changes over its lifetime. From our beginnings as a joint project between Rotary and the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, Interplast, like Rotary, has had to adapt to survive. There has been however, one constant throughout these changes for both our organisations, and that is the willingness of people to help, and the commitment of Rotarians to Interplast. Rotary was there in the beginning, has been there through the developments, and is very much a part of Interplast's bright future. Together we can continue to repair bodies and rebuild lives. Thank you for your support.

Professor Donald R Marshall

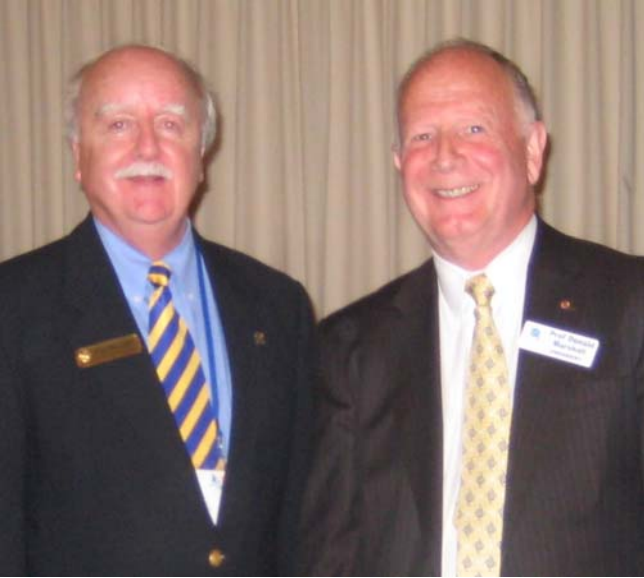
President Interplast Australia & New Zealand.



Founded in 1983 as a joint project of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons and Australian Rotary Clubs, Interplast Australia & New Zealand (a company limited by guarantee) provides voluntary medical teams who carry out plastic and reconstructive surgery and deliver training in developing countries. Whilst not an official project of Rotary International, Interplast is actively supported by Rotarians in Clubs and Districts throughout Australia and New Zealand. Rotarians are Directors and Members of the Company, and serve on the Interplast Rotary Committee.



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Thank you PDG Ray Stewart D9820

PDG Ray Stewart D9820 has resigned as a Director of Interplast Australia & New Zealand and Chairman of the Interplast Rotary Committee, although he will continue to be an active member of the Interplast Rotary Committee. We would like to thank Ray for his commitment to date and look forward to his continued interest and support. Interplast Vice President and Rotarian David Inglis has accepted the position of Chairman of the Interplast Rotary Committee.

PDG Ray Stewart and Interplast President Prof Donald Marshall

INTERPLAST FAST FACTS

Founded 25 years ago
41 Rotarian Observers
Nearly 600 volunteers
Over 400 programs
22 countries
17,000 operations

Rotarian Libby Vasey with local Bangladesh patient.

Interplast Activities Jul 07- Jan 08

From July 2007—January 2008 Interplast has conducted 17 programs to the Asia Pacific Region. Five of these programs have been proudly funded by Rotary Clubs and Districts and provided the opportunity for Rotarians to observe first hand the lives changed as a result of the dedication to raise funds for a program. All Rotary Observers are available to speak at Rotary Clubs about their experience.

COUNTRY	TOWN	DATE	FUNDING	OBSERVER
Fiji	Lautoka	Aug 07	RC Rosebud	Barry Osborne
Fiji	Taveuni	Sep 07	District 9790	Paul Bell
Bangladesh	Dhaka	Nov 07	District 9790	Libby Vasey
Tanzania	Mwanza	Nov 07	RC Kenwick	Richard Viney
Philippines	Cagayan de Oro	Jan 08	District 9780	Morven Hutchesson

In November 2007 I travelled as a member of the Interplast team to Dhaka, Bangladesh. Getting out of Dhaka airport with all the equipment was certainly a challenge but it was a fantastic resource as the patients usually have to purchase their own drugs, fluids and dressings at the pharmacies at the hospital. On our first day at the hospital around 60 patients were waiting to be seen with their families. Even the experienced plastic surgeon said it was a challenging caseload. On the first day of surgery there were so many local staff in the surgeries, all of

whom were very keen to assist, watch and learn. The patients themselves were all amazingly calm and happy to be there putting their trust in the hands of the Interplast and local doctors. I attended a meeting of the Rotary Club of Dhaka North with Interplast volunteer surgeon and Rotarian Dr Pohl, who also presented at the meeting. We were very well received. The whole experience was an amazing and inspiring one for me. **Each and every volunteer team member worked so hard for the entire visit to provide free treatment to local people who otherwise may not be able to access these services, to liaise with senior local surgeons and to train hospital staff. Interplast teams really do repair bodies and rebuild lives.** Libby Vasey, Rotary Club of Shepparton



How can your Club be involved with Interplast?

There are many ways to be involved in the work of the Interplast medical volunteers. Funding a program, which averages at \$40,000 not only provides free life changing treatment to indigent patients, it also provides hours of training that leaves a legacy long after the team has returned home. Interplast also seeks funding to bring medical personnel to Australia for further training, this can cost between \$3,000—\$30,000 per visit depending on the length of stay and number of personnel, and compliments the training provided by Interplast volunteers in-country. For more information on these and many other initiatives that **Repair Bodies and Rebuild Lives** please contact Interplast on (03) 9249 1231.



Above: Rotarian Barry Osborne with local Fijian patient

Changes to Accounting Policy

Interplast has changed its accounting policy as at 30 June 2007 which effects the way Rotary Donations are represented. In prior years, Rotary donations were recorded on a 'cash received' basis. Now, when a Club or District plans to raise funds to cover the cost of a whole program, any donations made contributing for this purpose will be recorded as

"Provisions for Future Programs" and set aside until required for that particular program. Where directed by the Club or District representative these donations for future programs can be held for a maximum of two years. Should you have any enquiries please contact the Interplast office on (03) 9249 1231, or your Interplast District Chair.

Below: A celebration of a 'Decade of Second Chances' with past patients at the Rotary Club of Cagayan de Oro

The RC Cagayan de Oro celebrates 10 years

The Interplast program to Cagayan de Oro (CDO) in the Philippines this January 2008 was the 10th year (13th program) of Interplast's involvement with the Rotary Club of CDO. A celebration of 'A Decade of Second Chances' was had at a function attended by Rotarians, Interplast volunteers, City officials and some of the past patients of Interplast volunteers. Mayor Constantino Jaraula presented a formal motion of thanks as a resolution passed at the recent City Council meeting "expressing the city's gratitude and appreciation to Interplast for operating

on 85 indigent children with cleft lip and palate from the City as part of its 10th year of volunteer service to CDO City in partnership with the Rotary Club of CDO." The Rotary Club of CDO transport and host meals for the team, identify and transport patients in conjunction with the Philippine Service of Mercy. The program was proudly funded by District 9780 and observed by Morven Hutchesson. **"The trip was not only a great opportunity to see Interplast at work, but I also had the chance to see Rotary at work."** Morven Hutchesson.



What Does Interplast Do?

Interplast Australia & New Zealand sends teams of **volunteer** plastic and reconstructive surgeons, anaesthetists and nurses to developing countries of the Asia Pacific region to provide free medical **treatment** and **training**.

Volunteers

Each member of an Interplast program is fully qualified in their field of expertise and VOLUNTEER their time to participate in an Interplast program.

Treatment

Interplast volunteers provide free treatment to people living with a disability from a congenital condition such as cleft lip and palate or acquired conditions such as burns scar contractures. Treatment is targeted to the indigent population who would otherwise not be able to afford to access services.

Training

Interplast cooperates with the country's Ministry of Health and collaborates with senior surgeons to facilitate training to improve the access to health services specifically in the area of plastic and reconstructive surgery. All Interplast programs are training programs — leaving a legacy long after the team has gone.

Contact

Interplast has a District Chair in each of the 23 Australian Districts and two of the six New Zealand districts. Please contact them or the Interplast Office if you would like any further information sent to you, or would like to host a speaker who has experienced first hand the incredible work of Interplast's highly motivated and caring volunteers.

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Yes I would like to rebuild lives

Title _____ Name _____ Surname _____

Address _____

Suburb _____ State _____ Post Code _____

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By making a donation of \$ _____ My cheque is payable to Interplast Australia Overseas Aid Fund
 From my credit card (complete details below)

ROTARY CLUB

Please credit Rotary Club _____

JOIN THE REBUILDING LIVES FELLOWSHIP

I would like to join the **Rebuilding Lives Fellowship** and make monthly donations from my credit card.

Please deduct \$ _____ on the _____ of every month from my credit card until further notice.
Insert amount Insert date

CREDIT CARD DETAILS

Visa Mastercard Bankcard Diners Club AMEX

Card Number _____ Expiry Date _____

Name on Card _____ Signature _____

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