



# Weekly Bulletin



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## The Rotary Club of Strathfield

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### APRIL IS WORLD MAGAZINE MONTH

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#### President George's Chit Chat

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At our combined Burwood-Concord- Strathfield meeting tonight we welcome the GSE team from Thailand and hope that they enjoy their evening at Strathfield as I am sure that we will enjoy their company as well as their presentation.

What an interesting talk we had last week from our Mayor, Councillor Bill Carney. Bill was filling in at short notice but gave us an insight into the life of a Barrister / Mayor / Father and very busy man. Thank you Bill.

In a rapidly changing world Anzac Day is still very special as we pause to remember. We thank PDG David Croft for arranging Strathfield Rotary's Commemoration on the Village Green at Cabarita. It was well attended and very much appreciated with good food and good fellowship.

I have been asked a couple of times of late about Strathfield Rotary Club being 100 years old as reported in a local paper. The article of course referred to our recently completed Centenary Project of the Rotary Grove in Edwards Park. The Mayor and I received honourable mentions but not Project Co-ordinator Peter Foss who did all the work; such is life.

Ah well; *"We judge ourselves by what we feel capable of doing: Others judge us by what we have done."* Henry Wordsworth Longfellow.

Until next week, Enjoy Rotary

**President George.**

#### To-Night's Meeting

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**GSE Team from Thailand**

*Meeting open to Burwood, Concord and Silverwater Clubs.*

#### Congratulations

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##### **Birthdays**

28/04/2006

**Janet Templeman**

##### **Anniversaries**

**NIL**

#### Last Week's Meeting

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Kevin Beltrame introduced Bill Carney, a fellow member of the Club and current Mayor of Strathfield Council. Bill has not had the opportunity to speak to the Club about himself and used the opportunity for a Job Talk.

Bill comes from a family of Solicitors and completed his Law Degree in 1982. After a brief stint with Commercial Law, Bill worked with Legal Aid then moved into Personal Injury Law. The NSW Government changed the Personal Injury Law a few years ago, making that part of the Law Industry far less rewarding. The State Government's attack on lawyers in changing this law further degraded the standing of lawyers in the community. The Law is no different to other industries with a few bad practitioners degrading the generally good behaviour of the many. An average barrister receives a salary of \$75,000 per year, compared to the average salary of \$50,000 per year. Bill moved into Local Government a few years ago as an attempt to help the community. He quoted his wife Myra as being more effective in

## Last Week's Announcements

**From President George Hallworth:-**

- ❖ Advised there would be a board meeting after tonight's Club Meeting
- ❖ Reminder of next week's meeting with the GSE team from Thailand. 6:30pm for 7:00pm.
- ❖ An attendance list circulated for next week's meeting.

- ❖ Letter received from Warren Bond (RAWCS Chairman) advising of a training session at Mountain Heritage Hotel, corner of Apex & Lovel Streets, Katoomba on Sat. 6<sup>th</sup> of May 2006 at 2:00pm to 3:30pm. Contact Bradley if interested. A Saturday evening dinner with guest speaker is also available @ \$35pp.
- ❖ A list of current RAWCS projects is now available. (*See Insert of this bulletin*)

❖ Thank you to the Club and all the Members for their support for Anne during her recent illness.

❖ Reminder of the Golf Day on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2006

- ❖ Used the Themes of ‘Anniversary’ and ‘Icon’ for his fine session.

The raffle and raised \$192.<sup>00</sup>.

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| 1 <sup>st</sup> Prize | \$30 Gift Voucher                                | Harley Tarrant   |
|                       | <i>Donated by Strathfield Plaza Dry Cleaners</i> |                  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize | Dinner in 2 weeks                                | Bill Carney      |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize | Bottle of Wine                                   | George Hallworth |

Present:-	38 Members
Apologies:-	10 Members
Non-Apologies:-	6 Members
LOA:-	2 Members
Exempt:-	2 Members

## COMING EVENTS

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Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2006 at Strathfield Town Hall  
Entry \$20 pp, proceeds to Downs Syndrome Assoc.

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2006 at Meriden School.

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2006. Rosehill Gardens. \$25  
dep. \$120, \$100, \$70 & \$25 pp packages.  
Ray Reed/ Joy Gillett Phn: 9633 4888

Sunday 28 May - Peter Smith (for the Strathfield Red Shield Appeal)

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2006. Rotarians from Burwood, Concord and Silverwater Clubs may also attend.

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June at Bicentennial Park from 11:00am**

11<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> June 2006. 97th Rotary International Annual Convention. MalmC6, Sweden & Copenhagen, Denmark  
[www.rotary.org/newsroom/downloadcenter/events/index.html](http://www.rotary.org/newsroom/downloadcenter/events/index.html)

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2006. Waterview Convention  
Centre, Bicentennial Park, Sydney Olympic Park  
12.00 noon for 12.30pm.

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2006 at Strathfield Golf Club  
6:30 for 7:00pm

Lachlan's Restaurant in Parramatta Park @ 6:30 for  
7:00pm on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July. \$55pp.  
Contact Cheryl Thomas (98533247)

## NEXT ROTARY MEETING

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3<sup>rd</sup> May 2006      **Joe Sydney**  
Choice Magazine.  
"The Australian Consumer"

## FUTURE CLUB MEETINGS

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10<sup>th</sup> May 2006      **Glenn Anthoney**  
Motor Cycle Culture

17<sup>th</sup> May 2006      **TBA**

24<sup>th</sup> May 2006      **Thiess Construction**  
Soil Remediation at Rhodes

31<sup>st</sup> May 2006      **The Rebound Australian  
GSE Team to Thailand.**  
Rotarians from Burwood,  
Concord and Silverwater may  
also attend

7<sup>th</sup> June 2006      **Michelle Sharkey**  
Stroke Prevention

14<sup>th</sup> June 2006      **TBA**

21<sup>st</sup> June 2006      **TBA**

~~28<sup>th</sup> June 2006~~      ~~**NO MEETING**~~  
Transferred to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June

30<sup>th</sup> June 2006      **Strathfield Rotary Club  
Change Over**  
FRIDAY TRANSFER  
MEETING at Strathfield Golf  
Club 6:30 for 7:00pm

## HUMOUR FROM OUR MEMBERS

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### Living Will

From Shirley Del Prado

A Living Will Is Important To Relationships.  
My wife and I were sitting in the living room and I said to her, "Just so you know; I never want to live in a vegetative state, dependent on some machine and fluids from a bottle. If that ever happens, just pull the plug."  
My wife got up, unplugged the TV then went to the refrigerator and threw out all of my beer.

### Elderly Driver

From Roger Vince

An elderly Floridian called 911 on her cell phone to report that her car has been broken into. She is hysterical as she explains her situation to the dispatcher:  
"They've stolen the stereo, the steering wheel, the brake pedal and even the accelerator!" she cried. The dispatcher said, "Stay calm. An officer is on the way."  
A few minutes later, the officer radios in.  
"Disregard!" he says.  
"She got in the back-seat by mistake!"

### Family

From Roger Vince

Three sisters ages 92, 94 and 96 live in a house together. One night the 96 year old draws a bath. She puts her foot in and pauses. She yells to the other sisters, "Was I getting in or out of the bath?" The 94 year old yells back, "I don't know. I'll come up and see." She starts up the stairs and pauses. "Was I going up the stairs or down?" The 92 year old is sitting at the kitchen table having tea listening to her sisters. She shakes her head and says, "I sure hope I never get that forgetful, knock on wood." She then yells, "I'll come up and help both of you as soon as I see who's at the door."

### "I Can Hear Just Fine!"

From Roger Vince

Three retirees, each with a hearing loss, were playing golf one fine March day. One remarked to the other, "Windy, isn't it?"  
"No," the second man replied, "it's Thursday."  
And the third man chimed in, "So am I. Let's have a beer."

## Romance

From Roger Vince

An older couple were lying in bed one night. The husband was falling asleep but the wife was in a romantic mood and wanted to talk. She said: "You used to hold my hand when we were courting." Wearily he reached across, held her hand for a second and tried to get back to sleep. A few moments later she said: "Then you used to kiss me." Mildly irritated, he reached across, gave her a peck on the cheek and settled down to sleep. Thirty seconds later she said: "Then you used to bite my neck."

Angrily, he threw back the bed clothes and got out of bed.

"Where are you going?" she asked.

"To get my teeth, dammit!!"

## Old Friends

From Roger Vince

Two elderly ladies had been friends for many decades. Over the years, they had shared all kinds of activities and adventures. Lately, their activities had been limited to meeting a few times a week to play cards. One day, they were playing cards when one looked at the other and said, "Now don't get mad at me ... I know we've been friends for a long time ...but I just can't think of your name! I've thought and thought, but I can't remember it. Please tell me what your name is."

Her friend glared at her. For at least three minutes she just stared and glared at her. Finally she said, "How soon do you need to know?"

## Senior Driving

From Roger Vince

As a senior citizen was driving down the freeway, his car phone rang. Answering, he heard his wife's voice urgently warning him, "Herman, I just heard on the news that there's a car going the wrong way on Interstate 77. Please be careful!"

"Hell," said Herman, "It's not just one car. It's hundreds of them!"

## Driving

From Roger Vince

Two elderly women were out driving in a large car - both could barely see over the dashboard. As they were cruising along, they came to an intersection. The stoplight was red, but they just went on through. The woman in the passenger seat thought to herself "I must be losing it. I could have sworn we just went through a red light." After a few more minutes, they came to another intersection and the light was red again. Again, they went right through. The woman in the passenger seat was almost sure that the light had been red but was really concerned that she was losing it. She was getting nervous. At the next intersection, sure enough, the light was red and they went on through. So, she turned to the other woman and said, "Mildred, did you know that we just ran through three red lights in a row? You could have killed us both!"

Mildred turned to her and said, "Oh! Am I driving?"

## The Butler Did It

From Grahame True

A wealthy couple had planned to go out for the evening. The woman of the house decided to give their butler, Jeeves, the rest of the night off.

She said they would be home very late, and that he should just enjoy his evening.

As it turned out, however, the wife wasn't having a good time at the party, so she came home early, alone. Her husband had to stay there, as several of his important clients were there. As the woman walked into her house, she saw Jeeves sitting by himself in the dining room.

She called for him to follow her, and led him into the master bedroom. She then closed and locked the door.

She looked at him and smiled. "Jeeves," she said. "Take off my dress."

He did this carefully. "Jeeves," she continued.

"Take off my stockings and garter."

He silently obeyed her.

"Jeeves," she then said. "Remove my bra and panties."

As he did this, the tension continued to mount.

She looked at him and then said, "Jeeves, if I ever catch you wearing my clothes again, you're fired!"

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## Current Projects for RAWCS

*Contact International Service Director Bradley Ayres if any Project is of Interest.*

- 112/2001 Cameron High School, Alotau, Milne Bay Province, PNG. 2 storey block of 4 classrooms. Not suitable for women.
- 01/2003-4 Tenderfoot Self Help School and Sponsorship of Needy Children, Kangemi Slum, Nairobi, Kenya. RC of Emerald and District (D9810) supports through sponsorship the ongoing basis nursery and primary education, homely skills and love to children in extremely difficult circumstances. This non-government school is conducted by volunteer mothers for about 150 children, many of whom are orphaned through HIV/AIDS. A\$275 will sponsor a child for a year. .Donations are Tax Deductible
- 7/2003 and 8/2003 Kavieng, New Ireland, PNG. Building classrooms and fencing property. Project is still available but funds are needed from PNG Government before any progress can be made.
- 102/2003 Rotahomes Project, Koroipita Village, Lautoka, Fiji. This is a continuing project to build homes and amenities blocks in a village for displaced families. Building skills required. Tough for women! Contact
- 110/2004 Dental Teams for Timor Leste, 3 or 4 teams for 4 years
- 121/2004 East Africa Fund School of St Jude Building Project. Arusha, Tanzania. This is a continuing project estimated for completion December 2006. Construction of additional classrooms to an existing school. Teams of up to 15 people. OK for women. Requires building skills, competent handyman skills.
- 124/2004. Tafea, Vanuatu. Refurbish Lenakel Hospital and health clinics. 6 teams per year. Ok for women.
- 125/2004 Espiritu Santo and Vanua Laua, Vanuatu -construction of 22 bed hospital at Vanua Lava and refurbish school. Construct new ward at medical clinic on Espiritu Santo. Teams of up to 10 members over 4 years. OK for women.
- 127/2004 Ami Chandra Memorial School, Lantoka, Fiji. One team for September 2005 to convert disused school room to a library. Cleaning, painting, setting up furniture.
- 133/2005 Dental teams for Vietnam and India: this is a continuing project for dental professionals.
- 134/2005 Babanga Kindergarten at Babanga, Solomon Islands. Complete the construction of an existing building -install water tanks, corrugated iron roofing, classroom fit out. Teams of 5 8 people, OK for women.
- 136/2005 Scheer Memorial Hospital, Banepa Nepal. Electrical requirements for construction of 4 storey dormitory for nursing and support staff. 2 teams per year for 3 years. OK for women.
- 137/2005 Village Aide Program, D3860, Philippines. On-going, multi-faceted project. Requires doctors, nurses, electricians, carpenters, seamstresses and handyman skills. OK for women Project is designed to give self sustainability to a third world village..
- 138/2005 Optical team for Ulaanbaater, Mongolia.
- 139/2005 Primary School technical and material assistance, Uus Province, Mongolia. Builder and carpenter required, one team of two.
- 141/2005 Restoration of Natarbora Agricultural College Accommodation Blocks, Manatuto District, East Timor. Large project requiring teams over 3 years (teams of 3 or 6 people). Need builders, electricians, plumbers, carpenters, glaziers, painters and water engineers.
- 144/2005 Dental teams for Tonga Dental Health Project.
- 149/2005 Lotus Children Centre, Yarmag, Ulaanbaatar Mongolia. Teams of 4 6 nurses, teachers and schools administrators to provide training and support for an orphanage and kindergarten.
- 152A Dental Teams for Nepal
- 152B/2005 Lona Primary School, Samoa. Building of toilet block, one team of 8 from R.C of Bendigo.
- 153/2005 Lockhart River Aboriginal Council Rebuilding project to rebuild "Old Site" Anglican Church of St James using bush materials so it can be used as a community centre, museum and place of worship. 4 teams of up to 10 members, carpenters, plumbers and planners. OK for women. NB: As this project is in Australia this project will not attract any taxation benefits to volunteers nor any subsidies or support from AusAID
- 154/2005 Killinochchi, Sri Lanka. The provision of a Workshop Training centre for carpentry and joinery training. Building trades required are carpenters, bricklayers, electricians. OK for women.
- 156/2005 Maintenance of Kokoda Memorial and Hospital, PNG -a small number of teams required annually to provide regular maintenance of these facilities.
- 158/2005 Dental Teams for Nepal.
- 164/2005 Childrens' Village "Gampong Anak", Aceh, Indonesia. (AP 010/05) A large project over some years building a Rotary Youth Centre comprising a dormitory, medical centre, sports centre and a Children's Village (orphanage) on a 25 acre Rotary site.
- 2/2005-6 Water Filtration Project, Ubon Ratchatani, Thailand. Teams of up to 10 people, twice a year from District 9710 and Kogarah to install Thai provided filtration systems.
- 3/2005-6 Vanuatu Nursing Skills Transference. Teams of 4 to 8 nurses, experienced in clinical and/or formal education and training to provide one-to-one training of nursing staff in Port Vila. Accommodation in the hospital grounds which are secured by guard patrols.
- 5/2005-6 Building Classrooms, staff room, toilets, water tank, Balibar, East Timor. Teams of up to 7 skilled builders, carpenters, bricklayers. Accommodation in Presidential Compound is suitable for women.
- 6/2005-6 Medical Aid to Puthukaddi, Yrippu, Northern Sri Lanka. (AP 019/05) One medical team per year for three years to assess local health needs, train local medical doctors, nurses and other health professionals. Perform surgical operations. Suitable for women.
- 7/2005-6 L.E.A.R.N.S. Project, Mindoro Province, Philippines. (AP 018/05) Funding only required
- 8/2005-6 Water System, Sanitation, Library and Building renovations, Ngari, Gizo, Western Province, Solomon Islands. Teams of 6 personnel carpenters, plumbers, handypersons, nurses. Suitable for women.
- 9/2005-6 Eye Screening Project, Bacolod Nth, Ilo Ilo, Manila, Philippines. One team of eight to carry out testing of eyesight to determine the need for medical treatment of indigenous Philipinos. Suitable for women.
- 11/2005-5 Fresh Water project, Ankarana, Madagascar. One team from RC of North Sydney.
- 12/2005-6 'Hands of Help', Jinja, Uganda. (AP 017/05). Teams of up to 10 personnel for three years -building skills, educators and medical staff. Building of a village school in a village with no school at present. Also to establish mobile health clinic to educate and improve the health of indigenous people. Suitable for women.
- 13/2005-6 Children of the Golden Triangle, Thailand. This is an ongoing project which began in 1994 to provide basic rights to Thai Hill Tribe children. The Akha Training Centre provides food, protection, health care, bedding, clothing, school uniforms, education and vocational training. The children also gain confidence and a positive attitude towards life and a hope for their futures. See their web site [www.childrengoldentriangle.org](http://www.childrengoldentriangle.org). Many trades and professions required in many teams.



- 14/2005-6 Hospital Renovation, Vila Central Hospital, Vanuatu. Major improvements to the hospital including extensions to Emergency Ward, construction of additional Operating Theatre, construction of Waiting Room, construction of Gatehouse Security Quarters and more. All building skills required, 50 teams of 12 maximum.
- 15/2005-6 West Timor Remote Area Home lighting, West Timor. The supply and installation of photovoltaic lighting systems to homes in various village locations. Installation is simple, approximately 2 hours per unit. General handy persons with carpentry skills and training skills required. 4 teams of 4 persons.
- 16/2005-6 Rebuilding permanent homes in Paravaipet, Pondicherry, India. To rebuild 44 permanent homes, including provision of clean water and sanitation in tsunami damaged Village. Project to begin once funds are obtained. Three teams of 10 required with general building skills.
- 18/2005-6 Computer Literacy and ESL, North East Sri Lanka. (AP 024/05)
- 18/2005-6 Computer Literacy and ESL, North East Sri Lanka. (AP 024/05). To introduce a curriculum of English as a Second Language and Computer Literacy for Grades 1 & 2 children in poor village schools. The program includes curriculum development, teacher training and supply of computers and software.
- 19/2005-6 Provision of medical supplies and basic educational stationery, Menari, PNG. Urgently needed medical provisions are required in village along the Kokoda track. A trained medical assistant in a village of 3000 desperately needs supplies and equipment. Funding only.
- 20/2005-6 Construction the Australian Medical Clinic, Nias, Indonesia. (AP 016/05). A number of small teams will be required to organise the construction of this new clinic requiring rebuilding since the tsunami.
- 21/2005-6 Repairs and Rebuilding Classrooms at Erero Primary School, PNG. 2 -3 teams of builders with carpentry skills needed urgently to needed to assist with this project to up-grade very poor school facility for 287 children. Suitable for women .
- 23/2005-6 The supply of a safe water system to two villages, Mando Village No1 and Mando Village No 2, Eastern Highlands Province, PNG. The installation of a holding tank and pipe work to each village and the provisions of stand pipes for community access. 3 teams of up to 10 volunteers with general handy-persons skills. OK for women volunteers
- 24/2005-6 Solar Lights Project, Emira and Gleno Provinces, East Timor -the purchase, supply and installation of solar powered equipment, lighting and batteries for housing and community centres. Project includes the training of village service people to maintain installations. Handyman skills required
- 25/2005-6 Babanga Island Development Program Gizo, Western Province, Solomon Islands A five year program developed and managed by the RC Brisbane Planetarium. A building program has been scheduled which includes a classroom and rest house initially. Other work will follow. Skills required are builders, plumbers, education, library, management and administration advisors.
- 26/2005-6 Nasarawaqa Indian School Library & Learning Centre, Labasa, Fiji. Set up school Library , implement systems and training of school staff. Teachers, librarians and trainers required. OK for women.
- 27/2005-6 Rotaplast program, La Oroya, Peru. Two volunteers from Hamilton, D9670, to support Rotoplast team of reconstructive and corrective surgery for cleft lips and palates.
- 28/2005-6 Vatakasara Village, Coral Coast, Viti Levu, Fiji -completion of community buildings in various stage of development, including kindergarten and community hall. Provision of water tanks. 4 teams of up to 8 people per year including builders, electricians and plumbers. Some restriction on women as volunteers will live and eat with villagers.
- 29/2005-6 Building School at Barangay Merville, Parananque, Philippines -to acquire land and build a school to cater initially for students aged 7 to 13 with sufficient land to allow for future expansion. The school, once erected, will be suitable for adult education in the evenings. All general building trades required. OK for women.
- 30/2005-6 IMOG -International Infancy, Midwifery, Obstetrics and Gynaecology Aid Programme for Maliana, Bobonara District, Timor Leste. Initially to prepare facilities to establish the IMOG programme in Maliana which involves completion/renovation of an existing shell of a building within the hospital grounds. All building skills required and very significant
- 31/2005-6 ShelterBox Australia (RC of Endeavour Hills, D 9820) To provide personnel to accompany ShelterBoxes to their destination and to ensure appropriate reception in the disaster area. Teams are known as 4R teams (Rotary, Reconnaissance, Return, Report) and all team members must hold a current First Aid Certificate.
- 32/2005-6 Building a Pre-School, Port Vila, Vanuatu -to a build a new, Christian Pre-school to provide two classes, English and French, to prepare children for formal education. Children will be taught by trained Early Childhood Educators. Funding has been provided by churches of different mainstream denominations in Australia. Builders, plumbers, electricians, etc., required. OK for women.
- 33/2005-6 Water supply, Kemabolo Village, Rega District, Central Province, PNG The supply and construction of a 195000 litre prefabricated tank, with water collected from 3 recently constructed school buildings. Basic building, plumbing and assembly skills required. Tough for women.
- 34/2005-6 Water supply and refurbish School and Health Clinic, Motolava, Torba Province, Vanuatu. Refurbishment of existing Health Dispensary Clinic by extending the Maternity Ward and Laboratory , refurbishment of 3 existing primary schools and the extension, by 2.5 Kms, of the water supply to the village and schools. Builders, plumbers, electricians etc in teams of up to 10 personnel. OK for women.
- 35/2005-6 Medical Centre Extension, University of East Africa, Baraton, Kenya. An extension to the existing Medical Centre involving operating theatre room and a Community Training Centre including classrooms, hostel block, dining room and kitchen block. Rotary will provide a team this year to install the emergency power, internal telephone and computer cable system for the Community Training Centre.
- 36/2005-6 -Tsunami Warning Centre, Peraliya, Sri Lanka (AP 027/06). The centre is established and expanding to provide early warning to local residents along the coast of Sri Lanka that was damaged by the last Tsunami. It is linked with the Indian Ocean Warning Centres that are being established in other countries. Project for funding only. OK for Tsunami funds.
- 37/2005-6 Water Filtration for Baan Seaw School, Thailand (AP 028/06). Funding to provide water purification filters in schools in Thailand. An RI WCS Project. Project for funding only by the Rotary Club of Kiama
- 38/2005-6 Renovation of two staff houses at Dam, Western Province, PNG. Restoration of an existing building to make accommodation for two staff of Callan Services for the Disabled. Two teams of 4 , carpenters, plumbers, painters
- 39/2005-6 Building of two staff houses, Kiunga, Western Province, PNG the building of 2 staff houses (duplex), 3 bedrooms, living room/kitchen, toilet and shower, with a separate building for a laundry. Timber framing, 'Colorbond' walls, plywood linings and ceilings, vinyl tiles. Three teams of five, carpenters, electricians, plumbers and painters.

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