



## ROTARY NEWS

### Local news

**Golf Day:** Our Inaugural Charity Golf Day at Keperra Country Golf Club was a brilliant success. Everyone – players, sponsors, helpers, all involved – enjoyed a wonderful day. Heaps of money was raised (a five-figure sum). Luncheon celebrity speaker and former Queensland and Australian test cricketer, Greg Ritchie, was a total blast! Very funny! He even helped increase the money that was raised by “eating” the list of prize winners, so they couldn’t then be paid out!

The beneficiary of the funds raised was the Australian Stem Cell Research Foundation. Researchers believe they are on the cusp of significant scientific breakthroughs that will simplify the nature of many of today’s more complex medical procedures. Adequate funding is vital, particularly at this time, to help this happen.

The proceeds will be presented to the Foundation at a thank you barbecue at the home of key organiser, Lee Kenny. The whole club was behind the event and all members contributed in a range of good ways, but Lee himself was instrumental in attracting most of the sponsors and players.

Our club extends sincere thanks to all who participated and made the event the social and financial success that it was.

**Donations-In-Kind:** The following day, Rotarians from our club and others, loaded two shipping containers with goods for Papua New Guinea. The goods included desks, chairs, cupboards and metal framing to the value, in each container, of some \$30,000. Rotary clubs pay the freight on these containers, the contents of which are urgently needed in PNG. For security reasons, the containers are shipped to other Rotary Clubs in PNG. Those clubs make sure the goods actually reach their intended destinations.

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