

## 1984-85

**President            Frank Hodgson**

**Vice President    John Wiggins**

**Secretary           Harold Errey**

**Treasurer          Kevin Smith**

**Directors           Club - Peter Narik  
                          Community - Stan Coad  
                          Vocational - Max Nelson  
                          International - John Wiggins  
                          Youth - Steve Woodcock**

**District Governor Frank Jacobs, Warrnambool East**

### **R.I. Theme - "Discover A New World Of Service"**

The 20<sup>th</sup> President of the Rotary Club of Cobden Frank Hodgson was inducted at a change over dinner held at the Cobden Golf club in early July when outgoing President Albert Harlock wished Frank a happy and successful year.

The Southdown golf day saw a large field of golfers tackle the course and then dine on the wonderful chops so expertly cooked on the barbeque. The continued support of local sheep breeder Geoff Baker ensured this event was an ongoing success and guaranteed Rotary a good financial yield, this time \$766 being the result.

The ladies street stall raised a total of \$190, another wonderful effort from the girls. Studentship awards were presented to Primary and Tech school for the first time.

Kim Barlow returned from the USA and the club hosted South African teenager Anthea Fitzsimmons for the 1985 year. Anthea attended Camperdown High school.

The inaugural club Fun Run was held on Friday, February 22, 1985 with 45 runners taking part including exchange students Anthea Fitzsimmons and Camperdown's American exchange student Sue Horton. Winner was Anthony O'Connor of Scott's Creek in 26 mins. 15 secs. The first female home was Warrnambool's experienced middle distance runner Judy McDowall in 30 min. 37 secs.

Joy flights and a barbeque tea were held at Cobden airstrip in February and proved very popular with local and coastal flights being the choice.

The Champagne 'Breakfast' held at Val and John Wiggins was a first and saw \$192 raised for IPAC ( Eye camps in India ). International Chairman John reported – "This morning proved very successful, so much so that it lasted till 4.30 p.m!!!"

Catering at the Ardno bull sale was another giant success resulting in a sum of \$930 for the club and providing a wonderful day of fellowship.

A sound system costing \$1,200 was installed in the supper room with the cost being shared with the Shire.

In June 1985, 9 students and two teachers from the Boundary Road, North Melbourne Primary school were hosted for a week. Billed by school families and Rotarians they travelled by bus and visited Flagstaff Hill, Warrnambool, Camperdown saleyards, the Cobden Butter factory, Cobden Tech school, a farm visit and a tour along the Great Ocean Road.

Donations for the year included IPAC, Rotary Foundation, footwear for lepers, a water system in Papua New Guinea and the sponsoring of a student in Malaysia.