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Rotary Club of Mont Albert and Surrey Hills Finishes 2008-2009 Wining Eight Prestigious Awards

At the District Governors Changeover Dinner held at Freccia Azzura Receptions in Keysborough last Saturday, June 27, District 9810 Governor John Barnes presented the Rotary Club of Mont Albert and Surrey Hills with four international and four district rotary awards.

The international awards presented on behalf of the Board of Directors of Rotary International and signed by the Rotary International President Dong Kurn Lee include Membership and Development Award for bringing in the most new members in District 9810 during 2008-2009, Membership and Development Award for the highest growth rate in District 9810 during 2008-2009, Recognition and Development Award for the innovative approach in membership growth, and Presidential Citation for achieved level and breadth of service including a specific program addressing children mortality.

District Awards Governor and the District Awards Committee have honoured the club with the Best Rotary Club Newsletter Award, Club Excellence in Public Relations & Marketing, District Vocational Service and the District 9810 Club Excellent Service Award.

RC MASH 2008-2009 President Roger Coburn received the awards on behalf of the club together with Nicole Osner and Tony Kuc.

In addition to twice winning the Club Excellence in Public Relations & Marketing Award, RC MASH additionally won its third District Vocational Service Award, this time for the development and delivery of the "Cottage Business Program" for the Migrant Information Centre. Previously, the club has won it twice for its Primary Schools Speech Competition.

During 2008-2009 the club has experienced a 46.9% growth boasting 15 new members and an impressive line of projects and programs illustrative of the breadth and depth of its service to both international and local community.

Geraldine Battersby, RC MASH Newsletter Editor, was particularly proud of the Best Rotary Club Newsletter Award for the club's newsletter titled *On the Radar*.

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