Book shows half a Century of Service

The efforts of the Rotary Club of Esperance over 50 years has been included in a book in an effort to preserve a record of the activities of the club.

Compiled by past president and current historian John (JB) Bridges over the past few years, copies of *Rotary Club of Esperance – 50 Years of Community Service (1962 – 2012)* are now available.

“A lot of work has gone into this project” Mr Bridges said.

The book presents a year-by-year insight into all projects completed within the club since 1962, with particular mention of the nursing home, the building of Rotary house in Sharkey Street, which raised $100,000 in profit at an auction and the development of the Rotary Lookout.

“We’ve also included sections on our numerous exchange students,” Mr Bridges said.

“In 50 years, Esperance has had 31 incoming exchanges and 34 outgoing, which is a huge effort.”

Mr Bridges thanked Matthew Rose for his help with the photos published in the book.

“Matthew put in hundreds of hours into that book and we’re most grateful for all his work,” he said