

Our "All Star" President, George opened the meeting by welcoming members and our only guest, Jacob Hockins.

Hazel, despite her jet lag, looked very relaxed after her nine country tour of Europe. Nils, sporting an Hawaiian tan, advised us that the weather in Honolulu last week was much warmer than in Melbourne. This prompted **Yvonne** to say that she too had experienced great weather last week at Sanctuary Cove, Qld. where she and Fred had been celebrating her brother's 70th birthday.

All this talk of better weather elsewhere prompted George to tell us that he was looking forward to a family holiday in Bali next month.

George reminded us that today, 24th October, was "Purple Pinkie Day" more formally known as World Polio Day. George had brought along

some purple nail polish. At his suggestion, we each donated \$2.00 and George painted one of our little fingers by George. There is more information about the End Polio campaign later in this newsletter.





ROTARY SERVING HUMANITY, 2016-2017









RI President John Germ



Tony Boyd called for volunteers to help with the running of the Club's **Annual Golf Day** to be held at Kooringal Golf Club this Wednesday 26th October, commencing at 12.00pm. Members were asked to be there by 11.00am to help set up the barbecue. Numbers are down on last year but the weather will be fine and a good time for all is expected

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Eddie Knight reported that \$495 was raised at the **Farmers' Market** on Sunday and a total of \$1612 had been raised over the past two weekends despite the terrible weather.

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Yvonne was wearing her club polo because after the meeting she was going to pick up a mini bus which has been donated for use by the ROCAN riders at their annual Ride to Conference. Graham, the son in law of West Footscray Rotarian Dennis O'Brien donated the bus and Fred's son Rick had organized for a company known as Transcal to paint the bus free of charge.



Murray urged us to go online and book in for the **Rotary Foundation Dinner** at the Yarraville Club on the evening of Monday 14th November. This can be easily done **NOW** by clicking on this link: www.trybooking.com/234287. Each of the nine Rotary Clubs in the Chirnside and Hobsosn Bay clusters will drop their usuall meetings that week in favour of this special event.

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Murray also advised that the Sandridge Earlyact Club was going to have a wheelathon on

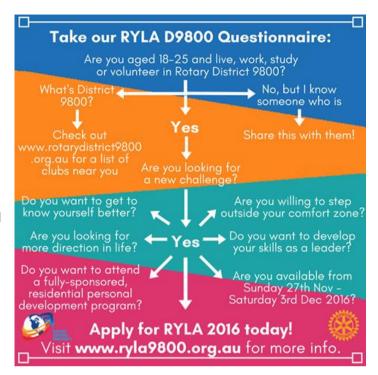


the morning of Tuesday 29th November. The entire school will attend the event which will be held at Seaworks starting at 9.00am. The school is keen to have Rotarians present to support the students. Funds raised on the day will go to support Wheelchairs For Kids, a project started by the Rotary Club of Scarborough, WA, to make and distribute wheelchairs to disabled children in developing countries. Every \$200 raised gives a child the freedom of mobility and liberates a carer. The Earlyactors are keen to raise enough money to fund several wheelchairs.

John Barry reminded us that the **Annual Christmas Fair** was rapidly approaching and that everyone would be needed to help out, for this our signature event for the year, on Sunday 4th December.We still need more bookings for stalls. They cost \$50 each and John urged us to think of people we could recruit to be a stall holder.

Damien announced that the next Rotary
Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) Camp will
be held from November 27 to December 3.at
Camp Oasis in Lilydale. This week long
residential camp is geared for young leaders
aged 18 to 25 years. Please let Damien know
if you have a suitable candidate in mind. This
inforgraphic gives an overview for whom who

this Rotary camp is geared.



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George, Jack, John, Yvonne, Eddie and Hazel admiring the new *Ride For a Cause* minibus on display at the Club's Golf Day at Kooringal on Wednesday 26th October.

THE GLOBAL POLIO ERADICATION INITIATIVE



In the absence of a guest speaker on Monday, Murray gave an impromptu talk to mark World Polio Day. He began by pointing out that 24th October had been selected as the day to reflect on polio eradication because it coincided with the

birthday of Jonas Salk, the man who developed the first injectable poliomyeltis vaccine in 1955.

In the first half of the 20th century, poliomyeltis (or "polio") was perhaps the most feared disease in much of the developed world. Polio is a viral infection that can cause paralysis and death. It invades the nervous system, and can cause total paralysis in a matter of hours. The virus is transmitted by person-toperson spread mainly through the faecal-oral route or, less frequently, by a common vehicle (for example, contaminated water or food) and multiplies in the intestine.

Many Rotarians are old enough to remember people affected by the virus in the early 1950s. Murray said he had a clear recollection of lining up to be immunized, much to his parents relief, when the vaccine was introduced in Australia in 1956. He also recalled seeing polio victims living in iron lungs when he worked at the Fairfield Hospital in the 1970s and begging in the streets in India when he visted there in 2008 and 2012.



In the past, polio was common especially in children. Now due to immunisation, it is rare in most parts of the world. Since Rotary and its partners launched the Global Polio Eradication Initiative in 1985, the

incidence of polio has plummeted by more than 99.9 percent, from about 350,000 cases a year to only 27 confirmed this year as of October 19, 2016.

Sir Clem Renouf AM, only the second Australian to be President of Rotary International (1978-1979) was a prime mover in Rotary taking the lead with global polio eradication. He decided it was time for Rotary clubs around the world to focus less on parochial projects and tackle a big-picture problem that would leave an indelible mark on society.

He had been inspired by the World Health Organisation's eradication of smallpox and came up with Rotary's Health, Hunger and Humanity program that would initially see 6.3 million children immunised against polio in the Philippines at a cost of just \$760,000. He sought advice from a Rotary District Governor Dr John Sever, who was head of infectious diseases at the National Institute of Health in Washington DC. Dr Sever advised that polio, which was crippling 1000 people every day, could be elimnated with the use of the oral Sabin vaccine for about 10 cents a dose.



Since then, more than 2.5 billion children have been immunized thanks to the cooperation ofmore than 200 countries and 20 million volunteers, backed by an internaional investment of more than US\$ 11 billion Polio eradication is the largest-ever internationally-coordinated public health effort in history. It is spearheaded by national governments, Rotary International, WHO, the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and UNICEF, and is supported by key partners including the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

The final blow against polio is now tantalisingly close with Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Nigeria the only places where people can be crippled by the preventable disease. However, tackling the last 1% of polio cases is difficult. Conflict, political instability, hard-to-reach populations, and poor infrastructure pose challenges to eradicating the disease. Billions of dollars are still needed to ensure all countries are polio free.

Global surveillance must demonstrate the lack of new cases of poliomyelitis for at least three years before eradication can be certified Sir Clem Renouf is now 95 years old and says "I intend to die in a polio-free world."





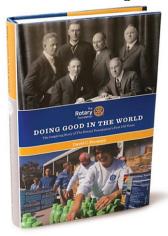


FOUNDATION FACTS

DO YOU WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR FOUNDATION?

On 18 June 1917 as war raged across Europe, 2,588 attendees gathered in Atlanta, Georgia, USA for Rotary's eighth annual convention. During an address to the delegates, RI President Arch Klumph suggested that Rotary should "accept endowments for the purpose of doing good in the world". Within a month, the fund had received its first donation, \$26.50 and so our Foundation was born.

It has been a long road since then. Now the Foundation is a multimillion dollar organization working to alleviate poverty, improve health, expand educational opportunities and promote peaceall over the globe.



A book, entitled *Doing Good in the World*, is now available. It tells the fascinating story of this 100 year journey and the people who made it happen. Written by PDG David C. Forward it tells the story of the many men and women who built the Foundation and the millions of people worldwide whose lives have been transformed by their actions.

The book is 328-pages long and beautifully illustrated. It costs \$40 and can be orderd online at www.shop.rotary.org. It usually ships from the Parramatta office of RI within a few days of ordering.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE ROTARY FOUNDATION AND ITS WORK.

Website: http://www.district9800foundation.org/
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/D9800Foundation/

CLUB CALENDAR

| OCTOBER 2016 | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|
| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| 30 | 31 NO MEETING | | | | | 1 |
| 2 | 3 Vicki Chandler Member talk | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 RC Keilor East Trivia Night. | 8 |
| 9 Farmers Market "Lift the Lid" | 10 Barbara Phoenix Open Houses | 11 Seven Women Film Night | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 French Car Festival | 17 Matt McCaroll WLSSC | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 Farmers Market | 24 World Polio Day | 25 EarlyAct Club | 26 Club Golf Day | 27 Club Board Meeting | 28 | 29 |
| NOVEMBER 2016 | | | | | | |
| | | 1 CUP DAY | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 New Members Seminar | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 District 9800 Annual General Meeting | 11 | 12 United Nations Rotary Day |
| 13 Farmers Market | Joint Cluster Foundation Dinner | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 20 | 21 Club Annual General Meeting | 22 Paul Harris Breakfast | 23 | 24 Club Board Meeting | 25 | 26 |
| 27 Farmers Market | 28 EarlyAct Changeover | 29 EarlyAct Wheelathon | 30 | | | |



NEXT FARMERS' MARKET BARBECUE

SUNDAY 13th NOVEMBER

Robertson Reserve
Corner Cole St and Hanmer St,
Williamstown 3016

The Rotary Clubs of Altona, Altona City, Hoppers Crossing, Laverton - Cook, Point Gellibrand, Werribee, Williamstown, Wyndham & Yarraville warmly invite members and friends to a special

Rotary Foundation Dinner for the Chirnside & Hobsons

to celebrate 100 years of Doing Good in the World





IPDG Julie Mason will facilitate a stimulating Q & A panel discussion with a distinguished group of Rotary Alumni (Peace Fellows, Global Scholars, Group Study Exchange team members & Foundation Grant recipients). They will discuss the impact Rotary has had on their lives. Your questions for the panel will be welcome.

Monday 14th November 2016

WHERE

The Yarraville Club 135 Stephen Street, Yarraville. 3013

TIME

6.30pm for 7.00pm

TICKETS

\$45 per person Two course meal / Drinks at bar prices

RSVP

7th November 2016

Come and join in the fun, the fellowship and the centennial celebrations for our Rotary Foundation. All Rotarians, their partners, friends and colleagues are welcome to attend. Proceeds will be used to support the Rotary Foundation.

> For further information, please contact: PDG Murray Verso: 0417 595 217. Email: verson@netspace.net.au

BOOKINGS: www.trvbooking.com/234287



Doing Good In The World













2016 Rotary Foundation Paul Harris Breakfast



When

Tuesday 22nd November 2016

Where

The RACV Club Level 17 501 Bourke Street Melbourne

Tickets

\$65.00 per head

\$600 for a table of ten (incl. GST)

RSVP

11th November 2016

Time

7.15 for 7.30 till 9.00am

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION



GUEST SPEAKER



Tim Cartwright – "Holding them to account"

Come and hear about Tim's journey and how he will use his expertise and experience in his new role.

Tim was appointed as the State's Family Violence Reform Implementation Monitor in August 2016. He will report to the Parliament annually on the progress against the Family Violence Royal Commission's 227 recommendations, and on the implementation of the state's Family Violence Action Plan.

Tim retired from Victoria Police on 4 July, 2015, after over 41 years service.

He served as acting Chief Commissioner from late December 2014 until 1 July 2015. He had responsibility for 17,000 staff and an annual budget of around \$2.4 billion, delivering policing services to around 6 million Victorians. During that time Victoria Police; appointed its first Assistant Commissioner for family violence; played an active and leading role in early intervention to prevent radicalisation; continued to contribute to Victoria's leadership in multiculturalism, and continued its work with the Victorian Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Commissions into predatory behaviour within Victoria Police.

Tim served as Deputy Commissioner from mid 2011. He was responsible for the day to day operational policing of Victoria, and around 12,000 staff. His responsibilities included counter-terrorism, emergency management, the organisational lead in the policing of family violence, and the policing of all major events and emergencies.

Tim has represented the State at a national level on a range of issues including counter-terrorism, vehicle theft reduction and emergency management. He has spent three months on assignment to Strathclyde Police in Scotland, attended international courses in Ireland and Scotland, and visited Timor Leste and Turkey as part of his duties.

Most of his early career was spent in the northern and western suburbs of Melbourne in operational roles in uniform, plain clothes, and as a detective. As a senior officer he returned to Melbourne's north-west, and built strong and enduring relationships with Muslim and aboriginal leaders in the local communities. He continued to build these relationships in his executive roles.

He has a degree in Criminal Justice from RMIT, and a Graduate Diploma in Public Policy and Management from Monash University (School of Business).

We look forward to welcoming all Rotarians, partners, friends and colleagues to the Paul Harris Breakfast as we celebrate 100 years of The Rotary Foundation.

All Paul Harris Breakfast proceeds are used for Rotary Foundation programs.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT: Marjorie Gerlinger 0419 302 109 Email: marbern@blgpond.net.au

BOOKINGS: www.trybooking.com/233344







2017 DISTRICT 9800 CONFERENCE SHEPPARTON - VICTORIA 30 MARCH - 1 APRIL





EARLY BIRD BOOKINGS

for the 2017 District 980
Conference are available until the end of November. Kathy has booked 11 rooms at the Quality Hotel Sherbourne Terrace, right in the centre of Shepparton. Seven (7) of them have already been taken. Please tell Kathy ASAP if you wish to stay there.

Sally Cane, the Community Relations Manager at the Walter & Eliza Institute has written to the club to invite Williamstown Rotarians to this event:



Lung cancer is the fifth most commonly diagnosed cancer but the most common cause of cancer death in Australia.

Find out about the latest lung cancer research from the Walter and Eliza Hall Institute at our free event on 22 November. Tours of the lung cancer laboratory will also be available at the event.



Dr Kate Sutherland – Lung Cancer Laboratory Head, Peter and Julie Alston Centenary Fellow

Ms Casey Ah-Cann - Lung Foundation Australia/Walter and Eliza Hall Institute Lung Cancer Research PhD scholarship awardee

Dr Sarah Best - lung cancer researcher

Dr Tracy Leong - clinician and lung cancer researcher







Tuesday 22 November, 5.30 - 6.30pm

Walter and Eliza Hall Institute 1G Royal Parade, Parkville

This is a free event but RSVP is essential. Please RSVP by Monday 21 November to Ms Sally Cane

Email: cane@wehi.edu.au Phone: 03 9345 2912















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