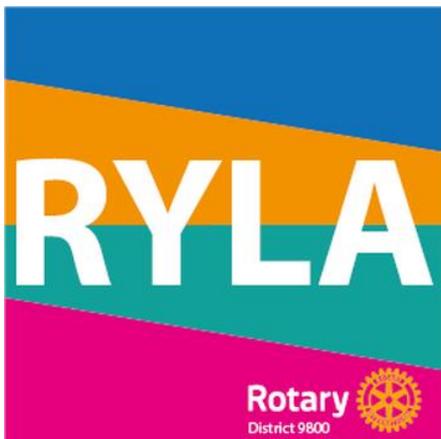


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FEBRUARY IS "WORLD UNDERSTANDING MONTH"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Apologies: Neona
Guests Speakers: Joel Hoggarth, Jordan Tripodi
Guests: Stan Panten, and his son



President George, with Damien and Guest Speakers Joel Hoggarth and Jordan Tripodi, Ryla Camp attendees.

Joel Hoggarth was our clubs RYLA participant 2015 and last year went back to be a leader and facilitate at the camp.

Joel's experience was that it was an exceptional camp; the workshops were devised so participants could have individual experiences. There were about a hundred people there of diverse backgrounds, ethnicity and socio-economic circumstances. The camp is run by former participants and the participants get an individual and rewarding experience.

Jordan Tripodi was the clubs participant for 2017. He felt he had learned about leadership, there were workshops which ranged widely to cover cultural differences, challenges by choice. Initially everyone is a little nervous but after 3-4 days the nerves settled and the individuals opened up more and became more talkative and sharing. During the week individual groups had to work on a group project, show casing what had been learnt and present it to the camp. Jordan felt he learned a lot about working together effectively during this time. His most important takeaway, is that during this time disagreements were sorted through calmly and respectfully.

Both young men were very grateful to the club for the opportunity to go on this camp and feel the experiences gained will be useful in their future life.

The Rotary Youth Leadership Award is a residential camp unlike any other. Over seven days, participants are immersed in a program centred on four key themes: Challenge by choice, diversity, community and time out. We give young people aged 18-25 the opportunity to step away from the distractions of their busy lives and provide the space to think about what is important to them.



You are invited to join us for the



2017
RoCan Annual Long Dinner
for Teal Day Ovarian Cancer Research

Join us at the Royal Yacht Club, Nelson Place Williamstown
Sunday March 5th 2017 at 5.00pm
\$50 p/hd includes a glass of bubbly and finger food
Entertainment, Raffles and Prize Givaways

BOOK NOW

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Announcing our amazing line-up for 2017

Keynote Address



Kitty Chiller

2016 Olympics Chef de Mission

MC



Tom Gleisner

Writer, Producer, Performer

Moderator



Sara James

Foreign Correspondent, Author, Commentator

2017 Panel



Susan Alberti
AC

Businesswoman, Philanthropist



David Thodey
AO

Chair CSIRO, Male Champion of Change



Elida Brereton

Educational Consultant, Principal Summer Heights High TV Series



Robert Stary

Criminal Defence Lawyer

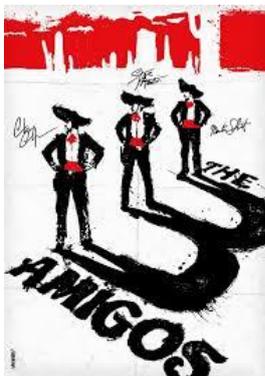
Spotlight on Rotary IWD 2017 Charities

Rotary's landmark International Women's Day breakfast on March 8, 2017 has an associated purpose to apply all net proceeds to specified charities. Last year our event raised \$50,000 which went to local, national and Asian developing country causes.



"We want an end to all forms of family violence... physical, psychological, emotional, financial, sexual.

"The most serious element is violence by men against women and that one in four Australian children witness it. We are developing new prevention programs; supporting others in their work with perpetrators; and researching effective interventions." [Read more](#)



A very happy birthday to our 3 amigos, Tony Feb 14, George Feb 15 and JACK FEB 23!



Calling all Rotarians and Friends in District 9800 and beyond!

Have you ever thought we don't promote ourselves well enough to the public? Well, now we are and you can join us in celebrating all the great things we do as Rotarians.

The Melbourne Rotary Showcase will be staged in the Atrium at Federation Square on SATURDAY 25 FEBRUARY from 9am to 5pm.

We will have the **Choir of Hard Knocks** performing from **11am &** they will lead us into our **Rotarian Roundup at 12 noon**. Wear your Rotary badge, cap, t-shirt, apron, pin or hat and show Melbourne how active Rotarians re "Doing Good in the World".

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE DIK OPEN DAY on the 8th APRIL

Celebrating the shipping of the 500th Container from the store an open day will be held which all Clubs will be invited to attend and see what the store has to offer. It is planned that the day will run from around 10am until 4pm with a sausage sizzle, tea and coffee etc.

The day will showcase projects based around what the store has to offer and show what can be done for not just International projects but Community opportunities as well.

More information will follow soon.

Kathy

This is just a quick update regarding the Rotary D9800 conference in Shepparton from March 30 to April 1st.

More pre conference activities

We have organised with the Shepparton Visitor Centre for a guided historic walk of Shepparton from 3pm on Thursday March 30th. Numbers are limited so if you wish to attend please email your details to conference2017.rccms@gmail.com . There are also a few spots left for the "Settlement Journey" experience, also at 3pm on the Thursday, Looking forward which also can be booked at these events address.

Earlier in the day, we recommend you try the scenic walk and cellar door at Tallis Wine at Dookie north of Shepparton. See the details at www.talliswine.com.au .

We have also organised a golf day (see more information below)

Golf Day

we have arranged with Shepparton Golf Club to have access to their course on Thursday afternoon for a golf day. If you would like to attend please email conference2017.rccms@gmail.com and we will send you details of time and cost.

Registration and Website

If you have yet to register, there are still some spots left. You can register at www.rotaryconference.org.au . If you have had trouble accessing this site in the past few days, try again now. We had a small problem that should now be fixed. If you are still having problems, email us at conference2017.rccms@gmail.com .

ROTARY COMMUNITY RECYCLING

D9800 Community Service is committed to recycling of computers, books, hearing aids sewing machines and wheelchairs.

Recycling is a 'win win' situation for Clubs and the Community with many programs being undertaken by Rotarians ranging from recycling hearing aids to sewing machines to books, the variety is endless.

Let your Community know about these programs by contacting us for copies of a brochure listing details of what we are after and who to contact.

Brochures are great to use at Bunnings BBQ's or other Club events – they are designed to inform the public of what we are after and how to get any goods to where it will do good in our Community.

To obtain brochures for your events contact community@rotarydistrict9800.org.au

Come and see us at Federation Square Showcase or at District Assembly.

If you require any further information please contact District Chair Community Service Bronwyn Stephens community@rotarydistrict9800.org.au

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SAVE THE DATE – The Rotary Foundation's Centennial Gala Dinner – 100 Years of 'Doing Good In The World'

Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair Ray Klinginsmith addressed District Governors at the 2016 International Assembly in relation to the celebration of the Foundation's centennial year, 2016-17. Since the Foundation was established in 1917, it has spent more than US\$3 billion on programs and projects to improve the lives of millions worldwide, said Klinginsmith. The global centennial celebration officially kicked off in May 2016 at the Rotary Convention in Korea and culminates at the 2017 convention in Atlanta.

In conjunction with District Foundation Chair, PDG Dennis Shore, Southbank Rotary will be assisting with organising a major District event to celebrate 100 years of The Rotary Foundation. This will be an occasion for Rotarians and non-Rotarians alike. More details will be widely circulated before the end of this month but for now, 'Save the Date: 31st May 2017' at The Atlantic, Central Pier, Docklands.

A NEW ROUND OF MEMBERSHIP GRANTS

Earn a \$1,000 grant for your new members to invest in a new Community Project for your Club

Simply induct four members between 1 January and 31 March 2017 and the \$1,000 grant will be presented to your New Members to use as seed funding on a project of their choice!!! A maximum of 10 grants are available.

The District was so successful with the grants so far this year that 18 Clubs have received them and inducted 96 new members.

All clubs in our District are eligible to receive this grant including those clubs that qualified for the previous \$1,000 grants in 2016-17

Full details are contained in the attached flyer. [Download Membership Grant Guidelines](#) Date: February 07, 2017

Neona please find recent correspondence with our foster child Sokea Seng in Cambodia:

Dear Aunty Neona,

Hello, Aunty! Thank you so much for your birthday wishes for me and lovely photos! I am very excited to hear from you. We had my birthday day celebrated and we had cakes and apples. I am very excited. I also had my birthday celebrated with some of my friends who were born in January with me. It was really fun.

I was very happy to meet my brother.

There are two young Australian women visiting FLOW and teaching English in my class, too. They graduated from High School. They also read book in library for us, too.

Sending a lot of love, Aunty!

Kea

PS: This email is translated into English by Darong.



To Dear Sokea,

We were so glad to hear that you had such a happy and fun time for your birthday! Shared with friends, and yummy cakes and apples! My favourite fruit is an apple; I love the way they smell. There is nothing more refreshing than biting into a crunchy, fresh apple! And so good for our teeth!

I also had a birthday in January, and I have attached some photos of the guests who shared my birthday with me. The first photo is Peter & Adele, who are the parents of Darren who was working in the Antarctic, do you remember a photo I sent you of my Mum's name, and David and my name carved in the snow? Also in the picture is Loulou who is 9 years old, just like you, her brother Malachy, and Geetha. Geetha was born in India, and has no family of her own here in Australia. She considers my Mum to be

her Aussie Mum, and David and I her brother and sister – we are very close.

Then there is a picture of David and I cutting my birthday cake, Mum and the kids with Geetha, and then us girls with Janine who is Loulou's Mum.

We had a happy time on my birthday also. We had a sausage sizzle, and we fired up our karaoke machine and had a sing along. Do you have special songs that you sing with your friends and teacher's at Flow? We enjoy singing it makes us laugh and feel happy inside.

How lovely you have 2 Australian girls teaching you English and reading to you. Their parents must be so proud of them graduating from High School, and now spending time with you and your friends teaching you a little more English and sharing the joy of reading books! How special.

Today is going to be warm here in Melbourne, and so I am about to take my puppies, Ariel & Lexi, down to the beach for a swim; and then I have much to do getting ready for my piano classes this afternoon.

I also send you much love Sokea, and thank you for your recent email. We so look forward to hearing from you, and learning what

Lots of love, Aunty Neona, Uncle David and Grandma



CALENDAR FEBRUARY

2017

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

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5.	6. Lunch meeting with Dr G of Interplast	7.	8.	9.	10.	11.
12. Farmer's market	13. Lunch meeting	14.	15.	16.	17.	18.
19.	20. Dinner meeting	21.	22.	23.	24.	25.
26. Farmer's market	27. Lunch meeting	28.				

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The Rotary Club of Williamstown meets every Monday, 12.45pm at the Customs House Hotel, Nelson Place, Williamstown.

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Rotary District 9800 www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au

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The Rotary Club of Williamstown is on Facebook – any Facebook user can join the group, and we promote the Club's activities and successes on this page.

