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JUNE IS “ ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS” MONTH



ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kathy fills in for President George.

Guests: Dr Daryl Moran, Mr Garrett and the Early Act
Children of Sandridge School.

Neona : We were once again privy to an enlightening and fun lunch time meeting with the Early Act children of the Sandridge School. The children came along with their cut lunches, and were delighted when our tradition of hot chips for dessert hit their tables!

They further delighted in once again smashing us at the trivia quiz. It's possible this may be another tradition we have established with the children!

The children maturely and confidently carried out their Changeover meeting.

Vice President, Harriet, read the 4 Way Test, and proceedings began.

We heard from the Secretary that a Multi-Cultural day is in the planning; and the Treasurer informed us that there was \$1150 in the bank and that \$100 had been donated to St.Judes School in Tanzania for fresh vegetables and fruit.

Club Service advised us of the initiative of a games club, where board games could be enjoyed during break times throughout the colder winter months.

Local Service were delighted to have raised \$1100 from their Mother's Day Stall whereby they directly donated to us for Rocan.

International, proud of the success of the wheelathon last year, are looking at repeating this event later on this year.

Dr Daryl Moran, who has much to be proud of with his proteges, confirms that the Sandridge School Children will once again support us at our Xmas Fair, and there will be another RSPCA Cup Cake day and many other interesting and worthwhile projects are in the works.

Murray: shared recent communications with FLOW

Dear Bona,

Thank you for passing on the Father's Day card from Sokea Seng and the photographs of all the children at FLOW. I'm sure they would have enjoyed their trip to the movies.

Unlike other parts of the world, Father's Day in Australia is celebrated on the first Sunday in September, so it was a very pleasant surprise to receive your message.

The attached photograph of me with my granddaughter blowing bubbles was taken on your Father's Day. She turns 2 years old in 4 weeks time. You can see from the way we are dressed it was a cool day. It is winter time now in Melbourne

Judging from the photographs, Sokea has grown up considerably since I met her in January 2016. I enjoy reading the emails back and forth between her and Auntie Neona.

Please pass on my thanks and best wishes to her and all at FLOW.



Warm regards

Murray Verso

All the children of FLOW at home, and at the Mall!



Date: June 18, 2017

Dear Foster Parents,

We would like to send to you the Happy Father's Day cards from your foster children from Cambodia. Hope you like them!

Thank you for sponsoring and for your kind heart for the children at FLOW which will make big change in their lives!

Sincerely thanks,

Bona



Our FLOW foster child Sokea at the movies!

Murray passes on upcoming changes to contact and communications with children.

The definition of direct contact is in the process of being changed, and the changes take effect on 1 August 2017. It is about to become any one or more of:

- face-to-face contact
- contact by post or other written communication
- contact by telephone or other oral communication
- contact by email or other electronic communication

It is recommended that each person who is involved in youth activities in our club complete the new volunteer form (i.e. the last attachment) , and that our club secretary, or protection officer, undertake the reference checking required by it.

It is my understanding that because of our involvement with EarlyAct, all Williamstown members need to be compliant with the new standards. Otherwise they would not be able to be present when the young students visit our club as they did today.

I would recommend that we invite David Whiting, the District 9800 Director Of Governance to attend one of our meetings to explain the changes.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION – CHANGES TO CHILD SAFETY STANDARDS

“As advised to Protection Officers and Secretaries at District Assembly by District Director Governance David Whiting below and attached are details on this matter. Please read and share with your Board and members of the Club.

In April 2012 the Victorian Parliament directed the Family and Community Development Committee enquiring to consider and report to the Parliament on the processes by which religious and other non-government organisations respond to the criminal abuse of children by personnel within their organisations. A report was handed to Parliament in October 2013.

In January 2013 the Federal Government empanelled a Royal Commission to investigate institutional responses to allegations and incidents of child sexual abuse. While a final report is yet to be presented, the Royal Commission has provided regular updates and interim reports.

As a result of its own enquiries, and in the context of the interim reports provided by the Royal Commission, the Victorian government has introduced legislation which applies to the activities of Rotary Clubs. Those changes will require clubs to review their practices and processes. They will not automatically require them to change those processes.

At the same time the National Insurance Committee (which organises insurance for Rotary Clubs in Australia) has introduced a new document which requires clubs to go substantially further than ensuring that their members/volunteers involved in youth activities are the holders of Working with Children Checks.”

This information was previously sent to Club Presidents and Club Secretaries by the District Secretary on 2nd June.

George's final address.

Dear Club Members

We are having our last club meeting for this year at PP Yvonne Moon's house.

Thank you for giving me the privilege of being our clubs president 2016 -2017

I am pleased & thankful to all of our members for contributing in the many initiatives undertaken.

This evening is our final meeting of the year & is our final club day meeting as well.

The meeting will be held at Yvonne's House and hope to see there.

Board members will say a few words regarding their reports pursuant to their Directorship.

Wellness house will be open for discussion and motion.

Yvonne has been looking for a site for several a years or so. And Yvonne is selling her home. I

recently learnt that PP Tony Boyed suggested

Making Yvonne's house as the site.

In light of the wellness matter I conclude that weather or not the club support this initiative,

Yvonne will continue to find a way to open a wellness house.

I support the purchase of the Wellness house and believe we can make this a reality sooner than later.

In regards to running the centre, We aspire to the business model adopted by the MacDonal house and our Rotary camp run by Dowel & Barbara Mitchel.

Yours in Rotary

George Papazisis

President Rotary Club of Williamstown District 9800 2016-2017



Honour for compassionate service

Williamstown's Ella Bambery remembers the night World War II ended, singing *Land of Hope and Glory* in honour of the "mother country".

Now, she has been recognised in the Queen's Birthday honours with a Medal of the Order of Australia for a life of service to the community of Williamstown and the western suburbs.

Mrs Bambery, 99, is a foundation member and served as president for 10 years of the Williamstown Legacy Widows Club.

During WWII, she was a member of The Concert Party, a troupe of entertainers who toured Victoria performing for convalescing

servicemen at repatriation hospitals and personnel at internment and prisoner-of-war camps.

After the war, she joined Williamstown Little Theatre in 1949, where she served as a performer, committee member and treasurer until the 1980s.

She describes one of her most rewarding roles as being caring for patients.

Mrs Bambery has been a volunteer and phone counsellor with Mercy Palliative Care in the western region for 13 years, and has volunteered with Southern Cross nursing home at Newport and with Meals on Wheels.

"I loved the work and it enriched my life," she said of her volunteering with palliative patients.

"I met the most courageous and beautiful people, and I got far more out of it than I put in to it."

Mrs Bambery said she couldn't believe she had been named in the Queen's Birthday honours list.

"I really didn't think I deserved it," she said. "Then I thought, Kylie Minogue gets it for her hot pants."

Goya Dmytryshchak

Congratulations to Carl Hurwood's mother-in-law, Ella Bamberry, who received a Queen's Birthday Honour.

She was honoured with the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) for her community service work.

Ella will turn 100 in September. Carl is now in his 80's and jokes that he must be the only person of his age to still have a mother-in-law!



Rotary
Club of Point Gellibrand



President Bruce McCracken & PE John Allcock
cordially invite you to attend our
Annual Presidential Changeover Dinner.

Date: Saturday July 15th, 6:30 for 7 pm

**Place: The Pirates Bar, Seaworks,
Lower Anne St, Williamstown**

**Cost: \$60.00 per head
Includes 2 Course Meal & Canapes.
(drinks at bar prices)**

**Please RSVP by July 1st to:
email: landinggear1991@hotmail.com
Phone: 0414 397 376**

Payments can be made by direct deposit or cash at the door

**Account details:
Rotary Club of Point Gellibrand Williamstown Inc
BSB: 633 108
Account No: 1320 07808
Please use your surname and "handover" as reference.**

Dress code: "Embrace the Great White North" ie: Canada.

Some ideas for the theme on page 2.
Prize for the best dressed !



We look forward to seeing you there !



CALENDAR JUNE 2017

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

				1.	2.	3.
4.	5. Claire Tang – lunch meeting	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.
11. Farmer's Market	12. Queen's Birthday Public Holiday – no meeting	13.	14.	15.	16.	17.
18.	19. Sandridge School Early Act Changeover – lunch meeting	20.	21.	22.	23.	24.
25. Farmer's Market	26. Club Day – night meeting	27.	28.	29.	30. Our Changeover	

The Rotary Club of Williamstown, District 9800

President:	George Papazisis	Treasurer:	Nils Oman
Vice President:	Kathy Roberts	Secretary:	Kathy Roberts
Marketing/PR:	Brad Saunders	Sergeant at Arms:	Jack Tah
Foundation:	Murray Verso	Club Service:	Eddie Knight
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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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