

**No. 38 Rotary Year 2017/2018 Date July 17**  
**JULY** is the start of a New **Rotary** Year for Officers.



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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Apologies:** Yvonne, Sven, Brad

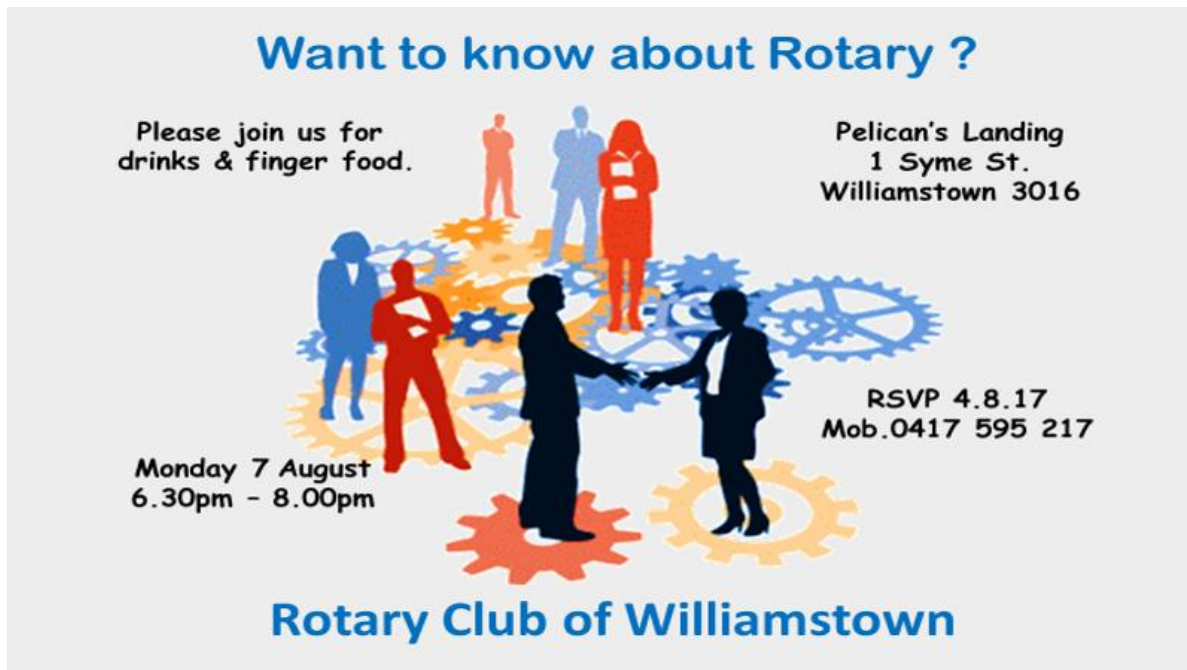
**Guests:** Kergen Angel, Angus (Kathy's Grandson)

**Damien:** Given the changing face of Rotary, discussion is open for the possibility of holding our meetings at different venues, perhaps visiting other Rotary Clubs.

**Eddie:** Suggests a Club forum to discuss ways in which to attract new members.

**Claude:** Suggests a Speaker once a month.

**Guy:** Would like us to promote a Cocktail Party amongst our friends, acquaintances colleagues, anyone we think may be interested in what we do at Rotary. Guests are free, there will be drinks and finger food; and it will be an opportunity for us to mingle discussing Rotary projects such as our wellness centre and videos of the efforts Rotary has made in ending polio.



The poster features a central graphic of several stylized human figures in various colors (blue, red, black) standing on a path of interlocking gears. The text is arranged around this central image. At the top, it asks 'Want to know about Rotary?'. Below that, it invites people to join for drinks and food, provides the venue address, the date and time, the RSVP date and contact number, and finally, the name of the Rotary Club.

**Want to know about Rotary ?**

Please join us for drinks & finger food.

Pelican's Landing  
1 Syme St.  
Williamstown 3016

Monday 7 August  
6.30pm - 8.00pm

RSVP 4.8.17  
Mob.0417 595 217

**Rotary Club of Williamstown**

**Murray:** shares an interesting article from the archives.

### **THE HISTORY OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF *URIMBIRRA*\***

The planning and building of *Urimbirra*, the Rotary Mentally Retarded Person's Residential Centre in Hamner Street Williamstown was the largest project undertaken by the Club.

The project was spread over several years, proving the old adage that Rotary does not finish on the 30<sup>th</sup> June and restart on the 1<sup>st</sup> July each year, at that time of the year when new Rotary office bearers replace the old.

In 1973 the Club decided they should undertake a major project. What was most needed in Williamstown? In the process of investigations, the plight of a young mother with a mentally handicapped child became known to members and led to an approach to the Mental Hygiene Authority to conduct a survey in Williamstown to determine the extent of the problem and the type of accommodation required.

After many months of research and many hours of deliberations, it was finally resolved, that a respite centre for intellectually handicapped people was needed to provide relief for their parents and carers for short periods up to four weeks at a time.

In March 1978, the master plan of the project received approval from the Club's Board of Directors and in April a public meeting was called to form a Benevolent Society and to elect a committee to build and operate the project. Rotary was to provide the funds. The appointed committee comprising Rotarians and specialists in mental health met in May and their constitution was approved by the Health Commission of Victoria in August 1978. Negotiations resulted in the leasing of land from the Victorian Railway. The land was twice the size required so the Club accepted the responsibility to develop the additional area as a park.

## Kergen Angel – Victorian Youth Parliament



Kergen enlightening us of the program Youth Parliament, and with President Damien Hynes.

Our Guest Speaker today Kergen Angel, a past student of Williamstown High School, approached our Club hoping for financial support in his efforts to put forward a debating team for the next Youth Parliament sessions of July 2018. Kergen, had a placement with the Hobson's Bay City Council last year and sat in Chambers. He found the experience to be inspiring and rewarding. He is passionate about the opportunity to put forward a debate in Parliament in support of a possible Bill; and proud of the various Bills that have been passed in Parliament initiated by Youth Parliamentarians. Kergen has put together a team of equally inspired young people and now needs the funds to make his team a reality at Youth Parliament next year. He is approaching other Clubs in the Hobson Bay precincts, with a similar ethos to us, with the hope of receiving a small monetary contribution. Youth Parliament is designed for young people aged 16 to 25 years. 120 Youth Parliamentarians from all around Victoria sit in Chambers annually putting forward their ideas for Bills. In open discussion with Kergen Damien and Murray were able to enlighten him a little of Rotor Act and the Ryla Camp. Kergen expressed great interest for himself and his Youth Parliamentarian peers, who are looking for such organizations to align their energies and philosophies with. During the time in which the team are debating in Chambers they stay at a camp in Bacchus Marsh and travel to Parliament daily. At the Campsite the Youth Parliamentarians research and toss around ideas for creating change. The environment is relaxed and fun, and fosters confidence and momentum, in a safe and unpretentious setting. Many Bills have been passed in Youth Parliament such as the mandatory safety bicycle helmet. A team of Youth Parliamentarians, with hearing impairment, were successful in their debate of a Bill to assist in the smoother travels of those with such disabilities, on public transport. Many excellent initiatives are born from the Voices of the Youth involved in the annual event of Youth Parliament; and possibly many a young Rotarian!





Discover your club's secret  
and your unique story!

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Sunday, 13th August 2017

9:30am for 10am until 12:30pm, followed by a light lunch (included)

Trinity Grammar School

51 Charles Street, Kew

(located between Civic Drive and Cotham Road)

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Cost: \$20 per person

Bookings: <http://streamtix.com.au/xyr>

Contact: Sandi Fulcher | [sandi\\_fulcher@hotmail.com](mailto:sandi_fulcher@hotmail.com) | 0416 063 434

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## RI President-elect Sam Owori

There has been an outpouring of heartfelt messages since President-elect Sam's passing last week. Rotarians and members of the public have been sharing memories and recalling how Sam inspired them through his hard work as a Rotarian and as a dedicated civil servant. It is clear that his impact and legacy were felt worldwide.

There will be a service for Sam on Friday, 21 July, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., at St. Vincent's Cathedral in Bedford, Texas. Friends in the area are encouraged to visit. Funeral services in Uganda are currently being planned.

Memorial contributions in honor of Sam will be directed to the Sam F. Owori Memorial to Polio. This fund has been established to honor his commitment to Rotary's polio eradication efforts. Sam was a member of both the Africa Regional PolioPlus Committee and the International PolioPlus Committee. You can make online contributions to the fund [here](#).

The 2017-18 nominating committee will select a new president-elect, in addition to the president-nominee, during its scheduled meeting in early August.

Thank you all for your continued support during this difficult time.

*Sincerely,*

*Ian Riseley*

*Rotary International President, 2017-18*

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## World Of Difference Tours 2017-2018

World of Difference is pleased to confirm three exciting tours to Cambodia and Laos. If you or anyone you know is looking to get involved at an International level in something exciting and different then one of World of Difference's humanitarian adventure tours to Asia could be the perfect offering.

Over the next 9 months you have three exciting tours to choose from. Please take a moment to have a look and please pass this email onto any of your friends who you think may be interested: -

### **Cambodian Humanitarian Adventure Tour 13 Days from 5th of November 2017**

This tour is perfect for those who would like to roll up their sleeves and get involved in some humanitarian work. During this 13 day tour, you will visit Cambodia's spectacular tourist attractions including Angkor Wat and its many temples, museums that capture the dark past of Cambodia during the cold war and get involved in humanitarian activities such as teaching at a school, building water filters or helping out at one of the legitimate orphanages.

### **Cambodian Humanitarian Family Adventure Tour 16 Days from 5th of January 2018**

This Humanitarian Tour is the perfect educational life experience for families to share

whether it be parents and their children or grandparents and their grandchildren. Following a similar format to our November tour, this tour will provide families with an opportunity to experience Asian culture at the grass roots, as well as enable you to change the way our children think about the world, while making a World of Difference in the lives of those less fortunate.

**Laos & Cambodia  
16 Days from 20th of March 2018**

A unique opportunity to join our first WOD tour to Laos. We will be based at the world heritage Luang Prabang and attend the opening ceremony for the latest Rotary primary school project in the remote village of Ban Heuthan. This tour will not include the usual WOD hands on volunteering but rather will be an opportunity to experience the real Laos that is not often seen by tourists.

Please click on the following links to view the tour brochure or booking form for more information and prices.

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*If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Rob or Barry.*

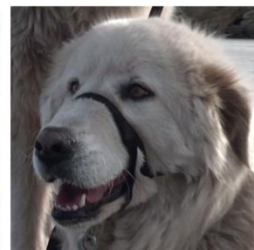
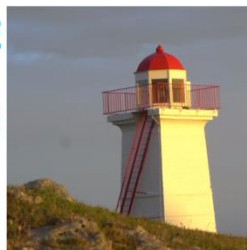
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## District Conference Early Bird Bookings Now Open

**THE POWER TO MAKE  
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2018 DISTRICT 9800 CONFERENCE  
16-18 March / Warrnambool / Victoria



[www.rotaryconference.org.au](http://www.rotaryconference.org.au)

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## Rotary Leadership Institute

An opportunity awaits for you to learn more about Rotary with like-minded people.

The Rotary Leadership Institute is a program where you will develop new knowledge, make new friends and hone leadership skills. A four part program conducted in convenient locations will be an enjoyable way to learn, lead and have fun.

**It is perfect for new Rotarians, Rotary leaders current and soon to be!**

**What: Metropolitan Rotary Leadership Institute**

**Where:** Montague Continuing Education Centre

Montague St South Melbourne

**When:** From 9:30 am- 2:30 pm

Part 1 and 2 .. Sunday August 6<sup>th</sup>

Part 3 and 4 .. Sunday September 3<sup>rd</sup>

(Father's Day .. subject to participant agreement)

**What: Rural Rotary Leadership Institute**

**Where:** Golden Square Primary School

19 Maple Street Bendigo

Part 1 and 2 .. Sunday August 20<sup>th</sup>

Part 3 and 4 .. Sunday October 8<sup>th</sup>

**Cost:** Advice given to Clubs in relation to this matter

**Reply:** A response is needed by ..

**Friday July 28<sup>th</sup> for the Metropolitan Program**

**Friday August 18<sup>th</sup> for the Rural Program**

For further information including a registration form or to email a completed registration form please email to the District 9800 RLI Administrator:

PP Vicki Teschke [vicki@teschke.id.au](mailto:vicki@teschke.id.au) or call Vicki: M: 0412 525 055

[Download RLI registration form Metro](#)

[Download RLI registration form Rural](#)

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## Vocational Training Team 2018

We are looking for teachers who are interested in joining Team Leader Audrey Bugeja as a member of a District 9800 Vocational Training Team, funded by a Rotary Foundation Global Grant, to deliver a training program to teachers from remote villages in Cambodia. Please read on and send an Expression of Interest if interested.

### Vocational Training Team

#### Selection Process 2018

##### Criteria:

- Current Victoria Institute of Teaching Registration or equivalent from other State
- Willingness to work in challenging conditions in remote village schools
- Demonstrated capacity to teach in educational settings in a developing country
- Committed to working effectively in teams and demonstrated high level communication skills
- Committed to delivering a structured and specific program for rural teachers in Cambodia
- An appreciation of the Rotary ideal of service and Rotary values

##### Timeline:

- Expression of Interest by **Friday the 4<sup>th</sup> of August**
- Selection process completed by end of August
- Meeting of successful applicants October and December
- Vocational Training Team Program January 2018

**Expression of Interest to be sent to Vocational Training Team District Chair Julie Mason**

[Mason.Julie.M@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:Mason.Julie.M@edumail.vic.gov.au)



to Hazel for the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July,  
Sven the 21<sup>st</sup> and Kathy the 29<sup>th</sup>!!!



# CALENDAR JULY 2017

Sunday    Monday    Tuesday    Wednesday    Thursday    Friday    Saturday

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2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
9.	10. lunch meeting	11.	12.	13.	14.	15.
16.	17. lunch meeting	18.	19.	20.	21.	22.
23. farmer's market	24. lunch meeting – District Governor attending	25.	26.	27.	28.	29.
30.	31. Western Distributor Complex attending our lunch meeting					

### The Rotary Club of Williamstown, District 9800

President: Damien Hynes    Treasurer: Nils Oman  
Secretary/ Public Officer: Kathy Roberts    Foundation: Murray Verso  
Membership Development: Guy Chatain    Club Service: Eddie Knight  
Marketing/PR &  
Protection Officer: Brad Saunders    Sergeant at Arms: John Barry  
Community Service: George Papazisis  
Community Service,  
Rocan, Wellness Centre  
Chair: Yvonne Moon  
International Service: John Barry, Hazel Ackland,  
International/Program: Vicky Chandler  
Bulletin/Youth Service: Neona Stiles

### President Rotary International

Ian Risely <http://www.rotary.org/>

### Rotary District 9800 Governor

Peter Frueh <http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au>

### Assistant Governor Hobsons Bay Cluster

Peter Rogers

The Rotary Club of Williamstown meets every Monday, Alternating lunch and evening meetings.  
Pelicans Landing, 1 Syme St, Williamstown

Contact us: Kathy Roberts 0404 896 305

Find us on the web at [www.rotarywilliamstown.org.au](http://www.rotarywilliamstown.org.au)

Rotary District 9800 [www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au](http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au)

Rotary Down Under [www.rotarydownunder.com.au](http://www.rotarydownunder.com.au)

Networker District 9800's weekly newsletter [www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/](http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/)

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.

