

No. 53

Rotary Year 2017/2018

Date Nov 20

“NOVEMBER IS ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH”

Apologies: Kathy, Nils, Carl, John, Sven, Brad, Hazel, Stan, Beres

Guests: Sarah Croft, Jessica Martinez, Bob Slater

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Damien, reminds us of the meeting on Tues Nov 28 with Point Gellibrand Club where the Williamstown Sky Rail will be discussed, please provide attendance numbers for catering purposes.

The children of the Sandridge school Early Act Club will be joining us for our lunch meeting of Nov 27.

It is believed the Warnambool Conference will sell out, register early.

Murray, Mon Nov 27 meeting is an AGM where 2 resolutions need to be voted on at the meeting.

Guy, compliments Hazels work in putting the Xmas Hamper together solely.

Yvonne, shares the wonderful news that we have purchased land for our Wellness Centre. Trustees have signed and we have a year to settle, and get the house happening. The land is in the Riverwalk Estate and is approximately 5 to 6kms from St.Vincents Private Hospital and the Mercy Hospital; and within close proximity to the train.



A proud moment for Yvonne and the trustees.

Neona, in the past our Club has supported Youth Exchange. The European students will begin to arrive in July '18. Is this something we would be interested in participating in again? Perhaps 4 members could offer a homestay for each quarter. My family and I would be happy to participate in this, for a quarter.

Recent correspondence from Sokea, our foster child in Cambodia:

November 17, 2017

Dear Aunty Neona, Uncle David & Grandma,

Thank you, uncle and Aunty for sending letter for me! I am very happy to see Uncle David won a trophy! Water Festival has boat racing from all over the country. There are many people. The winner got prize. At night they have light boats show. They also pray to the moon with pounded rice, young coconut, and banana.

We stayed in FLOW and relaxed. We also enjoyed playing watching movies. My favorite cartoon was Tangle, butterfly fairies, and Ant bully.

We do not play tricks on one another with the water in Cambodia.

I can tell Uncle David wearing glasses standing at the back and you are in black T-shirt.

We are very busy at FLOW because we have to move our school and offices. We are going to lose our old school building, office, art center, library, gardens, and handicraft. It is sad for us.

Our temporary English classes are at the dining hall and my dance class is at the dining hall, too.

Best wishes for you!

Kea



Recent correspondence and good news from eGlobal:

Dear eGlobal Family Supporter,

On behalf of our eGlobal Family board of directors, the FLO staff and especially the orphaned and vulnerable children we serve, I would like to thank you all from the bottom of our hearts. Your generous support came at a time when we needed it most. This is a big boost for us, and we are incredibly grateful! Our November 11 event was a big success, and while we haven't met our fundraising goal yet, we are on the way to assuring that a new school and other needed facilities will be built for the benefit of our kids. The work we do is truly life-changing for some of the most disadvantaged children in the world. We are honored that so many of you have been willing to spend both your time and treasure to support this worthy cause.

My family and I will return to Cambodia and all those wonderful FLO children next month, for an extended stay. I will, for sure, keep you informed as conditions continue to develop with FLO, eGlobal Family and our new "Aloha Learning Center"!

Thank you all once again!

Founder, eGlobal Family



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These will be further developed during a multi-district weekend in bulletin follows after our President Elect Leadership Development last weekend.

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These will be further developed during a multi-district weekend in March. 4 Victorian districts will then come together with Avenue of Service Chairs, Assistant Governors and Board members. Together, as Rotarians, we are Connecting, Inspiring and Transforming."





Travel with us in 2018

Our cooking school is now just a few days away from completion, and we are ready to start accommodating larger groups for cooking classes! We welcome tour companies leading groups to Nepal to partner with us in bringing their groups for cooking classes which fund hospitality training for marginalised women.

We thank all of you who have contributed directly or indirectly to make our cooking school a reality.

We invite you to come and travel with us as well as make a difference on our [2018 tours](#).

The tours cost \$3,995.

Inclusions:

- Return international flights to Nepal
- Transfers to and from the airport in Nepal on arrival and departure
- All meals and water except some lunches where the group will be given free time to explore



- Activity fees when visiting organisations
- All in country transport
- All in country tours and entrance fees

Exclusions:

- visas and insurance,
- *Tour fee without International flights; \$2995



ROTARY MEMBERSHIP TRENDS AS OF 1 JULY 2017

- membership: 1,202,937 Rotarians (down 4,969 Rotarians from 2016)
 - clubs: 35,656 (up 257 clubs from 2016)
 - average club size: 34 members
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Still looking for volunteers to for the roles below.

Please share these requests for assistance in your club bulletin.

Do you have the time to help Marketing and Public Image with Facebook posts?

The Public Image and Communications Committee are looking to recruit a member/s who can give 1-2 hours each fortnight to schedule current Networker stories and events for the District 9800 facebook account.

You only need to be competent with facebook and not an expert. Recent examples of posts are great templates to guide post creation. The most important factor is that stories and events are scheduled regularly as we have great content and need to ensure it gets shared across all our communication channels.

Please email publicrelations@rotarydistrict9800.org.au

Youth Service Committee webmaster

Do you have website skills and would like to put them to good use. The Youth Committee is looking for a webmaster.

Interested in the role and would like more information please contact Maria Silber
youth@rotarydistrict9800.org.au

PUBLICATIONS AND MERCHANDISE

Rotary has some excellent resources available for everyone but they are currently being underutilised. There have been a lot of enquiries from Rotarians on where/how they can access certain publications and merchandise. This often includes things like Paul Harris Fellow Medallions. The Rotary Shop Online is an easy to use ordering platform listing publications for districts and clubs to help support and grow their members. There is also Rotary merchandise available to show your support for all of the wonderful work that we do across the world. To view our current range of items please visit shop.rotary.org.

*Please note all prices are listed in USD and converted at the current Rotary exchange rate when purchased.

**All orders are shipped from our office in Parramatta

Stacey Blackman

Administrator , Rotary International, South Pacific and Philippines Office

Election for the three positions on the District Governor Nominating Committee

- don't forget to return your ballot papers

Eight nominations have been received for the three Past President positions on the District Governor Nominating Committee. This means that an election is necessary.

Attached for download is an explanatory letter and the ballot form in both word and pdf formats.

Ballot closes 15th December 2017.

[Nominating Committee Election Letter and Form.pdf](#)

[Nominating Committee Election Letter and Form.doc](#)

Opportunity for Club to run an RDU Supplies booth at District Conference

An opportunity exists for a Club to nominate to run an RDU supplies booth at the District Conference in Warrnambool for which they will receive 10 per cent commission on the sales.

RDU send a variety of stock including clothing in a variety of sizes. Customers can also place an order and pay for this at the booth. The order will then be sent out from the RDU office and the club will still receive commission for the sale.

RDU ask the club to pay for the postage to send back any unsold goods and to send them the receipt and bank account details and this is reimbursed to them straight away. This way the club is not out of pocket at all.

Once all stock and money is received back in the RDU office and checked off, the commission is deposited into the club's nominated account.

The commission will of course depend on the sales; RDU Supplies advises it can be between \$110 to \$330 or more depending on the number of attendees at the conference.

If you are interested in taking up this opportunity please email Marjorie - marbern@bigpond.net.au

November is Rotary Foundation Month

The Rotary Foundation - South Pacific & Philippines

The month of November is the month Rotary International dedicates to the programs and activities of the Rotary Foundation and this gives us a wonderful opportunity to focus our attention on the many great things that our foundation delivers to our world.

We take so much for granted as we enjoy our privileged life. Water streams from every one of the 16 or so taps in our houses, medical aid is just around the corner, a strong and active education system provides a future for all our children and with the exception of a few, we want for nothing. How different it is for one-third of the world's population!

Including our efforts in the area of polio eradication, your Foundation provided something like \$180 million last year to support clubs and districts in their efforts to 'do good in the world'. If you add the money supplied by clubs and districts to complete these projects we would have a conservative spend of something like \$450 million so we are not a small, insignificant organization. We are a highly relevant significant group and we should never fail to make that point with our friends.

Nothing ever comes cheap and everything The Foundation does costs money. When the money runs out so does our ability to make a difference. Clubs can take the bull by the horns and agreed to pay their TRF commitment now rather than wait until the traditional 'rush' period of June. We will get our money working sooner rather than later and that will help enormously. If all clubs in Australia could do this then The Foundation would be in a much stronger position.

We can also help as individuals. Those of us with Centurion commitments who aren't tied into a scheduled payment plan could consider paying this month. It's only \$100 per person but collectively it has the power to do so much. Those of us who haven't yet made the Centurion 'leap of faith' might give the possibility a little extra thought. That extra\$1.92 a week can make such a difference to the people depending on us for a better life.

The Rotary Foundation is your own charity and I'm just asking you to be part of it.

Bruce Allen

THE POWER TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

2018 DISTRICT 9800 CONFERENCE
16-18 March / Warrnambool / Victoria

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<http://www.rotaryconference.org.au/>

SPEAKERS

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STAN GRANT, well known as a presenter for the ABC will share his personal story and the story of his family which illustrates the dispossession and hardship shared by indigenous people



SONJA DAWSON, a nurse with experience in many fields has a passion to volunteer in the global health area and has spent over a decade volunteering with Mercy Ships.



MICHAEL CROSSLAND is an extraordinary young man who has defied the odds of a life threatening cancer to build a life of exceptional achievements. His story is Inspirational



MANDY DRURY has moderated conferences for many organisations and charities. Rotex President in 1993, she continues to be part of Rotary through family connections

CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR INFORMATION ON OTHER SPEAKERS AND ACTIVITIES



ATTEND THE FRIDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHT
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THE CONFERENCE PROGRAM WILL INCLUDE A WIDE RANGE OF SPEAKERS, INFORMATIVE
BREAKOUT SESSIONS, ACTIVITIES AROUND WARRNAMBOOL AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE
INVOLVED IN A HANDS ON VOLUNTEERING PROJECT



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LAS – Bob Slater

Our Guest Speaker today was Bob Slater a retired Senior Australian Army Officer and member of the Rotary Club of Kew.

Bob has a driving interest in mentoring and finding solutions to the difficulties faced by many stroke survivors and their carer's as they seek to reclaim their previous lives. 12,000 Victorians have a stroke each year. Stroke results from blood supply not reaching the brain, either through a burst blood vessel or blockage. This can occur at any age to both genders.

Bob's wife, Ruth, had a stroke in 2006 and they found the process for stroke rehabilitation poor. With much perseverance, following a 12 month period, Ruth was back driving and returned to work; and Bob a mission to champion improvements to stroke rehabilitation.

Rehabilitation for the 65% of stroke survivors in Victoria generally takes 12 months. Few have sufficient sick and other leave entitlements to ensure they retain their employment. Those who have their jobs held may not be able to resume duties due to permanent physical and/or cognitive impairment.

Based on his experience Bob has initiated a Rotary mentoring program LAS (Life after Stroke) in conjunction with (SAV) Stroke Association of Victoria to assist Stroke survivors to re-engage with community activities and/or paid work.

SAV organizes Peer Mentors (stroke survivors) to assist with early confidence building. Later when the stroke survivor is ready to re-engage in the community, and they are having difficulties Rotary is called upon. LAS find a fitting Rotarian for each participating stroke survivor who then provides support. Participating Rotarians need to attend Rotary initiated training and develop an understanding of the nature of stroke and its effects.

Bob is looking at community centres where LAS meeting hubs can be established, and is in discussion with Jessica Martinez of Newport Outlets about the possibility of establishing a hub there.

SUPPORT YOUR CLUB SUPPORT THE ROTARY FOUNDATION WITH THESE GREAT GIFT IDEAS



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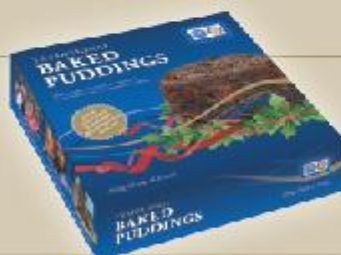
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World of Difference Tours 2017-2018



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:

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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 it's 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.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Rob or Barry. rob.hines@live.com.au 0407877550, barry.hickman@gmail.com



Engage in the Challenge

PLANT A TREE BY APRIL 22, 2018!

Here's how you can get involved

Develop projects with Rotaract and Interact Clubs

Collaborate with community partners and local experts

Create international partnerships where tree planting can lift up entire communities

WHY PLANT

Trees are engines of economic development

High nutrition foods for humans, animals, wildlife and insects

Sustainable building materials and fuel

Canopies in urban areas to cool, reduce energy use, absorb pollution and increase property values

Trees protect our environment

Increase ground water recharge; prevent runoff and loss of soil

Create habitat for wildlife

Produce oxygen, use carbon dioxide, improve public health

Slow global warming by storing carbon

Trees and woodlands provide spiritual renewal and life

walking in the woods stimulates the mind and soothes the soul

Trees and woodlands provide homes for birds, and many other species Send your reasons for planting trees to trees@esrag.org

TREE PLANTING PRACTICES & PRINCIPLES

Consult local professionals

Carefully plan the project

Evaluate the site: sunlight, water, wind, temperature, soil, fertility and security

Select trees adapted to the site and pest and disease resistant

Plant at the right time using proper planting techniques

Establish a maintenance schedule

Care for the trees until they are established and flourishing

TREES BRING PEOPLE TOGETHER

What are other Rotary Club and Districts doing?

What global and local resources are available?

How can we get started? Do you need ideas?

Do you want to read success stories?

Do you have a question? Write to trees@esrag.org

Are you ready to report trees planted?

Our [Tree Planting Recorder](#) is coming soon! Visit our [Tree FAQ Here](#)

CALENDAR NOV 2017

Sun Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri Sat

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5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.	11.
12.	13. Membership Evening	14.	15.	16.	17.	18.
19.	20. Club Day	21.	22.	23.	24.	25.
26.	27. AGM @ Sandridge School Early Actors	28.	29.	30.		



Happy Birthday Damien for 20th November,

The Rotary Club of Williamstown, District 9800

President:	Damien Hynes	Treasurer:	Nils Oman
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Community Service, Rocan, Wellness Centre Chair:	Yvonne Moon		
International Service:	John Barry, Hazel Ackland,		
International/Program:	Vicky Chandler		
Bulletin/Youth Service:	Neona Stiles		

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

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Rotary District 9800 www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au

Rotary Down Under www.rotarydownunder.com.au

Networker District 9800's weekly newsletter 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.

