



No. 55

Rotary Year 2017/2018

Date Dec 4

“DECEMBER IS FAMILY MONTH OF ROTARY”

Apologies: Beres, Guy, Stan, Carl, Sven, Jack, Tony & Neona

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dec 4th meeting was a Club Day with a de brief of the Christmas Fair. There was to be no meeting the following week due to the combined Christmas Party with Point Gellibrand Club and Inner Wheel, on Tues Dec 12. The last meeting of the year was to be a lunch meeting on Mon Dec 18, with venue TBC.

Kathy: There was lots of positive discussion in regard to the Fair. Peppa Pig was very popular amongst the youngsters. It appeared that the numbers in attendance where about the same as previous years, possibly less.

Final figures not in, awaiting sponsorship money and final invoices – result presently in the negative.

Everyone, in particular the Christmas Fair committee, were commended on their work in bringing the Fair together and their commitment on the day.

Hazel's baby "the raffle" raised a whopping \$2452 – a wonderful result!

First meeting for the year will be with the Hobson's Bay Cluster at Kooringal Golf Club, Altona on Jan 22 – see flyer further on for more information.



the door.

Beres, George & Nils collecting entrance donations at



Local dancing groups, providing entertainment!



The very popular Peppa the Pig!



Murray's granddaughter, high on Dad's shoulders enthralled with Peppa the Pig!



Faye selling raffle tickets for our bonanza raffle!



No rest for the wicked! Eddie on caffeine duties!



Sister in Arms! Proudly promoting our forthcoming "Wellness Centre" – Kathy, Yvonne & Leanne.



Our "Ride for a Cause" bus that provides sustenance & safety for our bike rider's; whose commitment to raising funds for our "Wellness Centre" has been outstanding! With District Governor Elect Bronwyn Stephens & the driving force behind Rocan our very own Yvonne Moon.



Kathy & Murray happy to share of the wonderful work Rotary imparts, and some scrumptious Christmas cake & pudding for the willing!



Our Christmas Tree, with care packages put together by the children & their families of the Sandridge School, to be distributed by St.Mary's House of Welcome in Fitzroy.



The ever popular petting zoo!



"Toys R Us" – Laurel & Hilma



George manning the jumping castle, itching for his turn!



Slaving over a hot BBQ - Guy & Hazel.



The only good thing about the pack- up is what comes next!



Eddie, George & Fred enjoying a laugh and refreshments!
Eddie an ale, George a lollypop!



The Williamstown annual 2017 Christmas Fair, proudly brought to you by the volunteers that make up the "Williamstown Rotary Club"



ROTARY CLUB OF ROCHESTER
Presents the
**PORT OF ECHUCA
LONG TABLE CHARITY SUPPER**
SUPPORTING
**RoCan
Cancer Wellness Centre**



BOOK NOW DON'T MISS OUT

Venue
Port of Echuca Wharf
Sat 3rd Feb 2018 7pm
Cost \$60 Finger Food and Entertainment



BOOKINGS
Debbie 0488 585889 or Yvonne 0407303255
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Guy: The Membership Committee proposes to create a Friend of Rotary branch of our club in line with what is done by a number of other clubs for example Richmond, Healseville, Bendigo Sth, Barossa Valley, Deloraine, Castle Hill.
Please see below draft Guidelines (based on District 9800 guidelines) and "rules" for such entities.

The Committee proposes to hold a BBQ on Sunday 4th March in the Pt Gellibrand Coastal Heritage park (Cnr Ann & Hanmer St). We would invite past members as well as people who have indicated that they were willing to participate in Rotary activities but cannot join the Club due to work, family or financial constraints.



Rotary Club of Williamstown Friends of Rotary

In addition to Rotary membership, the Rotary Club of Williamstown also offers a “Friends of Rotary” programme.

The primary role of the Friends of Rotary programme is to provide an opportunity for community minded people to become connected to our Club. In addition, such a Friends of Rotary would have a vehicle through which to volunteer their time and become connected to their community.

Reasons for someone choosing to become a Friend of Rotary, as opposed to becoming a regular Rotary member might include time, work or financial constraints. Nevertheless they would still seek to be actively involved in their community.

Friends of Rotary are more than welcome to apply to full Rotary membership at any time.

As a Friend of Rotary the minimum level of commitment required is attendance of one Club meeting a quarter and participation in one Club activity a semester. A Friend of Rotary *must comply* with all District Protection Policies with respect to programmes and activities of the Club that involve youth and vulnerable adults.

Cost: \$50.00 per annum.

Benefits:

- Meet new friends
- Opportunity to network
- Get involved in local projects
- Connect to the community
- Have some fun!
- Attend social and official functions run by the Club
- Assist in fund raising and volunteer activities
- Be part of overseas Rotary projects.

The primary role of Friends of Rotary is to provide an opportunity that connects community minded people to our Club. It is intended to provide an avenue of participation to people who cannot, or may not, wish to join the Club as Rotarian (eg. Due to time, work or financial constraints), but who nevertheless would like to help promote the Rotary ideals in our community and have a link to our Club.

A Friend Of Rotary would be invited to participate in activities of the Rotary Club of Williamstown as follows:

- Attend Club meetings when they wish, particularly on special occasions
- Attend all social and official functions run by the Club
- Assist in fund raising and volunteer activities of the Club.

Guidelines

1. A Friend of Rotary is not a member of the Rotary Club of Williamstown and is therefore not entitled to the rights, or subject to the responsibilities of membership provided for in the Constitution and Bylaws of the Club. Rather a Friend of Rotary has a formal association with the Club which provides an avenue to participate in Club activities.
2. A Friend of Rotary may be accepted by the Board following invitation by a member of the Club and nomination to the Board.
3. An accepted Friend of Rotary will be formally welcomed at a meeting of the Club and presented with a badge entitled "Friend of the Rotary Club of Williamstown".
4. The initial period of a Friend of Rotary association with the Club will be for the current Rotary Year, renewable as appropriate by the Board on an annual basis.
5. The Friend of Rotary sponsor will be the link between that Friend and the Club on an ongoing basis. The member would ensure that the Friend of Rotary receives details of all Club activities and is encouraged to have involvement in those activities.
6. The Friend of Rotary fee will be \$50.00 to cover all administration costs.
7. Friend of Rotary meals and costs of other social activities are to be paid at the same rate as members.
8. A Friend of Rotary will be entitled to receive the Club weekly Bulletin.
9. A Friend of Rotary shall not vote on any decisions made by the Club, nor serve on the Board.
10. A Friend of Rotary will not be entitled to wear the Rotary lapel badge.
11. A Friend of Rotary is *obliged to comply* with all applicable District Protection Policies with respect to programmes and activities of the Club that involve youth and vulnerable adults.
12. If at any time a Friend of Rotary expresses a wish to become a full member of the Club, the usual procedures shall apply as for any new member.
13. A Friend of Rotary association with the Club is open to existing Club members with the agreement of the Board, however the member must resign from Rotary.
14. All the above guidelines may be varied from time to time with the agreement of the Board.

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.

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

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

Women *in* Rotary 

A sensational IWD Breakfast for 2018 is in the works!

Save the date

WED 7 MARCH 2018
Annual International Women's Day Breakfast

Entertaining. **Inspirational.** Change. **You!**
Not to be missed.

Brought to you by The Rotary Club of Brighton North
& The Rotary Club of Melbourne

 Click here to save the date to your calendar



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 DEC 2018

Sun Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri Sat

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3. Xmas Fair	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.
10.	11.	12. Combined Xmas break-up party with Gelliebabies	13.	14.	15.	16.
17.	18. BBQ break-up	19.	20.	21.	22.	23.
24.	25.	26.	27.	28.	29.	30.



Guy for December 13!

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

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.

