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Rotary Year 2017/2018

Date Feb 12

“FEBRUARY IS WORLD UNDERSTANDING MONTH”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Apologies: Neona

Damien: Chris James, having been unwell, is recovering and looking forward to leaving The Alfred Hospital and getting to rehab in Geelong. He apologises for not being able to assist at BBQs, and welcomes attentive audiences for a visit or phone call to assist his spirited recovery.

Rotary International has collected over the years hard copies of Rotary clubs history from around the globe, clubs are now being given the opportunity to have their individual club file sent to them. **Damien** will call the contact person Stacey and find out more information. The club have a deadline of the 28th February to respond otherwise the data will be destroyed.



Late last year clubs were approached with the idea of collating how many volunteer hours each member puts in per week. This information would be put in the Rotary data base for future reference and use in promoting Rotary. So each week members will be asked to record how many hours were spent doing Rotary work (apart from attending their regular meetings), a form has been devised for this purpose and will be distributed each meeting.

Damien is quite keen to have members attend other Rotary club meetings, or a Lions meeting or even a community evening, this can be done individually or possibly as a whole club. He feels we

will gain insight into how other clubs do things and learn some new ideas along the way.

Damien/ Eddie both attended the RoCan Long Supper in Echuca on the weekend of Feb 3, and commented positively on the location, the band and the food. Although the Galah's apparently had something to say about Yvonne's speech! As they started squawking when she began to talk and stopped when she finished. A good night enjoyed by around 50-60 people.



Riverine, local paper to Echuca! Our Yvonne, in blue picture bottom to left!

From the desk of RI President Ian Riseley

Dear fellow Rotarians

As we pass the halfway point of this Rotary year, it's time to take stock of what we've achieved so far and what we still have to do. The [Rotary Citation](#) is not only an honor, but also a useful tool that helps clubs plan their service. Club leaders will receive an achievement guide by email in mid-March, with valuable resources to help you reach your goals. If you're on track to receive a citation, congratulations! Your club is well on its way to a very productive year.

Here in Evanston, we are working hard to achieve the goals that Rotarians have laid out for us. In a Rotary-wide survey of Rotarians and Rotaractors, 90% of respondents asked for improved training, better methods to connect with other clubs, more planning resources, and better online tools. In response, your 2016 Council on Legislation passed a \$4 dues increase that is now allowing us to invest in the improved resources, processes, and technology you've asked for.

One of the many improvements we've made (and are continuing to make) has been to Rotary Club Central, which has been completely redesigned to be faster and easier to navigate. As you already know, this year we are asking all Rotary clubs to submit two numbers to Rotary: the number of volunteer hours worked and the money invested in service. The fastest and easiest way to submit these numbers is through Rotary Club Central. If you're already tracking your projects using Rotary Club Central, make sure you've entered the number of volunteer hours and amount spent for each project you're tracking. Otherwise, remember to enter those two key numbers in the Goal Center, under the Rotary Citation tab.

On 23 January we unveiled changes to the global grant reporting section of the [Grant Center](#). You'll find that the report has an updated look, its content has been aligned with the global grant application, and the financial portion will be much simpler to use. We hope these changes will make it easier for clubs to report on the tremendous work that they accomplish through global grants.

One of the new initiatives I'm most excited about in this Rotary year is the Group Cultural Exchange program, a type of [Rotary Friendship Exchange](#) that brings together international teams of Rotarians, non-Rotarians, and young professionals. Contact your district's Rotary Friendship Exchange Committee Chair for more information about exchange opportunities through your district. If you have questions, or an experience you'd like to share, contact rotary.service@rotary.org.

Depending on where you are in the world, it may be the right time to plant your club's trees. Not only is planting trees one of the best things you can do for the environment, it also brings you one step closer to your Rotary Citation. Be sure to plant your trees by 22 April (Earth Day), and take care of the trees you've planted until they're thriving on their own.



There's still time to register for one of six Presidential Peacebuilding Conferences designed to help us better understand the connections between Rotary's six areas of focus and our commitment to building peace. The conferences will be hosted between February and June in different cities across North America, Europe, Australia, and the Middle East.



Looking ahead, it's not too early to start planning your trip to the Rotary International Convention in Toronto, Canada on 23-27 June 2017. [Register online](#) by 31 March to receive the discounted pre-registration rate, and find Inspiration Around Every Corner in Toronto!



We all know that Rotary would not be the organisation it is without the dedication of our club presidents, district governors, coordinators, directors, trustees, and other leaders all over the world. Because of your hard work, Rotary is truly Making a Difference in the world, so thank you.

*Sincerely, Ian Riseley
Rotary International President, 2017-18*

48th Angus Mitchell Oration to be delivered by RI President Ian Riseley

When: Wednesday 14th March

Time: 12.40pm for 12.50pm start

Venue: 1st Floor Dining Rooms, Sofitel Hotel Cost \$45 two course lunch

Bookings via trybooking <https://www.trybooking.com/350276>

Ian who, as President is based at Rotary International Headquarters in Evanston USA, is specifically visiting Melbourne to honour Sir Angus Mitchell, the first Australian to be President of Rotary International (RI). Ian is only the 5th Australian (and 3rd Victorian) to be RI President and we are greatly honoured that he has agreed to be this year's Orator.

Ian is a chartered accountant and principal of Ian Riseley and Co., a firm he established in 1976 having worked in large accounting firms and corporations.

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Rotary Making A Difference... "We know we can do more together than we could ever hope to do alone"



Sir Angus Mitchell....

Rotary Biography of, ANGUS S. MITCHELL, Melbourne, Australia
President, Rotary International 1948-49, Trustee, Rotary Foundation. 1949-54

Angus S. Mitchell of Melbourne, Australia, was President of Rotary International in 1948-49 and he is now serving as a Trustee of the Rotary Foundation for 1949-54. He has been a member of the Rotary Club of Melbourne since 1927, and is a Past President of that Club. He has served Rotary International as President, (1948-49), Director, District Governor, committee chairman and member, and as Honorary Trustee and Chairman of the Trustees of the Rotary Foundation.

Mr. Mitchell was born in Shanghai, China, and was brought to Australia by his parents at the age of one year. His father was a Scotch sea captain in his younger days, and his mother was an Australian of Scotch parentage. He attended Scotch College in Melbourne and has been awarded the honorary Doctor of Laws Degree by Baylor University in Waco, Texas, U.S.A.

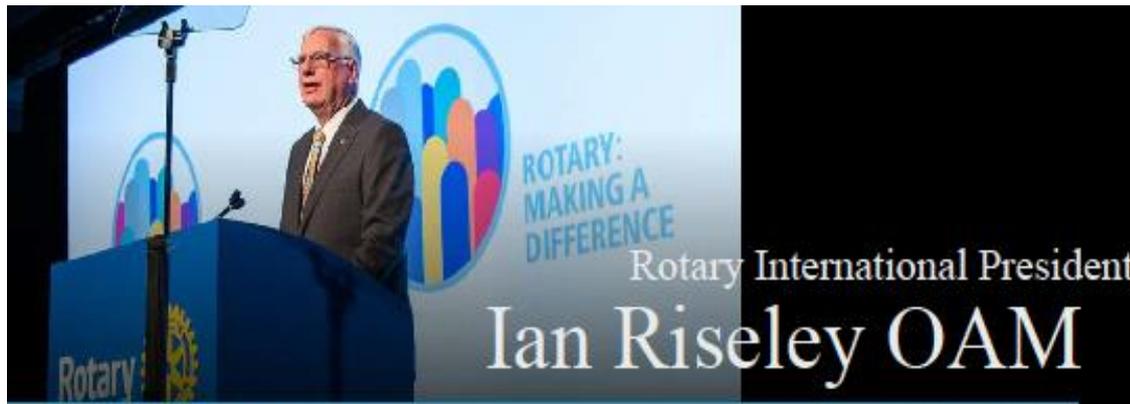
He was co-founder in 1905 of the firm of Mitchell & Bellair, later Mitchell, Bellair and Lees, grain and mercantile brokers of Melbourne, Australia, and Liverpool, England, and he was an active partner in that business until his retirement in 1936.

In Melbourne, he is now a Director of Australian Cement Ltd.; Noske Industries Ltd., flour millers and grain merchants; Queen's Bridge Motor and Engineering Company, and Queen's Bridge Investments Company.

He was one of the founders of the Melbourne Corn Exchange and is now an honorary life member. He is a Director of the Melbourne Y.M.C.A., Chairman of the Victorian Y.M.C.A. Defense Forces Committee, Honorary Treasurer and member of the State Executive Council of the Victorian Boy Scouts Association, and President of the Victorian Society for Crippled Children.

From Rotary International, 35 East Wacker Drive, Chicago 1, Ill., U.S.A.

March 1954.



48th Angus Mitchell Oration



Rotary International President, Ian H S Riseley, OAM will deliver the 48th Angus Mitchell Oration on Wednesday 14 March 2018.

Rotarians and their Guests are invited to join the Rotary Club of Melbourne Member's luncheon on the occasion of the Club's 48th Angus Mitchell Oration.

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Riseley, a member of the Rotary Club of Sandringham since 1978, has been active in various school boards, a member of the Community Advisory Group for the City of Sandringham, and involved in Sea Scouts and sporting groups, as well as honorary auditor or adviser for a number of charitable organisations.

In a distinguished career, he has been Treasurer and Director of RI, Rotary Foundation Trustee for 4 years as well as a member and Chair of numerous RI and Foundation committees.

Riseley's honours include the AusAID Peacebuilder Award from the Australian government in recognition of his work in East Timor, the Medal of the Order of Australia for services to the Australian community, the Distinguished Service Award and the Regional Service Award for a Polio-Free World from The Rotary Foundation.

Ian and his wife Juliet live on seven hectares at Mccrooduc, where they practice their personal philosophy of sustainable and organic living. They have two children and four grandchildren.

Date Wed. 14th March 2018
 Time 12.40pm for 12.50pm start
 Venue 1st Floor Dining Rooms, Sofitel Hotel
 Cost \$45 two course lunch
 Bookings via trybooking [click below](https://www.trybooking.com/350276)
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Rotary Peace Scholarships for 2018

100 fellowships for fully funded university training in peace and conflict resolution are now available.

Download the flyer to learn how your Club can be part of this amazing Rotary Foundation program. Please do not hesitate to contact me for assistance or further information.

[Peace Fellow Flyer 2018 final.pdf](#)

Rob Helme
Rotary Peace Fellows Program
rhelme@bigpond.net.au

This information has been sent to Foundation Chairs

Donations In Kind – Open Day 2018 – join us to formally open Shed 39

Saturday 24th February is the date set for this year's OPEN DAY at Donations in Kind Store at 400 Somerville Road, West Footscray.



As everyone is aware we have moved from Shed 40 to Shed 39 and given lots of work by many people, the store is looking terrific.

The Open Day is a great opportunity to showcase the store but more importantly show you the many opportunities for you to use the store to assist your Community and International projects. We will take the opportunity to use the day as the “Official Opening” for the new location and will have the ribbon cutting ceremony at 1.00pm.

The day will run from 10.00am to 3.00 pm with tea and coffee throughout the day and a traditional sausage sizzle for lunch.

The Open Day gives every Rotarian the chance to see the store – many for the first time and particularly for new Rotarians to see some easy “hands on” opportunities.

The move gave us the opportunity for a big “spring clean” and enabled us to put in place a better layout for the store. It also gave us the opportunity to provide better facilities for our volunteers and for Clubs to use the store for their meetings.

It was not all easy as we had a big surprise when we were advised that some of our existing racking could not be reinstalled as it was no longer of the “approved” type. Consequently we had to purchase quite a few new “approved” uprights so we could provide at least the same volume of racking capacity.

This unforeseen expense has given our available funds a significant “hit” so we are using the Open Day as an opportunity to ask for your financial assistance.

You can help us by “buying” a full bay of racking for \$1,500 or a double pallet space for \$150. Our objective is to replenish the coffers with the \$10,000 that this additional racking cost us.

We would love to close the day with the knowledge that we had achieved this.

So mark the date in your calendar and join us at Shed 39 on Saturday 24th February.

Please RSVP for catering purposes to dik.vic.rotary@gmail.com Laurie Fisher 0428 550 574

Bob Glindemann

[Download Flyer](#)

New Generations Service Exchange

I wanted to remind you about the opportunity to invest in the career development of young professionals through New Generations Service Exchange. Quoting Rotary International;

"Exposure to different cultures ranks as one of the most powerful ways to promote international understanding and peace. The Rotary New Generations Service Exchange program provides university students and young employees with the opportunity to meet people from other countries and to experience new cultures and career opportunities through the lens of a different culture, planting the seeds for a lifetime of international understanding.

The NGSE adds to Rotary's programs to support young adults in their development. As other youth programs do, the NGSE radiates into other Avenues and Programs. The program offers numerous benefits to its young participants and their Rotarian hosts and mentors, as well as to the community at large. Through New Generations Service Exchange, participants learn firsthand about life in another country, its educational system and the world of work. As their concept of the world expands, they mature and develop a deeper understanding of themselves, others and the world.

Immersion in another country's cultural system enhances their academic, vocational and personal growth. Host clubs and families and the entire community are enriched by extended, friendly contact with someone from a different culture."

This is a vocationally oriented development opportunity for 18 to 30 year old candidates, either inbound or outbound. In some respects it is similar to youth exchange and uses some of the same protocols regarding roles and responsibilities. But it has some important differences too. The Child Protection legislative requirements are less onerous, the participants are generally much more mature and able to look after themselves, the duration is negotiable typically in the 4 to 12 week range, and it is not necessarily reciprocal. So in a nutshell, much easier from a home hosting view point. Finally instead of having to arrange schooling the host club does have the challenge of arranging suitable vocational experience for an inbound exchangee.

Though it is a relatively new program, NGSE is well established in several NSW Districts (See link to D9670) but less so in Victoria. In D9800 we are aiming to appoint an NGSE Coordinator soon. In the meantime we have had one NGSE visit from D 1920 in Germany for two months with Hannah Weigl a tertiary music student studying opera. It was a great experience for Hannah and for her hosts. We are now in discussion with a German district about a reciprocal visit by local young opera singers, and with a French district about a potential inbound exchange staying international business. An NGSE can be in any field, for example the participants from D9670 have been in political science, mathematics, environmental science, journalism, and so on. The sort of candidates we should consider would be akin to those we might have selected for the old GSE program.

[http://www.rotary9670.org.au/SitePage/new-generations-service-exchange-\(ngse\)/new-generations-service-exchange-\(ngse\)](http://www.rotary9670.org.au/SitePage/new-generations-service-exchange-(ngse)/new-generations-service-exchange-(ngse))

If your club would like to know more about this program, please get in touch.

Alan Seale
Chair D9800 Vocational Service
aseale@bigpond.net.au
0407 285 177

This information has been sent to Vocational Service Chairs

Rotary District 9800 MUNA May 25 to May 27 2018

My name is Newton Langford and I have taken over the role of MUNA Chairman from Neville Page. Chris Don is taking the role of Secretary General at MUNA. He is very experienced and ran D9800 MUNA some years ago.

Our D9800 Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA) is on May 25 to May 27 at

Rotary's Camp Getaway near Axedale.

Both Chris and I are aiming to have 25 to 28 teams of two students at MUNA in May. Each team will represent a country. The total cost to a club will be \$660 per team of two plus two \$25 bus tickets from Melbourne to Camp Getaway.

Please read the four attached files in the sequence below.

- The 1st file gives a fairly full description of what has to be done by Youth Directors, schools, teacher and students. [Download letter to clubs](#)

- The 2nd file explains MUNA for the schools, teachers and students.

- [MUNA 2018 broad description.pdf](#)

- The 3rd file has the Registration form that each student must complete and return.

- [Download Registration Form](#)

- The 4th file has a Declaration we Rotarians must make when we are Working With Children (WWC). This is in addition to having a valid WWC card. [Download](#)

- [Volunteer Declaration form](#)

To get 25 to 28 teams I urge every club to try and get a team (or two) even if your club has not been involved recently or ever.

In addition to all the above

- The Rotary Club of Glenferrie will be the host club.
- Four members of Glenferrie will be calling Youth Directors from time to time to see how applications are progressing.
They are Thelma Hutchison, Teresa Liu, Cameron Purnell, and Robert Winspear.
- Glenferrie's President Richard Blakeman and President Elect Charles Tran will be the judges for MUNA 2018

One last moment thing that could be a drawcard for MUNA. Chris Don may be able to arrange a young Australian (who has spoken on the floor of the real UN in New York) to come and speak to our MUNA teams.

That's it for now. I look forward to working with as many of you as possible. Thank you for your time and good luck getting MUNA teams.

Newton Langford
D9800 2018 MUNA Chairman
03-9529-7395

This message has been sent to Youth Chairs

Women In Rotary presents the International Women's Day Breakfast

– Let Them Roar – Explore the Road to Success

Wednesday 7th March 2018 at The Palladium Crown

6.30am for 7.00am start. Finishes promptly at 9am. FREE parking in the multi-deck carpark.

\$850 Corporate table of 10

\$740 Standard table of 10

Single Ticket \$75

VCE/Tertiary \$50

[Download Flyer](#) for full details including the outstanding panel

This message has been sent to bulletin editors

Learn about End Trachoma 2020 – 5PM EDST 19-24 February 2018

We heard that Rotarians wanted to know more about EndTrachoma by 2020.

We've found this way to reach you. Each event will run for only 10 minutes or so, but if you miss it, don't fret, they'll stay on our Facebook page

www.facebook.com/endtrachomaby2020

and we will also send out links to our videos on YouTube.

[Program of Events](#)

A line-up of international and specialist speakers, including RI President Ian Riseley will show DAILY and LIVE on our Facebook page. Comprehensive biographies can be found on our Facebook page, but click on [Program of Events](#) to access the hard copy taster.

Send through your questions to lien@endtrachoma2020.org.au. Look forward to seeing you there!

April RYPEN CAMP Applications Open

– CONTACT TEACHERS NOW – EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT ENDS 29th MARCH!

The closing date for completing applications for April RYPEN is on Wednesday 10th April 2018!! Please ensure you, prior to the first term holidays, spend the time necessary for contacting teachers at your chosen schools in order to identify suitable students and then notify the RYPEN committee that your student is attending. April RYPEN is scheduled for Friday April 27 to Sunday April 29, at the Doxa Malmsbury Camp.

Below you will find links to some important documents to download and pass on to school contacts .

[A RYPEN Flyer](#)

[Letter to Principals and School Coordinators](#)

[Parent Information Pack Including the parent consent form and packing list.](#)

Cost

For all applications **FULLY** completed and approved by 29th March 2018 the price will be \$330 inc GST.

For any application received, or partially received, after 29 March 2018 up until the closing date, 10 April 2018, the price will be \$385 inc GST.

Invoicing will be sent to the sponsor club following the program's completion.

In order to receive the early bird discount the following three things **ALL** need to be completed prior to the 29 March 2018:

- Online application lodged
- Transport details completed
- Student consent forms lodged

Cancellation Policy

If a student who has been accepted withdraws for any reason after 4pm 20/04/2018 - a fee of \$165 will be charged to the sponsor club. Acceptance is shown by the sponsoring Rotary Club completing the transport notification form.

Application Process

The application process works as follows:

1. Rotary Clubs contact their local secondary school, providing the above 3 documents.
School contacts distribute the attached parent letter and consent form to selected students. Parents should sign and return the attached consent form. Students will NOT be able to attend RYPEN unless this consent form is returned a minimum of one week before the beginning of the program.
2. Have students or parents complete the online application and medical form at <http://rypen.rotaract9800.org.au/apply>. The student/parent completing the

application will need the name, phone number and email address of the local Rotary Club and the student's full medical details.

3. The District RYPEN committee will process applications and send notification of the application being accepted by email to your club. Please note applications will only be accepted for students who are 15, 16 or 17 years old and in either year 9, 10 or 11 at the time of camp, there are no exceptions.
4. The sponsoring Rotary Club will contact the student and parent to confirm participation and arrange transport.
5. We will ask you to advise us of: name, club and contact details of the driver(s) who will transport your student(s) to and from the camp. NOTE: it is your club's responsibility to ensure that drivers have a valid working with children check.
6. It is the Rotary Club's responsibility to approve the student's application by completing the transport form. The committee will only contact you if the student's application is incomplete or the student is not eligible to attend RYPEN (students must be in year 9, 10 or 11 and aged 15, 16 or 17 at the time of the program, no exceptions).

All 6 steps must be completed by the 29th March 2018 to receive the reduced cost.

Please contact your local schools as quickly as possible to obtain eligible students to attend RYPEN. Note that most school holidays impact on this time frame so please note the following and contact schools within this time framework.

Term 1 Mon Jan 29 until Thurs 29 March

Term 1 Holiday period Fri 30 March until Sunday 15 April

Term 2 Mon 16 April until Fri 29 June

Should you require further information about RYPEN or the application process please do not hesitate to contact the RYPEN committee (rypen@rotarydistrict9800.org) or see the RYPEN website at <http://rypen.rotaract9800.org.au>.

*Kind regards,
Grant Godino
RYPEN Committee District 9800
Email: rypen@rotaract9800.org.au
Mobile: 0402 733 064*

This information has been distributed to Youth Service Chairs

Planning to visit Bacchus Marsh Rotary

They have moved venues to the Royal Hotel 200 Main Street, Bacchus Marsh

Fast Foundation Facts by the Numbers PowerPoint Presentation

Due to an enquiry from one of our clubs if the information contained in the recent update was available as a PowerPoint presentation, I have created a colourful presentation which all Clubs are welcome to use with information of interest to members. Feel free to use it to educate members about Our Foundation – I would appreciate it be left as is, thanks.

[Download the PowerPoint slides](#)

Enjoy!!!

Cheryl Pisterman
d9800foundation@gmail.com
Communications/Co-ordinator / Administrator
Rotary District 9800 Foundation Committee

Opportunity to attend a live recording of Millionaire Hot Seat

I am getting in touch from Channel Nine to see if you, your friends, work colleagues or Rotary Group would be interested in being an audience member at a live recording of Channel Nine's Millionaire Hot Seat with Eddie McGuire?

It's a great day out for friends and family, full of laughs and entertainment. You get to see Eddie live in action as he changes the lives of ordinary people and experience the thrill of watching Australia's favourite game show.

Audience members enter a draw to win \$1000 as well as other prizes and food, drinks and free parking are provided. We ensure that we as a team make the day enjoyable for all those who attend.

Our upcoming recording dates are below:

Wednesday 21st February
Thursday 22nd February
Monday 26th March
Tuesday 27th March

Feel free to give me a call on +61 3 9420 3190 for more information or to lock in dates. Email: ohains@nine.com.au

We hope to see you there.

Kind Regards,
Olivia, Channel Nine



I'm taking part in the World's Greatest Shave for the Leukemia Foundation in honour of my father Dowell Mitchell, who passed away August 2017 from AML (Acute Myeloid Leukemia). I'm also honouring some friends of mine's parents who also passed this year, Vicki Giachin and Doris Carroll. All taken from us way too soon.

Please sponsor me to give Aussie families facing blood cancer the emotional and practical support they need.

Blood cancer claims more lives than breast cancer or melanoma.

Will you help by sponsoring me? Your support will help ensure someone being treated in hospital gets a personal visit from a highly-trained health professional, so they get the extra support they need.

Please click the button and sponsor me today.

You can sponsor me online or come to this event.

EVENT DETAILS:

Wednesday, 21 March 2018 (Dad's birthday)

7pm - 8.30pm

Location: The Yarraville Club 135 Stephen Street, Yarraville

Drinks and food at bar prices.

My fellow Yarraville Rotarians will be hosting this event, so we'll have raffle's and other things happening on the night, so come along and support a great cause – Georgia xx

Happy Valentine's Day!

To our dear foster parents

I would like to send to you the Valentine's message from your foster children and hope you like them.

Thank you for your love and care which helps change lives of many vulnerable children to grow and educate at FLO.

*Regarding,
Bona*



Sokea Seng, with Valentines Card for Murray & Irene

Dear Bona,

Thank you for passing on the St Valentine's day message from the children at FLO. We were thrilled to receive it.

It was good to see a photograph of Sokea looking so happy.

Please pass on to her thanks and best wishes from Irene and me.

Kind regards

Murray Verso

Bookings for the conference will close soon - Less than 30 spots left - don't miss out book now.

THE POWER TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

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

Rotary



ROTARY:
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www.rotaryconference.org.au

TRACHOMA LIVE

FACEBOOK DAILY
5PM EDST 19-25 FEB 2018

PROGRAM

Monday

LIEN TRINH
MANAGER
ENDTRACHOMA BY 2020

Tuesday

DR. ANTHONY SOLOMON
WORLD HEALTH
ORGANISATION

Wednesday

PROF. HUGH TAYLOR
INDIGENOUS EYE HEALTH
UNI OF MELBOURNE

Thursday

PROF. KERRY ARABENA
INDIGENOUS HEALTH
EQUITY UNIT
UNI OF MELBOURNE

Friday

ROBERT MCGUIRK
KERRY KORNHAUSER
DR. MURRAY VERSO
PROJECT DIRECTORS

Saturday

GWEN TROUTMAN-WEIR
AUSTRALIAN TRACHOMA
ALLIANCE

Sunday

PRESIDENT IAN RISELEY
ROTARY
INTERNATIONAL



Rotary 
Districts of Australia



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



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



Rotary Albert Park Charity Golf Day & Dinner Invitation

18 HOLE FOUR BALL AMBROSE GOLF COMPETITION
Thursday 1 March 2018
Albert Park Golf Course, Albert Park Lake
Guest Speakers—Neale & Terry Daniher

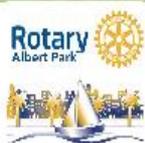
<u>GOLF PROGRAM</u>	<u>DINNER PROGRAM</u>
11.15 am Registration, BBQ, Putting Competition	6:15pm Dinner—Greenfields Restaurant
12.30pm Tee-off / Shotgun Start	7.00pm Guest Speakers
5.00pm Finish (approx.)	7.30pm Auction
5.30pm Golf Winners Presentations	8:00pm Conclusion

Team of four (4) Players \$600 Individual Player \$150 Dinner & Guest Speaker Only \$55

** Limited number of Golf Carts available * *Sponsorship Opportunities also available **

Registration & Payment: Trybooking <https://www.trybooking.com/346036>

Enquiries: Chris Catchlove Email: chris@foodservex.com.au Mobile: 0418 557 238 RSVP: 21 Feb



In Support of Fight MND and Local and International
Rotary Community Projects



Help a young person achieve their driver licence

L2P
LEARNER
DRIVER
MENTOR
PROGRAM

Volunteer mentors needed

"I am very grateful for the many hours my mentor, Peter, has put in to teach me how to drive safely and well. I appreciate his support to achieve a big goal in my life - getting a licence!"

Julia - L2P Learner



To become a volunteer driving mentor you must:

- Hold a current Victorian driver licence
- Attend training to prepare you for the role
- Be interested in helping young people who do not have access to a supervising driver
- Commit to helping them to become safe drivers and increase their ability to seek employment and opportunity
- Commit to supervising one driving session per week

Mentors will be provided with a car, petrol, insurance, training and support.

To find out more please contact the L2P Program Officer:
T 0487465687 l2p@lcis.org.au <http://lcis.org.au/>

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HOBSONS BAY CITY COUNCIL



Not to be missed! Book online at rotaryiwdbreakfast.org.au

Women *in* Rotary  presents

International Women's Day Breakfast
Wednesday 7th March 2018 | The Palladium Crown

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



Let them Roar!

Explore the road to success

MC

Moderator



Stephen
Quartermain



All
Moore



Andy
Penn



Deborah
Glass



Adam
Fennessy



Emma
Welsh



Husna
Pasha

\$850 CORPORATE TABLE OF 10

\$740 STANDARD TABLE OF 10 - SINGLE TICKET: \$75 - VCE/TERTIARY: \$50

6.30am for 7.00am start. Finishes promptly at 9am. FREE parking in the multi-deck carpark.

Presenting Partner

Major Partners

Proceeds go to selected charities





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 FEB 2018

Sun Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri Sat

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4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.
11. Farmer's Market BBQ, 8am	12. Lunch Meeting	13. Board meeting	14.	15.	16.	17.
18.	19. Dinner Meeting	20.	21.	22.	23.	24.
25. Farmer's Market BBQ, 8am	26. Lunch Meeting	27.	28.			



Tony, George & Jack! Feb 14, 15 & 23!

The Rotary Club of Williamstown, District 9800

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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.

