

The Timeball

Official Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Williamstown
Rotary District 9800
Rotary International Club Number 7208

Rotary Year 2019

Date: 26th March

Area of Focus for March is Water and Sanitation

Today our club attended Pt. Gellibrand Tuesday night meeting at RYCW, an enjoyable meeting learning about Pt. Gellibrands projects and seeing how another club conducts their meetings. President Mick presided and welcomed our club to their meeting.

One of the clubs big events is The Big Bay swim, which was held in February and netted for them \$16,500, their main sponsor was Jalna.

The Sargeant read out a piece from Rotary Downunder about their clubs contribution to the families in the drought stricken area in Queensland, donating Christmas presents to the children.

Point Gelibrand is holding its annual Pirates Day 6th April, this event enables children with cancer to enjoy a day out on a boat, dressed as pirates in a mock battle. The children win and the fun continues on shore.

Point Gellibrand Changeover is Friday, 21st June.

Special guests: Anthony Gunn, Russell Cox

There is an upcoming event at DIK on Saturday 11th May, a Homelessness Forum. \$12 p.p. including lunch. Flyer later in the bulletin. This event is open to all.

Announcements from our club. John Barry announced that WERN plans to purchase the property in Derrimut that they are leasing now. This is due to the fact we all had to vacate our Warehouse premises at Cross St., Footscray. The Highlands Foundation are still trying to find a warehouse to store their Mother/ Baby goods.

Murray announced he is on the committee for the Melbourne Convention in 2023, there will need to be a lot of support from local Rotary clubs to help make this event a success.

Special Guest speaker was Russell Cox, a local Williamstown lawyer who spoke about Wills, probate and Estate disbursement. Lots of members had questions for Russell.

Upcoming Cluster event, funds going to End Polio now.

Sun Theatre May 30th

Movie night - Rocketman

Rocketman is an upcoming [biographical musical film](#) based on the life of musician [Elton John](#)



Dinner with the Gellibabies



Not to be missed!



FORUM DAY – Saturday 11 May 2019

Working Together to Address Homelessness

Corporate Membership and Raising Funds for Signature Projects

Calling all Interested Rotarians:

This is your invitation to a day of information sharing, learning and inspiration.

The day will be in two parts – you may attend both sessions or just one.

9-30am to 12-30pm: *Working Together to Address Homelessness*



This is your opportunity to network with members of other Clubs to discover what projects are currently being undertaken in the homelessness sphere and how Clubs could work together to address Homelessness in local communities. Come prepared to share your projects as well as gain information from others.

12-30pm – 1-30pm: *Lunch*

1-30pm to 4-30pm: *Corporate Membership & Raising Funds for Signature Projects*



Topic experts include:

- David Jones: Sponsorships from Businesses & Corporates
- Leigh Wallace: Philanthropic funding opportunities
- Gerrie Carr-MacFie: Obtaining funds from Councils & Corporates
- Gary Goldsmith: Online donations
- Philip Archer: Corporate Membership & proforma sponsorship proposal

The Details:

Date: Saturday 11 May 2019
Venue: DIK, Shed 39, 401 Somerville Road, Footscray West
Start Time: 9am for a 9.30am start
Cost: \$12.00 which includes lunch
To book: <https://www.trybooking.com/BBTFI>
Deadline: Friday 3 May 2019
Questions: To Jane Pennington
secretary@rotarydistrict9800.org.au

Dear Rotarians and Friends,

WERN is now approaching 4 years since establishing itself in Footscray with the help of many good people and corporates who simply want nothing more than to help their community.



Since May 2015, apart from establishing the necessary partnerships, sponsorships and creating a location to operate from, WERN has successfully established a network of 50+ support agencies and have partnered with 320+ accredited case managers to support the clients we assist every day with material aid at no cost helping people to re-establish their lives after experiencing trauma through emergency circumstances of fire or flood or from backgrounds of domestic violence, refugee, mental health or homelessness circumstances.

WERN is a Rotary program managed by 10 Rotary Clubs from District 9800 in the north and west of Melbourne and provide our service to 9 municipalities from Brimbank; Hobson's Bay; Hume; Maribymong; Melton; Moonee Valley; Moorabool; Moreland and Wyndham and simply rely on the generous support of our Member Clubs, our Sponsors and our Community.

WERN has assisted over 1,200 families since commencing and has provided over 25,000 items to our clients with a nominal value of almost \$800,000.00. WERN has received over 1,000 donations and almost 8,600 hours from our volunteers. An outstanding effort in under four years and currently WERN is assisting 50 to 60 families each month.

WERN is now needing to find new premises to operate from, our current facility has been ear-marked for redevelopment and in the short-term will be used as part of the Metro Tunnel development. Part of our strategy is to identify and purchase a suitable long-term home for our activities where we can continue to provide quality, free of charge goods to our most challenged and needy members within our communities.

Your help is requested to assist us in raising the funds required to meet this goal and any support you can provide will ensure the long-term future of this extraordinary Rotary program. As Rotary Clubs, as individuals your assistance would be most welcome and should you be able to incorporate us into any of your fundraising or donations in the coming 12 months it would be greatly appreciated.

WERN is registered with the Australian Charities & Not-for-profits Commission as a Registered Charity, endorsed for Designated Gift Recipient status with the Australian Tax Office and an Endorsed Community Service Program of Rotary District 9800.

Should you wish for more details or like a representative to talk to your club please don't hesitate to contact me.

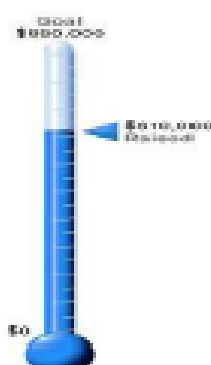


**Western Emergency
Relief Network
Building Fund**



Endorsed Program
of D9800

Past District Governor Ross Butterworth



Can you help us grow?

WE are well on the way to our Building Fund Target, can you help us get there with a loan or donation?

Call Ross on 0411 220311



Australian Government
Australian Taxation Office
Endorsed Designated Gift Recipient



WERN has since found new premises in Derrimut, which they are hoping to purchase in the near future with money donated from the Tunnel authority. Williamstown R.C. supports the work WERN does financially.

RCWH CLUB CHARTER INVITATION

We are delighted to announce the formation of the Rotary Club of Wyndham Harbour, the 5th club in the Wyndham cluster and the first in over 30 years.

The City of Wyndham is one of the fastest growing municipalities in Australia, growing by no less than 10,000 residents a year. There is clearly much work to be done by Rotarians and the establishment of a new club, will give strength to the Rotary strategy of expanding its reach and connecting people and organisation in providing service to the community.

In the Rotary Mission of fellowship, friendship and service, we the chartering members of the Rotary Club of Wyndham Harbour, are pleased to invite you to our Charter night on 6 April 2019. The invitation and details thereof are enclosed.

This event will be an opportunity to meet the members of the Rotary Club of Wyndham Harbour and meet other fellow Rotarians.

Please consider this email as a formal invitation extended to you and your entire club membership, friends and family for this very special occasion on the 6th of April, 2019

Ticket are now available via Try booking -
<https://www.trybooking.com/BBEWA>

If you require any further information, I can be contacted on *0407 846 382* or email cegger@ntc.gov.au

Yours Sincerely

Chris Egger
Secretary, Charter Member
Rotary Club of Wyndham Harbour

CALENDER OF UPCOMING EVENTS

April 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 Visit to B24 Liberator	9	10	11	12	13
14 Farmers Market	15	16	17	18	19 GOOD FRIDAY	20
21	22 EASTER MONDAY	23	24	25	26	27
28 Farmers Market	29	30	1	2	3	4

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

*Nils Oman 4th April
Beres Martin 23rd April*

The Rotary Club of Williamstown, District 9800

President: Nils Oman Treasurer: Tony Boyd
Secretary/ Public Officer: Kathy Roberts Foundation: Murray Verso
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Marketing/PR & Brad Saunders
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Community Service: John Barry
Community Service RoCan, Wellness Centre
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President Rotary International
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Bronwyn Stephens <http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au>

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The Rotary Club of Williamstown meets every Monday, Alternating lunch and evening meetings.
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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.

