



# The Timeball

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Rotary District 9800  
Rotary International Club Number 7208

Rotary Year 2019-20

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## **DG Visit**

Members of the Board met with DG Grant Hocking and AG Patrick Docherty to go through the Club Planning and Support Guide. The following were discussed:

## **MyRotary**

Not all members have registered for a MyRotary account as some unfamiliar with the software. In District 9800 - 52% are connected to MyRotary and using it effectively.

It provides a great resource to measure how the Club is progressing over the year. Increased participation will lead to maximum benefit.

Suggestion to contact Kerry Kornhauser, District Director Public Image and Communication to arrange a hands-on session for members.

## **Working with Children card.**

Confirmed that all members have this card.

When a new member first joins it's important for them to complete form.

## **Volunteer Information and Declaration Form**

Protection Officer, Brad Saunders to store and send them to District Secretary.  
Negates any insurance if we don't have these forms.

### **Club visioning.**

2015 was the last one undertaken. However no action plan was implemented.  
It is important for all members to complete the Rotary Club Health Check in order to diagnose problem areas and prescribe remedies. After surveys have been completed, to continue with succession planning, e.g. President Nominee.

### **Budget.**

Will be similar to last year.  
Annual fees \$350 with option on invoice of EREY contribution.  
Need to review costs where money is going

### **Membership**

Clubs that have a membership development plan do well with recruiting members  
Need to have it documented.

### **Major projects last year**

Halloween, Highland Foundation, WERN, RoCan, DIK

### **Fundraising.**

Golf Day, sausage sizzles, Car Rally, Xmas raffle, International dinners

### **Community or International grant**

It was proposed that the Highland Foundation could meet the criteria for a grant from the Foundation. As the DG who looks after PNG resides in Brisbane, Grant will follow this up.

## **Presidents Report**

The Health Check that was handed out last week must be completed and returned in order for the Club to do a new visioning exercise.

Beres thanked the Club for the warm wishes after his gallstone operation.

Guy has compiled the year's program and meeting schedule.

An agenda will be sent out for the Business Planning Meeting

**Apologies:** Hazel Ackland, Nils Oman, Stan Panten, Brad Saunders, Tony Boyd, Chris James, Damien Hynes

**Guests:** District Governor Grant and Melissa Hocking, Assistant Governor Patrick Docherty, Christine Hurwood, Irene Verso, Rhonda Knight, Fred Grundy, Irena Celan

## **Announcements**

A reminder from Guy to bring in your stamps. Guy thanked Jo for contributing her childhood stamp albums. Money raised to go towards EndTrachoma 2020.

Jo met Chris Wang from Rotary Club of Melbourne at the DIK Open Day. He would like to enlist the support of our Club for RCM's "Around the Bay" project. Sunday 6 October 2019. The primary aim is to fund education of underprivileged children and the secondary aim is the opportunity for Rotary fellowship and volunteering. The event is organised by Bicycle Network Victoria with The Smith Family as its long-standing nominated charity partner.

It is a fun event for bike riders of all skill levels with varying distances for varying skill levels. The main starting and finishing location will be at Albert Park by the lake. Our Club would most likely be enlisted in the roles as marshals on the 50 km ride to Williamstown as well as rest area attendants. JB to follow up.

## **DG Grant Hocking addressed the Club.**

He thanked Williamstown Rotary for all the work done in our community. And thanks to the Board for coming in early tonight. It is his plan to meet with all Club Presidents in the next few weeks to look at opportunities to collaborate with other Clubs in the District.

This year the District is planning to arrange informal Morning Teas. To get to know each other. Connection is important. To hear things firsthand. Our motto this year '*Rotary connects the world*' makes such occasions most relevant.

## **Conference 2020 Bendigo**

27-29 March. \$300 Early Bird if booked before 30 Nov 2019.

\$250 for First Time Attendees, \$200 for Rotoractor or youth exchange

Nils has made a preliminary booking for 8 rooms at Lakeside, 1 ½ km to venue.

Registration includes dinner and welcome event on the Friday night.

Already working on program and lining up speakers and entertainment.

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

## **International Convention Honolulu, Hawaii**

<https://my.rotary.org/en/international-convention>

Great opportunity to immerse yourself in Rotary and meet people from all over the world.

15 December – last day for early registration discount US\$450.

(US\$550 to 31 March, US\$650 to 10 June).

New committees which have been formed in diversity, ethnicity and inclusion will be represented.

For example, RFB, Rotarians for Bees. This was started by the Rotary Club of Canterbury in Australia who identified Rotary as a perfect organisation to highlight the issue of the decline in bee population and the subsequent impact this would have on our food production. RFB have joined ESRAG (Environmental Sustainability Rotary Action Group).

Visit these sites for more information:

<http://riconvention.org/en/honolulu>, [rotaryhonolulu2020.org](http://rotaryhonolulu2020.org)

## **Youth programs.**

Hundreds of kids have been involved in the Rotary youth programs, but we lose touch with most of them. It has been decided to have an alumni established from this point forward. This will help to give them meaning and purpose to stay connected.

## **2021 – 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Rotary Australia**

The District Committee is asking that all Clubs have a century project to mark the occasion. It is important to plan now.

## **Membership**

Our Club had 72 members, now 22.

This has been a common problem in the District - had 3000, now 2200

What we need to be able to do is to be attractive to new members. Also attractive to people who don't join our Club. We need to attract young people – they want to be involved in projects, this is their focus.

Rotary Clubs worldwide are thinking of innovative membership models to meet the needs of their members and attract new members. One new model that originated in California is a *Passport Club*. Members are local people who want to make a difference in their community in a way that fits within their time, talent and finances, as well as with their family, work and life commitments. Instead of weekly meetings members are encouraged to engage in humanitarian service. A preliminary information session for the PC was held last Saturday at DIK in Footscray. All they have to do is 30 odd hours of community work a year.

Another model getting away from traditional meetings is a Young Mothers Group in Brunswick. These approximately 30 smart, professional women who are interested in Rotary meet for morning-tea on a weekday. They are currently working on EndTrachoma 2020.

## **Foundation.**

Asked how many donate to the Foundation? Everybody encouraged to make a personal contribution to the RF. The Foundation is our public charity helping Rotarians do all its work around the world. 50% of donations come back to our District in 3 years' time to support grants and scholarship. Recognised as the Number One charity in the world, 11 years in a row. 95% of money donated goes to the projects.

## **World Polio Day**

24 October 2019. This is observed every year to honour the birthday of Dr Jonas Salk, who developed the first polio vaccine in the 1950s. Last year 33 cases in the world. 1980s – 350,000 cases a year. So far this year 42 cases.

Thousands of Rotarian Clubs around the world will hold events and fundraisers to recognise Rotary's progress in the global fight to end polio.

To mark the occasion in Melbourne there will be a Polio Train Ride. It's planned that every DG travel into Melbourne from different regions and end up together on the train. DG Grant Hocking will embark in Echuca. AGs will join in. Federation Square will be the convening place. It is envisaged that the event will create great media interest with national TV coverage.

Paul Harris said in 1935 "*The world is a changing place and we must change with it.*"

# Stamp Out Trachoma

***Continues for another year - 2019-2020***

*Collect used stamps* from Work, Schools, Universities, Hospitals, Medical Clinics, Council Offices etc- and the sale of the stamps that come from all districts (except 9810), will go to EndTrachoma by 2020.

Remember every stamp helps!

Rotary  
Districts of Australia



EndTrachoma by 2020  
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**You can send your used stamps to Guy Chatain:**

**Rotary Club of Williamstown**

**PO Box 111, Williamstown. Vic 3016**

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## The Rotary Club of Wyndham

A festive poster for a 'Christmas in July' event. The background is dark wood with green pine branches, a red bow, and a spool of twine. The text is centered and includes the event title, date, price, menu, and activities.

**Christmas in July**  
Wednesday, 26th July

**\$45 per person**  
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**Join us for Christmas in July**  
**Rotary Club of Albert Park**

Wednesday 24th July  
6.00pm for 6.30pm to 8.00pm  
\$45 pp, drinks available at bar prices

2 Courses - Sharing Style Roast Dinner & Xmas Desserts  
Xmas Songs - Xmas Quiz - Xmas Jumper Competition

Bell's Hotel 157 Moray St. Sth Melbourne

**Bookings Close Monday 15 July**

Bring along Family & Friends!

Enquiries Raelene Hunt E: [raeleneshunt@gmail.com](mailto:raeleneshunt@gmail.com) T: 0412803229

Bookings <https://www.trybooking.com/BDNSD>

## CALENDER OF UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>July 1</b>	EVENING	1 <sup>st</sup> Meeting of 2019/2020
<b>Sunday July 7</b>	7.30-1.30pm	Farmers Market
<b>July 8</b>	6.00 for 7.00pm	DG'S VISIT
<b>July 15</b>	EVENING	Business meeting Pelicans Landing <b>SPEAKER</b>
<b>Sunday July 21</b>	7.30-1.30pm	Farmers Market
<b>July 22</b>	EVENING	Business meeting Pelicans Landing <b>CLUB MEETING</b>
<b>July 29</b>	EVENING	Business meeting Pelicans Landing Speaker: Cathy Booth Umoja Orphanage Kenya Project

**HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY**

*July*

*Stan Panten 7th  
Hazel Ackland 8th  
Sven Guttenbeil 21st  
Kathy Roberts 29<sup>th</sup>*



## *The Rotary Club of Williamstown, District 9800*

<i>President:</i>	<i>Eddie Knight</i>	<i>Treasurer:</i>	<i>Nils Oman</i>
<i>Secretary/ Public Officer:</i>	<i>Jo Walker</i>	<i>Foundation:</i>	<i>Chris James</i>
<i>Membership Development:</i>	<i>Damien Hynes</i>	<i>Club Service:</i>	<i>Guy Chatain</i>
<i>Youth</i>	<i>Damien Hynes</i>		
<i>Marketing/PR &amp;</i>	<i>Brad Saunders</i>		
<i>Protection Officer:</i>	<i>Brad Saunders</i>	<i>Sergeant at Arms:</i>	<i>Jack Tahj/ Stan Panten</i>
<i>International Service:</i>	<i>Hazel Ackland</i>		
<i>Community Service:</i>	<i>John Barry</i>		
<i>Community Service RoCan, Wellness Centre</i>			
<i>Chair:</i>	<i>Yvonne Moon</i>		

*President Rotary International  
Mark Daniel Maloney*

*Rotary District 9800 Governor  
Grant Hocking*

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

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Patrick Docherty-patrick@cfrsolutions.com.au*

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*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.*