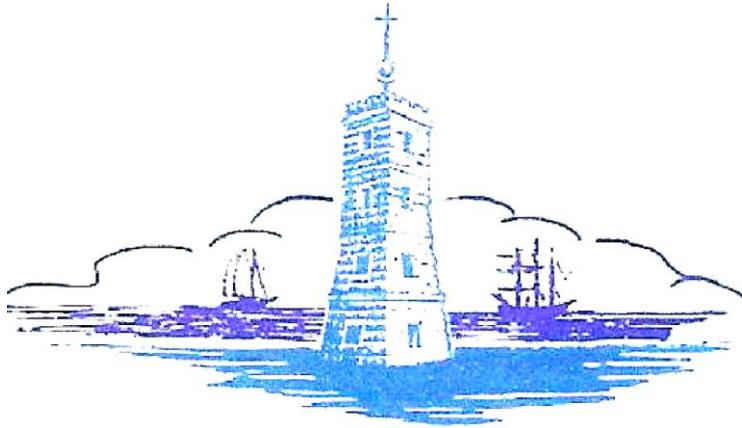




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Official Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Williamstown
Rotary District 9800
Rotary International Club Number 7208

Rotary Year 2019-20

29 June 2020



President's Report

Donations this year. For End Polio put in another \$500, to take to \$600. Rotary Foundation, our Club contribution put in another \$500 to take to \$3000, End Trachoma another \$750, already put in \$2250 so now \$3000, Australian Rotary Health, put in \$1000, DIK \$1000, Anglican Food Relief \$1000 (Christine Hurwood). Good work since made no income for the Club in last few months. Well done to the Club.

Re Halloween, found out Council not taking any bookings until further notice.



Announcements

Murray.

- I'd like to do toast tonight to Eddie who has done a fantastic job this year, we don't have a proper occasion this time to thank him for all the work he has done, and agreeing to take on for another 12 months. So I'd like to propose a toast to Rotary Club of Williamstown and to Eddie for his leadership, and thanks for helping to push those donations through. So congratulations to Eddie and wishing you well for next year and to keep all your fingers intact!
- I attended the Green Rotary event at the online RI convention, interested because Ludovic Grosjean, a Rotoractor from Melbourne, the speaker, is on our organising convention for Melbourne in 2023 which will be a green event. We are looking at all the various ways to make it an environmentally friendly conference. Aiming for 20,000 people. (Ludovic received 'Rotary People of Action Young Innovators' Award at the UN, in 2019 was named as one of Australia's most Innovative Engineers by Peter McIntyre, CEO Engineers Australia)

All through July running online sessions on Rotary Convention website. Different workshops lasting about an hour. I always get a buzz on seeing the broader picture of Rotary on an international level and this is one way you can do it. Just convert the listed Chicago times.

- On Saturday Jo and I attended the zoom District changeover where Grant Hocking handed over to Philip Archer. Grant himself had a sensational year as a Governor, done a great job in very trying circumstances. He rose to the occasion to set up a massive bushfire relief fund. Took the lead in encouraging clubs to set up zoom meetings and running his own. Now we wish Philip well - he was actually Assistant Governor to our Club roughly 20 years ago.

Jennifer Jones from Canada did a toast to RI, tipped to be first female RI President. Leadership team was introduced at meeting and I will be continuing on in Foundation role. Most Rotarians are aware of our six Critical Causes, areas of focus. These are the areas for Clubs wanting to get global grants for international projects. On Friday it was announced, now a seventh area of focus – supporting the environment. Won't be available for 12 months but in that time Clubs can apply for grants supporting the environment.

- 10 July – launch of Centenary of Rotary Australia (details in bulletin). Baton relay around Australia will start on this day.

Guest Speaker – Chris Scerri from West Welcome Wagon

Introduced by Damien – *A friend of mine, Liz Holland, is a volunteer there and I was at their warehouse recently. I thought well we have WERN and there are lots of good things happening in our area that perhaps many of us don't know about. Perhaps we can get involved. I was struck by the Mission statement – a not-for-profit dedicated to providing material aid and support to asylum seekers in our community. I found out it began in 2013 by Leo McGregor after discovering some local asylum seekers had been living without beds or electricity in an empty apartment for six weeks and decided to do something about it. A lot has happened since then and it looks like a lot needs to be done.*

Chris Scerri.

Chris is Chair of the Board of West Welcome Wagon. Migrating from Malta in 1963 he grew up in West Sunshine and is currently living in Bentleigh. He graduated from University of Melbourne as an Electrical Engineer. His professional life was with Telstra (20 years) and Siemens/Nokia/Coriant for 16 years.

WWW is a volunteer run not-for-profit dedicated to providing material aid and support to asylum seekers and refugees in Melbourne's west. They assist over 500 households of asylum seekers and refugees from over 30 different countries providing them with good quality donated items such as furniture, bedding clothing, children's toys, appliances and kitchenware. They have over 700 households on their data base. Bulk of them in Brimbank and Wyndham. Looking to expand to Melton and Craigieburn.

WWW began in 2013 after discovering some local asylum seekers had been living without beds or electricity in an empty apartment for six weeks. In the first year of operation they supported 913 asylum seekers, none of whom had the right to work, and all living on less than Centrelink's minimum income while paying rent. In that first year of operation they also delivered more than 500 beds, 920 bags of food, 200 children's bundles and 100 bikes.

First up, they try to identify those who are in need - through a number of channels such as case managers from different organisations but also word of mouth. Assess their need over the phone and provide them with what they can. Important thing for them is to provide opportunities for locals to get involved in volunteering. Also get support from companies doing corporate volunteering and corporate donations. Support from big organisations such as RACV, Koala Beds, Foodbank. They buy very little of what they send out. Only about 5% of what they donate they buy. One popular item in need are rice-cookers which they buy new as seldom donated.

The organisation is non-denominational. 45 different countries, and different religions. Had a substantial grant from Adobe this year. Crown Hotels donated ten queen sized beds, Qantas donated 10,000 blankets and pillowslips, Caulfield Racecourse gave them 3000 dinner plates and 5000 dining chairs. Storage of these items is essential so they acquired a second warehouse in 2019.

Often they take a truckload of clothing to a community centre and invite their clients to come in to choose clothing in their sizes and preference. On these occasions around 50 families come into these workshops which saves the organisation a lot of time going to 50 households to work out what they want. First year they supported 113 people, last year supported over 1000.

By the end of 2014 WWW had around 3500 members making it necessary in 2016 to rent their first warehouse. They have a team of over 400 volunteers servicing the western municipalities of Melbourne including Brimbank, Hobsons Bay, Maribyrnong, Moonee valley and Wyndham. (Discussion took place of ways that WWW and WERN can liaise with each other and help each other out.)

WEST WELCOME WAGON

MISSION STATEMENT

WHO ARE WE?
 We are a not-for-profit incorporated organisation committed to providing material aid donations and assistance to asylum seekers in our community.

WHAT DO WE DO?

- We identify the needs of local asylum seekers
- We respond to the needs of local asylum seekers
- We provide charitable opportunities for locals
- We build community connections

HOW DO WE DO IT?
 Our organisation strives to operate in an environment that is:

- Equitable
- Sustainable
- Responsive
- Respectful
- Collaborative




WWW



WEST Welcome Wagon.

YOUR GREATNESS IS NOT WHAT YOU HAVE, IT'S WHAT YOU GIVE.

Since we arrived to Australia your organisation doing splendid job for me and my family. You all are fulfilling all our requirement needed so far and thank you very much on behalf of my family to your organisation as well as volunteers. 🇺🇸
 AN ASYLUM SEEKER CLIENT

I would like to give this gift to celebrate the amazing work that West Welcome Wagon volunteers and donors do to make up for a major shortfall in governments' compassion towards people in need.
 A REGULAR FINANCIAL DONOR

SUPPORTING LOCAL ASYLUM SEEKERS



WWW



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RI CONVENTION JULY BREAKOUTS

Our inspiring breakout sessions will continue into July, after the virtual convention, to help you start the Rotary year off right.

CHICAGO TIME	MELBOURNE TIME	DAY (Melbourne)
08:00	23:00	SAME
15:00	06:00	NEXT DAY
22:00	13:00	NEXT DAY
18:00	07:00	NEXT DAY

Breakout Session Title	Date & Time (UTC-5)	Registration or Recording
1	"When I Was Your Age..." Bridging Generational Gaps	
2	A Photo is Worth 1000 Words: Digital Club Promotion	
3	Achieving a Polio-Free World	8 July 2020 08:00 https://nam02.safelinks.protecti...
4	Adult Harassment in Rotary: Awareness and Resources	16 July 2020 01:30 https://zoom.us/j/51355008187...
5	Attract a More Diverse Membership	31 July 2020 15:00 https://zoom.us/j/74044755407...
6	Bring the Aloha Spirit Into Any Club, Any Country!	3 July 2020 15:00 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/665...
7	Bring the Baby: Recruiting and Retaining Parents in Rotary	17 July 2020 19:00 https://zoom.us/webinar/regist...
8	Building Peaceful, Climate-Resilient Futures	
9	Create a Member Retention Strategy	23 July 2020 18:00 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/625...
10	Did You Know Rotarians Have an Amazing Special Power?	5 July 2020 09:00 https://forms.glo/WFd79F2ekO...
11	District Resource Networks Make Service Projects Successful	13 July 2020 12:00 https://us02web.zoom.us/meeti...
12	Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Rotary: How Are We Doing?	15 July 2020 10:00 https://register.gotowebinar.co...
13	Educating Girls: A Long-Range Community Investment	16 July 2020 12:00 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/680...
14	Ending Modern Day Slavery, Engaging our Rising Rotarians	11 July 2020 22:00 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/662...
15	Fostering Safe Environments for Rotary's Youth	https://presidium.adobeconnec...
16	Innovation Workshop: Generate Ideas and Lead Positive Change	17 July 2020 12:00 https://us02web.zoom.us/meeti...
17	Learning From WASH Failures	14 July 2020 10:00
18	Lifting Team Performance	8 July 2020 18:00 https://viazoom.com.au/D9685/
19	Lights, Smartphone, Action! Telling Rotary's Story on the Go	25 July 2020 13:00 https://us02web.zoom.us/meeti...
20	Membership Growth Strategies That Work	20 July 2020 12:00 https://bit.ly/Grow-Membership
21	Mission Possible: Membership Retention Strategies	10 July 2020 23:00 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/671...
22	Not Another Email! Why Use Communication Channel Management?	18 July 2020 17:00 https://www.facebook.com/eye...

Explore session options: <https://www.riconvention.org/en/honolulu/july-breakouts>

Your District Leadership Team 2020-21

Rotary District 9800 100 YEARS Rotary Opens Opportunities

Working party that developed the 7th Area of Focus - Environmental Sustainability. Most of these people are Trustees of the Rotary Foundation.



Today's feature club is the Environmentalists



The environment theme aligns nicely with the exciting newly announced seventh area of focus for Rotary - the environment.

Rotarians can participate in the Environmentalists through email discussions and the bulletin board, which is a discussion platform for exchange of ideas regarding environmental activities within Rotary worldwide.

You can read about what others have achieved, discuss future plans, and contribute your experience of global activities. Recent topics include acidification of oceans, wildlife preservation, the effects of drought on plants and the use of ocean wave technology for low-cost electricity.

As Rotary Australia determines how it will contribute to this important seventh area of focus, you'll have a chance to contribute your ideas about local action.

To check out or join the environment fellowship use this [LINK](#)

The Foundation supports six Critical Causes - our Areas of Focus



Around the traps with the DG

Welcome everybody to the new Rotary year; a year that already presents unique challenges and vast scope for Rotary to initiate new projects, and to consolidate ongoing ones.

Rotary's theme this year is 'Rotary Opens Opportunities', which is timely given the peculiarities of the time we live in. However, as in the past, Rotary will recalibrate, adjust and go forward as people of action and agents of change.



The Centenary of Rotary is a time for immense celebration as well as a time for reflection on the 100 years of service, the challenges that have been overcome, and the decades-worth of wonderful Rotarians who've served our communities. But there is still much to do and much excitement ahead.

On July 10 we'll launch the Centenary of Rotary at Government House in Canberra. I encourage you and your friends to join us online for a virtual celebration that spans the country ([BOOK HERE](#)) You'll meet our R100 Centenary Ambassadors as well as the Governor-General and Mrs Hurley as they initiate the launch.

I recently enjoyed some wonderful country hospitality when I visited the Rotary clubs of Rochester and Kyneton for their changeovers. Both clubs are enthusiastic, highly engaged and ready for the year ahead.

Finally, I want to take this opportunity to thank Leslie McCarthy, last year's Networker Editor, and to welcome Jeanette Leigh and her team to the first Networker of the year.

Philip Archer

**“Rotarians are the
mainsprings of almost every
kind of worthy endeavour.”**

Paul Harris, *My Road to Rotary*



Western Emergency Relief Network (WERN)

Dear WERN Volunteer,

Covid-19 Policy 2020

Given the COVID-19 Pandemic all of us at WERN hope you are coping with the new normal and staying well. You have previously assisted or indicated a willingness to help WERN in various capacities and thank you for your past support and assistance to our program and the clients we assist.

WERN has continued to make a difference to those of our Community in need by providing emergency relief and assistance through our Member Welfare Agencies since 2015 with over 5,500 individuals supported from our community. WERN was extremely disappointed most WERN services had to be suspended from late March apart from our emergency bed and bedding service but given the majority of our volunteer workforce are within the most at risk age and health risk categories safety came as our highest priority.

The WERN Board has determined WERN can re-open from early July 2020 with a soft target date of Tuesday 7th July 2020 set subject to staffing availability and quotas with temporary changes to our operating procedures detailed in the attached 'WERN Epidemic/Pandemic Procedure Manual V3 23.06.2020' designed under government and industry guidance and standards with the health and safety of all users of the WERN program firmly in mind. The initial demands on WERN's services may create a delayed response capacity to selection requests following our initial re-opening but hope to keep delays to a minimum subject to Volunteer availability and demand.

Volunteering

To this end I am writing to ascertain your availability to once again be available to help WERN help those in crisis. While our Program Chair Tony sought commitments recently there were limited responses advising if our volunteers were available or not and to assist our planning of what WERN can deliver in its planned re-opening it is important we understand your current circumstances regards availability to resume volunteering at WERN. Currently WERN has only recorded advice from David, Merike, Glenys, Lita, Kathy, Ken, Don and Lindsay but apologies to anyone I haven't recorded here as it has been extremely busy. A change of role, duties or hours are all available to discuss and even a short help out for the next month or so will help us get back underway.

Because you have previously been involved at WERN in some capacity or willing to do so, your help in firstly confirming your availability and secondly, considering a temporary increase to your availability would go a long way to assisting WERN meet the re-opening plans. The WERN Board has determined the Warehouse requires two volunteers in attendance at all times to offer Selection and Collection services to Agencies and this will inhibit what appointments can be offered in the first period of our re-opening without additional volunteers.

Any assistance on a regular weekly, fortnightly or monthly basis would be of assistance and even restricted assistance and duties would be of great assistance. The preceding 3 months while closed to most activities have seen significant donations and sorting and other duties are paramount prior to and during the re-opening period for WERN so contactless activities remain in demand.

If you can assist with any or increased volunteer hours over the coming weeks please email me with your availability of time and interests with the completion of the below Table:

	Yes/No		Yes/No		Yes/No
Tuesdays 10.00am to 3.00pm:		Wednesdays 10.00am to 3.00pm:		Thursdays 10.00am to 3.00pm:	
Weekly:		Fortnightly:		Monthly:	
Other (please specify):					
Permanent or Temporary (if Temporary till when?):					

Temporary assistance of any duration would be helpful and can be adjusted at any time but the Pandemic Declaration period is currently set to end of September 2020 at this point and WERN's Pandemic Procedures Policy will continue for the duration of the Government Regulations at a minimum.

If you are not currently able to assist WERN for whatever reason we completely understand, endorse and appreciate your support to date and trust we will have the pleasure of your company once again at WERN when circumstances permit. WERN would also welcome enquiries around volunteer opportunities from friends or family you think may be interested in assisting us with our program and your help in identifying such assistance would be greatly appreciated. Regardless of your circumstances please advise me of availability so we can ensure we aren't needlessly communicating to you with continuous requests.

[WERN Epidemic/Pandemic Procedures Policy](#)

The significant policy changes have been kept to a minimum but the health and safety of all users and volunteers at WERN has been paramount in the Board's consideration. Given the space and operating restrictions within our Warehouse and under the current Government Guidelines much consideration and consultation with Government and Industry recommendations and Regulations have taken place to develop the WERN Epidemic/Pandemic Procedure Manual Policy.

The developed Health and Safety requirements under the WERN Epidemic/Pandemic Procedure Manual Policy document will apply to all volunteers and visitors alike to WERN for the duration the WERN Pandemic Policy applies:

1. Accredited Agency Case Managers will be required to agree to the WERN Temporary Operating procedures;
2. During Pandemic Operations Agency Clients will not be permitted to access the WERN Warehouse for the purpose of involvement in the selection process.
3. Approved Case Managers will access, select and tag goods on behalf of the client with appropriate social distancing practiced at all times, Client Support Volunteers will provide

Order Form and populated Picking Slips to Approved Case Managers on arrival and be available for general support at time of visit with social distancing guidelines followed at all times;

4. All visitors and volunteers accessing the WERN Warehouse are required to successfully complete and submit a Health Declaration Form on arrival each day and participate in a Temperature Recording process daily;
5. All visitors to WERN are required to record their contact phone number in the WERN Warehouse Attendees Registration Sheet for contact tracing purposes;
6. Appropriate personal hygiene, cleaning, disinfecting and quarantine procedures implemented throughout WERN's operations during and following each visit to WERN.

WERN requests all continuing Volunteers provide their agreement to the attached 'WERN Handbook – June 2020'. To ensure all user groups involved in the WERN program are operating within the scope of the Pandemic Procedures WERN requests all continuing Volunteers also complete the attached 'WERN Epidemic/Pandemic Procedures Training Module for Volunteers' and return a signed copy of the final page headed 'Statement of Acknowledgement and Agreement' to administration@wern.org to assist WERN to register your eligibility to volunteer at the WERN Warehouse during the Pandemic Declaration period and ensure the continued safety of all involved.

During the Government's Pandemic Declaration WERN is unable to accept volunteers or Case Managers attending the Warehouse without the completion and return of their acknowledgement and agreement to the appropriate WERN Temporary Pandemic Operating Procedures Training Module.

WERN is extremely confident it's operations and user groups will remain safe operating under the WERN Epidemic/Pandemic Policy and Procedures and every aspect of the operations have been reviewed prior to re-opening. The plans in place also allow for a soft opening of services but we anticipate there may be some delays in accessing appointments for some services. Subject to volunteer availability we are hopeful all services return to our new normal as soon as possible.

As a supplement to the attached Training Module a Zoom Meeting is proposed for the evening of Thursday 2nd July to facilitate discussion around our re-opening and what this may look like for all user groups. All volunteers are encouraged to 'zoom in' for the meeting. Details will be provided to all offering to volunteer going forward and those interested in joining the discussion prior to joining us down the track. Please ensure your confirmation/interest and agreement is returned prior to this date to attend the Zoom Meeting.

WERN anticipates it's Temporary Operating Procedures will remain in force for the duration of the Government's Pandemic Declaration and will continue to monitor and update its Policy as dictated by the Government Regulations.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any queries whatsoever in relation to the above matters on the contact details below.

Again, WERN thanks you for your past help and support and wish you well for the year ahead.

Warm Regards,

Ross

Ross Butterworth
Administration Manager, Western Emergency Relief Network (WERN)



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Bookings now Open for the Online Zoom Event!

10th July 2020

12pm - 1pm EST

Rotary's Centenary is a time of celebration! It is a time to reflect on our past and take pride in all that has been achieved. It is time we play our part in the history of Rotary.

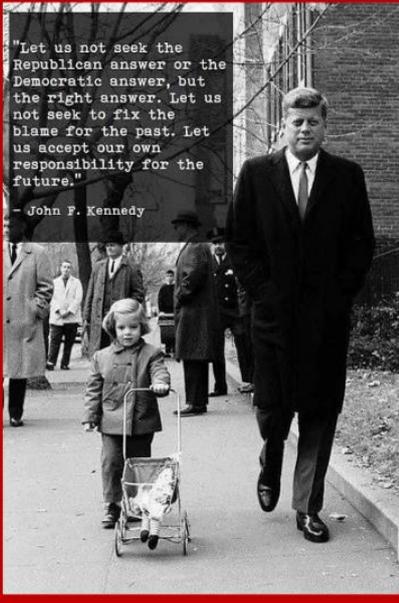
Our centenary is also the time to lay the foundations for our future, as we still have much to do. The key project in our centenary year will focus on stopping the one in 16 children who die in 9 Pacific nations before the age of five.

We invite you to join Rotarians across Australia on 10th July for virtual fellowship, as well as meet our R100 Centenary Ambassadors, the Governor-General and Mrs Hurley, as they launch our national centenary campaign. By joining us, you will witness the "Passing the Baton" ceremony. The baton that will carry the symbols of our centenary and will travel far and wide across Rotary clubs and Districts.

Please pass this invitation on to as many Rotary clubs as possible so that they too can join this event. We ask too for your support in helping us raise funds for our R100 Centenary project, "Rotary Give Every Child a Future"; saving young lives in Pacific nations.

Register online now at <https://www.trybooking.com/BJZLV>

THE GOVERNMENT IN EGYPT HAS INSTRUCTED THE CITIES TAXI DRIVERS TO DRIVE AROUND CAIRO SOUNDING THEIR CAR HORNS. IT'S HOPED THAT A RETURN TO FAMILIAR CITY SOUNDS WILL HELP RESTORE CALM FOLLOWING THE PANDEMIC. OPERATION TOOT N CALM EM WILL LAST FOR A WEEK.



I may be getting old, but I can still spot safety violations. This man has no hard hat, no safety glasses, no hearing protection and no gloves!



Dedicated to Eddie

Calendar of Events

Monday 6 July	RCW Zoom meeting Guest speaker John McCaskill from Rotary Club of Canterbury Rotarians for Bees, project of ESRAG (Environmental Sustainability Rotary Action Group).	7pm
Friday 10 July	Launch of Centenary campaign by R100 Ambassadors, the Governor-General, David Hurley and Mrs Hurley (and launch of Passing the Baton)	12-1pm
Monday 13 July	RCW zoom meeting Guest speaker, Peter Frueh District 9800 Director of Membership Development, (Also Assistant Rotary Co-ordinator for Zone 8 and Co-Chair of the Zone 8 Regional Pilot.)	7pm
Monday 20 July	RCW meeting at Pelicans Club Forum (to discuss membership strategies).	7pm

Details on links to above events in this Bulletin.

July Birthdays

Stan Panten 7 July
Hazel Ackland 8 July
Sven Guttenbeil 21 July
Kathy Roberts 29 July

Anniversaries

Brad Saunders 2 July – 16 years
Jo Walker 6 July – 2 years
Jack Tahī 20 July – 11 years

The Rotary Club of Williamstown, District 9800

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