



The Timeball

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

Rotary Year 2020-21

29 March 2021

Water and Sanitation Month

President's Report

Apologies. Chris James, Guy Chatain, Nikolina Mabic, Tony Boyd, Sven Guttenbeil, Carl Hurwood , Fred Grundy, Jan Allen, Roger Banks, Paul Morgan

Guests: Angela Grogan

Birthdays next week – on 4 April - Jan Allen and Nils Oman

Announcements

- Fred has asked me to remind members of the two events he is organising –
 - Yvonne Moon Memorial Ride Presentation, Thurs 8 April at Avington Resort, 7pm. \$20;
 - Yvonne Moon OAM Memorial Concert – Yarraville Club, 11 April 3-8pm. Trybooking \$30.
- On Saturday 3 April we have been allocated a BBQ at Bunnings, Altona. I'll send out a roster, if you are able to participate, please indicate preferred time. There are new requirements with minimum of four people per shift, maximum of 5. Captain, Greeter, Order, Cook and Collect. The briefing will be at 8am.
- Board meeting on Thursday, 19 Little Osborne St, 7pm. Send reports to Jo.
- Rotary Club Brighton are inviting Rotarians to an evening with 3AW Radio Super Star, Ross Stevenson via zoom on Thurs 30 April. \$25, book via trybooking. Details in bulletin.
- Tonight I'll be presenting on our current and potential Club projects.

Damien

- On 1 May we will be erecting the bird hide. Eddie and I are meeting Shaun at 4.30 tomorrow to discuss logistics.
- On 19 April we have a guest speaker: Phil Thompson, a veteran himself, wanted to help veterans find a place to relax, especially as many have issues relating to their service. He bought the old Goorambat Primary school, just out of Benalla, and is turning it into a veterans' retreat. Most of it is by volunteers. Not only is it a retreat but they have highly qualified volunteer advocates on call to assist on impacting on health and well being
- Peace Pole will be erected by EarlyAct at Newport Lakes Primary week of 10 May.

- Inner Wheel once again promoting Entertainment Guide. \$69 for Victorian edition. Four people can use the one guide. \$119 international edition, includes NZ. Very worthy cause. Valid from time of purchase. Details in next Bulletin.

Murray.

- Each year the District has awards for community projects. I happened to be talking to Rowan McClean from Rotary Club of North Balwyn about the bird hide who said it sounded fantastic and suggested we consider this project for an award.

Daniel

- We need to consider introducing a more efficient way of the meal distribution so that the serving staff are not put in an awkward position *(Note. Jo is on top of this and has sorted out a solution.)*

John

- Easter Monday, we will hold a working bee at our RoCan site at Werribee, 9am, about 3 hours work.

Jo

- Pole walking group for Over 50s, Sat 17 April at Newport Library, 9.30-12.30, Free sponsored event via Hobsons Bay City Council’s Community Grants Program and Outlets Cooperative Neighbourhood House Ltd. Poles provided and instruction given.

Induction – Peter Gray (introduced by Damien)

Peter served in the military in Southeast Asia. Following this, he lived in Cambodia from 2005 to end of 2018. He became involved with **Cambodian Children against Starvation and Violence** and did an amazing job there. He used to come back to Australia twice a year to fundraise. On one of these occasions he met a lady at RC Echuca Moana, who suggested he join a RC in Cambodia which he did. A following year he was President of RCPP! And while there he met a Rotarian from New Zealand who approached RCPP after he had come across children begging on the Vietnam/Cambodia border. He took a photo of one child and sent it to



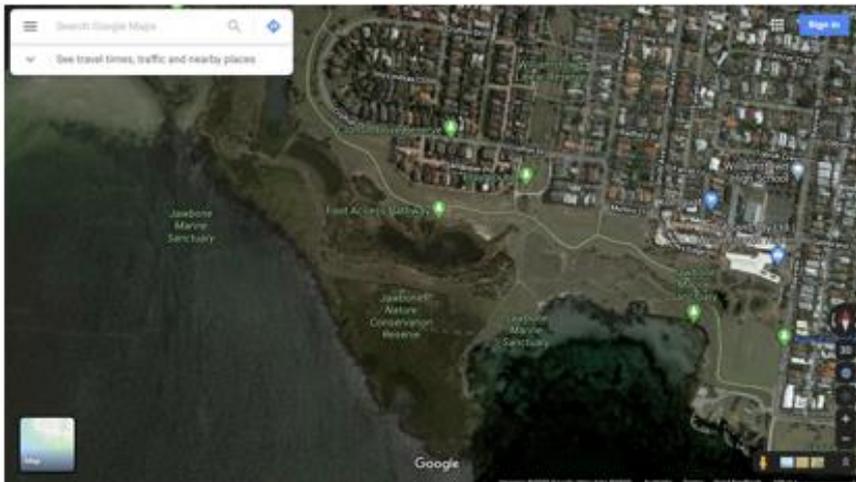
Peter, hoping the Club could help. This was the beginning of the **MEC Project.**

My only concern is that I don’t know whether we can keep up with him!

- Jaw Bone Conservation Reserve - Construct Bird Hide.
- Nth Williamstown Primary School - Upgrade Cubby House, Paving & Construct New Deck
- Newport Lakes Primary School - Install Peace Pole
- Maclean Reserve - Upgrade Playground
- Windward R100 Great Youth Adventure

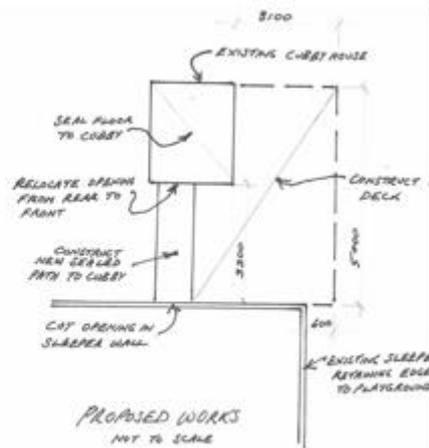
BIRD HIDE

- The objective of the project is to improve the visitor experience of the area by providing new viewing opportunities of the Jawbone saltmarsh & Freshwater Lake system and the bird life that resides in them.
- Proposed Date: Works to commence on 1st May 21
- Hands on project by Club & a \$2400 Foundation grant has been received for the project
- Involves - construction of section of gravel footpath
 - construction of wire fencing & relocation of gate
 - Installation of new seat & planting of indigenous plants
 - Construction of Timber Bird Hide with viewing platforms.



CUBBY HOUSE UPGRADE

- The objective of the project is to provide wheel chair access to a school yard playground which will facilitate social interaction for physically challenged students and their friends
- Proposed Date - Works to commence 2nd April
- Joint Project with RC Altona & RC Williamstown & a \$5000 Foundation Grant was received for project
- Being constructed by Registered Builder.
- The project consists of
 1. Reversal of the front and back walls of the existing cubby house.
 2. Modification of the existing sleeper wall to create a sleeper wall pathway leading directly into the repositioned cubby house entrance.
 3. Installation of a sealed base (such as concrete/paving or rubber) for the cubby house and pathway, leading onto the existing rubberised surface around the mini-trampolines.
 4. Removal of an existing seat adjacent to the playground.
 5. Construction of a small raised deck area adjacent to the cubby house (at the height of the sleeper wall).



PEACE POLE

- Peace pole to be installed by EarlyAct at Newport Lakes Primary School.
- Proposed Date Installation to occur in 2nd Term no specific date set.
- Pole has been received by club Has 4 Languages English, Arabic and Indonesian & Indigenous



MACLEAN RESERVE PLAYGROUND



WINDWARD BOUND R100 GREAT YOUTH ADVENTURE



- Series of 10 day voyages up the east coast of Australia for youth aged between 14 & 17 years.
- Gives teenagers from a variety of backgrounds the opportunity to learn new skills, build confidence & make new friends.
- Windward Bound will be docked at Seaworks from 28th July to 9th August
- During those dates it is proposed to have 6 day trips morning & afternoon coordinated by Rotary
- Day trips take 45 passengers at a cost of approx \$120/person and Club to supply alcohol
- Income from the day sail shared \$3000 to Windward Trust \$2000 to Rotary

- Sails the Melbourne to Eden Leg 9th August to 18th August
- Takes 18 teenagers.
- Cost per teenager is \$2500 for the 10 day sail.
- Applications for 10 day sail are currently open and close on 31st May.

• Questions:

- Do we wish to participate.
- How much Alcohol is required on day sail & is it sold.
- Do we think we can get 45 people for the day sail & how many other clubs/organisations do we involve.

District Governor's Message

Peace Symposium – The Future of Peace Leadership

For 100 years, Rotary in Australia has promoted the advancement of international, goodwill and peace through its many humanitarian aid and education programs.

This centenary of peace building is worthy of celebration, but more importantly, it gives us an opportunity to reflect on what more we can do. The Future of Peace Leadership symposium scheduled for 21 and 22 April will see leaders in peace and conflict resolution providing perspectives on challenging global and domestic issues as well as discussions on how we can all contribute towards building a more peaceful world. I encourage all Rotarians to register for this online symposium via: <https://peaceleadership.org.au/>

During the week I enjoyed a wonderful visit with Rotary Toorak and was impressed by their warm reception and commitment to Rotary, especially through their generous donations to The Rotary Foundation and their key project, 'Recycled Sound'. This initiative involves the collection, cleaning, reprogramming and recycling of hearing aids for those people in the community with a special need, but who are unable to meet the expense of hearing aids in the private market. I congratulate the Club on this innovative project.

On Wednesday 7th April, Professor John Skerritt, Deputy Secretary Commonwealth Department of Health, will be delivering an address for Rotary Melbourne's [Centenary Angus Mitchell Oration](#), a District 9800 supported event during this R100 year. Professor Skerritt, a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar, will be talking on "The Covid-19 pandemic response in Australia and the region: vaccines, medicines and masks...where to from here?" Again, I encourage Rotarians to book for this event, which promises to be very informative for these times.

With Easter nearly upon us, both Tricia and I extend our best wishes to you all for a wonderful, safe and happy break...may the bunny leave special surprises!

Please note that next week's *Networker* will be a special edition focusing on our forthcoming Convention.

Enjoy the week ahead in giving service above self and again, have a very happy Easter.

Rotary District 9800 Governor Philip Archer

Happy Easter





An Evening with Radio Super Star Ross Stevenson

3AW Legendary Breakfast Personality,
Hawthorn supporter, writer, food critic
and horse racing enthusiast

Thursday 29 April, 2021 @ 6:30pm – Tickets \$25

Join Ross Stevenson
as he talks on Lawyers,
Guns & Money,
the Rumour File,
Staying No.1 and
whatever happens
on the night.

A GST free Charity Event.



Not To Be Missed

Join us for this
exclusive event and
be entertained by the
best in the business!

**Don't Delay!
Book Today!**

Book Now!

Tickets just \$25.00

Delivered via a secure Zoom Session

Booking link: <https://www.trybooking.com/BPSOH>

All proceeds go to Kids First Australia Charitable Foundation
a society protecting neglected and abandoned children
& other Rotary Charities.

Opportunity via try bookings to make further payments as tax deductible donations.



Morning Tea with the DG April 2021



Morning Tea with the DG
10.00 am – 11.30 am
Saturday 17th April 2021

<https://www.trybooking.com/BKXUJ>

Rotary District 9800 | Rotary Opens Opportunities | 100 YEARS

Angus Mitchell Oration - Prof. John Skerritt



Rotary Melbourne

Deputy Secretary Commonwealth Dept Health

Prof John Skerritt

*Don't miss this in person event,
the Centenary Angus Mitchell Oration:
"The COVID-19 pandemic response in Australia and the region:
vaccines, medicines and masks...where to from here ?"*

Wednesday 7th April 2021, 12.40 for 12.50 pm start till 2pm
Book: <https://events.humanitix.com/angus-mitchell-oration>

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The Future of Peace Leadership, 21-22 April, Murray Verso (carried over from previous weeks).

The goal of the Rotary 100 Centenary Peace Conference is to bring together academics, political leaders, businesses, community leaders and peace activists to explore building peace and discuss how we can work together to prevent and resolve conflict. The Conference will highlight the areas in which Rotary does its most significant work. Areas of Focus may include:

- Economic and community development;
- Contributors to conflict including poverty, disease, lack of water, food and education;
- What will tomorrow's challenges be?
- What forms of political process and decision-making will encourage peace rather than war?
- What is the role of civil society?
- Can we buy peace?
- How do we invest in peace?

Plenary lecture

Associate Professor Tilman Ruff
AO
MB BS, FRACP

Tilman is founding chair of the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons, awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2017, Co-President of International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War (Nobel Peace Prize 1985), and Honorary Principal Fellow, School of Population and Global Health, University of Melbourne. He was international medical advisor for Australian Red Cross 1996-2019, and worked on immunisation and maternal and child health in Indonesia and Pacific island countries with the Australian and NZ government aid programs, Burnet Institute, UNICEF and WHO. He will present the lecture "Leaders of the World – How Can We Eliminate Nuclear Weapons Before They Are Used Again?"

Plenary lecture

Dr Emma Leslie AM
Building peace in the post COVID 21st Century

Emma has worked on conflict transformation and peacebuilding throughout Asia since 1993. Emma has worked with the International Campaign to Ban Landmines, the Working Group for Weapons Reduction in Cambodia and supported a number of Cambodia peace initiatives – the latest being the launch of Cambodia Peace Museum. In 2005, she launched a Master's Programme for the Asia region in Applied Conflict Transformation Studies. In 2008, Emma established the Centre for Peace & Conflict Studies, which she currently leads as Executive Director. In 2005, she was one of the 1,000 women nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize.

- Is peace an option for everyone?

Plenary lecture

José Ramos-Horta AC
My Journey: Lessons on prevention of conflict and building lasting peace.

José was the President of East Timor from 2007 to 2012 and Prime Minister from 2006 to 2007. He is a co-recipient of the 1996 Nobel Peace Prize along with Carlos Filipe Ximenes Belo, for working "towards a just and peaceful solution to the conflict in East Timor". As a founder and former member of Fretilin, Ramos-Horta served as the exiled spokesman for the East Timorese resistance during the years of the Indonesian occupation of East Timor. After East Timor achieved independence, He was appointed as the country's first foreign minister. After leaving office as President, Ramos-Horta was appointed as the United Nations' Special Representative and Head of the Integrated Peacebuilding Office in Guinea-Bissau.

Plenary lecture

Natascha Hryckow *Peace building in Somalia & Afghanistan: the hard end of the spectrum.*

Natascha is the Coordinator UN Panel of Experts on Somalia and GCSP Global Fellow. She is an experienced leader of multilateral interventions with a particular interest in conflict and post conflict environments. Senior management roles include WHO Regional Conflict Advisor, Political Director and Head of country (Somalia & Kenya) for the European Maritime Capacity Building mission EUCAP Nestor, Political Director and Deputy for the Senior Civilian Representative in Afghanistan with the NATO. At the GCSP, she serves as the Inaugural Chair of the Conflict Analysis Network.



The future of PEACE LEADERSHIP

21-22 April 2021

Online Symposium

Registration Fee: \$66.00

Register on Conference website:

<https://peaceleadership.org.au/>



The Future of PEACE LEADERSHIP

DAY 1

21 APRIL 2021, 2.30pm – 5.30pm

Traditional Welcome to Country

Welcome from RI President Holger Knaack

Welcome from Rotary Melbourne

Plenary lectures x 2

Video of Nagasaki Survivor

Breakout discussion of speakers

Optional workshops x 3



Professor Tilman Ruff AO, founding chair of the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN).



Dr Emma Leslie AM
Executive Director of the Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies, Cambodia



The Future of PEACE LEADERSHIP

DAY 2

22 APRIL 2021, 9.30am - 12.30pm

Greeting from Rotary Foundation Chair of Trustees
PRIP Ravi Ravindran

Plenary lectures x 2

Launch of University of Melbourne
Centre for Peacebuilding

Breakout discussion of speakers

Optional workshops x 3

Concluding Panel discussion



José Ramos Horta,
Past President of East Timor



Natascha Kryukov,
Coordinator UN Panel of Experts on Somalia &
Geneva Centre for Security Policy Global Fellow



The Future of PEACE LEADERSHIP

Each day participants select one of three concurrent 60 minute sessions.

There will be three speakers in each session followed by panel discussion with audience Q&A.

DAY 1

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS:

Family Violence
Indigenous Reconciliation
Economics and Peace

DAY 2

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS:

Humanity & Humanitarian Aid
Business & Human Rights
What can you do for peace?




Sir John Monash and other business leaders conducted the first Rotary meeting in Australia on 21st April 1921 in the presence of Commissioners Layton Ralston and James Davidson from Canada. The cities that followed Melbourne were Sydney, Auckland and Wellington. Exactly 100 years later, Melbourne RC will be re-enacting the event. There were other events planned for Melbourne but COVID disrupted these.

Important to Rotarians what peace means to Rotary. Most people say peace is absence of violence. Positive peace is benefiting economies. Melbourne University is a supporter of the peace symposium and are doing all the IT. Trade off – we are allowing them to launch their Peace Building.



The Future of Peace Leadership

CONCLUDING PANEL DISCUSSION:

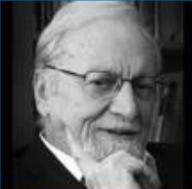
The 2021
Doomsday Clock
*It is 100 seconds
to midnight*



**“How do we reverse
the Doomsday Clock?”**



Ian Riseley OAM
Past President of Rotary International



Prof the Hon Gareth Evans AC
Former politician & academic



Stephen Killelea AM
Founder of IEP

The **Doomsday Clock** is a symbol that represents the likelihood of a man-made [global catastrophe](#). Maintained since 1947 by the members of the [Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists](#),^[1] the clock is a metaphor for threats to humanity from unchecked scientific and technical advances. The clock represents the

hypothetical global catastrophe as midnight and the *Bulletin's* opinion on how close the world is to a global catastrophe as a number of minutes or seconds to midnight, assessed in January of each year. The main factors influencing the clock are [nuclear risk](#) and [climate change](#).

Convenor of the Symposium is **Professor Robert Helme**. He was Director of the National Ageing Research Institute (NARI) from 1987 to 2000. The Institute was set up for gerontological research and geriatric medicine. During his tenure he championed some of the early work and trials on drug therapies to treat Alzheimer’s disease.

Peace symposium to celebrate Rotary's centenary

By PDG Murray Verso
R100 Peace Conference Convenor
D9800 Rotary Foundation chair

On April 21, 1921, 32 prominent Melbourne citizens met at Scott's Hotel and agreed to form the Rotary Club of Melbourne, Vic. One hundred years to the day, we will celebrate the centenary of Rotary in Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific with a peace symposium.

TITLED 'The Future of Peace Leadership', the peace symposium will be run online over two half-days on April 21 and 22, 2021.

For 100 years, Rotary 'Down Under' has promoted the advancement of international goodwill and peace through its grants program, postgraduate global scholarships, support for university based Rotary Peace Centres, and the training of Peace Fellows to become catalysts for peace in local communities and on the global stage.

How will you celebrate our centenary?





More details and registration information will be available soon at peaceleadership.org.au



The goal of the Rotary 100 Centenary Peace Conference is to bring together leaders in peace and conflict resolution to provide perspectives on challenging global and domestic issues and how we can all contribute towards building a more peaceful world over the next 100 years.

Nobel Peace Prize winner José Ramos-Horta, President of Timor-Leste from 2007 to 2012, will be among the impressive line-up of speakers.

Other speakers will include Associate Professor Tilman Ruff AO, who received the Nobel Peace Prize in 2017 for his work on nuclear disarmament; Emma Leslie AM, the Executive Director of the Peace & Conflict Studies Centre in Cambodia and who was nominated

for the Nobel Prize in 2005; and Natascha Hryckow, Coordinator UN Panel of Experts on Somalia.

Six 90-minute optional sessions are planned. The sessions will cover Indigenous reconciliation, family violence, peace and economics, humanitarian action, business and human rights, and how to develop peacebuilding projects. Registrants will be able to select one on each day to attend.

Rotary International President Holger Knaack and Chair of The Rotary Foundation Trustees past RI President Ravi Ravindran will also address the symposium. To conclude, past RI President Ian Riseley will join Peace Fellows and community leaders in a facilitated discussion on how

we can all work together to prevent and resolve conflict and build a more peaceful world.

Will this symposium have useful outcomes? You will need to make that judgement by attending, digesting, and promulgating your opinions on the topics raised. Despite the limitations of an online platform, the symposium is planned to be as interactive as possible. •

*"If civilisation is to survive, we must cultivate the science of human relationships – the ability of all peoples, of all kinds, to live together, in the same world at peace."
– Franklin D Roosevelt*

Rotary Club of Melbourne Centenary Luncheon

The Rotary Club of Melbourne's Centenary Luncheon will be held at the Sofitel Melbourne. Visit www.rotaryclubofmelbourne.org.au to book.

**21-22
APRIL**

Rotary Club of Sydney Luncheon

This national event, to be held at the University of Technology Sydney's Great Hall, is open to all Rotarians, and will feature guests from all walks of life. www.sydneynrotary.com

**21
APRIL**

Melbourne Peace Symposium

The Future of Peace Leadership Symposium will celebrate Rotary's peacebuilding efforts over the past 100 years and challenge us to do more. Nobel Laureates, peace fellows, past RI presidents and others will discuss how Rotarians can contribute towards building a more peaceful world over the next 100 years. www.peaceleadership.org.au

**17
MAY**

1-2 May 2021



**MULTI DISTRICT CONFERENCE
VIRTUAL VICTORIA**

SAVE THE DATE
1-2 MAY 2021

Rotary Victoria **100**
YEARS

A CENTURY OF
ROTARY IN AUSTRALIA

Districts 9780, 9790,
9800, 9810 and 9820

2021 ROTARY CONVENTION NOW VIRTUAL

**2021 VIRTUAL
ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION**

#Rotary21



12-16 June 2021



District Recognition Awards

Categories:

- Community Service
- International Service
- Vocational Service
- Youth Service
- Public Image & Communications
- Membership
- Supporting the Environment
- Innovation During COVID

For more information: <https://rotarydistrict9800.org.au/sitepage/club-service/recognitions>

Applications Close Soon

Rotary
Australia &
New Zealand



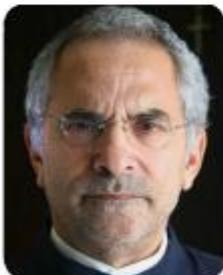
CELEBRATING
100
YEARS



A/Prof. Tilman Ruff AO
Nobel Peace Prize Laureate



Emma Leslie AM
Nobel Peace Prize Nominee



Dr. José Ramos Horta AC
Nobel Peace Prize Laureate



Natascha Hryckow
Coordinator UN Panel of
Experts on Somalia

Save the
DATE!

A Peace Symposium to celebrate
Rotary's Centenary Down Under and to
acknowledge Rotary's peacebuilding efforts



The future of
PEACE LEADERSHIP

21-22 APRIL 2021

ONLINE SYMPOSIUM

Featuring

- Outstanding world class speakers
- RI President Holger Knaack
- Past RI Presidents
- Rotary Peace Fellows
- Optional sessions:
 - Family Violence
 - Indigenous reconciliation
 - Economics & Peace
 - Humanitarian Action
 - Business & Human Rights Law
 - Peacebuilding projects

More details and registration
information available soon

Conference website:
<https://peaceleadership.org.au/>

- **21 April – Rotary Club of Melbourne Centenary Luncheon**
Sofitel, Melbourne (Bookings – www.rotaryclubofmelbourne.org.au)

Vocational Service:

Establishing and/or participating in a public speaking competition for adults or students enables Clubs to meet the second aspect of Vocational Service:

“Empowering others through training and skill development”

Detailed Guidelines and Templates:

Refer to D9800 website (Vocational Menu) for Guidelines which include:

- Forms for Expression of Interest Package for Schools
- Student Nomination forms (including adjudication criteria and public speaking tips)
- Event Management Procedures
- Note: RI has an alliance with Toastmasters



Winner, 2019 Ainger Peck Award

Contacts for Advice & Assistance

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AINGER PECK AWARD:

Ben Hosking:
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ROTARY D9800 VS YOUTH SPEAKING COMPETITION



Finalist, WYNSPEAK 2019 OBJECTIVES

To provide a vehicle for young people to grow their self-confidence, build their creativity, critical thinking, and leadership skills, via Public Speaking opportunities, as well as improve poise and professionalism.

Assist students to develop and grow both personally and professionally by developing traits which are invaluable in everyday life.

OVERVIEW

WYNSPEAK and AINGER PECK AWARD are both longstanding successful D9800 Rotary Youth Speaking Competitions

Over 70 schools annually (combined)

WYNSPEAK: Western Region
AINGER PECK AWARD: greater Metropolitan Area

Competition Options:

1. Years 7-12, or;
2. Junior (years 7-9) & Senior (years 10-12)

Main Speech: 5-min speech on stage in front of an audience on a topic of their choice (excluding controversial topics).

Short Notice Speech: impromptu 2-min speech. Topic selected from choice of 3 given to students.

Adjudication: by appropriately experienced adjudicators using defined criteria.

Student Workshops: Training provided by Rostrum

Costs: Free entry- no fees

SAMPLE

FLOWCHART



Developing Youth Public Speaking Skills Through Wynspeak



By Des O'Shanassy

Like many great Rotary programs, Wynspeak (Wyndham Youth Public Speaking Competition) began as a small pilot project that blossomed into something extraordinary.

It began in 2003 when Rotary Hoppers Crossing invited 12 senior students from two Wyndham schools, Thomas Carr College and Westbourne Grammar, to participate in a public speaking competition. The aim was to provide an opportunity for students to develop their self-confidence through learning the skills of effective public speaking. It proved such a success with the competing students and teaching staff alike, that planning immediately commenced for a more comprehensive program.

Two years later, Wynspeak formally came into being as an annual event held in May. Eight local schools from throughout the Western region of Melbourne, including Footscray, Sunshine, Williamstown, Altona, Point Cook, and out to Melton and Bacchus Marsh, entered the competition. Within another three years, schools were asking if their junior students could also participate. The program's value was being recognised and an ever-increasing number of preliminary rounds were being held.

Today, the program has grown to include forty schools with the Rotary Clubs of Melton, Caroline Springs and Altona City becoming involved. In addition, Rotary Brighton is also in the planning stages for a competition to be run in May this year to include eight Bayside schools.

The competition itself is quite simple. Students are invited to present a five minute speech of their own choice and then compete in an additional short-notice competition choosing one of three given topics with only five minutes planning time.

There are five preliminary rounds being planned for the 2021 event with the final to be held in the City of Wyndham. All rounds are managed centrally through the Wynspeak Organising Committee, although it is envisaged that with anticipated growth, there will be several satellite competitions held under the Wynspeak banner.

Workshops for prospective Rotarian adjudicators are also conducted for Wynspeak partnering Rotary clubs. A further exciting addition to the program is with the Toastmasters clubs of Werribee, Williamstown and Melton joining the Wynspeak adjudication panel. This follows the recent strategic partnership between Rotary International and Toastmasters International – a perfect partnership for Wynspeak.

In 2020 the Wynspeak Program became a District Endorsed Vocational Service program, meaning that any club in District 9800 can develop their own youth public speaking program. Specifically developed templates are available through the District Vocational Service committee for clubs wanting to plan a start-up competition.

Whilst our youth today may be in the digital age, most, if not all, will still be required to present at their first job interview, at tertiary institutions and in the workforce. Wynspeak is supporting schools to prepare them with the necessary skills to be effective, confident public speakers.

Do you know a potential Rotary Global Grant Scholar?

Lien Trinh, the first recipient of a Rotary District 9800 Global Grant Scholarship, completed her studies at the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine for the Master of Public Health degree and has worked with the Rotary Club of Melbourne to establish End Trachoma 2020.



Thanks to photographer Mark Cushway and BIV (the Brian Holden Vision Institute)

Lien holds a Master's Degree in Optometry. Her professional goal is to contribute to the development of eye care programs in developing countries to reduce the prevalence of avoidable blindness and vision impairment. Her studies build on her work with Australian indigenous communities and volunteer work in Sri Lanka, PNG and Vietnam.

- Think globally
- Make a difference
- Become a leader

ROTARY
INTERNATIONAL
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INVITES
VICTORIAN
APPLICANTS
TO APPLY

Rotary offers prestigious international scholarships of up to USD60,000 for graduate students pursuing careers in fields that support the Foundation's Six Areas of Focus:



Peace and conflict prevention/resolution



Disease prevention and treatment



Water and sanitation



Maternal and child health



Basic education and literacy



Economic and community development

ROTARY POST-GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP VALUE: UP TO USD60,000

Rotary District 9800 has designed a targeted Post-Graduate Scholarship to focus on overseas study for a Masters degree, to a value of up to USD60,000 (or two scholarships at USD30,000 each).

The Scholarship is designed to enhance the profiles of our best graduates in recent years and acknowledges the underlying strength of Victorian University graduates. The field of study must fit one of the Rotary Foundation's 6 Areas of Focus.

Applications are invited from persons normally resident in Victoria and must be made through a Victorian Rotary Club. Lineal descendents of current/recent Rotarians are ineligible.

Applicants must be eligible for Global Grants which are awarded through a globally competitive process.

Applications close 31 March 2021

For further details contact:

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Rotary Club of Melbourne

www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/SitePage/foundation/global-grant-scholarships

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Rotary Opens
Opportunities



130 fellowships for fully funded university training in peace and conflict resolution, are now available

Applications to district 9800 close 15th May 2021

Through application of their training, study, networking, and practice Rotary Peace Fellows become leaders and catalysts for peace and conflict resolution.

Many go on to careers in national governments, NGOs, the military, law enforcement, peace education, media, international organizations like the United Nations and World Bank, and grass roots organisations working in communities. See also: <https://rotaryclubofmelbourne.org.au/peace>; <https://www.rotary.org/en/our-programs/peace-fellowships>

Rotary International is committed to this program. Since 2002 more than 1,300 graduates have been trained.

THE ROTARY PEACE FELLOWSHIP INCLUDES:

- Tuition, fees and course materials
- Room and board
- Round-trip transportation
- Internship/field study expenses
- Insurance

TWO YEAR MASTERS DEGREE

Up to two years of fully funded graduate study at an internationally recognised program in England (University of Bradford), Japan (International Christian University), Sweden (Uppsala University), or United States (Duke and University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill).

THREE MONTH PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATE

Designed for mid-career professionals already working in the field of peace and conflict resolution. This fully funded course at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok and Makerere University Kampala offers a mix of theory and practical skills in both a classroom environment and in the field.

ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION CRITERIA

Applicants for Rotary Peace Fellowships must have the following:

- A strong commitment to peacebuilding demonstrated through professional and academic achievements
- Excellent leadership skills
- Proficiency in English
- For the master's program, a bachelor's degree or equivalent, plus three years of full-time relevant work experience
- For the certificate program, a strong academic background, plus five years of full-time relevant work experience

HOW TO APPLY

Rotary Peace Fellows are selected through a competitive worldwide process.

REVIEW: The entire application online at <https://my.rotary.org/en/peace-fellowship-application>

SPEAK TO: A Rotarian that you know, before 31st March 2021

CONTACTS: Dennis Shore, Tania Miletic (Peace Fellow Alumnus) or Bob Fels at office@rotaryclubofmelbourne.org.au

DISTRICT 9800

District 9800 has recruited and mentored more successful Rotary Peace Fellow applicants than any other district, worldwide. **On-line applications for peace fellowships require District endorsement.**

Is there someone that you know who might benefit from this program? Please circulate this flyer to them.

Calendar of Events

Thursday 1 April	Board Meeting at 19 Little Osborne St	7pm
Monday 5 April	No meeting EASTER MONDAY	
Wed 7 April	Rotary Club Melbourne. Prof John Skerritt, Deputy Secretary Commonwealth Dept Health. Centenary Angus Mitchell Oration.	12.40-2pm
Thursday 8 April	Presentation Night for RoCan riders, Avington Resort, Point Cook, two course meal and live entertainment, \$20	7pm
Sunday 11 April	Yvonne Moon OAM Memorial Concert, Yarraville Club. TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE ONLINE	3 – 8pm
Sunday 11 April	Farmers Market – Robertson Reserve	
Monday 12 April	RCW Pelicans Landing. Anzac Day presentation	7pm
Saturday 17 April	Morning Tea with the DG	10-11.30am
Monday 19 April	RCW Pelicans Landing – guest speaker, Phil Thompson – talking on buying the old Goorambat primary school just out of Benalla and turned into a veterans’ retreat.	7pm
21-22 April	The Future of Peace Leadership – online symposium Celebrating Rotary’s Centenary Downunder	21 st – 2.30-5.30 22 nd – 9.30-12.30
Thurs 29 April	A Rotary Club of Brighton – Charity Event – Kids First, An Evening with Ross Stevenson by Zoom, \$25	6.30pm
Sat 1 May to Sun 2 May	Multi-District Conference Virtual Victoria. A Century of Rotary in Australia.	
Saturday 1 May	Installation of the Bird Hide at Jawbone Reserve	
Thurs 6 May	Wynspeak. Rotary D9800 vs Youth Speaking Competition, Altona Theatre	

The Rotary Club of Williamstown, District 9800

<i>President:</i>	<i>Eddie Knight</i>	<i>Treasurer:</i>	<i>Nils Oman</i>
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<i>Sergeant at Arms:</i>	<i>Jack Tahih/ Stan Panten</i>		
<i>International Service:</i>	<i>Hazel Ackland</i>		
<i>Community Service:</i>	<i>John Barry</i>		
<i>Vocational Service:</i>	<i>Kathy Roberts</i>		

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*The Rotary Club of Williamstown meets every Monday, 7pm
Pelicans Landing, 1 Syme St, Williamstown.*

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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