

# The Timeball

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Rotary District 9800

Rotary International Club Number 7208

Rotary Year 2020-2021

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Youth Service Month

**Apologies:** Paul Morgan, Jo Walker, Guy Chatain

## President's Report

Had a BBQ at the Farmers Market on Sunday with a new member, Angela Grogan, taking part  
Thanks Angela.

Nils added the BBQ taking were \$1400 with a net profit of \$1009. The donation bucket also netted \$634. A great result.

The club has been asked to do a **BBQ for Cruise Express international on Friday 21 May**. I am finalising details with company rep.

**2021 Rotary Virtual Conventions on 12-16 July**. There is still time to register but early bird discount registrations ended on 7 May. Cost to register now is \$65.

Rotary Club of Altona holding a **Fundraising Film night on 27th May**. Tickets \$30 at Sun Theatre. A Disney movie called *Cruella*, starring Emma Stone. Must book by 12 May.

**Board Meeting on Thursday 20 May**. Agenda will be forwarded shortly.

Next week we have a guest speaker from the **Highlands Foundation** to provide an update.

Tonight we will review our project and President Elect Stan will announce his incoming Board.

With regard to the **Playground at McLean Reserve**, members agreed to pursue recycling and potential tree planting with Council.

## Announcements

We have our Rotary convention 2021 coming up. To attend is \$ 60.

This is Rotary's centenary year. Murray asked if all members can donate \$100 in celebration and appreciation of this wonderful Foundation, in its one hundredth year! Info on how/where to donate is coming to all concerned in an email shortly. Murray spoke of the fabulous amount that Rotary has raised in the last 12 months which was \$330,000.

Damien announced a reminder for the Newport Lakes Primary School's PEACE POLE Ceremony on 12 May 2.45-3.15. He has the service program available.

The school cubby house project is all completed and the kids, teachers and parents are all thrilled. A great success. Thanks to all the hands on deck for that.

Nils reminded all that we all must have a "Working with Children" safety clearance. This mainly applies to the newbies who have recently joined.

The Bird Hide which is funded by us has a \$2400 grant. The next stage of the project is on the weekend of 29/30 May.

Discussions and ideas went around the room as ways to attract a younger crowd. Angela along with some other members are working on a promotional and image building advertising concept with the intent to uplift and present the Foundation. Brainstorming is underway. In turn it will both enthuse and appeal to the younger age groups too.

The MEC project was raised and we will be discussing that at our board meeting next week.

The Maclean Reserve playground will be having its parts, structures and other usable facilities sent overseas. The park will then be going under a full and total reconstruction.

It was decided .not to go ahead with the WINDWARD ADVENTURE SAILBOAT. Various issues are lack of transparency and information on drinks, food and outgoings on costs and too many unknowns. Plus the need of 45 people to be found combined with the unpredictability of '**A winter weekday only**' availability can be hard to sell. At our next board meeting we will discuss the favourable possibility of sponsoring one child to attend the sail boat experience. This will be \$2500 in sponsoring cost. We have agreed to distributing the flyers to yacht clubs, businesses and other corporates in the area.

The new district governor will be sworn in on 27th June.

Last but no least...

**Stan,** our to be elected new president, did a great job at chairing most of our last meeting! Thank you Stan.



- Upgrade Cubby House, Paving & Construct New Deck Nth Williamstown Primary School - Completed
- Construct Bird Hide Jaw Bone Conservation Reserve – Under Construction
- Peace Pole Newport Lakes Primary School- Pole installed
- Maclean Reserve - Upgrade Playground – Discussion on involvement
- Windward R100 Great Youth Adventure – Discussion on involvement
- West Gate Neighbourhood Funding

## BIRD HIDE

- Hands on project by Club, Parks Vic & Friends of Williamstown Wetlands funded by club & a \$2400 grant from the Rotary Foundation
- Next stage to be undertaken on weekend 29/30 May



## PEACE POLE

- Peace pole to be installed by EarlyAct in the Sensory Garden at Newport Lakes Primary School.
- Celebration of the event to be held on Wednesday 12 May @ 2.45pm
- As many members as possible are encouraged to attend the event



## 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 28<sup>th</sup> July to 9<sup>th</sup> 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

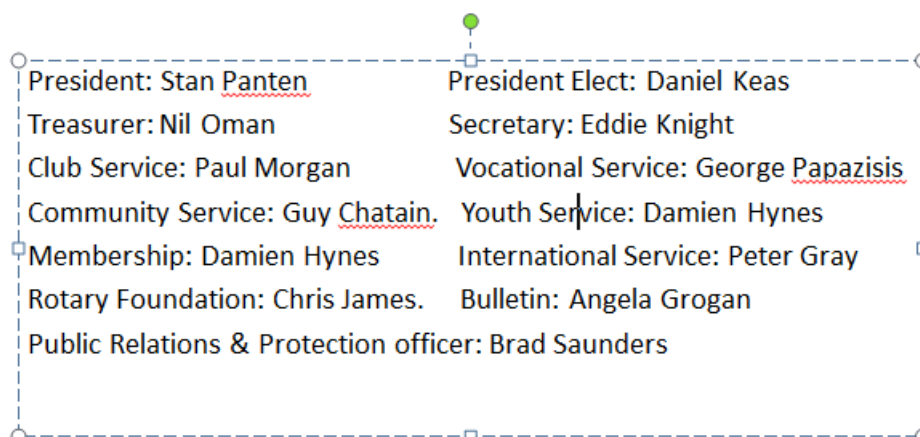
## WINDWARD BOUND R100 GREAT YOUTH ADVENTURE

- Sails the Melbourne to Eden Leg 9<sup>th</sup> August to 18<sup>th</sup> 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 31<sup>st</sup> 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.

## WEST GATE NEIGHBOURHOOD FUND

- West Gate Community Grants are now open for projects that highlight arts and culture, learning and development, and encourage community participation. Applications close on 18<sup>th</sup> June.
- Up to \$100,000 is available for community led projects in three streams:
- 1/ Connecting neighbourhoods grants - Up to \$10,000 for a one-off project or activity
- 2/ Celebrating neighbourhoods grants - Up to \$20,000 for festivals, events, and installations
- 3/ Transforming neighbourhoods grants - \$20,001 to \$100,000 for improvements to local community facilities.

## PRESIDENT ELEC STAN'S BOARD



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|--|---|
| President: Stan <u>Panten</u>                        | President Elect: Daniel Keas                |
| Treasurer: Nil Oman                                  | Secretary: Eddie Knight                     |
| Club Service: Paul Morgan                            | Vocational Service: George <u>Papazisis</u> |
| Community Service: Guy <u>Chatain</u>                | Youth Service: Damien Hynes                 |
| Membership: Damien Hynes                             | International Service: Peter Gray           |
| Rotary Foundation: Chris James.                      | Bulletin: Angela Grogan                     |
| Public Relations & Protection officer: Brad Saunders |   |



## ROTARY & PEACE

**Launch of Newport Lakes Peace Pole, 12 May 2021**

### Talk by Murray Verso

#### What is Rotary?

Rotary is a global network of volunteers dedicated to tackling humanitarian challenges around the world. The work of our **1.2 million members**, in more **200 countries**, improves lives of people in both local communities and internationally.

**The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace is enshrined in the constitution of every Rotary Club.**

**Rotary was founded in Chicago in 1905.** It has stood the test of time, remaining relevant and effective.

**Rotary came to Australia on 21<sup>st</sup> April 1921**, with the first meeting of the Rotary Club of Melbourne, exactly 100 years ago.

**This peace pole** is part of our centenary celebrations in Australia. The aim has been to get 100 Rotary Clubs to mark 100 years of Rotary service by distributing at least 100 Peace Poles to schools around the country.

#### What is peace?

Most people answer this question by saying that peace is the absence of violence, and that is partly correct. But peace is much more than the absence of violence. Peace is about justice for all.

Rotarians carry our education programs and provide humanitarian aid to address the underlying causes of conflict. Our work includes fighting disease, providing clean water and sanitation, improving the health of mothers and children, supporting education, and growing local economies. Last year alone Rotary spent **\$362 million** on these aid programs.

These programs reduce the risk of conflict by building ideal conditions for peaceful societies.

#### How has Rotary tried to build peace around the globe?

Here are some examples over the decades.

- **In the 1930's** Rotary Clubs began running public meetings, bringing together writers, economists, scientists, and politicians to discuss issues affecting world peace.
- **In the 1940's**, Rotarians were consultants and observers in the process to set up The United Nations and Rotary still has an office at the UN.
- **In 1945**, *The United Nations Universal Declaration for Human Rights* was written using a framework developed by Rotary International in 1940.
- **Since the 1950s**, the Rotary has provided scholarships for university graduates to do further studies in another country.

- **Since the 1960's**, Rotary has sent teenagers to live and study overseas as Youth Exchange students.
- Both these programs promote greater understanding between people of different cultures and nationalities. This is the key to global citizenship and peace. People who understand each other are far less likely to be in conflict.
- **In the 1990s**, Rotary decided to fund Peace Centres at 8 universities around the world. Since the inaugural class in 2002, more than 1400 Peace Fellows have been trained at these prestigious centres. After studying the causes of conflict and how to resolve it, most of them have gone on to become leaders in government, education, the media and in the provision of humanitarian aid.
- Recently, Rotary entered a partnership with the **Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP)**. IEP is an international think tank that measure peace around the world and promotes the idea that peace is an achievable measure of human well-being. By using various parameters, IEP rates the level of peacefulness in each country each year. Currently, Australia is ranked the 13<sup>th</sup> most peaceful country in the world. **Anyone want to guess which country is the most peaceful?**
- And today Rotarians convene **peace conferences** around the world, bringing together people from different backgrounds to discuss human rights, international relations, global health, and other peace related issues. We held one in Melbourne 3 weeks ago as part of our centenary celebrations.

I hope this brief overview has given you some insight into Rotary's **genuine and meaningful commitment** to peacebuilding and conflict resolution.

**Congratulations** to Newport Lakes Primary School, its principal, its staff, students, and particularly, the Earlyactors for placing this Peace Pole in the school grounds.

**May it stand as a silent sentinel, reminding everyone who sees it to always think and act in the spirit of peace.**







**Order your copy of Rotary's centenary book now.**

**Over 500 pages!**

**Humanity in Action – Celebrating 100 years of Rotary in Australia and island neighbours** – published on April 1, 2021, just in time for official centenary celebrations on April 20-22.. (Williamstown gets a mention for a project in PNG that George was involved with 20 years ago.)

However, the high cost of production and printing limits the size of the print run to 4000 at this time and, after district commitments are fulfilled, remaining books will be sold on a 'first in' basis for \$25 each, including GST (plus postage of \$10, which will vary for multiple book orders).

Orders for clubs or individuals should be placed via:

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Email: [hdurey@bigpond.com](mailto:hdurey@bigpond.com)  
BSB: 633000, Acc: 147294557  
Ref: Rotary Book – Invoice number (provided by Harry with pre-order)

# District 9800 Assembly 2021

(Virtual)

9.30am – 11.30am

22<sup>nd</sup> May 2021

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

A 'must' for all incoming Office Bearers



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## MULTI DISTRICT INTERACT CONFERENCE VICTORIA

SUNDAY 30<sup>th</sup> MAY 2021

12.30 PM - 4.30 PM

### ONLINE ZOOM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84521796610?pwd=WXVRZnBDdC9LaWpjZC9vQ20wemZHZz09>

Meeting ID: 845 2179 6610

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|              | <b>CALENDAR OF EVENTS</b>   |                |
| Mon 17 May   | RCW Pelicans Landing. Guest speaker from Highlands Foundation.                      | 7pm            |
| Fri 21 May   | BBQ at Newport Railways Museum for tour group                                       |                |
| Sat 22 May   | <b>Inner Wheel Trivia Night</b> , Altona Sports Club.                               | 7pm for 7.30pm |
| Sat 22 May   | District 9800 Assembly 2021   | 9.30-11.30am   |
| Thurs 27 May | Rotary Club Altona - Fundraising Film night Sun Theatre, Yarraville. <i>Cruella</i> |                |
| Sun 30 May   | Multi District Interact Conference Victoria   | 12.30-4.30pm   |

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

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| <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> |
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| <i>Youth:</i>                     | <i>Damien Hynes</i>           |                      |                    |
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| <i>Sergeant at Arms:</i>          | <i>Jack Tahi/ 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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