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Be a gift to the world

A youth is to be regarded with respect. How do we know that his future will not be equal to our present? - Confucius

For the past forty three years I have spent my professional career working with young people and over time I have come to appreciate their ideas, initiative and passion that usually results in positive results for other young people or those in need. It was an honour to see the charter of the first EarlyAct Club in District 9800 at Baden Powell College. Whilst Interact is a Rotary International endorsed program, EarlyAct does not enjoy that status and perhaps that should change. The development of the "Rotary Club" for Primary School students has impressed me beyond belief as I see students commit to projects to enrich their school, local community and indeed the international community. The collection of baby clothes for East Timor, school resources for Cambodia and cans for the local Salvation Army has been achieved with planning, precision packing and a visit to Donations in Kind. Early literacy programs have been conducted with preschool children and money raised for the Cancer Council, Bosalla Village in Cambodia and Disaster Aid in Fiji. In six years over 180 students have become Citizens of the world through a heightened sense of the power of collective service and many have gone on to join Interact at Baden Powell.

Let me tell you about Rhiana who recently went with her family to South Africa, decided to take some school resources because she was aware of the need, presented the resources and found out that the school has benefitted from Rotary Foundation funds. The pictures tell the story!

Rhiana in South Africa

We now have three Earlyact Clubs in our great District and if you want to give our next generation the opportunity to experience the wonder and satisfaction of "doing good in the world", consider sponsoring a new EarlyAct Club. I am happy to help!

Visit from Wycheproof

For many years the Rotary Club of Keilor has provided support to the community in Wycheproof, a small regional locality in the centre of the Shire of Buloke, in North Western Victoria. Wycheproof has a population of six hundred people and is named after the smallest registered mountain in the world, standing at 148 metres above sea level or 43 metres above the surrounding plains. The economy of Wycheproof is driven mainly by wheat and the prolonged drought has brought many challenges to this community. Assistant Governor and Keilor Rotarian David Bourke came up with a fabulous idea to bring the students and teachers from Wycheproof P-12 College to Melbourne for an overnight camp and visit to Healesville Sanctuary. Significant funds have been raised to achieve this and support from ten Rotary Clubs, local business and community leaders will give one hundred and twenty children a life enriching experience. David Bourke, you are a Gift to the World!

David Bourke

Aspire Awards

I had the privilege to attend the first ever Inspire Awards. The aim of these awards is to acknowledge the outstanding achievements of people with a disability and whose vision and abilities make a difference to all around them. The awards were made possible by the Funds in Court, a self-funded division of the Supreme Court of Victoria. The recipient of the awards were nominated by their peers for their professional contribution and community participation. Rotarian Miranda Bain, in her capacity as Strategic Advisor to the Funds In Court, Supreme Court of Victoria lead the organisation of the awards and provided District 9800 with the opportunity to select the recipient, Rob Crestani, and to present the Community Volunteering Award for 2016. Rob has had a long and distinguished association with Goalball, influencing the sport and its development in the community at an international level. Rob oversaw the running of eight Australian Goalball Championships and has held various executive roles within Victorian Goalball Association, Goalball Australia, and the International Blind Sports Federation A four-time Paralympian, Rob understands the link between being involved in an activity and the development of positive self-esteem and loves to see any vision-impaired person presented with the opportunities to grow and develop. It was wonderful to share this occasion with Neville John and Peter Frueh and to know that our Rotary presence will continue to be shared with the Chief Justice of Victoria, the President of the Human rights Commission, and representatives from the Transport Accident Commission, Portland House and Price Waterhouse Cooper.

DGE Neville John, DG Julie Mason, Inspire Awardee Rob Crestani and DGN Peter Frueh

You are a change maker and nothing should clean this notice off the boards of your heart! - Israelmore Ayivor

Enjoy Rotary as you are……. a Gift to the World.

Ubuntu: I am, because you are.

Julie Mason

District Governor

My time with the Wizard of Woz

By Adrian Nelson, Rotary District 9800 Director of Public Image & Communications

Being a Rotarian opens up many doors and windows, and introduces you to some fascinating people.

I remember when I first joined the Rotary Club of Glen Eira and met the late Bill Silvester who told me of his visit to the Rotary Club of Detroit, where we sat across the table from Henry Ford and enjoyed a fabulous lunchtime discussion. A few years ago, I was sitting in a Chicago hotel room after a day meeting with suppliers, when I saw a tweet from Rotary International's Secretary General John Hewko that he was hosting a special event only up the road that evening. I turned up to meet and talk with Howard Buffett (Warren's son), an incredible social entrepreneur trying to fix the world's food crisis and using funds from the Buffett Foundation to achieve it.

Through Rotary I've met Mr Toilet, Jack Sim, the Singapore Businessman aiming to find solutions to sanitation around the globe. Jeffrey Archer was happy to have a quick chat at a Rotary Conference in Adelaide about politics and life in general. Even more recently, when our club inducted its newest member, Dr Chris McGillen, it was a pleasure to learn about his journey as a musical educator, from his time as a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar from Australia to Leeds and how he is now Director of Music & Performing Arts at one of Melbourne's pre-eminent music and performing arts high schools, St Michael's Grammar.

These doors that Rotary opens teach us incredible things, give us confidence to mix with leaders, and make us think about the world a little differently.

This month, I was fortunate to meet Steve Wozniak on his half-day visit to Melbourne. Whilst it was not a Rotary function, I came away thinking that here is another man that would make an inspiring Rotarian. Steve (aka "Woz", or "the Wizard of Woz") is of course the engineering co-founder of Apple, with Steve Jobs. Where Jobs was the business brains behind the start of Apple, Wozniak was the technical brains. Without each other, neither could have achieved what they did.

Steve Wozniak and Adrian Nelson

Steve Wozniak remains someone who loves to make things. He hopes to inspire young people to design and build new technology that is beautiful and makes a positive impact on society. He is hoping to see a teenager figure out how to build a system for your car, so that when you get up in the morning, it has cleaned it from top to bottom whilst sitting overnight in the garage.

But where Steve was most inspiring was when he told of how at the peak of his fame and working life, he took time off each week to teach a class of fifth graders in basic computer skills. For eight years, he helped them use computers to present their homework better, to make mathematics easier and more fun, and in the case of one particular girl, went to her home each night after she wanted to quit school, taught her how computers can make life better, and just recently she became a college graduate. Whilst he's happy to talk about it now, at the time, Steve Wozniak ensured this work was not publicised, and that he was there to help and to make a difference to the children.

I think Steve would make a great Rotarian. He was fun to be around, he commented (positively!) on my glasses, and he wants to do good, to make the world of tomorrow better than the world of today.

So when you come across someone who's shocked that a busy man like him can for eight years spend time each week in a Year 5 Classroom, invite them along to your next Rotary meeting. Invite them to this thing we call Rotary, that will allow them to meet the next Henry Ford, the next Mr Toilet or the current Chris McGillen. We know the difference that a few hours a week can make to another's life. So does Steve Wozniak.

Zoom --- Easy Videoconferencing

By Mark Stephens, District Secretary

There are many options to chat via video conferencing with others—Skype, Facebook Messenger, Google+, GoToMeeting etc. All of these methods either have a cost or require that everyone has an account.

A recent addition to the scene is Zoom (http://zoom.us/) . Zoom has the advantage that there is a trial version (limited to a 40 minute session) that is free.

Zoom can easily be set up on Windows, MACs, iOS and Android devices. The above demonstration was set up via mobile using both a Windows Computer and an IPad Pro.

This program is currently used by the E-Club for their meetings

Last week we used Zoom at the District Leadership Meeting to connect the Goldfields Assistant

Governors saving them 2 hours travel to and from the meeting.

Whilst face-to-face meetings are preferable there are obvious advantages to video conferencing. The most important one, in my opinion, is that its more personal than a teleconference and participants can more easily see when they may be able to speak to the meeting.

The most ideal setup is when all participants are individually connected rather than the example above where two members of the Team attended a meeting of 20 DLT members.

It would also be feasible to use Zoom for Club Meetings where members unable to attend the meeting because of distance or illness could feel as though they were part of the meeting.

There are other options available for sharing Club meetings. Facebook in the U.S. this week released Facebook Live which promises to be a game changer. Hopefully it will be available here in the coming weeks.

You will be able to post live video via Facebook to other Facebook Users as well as record the video on your Facebook Page

There are tips and tricks to setting this up correctly and if anyone is interested please email me and I will document these in future communications

Mark Stephens **accessmed33@gmail.com**

RI Presidential Message for May

By K.R. Ravindran, RI President 2015-16

Some years ago, in the Kano plains of Kenya, a well-meaning development agency took on the task of improving water availability to a rural community. Committees were formed, meetings were held, and the local people were consulted. The main need the community identified was improved delivery of water for irrigation and livestock. A plan to meet this need was created, and the work was soon begun, exactly as the community representatives had requested.

Yet once construction began, it was met by immediate protest from groups of community women, who came to the site and physically blocked workers from building diversion channels. Upon further investigation, the agency realized that the water it was diverting for farming came from the only source, for dozens of families, of water for cooking, drinking, and washing. The entire project had to be scrapped.

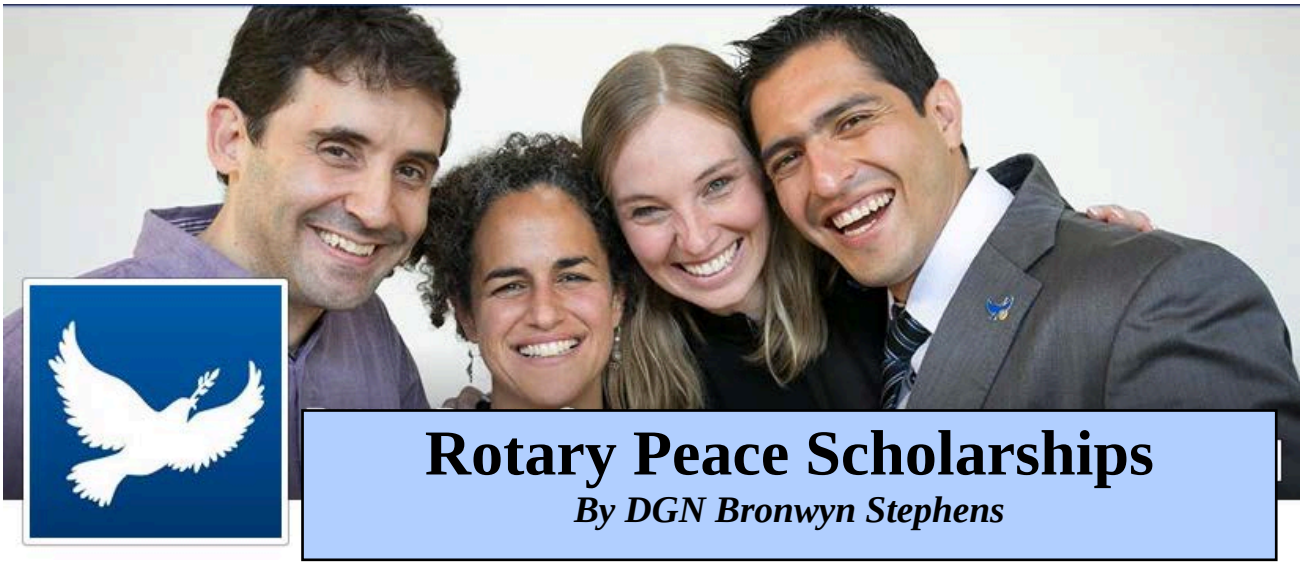
Why? Because it had never occurred to a single member of the all-male team in charge to consult the local women. At every stage, it was assumed that the men knew the needs, spoke for the community, and were able to represent it. Clearly, this was far from the case. The women knew the needs of the community, and its resources, far better – but their opinion was never sought.

We have had women in Rotary for only the last quarter of our history, and it is no coincidence that those years have been by far our most productive. In 1995, only 1 in 20 Rotarians were women; today, that number has risen to 1 in 5. It is progress, but it is not enough. It is only common sense that if we want to represent our communities, we must reflect our communities, and if we want to serve our communities fully, we must be sure that our communities are fully represented in Rotary.

Rotary's policy on gender equality is absolutely clear. Yet nearly one-fifth of our clubs still refuse to admit women, usually by claiming that they simply cannot find women who are qualified for membership. I would say that any Rotarian who makes this argument, or believes it, himself lacks the two most basic qualifications for Rotary membership: honesty and good sense.

A club that shuts out women shuts out much more than half the talent, half the ability, and half the connections it should have. It closes out the perspectives that are essential to serving families and communities effectively. It damages not only its own service but our entire organization, by reinforcing the stereotypes that limit us the most. It leads our partners to take us less seriously, and it makes all of Rotary less attractive to potential members, especially the young people who are so crucial to our future.

To tolerate discrimination against women is to doom our organization to irrelevance. We cannot pretend that we still live in Paul Harris' time, nor would he ever want us to. For, as he said, "The story of Rotary will have to be written again and again." Let us see to it that the story we write in Rotary is one of which he would be proud.



Rotary Peace Scholarships

By DGN Bronwyn Stephens

At this time, in this place, in this world……Rotary peace scholars are influencing the course of peace in our world. 1000 Peace Fellows have graduated from 6 world wide universities armed with knowledge to broker peace. The Rotary Foundation fully funds these scholarships.

PEACE PROFILE: **Path Huang** spent part of his childhood toiling in the rice fields of a Khmer Rouge camp. The experience left him determined to help his country heal from the years of brutality that killed around two million Cambodians. Path is a former peace fellow now working as chief of a UNICEF field office. "I am in a senior position because of the analytical skills and tools I learned as a Rotary Peace Fellow. Now I can influence national policy for the poor in Cambodia."

From the Rotary Peace Centre facebook site: **Mahmood Rahimi** (Chula 2015) has taken the tools and skills gained during the Rotary Peace Fellowship back to young students in Afghanistan. He recently organized a program titled "Youths, Peace, and Education" as a way to talk to the younger generation about critical thinking and peacebuilding.

"Today's youths are extremely susceptible to join extremist groups," Rahimi says, *"At the beginning of the program, I have talked about the role of young generation to strive for education and development of their country and work for the goodwill of humanity."*

At our recent District Conference **Steph Woolard,** project leader of "Seven Women" was one of the guest speakers. She was also a Peace Scholar representing District 9800. Her first lecturer in her course was Kofi Annan (who served as the seventh Secretary-General of the United Nations).

Rotary International in our District – 9800 in Victoria, is planning the recruitment of candidates for Peace and Conflict Resolution post graduate courses of varying lengths.

The Peace Scholars that graduate these courses become the peace brokers of the future. At this time in this world it is really important.

We currently are seeking out the best candidates our region has to offer, selecting them and offering them this fully funded opportunity. I am involved in the interview process of the candidates which will be fascinating. The interviews will take place on June 8th.

The universities participating are: University of Bradford – UK, University of Uppsala – Sweden. Tokyo Christian University – Japan, Duke University and the University of North Carolina – USA and University of Queensland – Australia (not available to Australian students)

For more details:

http://www.rotaryclubofmelbourne.org.au/our-projects/rotary-peace-fellowships

https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/get-involved/exchange-ideas/peace-fellowships?gclid=CjwKEAjw_ci3BRDSvfjortr--DQSJADU8f2jAvPVQDBpXqoCRGSqiDMnoIAASOlRJHtfD4aXzTBRGRoC3knw_wcB

Greater Flexibility for Clubs

From Rotary Weekly

The 2016 Council on Legislation may well be remembered as one of the most progressive in Rotary history.

Not only did this Council grant clubs more freedom in determining their meeting schedule and membership, it also approved an increase in per capita dues of $4 a year for three years. The increase will be used to enhance Rotary's website, improve online tools, and add programs and services to help clubs increase membership.

Council member Dominque Dubois holds up a green card to indicate support of a motion while Sandeep Nurang ponders his response during the 2016 Council on Legislation.
Photo Credit: Monika Lozinska.

The Council is an essential element of Rotary's governance. Every three years, members from around the world gather in Chicago to consider proposed changes to the policies that govern the organization and its member clubs. Measures that are adopted take effect 1 July.

The tone for this year was set early, when the RI Board put forth two proposals that increase flexibility. The first measure allows clubs to decide to vary their meeting times, whether to meet online or in person, and when to cancel a meeting, as long as they meet at least twice a month. The second allows clubs flexibility in choosing their membership rules and requirements. Both passed.

Representatives also approved removing six membership criteria from the RI Constitution and replacing them with a simple requirement that a member be a person of good character who has a good reputation in their business or community and is willing to serve the community.

Full story **here:**

TRACKING MEMBERSHIP LEADS IS EASIER THAN EVER

District leaders and club officers can now review inquiries from prospective, referred, and relocating or returning members — all in one place. Sign in to My Rotary and visit the Club and District Administration pages to discover how easy it is to manage your online membership leads and review reports.

- Visit the Club and District Administration pages
- Download Connect to Membership Leads
- Learn about the membership process

Boot-i-ful Port at Rochester

By Tony Thomas

Saturday May 7 in Rochester will be a red-letter occasion as Rochester Rotary hosts its annual Pie and Port night.

The night has been a local tradition for more than 30 years. The club has only nine members but the dinners typically attract 50-100 revellers, including many from as far south as Melbourne. The pies are supplied hot from the oven of Phil Latter's Rochester Bakery.

The dinner will be the first official function in the Court House since the devastating 2011 floods. The club received a $120,000 grant from Heritage Victoria to carry out restoration to the 1890s brick building.

The club is raffling a replica in pottery of Deputy Prime Minister Barnaby Joyce's size 12 RM Williams boots. The pottery boots, made by the Bendigo Pottery, contain 1.5 litres of Riversands tawny port from St George, Queensland.

President Noel Lucas and his wife Robyn discovered the boot series when travelling to remote outback stations in Queensland with Volunteers for Isolated Stations. Robyn, an ex-primary teacher, helps families work with the School of the Air, while Noel does odd jobs there. They've been doing the 4000km round trips for many years, spending from six to 18 weeks living and working with families on outback stations.

The club, 190km north of Melbourne, makes a big impact on the town. Noel has been with the club for 47 years of its 52 years' existence. The club peaked at 28 members in the early 1970s.

The Pie & Ports started in 1985 in a member's home as a club social night. It then grew to include partners and members of the nearby Rotary Clubs of Echuca and Kyabram. Noel says it got big enough to move to the Historical Society's Common School headquarters, then the fire brigade building, and now the Court House.

Last year there was no dinner due to the absence of several members. Noel and Robyn were overseas teaching English in the town of Ainaro, Timor Leste, a trip they have made three times, while Secretary Heather Watson was attending the Gallipoli commemorations.

Noel says, "We give a lot of support to Rotary Clubs in Melbourne and would just like to remind them that the distance from Rochester to Melbourne is the same as that from Melbourne to Rochester.

"Come early because during the day, Rochester Hotel is hosting a Motors and Music Fest for vintage cars, with $2000 in prizes."

To register for the night's dinner (7.30pm, $35), email d9800rochester@gmail.com or phone 0427 841 262

Karen and Phil Latter with pies and pasties straight from the oven.

And a bottle of Port to dream about.

Rotary Youth Programs

The role of the District Youth Committee is to recommend, co-ordinate and support clubs in District 9800 to deliver effective Youth Service programs.

Rotary Youth Leadership Award is designed for young adults with proven leadership ability and a commitment to community service. RYLA will help you discover your potential and develop the skills needed to be a leader in your community, career, and everyday life. RYLA is a program which focuses on leadership, problem solving and team building.

The **Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment** or RYPEN is a Rotary sponsored District program. Year ten and eleven students attend a weekend long camp designed at developing their potential through a mixture of lecture style sessions and adventure-based learning. Its aim is to communicate to young people a series of ideas, problems and social experiences which will assist them in forming their own values and moral standards. Rotaractors act as facilitators for the camp, leading groups of students and running the sessions.

Rotary Youth Exchange. Are you interested in learning a new language or meeting new people? Rotary Youth Exchange is the opportunity of a lifetime for the more than 8,000 students who participate each year. By sharing your own culture and embracing a new one, you help foster global understanding—and learn a great deal about yourself and your home country in the process.

Rotaract brings together university students worldwide to organize service activities, develop leadership and professional skills, and have fun. Rotary clubs sponsor them, but Rotaract members manage their clubs independently. Rotaract members work closely with their local Rotary club, and may join after their Rotaract membership ends.

Interact is a club for High School students who want to connect with others in their school while serving their community. Interact club members have fun while carrying out service projects and building leadership skills. Interact clubs organize at least two service projects a year: one in their community and one with an international focus. While Interact clubs receive guidance from individual Rotary clubs, they govern and support themselves.

MUNA: Model United Nations Assembly.This international youth program simulates the workings of the United Nations Assembly by having two senior students from a number of schools represent a particular UN country in debates on matters of world political and social concern. Students are challenged by the opportunities of extended research, debating and public speaking skills by addressing a wide range of contemporary and world-focussed issues.

There are Science Programs and Public Speaking Programs. For more information, contact District Youth Chair Gabrielle Morgan: loftandmorgan@ozemail.com.au

Letters to the Editor

Good Morning Clarice.

As one of the Fleetwood host Rotarians here in UK D1190 (Lancashire & Cumbria), I send our special Rotary 'Greetings' to all in D9800.

On 9th May 2016 we shall welcome five Rotary couples from D9800 (representing the Camberwell & Bendigo- Sandhurst clubs), plus one couple from Drysdale in your adjacent D9780 to our district.

This is very much a reciprocal visit for Rotarians in your district for the Rotary Friendship Exchange visit our eight strong district team enjoyed over in D9800 in April of last year. What I brilliant time we all had, and how welcoming all our host families were as we toured round Victoria with such lovely company along the way.

We very much look forward to welcoming the party of 12, some of whom we know and made good friends with during our visit last year. We shall show them a range of sites and experiences here in the North West 'top left corner' of England which encompasses the beautiful Lake District and the Wyre & Fylde coast.

I'm sure many of your readers will be interested to hear of this visit and then have the opportunity to learn of their memories / experiences once they return safe & sound to Australia.

Kindest regards.
Yours in Rotary friendship.
Gordon Oates. PP & PHF
Hon. Secretary. The Rotary Club of Fleetwood (D1190)

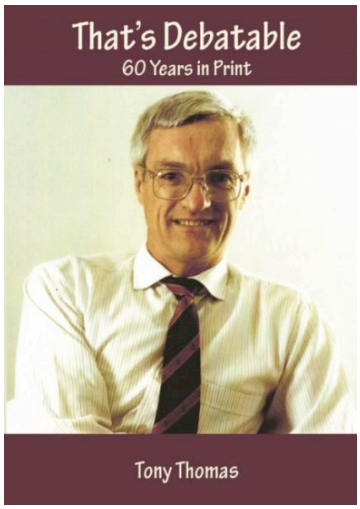
P.S. I include a photo of our D1190 team when we were hosted by the Camberwell club in April of last year. Such lovely people. Such lovely new friends. Such happy memories of the trip of a lifetime for us Brits!

Clarice replies: *Thanks for the lovely letter, Gordon. I'm sure the Aussies will have a great time with you, as I can recall a wonderful visit to the Lake District when I was much younger.*
Rotary Friendship Exchanges, like many things Rotary, are of great value, but are underpublicised and unheralded. I recently found the Rotary Friendship Exchange (RFE) Matching Board, which is a resource for districts to publicize exchange and service opportunities. It is updated on a quarterly basis, and I commend it to everyone:
https://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/rfe_matching_board_en.pdf

Clarice's Comments

Years ago, when I was club webmaster and bulletin editor, I always included the RI President's monthly message. While we don't usually include it in "The Networker", I thought Ravi Ravindran's message for May is really worth reproducing. He tells us that nearly one fifth of Rotary Clubs in the world have no women members: can you believe it? - In this day and age? Wow!

We are so lucky to have Tony Thomas as our peripatetic correspondent, He has just published a new book of essays, *That's Debatable, which* will be launched at 6.30pm Thursday, May 19, at Il Gamberos Restaurant, 166 Lygon St, Carlton. Always controversial, Tony's essays are well worth a read.



"Tony Thomas is an investigative journalist of rare abilities. When he latches onto a story his research is exhaustive and often leads to surprising insights that no one before him had ever made. His prose is always punchy and, even rarer, often very funny. I have read his articles on the Cold War and Australian Aborigines with enormous respect for his deep perception and respect for the truth. He is one of the finest journalists this country has ever produced."

-- Keith Windschuttle, editor-in-chief, Quadrant.

Order your copy here

District Assembly coming up: do you have a new job in Rotary for the coming year? I'm dying to hear Neville John's plans for us: after his trip to USA, he is raring to go! I hope to see you there.

Send me your news: *clarice@rotarydistrict9800.org.au*

They wrote me a letter and said I had type-A blood, but it was a Type-O.

See you later (at the District Assembly) - Clarice.

Notices and Events

Rotary Club of Rochester - Pie & Port Night

Saturday 7th May: at 7.30pm
The Court House, 25 Moore St. Rochester
Cost: $35.00 RSVP: Friday, 29th April
d9800rochester@gmail.com
Direct deposit: BSB: 633108 Ac No: 132185521
Your name as reference.

A Night on Broadway

International House presents Café International
Theme for 2016 – ***A night on Broadway***
Saturday 7th May 6.30pm for a 7pm start
International House, 241 Royal Parade Parkville 3052
$85 plus booking fee
RSVP 29th April – contact ihcafe2016@gmail.com or contact 93476655
For more information: https://chook.as/ih/cafe-international-16

DISTRICT TRAINING ASSEMBLY

15th May 2016, Tabcorp Park, Melton.
Registration 8.15am, Start 9.00am, Finish at 1.30pm followed by an optional lunch
Please see your President Elect as they have the registration forms
RSVP date 4th May: so register now!

Rotary District 9800

ROTARY SERVING HUMANITY

District Training Assembly Agenda – May 15, 2016

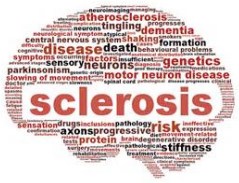
Tabcorp Park, 2 Ferris Road, Melton, VIC 3338 (corner Western Highway)

Time	Location	
8.00 – 8.45	**All presenters setup their Rotary Showcase Display Boards using a side each for sessions 1 and 2 – please turn between sessions 1 and 2.**	
8.15 – 9.00	Level 1 Foyer	**Registration**
9.00 – 9.35	Toolern Rooms 1 and 2	**General Session**
9.35 – 10.00	**Participants move to their selected *Breakout Session 1* locations for Morning Tea**	

	Breakout Session 1		**Breakout Session 2**
	10.00 – 11.10am	**11.10 – 11.30am** Participants move to Session 2 Locations.	**11.30am – 1.30pm**
Toolern Room 1	The Rotary Foundation		International Service
Toolern Room 2	Public Image and Communications		Community Service
Breeders Room	Vocational Service		Presidents 2016 – 17
Legends Café	Membership		Youth Service
Sky Box	Club Service		Club Administration *Treasurers* *Secretaries* *Governance* *Club Protection Officers*
Pre-Function Room			Presidents 2017 – 18

Notices and Events

MS Global Dinner



May 18, 7 for 7.30pm Fredricks Restaurant 980 Mt Alexander Rd, Essendon
$50/per person 2 Course Dinner, Complimentary Glass of Champagne on arrival, Drinks at Bar prices
Speakers: Dr Stan Mitew and Dr Laura Thomas " Progressive MS Research" and Dr Virginia Billson "Living with MS"
RSVP May16, 2016
enquiries@fredricksrestaurant.com.au
barry@barrycoleman.com.au
Martin Taurins, 0407564389 taurins3@vegas.com.au

RC Bendigo South Musical Soiree

Two events- **21 & 22 May,** 5pm for 21/5 and 3pm for 22/5/16
39 Somerset Park Rd, Junortoun
Featuring renowned soprano Merlyn Quaife AM and pianist Andrea Katz will entertain you with a delightful program of music from Baroque to Modern Purcell, Mozart, Strauss, Puccini anecdotes and a few surprises
Enjoy refreshments with the Artists at the conclusion of the concert
Event Cost: $50-00 Limited to 20 places each soiree
RSVP ASAP, only 20 places, Call Anne Peace on 0429801 342 to RSVP a spot.
Website or link for more information: bendigosouthrotary.org.au
Cheque made out to Rotary Club of Bendigo South Inc Projects Account or
EFT: BSB 633000 Account no: 140951740
Account name: Rotary Club of Bendigo South Inc Projects Account with your name and Soiree in Reference box

Movie: "As it is in Heaven"

17 May 6.30pm Ulumbarra Theatre Park Road Bendigo
$30 for adults, $25 for Students/pensioners
Contact Details: www.gotix.com.au bookings essential
Guest Speaker Rosie Batty: The event is a fundraiser for the survivors of Family Violence via the Annie North Refuges to purchase new furniture for people transition form emergency to permanent accommodation. . Finger food during intermission and drinks at Bar prices

ROTARY OCEANIA MEDICAL AID FOR CHILDREN FUNDRAISER

Wednesday 18th May
Italian Sports Club Werribee, 601 Heaths Road 6.30pm for 6.45pm start $40 pp
2 Course Meal with drinks at bar prices
BOOKINGS: rcwyndham1@gmail.com **Ph. 0422 281 624**

Bringing the Light: the Movie of "Seven Women"

Seven Women began in 2007 as a grass roots development project to create change for seven women who were found operating out of a tin shed and enduring harsh discrimination as a result of being disabled. Seven Women founder Stephanie Woollard first met these women and invested in training in the hope that gaining a skill would give them a means to earn an income.
ACMI Cinema, Federation Square. 6.30pm, **Thurs 28th May**
Tickets at http://www.trybooking.com/KLFK
If you can't attend the documentary, catch the promotional video at: http://www.sevenwomen.org

2016 Rotary International Convention, Seoul

28th May to 1st June, 2016

The countdown to the Rotary Convention is on! Join the more than 40,000 Rotarians who have already registered and experience the biggest event of the Rotary year, the convention in Korea.

Come to Korea to get inspired to do more good and Be a Gift to the World.

http://www.riconvention.org/en/seoul/registeroday!

Melbourne City Rotaract.

"Seven Women" second screening of the documentary at Cinema Nova on Lygon Street. Thursday **June the 2nd**, at 6:30pm. Cost $25

Book at www.trybooking.com/KLFK

Details of crowd funding campaign at http://www.pozible.com/project/204045

Camberwell Rotary Art Show

Swinburne University, from **9 to 17 July.**

Over 1,500 paintings and all of them will be offered for sale.

A package for clubs to hold a regular meeting at the show is available. It includes Admission to the Show, Lunch or dinner including a glass of wine, and a free tour of the Show with an art expert. Cost $25 per person for a minimum of 20 people.

Call Geoff Angus, 0408 348 212 or email to geoffangus@bigpond.com.

Daryl Mills Farewell

Final Report and Farewell Visit by Daryl Mills Rotary Liaison Office Timor Leste

26th July. The Rotary Club of Balwyn 6.15 for 6.45pm at Green Acres Golf Club 51 Elm Street, Kew

Cost: $30.00 for two course meal – drinks at bar prices

A special evening of review, thanks and farewell to Daryl Mills

Daryl's commitment to Timor Leste over the last 12 years has been outstanding and his legacy lives on through his training of several locals to continue this vital work.

We commend this evening to you and would ask that you forward this note to other individuals and Clubs in D9800 and surrounding Districts.

RSVP: richardseeley@bigpond.com by 19th July, 2016

Stay informed on Rotary events:

http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org/notices_and_events_future

Our Contributors

District Governor Julie Mason of Wyndham RC always writes a lovely column for "The Networker"

Tony Thomas writes lots of amusing and informative material for us and for "Quadrant.org.au

David Dippie of Keilor RC is a Rotarian who wants to change the world. He admits he may need your help!

District Secretary Mark Stephens is always sending us interesting and useful stuff to print.

Our Girl Friday Clarice was asked why she writes a column in "Networker". "Well, why not?"' was her reply.

Dennis Shore of Hawthorn Rotary was District Governor of D9800 in 2012-2013

Matthew Scott sends us regular reports from the Deep North, in between episodes of face-painting.

District Image Guru, Adrian Nelson, tells us about some famous people he has met through Rotary.

K.R. Ravindran is President of Rotary International for the year 2015-2016