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*September Area of Focus:
Basic Education and Literacy*



MEMBERSHIP

As we come to the end of August, Membership Month, I am so impressed with the commitment to attract new members and the enthusiasm for the **Member a Month Campaign**. Many clubs already have four or more new members and are applying for \$1000, a District Membership Grant available to all clubs who induct four new members between June the 1st and October the 31st. There are so many wonderful Rotary stories to be told about new members and by new members. For example I was able to induct Maureen as a new member in Rotary Altona City and when asked why she wanted to join Maureen spoke about feeling included from the moment she came to a meeting, impressed by the work done in the local community and in awe of what Rotary stands for. Remember **every month** is Membership month and there are people who want to do what Rotary does so ask them to join you in your service and fun. Let's have lots of **new member stories** sent to our wonderful editor and remember the question to ask new members.....**What will it take for you to stay in Rotary for the next five years?**



DG Julie Mason, focussing on Basic Education.

Rotary comes to Caroline Springs

Being able to induct a new President and new members that form a new club will certainly be remembered as highlight this Rotary year! Congratulations to Past District Governor Ross Butterworth for his initiative in forming the latest District Rotary Club. Some experienced Rotarians and many members new to Rotary will make a positive difference in this ever increasing community. I look forward to the inaugural project.....will it be a toilet block??



DG Julie with Kathy Hall, Charter President and Ray Lipscombe President of Altona City at the Rotary Club of Caroline Springs Charter Night.

Basic Education & Literacy

My profession as an educator for over forty years enables me to say with absolute certainty that if we do not teach our children to read by seven years of age, they are at risk of underachieving for life. A big statement but none the less true! So what does this mean for Rotary? As an area of focus for the Rotary Foundation we can seek funds to implement projects that assist children at home and abroad to become literate. Well done to Amy from Bendigo Sandhurst Rotary who is starting a project where her fellow Rotarians, including her father, will go to a local primary school and just sit and listen to students read for a half hour. These children would not normally have this happen routinely and are likely to fall behind in their learning.



Dolly and Rotary bringing the gift of literacy to kids across Australia

Then we have our new **Vocational Training Team**, who as a result of District Foundation funds will go to Cambodia in January and provide training in teaching early year English for one hundred teachers from remote village schools. Now I wonder.....what you will do to help a disadvantaged child learn to read, write, speak and listen effectively. What about helping children in our own remote communities, collecting story books that can be sent to children in preschools, providing a story book for every Prep student starting in a local school in 2016. Remember these children will be voting and deciding **our** future so it is in our interests for them to be literate, knowledgeable and prepared for a successful life.

A Visitor to District 9800

I am pleased to host Rotary International Director Guiller Tumangan and wife Letty next week and I am taking them to Donations in Kind. I am very proud of our District DIK store and the amazing work done by dedicated volunteers, clubs that donate so generously and people such as Bob, Laurie, David, Daryl and Lyn who work tirelessly to achieve a 17% increase in containers shipped, the equivalent of over six million dollars in volunteer hours, with 85% of donations received reused in the last Rotary year. Guiller will be impressed I am sure! I made a big statement to Bob Glindemann to the effect that, in my year as District Governor, I would work to encourage every club to donate money to DIK. How about it? Make me look good and donate \$1000 to help keep this District Gem operating so effectively for this year of being a Gift to the World.



Guiller Tumangan and Letty on the cover of the Philippine Rotary magazine.

News Flash

- Check out the letter provided to Presidents and subsequent follow up information provided by John McCaskill Chair if the District Group Vocational Exchange Committee.
- Doing Good in..... Schools Video Competition. Have you approached your local school yet? This is a fantastic opportunity for you to tell the world the great things that you do in Rotary Service.

Enjoy every Rotary moment as you will never get it back again!

UBUNTU.....I am because you are.

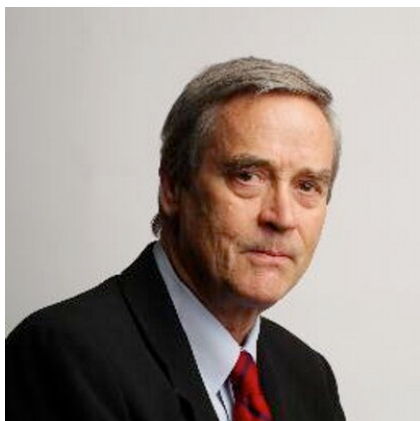
Julie Mason

District Governor 2015-2016



To combat violence, combat alcohol

By Tony Thomas, RC Central Melbourne Sunrise



Tony Walker of FARE.

Tony Walker, a director of the Foundation for Alcohol Research & Education (FARE), is impressed by Rotary's campaigning against domestic violence. But he says success depends on making inroads into the culture of excess alcohol consumption.

In talks to Rotary clubs, he emphasises the pernicious effects of low tax on wine, extended hours for alcohol sales, and saturation of Victoria with licensed liquor outlets.

"Alcohol is involved in 65% of family violence incidents reported to police, and up to 47% of child abuse cases in Australia," he says.

The very powerful alcohol lobby is determined to preserve those aspects, he says, notwithstanding that the number of alcohol-related family violence episodes has doubled in Victoria over the past decade.

Wine is taxed based on the wholesale price, he says, whereas beer and spirit is taxed according to alcohol content. The result is that production and sales of cheap wine have soared, with wine sold as cheaply as 24c per standard drink, little more than the price of bottled water. Heavy drinkers gravitate to the cheapest wines, especially among indigenous communities.

The industry fights against any restriction of trading hours, because every hour that an outlet is open generates extra sales. Victoria also has one liquor outlet for about 200 adults, contrasting with NSW with one per 350 adults.

"There should be a licensing freeze or buy-back in outlet-saturated areas like King Street, and all 24-hour liquor licenses should be revoked," he says.

"Progress is difficult because the alcohol industry lobby spends millions annually on 'government relations' in Canberra and around the country, with the goal of selling as much liquor as possible with the least restrictions and the lowest rate of tax."

Footnote: Tony Walker, international editor of the Financial Review, says close family members' lives have been blighted by alcohol.

To invite a FARE speaker to your club, contact Jeremy Henderson 0425 559 710 or Jeremy.Henderson@fare.org.au More about FARE at <http://www.fare.org.au>



Mayhem on the streets of Brisbane during the Christmas party season.
Picture: Adam Smith



Create your own Club Ambassadors

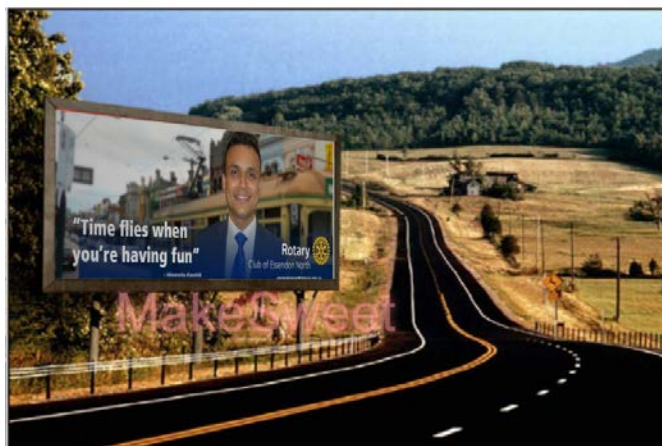
Adrian Nelson, District 9800 Director of Public Image & Communications

We often talk about what makes Rotary special and we as Rotarians enjoy our Clubs. "It's about the projects", we say, or "It's about the feeling we get when doing some good", or even "The chicken dinners are A-mazing!".

But when we think about why we stay members and why we go along to our clubs each week, it's because of the people. We laugh, we cry, we celebrate the good times, and we work together to achieve common goals. The best kept secret about Rotary is that we like the people we mix with!

So when we then move our thoughts to promoting our club, surely it makes sense to then promote the people within our clubs. They (you!) are Rotary's best assets and are the attraction for other like-minded people to join.

our new Club Ambassadors program to help Clubs have their own Ambassadors – their own prominent and interesting Rotarians to help tell their stories.



Nationally, Rotary in Australia started a Rotary Ambassador program a couple of years ago to promote prominent and interesting Rotarians – Rotarians such as Dr Jonathon Welch of the Choir of Hard Knocks, or Rob Pennicott who circumnavigated Australia in the name of Polio eradication. You may have seen the posters, the banners, the billboards.

Of course, people don't join "Rotary Australia", they join Rotary Clubs. For this reason, at this year's District 9800 Success Seminar, we launched

Our first two Club Ambassadors, which we demonstrated as a case study, are Himanshu Kaushik, current President of the Rotary Club of Essendon North, and Belinda Grieve, President of the Rotary E-Club of Melbourne. The Club Ambassadors don't need to be current Presidents, but can be any Rotarian with a story worth telling.

Our District Public Image & Communications committee can help with identifying the right ambassadors and stories for your club, then can show you how to promote them. It may be pull-up banners at your club meetings or next fundraising event, an advertisement in your local newspaper, or for no-cost, a banner ad in your club newsletter, some photos on your club Facebook page, or a short video on YouTube. When that next potential member sees a video of Himanshu and thinks "I'm just like him", they'll love meeting him at the next club meeting and you're half way to snaring your next member.

The Ambassador program is a great way to tell your club's stories and to promote you as well. We can help with templates, with banners, and for you to tell your stories as best you can. Imagine if your club had a banner of every member and their Rotary story!

For more assistance, please e-mail publicimage@rotarydistrict9800.org.au

A Mother's Point of View

By PDG Dr. Rekha Shetty, Rotary Club of Madras Temple City

Mothers love their children in ways that are emotional and sometimes unreasonable. A tame mother cat can turn into a projectile of dangerous fur when her kittens are threatened. Mothers are often forced to make unnatural decisions concerning their children. Here are few examples:

- **Which of my six children will eat today?** Most often, it will be the girl child and the mother who go hungry.
- **Which of my children will live?** Female foeticide has become epidemic in parts of the world, since the magic of ultrasound now allows us to probe the secrets of the most personal of all spaces – the womb – home to the growing foetus.
- **Which of my children will be sold into labour slavery?** A recent front page story in India told about a group of seven to ten year old boys sold for racing camels in Middle East. The cost of a boy sold into this life of intolerable living conditions and stunting, mind-numbing work: US\$70.
- **Which of my children will be sold into sexual slavery?** There is a mountain kingdom in the Himalayas where girls between the ages of 10 and 15 are sold for abuse in brothels. In poor countries, raw hunger forces many mothers to sell their daughters. Cost of a young female body, mind and soul for life: US \$50/-. The cost of a buffalo will be more than US\$300/-



The Rotarian Action Group for Population and Development (RFPD) works on the problems which mothers face every day. We need to address the concerns of poor families. Parents love their children. If they are forced to behave otherwise, it is because they have more children than they can care for. "Over population" is the enemy of happy families.

Like a mother drained of life by a dozen hungry children, Mother Earth is also a victim of population imbalance. The Earth is losing its capacity to nurture us, her children. There are too many people competing for too few resources. Razing forests has exacerbated the monsoons. Rivers are drying up and water from bore wells are turning salty from drought. A third of all children below the age of five in developing countries die unnecessarily, because they do not have clean water to drink. Some say the next global war will be fought over water.

Maternal and child health is one of the Rotary's six areas of focus. We have the power to influence nations and to change values. Rotary is the perfect organisation to handle this root cause that now threatens life, and the earth. Everyone in the world wants happy families. Happy families prevent conflict, deter terrorism and prevent war. The population topic has already attracted over 20,000 Rotary families from around the world to join the Rotarian Action Group for Population and Development (RFPD), Rotary's largest Action Group. Hundreds of successful Rotary population projects worth approximately US \$ 23,51,741,000 have been completed since 1993.

Don't forget these families striving to stay afloat in the sea of uncertain conditions. To them, this is a matter of life and death.

To know more, go to <http://www.rifpd.org> or <http://www.maternal-health.org>

Transport trials and tribulations in Timor Leste

By Leopoldina Guterres

A few weeks ago I was in Dili hospital supporting the care of my sister's daughter, Benvinda who was in intensive care after a motor-cycle accident.

I went directly from the hospital to the Dili bus which left at 1.30am for Baucau. A street-vendor came on the bus so I bought 3 apples and we arrived in Baucau before 6am in time to catch the morning truck to Baguia.

For four hours I walked between the bus station and the market trying to see if there was any truck going to Baguia - but none. At noon I carried my bags the half kilometre to my sister's house and sat on the verandah, as she was still in Dili and I waited for her children to come from school. At 12.30 my nephew rang to say there was a truck for Baguia and he came and helped me quickly carry my bags back to the bus station. I stood in the truck as it drove around Baucau town for 30 minutes, but there were only 3 passengers, so they said "we will not go to Baguia today".

I walked back to my sister's house and after a while my nephew rang that the truck had found a load of cement and was now going to Baguia. Back to the truck where I sat on top of the cement bags feeling ill. But at Larisula village I was the only passenger left, so the truck driver said he would not drive the extra one hour to Baguia. I had three bags and a small box, which was too much for one bike on the very rough and pot-holed Baguia road. So I rang a family member and teacher who have bikes, but they were further past Baguia and took a long time to get down to Larisula. But with two bikes I finally arrived home at 8pm.

I was exhausted and felt weak having only eaten the 3 apples all day. My girls greeted me with rice porridge before I fell into bed after my 19 hour ordeal to travel a mere 195 kms!

Benvinda is now out of hospital, but it will be a long, slow recovery.



Photos: Trucks that leave on time rarely have a lack of Baguia "passengers"



Leopoldina Guterres is a teacher in Baguia, an isolated rural district in Timor, 195 Km from Dili and 43 Km inland from Baucau. A support group, "Friends of Baguia" have a nice Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/friendsbaguia>

Rotary Clubs are becoming aware of their needs: In June, Hawthorn Rotary signed a three-year MOU with Friends of Baguia, and has committed funding for University and Technical College Scholarships.

Why did you join Rotary?

From Rotary Weekly

Jennifer Jacobson, a police constable in Chatham-Kent, Ontario, Canada, took part in a Rotary-sponsored Group Study Exchange (GSE) to Japan in 2009 after reading a post by a colleague and former participant.

"It was a life-changing experience, absolutely fantastic," says Jacobson, who joined a physical therapist, a music therapist, and a retail manager on the trip. "Because they had limited translators, we went everywhere together and learned about each other's professions. Our Japanese hosts made sure we experienced everything."

"What really hooked me on Rotary, though, was the experience I got from the Rotarians in Japan. The kindness and the support and the welcoming nature were overwhelming."

A few years later, Jacobson was accepted into the three-month Rotary Peace Center program at [Chulalongkorn University in Thailand](#). The experience cemented her decision to join Rotary.

"I had thought about it after the GSE but now I knew I had to," says Jacobson. "Rotary has given me so much. I couldn't not be a part of it."

As a police department peace officer, Jacobson deals with child abuse cases and sometimes sees the worst of humanity. But the goodness she sees in her fellow club members keeps her excited about Rotary.

"When I go to those meetings one hour a week and I see people wanting to do good things in the community, I always leave feeling so happy," she says. "I leave knowing there are really good people. That's why I stay. That and the many good experiences I have had in Rotary."

We recently asked members around the world to share their reasons for joining.

- [Read some of the responses](#)
- [Tell us your story on Facebook](#)
- [Discover a dozen ways to make a difference](#)



*Photo: August, Membership and New Club Development Month, is an ideal time to discuss membership strategies for the year.
Photo Credit: Rotary International/Monika Lozinska*

The first four Rotarians:

Silvester Schiele, Paul P. Harris, Hiram Shorey, and Gustavus Loehr, circa 1905-1912.

IPTC - Creator: Walinger

IPTC - Credit: Courtesy of Rotary International



Why Ivy likes the Rotary Ethos

By Tony Thomas, RC Central Melbourne Sunrise

Ivy Bao is the newest recruit to RC Central Melbourne-Sunrise, inducted on August 25.

She came to Australia in 2013 from the north-western Chinese city of Dun Huang. She discovered Rotary when her Economics teacher, Newton Langford of RC Glenferrie, took her to the Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA) at Camp Getaway, Axedale, last May. "I enjoyed very much seeing the school students debating and showing their knowledge of other countries," Ivy says.



"I like the values of Rotary people, they are good and kind. From them, I found the values which I am seeking. Like them, I want to help others through a Rotary group.

Whether Rotarians are my age or older, I can learn from them. White-haired people have much more life experience than me. That is of great value to me and I am happy to pass on these good values to others as well. I want to be a volunteer on our club projects like the new CBD Farmers' Market in Goldsbrough Lane."

Ivy started learning English at age 10. "Because I am a teacher, I know that I still make English mistakes every time I open my mouth," she says. "I must try to improve."

Apart from Mandarin and English, she has also learnt French and some Japanese. "I'm always ready to learn, it's my attitude to life and how I spend my leisure," she says.

Ivy's background in China was 17 years in teaching students aged from 8 to 16 and four years as a sales director.

In Australia she has already earned two Master degrees (Management), in Marketing and in International Business. She studied in the Melbourne campus of Central Queensland University. "The courses were a struggle but eventually I overcame the difficulties," she says.

She is currently working around 40 hours a week as a cleaner at a shopping centre, and hopes eventually to find a job involved with Marketing or International Business in Australia. "I don't want to simply keep working physically but to use my skills and potential. I am happy to accept any job which is better than a cleaner. "Her hobbies include Tai Chi, reading, movies and travel.

Welcome New Members

Tony McManus (right) was inducted into the Rotary Club of Albert Park by President Chris Catchlove on Wednesday 12th August. Tony was a former member of The Rotary Club of Geelong Central 2012-2015.



Ian Gillies (left) joined Hawthorn Rotary on 11th August. Ian's Classification is "Wealth Management", so watch this space . . .



How So Many Psychopaths Manage to Reach Positions of Power

From the Journal of Forensic Psychiatry and Psychology

How do so many psychopaths slip into positions of power without being detected?

People with psychopathic tendencies who also have high IQs can hide their true personalities, new research finds.



It helps explain how people who are dangerous risk-takers are able to fake their way into powerful management positions.

The conclusions come from a study to be published in the *Journal of Forensic Psychiatry and Psychology*, which was inspired by the unusually high levels of psychopaths amongst business managers (Bate et al., 2014).

Research has found that while around 1% of the general population are psychopaths, the level rises to 3% amongst business managers.

Carolyn Bate, the study's first author, said:

"I thought that intelligence could be an explanation for this, and it could be a problem if there are increased numbers of psychopaths at a high level in business.

The figure could be more than three per cent, because if people are aware they are psychopathic they can also lie – they are quite manipulative and lack empathy.

The psychopaths in business are quite different from the lurid picture painted by the media, Bate explained:

"The ones who are at the top of businesses are often charming and intelligent, but with emotional deficits, as opposed to psychopaths who are quite erratic and tend to commit gruesome crimes and are often caught and imprisoned."

This article has nothing to do with Rotary, but I just thought you'd like to know. - Ed.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Clarice,

Re: Australian Rotary Summit and Rotary Youth Summit Conference

<http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org/news/12825/rotary-australia-success-conference>

I am planning to travel to Canberra by car, leaving mid-morning on Friday 04 Sept, and leaving to return immediately after the conference closes around midday Sunday 06 Sept.

There are likely to be other travelers in a similar situation, so it makes sense to co-ordinate transport, which I'm happy to do.

Anyone wishing to join me, please give me a call.

Thanks

Ron Stark 0418 129 922

Mail: ronstark@streamscape.com.au



Ron's car does not look like this - Ed.

How to Make News

Every week, you open your copy of *The Networker* and read about people just like you who are working on great service projects just like yours. Occasionally, you say to yourself - Hey, why don't I ever see my club in here?

In any given month, a sizable number of the 1.2 million Rotarians in the more than 32,000 clubs around the world ask the same question.

Despite the hard work that goes into Rotary projects, only a few appear in your magazine.

At *The Networker* we can give you the opportunity to showcase your projects to other clubs in District 9800. Just supply us with the news – I'm sure every club has a wordsmith who can put a newsworthy article together.

What tips the scales in favor of the submissions that end up as magazine articles?



1. Great photos.

Strong photographs greatly increase your chance of receiving coverage. The best photos are compelling action shots – a doctor performing surgery, a polio immunization team at work, villagers pumping water from their new well. We prefer to receive digital photos by e-mail.

-The file format must be either .tif or .jpg. Photos embedded in Word documents, Powerpoint presentations, PDFs, or e-mail are difficult, or not usable.

2. A newsworthy story. Ask yourself the following questions:

- Is it timely? Keep in mind that we work one week ahead.
- Is it unusual? Point out what makes your project unique or innovative. Everyone holds fundraisers – what makes yours interesting enough to be included in *The Networker*?
- Can other clubs adopt it? Let us know if the project has been, or could be, replicated by other clubs.
- How did you measure the result?
- Who was helped? Is there an inspiring story to be told?

If we decide to cover your story, we may contact you for more information, so don't forget to include the names and phone numbers of the Rotarians who made the project happen.

Contact The Networker at networker@rotarydistrict9800.org.au

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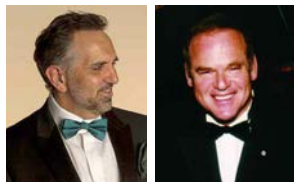
To increase the chances of your club's work being featured in *The Networker*, here's what to avoid:

1. Orchestrated group shots or photos of people shaking hands, receiving checks, or otherwise posed and smiling for the camera
2. News of fundraising dinners, check presentations, and dedication ceremonies that didn't involve much action
3. Stories that reveal a strong political bias
4. Accounts of district conferences or other meetings
5. Requests for publicity to help get a project off the ground

Notices and Events

THE MASTERCLASS AND
CONCERT PROGRAM PRESENTS

Kogosowski and Chindamo *From Chopin to Chindamo*



Joe Chindamo, Australia's formidable jazz pianist and internationally acclaimed composer, joins Alan Kogosowski, Australia's great classical pianist and international recognized authority on the music of Chopin, in an exciting concert combining classical and jazz - and showing that perhaps there's not that much difference after all.

Sunday 13th September, 3pm



Monash University Peninsula Campus is committed to community engagement. This includes engagement with the Frankston City Council, Mornington Peninsula Shire Council, local schools, hospitals, industry and the community at large. As part of this engagement we are showcasing a number of performances, classical, jazz and musical theatre at our George Jenkins Theatre under the guidance of renowned concert pianist Mr Alan Kogosowski. This initiative will be part of the innovative 'Masterclass and Concert Program', and will include masterclasses to students from area schools in conjunction with the gala performances, which will be open to everyone in the community. You will not be disappointed."

Prof Leon Piterman AM
Pro-Vice Chancellor



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EXHIBITION RUNS
Tues 25 August – Sun 13 September 2015

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254 Neerim Road
Carnegie
Gallery hours:
Tues–Sun 8.30am–4pm

OFFICIAL OPENING
Saturday 29 August 2015, 3.30pm

Exhibition will be opened by
Alan Kogosowski, Concert Pianist.
Alan will be giving a brief talk on
"Influences between Music and Visual Art"
followed by a short piano recital.

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DOING GOOD SCHOOLS VIDEO COMPETITION



You can make your Rotary Club look amazing by simply telling the stories your Club already has.

Our aim is for every Rotary Club in our District produce a short video of less than one minute. All video entries will feature on our YouTube and Facebook pages, with each short video shown at our Bendigo Conference in March 2016 for the Cluster Presentations.

Entries open August 2015 and close 20th November 2015.

We recognise that not every club has the technical expertise to do this, so we have created a competition for local schools - as the students **do** have this expertise! - for our "Doing Good" Schools Video Competition. You just need to contact your local schools to invite them to be part of it.

The story could be about an interview with a members, your life-changing international service projects, or a local fundraising effort. School students will be amazed about what stories Rotary has to tell.



OUR DISTRICT'S BIGGEST PUBLIC IMAGE INITIATIVE THIS YEAR

WIN \$1000 FOR LOCAL SCHOOLS NEAR YOUR ROTARY CLUB

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Bendigo Concert

After a \$30m makeover, the old Bendigo gaol, now the new Ulumbarra theatre, is the main venue for our District Conference next year.

We now have an early opportunity to get a taste of what "life inside" will be like in advance. The Rotary Club of Bendigo South are hosting a fundraising concert on **Sunday 27th September** at the Ulumbarra theatre featuring Australia's First Lady of song, Marina Prior, together with the Victoria Welsh Choir. Members and friends of Rotary District 9800 are invited to "do some time" at this special event.

Marina Prior and the Victoria Welsh Choir appear at 2pm, Sunday September 27 at Ulumbarra Theatre Bendigo. Tickets on sale now at www.gotix.com.au or phone the box office on 5434 6100. Entry is \$40 or \$36 with concessions and \$20 for children.



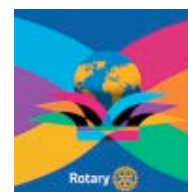
Charter of Rotary Club of Caroline Springs

28th August, 2015, 7.30pm till late

Slices Restaurant, 2 Lake St., Caroline Springs.

You are invited to the Charter Night of the new Rotary Club of Caroline Springs on 28th August 2015. The Invitation and Booking form is attached and you are encouraged to attend and support the newest Rotary Club in the world.

http://rotarydistrict9800.com.au/images/Caroline_Springs_Charter_Invitation.pdf



Stay informed on Rotary events:

http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org/notices_and_events_future

ROTARY ALBERT PARK 2015 Footy Breakfast

Special Guest Speaker, former Collingwood Premiership player, Gavin Crosisca. To be held **Friday, 25th September**, at the Carousel, on Albert Park lake, all proceeds will go to a literacy program we are running for disadvantaged children in the local area, as well as other Club projects for the local community.

Tickets are \$70 for a sumptuous sit down cooked breakfast with all the trimmings. Metered parking is available at the front door and in Aughtie Drive. Start time is 7am for 7,30 and we'll finish at 9am.

For Bookings: www.trybooking.com/155504



Join us to celebrate International Day for Older Persons

6 October 2015

60, there's still work to do! – tickets now on sale

The Victorian Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Commission and COTA Victoria would like to invite you to hear from our distinguished panel of speakers who have made their mark before and after 65 years of age and join the conversation about the value older workers bring to our workplaces. Moderated by journalist Geraldine Doogue, this event will dispel some common myths about older workers and celebrate their experience, contribution and insights.

Date
Tuesday 6 Oct 2015
7.15am–9am, includes breakfast

Venue
RACV Club, 501 Bourke St
Melbourne

Tickets
Single \$75 (\$70 early bird)
Standard table \$690 (\$650 early bird)
Corporate table \$750
Sponsorship opportunities available

Panel:



Moderator
Geraldine Doogue
TV/Radio presenter



John Cain
Former Premier of Victoria



Andrea Hull
Chair ABC Advisory Council



Harrison Young
Non-Executive Director at
Commonwealth Bank of Australia



Lois Peeler
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Dates for your Diary

RAWCS Southern Region Information and Training Weekend

"AN INVITATION TO ALL" District 9820 has the honor of hosting the 2015 RAWCS Southern Region Information and Training weekend, incorporating all Victorian and Tasmanian Rotary Districts.

29th and 30th AUGUST. At The Latrobe Valley Convention Centre in Traralgon. See more at:

http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org/notices_and_events_future#sth.ash.Psl43H0j.dpuf

The 2015 Rotary Success Conference and Youth Summit

will be held at the Hellenic Club, Canberra on **5 – 6 September 2015.**

This conference is an affordable conference as the price of \$120 per person covers, morning teas, lunch, afternoon tea and the Saturday night dinner. It will commence at 8.30am on the Saturday morning and conclude at 12.30pm on the Sunday.

Register now at:

<http://www.rotaryd9710.org.au/success-conference.html>



Foundation Grants Seminar

- Is your Club considering a local or international project?
- Would you like to know if Foundation may be able to assist you with finance?
- If you are considering an international project of some scale would you like to know
- if other clubs may be able to assist with finance?
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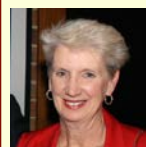
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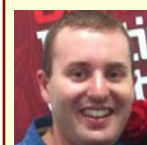
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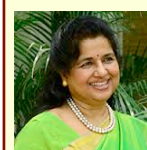
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