



### **Donations in Kind's**

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## Donations in Kind's Magical gift!

Bob Glindemann is passionate about Donations in Kind. Every word is effused with his energy, enthusiasm and passion for a multi district project which is the epitome of service and encompasses recycling as its heart.

Bob, together with Laurie Fisher, David Dippie and a team of stalwart volunteers has been embedded in the Somerville Road site since 2007. What began as a project by the Rotary Club of West Footscray has become DiK Inc. encompassing 16 clubs and 4 clusters across 4 Rotary Districts – 9790, 9800, 9810 and 9820.

Bob tells me that there are 2 things that Donations in Kind needs: money and arms and legs. They have challenges with both and people who know DIK and volunteer there really understand the need for both.

Recently, a Rotarian who understands that need has surprised Bob, Laurie and David with a marvellous donation. This substantial sum has enabled them to purchase a new van and a pallet wrapper; it has allowed for servicing and updating of the old van. Both vans now sport new up to date livery and signage and now enable collection of bigger loads in fewer trips.

Previously collection of 20 hospital beds would require multiple trips. With the new van, that pick up can now be done in one trip using both vans.

The donors wish to remain anonymous and we respect that decision. Needless to say, they truly understand what DIK has done in the past and the many opportunities there for future projects.

**That said, that donation doesn't pay the rent or** operational expenses. Those expenses mount to around \$150,000 each year and that is covered by club contributions. The donation was specifically targeted to infrastructure hence the van and pallet wrapper.



When I visited this week, I saw firsthand the new truck in action. It had been to Frankston that morning to collect a donation of 2 items of anaesthetic equipment from Peninsula Health. Equipment in perfect condition which had been used just last week and was now bound for a international hospital project.

And, President Jenny Foster and her team from Essendon Rotary were hard at work sorting, repacking and labelling boxes of medical equipment ready to be loaded into a container to Cambodia.

**But it's not just international** projects which DIK supports.

There are many local community projects which source their materials from DIK including **Prahran's Sewing Project** and **Flemington's Literacy Project**



The place was a hive of activity, energy, fellowship and goodwill in the very air! Why wouldn't you want to be involved?



## *Donations in Kind is moving—across the road*

At the same time, due to proposed rises in rental costs, Donations in Kind is moving. Not a long way, in fact just across the road, one shed closer to Somerville Road to Shed 39.

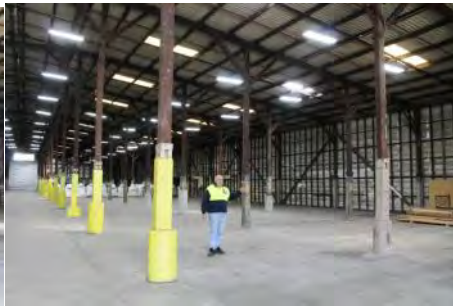


Somerville Road



DIK has been located in Shed 40 for a number of years and has had generous support from Larkfield Estates, but the reality of land tax costs and other expenses was urging higher rental.

They offered Shed 39 at a smaller rental increase thus the move. This is also a great opportunity to stocktake just **what is stored in the shed. As Bob said, some stock has been there for several years and hasn't been required so it is time for a Spring Clean.** All stock needs to be taken down from the racks; the racks dismantled and relocated to Shed 39, where all bays have been reallocated with a clearer and more efficient design and arrangement. The pallets then have to be restacked and recorded for future projects.



The sorting and moving has commenced but the bulk of the work will be done in October and November and every club is needed to assist with this. Shed 39 will have a large new tea room, a conference room and office, and toilets for both men and women.



There is painting to be done too, but the electrical, plumbing and carpentry work will be done by Rotarian tradesmen who contribute their time and expertise already.

All Clubs are asked to contact Bob {0418 102 702} or Laurie {0428 550 574 }and commit to a working bee date to help with the move. After all, it is your stock and your store.

[rotarydik.org/](http://rotarydik.org/)

## ***Districts' Decade Of Police Mentoring***

The Victoria Police Leaders Mentoring Breakfast on September 19th brought together top police, four Rotary Districts, a dozen Rotary clubs and mentors reaching back to the program's start ten years ago. Ninety attendees at the RACV venue celebrated a decade of one of Victoria's landmark Rotary programs.

Ambulance Victoria is now talking with Rotary for a parallel program in mentoring for its future leaders. District 9800 Governor Peter Frueh says 204 police from Senior Sergeants to Assistant and Deputy Commissioners have paired with Rotary, business and community organisers to improve their leadership, problem-solving and outreach.

In 2016-17 fifteen Senior Sergeants and their mentors finished the course. For the past several years Rotary has handled one-on-one mentoring of the Senior Sergeants, to boost their front-line community involvement. The mentors, all Rotarians, also pass on their business and organisational know-how. Higher-ranking police are mentored by senior business executives in a spin-off from Rotary's original program.

At the breakfast VicPol's Chief Commissioner Graeme Ashton said by video-link that his three current deputies had all done the program. "That speaks volumes about the benefits," he said. "You're now challenging our people on the community front-line to find new perspectives and check their assumptions. The program's longevity shows how effective Rotary's been."



The Senior Sergeant and mentor pairs meet once or twice a month for a year. The senior sergeants often bring in other colleagues informally. The program creates safe spaces where issues can be aired that are hard to air in the police confines.

Present was VicPol Assistant Commissioner Jack Blayney who was mentored several years ago. Also present were Acting Assistant Commissioners Sharon Cowden and Cindy Miller.

Rotary Districts were represented by District 9810's District Governor Malcolm Chiverton, District 9820's Don Ripper, and District 9780's Assistant Governor Andrew Pipkorn. District 9800 was represented by District Governor Peter Frueh, District Governor Elect Bronwyn Stephens, Immediate Past District Governor Neville John and Assistant Governor Kate Strain.

Club Presidents, Mentors and members came from Melbourne, Flemington, Kew, Prahran, Maffra, Portland, Horsham, Bayswater, Chelsea, Nunawading, Rowville-Listerfield, Mt Waverley, and Central Melbourne.

One table comprised those who pioneered the exercise in 2007 – Steve Hallis, Keith Frampton, John Meehan, Kevin Scott, Michael Dixon, and Stephen Brown, backed by then-Rotary Central Melbourne President John Ilott.

Assistant Commissioner Kevin Casey, who chairs the ten person steering committee, said the senior sergeant cadre was in the vanguard of VicPol's community-liaison drive.

"Police are good at solving problems and getting straight to the point. But in the past they operated mostly from a perspective of a lifelong career only in policing," he said.



"My own mentor was a female younger than me, who provided a non-judgmental sounding board, insights and options for experiments."

Casey said typical feedback from his people included "impressive, innovative, inclusive and high levels of leadership and networking."

PICTURED: Michael Stillwell, Alan Searle and Assistant Commissioner Kevin Casey



He praised the steering committee work of Michael Stillwell of the Stillwell Motor Racing and sales group, and Alan Seale (ex-chair of City West Water). The pair has concluded four years' work creating the structures and recruitment drives for the grass-roots mentoring. The committee has four senior police, three business leaders and three Rotary members.

Other speakers included Peter Batten (District 9810's Rotary Club of Chelsea) on highlights of his mentoring, and mentee Senior Sergeant Jeff Cocks from North West Region Crime Squad.



Raffle proceeds of \$1140 will be shared by VicPol Legacy and the CBD Youth Homeless Program.

Senior Sgt Paul Gauci was upset by the **decline of a kids' soccer club in his Dandenong area**, with parents unable to afford costs, fees and upkeep.

He posed the problem to his Rotary mentor who showed him ways to get the local **council's support**.

It started small with money for balls and fees. But soon it led to whole-of-family **involvement with kids' parents doing Zumba classes** and brothers and sisters joining a homework club. Next thing, the powerful Melbourne Victory soccer club **came in with a pledge of two years' jumpers, coaching and gear**.

And then, **the Football Federation ok'd the halving of the club's annual dues**. Within a year, the Dandenong club grew from two to six mixed teams, with a hundred youngsters signed up.

**"The club bring smiles to the kid's faces, and we hope it will also make them see police in a different light,"** Senior Sgt Gauci says, thanking the Rotary initiative.

Sen Sgt Gauci with the soccer team and Melbourne Victory community coach Anastazia Andrew



These pictures courtesy photographer Andrew Henshaw and Police Life magazine. [http://www.police.vic.gov.au/content.asp?Document\\_ID=1219](http://www.police.vic.gov.au/content.asp?Document_ID=1219)

By Tony Thomas, Rotary Central Melbourne

## ***Lift the Lid ... a campaign that really matters***

Having been the celebrant at over a thousand funerals, which involves meeting and talking with the families prior to the service, I have seen a lot of family grief. Nothing is more shattering than the suicide death of a daughter or son.

The occasion I remember most was the totally unexpected action taken by a young man, well off, outgoing, with the world in front of him. He was a friend of my daughter through their school life and had just embarked on what was shaping as a successful business career. In his early twenties, he still lived at home with his parents and younger sister, and family life was good.

Then, on this particular night, the young man had been partying in the city with friends and, **because he'd had a few drinks, left his car and took a taxi home.** He had been upbeat all night and there was not a sign of what was to come.

Fact is, his mother went into his bedroom in the morning to check on him. What she saw has changed her life forever. Her beloved son was hanging lifeless from the ceiling light fitting.

When I met with the family in their home two days later, the grief from father and sister was harrowing enough but from Mum, there was a sorrow that was beyond any comforting.

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It was only after joining the Board of Australian Rotary Health in 2013 that I learned about the extent and ongoing impact of mental illness in our country. Now, as Chairman for the next three years, I believe we in Rotary can change things for the better in the future by increasing research into mental illness prevention.

**That's what *Lift the Lid on Mental Illness* is all about, supporting researchers as they look for answers. They tell me that given time and opportunity, most mental illness will be preventable. Professor Michael Sawyer, Medical Adviser to the ARH Board, explains the value of research quite simply when he says that it wasn't that long ago that if you had conditions like diabetes and gangrene, you died. It was only after thousands of hours of research that successful treatment was developed.**

An important plank of our Lift the Lid strategy will be our **Adopt A Scientist** campaign. This will be an ongoing initiative where the public and business sectors are invited to support an area of mental illness they choose, and **donate online. It's wonderful that media advertising company Dentsu Mitchell is helping us on a pro bono basis in promoting Adopt a Scientist.**

From October, there will be nine areas of mental illness research that we are targetting.

These are: Depression, Anxiety, Youth Mental Health, Suicide and self-harm, PTSD (post traumatic stress disorder), Substance abuse, Eating and body disorder, Schizophrenia/bipolar, and Dementia.



For Rotarians from District 9800 Clubs approaching the general public in October this year (Mental Health Month), we invite them to collect for Lift the Lid in any legal way they choose. Clubs will need to provide their own collection containers and remember, as our District Director of Governance David Whiting reminds us, we all have to be compliant with the relevant Victorian regulations.

Some collecting may be done at suburban rail stations (we have a permit from Metro Trains). The bigger emphases this year will be for individual Rotarians liaising with their local coffee shop to get support for Lift the Lid, and for those Clubs manning an awareness table at Bunnings stores on 7 & 8 October.

Details have been sent to all Clubs and those wishing to continue with their annual Hat Day activities are encouraged to do so.

While Australian Rotary Health will continue to run its other successful programs, such as Indigenous Scholars and Funding Partners, *Lift the Lid on Mental Illness* will be our main focus nationally for at least three years.

**The challenge to improve Australia's long-term mental health is there for all of us. That's something in which Rotary can make a huge difference...and we will.**



*Gregory Ross,  
Chairman, Australian Rotary Health*

**Be Careful When You LIFT THE LID—ADVICE FROM DISTRICT GOVERNANCE DIRECTOR DAVID WHITING**

In the last week or so, every Rotary Club in Victoria will have received a request from Australian Rotary Health to fundraise for the campaign "LIFT THE LID" in the period October 1 to October 10. You will have been sent material, and provided with suggestions as to how that fundraising might be undertaken.

If your Rotary Club is not registered as a fundraiser with Consumer Affairs, then some of the activities that have been suggested for fundraising purposes will put your Club in breach of the legislation and potentially subject to criminal prosecution and a fine. District 9800 cares about your Club and its reputation, and that of your members. We do not want to see the Club or its members exposed, nor do we want to see the Clubs undertake unnecessary risks.

I read that definition to mean that if you (as an individual) are collecting money on behalf of an organisation (your Rotary Club) for the purpose of giving that money to Australian Rotary Health, then:-

- a. A fundraising appeal is occurring; and
- b. You, as an individual, are participating in a fundraising appeal.

Soliciting or receiving any money or benefit for the purpose of the appeal, constitutes participating in the appeal.

Fundraisers need to be registered.

Section 17A of the Fundraising Act has the effect of requiring anyone who conducts a fundraising appeal to be registered by the Director of Consumer Affairs as a fundraiser, unless an exemption applies.

Please note that a number of exemptions apply. The regulation that (in my view) might apply to some Rotary Clubs is an exemption for "organisations that receive less than \$10,000.00 gross in a financial year from fundraising, and not paid for conducting the fundraising and use only unpaid volunteers".

In short, if:-

- a. You are conducting or propose to conduct a fundraising appeal;
- b. You receive or anticipate receiving \$10,000.00 or more in a financial year from fundraising, then you need to be registered with the Director of Consumer Affairs as a fundraiser.

Are you registered?

The Consumer Affairs website contains a database of fundraisers who are registered in Victoria. Of the Clubs in District 9800, 47 of them are not registered as fundraisers. If you are not registered, you have the following choices:-

- a. Register as a fundraiser (which I would suggest you do in any event); OR
- b. Not raise any more than \$10,000.00 in any financial year; OR
- c. Only conduct activities that are exceptions from the definition of fundraising under the Act.

If you propose to collect money from the public by the use of collection tins in circumstances where you will be identified by the badges that you wear, then you need to be aware that the tins need to be numbered, and their emptying audited, and you also need to be aware that your Rotary badges will not be identifying badges within the meaning of the legislation.

THIS IS AN EXTRACT FROM AN EMAIL SENT TO ALL CLUBS BY DISTRICT SECRETARY MARJORIE GERLINGER ON 18/9/17



# FORaMEAL Project

The Rotary Club of Canterbury supplies nutritious foods to people in need. These people are those in a crisis situation arising from natural disasters like droughts, floods, earthquakes, typhoons and fires. The products are classified as Fortified Blended Foods (FBF) by the United Nations World Food Program

In July, the Club sent food packs sufficient for 37,000 meals to 4 Rotary Clubs in the Philippines. One of these Clubs was the RC Cainta in Manila. The packs sent to this Club have now been distributed to evacuees from Marawi where there is major conflict currently proceeding. The net result of this conflict is that the evacuees are living in a tent city but have little food let alone nutritious food like our food packs provided.

Recently, the Eastside Cluster participated in a packing night, including DG Peter Frueh and Anne. These packs were some of those sent to RC Cainta. Jeng Liban from RC Cainta who organised the distribution was the team leader of the GVE team in Julie Mason's year as DG.



When disasters occur in developing countries they mostly affect financially deprived communities. Nutritious food and water are usually in short supply. Mothers and children are particularly affected. The FORaMEAL packs are more nutritious than the usually supplied rice.

White Rice alone provides food for energy with little other nutrition. The FORaMEAL 400 g food packs provide a rice, oats and lentil meal with added vitamins and minerals for 5-6 people, giving four times the protein level of just white rice.

Rotarians and other groups volunteer to prepare and ship food packs containing Oats, Rice, Lentils and a sachet of Vitamins and Minerals to a disaster vulnerable area. They are securely stored in the target countries by a local Rotary Club or local Government until required, usually by indigent communities. These organisations also manage the inventory and distribution. The FORaMEAL packs are distributed FREE OF CHARGE to recipients. The preparation and labelling of the FORaMEAL products are done to comply with all regulations as if they were to be sold commercially in the recipient country.



The consumer prepares the food with hot water in the same way they would normally prepare the cereals with hot water. The sachet of Vitamins and Minerals are added to the boiled cereals.

Illustrated directions for use are printed on each pack. The prepared food is designed to be bland in flavor. It can be supplemented with local ingredients, if available, that will accommodate most regional tastes.

Story and photos courtesy of Doug Hawley, RC Canterbury and Anne Frueh, RC North Balwyn



# Vale Roger Fasken— Rotary Club of Kew

Roger Fasken died at home in the presence of his family on 14th September after a rapid deterioration since the **Rotary Club of Kew's 50th anniversary lunch in June.**

Roger joined Richmond Rotary in 1978 and Kew in 1990. He embraced the Rotary principles and Rotary was an important part of his life for nearly 40 years. Over that time his contribution to Kew and to District was substantial, effective and significant.

He held a wide range of club offices, both at Richmond and Kew, including a successful year as our President in 1994-95. He also made an important contribution to District, beginning with the RAWCS committee following his presidency, where he began by helping with the management of donated goods in a precursor to the Donations in Kind store.

But it was practical overseas aid projects which gave him most satisfaction. He led a team of 4 from our club to the island of Savaii, Samoa to install water tanks after cyclone damage, and later travelled with another team to Mount Hagen in Papua New Guinea, on another water tank project.

He was Chairman of RAWCS for 5 years during which he went on 2 other international visits to assess needs and plan projects for District, and later, working with Bob Crozier, he coordinated the collection of over \$600,000 for shelter box at the height of its popularity.



On another occasion, in response to an idea of Don McKinnon, he helped organise the raising of \$50000 for a CARE project to rebuild a bridge on the Rive Hung in Laos and with Don, travelled to the site with a group of supporters. Later he visited Dili with Jill to assess the soap making project.

Roger became a member of the Paul Harris Society in 2010 and he has been a great advocate for the work of Foundation.

Roger enjoyed wonderful support in all his Rotary endeavours from Elaine. They were together, an important pillar on which the reputation of our club was built.

He was generous with his time and resources in his support of Rotary projects, he led by example and he earned our respect and gratitude, I will miss his integrity, enthusiasm and his friendship.



PP Murray Chessell

# North Balwyn's Men's Shed opens for business

The **North Balwyn Community Men's Shed**, an initiative of RC North Balwyn, has been officially and jointly opened by the Member for Kooyong in the Federal Parliament, Josh Frydenberg and the Mayor of the City of Boroondara, Councillor Phillip Healey.

Development of the **North Balwyn Community Men's Shed** has been a joint effort supported by the City of Boroondara, which has invested \$350,000 into the project, the Federal Government which provided funding through its Stronger Communities Program for fit out and equipment, and the RC of North Balwyn.

The new Men's Shed is situated in Buchanan Avenue at the site of the North Balwyn Bowling Club which is strongly supporting the project.

The Men's Shed objectives are to advance the health and well-being of members by providing a safe, happy environment where skilled and unskilled men can pursue hobbies, pastimes and interests, learn new skills or practice and pass on old skills and learn about health and well-being.



President of RC North Balwyn, Rob Head, Club member and Chair of the Men's Shed Board, Tony Hart, The Mayor of Boroondara Councillor Phillip Healey and the Minister for Energy & Environment and member for Kooyong Josh Frydenberg

Development of the Shed exemplifies the spirit of Rotary. RC North Balwyn has been working on project since 2013 lead by an active group of Rotarians including Tony Hart, David Cheney, Bernie Smith, Greg Matthews, Garth Symington, Peter Elliott and Ian Mollison. Jeanette Leigh has developed the Men's Shed website and past member Geoff Griffiths has been closely associated with the project.



LEFT: Interior of the shed with tools displayed.

RIGHT: DGE Bronwyn Stephens with PDG and honorary RC North Balwyn member John Reddish.



The membership of the Club contributed to the fundraising and the preparation of the facility and Canterbury Girls High School, Boroondara Park Primary School, Bunnings and the North Balwyn Bowling Club have all helped by providing tools, equipment and other services.

RC North Balwyn President, Rob Head has thanked all who have helped create a first class Men's Shed facility in North Balwyn.

The Shed will be open between 10 am and 2 pm each Monday and Thursday.

Further detail is available at the Men's Shed website: <https://www.northbalwynmensshed.com/>

Tony Wells



## Rotary Friendship Exchanges

Fellowship is the cement that binds together all the activities of Rotary. Without such fellowship, our motto of "Service above Self" would not be achievable. Rotary Fellowship happens at many levels. It starts at the Club. When I attend my Rotary Club of Keilor on a Tuesday night, I look forward to meeting my many friends. I can illustrate this experience by referring to my good Rotarian friend Jeanette Lynch. We have been good friends for many years and enjoy each other's company and when my wife Pauline attends Rotary with me the conversation between Jeanette and Pauline seems endless.

In my case the fellowship has extended beyond the Club level. Jeanette and I have discovered and revelled in the greater world on International Fellowships of Rotary. We have both been involved in the travelling Fellowship of Rotary, I.T.H.F. and have made many friends as a result of this. This then grew to our involvement in the Rotary Friendship Exchanges to meet and be hosted by overseas Rotarians. We remember with great joy our visits to Oregon and Newfoundland

Our bond of Fellowship grew to the level that when the opportunity to holiday together arose we agreed to travel together and we are now together on an enjoyable cruise on the coast of Croatia and having a wonderful time for 2 weeks.



In a sense we ought to register this experience as part of the Fellowship of Cruising Rotarians so it was opportune that we met a lovely South African couple Graham and Maggie Theunissen. They come from Kwa-Zulu Natal and we exchanged details about my visit to their region many years ago on a Friendship Exchange of Rotary which is when Graham revealed he was also a Rotarian hailing from the Rotary Club of Westville, South Africa.

The bond was formed instantly. We are part of the Fellowship of Cruising Rotarians after all. We have exchanged email addresses and personal details and we look forward to ongoing and long lasting fellowship.

from Leon Lewi, Rotary Keilor

Left to right in the picture is Pauline and Leon Lewi, Maggie and Graham Theunissen and Michael and Jeanette Lynch

You can find Cruising Rotarians on Facebook, it is free to join and be a member, and there are now over 200 members. Contact Rhonda Whitton to join... [rhondawhitton@gmail.com](mailto:rhondawhitton@gmail.com) or [6067rw@gmail.com](mailto:6067rw@gmail.com)

# Rotary and Balibo—the strength in partnerships!

Rotary and Balibo House Trust celebrate 10 years with Balibo Community, Timor Leste

As we approach the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Rotary's partnership with the Balibo House Trust, (BHT) it is timely to recall the many achievements of the Balibo Community in the Bobonaro District of Timor Leste.

BHT was established by the Victorian State Government in 2001, to commemorate the lives of the 'Balibo 5', the 5 young journalists killed by Indonesian troops during the invasion of Timor Leste in 1975. BHT's charter is to celebrate their lives, by improving the life of the Balibo Community. Since 2008 it has been Rotary's privilege to help with that task.

The Rotary Clubs of Bentleigh, Port Melbourne and Dili (Timor Leste) made the first contacts in 2008 and were then followed by Keilor and Pakenham in 2014. These two clubs then supercharged it all by forming the 'Rotary Balibo Partnership' and adding Berwick, Koo Wee Rup, Carlton, Mitchell River, Keilor East, Gateway Rotaract and Windsor [NSW], to the group and more clubs are always welcome!

The partnership, working together with BHT and the community, have concentrated on improving the community's capacity to deliver better outcomes in education, health, sanitation, commercial enterprise and job creation.

In Education, we concentrate on early-childhood and on vocational education.

The *Balibo 5 Kindergarten* has been extended and now teaches 80 children. However, it is at capacity again and we are building the new *Belola Kindergarten*, due to open in 2018.

The *Community Learning Centre* [CLC], which is run with help of a PALMS Australia volunteer, delivers computer and English language classes as well as hospitality and mechanics training opportunities.

There are 23 schools and 9 kindergartens in the area and the aim is to gradually provide all schools with sanitation, furniture, etc.

With help from District 9800, RAWCS, DIK, and the CLC, we source, **ship and distribute 100's of desks, chairs, blackboards and computers.**

We also ship thousands of exercise books and other educational material.



Sanitation, we have added toilets and fresh water systems to the Balibo 5 Kindergarten, the CLC, the volunteer apartments and Balibo Fort Hotel; more are planned for schools and kindergartens.

In Health, we built the new *Balibo Dental Clinic*, which now operates with two part-time, Timorese government dental nurses and visiting, volunteer dentists from Australia. The dental nurses visit schools and educate children about dental health.

We also supply the government run *Balibo Hospital* with wheel-chairs, medical instruments and supplies and in early 2018 there is a major shipment of hospital-beds and other equipment. The hospital and Community Learning Centre will also distribute *Days for Girls* supplies to patients and high school students.

Dr. David Bladen with Nobel Laureate ,  
his Excellency Jose Ramos Horta





## Commercial Activity & Job Creation

Over the past two years, under RAWCS project 22-2014/15, we improved the cafeteria at the Community Learning Centre and added a commercial-grade, community kitchen, a resident volunteer's apartment, the dental clinic and a mechanic's training shop. All the above has created 6 permanent jobs, plus training opportunities and commercial activity.

The most significant commercial initiative so far, was the redevelopment of the 350 year old. Balibo Portuguese Fort, into a small, 4-star hotel, restaurant, bar & museum.



This project started in 2010 as RAWCS project 142-2010/11 and opened in 2015.

It is by far, the largest employer in town and will soon reach 24 permanent jobs when the new Balibo Conference Room opens.

The conference room was funded by the Victorian Government and the construction was supervised by a Rotary volunteer builder. The partnership and BHT has provided all furniture, crockery and electronics and is due to open in December 2017.

Doctors Malcolm McLean, Petrina Bowden and David Grant and the Bishop of Dili and Ana and Sidonia.



The works represent more than US\$1,200,000 investment and are making a real impact on all 15,000 residents in the area. No club or organization could undertake all this by itself, but in partnership, we can.

Ricardo Krauskopf  
Manager, RAWCS Projects  
Rotary Club of Port Melbourne



## The MEC Project in Cambodia

The Rotary Club of Bendigo Strathdale has worked with its sister club the Rotary Club of Phnom Penh to fund the performing of lifesaving operations for Meningoencephalocele. This has been made possible by a District 9800 Foundation grant and strong fundraising by Bendigo Strathdale.

Meningoencephalocele is a significant birth defect that is quite prevalent in Cambodia and elsewhere in SE Asia. Some babies are born with a hole in the skull near the bridge of the nose. Over time this herniates and causes disfigurement and an increased risk of early death should infection set in. Through this project, surgeons are able to **change a person's life for just \$950 USD or \$A1200.**

In March 2017 RC Phnom Penh received a fund of 9750 AUD (7247 USD). The grant enabled RC Phnom Penh to find and treat 8 MEC patients

The rate at which patients are treated varies as it is influenced by many factors. It is always difficult for a family to spare both the patient and caregiver, usually the mother, from the home routine for the 2 or more weeks at the hospital. Having fixed a date for their arrival it only takes a family illness or crisis to mean a rapid reschedule. Sometimes fear sets in and further counselling needs to take place. Rice planting and harvesting times also mean that all hands are required at home.

The patients shown here help to illustrate some of the challenges and setbacks that are involved in organising the patients to come for treatment, check-up and sometimes follow up surgery, and how long this can often take. In all cases, all of this is at zero cost to the family. All transport and treatment is free of charge.



This boy aged 13 is from a very poor family and works for them collecting rubbish. Initial telephone conversations were unsuccessful so in November 2015 we visited his home during an outreach trip. Members frequently go, with our coordinator, on these trips where we also hand mosquito nets to **needy families. A date was fixed for him to attend the Children's Surgical Centre** in Phnom Penh on 22nd December 2015 but, despite follow up calls, he did not show up. Further calls were unsuccessful so a second outreach visit was conducted and a further arrival date agreed. Again, it was a no show. Phone calls continued and they finally arrived on 5th December. Surgery went well on 7th December and he was discharged on 22nd December. but has not returned for follow up.



This young man, age 15, was found on another outreach in August 2015. A date was fixed in September for him to attend CSC but his father was sick so he could not come. 2 Outreach visits later and a few other false starts attributable to rice harvest and sickness, he eventually arrived February 2017. The surgery went smoothly and he was discharged, with a smile on his face, 2 weeks later. He came back for a check-up 1 month later and he is keen to have plastic surgery if possible. He is set to come back In December this year, hopefully for plastic surgery. The marks on his forehead will fade away over time.



We were directed to this 18 year old by a community based NGO that we cooperate with. We visited him in Kratie Province in December 2016 and he arrived at CSC for surgery in March 2017. He was discharged 2 weeks later but has not returned for check-ups. We are keen to see him again as he could be a candidate for plastic surgery.



We found this 21 year old on an outreach trip to Siem Reap Province in early February. His mother was very keen for him to have the operation, possibly to improve his chances in marriage. He arrived 10 days later and the operation and recovery went smoothly. He was discharged on 1st March but has not come back for check-ups. We are keen to see him again and explore the possibility of plastic surgery.



This 21 year old woman was found on an outreach visit in February 2015. She wanted to have the surgery before her wedding that was arranged for mid March! We discussed the procedure in detail, including having her hair shaved off and we showed her photos of patients a few weeks after surgery. Sensibly, she decided to delay surgery until after the wedding. Discussions picked up again in July 2015 and another visit to her home was made in February 2016. We arranged a taxi for her and her husband to bring them to CSC in June this and the surgery was completed successfully. She is due for a check-up later this month.



This 17 year old boy was found on an outreach trip Kampong Cham Province in February 2015. The parents were not at home but a village elder promised to speak to them when they returned from working in the jungle. A date was quickly confirmed but was then postponed because he was needed to help with the plantation harvest. Once again, there were lots of dates promised and missed until it was finally agreed for him to come in June 2017. This time it happened and he was discharged after 2 weeks in early July. He is due to come for his check-up later this month.

This 15 year old boy has an MEC that is mainly internal. There is little sign of the familiar lump but the effect of the internal pressure can be seen by the displacement of his left eye. He was found in Siem Reap and his family were keen for him to have surgery. He was quickly scheduled for June 2017 and was discharged 2 weeks later. Again, he is due to come back for a check-up later this month. He may be a candidate for plastic surgery on his eye socket in the future.



This 25 year old patient was found during an Outreach trip to Steung Treng Province in early March 2016. He worked at a hotel and was keen for surgery but needed to check with the owner if he could get time off for the treatment. He arrived later in June and was discharged 2 weeks after surgery. He is due to return later this month. His squint will be checked and if his MEC surgery has settled down then he will have it fixed.



[bendigouthrotary.org.au/2014/07/meningoencephalocele-mec-operations-in-cambodia](http://bendigouthrotary.org.au/2014/07/meningoencephalocele-mec-operations-in-cambodia)

In the last three years the Rotary Club of Bendigo Strathdale has provided The MEC Project - with almost A\$30,000.00 which has enabled the Rotary Club of Phnom Penh to complete surgery on 22 patients. This is a RAWCS registered project No 40.

Project Manager, Greg Penno, PP, PHF  
Rotary Club of Bendigo Strathdale



ROTARY AUSTRALIA  
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## Camberwell Rotary's Hearing Project

*The Rotary Club of Camberwell has been supporting a Hearing & Beyond Program in Hội An, Vietnam. This is a report from Director Maire McCann*

The FM system that you helped us to purchase is worth its weight in gold. Son, pictured below, is now speaking so much more clearly & confidently. Within 2 weeks of the system being installed, 1 of our other students no longer needed to use sign language! Her hearing is vastly clearer.



Tiên has been with us for about 9 months now but has never made a sound. Thanks to the Australian Speech Pathologists he has now begun his amazing journey into the world of sound.

The photo shows a very proud Tiên the day he began making sounds. Each sticker on his shirt represents a sound he made on that day.

He is ear marked for new hearing aids in September.



These hearing aids are, of course, compatible with the FM System. With another Speech Pathology student arriving in October I expect to see great improvements from this little boy.

With final year Speech Pathologists and their mentor, now visiting us twice a year, **we are seeing great improvements in the children's speech. Not only are the** students benefiting from these amazing young women but so are our Teachers.

The "Speechies" are contributing immensely to our Teachers knowledge base which has been sadly lacking due to the lack of training in Vietnam. Once again, we are so blessed to have made amazing friends – this time from Newcastle University.



Speech Pathology Students from Newcastle training both Teachers & Students



Whilst the basic reading, writing & mathematics are so important to all children I am trying to encourage our Teachers to teach in a more Western style – “Fun” being the operative word.

Having started school with us at just 2 & ½ years of age (now 3 years in this photo) Quân is off to a great start with his education.



It is highly unusual for deaf children in Việt Nam to receive hearing aids let alone begin learning. Quân, who is the baby brother of one of our other students, was so privileged to meet Larry & Judy – an American couple on holiday in Hoi An.

They not only generously bought his hearing aids but also assist the family with the school fees for both children. For this extremely poor family, the lives of their children are now forever changed.



After my visit to your Rotary meeting Don very generously facilitated meetings with “**Teachers Across Borders**” & staff members from Swinburne University – **who in turn put me in touch with “Business Across Borders”**. I also met staff members from Methodist Ladies

College.

All of the people I met that week have been very enthusiastic about assisting our school in a variety of ways. I will keep you updated as developments take place. Of course, none of this would have happened if not for Sue Gray & Don Jago.

After struggling alone for so many years it seems we have now made wonderful contacts & found likeminded groups will to assist. It is a huge burden off my shoulders to know there are people with expertise & good hearts willing to help in this amazing project.

To each & every single one of you at Camberwell Rotary my heartfelt Thanks – our door will always be open to you.

With Best Wishes & Warmest Thanks,  
Máire McCann  
Founding Director  
Hearing and Beyond in Vietnam



## Foundation “End Polio Now” Fundraising Movie Preview

Rotary special preview screening - 8<sup>th</sup> November (general release, 9<sup>th</sup> November)

**“Murder on the Orient Express”** starring Penelope Cruz, Willem Dafoe, Judi Dench, Johnny Depp, Michelle Pfeiffer, Daisy Ridley and Josh Gad, directed by Kenneth Branagh.

The Rotary Foundation & 20<sup>th</sup> Century Fox have negotiated that cinemas will give access to Rotary fundraiser group bookings on Wednesday, November 8, the day before the film is officially released to the public!



**How can your Club or Cluster make much needed funds to support the push to “End Polio Now” and unlock the generous Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation 2:1 matching contribution (up to US\$100 million a year for the next 3 years!!)?**

- Contact your local cinema or Lauren Whitty, Functions Consultant, Village Cinemas ([Lauren\\_Whitty@village-cinemas.com](mailto:Lauren_Whitty@village-cinemas.com)) and book a venue for an 8<sup>th</sup> November screening. NB. Village Cinemas have offered discounted seats at \$10 a head.
- Create a facebook event and an event on your website or MeetUp page (with online bookings if your site supports this) using the movie poster and logos available from your Cluster Foundation Advisor (ask your Club Foundation Chair to provide contact details) & insert the movie trailer video.
- Organise a pre or post event meal at a local restaurant or a drink & snack at the cinema, built into the ticket price or not – your choice.
- Sell tickets & remember that Rotary International’s target fundraising is US\$50million a year for the next 3 years.... &
- Get the “Thank you video” from your Cluster Foundation Advisor for screening on the night.

or follow the Foundation arrow below:



Further information: Susie Cole, End Polio Now Ambassador, District 9800 - 0414 907 263

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# TOP 5 REASONS TO ERADICATE POLIO

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## To improve lives.

16 million people are walking today who would have otherwise been paralyzed.

## To invest in the future.

If polio isn't eradicated, within 10 years, as many as 200,000 children could be paralyzed by it each year. A polio-free world will be a safer world for children everywhere.

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3

## To improve child health.

Polio surveillance networks and vaccination campaigns also monitor children for other health problems like vitamin deficiency and measles, so they can be addressed sooner.

## To save money.

A polio-free world will save the global economy \$40-\$50 billion in health costs within the next 20 years.

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## To make history.

Polio eradication would be one of history's greatest public health achievements, with polio following smallpox to become only the second human disease eliminated from the world.

[endpolio.org](http://endpolio.org)

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# Travelling Rotarians abroad!

With the European Summer now beckoning, there are a number of District 9800 Rotarians enjoying the travel opportunities—and escaping Melbourne's weather!

*Past District Governor Murray Verso and Irene are enjoying a Grand European Tour, and celebrating Irene's birthday, with a trip to the major cities. Murray and Irene also visited the Western Front and laid a wreath at Menin Gate for Murray's grandfather, Cyril Verso.*

Allan Driver from the Rotary Club of Central Melbourne welcomed over 60 guests to the wedding of his daughter Anastasia on the island of Corfu recently. Anastasia had wanted to be wed in the same church as her grandmother, so the guests travelled and enjoyed the hospitality of Corfu. Among them, District 9800 Marketing Director Mandi Wendt who was a bridesmaid. Mandi and Greg then enjoyed some time in Athens and on the island of Santorini before returning to colder weather.



Past District Governor Neville John and Rebecca are in Lombok for Matt and Sofia's wedding. With Kat leading meditation sessions for guests.



Lynette Spencer from the Rotary Club of Glenferrie has just returned from a Friendship Exchange to District 5360, Alberta, Canada. Travelling with Ian and Fran Willmott, the group were hosted by three Rotary Clubs in Alberta and one in Saskatchewan. The clubs were Brooks, Calgary West, Red Deer in Alberta and Kindersley in Saskatchewan.

Here, Lynette shares a smile with some new Canuck friends, proving that the Mounties "always get their man" (and woman)!



## Meet 6 Rotary Champions of Peace

Six Rotary members and Rotary Peace Center alumni will be honored this November as People of Action: Champions of Peace. Their commitment to creating peace and resolving conflict will be recognized during [Rotary Day at the United Nations](#) in Geneva, Switzerland.

The honorees, which were announced on [International Peace Day](#), are all involved in projects that address underlying causes of conflict, including poverty, inequality, ethnic tension, lack of access to education, or unequal distribution of resources. The six Champions of Peace are:

Jean Best, a member of the Rotary Club of Kirkcudbright, Scotland — Best leads a peace project that is designed to teach teenagers conflict resolution skills they can use to create peace-related service projects in their schools and communities. Best worked with peace fellows at the University of Bradford to create the curriculum. She has also worked with local Rotary members and peace fellows to set up peace hubs in Australia, England, Mexico, Scotland, and the U.S. Best is a mentor at Cal Policy Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship. She became a Paul Harris Fellow for contribution to developing peace strategies.

Ann Frisch, a member of the Rotary Club of White Bear Lake, Minnesota, USA — Frisch believes unarmed civilians can protect people in violent conflicts. She collaborated with Rotary members in Thailand to establish the Southern Thailand Peace Process training program in 2015 in Bangkok, Hat Yai, and Pattani in southern Thailand. The group brought together electrical and irrigation authorities, Red Cross staff, a Buddhist monk, and a Catholic nun to this border region to train civilians to build so-called safe zones. These are areas in which families, teachers, and local officials do not have to confront military forces every day. Frisch, a UN delegate to Geneva, co-wrote the first manual on unarmed civilian protection, which was endorsed by the UN. Her training in a civilian-based peace process is administered by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, the department that trains all UN personnel.

Safina Rahman, a member of the Rotary Club of Dhaka Mahanagar, Bangladesh — Rahman is an important advocate **for women's rights in the workplace in Bangladesh. As a garment factory owner, she was the first to offer health insurance and maternity leave for her female employees.** She worked with the [Rotarian Action Group for Peace](#) to organize the first international peace conference in Bangladesh. A policymaker for the [Bangladesh Garment Manufacturers and Exporters Association](#), **she champions workplace safety and workers' rights and promotes girls' education and women's rights.** Rahman is chair of two schools that provide basic education, vocational training, conflict prevention, and health and hygiene classes.

Alejandro Reyes Lozano, a member of the Rotary Club of Bogotá Capital, Colombia — Using a Rotary global grant, Reyes Lozano is training 27 women from six Latin American countries to develop skills in peace building, conflict resolution, and mediation to deal with conflicts in their communities. The project also will build an international network of women peacebuilders. Reyes Lozano, an attorney, was appointed by Colombian President Juan Manuel Santos to assist with negotiations and set terms and conditions to end the 50-year conflict with the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC).

Kiran Singh Sirah, a graduate of the Rotary Peace Center at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill — Sirah is president of the [International Storytelling Center](#) in Tennessee, USA, which uses storytelling as a path to building peace. The organization seeks to inspire and empower people everywhere to tell their stories, listen to the stories of others, and use storytelling to create positive change. **Kiran, the son of Ugandan refugees, created "[Telling Stories That Matter](#),"** a free guide for educators, peace builders, students, volunteers, and business leaders. The resource is now used in 18 countries.

Taylor (Stevenson) Cass Talbott, a graduate of the Rotary Peace Center at the International Christian University in Japan — Stevenson developed a global grant to improve sanitary conditions for waste collectors in Pune, India. Waste collectors together handle 20 tons of unwrapped sanitary waste every day. Stevenson collaborated with [SWaCH](#), a waste-collector cooperative, **to create the "Red Dot" campaign, which calls for people to wrap their sanitary waste in newspaper or bags and mark it with a red dot.** This helps waste collectors identify sanitary waste and handle it accordingly. Stevenson developed all the educational imaging for the campaign. She also secured in-kind offerings of support, including free training space and campaign printing. She is also a [Global Peace Index](#) ambassador.

<https://www.rotary.org/en/rotary-2017-peace-champions>



# Rotary Exchange student updates

Laura Zeuner from Germany is hosted by the Rotary Club of Bendigo. She expressed a wish to try her hand at shearing, so thanks to **Peter Hyett** she had 'Smoko' with the shearers and had a go at shearing! Laura learnt lots and was surprised at the depth of the wool and how hard it is to shear a sheep. Then a visit to a canola field. Thanks to Wayne Smith who also went along.



Michael Gallus from Footys4All presents a Sherrin to exchange student Andrea Fredskild at Rotary Werribee.

Elia Andriotis and daughter Ellie attending RYE Anna Gadd's Debutante Ball at Moonee Valley racecourse. Anna had support from Rotary with Emanuel Tumino, fellow exchange student Ana Medel, and Flemington Rotarian Chris Drennen.



Another year, another ski trip for Emanuel Tumino and the inbound exchange students—**Anna Gadd, Matilda Fors, Andrea Fredskild, Ana Luiza Medel, and Chris Parks and Mary Parks**



## Around the clubs .... Rotarians in action!



Adrian Campbell and Nick Pane from the Rotary Club of Camberwell travelled to Canberra to receive the 2017 Anzac National Peace Prize from the national President of the RSL Mr. Robert Dick in Canberra on Thursday 21st Sept. Photo shows Adrian & Nick receiving the award on behalf of all members for the Club's award winning **"Seeds of Peace"** project.

RC Bendigo South President Bernie Young, DG Peter Frueh & RC Next Generation PP Megan induct new member Tom Campbell



Alan and Janine from RC Daylesford testing the bikes for the Postie Bike



Yarra Bend Rotarians helping build a new storage shed at Kew High School.

Brighton Rotary held a Turkish themed night recently and Winners of the best costume award were Rob and Marion Nicholes



President Jenny Foster and team from Rotary Essendon sorting medical supplies at DIK.



Best wishes to Brighton Rotary President Damian Hellard as he recovers from a kidney transplant operation. Pictured with his brother Brendan who donated the kidney.





## Volunteers sought for Around the Bay Bike Ride

As Spring arrives we have a great opportunity to be outdoors and to also help keep Melbourne kids from disadvantaged families to reach their education potential through the Learning for Life program of The Smith Family.

Each year the Rotary Club of Melbourne raises funds for this program and promotes Rotary by acting as volunteer marshals at the Around the Bay bike ride, this year on Sunday 8 October.

Bicycle Network provides Rotary with a small fee for each volunteer. We have taken on more roles this year and find ourselves about 20 people short of our target.

### CAN YOU HELP?

If you can volunteer your Sunday morning, please email our organisers Jim Orchard on [jim-porchard@gmail.com](mailto:jim-porchard@gmail.com) or Trevor Nink [tnink@outlook.com](mailto:tnink@outlook.com) to enrol or find out more information.



**POT-POURRI** has been involved with Rotary for many years including at Rotary Club of Melbourne's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary extravaganza. Rotarians and friends are invited to experience some of the most magical musical moments of international song with one of Australia's leading acts, the sensational Australian group Pot-Pourri, celebrating 30 years in 2017. [youtube.com/watch?v=F5c3YBpoAQ0](https://youtube.com/watch?v=F5c3YBpoAQ0)

Profits from the concert will support Creativity Australia's *With One Voice* program. Donations received will go towards supporting the participation of disadvantaged people. [www.creativityaustralia.org.au](http://www.creativityaustralia.org.au)

As friends and partners with POTPOURRI, receive **10% tickets off using the code "thirty"**. **Book for 10 or more tickets and receive \$10 off each ticket! Book for 10 or more tickets and receive \$10 off each ticket!**

**BOOKINGS AT** [eventbrite.com.au/e/pot-pourri-30th-anniversary-gala-concert-tickets-35451773208](https://eventbrite.com.au/e/pot-pourri-30th-anniversary-gala-concert-tickets-35451773208)





Registrations are now open with the Early Bird rate effective until 30th November. First time conference attendees have been offered a significant price reduction.  
<http://www.rotaryconference.org.au/register.html>


### ROTARY DISTRICT 9800 CONFERENCE ACCOMMODATION

A wide range of accommodation is available in Warrnambool to cater for holidaymakers and business or family visits. There are over 600 rooms in the many hotels and motels. There are three holiday parks to suit caravan visitors and they have cabins. There is also a wide range of private accommodation available on Airbnb (over 200 properties) and Stayz (over 70 properties) as well as individual Bed and Breakfast properties. Clubs may choose to cater for different delegate needs by using various options rather than seeking a single block booking. As a compact city of 35,000 people (which swells by 10,000 in school holidays), accommodation is only a few minutes drive from all three conference venues.

- For hotels and motels contact them directly or through the Warrnambool visitors centre on 1800 637 725
- [www.stayz.com.au](http://www.stayz.com.au) or [www.airbnb.com.au](http://www.airbnb.com.au)

An alternative for some clubs/delegates is Port Fairy, a picturesque fishing village which is 25 min from Warrnambool. Port Fairy has a range of accommodation options.


23-27 June 2018 TORONTO, CANADA	10 - 14 June 2017 ATLANTA, GEORGIA, USA	FUTURE
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## INSPIRATION AROUND EVERY CORNER

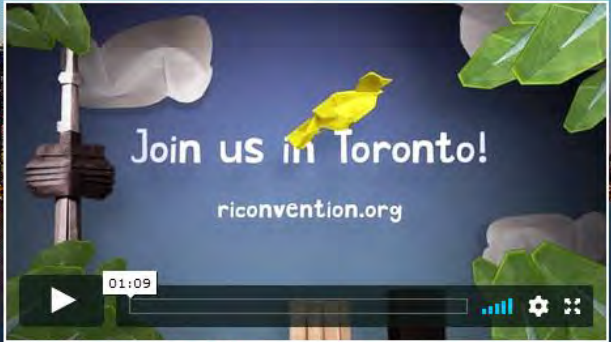
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**"It's the best way there is to celebrate a year of successful service, and renew our energies for the year to come."**

**2017-18 RI President Ian H.S. Riseley,  
 Rotary Club of Sandringham, Victoria, Australia**



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*Cup of Tea?*  
*High Tea!*

**Werribee Rotary**  
together with  
**Wyndham Central College**  
present  
**High Tea Spectacular**

**Sunday 22nd October 2017**  
**Wyndham Central College**  
101 Shaws Rd, Werribee  
2pm - 4pm  
**\$50 per head**  
DELICIOUS AFTERNOON TEA,  
GUEST SPEAKERS,  
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Phone Lyn: 0414367614

**A Special Fundraising Event for the Women of Our Community**  
Werribee  
Rotary




**Rotary**  
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**RAISING FUNDS FOR ROTARY'S  
END TRACHOMA PROJECT,  
HELPING TO FIGHT INFECTIOUS  
EYE DISEASE IN INDIGENOUS  
COMMUNITIES.**

**WHEN: SUNDAY 22ND OCTOBER**  
**STONEYCROFT, 50 WILLIAMS RD, MYERS FLAT**  
**TIME: 2PM FOR 1 HOUR SHOW**  
**TICKETS: \$50 WITH AFTERNOON TEA  
AND DRINKS**  
**TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW BY CASH, CHEQUE (BENDIGO SOUTH  
ROTARY CLUB) OR DIRECT DEPOSIT TO THE BELOW DETAILS:**  
**BSB: 633 000, ACCOUNT: 140951740 AND INCLUDE YOUR NAME  
PLUS 'TRACHOMA PROJECT.'**



**Rotary**  
Club of Melbourne Inc.

## 2018 SENIORS AWARD

### CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Each year the Health and Ageing Committee presents the Seniors award which was created to recognize the contribution of a man or woman, 60 years and over who has given outstanding service in a voluntary capacity to older people.

The Nominees should:

1. be 60 years or over,
2. satisfy the principle of Service above self,
3. be committed to making a difference for older people,
4. be a role model for older people,
5. present a positive view and purpose on growing older and have hands on experience,
6. would be a volunteer in their role as an advocate for older people.

The Nominee may be, but need not necessarily be, a Rotarian.

The award consists of a Citation and Certificate of Recognition which are presented at a lunch meeting usually in February. The awardee is invited to tell their story in an address to the Club.

Recent awardees have been:

- 2017 Nancy Hogan
- 2016 David J Hone
- 2015 Noel Smith

The Committee is seeking your help for nominations of the 2018 Award.

Nominations containing full details, profile or the CV of the nominee and how they address the above criteria, should be received by 6th November 2017 by email or post to:

Robin Syme on 0412 448 133, Email [rhysyme@yahoo.com.au](mailto:rhysyme@yahoo.com.au).

or Rotary Club of Melbourne, Ph: 03 9654 7242, Fax (03) 9650 7373, E: [office@rotaryclubofmelbourne.org.au](mailto:office@rotaryclubofmelbourne.org.au)



**Rotary Club of Essendon**  
**Golf Day**  
**Friday 24th November 2017**  
**Medway Golf Club**

### Major Charity Fund Raising Event

The Rotary Club of Essendon is holding our Charity Fund Raising Golf Day on Friday 24th November 2017 at the Medway Golf Club, situated on the Maribyrnong River at 57 Omar Street, Maldstone, 3012.

ALL proceeds raised will go towards the Rotary Club of Essendon projects and be used to fund our charitable and humanitarian work.

### 18 Holes of Golf

**Ambrose Format with Shotgun Start**

**11:30 am Registration for 12:30 pm Tee Off**

**Nearest the Pin, Hole in One and Longest Drive Competitions**

**Light Lunch, Presentation Dinner and Beverages included**

**Golf Carts Available for Hire**

### Like to Play

Book now to reserve your place as a player in the field, online at trybooking:-

<https://www.trybooking.com/585N>

Let us know by email, who is in your team or who you would like to go around with.

### Need more information or would like to sponsor a Hole

Call or Email Kelly Abfalter on 0413 027 156 or [kelfalt@gmail.com](mailto:kelfalt@gmail.com)



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Boroondara Cares Foundation

### CHANCES GOLF DAY

Box Hill Golf Club, Melbourne

On Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2017 the Boroondara Cares Foundation will celebrate the CHANCES Scholarship Program's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with :-

#### A GOLF DAY AT THE BOX HILL GOLF CLUB

Chair of Boroondara Cares Board, Elida Brereton, explained:

*"It is impossible to not be happy when I hear from students who have received a CHANCES scholarship about the difference this has made to their academic results, their self esteem, and in fact to their lives."*

*As Chair of Boroondara Cares Foundation it gives me pleasure to observe measurable and uplifting outcomes for students rewarded for their perseverance and positive attitude despite financial constraints; a CHANCES scholarship does change lives."*

Date: Monday 23 October

Time: 11.00AM

Location: Box Hill Golf Club

Street: 202 Station St, Box Hill South VIC 3128

Cost: \$95.00

The above includes light refreshments being available prior to the event followed by dinner in the club dining room.

Booking Contact Details:

Noel Halford

0419 018 901

[noelhalford@gmail.com](mailto:noelhalford@gmail.com)

[eurekaclimb.com.au/](http://eurekaclimb.com.au/)

### CHANCES GOLF DAY

**Box Hill Golf Club**  
**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2017**

Boroondara Cares Foundation is celebrating the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Chances Scholarship Program by holding an Ambrose Golf Day

**Date:** Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October  
**Time:** 11.00 am  
**Location:** Box Hill Golf Club  
202 Station Street  
Box Hill South Vic 3128  
**Cost** \$95

The above includes light refreshments being available prior to the event followed by dinner in the club dining room

*\*Just want to attend the Dinner?*  
Limited places available at \$50 (drinks at bar prices)

**Booking Contact Details:**  
**Noel Halford**  
**0419 018 901**  
[noelhalford@gmail.com](mailto:noelhalford@gmail.com)

**Please send Noel the following asap**  
**\*The name of your Golf Club (if applicable)**  
**\*Your Golf Handicap (if you have one)**  
**If so, what is your G.A. number?**  
**\*Please forward payment asap to:**  
**NAB 083166 53 254 5861**  
**Please id name, Chances Golf Day**



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## Our Contributors



Peter Frueh is the District 9800 Governor.

He is a member of the Rotary Club of Balwyn.

He and Anne are busy visiting clubs.



PP Susie Cole is District End Polio Now Ambassador and a member of Prahran Rotary.



Murray Chessell, Rotary Club of Kew



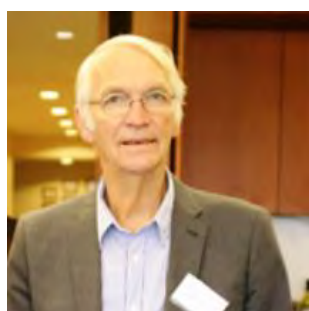
Trevor Nink, Rotary Club of Melbourne Coordinator of volunteers for Around the Bay.



Tony Thomas, Rotary Club of Central Melbourne and regular contributor to Networker and RDU.



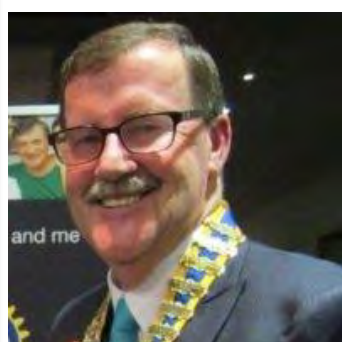
PP Tony Wells, Rotary Club of North Balwyn



Noel Halford Rotary Club of Hawthorn and coordinator of the Booroondara Chances Golf Tournament



Ricardo Krauskopf is the Manager, RAWCS Projects and is a member of the Rotary Club of Port Melbourne



PP Greg Penno, MECS Project Coordinator, Rotary Club of Bendigo Strathdale



PDG Greg Ross is Chairman of Australian Rotary Health