

## **Rotary Youth Leadership Award 2017**

The Rotary Youth Leadership Award (or RYLA) for 2017 has just finished up, and we couldn't be happier with the results. Thanks to the generous sponsorships of Rotary Clubs in District 9800, we were able to offer the RYLA experience to 49 people aged 18 to 25, and would love to tell you more about it!

The first rule of RYLA? You do not talk about RYLA! The second rule? Well... you get the picture.

But why all the secrecy? Surely it would be much easier to recruit new applicants (and certainly easier to write this article!) if I could take you through each brilliant day of the "week-long, residential leadership and personal development program" that is RYLA. A year's worth of planning goes into each program. Each day is jam-packed with activities designed and tailored to the participants' journeys. Unfortunately – and quite deliberately – we keep the day-to-day activities top secret before the camp, and our participants are grateful for it (although, sometimes only after the fact). Along with their sleeping bag, all participants need to pack an open mind. We are not a didactic leadership program, and we want to ensure our RYLArians are open to whatever exciting opportunities they come across during the week.

We know that this makes attending RYLA a daunting challenge, and asks for a leap of faith from our sponsoring Rotary Clubs. However, we also know that starting the week without expectations goes a long way to helping us create the environment of growth and learning we are striving for.

So, what can I tell you about the Rotary Youth Leadership Award?

Well, we wrapped up our 2017 program less than a week ago, and are already looking ahead to the next one! From all accounts, this year was a *huge success*, with 49 young people heading back into their communities right now with new tools in their leadership toolbox, ready to connect with their generous sponsoring Rotary Clubs.

RYLA is one of the nine major youth programs run by Rotary. RYLA is for 18 to 25-year-olds, making it one of the few structured leadership development opportunities available to this age group. The RYLA of District 9800 is also unique in that it is the *only* RYLA program that is run *completely* by young people who have all been past participants of its program. Our dedicated leadership team embody the Rotary values of service above self and giving back to the community. Having all been positively changed by our time as RYLA participants, we are eager and privileged to be able to pay it forward to the next generation of participants each year.

I can also tell you about the four pillars of RYLA: Community, Diversity, Reflection, and Challenge by Choice.

The participants and volunteer leaders on RYLA 2017 formed their own community for a week – and an incredibly diverse one at that! With so many different backgrounds, life experiences, and perspectives, it was bound to be an eye-opening week for all involved. Feedback every year is that participants are so grateful for the opportunity to meet such a wide range of young leaders that they would never have met in their day-to-day lives, and this year was no exception.

Co-Directors David Kinnersley & Jessica Roberts; Jaiden Brandy, one of our Management Magicians, had a blast working behind the scenes this year; Steph Serret and Steph Jenkins, helping out in the kitchen.







The Dream Team – our dedicated volunteers from RYLA 2017



In our busy lives, the RYLA program offers a rare opportunity for reflection, one that is rarer still for young people to take. We apply a 'no phones on camp' policy, which can sometimes be met with some resistance, but after a few days our participants are glad for the break from the screens. Participants will often report that the reflective space created at RYLA allowed them to learn more about themselves, the world around them, and their place within it. We think it's incredibly special to be able to help enable these paradigm shifts within the young leaders who will inevitably shape our future.

Challenge by Choice is something we emphasise in everything we do at RYLA, as we give our participants (and volunteer team members) the opportunities to 'Walk the Walk' of personal and community leadership (not just 'Talking the Talk'). The opportunities are both structured and unstructured, and the learning is constant, nuanced, and collaborative.

It is frustrating not to be able to go on for pages and pages, detailing the incredible program we design for our participants. But even if I did, it still would not come close to explaining what each of our brave participants takes away from RYLA on an individual level. If you are lucky enough to meet one of these inspiring young people at a Rotary meeting, ask them – *what did they get out of the program*?

For many RYLArians, the program has an impact greater than just the week itself. RYLA is a catalyst for growth; a pebble thrown into a pond, causing wide-reaching ripples that will be felt for years to come.

One thing I can say with certainty - RYLA is different to any other leadership camp out there.

Applications for next year's program will open mid-2018, and you can head to our website at <u>www.ryla9800.org.au</u> for more information.

#### Jessica Roberts RYLA Director 2017

Celebrating a job well done – Co-Directors David Kinnersley and Jessica Roberts with RYLA Chairperson Anne Brown and District Governor Peter Frueh



## District Governor Peter Frueh—6 months later

As the 2017 year comes towards an end, out thoughts go toward family, a work break or holiday and what we have achieved in 2017 and can look forward to in 2018.

Anne and I have completed our club visits and are amazed at the range of projects we have seen, the spirit and friendliness of the Rotarians and partners we have met in our District. It is a privilege to be amongst so many positive people who are "Making a Difference".



Today at **Donations in Kind**, Anne and I were amongst about twenty Rotarians from half a dozen clubs, working together to help clean out the remnants of Shed 40 as we prepare for the move to Shed 39. What an amazing project to be a part of. Improving the lives of tens of thousands of people and recycling otherwise wasted goods.

Anne and I would like to wish you and your family all the best in this holiday period. Stay safe and reach out to help others for whom this period can be trying. We are looking forward to 2018 and I hope you are also. Thank you for your service through Rotary and I hope we can meet again in 2018.

Peter Frueh District Governor 2017-2018

Here is a link to the recent interview Peter did with Ian Salek for Rotary Radio. <u>District Governor on Rotary Radio.</u>



## Werribee takes Adventure into the Playground

Truganina P-9 College has benefitted from a District Foundation matching Grant through the Rotary Club of Werribee.

Truganina College is situated in a very high growth area in the Western Suburbs of Melbourne with a very high proportion of young families with school age children, with over 400 students in the Prep to Grade 3 section, and a new junior playground was desperately needed.



Rotarians were involved in the design process, and the additional funds were raised by the school community and some donations from local businesses.



Altogether, the design construction and installation with under surface rubber and artificial grass totalled \$125,000 with the playground being officially opened in October.

Colin Muir Past District Governor 2009-2010

To learn more about or apply for a Foundation Grant, go to the District Foundation page

## Donations in Kind overwhelmed by Rotarians

The Rotary Club of North Balwyn joined the call to help and held a special meeting at DiK recently.

Donations in Kind or DIK colloquially, consists of many parts of which the most visible has been Shed 40 at Somerville Road; however to avoid an inevitable rent increase DIK is in the throes of moving in to Shed 39 which attracts cheaper rent due to its restricted southerly access to large

vehicles. The move has incurred many man hours to relocate the pallet racking, put down new floor lines, build new offices and amenities and then relocate the stock, whilst also continuing the picking up of donated goods and stuffing of containers.

The other parts of DIK are its dedicated management team, Rotary volunteers, donors of funds and donors of goods and services. Bob Glindemann, Laurie Fisher and David Dippie, together with a team of regular volunteers keep the store goods sorted and ready for containerisation in support of Rotary Overseas Projects. This year's **Networker Edition 6** has a great summary of its history and achievements.



We decided to see for ourselves what DIK looks like in the flesh and Bob Glindemann stayed on after a very hot and tiresome

day to be Guest Speaker at our meeting and try to instill some of his enthusiasm of DIK into our members.

Members are welcome (if not urged) to volunteer on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and especially in the coming weeks to help finalise the move.

Thanks Bob for your informative speech and facility tour, and to everyone who traveled across town to West Footscray to gain their own appreciation of the fine work that DIK does.









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## **Donations In Kind Working Bees**

On Saturday December 2nd Prahran Interim President Sue Vincent and Susie Cole joined a big team of Rotarians from Malvern and Assistant Governor Caroline Ord in repacking surplus Bunnings apparel for export to cooler climates, plus enjoyed a delicious Somali morning tea courtesy of the team packing a container of hospital equipment for Somaliland.

Please remember..... DIK is desperate for regular volunteers, even one day per month, to help with moving the warehouse, packing & general assistance.





Great work by members from Malvern and Prahran at DIK yesterday. .

Rotary Club of Hoppers Crossing assisting with collection of school furniture at Lancefield on December 7th.





Frank, Kevin, Anne, Allan, Russell, Peter, Roy, Herb, Campbell and his guest John. from Rotary Central Melbourne.

## NYSF—Celebrating 35 years in 2018

The celebrations for the National Youth Science Forum's (NYSF) 35<sup>th</sup> year in 2018 are well underway with many events planned to mark the occasion!

The festivities started at our Canberra Year 12 Program launch at The Australian National University (ANU) in November with a cake cutting and a heartfelt speech by an alumnus who attended our very first session in 1984, Professor Tim Senden, now the Director of the Research School of Physics and Engineering at the Australian National University (ANU).

This was quickly followed by our launch of Session B at The University of Queensland (UQ), attended by many alumni currently studying at UQ, where Provost Professor Aidan Byrne explained why he thought the NYSF would be a valuable addition to the UQ outreach programs.

the three sessions in 2018!



In 2018, two Year 12 Programs will be delivered in Canberra at the Australian National University (ANU) and a new third session in Brisbane at the University of Queensland (UQ). Nearly 600 students will participate across

Our Science Teachers Program will also continue in 2018, with a session in Canberra at ANU and, for the first time, a second session also in Brisbane at UQ, catering for 80 teachers. All of these NYSF programs are made possible through the hard work and dedication of many including our funding partners, 68 volunteer student staff, Rotary volunteers, guest speakers, lab visit providers, board members and corporate team – there are so many people involved to make the January Sessions come to fruition!

NYSF CEO Dr Damien Pearce said the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary looking forward to the NYSF's 35<sup>th</sup> year celebrations. "The 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations allow us look at our past and reflect on the events and people who have helped shape the NYSF – from its days as the National Science Summer School (NSSS) – into the organisation it is today. It also allows us to look to our future, as we continue to evolve to meet the demands of the Australian community."

"We encourage our alumni to participate in our events and activities and share their stories with the NYSF and other alumni. With over 11,000 alumni there are a lot of stories to tell," Dr Pearce said.

The NYSF Year 12 Science Dinners are always a favourite event, and in 2018 we have three very distinguished and inspirational keynote speakers who have accepted the invitation to address the students.

The Session A Science Dinner keynote speaker is <u>Professor Lyn Beazley</u> AO FTSE, former Western Australia Chief Scientist, an eminent scientific innovator, communicator, educator, and neuroscientist. In Session B, 2017 Australian of the Year, <u>Professor Emeritus Alan Mackay-Sim</u>, a biomedical scientist specialising in adult stem cell research, will be speaking; and at the Session C Dinner we will hear from internationally acclaimed medical researcher and philanthropist <u>Professor John Shine AO FAA</u>. Professor Shine is the current <u>CSL</u> Chairman and was recently appointed as incoming President of the Australian Academy of Science.

the line-up of amazing speakers will continue at our Rotary Alumni Evenings with Professor <u>Liesl Folks</u>, (Session A), Dean of the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences at the University at Buffalo in New York state, and an internationally recognised expert in nanotechnology and magnetism. Liesl attended the very first NYSF/NSSS session in 1984.

Volcanologist, <u>Dr Rebecca Carey</u>, NYSF 1997 Alumna (Session B) a Senior Lecturer at the University of Tasmania, and meteorologist, <u>Nate Byrne</u>, NYSF 2001 Alumnus (Session C), the weather presenter on ABC TV News Breakfast.

We encourage all our alumni to 'Save The Date' and join us to hear from these talented scientists.

STEM Speed-dating is happening again in all three sessions in January – two in Canberra and one in Brisbane. Students have the opportunity to "work the room" and talk to a range of people who have studied a STEM field or work in STEM-related careers.

We would love to have you and some of your colleagues along to this event to talk to students about career paths in your area.

To find out more or to register, please go to: <u>nysf.edu.au/volunteer/volunteers-needed-speed-date-scientist/</u>

In addition we will be featuring the stories of some of our alumni with our *35 alumni over 35 years in 35 weeks* social media campaign. Follow the NYSF <u>Facebook Page</u> to read about their stories, and if you are an alumni with a story to share, please contact <u>leonie@nysf.edu.au</u>. Our alumni are our best ambassadors!

We hope you can help us celebrate this milestone in 2018. For further information about up-coming events follow us on social media.

Facebook - /NYSFoz

Twitter – /NYSFoz

Instagram – /nysfoz

LinkedIn - National Youth Science Forum

or email Leonie at leonie@nysf.edu.au.

To read more about NYSF and the latest news go to <u>http://outlook.nysf.edu.au/an-update-from-the-ceo/?</u> <u>utm\_source=wysija&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=Outlook+November+2017</u>



## **Rotary International President Ian Riseley**

#### December 2017

Seventy-two years ago, the United Nations was founded "to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war ... [and] to practice tolerance and live together in peace with one another as good neighbors."

Despite those worthy aspirations, and generations of investment in achieving them, the "scourge of war" is still with us: Last year, more than 102,000 people died in 49 armed conflicts around the world. Some of those conflicts were in their fifth decade or beyond. Terrorism, intolerance, and extremism; the refugee crisis; and environmental degradation are now global challenges.



Collectively, we seem further than ever from achieving the goals that were set with such ambition and optimism in 1945. Yet hope endures, as long as there are people willing to work for a more peaceful future – not only through their governments, but also beside them and beside each other.

Today, Rotary is better placed than ever to have a real and lasting impact for peace: through our peace-focused programs, such as Rotary Peace Fellows, and through every area of our service. Water, sanitation, health, education, and economic development are all interrelated and part of the complex interactions that can lead to conflict – or avert it. To best leverage our service in all these areas, and to maximize their impact for peace, it is essential to understand these interactions and plan our service accordingly.

For these reasons, we have scheduled a series of six presidential peacebuilding conferences between February and June in Canada, Lebanon, the UK, Australia, Italy, and the United States. These conferences will focus not on peace but on *peacebuilding*: We will share ways that we can work to build peace through the service of our Rotary clubs and districts. Five of the one-day conferences will illuminate the connections between peace and another area of focus.

The first conference, in Vancouver, B.C., will explore the link between peace and another sphere of great concern to us in Rotary: environmental sustainability. You can view the full schedule and register at <u>www.rotary.org/</u><u>presidential-conferences</u>.

The goals are simple: to help Rotarians find new ways to advance peace through their service, to learn from experts, and to strengthen our abilities to build peace. It is my hope and belief that these conferences will help us move closer to a more peaceful world, through *Rotary: Making a Difference*.

Ian H.S. Riseley President 2017-18

## **Rotary International Annual Report**

#### This year, we ...

#### Established stronger, more vibrant clubs

Clubs enjoyed greater flexibility in their structure and operations, thanks to proposals passed by the <u>2016 Council</u> <u>on Legislation</u>. To help meet the needs of current and potential members, many clubs modified their meeting times and frequency, altered attendance requirements, offered multiple types of membership options, and invited Rotaractors to join. These changes helped boost membership and increase retention.

#### Created lasting change

Ridding the world of polio remains Rotary's top organizational priority. Because of global vaccination efforts, fewer children were paralyzed by polio in 2016 than in any other year in history. Even as Rotarians continue this battle, they are taking on other causes that align with Rotary's areas of focus: promoting peace, fighting disease, providing clean water, saving mothers and children, supporting education, and growing local economies. With support from Rotary grants, clubs help communities in need. In 2016-17, 1,260 global grant applications were approved, providing more than \$72.9 million in funding.

#### Gained more recognition for our work

To communicate Rotary's value and impact to the general public, we invested in strengthening our brand. First, we unveiled an updated <u>Rotary.org</u> to better showcase the impressive work of Rotarians. Then, we initiated the <u>People of Action</u> public image campaign to tell Rotary's story and highlight how members connect, inspire, and transform communities. As a result, we boosted our strategic communication efforts and increased our positive <u>media coverage</u>.

#### A century of doing good

In 1917, Rotary President Arch Klumph proposed an endowment fund dedicated to "doing good in the world." What started with an initial contribution of \$26.50 has grown into a foundation that has invested \$3.95 billion in programs, projects, and scholarships.

#### A yearlong celebration

We celebrated the Foundation's centennial with a year of festivities that began at the 2016 Rotary International Convention in Seoul, Korea, and culminated at the 2017 convention in Atlanta, Georgia, USA. Throughout the year, members organized their own celebrations, educated their communities about the Foundation's impact, raised funds for the Foundation, and shared their own centennial projects on social media using #TRF100. We set the ambitious goal of raising \$300 million in honor of the centennial year. Rotarians answered the call in droves. We exceeded our goal, helping launch The Foundation into its second century of service.

In Atlanta, The Rotary Foundation centennial bell was <u>presented</u> to 2016-17 RI President John F. Germ by the Marinelli Pontifical Foundry, based in Agnone, Italy. Germ rang the bell to mark the official start of the convention.

Later, Rotary members enjoyed The Foundation's 100th birthday party, where they signed birthday cards, ate cake, and sang "Happy Birthday" in several languages.

The Annual Report of Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation are now available at <u>rotary.org/en/annual-report-2017</u>



resident Germ accepts The Rotary Foundation centennial bell from the Marinelli Pontifical Foundry during the 2017 Rotary International Convention.

## **Rotary Council On Resolutions - The Votes Are In**

There is always a first time for everything. So it was for the inaugural convening of the Rotary Council on Resolutions, which will now meet online each year in the future. A separate Council on Legislation will continue to meet in person every three years, with the authority to amend Rotary constitutional documents.

At the 2016 Council on Legislation it was resolved to establish a Council on Resolutions, which would consider Resolutions annually instead of every three years as part of the Council on Legislation, primarily to reduce costs (by reducing the time for which accommodation is required) but also to provide more frequent opportunities for clubs and Districts to submit matters for consideration by the Rotary International Board. Resolutions are not legislative but recommendations to the RI Board (or Foundation Trustees), which can be adopted by the Board or become the catalyst for future legislation to be enacted.

Using an on-line platform, representatives from all of Rotary's districts had the opportunity to vote (over a one month period) on resolutions that clubs, districts, the RI Board, and the General Council or Conference of RIBI have proposed. An analysis of the votes cast shows that 46 or more Districts did not vote or abstained on every resolution. It is interesting to speculate why that might be so.



So how did the new Council work out? Thirty-eight Resolutions were considered and 17 were adopted. Full details of the proposed Resolutions and the voting is available at <a href="https://my.rotary.org/en/cor/vote">https://my.rotary.org/en/cor/vote</a>

There are a few interesting takeaways from the vote outcomes and the process. Exactly half of the Resolutions were from Japan and many of them in some way could be interpreted as challenging those changes approved at the 2016 Council on Legislation, which allows clubs to adopt procedures that are exceptions to the Standard Rotary Club Constitution.

There were also several Resolutions that sought to roll back or hold the line on annual approved increases in Rotary dues. No one likes cost increases and costs are real issue in some districts but the reality is that under our current structure, Rotary needs to service its membership at an acceptable level. Several resolutions appeared to be about situations that seemed to relate uniquely to local circumstances and were not approved.

District 9800 voted differently to the majority of Districts for 10 Resolutions so D9800 Rotarians will be interested to understand how we arrived at our apparently contrary voting intentions. For our district, each member of the District Resolutions Committee independently reviewed every resolution on the basis of their experience and understanding of the issues.

In addition to myself, the Committee comprises the 3 previous Council on Legislation Representatives (Past District Governors Gordon McKern, Ian Knight and Don Jago) as well as Past District Governor Murray Verso who is the District 9800 Alternate Representative.

Across the board our views were similar and where different there was no strong disagreement. We took a majority view and in a couple of cases I was able to call on my recent experience at the 2016 Council on Legislation for guidance. The recommendations were then endorsed by the DGEN group. We took the view that the Standard Club Constitution should avoid being overly prescriptive and many of the proposals were to make it more so.

So why did Districts vote differently? If Australia is a guide, many Council Representatives are new to the job. Only I and one other Australian District Representative (2 out of 21) are serving as Representatives again.

It could be that new representatives were simply unfamiliar with the implications of some resolutions or could it be that there is a deliberate push-back regarding the more flexible alternative provisions to the Standard Rotary Club Constitution.

Not all the differences represent significant disagreement. For most of the ten resolutions where our votes differed our District did not see our conclusion as being unchallengeable. For example we certainly see the value in clubs having Strategic Planning Committees but we did think it was counter-productive to make such a committee compulsory in the Standard Constitution Bylaws.

The voting margin for most of the resolutions for which we differed was not great but two resolutions (both from Japan) essentially requesting the RI Board to justify changes to allow flexibility as approved at the 2016 Council on Legislation were significantly supported. The 2019 Council on Legislation could prove interesting!



Whilst the annual on-line voting has merit in that it reduces costs and allows for more frequent consideration of matters that are considered important, the downside is that there is no facility for debate or discussion. I believe this would have influenced a different outcome in at least some of the resolutions, when unintended implications are identified.

Notwithstanding, the process worked efficiently and there will be potential to fine-tune the process for future Councils. For me, the real concern is not the voting outcomes but the fact that so many Districts chose not to have their voice heard.

PDG Dennis Shore District 9800 Council on Legislation Representative 2014-17 District 9800 Council on Legislation and Council on Resolutions Representative 2017-2020



https://my.rotary.org/en/cor/vote

## Charity Race Night raises dollars and Rotary profile

Past President Brian Dobson, Harness Racing Victoria and the Rotary Club of Melton Valley organized our first charity race night at Tabcorp Park on February 3rd 2011 and proceeds of \$34,080 was donated to the Queensland Flood Appeal.

During the last 7 years we have donated approximately \$125,000 to various community organizations. What a superb amount of money!!

Harness Racing Victoria, through Tabcorp Park, and our two Rotary clubs each decide the charities or organizations they wish to give to in that particular year.

This year Harness Racing Victoria nominated Tabcorp Park - Cancer Relay for Life.

The Rotary Club of Melton Valley suggested Gap on Graham and

The Rotary Club of Melton identified Christian Churches Caring, or Foodbank as it's known.

Profit from this year's charity race night was \$17031 and both Rotary Clubs contributed \$484.50 each, to make the total profit \$18000. Each charity received \$6000.

Pauline Dempsey, President of Melton Valley presented a cheque to Val Turner from Gap on Graham. Bianca Walker represented Tabcorp Park and presented her cheque to Mary Carroll from Relay for Life. Melton President, Max Fraser presented a cheque to Denise Morris from Foodbank.



L to R Max Fraser, Bianca Walker, Val Turner, Mary Carroll, Denise Morris, Pauline Dempsey, Brendan Richards

We particularly thank Bianca Walker, Steve Hobbs, Paul Butler and Pauline and Graham Dempsey for their work on the organizing committee and all those other people who assisted at the working bee and on the actual night.

Thanks also to John Zilm, one of our members, for donating a huge amount of goods to the silent auction, and to our sponsors and other contributors.

Special mention is made of Brian Dobson. He suffered poor health for some time and always made the effort to attend our committee meetings. Unfortunately, he died as a result of cancer before the actual Race night. May he rest in peace.

Max Fraser President

## **Rotary Learning and Development 2018**

### District 9800

Learning & Leadership Development Program



### **Rotary Leadership Institute Program**

#### **Metropolitan Program**

Time: 9:30 am to 3pm	Venue: Montague Street School
	Montague Street South Melbourne
Part 1 /2	18 <sup>th</sup> February 2018
Part 3 /4	25 <sup>th</sup> February 2018
Rural Program	
Time: 9:30 am to 3pm	Venue: Golden Square Primary School
	19 Maple Street Bendigo
Part 1 /2	22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2018
Part 3 /4	6 <sup>th</sup> May 2018

### Seminar Programs 2018

#### **New Members**

New Members Session at District Assembly May 20<sup>th</sup> TABCORP Park Melton

**Future Club Leaders** 

Metropolitan: April 8<sup>th</sup> 10 am to 12 noon

Venue: Montague Street School, Montague Street South Melbourne

Rural: April 29<sup>th</sup> 10 am to 12 noon

Venue: Golden Square Primary School, 19 Maple Street Bendigo

Involvement Beyond the Club Metropolitan/ Rural: August date to be set

Contact Julie Mason on <u>Mason.Julie.M@edumail.vic.gov.au</u> Vicki Teschke at <u>Vicki@teschke.id.au</u>

## Around our District ..... in our clubs

The children from the Horace Petty Estate delighted with a surprise visit from Santa at the Rotary Club of Prahran's Homework Club recently. Rotarian Sam watches on.



Prahran on her 2017 Victorian Premier's Volunteer Champions Award for Leadership.

Congratulations to Susie Cole, President Rotary Club of Our best wishes for a full recovery to Gabe Hau, former Assistant Governor, and Foundation Champion following his recent heart attack. Gabe had 2 stents inserted and is now recovering.



The Rotary Club of Melton mourns the passing of Past President Brian Dobson in October. Brian was a leader in the club's Charity Race event at TABCorp Park from 2011.

Sympathies are extended to his widow Helen and family.





## Around our District ..... in our clubs

Brian Gould was introduced to the Rotary Club of Eaglehawk by PP Leon Scott and inducted last week.



The Rotary Club of Brighton North inducted 2 new members last week. Welcome to Cories and Mario.



Former GSE Team member Alice Miller was inducted into the Rotary Club of Central Melbourne by President Frank under the watchful eye of PDG Neville John.



Rotary Cub of Prahran inducted new member Andrew Ranger last week. He is pictured with his mentor President Nominee Will Slade, President Susie Cole and IP Sue Vincent.



The Rotary Club of Altona City also inducted 2 new members and PDG Dennis Shore was on hand to assist. Welcome to Ken Vazquez and Hans Kopans.







WE ARE ON THE MOVE from Shed 40 & need your help on TUESDAYS & FRIDAYS until the end of December

#### **CONTACT US TO VOLUNTEER**

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#### ROTARY CONVENTION TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA 23-27 JUNE 2018

#### Dear fellow Rotarians,

We look forward to welcoming you to the 109th Rotary International Convention in Toronto, where you'll find inspiration around every corner. The convention is an incredible opportunity to meet fellow Rotarians from around the world, exchange ideas, and learn from each other. It's the best way there is to celebrate a year of successful service and renew our energies for the year to come.

As a global center of business, finance, arts, and culture, Toronto is vibrant, friendly, and diverse — just like Rotary. And like Rotary, Canada's largest city offers something for everyone: museums, restaurants and shopping, stumning architecture, and easy access to the natural beauty for which Canada is justly famous.

This year will mark the 50th anniversary of Rotaract. From its beginnings as a small youth program in North Carolina, USA, Rotaract has blossomed into one of Rotary's largest programs, offering opportunities for service, friendship, and growth to more than 291,000 young people in over 9,500 chubs globally. We look forward to welcoming Rotaractors to Toronto and celebrating this milestone anniversary with them.

All through the year, as we serve in our clubs, we know that we are not alone, that we are part of a global organization that reaches nearly every country of the world. Our annual convention is a wonderful opportunity, the closest we can come to meeting them all — the 1.2 million men and women in *Rotary: Making a Difference*.

Sincerely,

Ian H.S. Riseley 2017-18 RI President

riconvention.org

Looking for reading material, or ideas for your club?



https://my.rotary.org/en/news-media/magazines/rotarian

Rotary On The Move—the Zone Newsletter http://www.rotaryclubofmiltonulladulla.org.au/ROM%20Newsletter.htm

Rotary has eight new membership-related courses available in the <u>Learning Center</u>. Each course includes a variety of materials, including self-guided learning modules. The interactive modules present real-life scenarios that let you test different actions to see what happens.

The courses are:

- Is Your Club Healthy?
- Building a Diverse Club
- Online Membership Leads
- Practicing Flexibility and Innovation
- Strategies for Attracting New Members
- Kick-start Your New Member Orientation
- Best Practices for Engaging Members
- Your Membership Plan (coming soon)

To decide which areas to focus on, start with the course Is Your Club Healthy? Ask your membership committee to help you prioritize the course areas, then begin exploring.

The courses are free and available on demand, so you can take them at your convenience. Members can access the courses in the Learning Center after signing in to their <u>My Rotary</u> account.

You'll find the Learning Center under Learning & Reference in the menu. In the Learning Center, select the Membership category along the left side of the page.

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

#### https://my.rotary.org/en/cadre-technical-advisers

The Rotary Foundation Cadre of Technical Advisers is a group of volunteer Rotarians who provide technical expertise and advice to Rotarians planning and carrying out Rotary grant projects around the world. Cadre members review, monitor, and evaluate projects and ensure grant funds are being used properly. Our assignments include:

- Technical reviews. Cadre members evaluate the technical feasibility of a project and submit a written evaluation. Reviewers don't travel or communicate with the project sponsors.
- Site visits. An advance site visitor evaluates the technical feasibility of a proposed project. An interim monitor reports on the implementation of an ongoing project. A post project monitor evaluates the impact and resolution of a completed project. For these assignments, cadre members travel to the project site and meet with the project sponsors and the benefiting community.
- Audits. Auditors evaluate the financial management and oversight of grant funds. Audits can be targeted or random. Cadre members travel to the project site and meet with the project sponsors and the benefiting community.
- Operational audits. Cadre members assess the controls grant sponsors have to ensure qualification. This involves
  evaluating financial books, records, and documentation.

Do you want to add your expertise to the cadre? We're looking for Rotarians in all technical areas.

#### Combined Cluster event with Gateway Clubs and Rotaract.

Strathmore Rotary proudly presents PAUL HOLMAN - AMBULANCE DIRECTOR VICTORIA



#### Sharing with us his experiences with 'The Perfect Storm' is Paul Holman ASM 10 January 2018, 6:30pm for 7:00pm Strathmore

#### Windy Hill Venue Napier St Essendon \$35 per person 2 Course Meal, Drinks at Bar Prices



Paul Holman ASM, is the current Director- Emergency Management Ambulance Victoria.

Paul has a broad and diverse operational background and management experience within the Ambulance industry over 40 years. Operational experience as a Paramedic in Mobile Intensive Care Ambulance, Air Ambulance, Helicopter, Communications and Senior Management. He is the State Health Commander and is responsible for the Emergency Management Department that delivers all Emergency Management, Planning and Response to Major Incidents.

Paul is a member of Paramedics Australasia and holds a Graduate Diploma in Administration (Health), was award-

ed the Ambulance Service Medal (ASM) in 2007 and The National Emergency Medal in 2011; for the Black Saturday Bushfire response.

He has managed all the major incidents of the last ten years including the Black Saturday Bushfires and the floods of 2010/11and 12, Bourke St and Thunderstorm Asthma. During the event

Bookings via Trybooking https://www.trybooking.com/spps Any questions, please contact President Emma Davis 0407 628 388 emma.jane.davis.30@gmail.com



### Friday 26 January 2018 at the Middle Brighton Pier



### A great way to celebrate Australia Day!

#### FEATURING:

- 1400m and 2500m Open Water Swims.
- 650m Intermediate Swim.
- Swimland Junior Dash for 8-12 YO's.
- Enter a team in the Open Water events
- Registration from 7.45am. Main race 11.00am.
- Food stalls, live entertainment.





- Free ticket for \$4000 of Raffle Prizes. drawn on the day.
- Swim cap, event T-shirt and numerous random prizes.
- Sports drink, fruit and ice cream.
- Trophies and prizes for Open and Age events.





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A sensational IWD Breakfast for 2018 is in the works!



WED 7 MARCH 2018 Annual International Women's Day Breakfast

Entertaining. Inspirational. Change. You! Not to be missed.

> Brought to you by The Rotary Club of Brighton North & The Rotary Club of Melbourne

Would you be interested in helping out at the event? If so, contact Kerry Kornhauser at kerry@rotarywomen.org.au



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PRESENTS







#### District Conference March 2018 – In Memoriam

During the District Conference we will be recognising those members who have passed away since the Shepparton conference in March 2017.

Would Club Secretaries please email PP Kevin Walsh from RC Balwyn with the name of the member and the Club.

Please provide the information by 31st January 2018.

Email: kevin@kwwalsh.com.au

## **Our Contributors**



District Governor Peter Frueh is busy completing club visits, preparing for the District Conference in just 11 weeks time and enjoying the excitement of the festive season.



DGE Bronwyn Stevens is continuing to work very hard at Donations n Kind, relocating and sorting items in the library and stationery section; preparing for her trip to District Governor elect training in San Diego in January and enjoying the excitement and fun of the Christmas season.



Past District Governor Dennis Shore is our District 9800 Representative on Legislation Representative 2014-17



Stuart Cardell is a member of the Rotary Club of Southbank, and works on the District NYSF, RYLA, Science Experience and Youth Service Committees.



Colin Muir is a member of the Rotary Club of Werribee and Past District Governor.



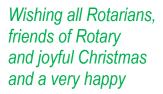
Jess Roberts and Dave Kinnersely are Co-coordinators of RYLA.



Max Fraser is President of the Rotary Club of Melton.



Julie Mason is a member of the Rotary Club of Wyndham, Past District Governor 2015-206 and leads the District Learning and Development team.



partners, family and District 9800 a safe and festive season New Year.

