



# NETWORKER



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A publication for Rotarians and all community-minded people

## October is Vocational Service Month

### Bendigo to Assist in Rebuilding Samoa

The Rotary Club of Bendigo has a long association with the island nation of Samoa and, as result, is determined to play a pivotal role in that country's recovery from the devastating impacts of the tsunami that hit on the 29<sup>th</sup> September.

The relationship of the club and its members with Samoa and its people is both long standing and warm. In 1992 Samoa was ravaged by cyclones and, in response to a request for assistance, a number of Bendigo Rotarians were members of the volunteer teams that responded. The products of these events included not only significant material assistance but also a recognition of the need for further help and, perhaps most importantly, an enduring love and respect of Samoa and its people. Since that time, a number of teams of volunteers from Bendigo have travelled to Samoa to provide water tanks and sanitation facilities plus much needed maintenance of educational facilities in a number of remote Samoan villages.



DG Colin Muir and Pauline

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Without exception, the volunteers, which have included Rotarians, the family and friends of Rotarians and apprentices, have fallen in love with Samoa and its people and it is those people that require assistance at this time.

Those with a connection to Samoa are deeply saddened by the recent events. They also understand that while the current disaster relief efforts have been effective in providing temporary relief, the requirement for assistance continues. Once everybody is safe and secure and people have had sufficient time to mourn their losses, the task of rebuilding will commence.

The Rotary Club of Bendigo, the Rotary Club of Apia and the aid recipients, will work together to identify appropriate projects. It is expected that up to 20 teams of volunteers will be required over the next 2 to 3 years with each volunteer giving time, money and their heart to the task.

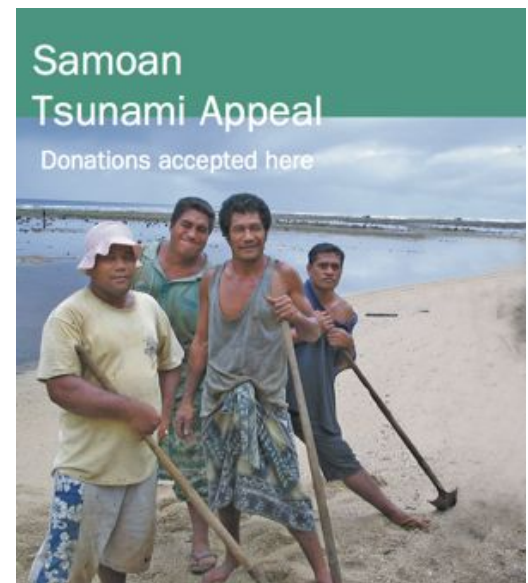
In order for the volunteers to complete their tasks, money is required for the purchase and transport of tools and materials. The extent of the assistance that will be able to be provided will be determined by the amount of funds available.

A nationwide fundraising appeal has been launched in partnership with the Bendigo Bank Community Enterprise Foundation. That foundation has agreed to establish a management account to receive tax deductible donations. Donations will be able to be made at and Bendigo Bank Branch or at the following website.  
[www.bendigobank.com.au/foundation](http://www.bendigobank.com.au/foundation).

Further information may be obtained from Colin Burns, 5443 1563, or [cjburns1@bigpond.com](mailto:cjburns1@bigpond.com).

Colin Muir

District Governor



Show your support today by donating at this branch or online at [bendigobank.com.au/foundation/tsunami](http://bendigobank.com.au/foundation/tsunami)

The Bendigo Bank Branch is a  
management account of Community Enterprise  
Foundation. All donations will be used to help the  
Bendigo Bank Branch. No other donations will be accepted.

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## RAWCS Appeal

You have all heard about the two tragic events these past few days in Samoa and Manilla. Those of you who attended the RAWCS Seminars at International House recently will recall the projects in these locations.

The Rotary Clubs of Sunshine and Brighton Beach have been in contact with the Clubs they have been working with in Samoa and The Philippines. Both locations and have pleas for urgent assistance. While we know that the usual disaster aid agencies and Governments will be the first responders, the needs that always remain after the first rush of assistance passes, will need to be addressed.

The list below is the list of goods that Frank Dri and Ruth Carlos have received from their Rotary contacts in Samoa and Manila and this is an appeal to all Clubs to meet these requests quickly.

Clothing (summer)	Bedding/linen/pillows	Wheelchairs
Tinned Food	Cutlery / crockery/mugs/glasses	Analgesics
Refrigerators	Chairs (stackable)	Tables (foldable)
Tools: hammers/nails/saws/	screws/screwdrivers	
Hygiene products: soap/toothbrushes/toothpaste/combs/brushes/feminine products		

If you are able to assist either or both with any of the articles from this list, please let Frank and Ruth know and arrange to get the goods to the DIK store - your DIK store as soon as you can. Please use the list as the guide to the items required - this is not a general appeal for anything you have that is surplus to your needs. It is a very specific list of items requested. If you have any queries in this regard please refer them to Frank on 0438117 810 or Ruth on 0407 566 079

Sunshine are arranging for a container of goods to be assembled as soon as they can and Brighton Beach is looking to arrange separate transport. It will also be helpful if you have goods to let Bill Dagg know by an email so that an appropriate record of your donations can be assembled. [bdagg@tpg.com.au](mailto:bdagg@tpg.com.au)

The DIK store is at 400 Sommerville Road West Footscray and Bill's contact number is 0425 741 045. The store is open from 9am to 3pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Bob Glindemann,  
District 9800 RAWCS Chair

## ShelterBox Update

**6<sup>th</sup> October, 2009:** Over this past week, ShelterBox has distributed more than \$1.2 million of emergency shelter to our disaster struck Pacific neighbours who have endured earthquakes, tsunamis and flooding. Add this to a previous month where ShelterBox responded to earthquakes and typhoons in Indonesia and the Philippines; massive flooding in West Bengal; a typhoon in China; hurricane in Mexico; and flash flooding in Niger. Overwhelmed Philippine authorities have appealed for international aid as the death toll from the once-in-a lifetime floods soar and weary survivors shelter in squalid conditions.



In total, over the past five weeks, ShelterBox with the assistance of our fully trained ShelterBox Response Team members, Rotarians and their Clubs have assisted with the distribution of more than \$2.6 million in emergency shelter to those most in need.

Team members Keith Robins, Hans Van Dyk, Gary Bidner, Mike Greenslade and Peter Pearce have all volunteered their time and expertise over the past six weeks to assist those who have lost everything.

**ShelterBox Founder and CEO, Tom Henderson**, said: "This has been one of ShelterBox's most challenging set of deployments to date and we are urgently appealing for donations to enable us to alleviate the suffering of hundreds of thousands of people across the globe that have just lost everything in the last week. We're working flat out to ensure our aid is delivered to people as quickly as possible and, rest assured, we won't stop until the job is done."

**\$1200 will allow a survivor family shelter with dignity.**

District Shelter Box Enquiries to: Roger Fasken (RC Kew) ph 9802 4308 [fasken@bigpond.net.au](mailto:fasken@bigpond.net.au)



## District 9800 Conference Early-bird Registration

Conference Early-bird Registration Opened on 21st September 09  
<http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/Members/Conference2010>

Register on-line or print a registration form and post your cheque.

1 – Click on this link:

[http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/Members/2010\\_Conference\\_Registration](http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/Members/2010_Conference_Registration)

2. Under **How to Register**, Select 'Secure Registrations':

3. Complete the Form!

### Early Bird Registration Prizes

1. 5 nights accommodation at 'Mantra on Murray' in Perth.
2. Free Conference Registration for 2 people.
3. Use of a Lexus motor vehicle for a weekend in Melbourne.



## Rotary International Conference June 20th to 23rd, 2010.

Montréal is a unique North American city. Resolutely modern in many respects, it has preserved its historical landmarks and European heritage, which goes back to the founding of Ville-Marie in 1642.

It would be a challenge to create Montréal, if it didn't already exist. How many of us would dream up a place where you can hear 80 languages?



Or make French the official language in a major city in North America? Would that city show off four centuries of architecture and then conceal 200 restaurants, 1,700 shops, 37 movie theatres, and two train stations in a 20-mile underground maze? Would it tie its neighbourhoods together with an excellent métro system of quiet, rubber-tired trains? And for extra credit: Would you have the good sense to make it the tango capital of North America?

Many Rotarians will come to Montréal for the first time in June 2010. They will be enthralled.

All the attractions are just a short walk away from most hotels, the downtown area, and the 2010 RI Convention venues: the Palais des Congrès and Centre Bell.

Montréal offers a bounty of attractions, each one more famous than the next. No visitor should miss the Montréal Botanical Garden, the underground city, alleyways and side streets and the vibrant main streets, and of course the cuisine.

If you are not convinced, visit the Web site <http://www.vieux.montreal.qc.ca/> for the historical part of the city commonly called Vieux-Montréal. Click on "Quick Tour" [http://www.vieux.montreal.qc.ca/eclair/eng/f\\_anima.htm](http://www.vieux.montreal.qc.ca/eclair/eng/f_anima.htm) to learn about what you can expect once you are in Montréal.

Register online before December 15<sup>th</sup> to save \$\$\$

<http://www.rotary.org/en/Members/Events/Convention/Pages/ridefault.aspx?housead>



## Marketing Tip: Social Networking for your Club

**Facebook and Twitter are great marketing tools, they are easy to use and enable your club to reach a huge audience.**



Facebook and Twitter are a great way to share your club's **goals and achievements** with the world and **highlights** to potential members **the good that Rotary does both locally and internationally**.

Many not-for-profit organisations already have Facebook and Twitter accounts and are reaping the benefits for their organisation and their cause.

One reason why Facebook and Twitter are so popular is because they are very **easy to use**. Updating your club's information – adding articles or photos, takes just minutes. Most importantly when you update your club's profile by adding something new, all of your group's members or followers will be advised.

Remember it is not just members of your club who can access your club's information on Facebook and Twitter but also your other club contacts, whether they be family, friends, or students your club may have supported through the Youth Exchange or RYLA.



### Tweet It!

Twitter is ranked as one of the **50 most popular websites** worldwide and the third most used social network - in February 2009 it Twitter had a monthly growth of 1,382 percent.

Rotary International twitters and so can your club. RI can be found on Twitter at... <http://twitter.com/rotary>

### Facebook

With over 100 million users who can potentially access your club's profile, Facebook can be a useful tool for networking and marketing your Club.

If your club isn't on Facebook, here's how it works... you set up a profile page with details about your club meetings, projects etc and then invite other members of Facebook to join your club's group. You can share news and events, display photos, or team up on projects with other clubs all through Facebook.

Be aware, when creating a group, that there are two kinds of groups on Facebook - open and closed. Be sure to create open groups so that people can find it and your members can invite others to join.

Don't discount them - Facebook and Twitter are an ideal opportunity to market Rotary and your Club to potential new members!





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## The AQUABOX Story

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Aquabox literally began over a cup of coffee!

In 1990 members of the Rotary Club of Wirksworth, UK were discussing a better way of providing emergency aid to disaster areas. The idea was to combine a robust box with water purification equipment and other emergency supplies and so Aquabox was born. It was officially launched in October 1992 by His Grace the Duke of Devonshire at Chatsworth House UK and is an official project of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland, managed by its initiators.

Each Aquabox contains sufficient water purification equipment to supply a family with clean water for about 4 months, in addition to humanitarian aid in the form of eating and drinking equipment, water containers, tools, blankets and other basic equipment.

Since 1992 over 85,000 Aquaboxes have been distributed to disaster areas around the world, providing in excess of 417,000,000 litres of clean drinking water.

Aquabox (Australia) began through the Rotary Club of Eltham, Australia in 2001 and since that time boxes have been distributed from Australia to disasters in Nepal, Iraq, Cambodia, East Timor, PNG, Niue, Chad, Bangladesh, Colombo and Sri Lanka.

In February 2009 AQUABOXES were distributed, for the first time within Australia, to victims of the Victoria bushfire disaster. Aquabox (Australia) have revamped the contents of Aquabox Gold to suit conditions in the Region and are focussed on distributing these and the Aquabox 30.

For more information, contact Peter Roden on 0417 385 641  
<http://www.aquabox.org/>



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## Active Ageing Network Forum.

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The objective of the Active Ageing Network Forum is to provide health and fitness professionals with the opportunity to discuss, and to acquire knowledge and skills to better service the needs of older adults in relation to physical activity, particularly those from disadvantaged groups and areas of disadvantage. Further, it is an opportunity for participants to network with one another and improve links between organisations, thus enhancing capacity building.

The target audience is both health and fitness professionals, ranging from co-ordinators in local government to physiotherapists in local community centres and fitness instructors in gymnasiums and U3A's. A combination of general information on physical activity and practical, hands-on information, such as exercises and motivational techniques, will be included in the forum.



The forum will be held on Wednesday **11 November 2009**, 10 am - 4 pm (registration commences at 9.30 am) at the Abbotsford Convent. It is \$15.00 including GST to attend.

Elizabeth Charalambakis

Health Promotion Project Officer YMCA Victoria Ph: 03 9403 5000 Mobile: 0431 112 214

Email: [Elizabeth.Charalambakis@ymca.org.au](mailto:Elizabeth.Charalambakis@ymca.org.au) Web: <http://www.victoria.ymca.org.au>



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## Eyes Wide Open

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Keep up to date on the adventures of the intrepid travelers to Nepal with Eyes Wide Open - with their Blog Posts!

<http://www.eyeswideopen.org.au/NepalSep2009Blog>



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## Welcome New Members

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Rotary Club of Camberwell: Adrian Campbell  
Rotary Club of Melbourne: Jeffrey Finney



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## Situations Vacant

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### Rotary Leadership Institute

Who in your club is management material? Send them along!

Part 1 Courses are now available: November 8, or December 6

Part 2 October 11

Part 3 October 4 (already fully booked) November 29, October 25 in Eaglehawk

Enrol with Vicki Teschke on [vicki.t@tacobill.co.au](mailto:vicki.t@tacobill.co.au) or Chairman John Wigley on [jawigley@bigond.com](mailto:jawigley@bigond.com)



### Rotary Youth Leadership Award

Applications are now open for D9800's Rotary Youth Leadership Awardees, between 18 and 25 years of age.

Contact the RYLA Co-Directors, Chrissy [christinewaugh@gmail.com](mailto:christinewaugh@gmail.com) 0414 012 351, or Emma [embroughton@gmail.com](mailto:embroughton@gmail.com) 0413 597 604, or the RYLA District Chairperson Wayne Hunter [wayne.hunter@cvgrp.com](mailto:wayne.hunter@cvgrp.com) 0408 398 297. [www.ryla9800.org.au](http://www.ryla9800.org.au)



### 2011 District Conference Committee

DGE Iven Mackay seeks Rotarians, especially those with "conference experience" to establish a DISTRICT CONFERENCE COMMITTEE. This would give all Rotarians in the District the opportunity to offer their expertise or interest in marketing, promotions, conference travel, Information Technology, MC, printing, entertainment, etc.

Please contact the Chairman for our 2011 District Conference in Adelaide, PP Alan Freedman, [alan.l.freedman@bigpond.com](mailto:alan.l.freedman@bigpond.com)



### DISTRICT 9800 YOUTH EXCHANGE COMMITTEE

An interesting initiative of the Youth Exchange Committee is to begin a youth exchange program with the USA. The first student will arrive in the year 2010-2011. If you are interested in being a member of the dynamic Youth Exchange Committee, to co-ordinate the planned youth exchange between the USA and D-9800, register your interest with:

John Basarin, Chairman, YEC, Email: [johnnyturk@optusnet.com.au](mailto:johnnyturk@optusnet.com.au), Tel: 95970814, 0438055056.

There will be ample opportunity for training & support.





## Notices and Events

### Puccini's Tosca

Michael Lapina, of RC Central Melbourne Sunrise, is currently an artists with Opera Australia, the Victorian Opera Company and the Melbourne Opera Company. He is one of the Cavaradossi's in Melbourne Opera's production of *Tosca* -- there are three of them! Michael has been able to secure a package deal for fellow Rotarians to purchase A Reserve tickets at a greatly discounted rate.

*Tosca* will grip you from its first powerful chords as the story of the passionate heroine's love affair with the patriot Cavaradossi and their entrapment by the evil secret police chief Baron Scarpia unfolds to Puccini's thrilling score.

Ticketmaster is now giving you the exclusive opportunity to purchase A-Reserve tickets for ONLY \$49 - that's a huge saving of \$30 per ticket! [www.ticketmaster.com.au](http://www.ticketmaster.com.au)

Don't forget to quote the code word **OPERA** when purchasing tickets online during the promotional period.

**Wed, 30 September - Wed, 14 October 2009** Athenaeum Theatre, Melbourne.



### ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIPS

The Rotary Fellowships Program comprises more than 70 independent fellowships.

You can join the growing number of Rotarians who are sharing their favourite activities and professional interests through organized recreational, vocational, and health/medical-related groups within Rotary. You really must check out Leon Lewi's Wine Appreciation Group . . . . .

<http://sites.google.com/a/rotaryfellowship.com/www/home>



### Literacy and Educational Assistance Notice

Clubs please note that Rotary Clubs are able to apply for Australian Settlement Grants to undertake or continue work that we do to help refugees and immigrants settle in our country. This money could be especially used to develop and implement Literacy and Educational Assistance Programs, in areas of need in our District. For more information Google *Australian Settlement Grants*. This could be just the thing to motivate and inspire your club.

Bronwen Scarffe District 9800 Literacy Chairperson

0418 592 432 [bronwenscarffe@bigpond.com](mailto:bronwenscarffe@bigpond.com)

### Rotary Club of Richmond OXYGens

The OXYgens will join the riders at Geelong, Werribee and Altona – **sponsor a rider for \$30 or join them for the ride for \$30: Geelong 7.45 am Werribee 9.15 am Altona 10.15 am** as the last leg of the Australian Rotary Health's Great Australian Bike Ride, to raise money for mental health.

Enjoy the Redback RMIT acrobatic cheerleaders, balloonologists, a caricature artist, buskers... and of course tea and scones. We even have a barbecue if you are feeling peckish!

Contact: Krissy O'Reilly [kristenoreilly@nmit.vic.edu.au](mailto:kristenoreilly@nmit.vic.edu.au) 0421 068 61 [www.greataustralianbikeride.org.au](http://www.greataustralianbikeride.org.au)



### **Mad Hatter's Tea Party: a perfect finish to the Great Australian Bike Ride!**

Lincoln Square, Carlton – **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October**

Join the fun & come along in a **mad hat** from 10.30 am to 3.15 pm

Contact: Krissy O'Reilly [kristenoreilly@nmit.vic.edu.au](mailto:kristenoreilly@nmit.vic.edu.au) 0421 068 61



### Rotary Club of Albert Park Giant Book Fair

**Saturday 10th - Sunday 11th October**

Albert Park Primary School Bridport St, Albert Park

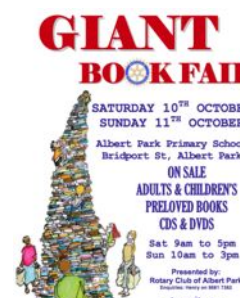
When the Rotary Club of Albert Park holds its annual Book Fair at the Albert Park Primary School, there are winners all round.

**ADULTS & CHILDREN'S PRELOVED BOOKS CDS & DVDS**

The books range from classics, fiction and non-fiction to crime, cookery, Australiana, sport plus books for children, teens, parents and romantics. In fact, this year has seen a growth in the number of books related to parenting.

Sat 9am to 5pm - Sun 10am to 3pm

Rotary Club of Albert Park Enquiries: Henry on 9681 738





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## Tour de France Shirt

Bid on an original Tour de France yellow shirt and help the Rotary Club Melbourne to cycle even harder and raise more money for the Smith Family. The shirt is from the 2008 winning team Stuart O'Grady, Bradley McGee, Matthew Goss, Lars Bak, Lasse Bochman, John Axel, Hansen (Team Director), with original signatures, and beautifully framed together with a bronze authenticity plaque.

Every \$500 will help to keep one disadvantaged Aussie kid one year longer in school. Make a difference! Help us! Get this eye-catcher for your shed. Auction to be held at the RC Melbourne lunch **14<sup>th</sup> October** at the Hotel Windsor.

Ph the Club office 9654 7242 or email [office@rotaryclubofmelbourne.org.au](mailto:office@rotaryclubofmelbourne.org.au) for further details.



## Brighton Rotary Club: The Lunch...

BRIGHTON INTERNATIONAL **16 OCTOBER**, 2009

12.00 NOON FOR 12.30PM

GUEST SPEAKER: SIGRID THORNTON MC: DEBORAH HUTTON

COST: \$95

Proceeds to Olivia Newton-John Cancer & Wellness Centre Appeal & Rotary Charities

RSVP: 0408 991 641, Mob: 0408 991 641

email: [geoff.bentley@nec.com.au](mailto:geoff.bentley@nec.com.au)



## JOHN REDDISH SERVICE EXCELLENCE AWARDS

The Rotary Club of Kew on Yarra, in conjunction with the City of Boroondara, are conducting the 4<sup>th</sup> annual John Reddish Service Excellence Awards. This focuses on the 24 Neighbourhood Retail Precincts within the City, to emphasise the importance of exceptional service as the major marketing differentiation from the larger retail precincts. Three finalists in each of 3 Regions will be chosen, with the winner of each Region competing for the overall trophy. This event is considered to be a significant boost to the awareness of small local businesses.

The Awards dinner will be held at 6.30pm, on Wednesday **21 October**, at the Amora Riverwalk Hotel, 649 Bridge Rd Richmond, at a cost of \$35 per person. If you would like to join in this celebration of those who have "walked the extra mile", please call David Shave on 0408 511 615.



## JEWELLERY & HANDBAG AFTERNOON TEA

Event: Fifth Avenue Collection Show with a short fashion parade of jewellery and handbags followed by the opportunity to purchase the goods on display and those modelled. Afternoon tea to follow. Thursday **22 October** at 2pm, at a private home in Murrumbeena

Entry Fee: By donation. Guests receive a glass of champagne on arrival

Raffle Prizes are wine, cinema tickets and the opportunity to purchase jewellery at half-price.

Purpose: To raise funds for the Club's local community arts and Festive Season.

Bookings are essential Ph 9568-7190



## Carlton Rotary Club 2009 Art Show

Saturday **24 October** 1pm - 5pm and Sunday **25 October** 10am - 5pm

Royal Society of Victoria. 9 Victoria St, Melbourne 3000

A unique opportunity to view and acquire paintings, prints, drawings, sculpture from emerging artists and works from established artists.

The formal opening by the President of the Royal Society of Victoria of the exhibition is on Friday evening, **23 October**, 6:00 till 8:00 PM.

To secure an Invitation for the Opening, or for more information, please e-mail or phone Phil Kreveld [p.kreveld@bigpond.com](mailto:p.kreveld@bigpond.com) . 0418 530 781



## CAMBODIAN KIDS FOUNDATION ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

'A GREAT NIGHT OUT!' LET'S BUILD THIS SCHOOL!

SATURDAY **24TH OCTOBER** 2009 7:30 Till' Late TOP OF THE RANGE Mt. Macedon

Tickets \$60 Per Person Includes Entertainment, Food, Dessert & Coffee Drinks at bar prices

Fantastic Auction! Your chance to pick up a treasure and give to a great cause. Chocolate Fountain! Entertainment includes Michele & Adam Johnstone!

Tickets available from Color Me Cooper Woodend 5427 1454 and Daylesford 5348 1237 Top of the Range 5427 3466





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## Rotary Charity Fun Ride

Rotary Club of North Balwyn invites all bike-riders...

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October**

If you haven't yet experienced the beautiful shared walking/ riding trail beside the Eastlink tunnels now is your chance to do so. It's part of a Charity Fun Ride on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October organised by R.C. of North Balwyn, to raise funds for the Asthma Foundation of Victoria.

The Ride from Kew to Croydon and return offers a choice of distances (15km, 35km or 45km). There'll be plenty of marshals and signage to guide you, as well as BBQ and refreshments available. Be sure to check this out at [www.rotaryride.com.au](http://www.rotaryride.com.au)



## Relish 2010 Book Launch and Dinner:

The Rotary Clubs of St Kilda, Prahran, Melbourne South and Malvern invite you to the Relish 2010 Book Launch Tickets: \$55 per person (dinner and drinks included)  
MC - Cam Smith from RRR radio show *Eat It!* Live auction and Relish 2010 available for purchase on the night.

Monday **26 October** 2009 6.30pm onwards.

At Red Scooter, 25 William Street, St Kilda East

Queries: Julia Topliss p: 0411 364 004

[info@relishrecipes.com.au](mailto:info@relishrecipes.com.au) to book your place online or download booking form.

Relish 2010 available for pre-purchase now at [www.relishrecipes.com.au](http://www.relishrecipes.com.au)



## A Special Evening with Michael Lapiña

The Rotary Club of Laverton Point Cook is hosting a fundraising dinner in support of Uniting Care Crisis Food Parcels and the Autism Alliance proposed Autism school in Altona.

A Special Evening with Michael Lapiña Wednesday **28th October** 2009 6.30pm for 7pm  
Sanctuary Lakes Golf Club, Greg Norman Drive, Sanctuary Lakes, 3030.

Cost: \$35 p.p. (Please pay at time of booking with Visa, Mastercard or cheque) Drinks at bar prices Michael Lapiña is an acclaimed singer with the Victorian State Opera Company. Please join us for what promises to be an uplifting experience with fun and fellowship.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL To attend please RSVP to Steve Medcraft via email

[ssteve@bigpond.net.au](mailto:ssteve@bigpond.net.au) or phone 9397-1455 By 19/10/2009



## The Rotary Club of Brimbank Central Vocational Awards Night

The Rotary Club of Brimbank Central will be holding a Vocational Awards Night Wednesday **28 October** 2009, at the Taylors Lakes Hotel, Keilor Melton Highway, Taylors Lakes

Cost \$30 for 2 course meal with tea or coffee. Drinks at Bar prices.

5 Vocational Awards will be presented on this evening

Enquiries can be directed to David Moss Bennett on 0412 388 823

Barbara Rafter Ph 03 9331 5662 Email: [barbara@craftbooks.com.au](mailto:barbara@craftbooks.com.au)



## Tibetan Village Project Auction

Rotary Club of Melton Valley and Rotary Club of Bacchus Marsh

Present: Tibetan Village Project Auction Night

Thursday **29th October** 2009 6:30pm For 7:00pm Start

Melton Valley Golf Club Melton Valley Drive, Melton

\$25 entry (includes two course meal)

Some of the Authentic Tibetan Products to be auctioned on the night include handmade jewellery, bags, wall hangings, prayer wheels and flags.

Bookings Essential

RSVP by 22nd October to :- Barbara Richards 0407 556 178 or Christine McCormack 0419 889 594





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## Di Morrissey Book Launch

The Rotary Club of Toorak invites you to Dinner with Renowned Author Di Morrissey who will speak about her new book *"The Silent Country"*

Monday **16 November** 6.30pm for 7.00pm

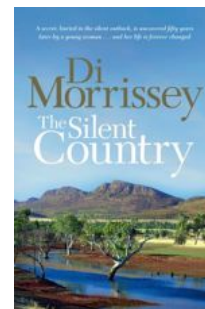
Royal South Yarra Lawn Tennis Club Williams Road North, Toorak Vic. \$60.00 per person

Pre-dinner drinks provided.

*The Silent Country is a vast and beautiful wilderness, a place which holds secrets and stories that are rarely spoken. TV producer, Veronica Anderson, travels to the Northern Territory to retrace the journey of an expedition that had set out fifty years earlier to film the outback, but which mysteriously ended in tragedy. The answers she finds change her life.*

"The Silent Country" will be signed and sold on the evening

RSVP : 12/11/09 Enquiries : Alan Freedman 0419 357 864 [Alan.I.freedman@bigpond.com](mailto:Alan.I.freedman@bigpond.com)



## Rotary Club of Essendon Charity Golf Day.

Participants and sponsors are sought for Friday **20th November**, – 11am-12.00 noon for registration and 12.30 tee off. Medway Golf Club (Melways reference 27G10) \$70

Medway members and \$90 non-members.

Cost includes green fees, light refreshments before and after the game (BBQ dinner) when there will be presentations of prizes and a raffle. Money raised will be shared between helping orphans in Manila and Philippines, DIK, and the Caroline Chisholm Society.

FORMAT: 4 ball Ambrose event with prizes for overall winners, runners-up, longest drive, nearest the pins, drive and chip and many more.

Further information and application forms from:

Glenn Smith 0422 480 642 Veronica O'Sullivan 0418 537 253



## Rotary Club of Daylesford "Community Breakfast"

**Monday 23rd November** at the Daylesford Town Hall Vincent Street Daylesford

Time: 7.00am to 8.45 sharp Cost: \$30.00 (Bookings essential)

Guest Speaker: **Walter Mikac** To raise funds for local school welfare programs.

Walter Mikac has triumphed over extreme loss and has turned his grief into a purpose. He wrote books, lobbied for gun law reform, and helped set up the The Alannah and Madeline Foundation, a national charity keeping children safe from violence of which he is now Founding Patron. Walter is now remarried with a daughter and is sharing his insights through keynote inspirational speaking.

For Bookings please contact Secretary: Lee Manning on 5348 2144 or e-mail on

[leem@mmnet.com.au](mailto:leem@mmnet.com.au)



## Victorian Bushfire Dinner - Strathmore & Sunshine Rotary Clubs

Experiences Concerns and Plans for the Future **Wednesday 2 December**

Moonee Valley Race Club (Chairman's Room), 6.30pm for 7.00pm start

Funds raised will be donated to the Rotary Bushfire Fund

\$50 per person. Includes 2 course meal, tea/coffee. (Drinks at bar prices)

Guest Speakers: **The Hon Bill Shorten MP** Parliamentary Secretary for Victorian Bushfire Reconstruction and Disabilities & Childrens Services

**Ms Christine Nixon** Chair of The Victorian Bushfire recovery & Reconstruction Authority.

RSVP by 15 November 2009 (Seats are limited)

Rod Gurry Ph: 0412 33 88 44 [rod.gurry@aph.gov.au](mailto:rod.gurry@aph.gov.au) or John Avent Ph: 9312 3544

Sunshine Rotary Club, Box 157 Sunshine 3020 or PO Box 28, North Essendon 3041





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### Collingwood RC Christmas Puddings and Cakes.

The Season is just about on us once again, so it is time to start preparing to make some money for your club and for your chosen projects.

Prices are the same as last year which means you can make \$3.00 profit for every Whisky Cake, Plum Pudding and tin of Shortbreads you sell.

Ask your Distributor about this great Fundraising opportunity and the Free Delivery Offer.

For information about the Distributor Club in your District and to download order forms go to [www.cakesandpuddings.com.au](http://www.cakesandpuddings.com.au)

All our profits are spent in support of educational programs in Collingwood, Alice Springs and Vietnam. For details go to [www.rotarycollingwood.org.au](http://www.rotarycollingwood.org.au)



### Melton Valley Rich Fruit Cake

See the flyer, and order from 0419 323 011 or e-mail:

[meltonvalley@district9800.org](mailto:meltonvalley@district9800.org)

Boost your Club's contribution to Polio Plus, and help meet Bill Gates' Challenge!

It is NOT a Christmas Pudding! It is a 1.2 Kg RICH FRUIT CAKE and at \$20 great value for money. Clubs may purchase the Polio Challenge Cake as part of their efforts in supporting Rotary's \$200 Million Polio Challenge. For each Cake sold by Rotary clubs, \$5 per cake will be attributed to their club's contribution towards meeting the \$200 Million Challenge, and every cake sold will help save the lives of over 5 children from this debilitating disease.



### GREENCLEAN LAUNDRY BALLS

As part of its sustainability focus, the RC of Caulfield is now selling Greenclean Laundry Balls which are a water saving, detergent and perfume free environmental initiative. The one ball plus accompanying refill should provide 60 laundry washes. 100% of proceeds will go to assisting with "Safe Water Saves Lives" projects and local environmental community projects. To learn more about the product go to [www.greencleanproducts.com.au](http://www.greencleanproducts.com.au).

The laundry balls with refill sell for \$14.95 and will be available either directly through orders to the club or at community markets. The first community market stall will be at Koornang Community Market, Koornang Uniting Church at 117 Murrumbena Road, Murrumbena on Saturday 3 October. Visitors encouraged. Enquiries Ph 9568-7190





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A publication for Rotarians and all community-minded people

## October is Vocational Service Month

### Disaster Relief and Recovery in D9800

The recent devastating typhoons and floods in the Philippines, earthquakes in Indonesia and tsunami in Samoa and have stretched relief agencies resources to the maximum. Once again the ShelterBox team was one of the first to respond with over \$2.6 Million worth of emergency shelter despatched to the affected areas. We thank all those involved, it has been another great effort.

ShelterBox founder and CEO Tom Henderson said: *"This has been one of Shelterbox's most challenging set of deployments to date and we*

*are urgently appealing for donations to enable us to alleviate the suffering of hundreds of thousands of people across the globe that have just lost everything in the last week".*



DG Colin Muir and Pauline

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In response to Tom's call for support our District, clubs and members have responded well to his request for replenishment stock. The District 9800 board will be immediately providing \$12,000 in response to the Shelterbox call, with many clubs also providing additional support.

There have been many other request and offers of support, too many to mention in this weekly message. Your response to these requests has been overwhelming and I am extremely pleased the way Rotarians have once again come forward with offers of goods and support.

To maximise the opportunity and to avoid duplication of effort in the recovery process I have decided to appoint a **District Disaster Relief and Recovery Coordinator** to handle all requests on behalf of the clubs in our District. **PP Garry Gunnell** from the Rotary Club of Bendigo has agreed to take on this somewhat onerous position. Garry is a very experienced and valued member of RAWCS committee and has been involved in the management of many District International Service Programs. He will work closely with our clubs and members, those involved or looking to be involved with relief and recovery programs. He will also work with clubs who have already established relationships and/or projects in the effected regions, the RAWCS and DIK Teams and will provide advice on how to proceed with their programs or projects. His role will be alongside the Chairman RAWCS in supporting and coordinating relief and recovery effort in D9800.

For anything you want to know in relation to Disaster Relief or Recovery, please check first with Garry Gunnell on 0448405709 or [gunnell1@bigpond.com](mailto:gunnell1@bigpond.com) or after hours phone/fax on 03-54393544.

Last week's issue of *Networker Magazine* was a bumper issue with many articles of how you can support our relief and recovery effort. Please have a look through the list as there may be something that your club or you personally could be involved in.

**The Future Success of Our Relief and Recovery Program is in Your Hands.**

Colin Muir

District Governor





## Great Australian Bike Ride

It finally ended in Carlton, on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October. The Mad Hatter's Tea Party was a roaring success, with some crazy hats, notably on the heads of PDG Judy Nettleton and Trevor Pang.



Four riders completed the entire journey, Rotarians Gonny Rundell and Tom Brown, Roberta Gordon and John Farrugia. Many riders rode legs of the ride and many more volunteers acted as support riders. Yvonne Moon and Judy Nettleton congratulate Yvonne's husband Fred Grundy on achieving Geelong to Melbourne. RC Richmond OXYgen, Krissy O'Reilly, who was sponsored by RC Richmond and rode from Werribee to Carlton presented the four riders with Certificates.

Following the Tea Party the main riders were given a rousing reception at Melbourne Town Hall, organised by PDG Des Jones and attended by the Chairman, CEO and Board of Australian Rotary Health.





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## Cobar 4WD Rally

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The Rotary Club of Cobar recently ran a very successful 4 wheel drive Car Rally and raised \$20,000. The event was limited to 30 cars, and they covered 3800km in 6 days.

Two Keilor Rotary Club Members Glenda Bryson and Cameron Horder entered vehicles at their own expense and added another 1700km to attend, and the raised \$8,500 was donated to the Royal Flying Doctor Service and \$500 to the White Cliffs Hospital.



DG Colin Muir was spotted polishing up the Rotary Wheel on a Mitsubishi's bonnet. It pays to advertise!

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## World Polio Day is 24th October.

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- Polio (poliomyelitis) is a crippling and potentially fatal infectious disease, which still strikes children mainly under the age of five in countries in Asia, Africa, and the Middle East.
- Polio can cause paralysis and sometimes death. There is no cure for polio, the best protection is prevention. For US\$0.60 worth of vaccine, a child can be protected against this crippling disease for life.
- It can cause paralysis within hours, and polio paralysis is almost always irreversible.
- In the most severe cases, polio attacks the motor neurons of the brain stem, causing breathing difficulty or even death.
- Historically, polio has been the world's greatest cause of disability.

Before eradication efforts began, polio paralyzed more than 1,000 children a day, totalling about 350,000 children annually. The incidence of polio has since declined by more than 99 percent.

Rotary International is the spearheading member of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative and is the largest private sector donor. It has contributed more than US\$600 million to the polio eradication activities in 122 countries.

Tens of thousands of Rotarians have partnered with their national ministries of health, UNICEF, the World Health Organisation, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, the U.S. Centres for Disease Control and Prevention, and with health providers at the grassroots level in thousands of communities.



Compare these two pictures: The Iron Lung ward at Rancho Los Amigos Hospital, Downey, California, ca.1953, and a baby in Nigeria today, who will never experience the disease.

*"If we all have the fortitude to see this effort through to the end, then we will eradicate polio." - Bill Gates*



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## Four Steps For Life

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Over 50 people arrived at the Amora Hotel, Richmond, on 5<sup>th</sup> October, to attend the Richmond Rotary meeting presentation of the **4 Steps For Life – CPR Program**.

Featuring the Ambulance Victoria DVD, specifically aimed at Clubs with the majority of members over 50 years of age, the 4 simple steps needed to help in making a dramatic difference to a victim's chance of survival, were highlighted in the 20 minute viewing.

Attendees then practised CPR on a 'pillow pal' - a pillowcase with the diagram imprinted with a head and a torso. For those who had learnt CPR in the past, it was also an invaluable refresher.

Attendees came away with a clear message:  
Don't waste time

Don't panic  
Any CPR is better than none

You can't make a mistake – you're maximising that person's chance of survival  
Encourage your Clubs' and family members to take up this '4 Steps For Life – CPR Program'



Demonstrating how to turn an unconscious patient, and practising with the "pillow-pals"

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## Marketing Tip - Get Ready to Celebrate

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Christmas cards and decorations have started to hit the shops and while it might seem a bit early it is a good indication that we should start to think about how our clubs are going to celebrate and reflect on their achievements this year. These functions should not just be about fun and fellowship but are a fantastic opportunity to promote your club.



**Think about who you can invite...**

- Family, friends & colleagues
- Community Partners
- Corporate Partners
- The Media



Past members  
Your AG,  
Rotaractors, RYLarians, GSE team  
members



## Situations Vacant

### RAWCS Disaster Relief in Samoa

The Rotary Club of Bendigo will coordinate the re-building process which will be subjected to significant planning on the ground. Members are to visit Samoa next week to commence discussions with local Rotary, community representatives and AusAid officials. The actual project or projects will be around community services/facilities, ie. village primary schools, health clinics, etc. Obviously the amount of work that can be undertaken will depend on the amount of dollars raised.

It is expected that this re-building process will start around March/April next year and extend over a number of years. While we do not want to be taking jobs from the locals there will be a need to work with local communities and I expect the opportunity for many RAWCS volunteer teams. Rotarians are asked to register individually or as club teams to participate as a RAWCS volunteer and I can keep them informed as to the progress.

Garry Gunnell District Disaster Relief and Recovery Coordinator, P.O. Box 807 Strathfieldsaye 3551  
Ph: 0448 405709 (m) 03 54393544 (h) Email: [gunnell1@bigpond.com](mailto:gunnell1@bigpond.com)



### School of St Jude

If you are interested in working at St Jude's in Tanzania for a couple of years, and you have great computer skills, an enquiring mind, capacity for hard work and a sense of humour, then maybe you can help. They need another member on the donations team who process payments into a Sponsorship database.

Finally, if you are a doctor and available for the first few weeks in February there is an opening on the medical team to assist with the annual health screen for 1300 plus students in 2010.

Gemma Sisia (Director) will send you the relevant forms.

Email: [schoolofstjude@habari.co.tz](mailto:schoolofstjude@habari.co.tz) Website: [www.schoolofstjude.co.tz](http://www.schoolofstjude.co.tz)

Address: PO Box 11875, Arusha Tanzania, East Africa Phone: 255-754-566136



### Rotary Leadership Institute

Who in your club is management material? Send them along!

Part 1 Courses are now available: November 8, or December 6

Part 2 October 11

Part 3 October 4 (already fully booked) November 29, October 25 in Eaglehawk

Enrol with Vicki Teschke on [vicki.t@tacobill.co.au](mailto:vicki.t@tacobill.co.au) or Chairman John Wigley on [jawigley@bigond.com](mailto:jawigley@bigond.com)



### Rotary Youth Leadership Award

Applications are now open for D9800's Rotary Youth Leadership Awardees, between 18 and 25 years of age.

Contact the RYLA Co-Directors, Chrissy [christinewaugh@gmail.com](mailto:christinewaugh@gmail.com) 0414 012 351, or Emma [embroughton@gmail.com](mailto:embroughton@gmail.com) 0413 597 604, or the RYLA District Chairperson Wayne Hunter [wayne.hunter@cvgrp.com](mailto:wayne.hunter@cvgrp.com) 0408 398 297. [www.ryla9800.org.au](http://www.ryla9800.org.au)



### 2011 District Conference Committee

DGE Iven Mackay seeks Rotarians, especially those with "conference experience" to establish a DISTRICT CONFERENCE COMMITTEE. This would give all Rotarians in the District the opportunity to offer their expertise or interest in marketing, promotions, conference travel, Information Technology, MC, printing, entertainment, etc.

Please contact the Chairman for our 2011 District Conference in Adelaide, PP Alan Freedman, [alan.f.freedman@bigpond.com](mailto:alan.f.freedman@bigpond.com)



### DISTRICT 9800 YOUTH EXCHANGE COMMITTEE

An interesting initiative of the Youth Exchange Committee is to begin a youth exchange program with the USA. The first student will arrive in the year 2010-2011. If you are interested in being a member of the dynamic Youth Exchange Committee, to co-ordinate the planned youth exchange between the USA and D-9800, register your interest with:

John Basarin, Chairman, YEC, Email: [johnnyturk@optusnet.com.au](mailto:johnnyturk@optusnet.com.au), Tel: 95970814, 0438055056.

There will be ample opportunity for training & support.





## Notices and Events

### Puccini's Tosca

Michael Lapina, of RC Central Melbourne Sunrise, is currently an artists with Opera Australia, the Victorian Opera Company and the Melbourne Opera Company. He is one of the Cavaradossis in Melbourne Opera's production of *Tosca* -- there are three of them! Michael has been able to secure a package deal for fellow Rotarians to purchase tickets at a greatly discounted rate: A-Reserve tickets for ONLY \$49 - that's a huge saving of \$30 per ticket!

Go to [www.ticketmaster.com.au](http://www.ticketmaster.com.au) and don't forget to quote the code word **OPERA** when purchasing tickets online during the promotional period.

**Wed, 30 September - Wed, 14 October 2009** Athenaeum Theatre, Melbourne.



### ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIPS

The Rotary Fellowships Program comprises more than 70 independent fellowships. You can join the growing number of Rotarians who are sharing their favourite activities and professional interests through organized recreational, vocational, and health/medical-related groups within Rotary. You really must check out Leon Lewi's Wine Appreciation Group . . . . .

<http://sites.google.com/a/rotaryfellowship.com/www/home>



### Literacy and Educational Assistance Notice

Clubs please note that Rotary Clubs are able to apply for Australian Settlement Grants to undertake or continue work that we do to help refugees and immigrants settle in our country. This money could be especially used to develop and implement Literacy and Educational Assistance Programs, in areas of need in our District. For more information Google *Australian Settlement Grants*. This could be just the thing to motivate and inspire your club.

Bronwen Scarffe District 9800 Literacy Chairperson

0418 592 432 [bronwenscarffe@bigpond.com](mailto:bronwenscarffe@bigpond.com)

### Brighton Rotary Club: The Lunch...

BRIGHTON INTERNATIONAL **16 OCTOBER**, 2009

12.00 NOON FOR 12.30PM

GUEST SPEAKER: SIGRID THORNTON MC: DEBORAH HUTTON

COST: \$95

Proceeds to Olivia Newton-John Cancer & Wellness Centre Appeal & Rotary Charities

RSVP: 0408 991 641, Mob: 0408 991 641

email: [geoff.bentley@nec.com.au](mailto:geoff.bentley@nec.com.au)



### Stonnington Business Connection

At the Crossroads: Succession Planning For Your Business Future

A partnership between City of Stonnington and the Rotary Club of Malvern

It's one of the toughest decisions facing business today: who will take over the business or lead the department when you're no longer there?

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Join us for breakfast and hear from prominent leaders:

Michael Stillwell (Bib Stillwell BMW)

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Chapel Off Chapel, 12 Little Chapel St Prahran

Tickets \$55.00 + \$2.50 transaction fee per booking. Groups of 10 or more \$49.50 each + transaction fee

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## JOHN REDDISH SERVICE EXCELLENCE AWARDS

The Rotary Club of Kew on Yarra, in conjunction with the City of Boroondara, are conducting the 4<sup>th</sup> annual John Reddish Service Excellence Awards. This focuses on the 24 Neighbourhood Retail Precincts within the City, to emphasise the importance of exceptional service as the major marketing differentiation from the larger retail precincts. Three finalists in each of 3 Regions will be chosen, with the winner of each Region competing for the overall trophy. This event is considered to be a significant boost to the awareness of small local businesses.

The Awards dinner will be held at 6.30pm, on Wednesday **21 October**, at the Amora Riverwalk Hotel, 649 Bridge Rd Richmond, at a cost of \$35 per person. If you would like to join in this celebration of those who have "walked the extra mile", please call David Shave on 0408 511 615.



## JEWELLERY & HANDBAG AFTERNOON TEA

Event: Fifth Avenue Collection Show with a short fashion parade of jewellery and handbags followed by the opportunity to purchase the goods on display and those modelled. Afternoon tea to follow. Thursday **22 October** at 2pm, at a private home in Murrumbeena

Entry Fee: By donation. Guests receive a glass of champagne on arrival

Raffle Prizes are wine, cinema tickets and the opportunity to purchase jewellery at half-price.

Purpose: To raise funds for the Club's local community arts and Festive Season.

Bookings are essential Ph 9568-7190



## Carlton Rotary Club 2009 Art Show

Saturday **24 October** 1pm - 5pm and Sunday **25 October** 10am - 5pm

Royal Society of Victoria. 9 Victoria St, Melbourne 3000

A unique opportunity to view and acquire paintings, prints, drawings, sculpture from emerging artists and works from established artists.

The formal opening by the President of the Royal Society of Victoria of the exhibition is on Friday evening, **23 October**, 6:00 till 8:00 PM.

To secure an Invitation for the Opening, or for more information, please e-mail or phone Phil Kreveld [p.kreveld@bigpond.com](mailto:p.kreveld@bigpond.com) . 0418 530 781



## CAMBODIAN KIDS FOUNDATION ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

'A GREAT NIGHT OUT!' LET'S BUILD THIS SCHOOL!

SATURDAY **24TH OCTOBER** 2009 7:30 Till' Late TOP OF THE RANGE Mt. Macedon

Tickets \$60 Per Person Includes Entertainment, Food, Dessert & Coffee Drinks at bar prices

Fantastic Auction! Your chance to pick up a treasure and give to a great cause. Chocolate Fountain! Entertainment includes Michele & Adam Johnstone!

Tickets available from Color Me Cooper Woodend 5427 1454 and Daylesford 5348 1237 Top of the Range 5427 3466



## Rotary Charity Fun Ride

Rotary Club of North Balwyn invites all bike-riders...

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October**

If you haven't yet experienced the beautiful shared walking/ riding trail beside the Eastlink tunnels now is your chance to do so. It's part of a Charity Fun Ride on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October organised by R.C. of North Balwyn, to raise funds for the Asthma Foundation of Victoria.

The Ride from Kew to Croydon and return offers a choice of distances (15km, 35km or 45km).

There'll be plenty of marshals and signage to guide you, as well as BBQ and refreshments available. Be sure to check this out at [www.rotaryride.com.au](http://www.rotaryride.com.au)



## Relish 2010 Book Launch and Dinner:

The Rotary Clubs of St Kilda, Prahran, Melbourne South and Malvern invite you to the

Relish 2010 Book Launch Tickets: \$55 per person (dinner and drinks included)

MC - Cam Smith from RRR radio show *Eat It!*

Live auction and Relish 2010 available for purchase on the night.

Monday **26 October** 2009 6.30pm onwards.

At Red Scooter, 25 William Street, St Kilda East

Queries: Julia Topliss p: 0411 364 004 [info@relishrecipes.com.au](mailto:info@relishrecipes.com.au) to book your place online or download booking form.

Relish 2010 available for pre-purchase now at [www.relishrecipes.com.au](http://www.relishrecipes.com.au)





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## **RICHMOND ROTARY CLUB MOCK RACING NIGHT**

Richmond Rotary Club are on track to present a MOCK RACING NIGHT on Monday, **26<sup>th</sup> October**, at the Amora Hotel, 649 Bridge Road, Richmond, 6.30pm for 7.00pm.

Chaff bags: 2 course dinner Cost: \$30 on the nose

**SADDLE UP & TROT OUT YOUR FAMILY & FRIENDS - MAKE UP A TABLE & CANTER TO THE CLUB TO CELEBRATE THE 2009 CUP SEASON!**

Competitions for Best Hat & Best Tie - Ladies wear your best hat & Gentlemen your best tie. (Or vice versa if that's your wont – we won't whinny!)

*The award-winning ABC sports commentator & journalist, Gerard Whateley, will take to the broadcast box to record our very own phantom Melbourne Cup call in advance!*

Contact our 'galloping girl', Dot Brown for more information or bookings at:

[browndot@tpg.com.au](mailto:browndot@tpg.com.au) or mobile: 0419 314 046



## **A Special Evening with Michael Lapiña**

The Rotary Club of Laverton Point Cook is hosting a fundraising dinner in support of Uniting Care Crisis Food Parcels and the Autism Alliance proposed Autism school in Altona.

A Special Evening with Michael Lapiña Wednesday **28th October** 2009 6.30pm for 7pm Sanctuary Lakes Golf Club, Greg Norman Drive, Sanctuary Lakes, 3030.

Cost: \$35 p.p. (Please pay at time of booking with Visa, Mastercard or cheque) Drinks at bar prices Michael Lapiña is an acclaimed singer with the Victorian State Opera Company. Please join us for what promises to be an uplifting experience with fun and fellowship.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL To attend please RSVP to Steve Medcraft via email

[ssteve@bigpond.net.au](mailto:ssteve@bigpond.net.au) or phone 9397-1455 By 19/10/2009



## **The Rotary Club of Brimbank Central Vocational Awards Night**

The Rotary Club of Brimbank Central will be holding a Vocational Awards Night Wednesday **28 October** 2009, at the Taylors Lakes Hotel, Keilor Melton Highway, Taylors Lakes

Cost \$30 for 2 course meal with tea or coffee. Drinks at Bar prices.

5 Vocational Awards will be presented on this evening

Enquiries can be directed to David Moss Bennett on 0412 388 823

Barbara Rafter Ph 03 9331 5662 Email: [barbara@craftbooks.com.au](mailto:barbara@craftbooks.com.au)



## **Tibetan Village Project Auction**

Rotary Club of Melton Valley and Rotary Club of Bacchus Marsh

Present: Tibetan Village Project Auction Night

Thursday **29th October** 2009 6:30pm For 7:00pm Start

Melton Valley Golf Club Melton Valley Drive, Melton

\$25 entry (includes two course meal)

Some of the Authentic Tibetan Products to be auctioned on the night include handmade jewellery, bags, wall hangings, prayer wheels and flags.

Bookings Essential

RSVP by 22nd October to :- Barbara Richards 0407 556 178 or Christine

McCormack 0419 889 594



## **Di Morrissey Book Launch**

The Rotary Club of Toorak invites you to Dinner with Renowned Author Di Morrissey who will speak about her new book "*The Silent Country*"

Monday **16 November** 6.30pm for 7.00pm

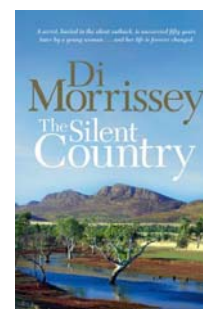
Royal South Yarra Lawn Tennis Club Williams Road North, Toorak Vic. \$60.00 per person

Pre-dinner drinks provided.

*The Silent Country is a vast and beautiful wilderness, a place which holds secrets and stories that are rarely spoken. TV producer, Veronica Anderson, travels to the Northern Territory to retrace the journey of an expedition that had set out fifty years earlier to film the outback, but which mysteriously ended in tragedy. The answers she finds change her life.*

"The Silent Country" will be signed and sold on the evening

RSVP : 12/11/09 Enquiries : Alan Freedman 0419 357 864 [Alan.I.freedman@bigpond.com](mailto:Alan.I.freedman@bigpond.com)





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## Rotary Club of Essendon Charity Golf Day.

Participants and sponsors are sought for Friday **20th November**, – 11am-12.00 noon for registration and 12.30 tee off. Medway Golf Club (Melways reference 27G10)  
\$70 Medway members and \$90 non-members.

Cost includes green fees, light refreshments before and after the game (BBQ dinner) when there will be presentations of prizes and a raffle. Money raised will be shared between helping orphans in Manila and Philippines, DIK, and the Caroline Chisholm Society.

FORMAT: 4 ball Ambrose event with prizes for overall winners, runners-up, longest drive, nearest the pins, drive and chip and many more.

Further information and application forms from:

Glenn Smith 0422 480 642 Veronica O'Sullivan 0418 537 253



## Rotary Club of Daylesford "Community Breakfast"

**Monday 23rd November** at the Daylesford Town Hall Vincent Street Daylesford

Time: 7.00am to 8.45 sharp Cost: \$30.00 (Bookings essential)

Guest Speaker: Walter Mikac To raise funds for local school welfare programs.

Walter Mikac has triumphed over extreme loss and has turned his grief into a purpose. He wrote books, lobbied for gun law reform, and helped set up the The Alannah and Madeline Foundation, a national charity keeping children safe from violence of which he is now Founding Patron. Walter is now remarried with a daughter and is sharing his insights through keynote inspirational speaking.

For Bookings please contact Secretary: Lee Manning on 5348 2144 or e-mail on

[leem@mmnet.com.au](mailto:leem@mmnet.com.au)



## The Annual Rotary Foundation Paul Harris Breakfast

7.15 AM to 9.00 AM, **Tuesday 25th November**, RACV Club, 17/501 Bourke St, Melbourne.

Payments of \$55 per persons can be by cheque or by credit card/s, or by cash. This annual breakfast has been held since 1992 and regularly attracts more than 200 Rotarians and guests. Rotarians will be able to join fellow Rotarians in a District-wide event and be able to support the Rotary Foundation.

Guest Speaker: CEO of Our Community - Rhonda Galbally AO

Rhonda Galbally AO has focussed her life's work on making a difference for a more equitable society. A CEO for 25 years in the business, philanthropic and government sectors, Rhonda's leadership in finding effective solutions for social, health and economic development culminated in her establishing [www.ourcommunity.com.au](http://www.ourcommunity.com.au) - a hub of resources, training and advice for community organizations.

For bookings and more information, contact Keith Frampton on 0417 519 137 or 9690 4101

[kandmf@bigpond.net.au](mailto:kandmf@bigpond.net.au).

Attendees are encouraged to wear their PFH regalia - medals and/or lapel badges.



## Spring Carnival Breakfast

The Metropolitan Hotel, On the corner of Courtney and Blackwood Streets, North Melbourne 3051 (Melway Ref Map 2B-A8)

Friday **30th October** 2009. Starter's orders @ 7.30 for 7.45 am Start for an excellent breakfast!

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Rod Gurry Ph: 0412 33 88 44 [rod.gurry@aph.gov.au](mailto:rod.gurry@aph.gov.au) or John Avent Ph: 9312 3544

Sunshine Rotary Club, Box 157 Sunshine 3020 or PO Box 28, North Essendon 3041







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## October is Vocational Service Month

### World Polio Day – 24<sup>th</sup> October

**Rotary nears halfway mark in \$200 million campaign, as new polio vaccine is approved for countries still battling the disease**

To raise awareness and funds for the global push to end polio Rotary clubs worldwide are conducting activities to recognise World Polio Day this Saturday the 24th October 2009.



*DG Colin Muir and Pauline*

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Since 1985, eradicating polio worldwide has been Rotary's top philanthropic goal. Rotary has contributed more than \$800 million and countless volunteer hours to the protection of more than two billion children in 122 countries. The disease remains endemic in just four countries -- Afghanistan, India, Nigeria, and Pakistan – although other countries remain at risk from imported cases.

As part of the US\$355 million challenge grant awarded to Rotary by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Rotary clubs worldwide are aiming to raise a total of US\$200 million by 2012. The funding will provide critical support to polio eradication activities, including the distribution of a new, more effective bivalent polio vaccine that was recently approved for use in the coming months, for countries still battling the disease.

As long as polio threatens even one child anywhere in the world, children everywhere remain at risk. The stakes are that high. By [donating now](#), you can help Rotary achieve a polio-free world.

One way that Rotarians in our District can support the challenge is by attending the very successful Rotary Club of Central Melbourne Sunrise's **Annual Rotary Foundation Paul Harris Breakfast** to be held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November at the RACV Club, 501 Bourke St Melbourne commencing at 7:15am till 9:00am. Proceeds from the breakfast will go toward the \$200 Million challenge. Please contact Keith Frampton on 0417519137 or 96904101 email: [kandmf@bigpond.net.au](mailto:kandmf@bigpond.net.au) for further details.

#### The Future of Children Everywhere is in Your Hands

**Colin Muir**  
District Governor





## Rotarians Respond to Asia-Pacific Disasters

By Ryan Hyland    Rotary International News -- 16 October 2009

Rotarians are ramping up aid to victims left homeless by a series of disasters that struck areas in Southeast Asia and the South Pacific.

A devastating tsunami that hit American Samoa, Samoa, and Tonga; earthquakes in Indonesia; two typhoons in the Philippines; and flooding in India have left thousands dead and millions displaced.

Rotary clubs from districts in Australia and New Zealand are leading efforts to bring emergency response kits to victims of the 29 September tsunami that wiped out several villages in American Samoa and Samoa. Rotarians are focusing on distributing relief goods, including food, water, medicine, clothing, and shelter.

*"I'm amazed at how fast the support came," said Leanne Jaggs, Governor of District 9920, which covers several islands in the South Pacific. "I am proud to be a Rotarian right now because of the way everyone comes together when needed."*



## Canterbury RC Promotes Rotary on the Air

The Rotary and Community Service radio show is a product of the Rotary Club of Canterbury, Victoria, and has aired on Whitehorse Boroondara Community Radio, serving Melbourne's eastern suburbs, since 2006. The two-hour music and talk program, produced by club president Brian Bloomer, includes an interview each week with Rotarians about their service projects, how they improve people's lives, and how the public can get involved.

Bloomer served as the sole interviewer for the talk segment until earlier this year, when he became president of the Canterbury club. Now he shares the task with fellow club members David Proud and Neil Williams and Rotaractor Andy Reed, who each present one show per month.

Bloomer says he loves talking with Rotarians and members of the Rotary family who are passionate about their service. *"Some of the best have been Group Study Exchange interviews -- teams coming to Australia and Aussie teams returning from their trip."*



Another of Bloomer's favourite subjects is his club's regular medical trips to the Philippines. In 2007, the club sponsored three university students who helped screen patients for vision and hearing problems. Bloomer interviewed club members about the project and chatted with the students in an episode available in the show's archives.

He freely admits that he is not a radio professional. Before taking to the airwaves, Bloomer took courses offered by Australia's national broadcasting association. He also filled in several times on other radio programs before approaching the station about creating his own show.

Bloomer prepares well in advance of each broadcast, developing a written script and scheduling topics far enough ahead of time so guests will be ready to give a good interview. He says he keeps the show interesting by asking his subjects open-ended questions and selecting music that will appeal to his audience.



## Child Mortality Drops Worldwide

Improved anti-malaria measures and simple health practices have contributed to the decline of child deaths worldwide, according to a report released by UNICEF in September. The study showed that an estimated 8.8 million children under five died in 2008 compared with 12.5 million in 1990, a drop of 28 percent and the lowest since record keeping began in 1960.

*"These new figures underscore the importance of the work that Rotary does," said 2008-09 RI President Dong Kurn Lee, who chose to focus on child mortality during his term. "The great majority of child deaths are preventable, and most of them can be prevented with relatively inexpensive interventions -- something as simple as a water filter, antibiotics, or a trained birth attendant."*



The UNICEF report attributed the drop in child mortality largely to health interventions such as immunizations, vitamin A supplements, improved prevention of mother-to-child HIV/AIDS transmission, and the use of anti-malaria mosquito nets.

Although all regions of the world have made progress, millions of children still die each year, with 40 percent of those deaths occurring in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, India, and Nigeria, according to the report.

Lee's emphasis on reducing child mortality inspired clubs and districts to initiate new projects and come together for two international conferences devoted to the issue.

In 2008, more than half of all World Community Service health projects focused on reducing child mortality, involving medical clinics, health care training, and nutrition, according to Rotary International's ProjectLINK database.

## Your D9800 D.I.K Needs You!

Rotary's Donations In Kind program provides a central co-ordination point for storage, packing and dispatch of goods for local and international efforts, minimising the costs associated with getting goods to where they are needed.

In response to the recent disasters DIK has been hard at work: the dedicated volunteers at DIK has been operating seven days a week, completing 2 X 20ft Containers for Samoa & 1 X 20ft for Manila in the Philippines. This week another 20ft container is being prepared for delivery to Western Samoa.

So come along and help out this Sat 24th Oct from 9:00am till 1:00pm (BYO BBQ food & drink)

**Not working during the week?** Then come any Tues or Thurs from 10-2pm.(BYO sandwich).

DIK is looking for the following items for immediate dispatch to the disaster areas: clean second hand towels, sheets, pots/pans, spoons and **YOU**.

Location of the D9800 DIK Store is:  
Rear Shed 40 @ 400 Sommerville Rd, West Footscray.  
Every Tues & Thurs 10-2. Melway 41E7.Gate # 1.  
Lost or more info: Bill Dagg -0425741045. [bdagg@tpg.com.au](mailto:bdagg@tpg.com.au)



**DIK - the Quiet Achiever for 21 years.**



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## Marketing Tip: Get Ready to Celebrate

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### Tips for Promoting your Club over the Festive season:

Plan your Christmas functions now, and celebrate your success.

Send Christmas cards to thank all who have supported you throughout the year.

Take photos of your Christmas events for publishing on your website, newsletter and in "The Networker".

Promote your achievements and upcoming projects in the local press.

Prepare and articulate your vision for next year.



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## Welcome New Members

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Ronald J. Payne was inducted into the Rotary Club of Eaglehawk

Maxine Miller was inducted into the Rotary Club of Albert Park

Linus Krewanty was inducted to the Rotary Club of Laverton Point Cook

Below, three new members of the Rotary Club of Docklands: Peter and Trish Markham, and Daniel Higham with Club Secretary, Peter Ruefli



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## Notices and Events

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### Literacy and Educational Assistance Notice

Clubs please note that Rotary Clubs are able to apply for Australian Settlement Grants to undertake or continue work that we do to help refugees and immigrants settle in our country. This money could be especially used to develop and implement Literacy and Educational Assistance Programs, in areas of need in our District. For more information Google *Australian Settlement Grants*. This could be just the thing to motivate and inspire your club.

Bronwen Scarffe District 9800 Literacy Chairperson  
0418 592 432 [bronwenscarffe@bigpond.com](mailto:bronwenscarffe@bigpond.com)



### ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIPS

The Rotary Fellowships Program comprises more than 70 independent fellowships. You can join the growing number of Rotarians who are sharing their favourite activities and professional interests through organized recreational, vocational, and health/medical-related groups within Rotary.

<http://sites.google.com/a/rotaryfellowship.com/www/home>





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## Carlton Rotary Club 2009 Art Show

Saturday **24 October** 1pm - 5pm and Sunday **25 October** 10am - 5pm

Royal Society of Victoria. 9 Victoria St, Melbourne 3000

A unique opportunity to view and acquire paintings, prints, drawings, sculpture from emerging artists and works from established artists.

The formal opening by the President of the Royal Society of Victoria of the exhibition is on Friday evening, **23 October**, 6:00 till 8:00 PM.

To secure an Invitation for the Opening, or for more information, please e-mail or phone Phil Kreveld [p.Kreveld@bigpond.com](mailto:p.Kreveld@bigpond.com) . 0418 530 781



## CAMBODIAN KIDS FOUNDATION ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

'A GREAT NIGHT OUT!' LET'S BUILD THIS SCHOOL!

SATURDAY **24TH OCTOBER** 2009 7:30 Till' Late TOP OF THE RANGE Mt. Macedon

Tickets \$60 Per Person Includes Entertainment, Food, Dessert & Coffee Drinks at bar prices  
Fantastic Auction! Your chance to pick up a treasure and give to a great cause. Chocolate Fountain! Entertainment includes Michele & Adam Johnstone!

Tickets available from Color Me Cooper Woodend 5427 1454 and Daylesford 5348 1237  
Top of the Range 5427 3466



## Rotary Charity Fun Ride

Rotary Club of North Balwyn invites all bike-riders...

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October**

If you haven't yet experienced the beautiful shared walking/ riding trail beside the Eastlink tunnels now is your chance to do so. It's part of a Charity Fun Ride on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October organised by R.C. of North Balwyn, to raise funds for the Asthma Foundation of Victoria.

The Ride from Kew to Croydon and return offers a choice of distances (15km, 35km or 45km).

There'll be plenty of marshals and signage to guide you, as well as BBQ and refreshments available. Be sure to check this out at [www.rotaryride.com.au](http://www.rotaryride.com.au)



## Relish 2010 Book Launch and Dinner:

The Rotary Clubs of St Kilda, Prahran, Melbourne South and Malvern invite you to the Relish 2010 Book Launch Tickets: \$55 per person (dinner and drinks included)

MC - Cam Smith from RRR radio show *Eat It!*

Live auction and Relish 2010 available for purchase on the night.

Monday **26 October** 2009 6.30pm onwards.

At Red Scooter, 25 William Street, St Kilda East

Queries: Julia Topliss p: 0411 364 004 [info@relishrecipes.com.au](mailto:info@relishrecipes.com.au) to book your place online or download booking form.

Relish 2010 available for pre-purchase now at [www.relishrecipes.com.au](http://www.relishrecipes.com.au)



## RICHMOND ROTARY CLUB MOCK RACING NIGHT

Richmond Rotary Club are on track to present a MOCK RACING NIGHT on Monday, **26<sup>th</sup> October**, at the Amora Hotel, 649 Bridge Road, Richmond, 6.30pm for 7.00pm.

Chaff bags: 2 course dinner Cost: \$30 on the nose

SADDLE UP & TROT OUT YOUR FAMILY & FRIENDS - MAKE UP A TABLE & CANTER TO THE CLUB TO CELEBRATE THE 2009 CUP SEASON!

Competitions for Best Hat & Best Tie - Ladies wear your best hat & Gentlemen your best tie. (Or vice versa if that's your wont - we won't whinny!)

*The award-winning ABC sports commentator & journalist, Gerard Whateley, will take to the broadcast box to record our very own phantom Melbourne Cup call in advance!*

Contact our 'galloping girl', Dot Brown for more information or bookings at:

[browndot@tpg.com.au](mailto:browndot@tpg.com.au) or mobile: 0419 314 046





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## A Special Evening with Michael Lapiña

The Rotary Club of Laverton Point Cook is hosting a fundraising dinner in support of Uniting Care Crisis Food Parcels and the Autism Alliance proposed Autism school in Altona.

A Special Evening with Michael Lapiña Wednesday **28th October** 2009 6.30pm for 7pm  
Sanctuary Lakes Golf Club, Greg Norman Drive, Sanctuary Lakes, 3030.

Cost: \$35 p.p. (Please pay at time of booking with Visa, Mastercard or cheque) Drinks at bar prices Michael Lapiña is an acclaimed singer with the Victorian State Opera Company. Please join us for what promises to be an uplifting experience with fun and fellowship.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL To attend please RSVP to Steve Medcraft via email

[ssteve@bigpond.net.au](mailto:ssteve@bigpond.net.au) or phone 9397-1455 By 19/10/2009



## The Rotary Club of Brimbank Central Vocational Awards Night

The Rotary Club of Brimbank Central will be holding a Vocational Awards Night Wednesday **28 October** 2009, at the Taylors Lakes Hotel, Keilor Melton Highway, Taylors Lakes

Cost \$30 for 2 course meal with tea or coffee. Drinks at Bar prices.

5 Vocational Awards will be presented on this evening

Enquiries can be directed to David Moss Bennett on 0412 388 823

Barbara Rafter Ph 03 9331 5662 Email: [barbara@craftbooks.com.au](mailto:barbara@craftbooks.com.au)



## Tibetan Village Project Auction

Rotary Club of Melton Valley and Rotary Club of Bacchus Marsh

Present: Tibetan Village Project Auction Night

Thursday **29th October** 2009 6:30pm For 7:00pm Start

Melton Valley Golf Club Melton Valley Drive, Melton

\$25 entry (includes two course meal)

Some of the Authentic Tibetan Products to be auctioned on the night include handmade jewellery, bags, wall hangings, prayer wheels and flags.

Bookings Essential

RSVP by 22nd October to :- Barbara Richards 0407 556 178 or Christine McCormack 0419 889 594



## Spring Carnival Breakfast

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## Di Morrissey Book Launch

The Rotary Club of Toorak invites you to Dinner with Renowned Author Di Morrissey who will speak about her new book *"The Silent Country"*

Monday **16 November** 6.30pm for 7.00pm

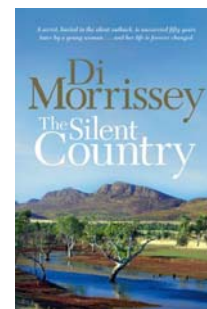
Royal South Yarra Lawn Tennis Club Williams Road North, Toorak Vic. \$60.00 per person

Pre-dinner drinks provided.

*The Silent Country is a vast and beautiful wilderness, a place which holds secrets and stories that are rarely spoken. TV producer, Veronica Anderson, travels to the Northern Territory to retrace the journey of an expedition that had set out fifty years earlier to film the outback, but which mysteriously ended in tragedy. The answers she finds change her life.*

"The Silent Country" will be signed and sold on the evening

RSVP : 12/11/09 Enquiries : Alan Freedman 0419 357 864 [Alan.I.freedman@bigpond.com](mailto:Alan.I.freedman@bigpond.com)





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## Rotary Club of Essendon Charity Golf Day.

Participants and sponsors are sought for Friday **20th November**, – 11am-12.00 noon for registration and 12.30 tee off. Medway Golf Club (Melways reference 27G10)  
\$70 Medway members and \$90 non-members.

Cost includes green fees, light refreshments before and after the game (BBQ dinner) when there will be presentations of prizes and a raffle. Money raised will be shared between helping orphans in Manila and Philippines, DIK, and the Caroline Chisholm Society.

FORMAT: 4 ball Ambrose event with prizes for overall winners, runners-up, longest drive, nearest the pins, drive and chip and many more.

Further information and application forms from: Glenn Smith 0422 480 642 Veronica O'Sullivan 0418 537 253



## Rotary Club of Daylesford "Community Breakfast"

**Monday 23rd November** at the Daylesford Town Hall Vincent Street Daylesford

Time: 7.00am to 8.45 sharp Cost: \$30.00 (Bookings essential)

Guest Speaker: Walter Mikac To raise funds for local school welfare programs.

Walter Mikac has triumphed over extreme loss and has turned his grief into a purpose. He wrote books, lobbied for gun law reform, and helped set up the The Alannah and Madeline Foundation, a national charity keeping children safe from violence of which he is now Founding Patron.

For Bookings please contact Secretary: Lee Manning on 5348 2144 or e-mail on [leem@mmnet.com.au](mailto:leem@mmnet.com.au)



## The Annual Rotary Foundation Paul Harris Breakfast

7.15 AM to 9.00 AM, **Wednesday 25th November**, RACV Club, 17/501 Bourke St, Melbourne. Payments of \$55 per persons can be by cheque or by credit card/s, or by cash. This annual breakfast has been held since 1992 and regularly attracts more than 200 Rotarians and guests. Rotarians will be able to join fellow Rotarians in a District-wide event and be able to support the Rotary Foundation.

Guest Speaker: CEO of Our Community - Rhonda Galbally AO

Rhonda Galbally AO has focussed her life's work on making a difference for a more equitable society. A CEO for 25 years in the business, philanthropic and government sectors, Rhonda's leadership in finding effective solutions for social, health and economic development culminated in her establishing [www.ourcommunity.com.au](http://www.ourcommunity.com.au) - a hub of resources, training and advice for community organizations.

For bookings and more information, contact Keith Frampton on 0417 519 137 or 9690 4101

[kandmf@bigpond.net.au](mailto:kandmf@bigpond.net.au). Attendees are encouraged to wear their PFH regalia - medals and/or lapel badges.



## PUBLIC SPEAKING PROGRAM

Following the outstanding success of our first program on 20th September, the Rotary Club of Brimbank Central is presenting another great learning opportunity

Learn how to make successful impromptu and prepared speeches.

Obtain valuable knowledge and skills to ensure every speech is successful.

Friendly interactive learning environment

**Sunday 29th November 2009** Only 8 places left .....

Leaping Lizard Conference Centre, Brimbank Park, Keilor East.

8.30am Registration, for 9.00am start. Finish at approximately 4.15pm

\$42.00pp - includes manuals, handouts and catering (M/Tea, Lunch & A/Tea)

For further information contact David Moss-Bennett - Ph: 0412 388 823

Email: [dmossbenett@optusnet.com.au](mailto:dmossbenett@optusnet.com.au)



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Sunshine Rotary Club, Box 157 Sunshine 3020 or PO Box 28, North Essendon 3041





## Situations Vacant

### RAWCS Disaster Relief in Samoa

The Rotary Club of Bendigo will coordinate the re-building process which will be subjected to significant planning on the ground. Members are to visit Samoa next week to commence discussions with local Rotary, community representatives and AusAid officials. The actual project or projects will be around community services/facilities, ie. village primary schools, health clinics, etc. Obviously the amount of work that can be undertaken will depend on the amount of dollars raised.

It is expected that this re-building process will start around March/April next year and extend over a number of years. While we do not want to be taking jobs from the locals there will be a need to work with local communities and I expect the opportunity for many RAWCS volunteer teams. Rotarians are asked to register individually or as club teams to participate as a RAWCS volunteer and I can keep them informed as to the progress.

Garry Gunnell District Disaster Relief and Recovery Coordinator, P.O. Box 807 Strathfieldsaye 3551  
Ph: 0448 405709 (m) 03 54393544 (h) Email: [gunnell1@bigpond.com](mailto:gunnell1@bigpond.com)



### School of St Jude

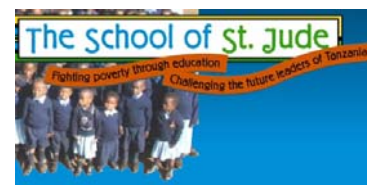
If you are interested in working at St Jude's in Tanzania for a couple of years, and you have great computer skills, an enquiring mind, capacity for hard work and a sense of humour, then maybe you can help. They need another member on the donations team who process payments into a Sponsorship database.

Finally, if you are a doctor and available for the first few weeks in February there is an opening on the medical team to assist with the annual health screen for 1300 plus students in 2010.

Gemma Sisia (Director) The School of St Jude, will send you the relevant forms.

Email: [schoolofstjude@habari.co.tz](mailto:schoolofstjude@habari.co.tz) Website: [www.schoolofstjude.co.tz](http://www.schoolofstjude.co.tz)

Address: PO Box 11875, Arusha Tanzania, East Africa Phone: 255-754-566136



### Rotary Leadership Institute

Who in your club is management material? Send them along!

Part 1 Sundays November 8, December 6, April 4

Part 2 Sundays March 28, May 2

Part 3 Sundays November 29 (Fully booked) February 21, May 23

Enrol with Vicki Teschke on [vicki.t@tacobill.co.au](mailto:vicki.t@tacobill.co.au) or Chairman John Wigley on

[jawigley@bigond.com](mailto:jawigley@bigond.com)



### Rotary Youth Leadership Award

Applications are now open for D9800's Rotary Youth Leadership Awardees, between 18 and 25 years of age.

Contact the RYLA Co-Directors, Chrissy [christinewaugh@gmail.com](mailto:christinewaugh@gmail.com) 0414 012 351, or Emma

[embroughton@gmail.com](mailto:embroughton@gmail.com) 0413 597 604, or the RYLA District Chairperson Wayne Hunter

[wayne.hunter@cvgrp.com](mailto:wayne.hunter@cvgrp.com) 0408 398 297. [www.ryla9800.org.au](http://www.ryla9800.org.au)



### 2011 District Conference Committee

DGE Iven Mackay seeks Rotarians, especially those with "conference experience" to establish a DISTRICT CONFERENCE COMMITTEE. This would give all Rotarians in the District the opportunity to offer their expertise or interest in marketing, promotions, conference travel, Information Technology, MC, printing, entertainment, etc.

Please contact the Chairman for our 2011 District Conference in Adelaide, PP Alan Freedman, [alan.l.freedman@bigpond.com](mailto:alan.l.freedman@bigpond.com)



### DISTRICT 9800 YOUTH EXCHANGE COMMITTEE

An interesting initiative of the Youth Exchange Committee is to begin a youth exchange program with the USA. The first student will arrive in the year 2010-2011. If you are interested in being a member of the dynamic Youth Exchange Committee, to co-ordinate the planned youth exchange between the USA and D-9800, register your interest with:

John Basarin, Chairman, YEC, Email: [johnnyturk@optusnet.com.au](mailto:johnnyturk@optusnet.com.au), Tel: 95970814, 0438055056.

There will be ample opportunity for training & support.







## How Does Your Club Fare?

No. of clubs reporting	68
% average attendance of those reported	68%
% of clubs reporting membership	99%

Club	Cluster	No. of meetings	% Attendance	Membership			
				As at 30 June 09	Start Sep 09	End Sep 09	% Change YTD
Brunswick	Heritage	4	37%	29	35	35	20.7%
Elsternwick	Beachside	5	58%	11	13	13	18.2%
Caulfield	Beachside	4	75%	6	7	7	16.7%
North Melbourne	Gateway	4	61%	26	29	30	15.4%
Southbank	Batman	5	63%	29	31	33	13.8%
Docklands	Batman	5	52%	30	35	34	13.3%
Melton Valley	Westside	4	75%	17	19	19	11.8%
Canterbury	Eastside	3	67%	45	49	50	11.1%
Collingwood	Heritage	4	66%	18	20	20	11.1%
Rochester	Goldfields	?	90%	9	10	10	11.1%
Tullamarine	Gateway	4	53%	19	21	21	10.5%
Bendigo Sandhurst	Goldfields	5	75%	45	50	49	8.9%
St Kilda	Stonnington	5	77%	12	13	13	8.3%
Kangaroo Flat	Goldfields	4	62%	27	29	29	7.4%
Central Melb. Sunrise	Batman	5	64%	55	57	59	7.3%
Essendon North	Gateway	5	77%	28	30	30	7.1%
Camberwell	Eastside	5	74%	61	65	65	6.6%
Bendigo Strathdale	Goldfields	5	69%	32	34	34	6.3%
Toorak	Stonnington	4	79%	35	37	37	5.7%
Laverton Point Cook	Port Phillip	5	71%	19	20	20	5.3%
Moonee Valley	Gateway			20		21	5.0%
Brighton Beach	Beachside	5	77%	23	23	24	4.3%
Footscray	Hobsons Bay	4	64%	53	53	55	3.8%
West Footscray	Hobsons Bay	5	67%	27	28	28	3.7%
Williamstown	Hobsons Bay	4	78%	30	31	31	3.3%
Brimbank Central	Westside	5	74%	31	31	32	3.2%
Kyneton	Calder	4	71%	37	38	38	2.7%
Bacchus Marsh	Westside	4	80%	40	41	41	2.5%
Castlemaine	Calder	5	66%	41	41	42	2.4%
Chadstone / East Malvern	Stonnington	3	58%	41	42	42	2.4%
Kew	Yarra	4	74%	44	45	45	2.3%
Albert Park	Batman	5	61%	62	65	63	1.6%
Balwyn	Eastside	5	60%	87	89	88	1.1%
Melbourne	Batman	5	43%	267	270	270	1.1%
Altona City	Port Phillip	4	69%	33	33	33	0.0%
Boroondara	Eastside	5	46%	18	18	18	0.0%
Brighton North	Beachside	5	75%	51	51	51	0.0%
Essendon	Gateway	5	57%	77	76	77	0.0%
Gisborne	Calder	5	74%	24	24	24	0.0%



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Hawthorn	Yarra	5	64%	65	65	65	0.0%
Keilor	Gateway	4	82%	38	38	38	0.0%
Kew-on-Yarra	Yarra	5	77%	23	23	23	0.0%
Melton	Westside	5	76%	32	32	32	0.0%
Richmond	Heritage	4	76%	39	39	39	0.0%
Sunshine	Westside	5	68%	21	21	21	0.0%
Yarraville	Hobsons Bay	5	70%	22	22	22	0.0%
Glenferrie	Yarra	5	65%	47	46	46	-2.1%
North Balwyn	Eastside	4	84%	87	85	85	-2.3%
Keilor East	Gateway	4	88%	41	40	40	-2.4%
Werribee	Port Phillip	5	78%	40	40	39	-2.5%
Carlton	Heritage	5	78%	39	39	38	-2.6%
Eaglehawk	Goldfields	5	80%	39	38	38	-2.6%
Point Gellibrand	Hobsons Bay	5	58%	34	34	33	-2.9%
Hoppers Crossing	Port Phillip	5	73%	31	30	30	-3.2%
Prahran	Stonnington	4	64%	30	30	29	-3.3%
Fitzroy	Heritage	4	75%	27	26	26	-3.7%
Wyndham	Port Phillip	5	80%	27	27	26	-3.7%
Daylesford	Calder	5	62%	25	24	24	-4.0%
Flemington	Hobsons Bay	5	80%	24	24	23	-4.2%
Port Melbourne	Batman	4	56%	21	21	20	-4.8%
Brighton	Beachside	4	62%	136	129	129	-5.1%
Woodend	Calder	4	67%	18	17	17	-5.6%
Altona	Port Phillip	5	62%	27	25	25	-7.4%
Echuca-Moama	Goldfields	5	62%	27	26	25	-7.4%
Malvern	Stonnington	5	71%	47	43	43	-8.5%
Glen Eira	Beachside	5	82%	23	22	21	-8.7%
Bendigo	Goldfields	5	66%	94	86	84	-10.6%
Melbourne South	Batman	4	76%	34	30	30	-11.8%
Bendigo South	Goldfields	4	62%	49	43	43	-12.2%

Please note that the numbers in the 'at June 30' column have been revised to reflect the numbers as supplied by RI on 12th Oct '09

**Those numbers in RED indicate that R.I. are still awaiting Semi Annual Report confirmation**

Membership and attendance figures not reported



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## October is Vocational Service Month

### The Philosophy of Rotary Vocational Service

As the 2009-10 DG visit program comes to an end, I would just like to make mention once again the importance of Vocational Service. It is also appropriate to mention at this point, our upcoming Perth Conference because our guest speakers are wonderful examples of vocation in action.

Our Perth Conference Committee Chairman, Ross Smith, has confirmed a great line-up consisting of:

- Janet Holmes à Court, a person who really needs no introduction, but as a businesswoman is an exceptional person;
- Fred Chaney, a former Senator and a much sought after raconteur in WA;
- Sam Walsh, CEO of Rio Tinto; and
- Dr Fiona Wood, WA burns specialist and Australian of the year.

I am very pleased to advise that the first edition of our Conference newsletter is now available via the attachment to *Networker*, and subsequent editions will be sent out in a similar way via *Networker*.

As I have spoken about many times during my visits, **Vocational Service** is the cornerstone of our organisation. Vocational Service is the way Rotary fosters and supports the application of the Ideal of Service in the pursuit of all vocations.

Basically the philosophy of Vocational Service is to: **Encourage and foster high ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying by each Rotarian of their occupation as an opportunity to serve society.**

As a leader in your business or community, you are the one to set and maintain the standard of ethics, professionalism and workmanship in your own personal performance and in the wider community where you live and work.

Our Clubs can also implement and encourage the objectives of Vocational Service by the development of programs, projects and activities that will encourage our members to contribute their vocational talents. Thus, Vocational Service is the shared responsibility of both the Rotary Clubs and the individual Rotarians.

Some of the ways you can make a difference in your club are:

- Member Job Talks
- Vocational Site Visits
- Ethics and Practices Forums
- Vocational Excellence Awards
- Pride of Workmanship Awards
- Small Business Seminars
- Local Trade Shows
- Sheltered Workshops
- Men's Sheds
- Craft Fairs
- Retirement Seminars
- Trade, Professional Associations and Industrial Relations Speakers
- Support of Youth – Job Creation, Employment Advice, Mentoring, Apprenticeship Awards, Career Seminars, Scholarships, Peer Support, Living Today Talks, Mock Job Interviews just to name a few.

There are many ways you can use your vocation as an opportunity to serve Rotary and your community.

As Paul Harris once wrote: **"Each Rotarian is a connecting link between the idealism of Rotary and their trade or profession."**

As Vocational Service month ends please remember that the future success of our organisation is dependant on a good mix of trades and professions and the opportunity they bring for Service.

Once again the **Future of Rotary is in Your Hands**

**Colin Muir, District Governor**

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DG Colin Muir and Pauline



## Exchange Students go Brazilian!

Williamstown & West Footscray Rotarians joined with exchange students and their host parents to celebrate the 18th birthday of their exchange student from Brazil, Michelle Felisberto.

Every exchange student currently in the District was present, as well as many who are about to head off overseas in January.

They dined on a seven course Brazilian banquet, danced to a South American band, and were entertained with a spectacular floor show at the Copacabana Restaurant in Fitzroy.

Michelle was the star of the night, being asked to get up on stage to sing with the band. Later in the night she won a dancing competition, no doubt assisted by her native talent and South American background.

And what a great night it was – organized by the students themselves! - 16<sup>th</sup> October.



Michelle & her birthday cake, and entertaining fellow exchange students



Michelle with host parents Pam & Jim Testa, and showing Rotarian Barry Dyer how to dance Brazilian style





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## Rotary, Poverty and Population

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### International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, 17 October

Humanity has reached a crisis point with respect to the interlocking issues of overpopulation, unsustainable development and human suffering.

With Rotary International's rich, religious, ethnic, and cultural background and with membership in over 160 countries, Rotary is the ideal organization to face this challenge to humanity.

In 1999, The Board of Directors of Rotary International published the Statement on Population Growth and Development. A key phrase reads: *"Sustainable development, preservation of the environment, and the quality of life for all people, especially the new generations, is impacted by population growth."*



The World Bank states that 2.8 billion people live in poverty, on less than US \$2 per day. 800 million people suffer from hunger and malnutrition. More than 1.5 billion people do not have adequate safe water and proper sanitation.

Preventing unwanted births, and guaranteeing individuals and couples the right to reproductive health, can help slow population growth rates and moderate environmental impact.

In 56 developing countries, the poorest women still average six births, compared to 3.2 for the wealthiest.

*"Family planning could bring more benefits to more people at less cost than any other single technology now available to the human race."* - UNICEF Annual Report 1992).

Rotary is now addressing these and other tragedies related to overpopulation and unsustainable development. In recent years, over 100 Matching Grants and larger 3-H projects have been completed that address this challenge.

For the full text of the RI Statements, see <http://www.rifpd.org/RI/Statement.shtml>  
<http://www.rifpd.org/RI/Memorandum.shtml>

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## Marketing Tip: Get Ready to Celebrate

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### HAVE FUN in true Rotary style

Christmas is a great opportunity to say thank you...

Think about those who have supported you and your club's projects all year and congratulate them on their achievements throughout the year and thank them for their support of your club.

We all have great corporate partners that support our clubs, thank them for helping to make your club's projects such a success.

The Media - ask them along, they will no doubt be impressed with your club's projects and be happy to highlight them, an ongoing partnership may well form!

Perhaps Past members are ready to rejoin, catch up with old friends or help out with an upcoming project? Your AG, Rotaractors, RYLarians, GSE team members, would love to see what your club has achieved throughout the year.





## Rotary Camp Getaway

Rotary Camp Getaway caters for those of all abilities and mobility, provides a meeting place for support groups, and offers those who need it most a sanctuary away from their daily struggles.



Located in Axedale in Victoria (15 minutes from Bendigo), the former youth camp has received a tremendous makeover - thousands of voluntary hours have already gone into redeveloping the site to create self contained units with full disabled facilities and a modern dormitory.

The Rotary Club of Wydham organised a great working bee at Camp Getaway last weekend. Club members brought twenty young people from their school district for a weekend of skills development and practical assistance. Much was achieved to maintain and beautify the camp site, with the club members acting as mentors to the young people. Later, they all took a trip to the local Central Deborah mine, in Bendigo.

To book Rotary Camp Getaway, call 03 5439 7228.

For further information: <http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/CampGetaway>



## Welcome New Members



Jan and Richard Trebilcock (seen here with guest speaker PDG Judy Nettleton) were introduced to the Rotary Club of Toorak on 26<sup>th</sup> October.

**Linus Krewanty** was inducted to the Rotary Club of Laverton Point Cook on 7th October and is pictured with his sponsor John Kinai and President Gordon Clarence.



Three members were inducted to the Rotary Club of Footscray:

3<sup>rd</sup> September: **Frank Verduci**, Property Consultant

10<sup>th</sup> September: **Jama Farah**, Financial Services

8<sup>th</sup> October: **Suzanne Zammit**, Lifestyle Education



Two members were inducted to the Rotary Club of Williamstown on 26/10/09: **Nicole Manning** and **Jane Colquhoun**





## POLIOPLUS PROGRESS

### POLIOPLUS PROGRESS (October 2009) IN FOUR ENDEMIC COUNTRIES

Over the last 20-plus years, Rotary has made tremendous progress toward its goal of eradicating polio, and the number of cases has been reduced to fewer than 2000 in 2008. And while the polio virus is stubborn, and difficult challenges lay ahead, the story behind the numbers offers us a hopeful view. Never in the history of our initiative have we witnessed such high levels of both scientific innovation and political engagement in the effort.



The development of a new bivalent vaccine offers a promising tool for simultaneously targeting the two remaining strains of the virus. Political leaders like U.S. President Barack Obama have championed the cause in recent addresses, and business and charitable organizations like Google and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation have committed significant financial resources to the effort. Progress is also being made at the country level. Here are some highlights of successes in the endemic countries:

**Afghanistan:** The main challenge to polio eradication in Afghanistan remains security issues that limit access to children in high risk areas of the country. General Stanley A. McChrystal, US Army Commander in Afghanistan has committed to helping address security concerns in areas where vaccinations are occurring. A nationwide campaign was conducted to promote International Peace Day (20 Sep 09) during the most recent polio immunization activities, and this helped vaccinators reach more than 880,000 children, the highest number on record. The Rotary Foundation is aiding in these security efforts by funding temporary shelters on the border between Afghanistan and Pakistan to provide a safe environment where vaccinators can effectively conduct immunizations.

**Pakistan:** International PolioPlus Committee Chair Robert Scott traveled to Pakistan in August 2009 to confer Rotary's Polio Eradication Champion Award on President Asif Zardari, who recently affirmed his commitment to the cause of polio eradication. Zardari also appointed his youngest daughter, Assefa Bhutto Zardari, as the Ambassador for Polio Eradication. Assefa is Zardari's daughter with former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto, and she was the first child vaccinated by her mother during the launch of the country's immunization campaigns in 1994. A stamp has been issued to commemorate the appointment.

**India:** The number of polio cases in India is down, and they have successfully eliminated all but 1 genetic lineage of the type 1 polio virus, the most dangerous and paralytic strain of the virus. The Indian government recently renewed its commitment to wiping out the disease by pledging \$650 million in domestic funding to the cause over the next 3 years. The new bivalent vaccine holds promise as a tool for addressing persistent outbreaks in the last infected areas of India.

**Nigeria:** Because of unprecedented support from key political and religious leaders, Nigeria is gaining momentum in its fight against the polio virus. The country has seen a significant drop in cases over the last year, with the current case count of 382 compared to a count of 692 at the same time last year. For the first time Kano, one of the high-risk northern states, is now vaccinating more than 85% of its children. Nigeria has even experienced two non-consecutive weeks in which no polio cases were reported.

*"We have come a long way," said Glenn E. Estess, Sr., Trustee Chair of The Rotary Foundation. "We have reduced the number of polio cases by over 99 percent. But we can't let up now. The remaining one percent is proving to be the most challenging, since the poliovirus persists in the most intractable parts of the world. We have the tools to eradicate this devastating disease. It's up to us to make sure we have the resources needed to reach every child."*





## FEAR ON YOUR FEET? NO MORE!

Getting up to speak in public is still one of the highest “fears” that most people have. Yet the reality is that if you have a process to assist you in the preparation and delivery of your messages then it is only getting more practice that you need.

The Rotary Club of Brimbank Central is offering a unique opportunity to learn how to prepare and deliver both prepared and impromptu speeches in a one-day interactive Public Speaking Program.

Based on the highly successful PRLS Public Speaking Modules this one day will provide you with some basic yet very effective ideas and processes to ensure that every time you have to make a short speech or give a report to a meeting, that you do so with confidence and clarity thus ensuring that your message is clearly understood.

What are the features of this program?

- It is highly interactive, that is why we only take 10 participants on the program.
- We provide a 46 page manual on preparing speeches, including ways to improve your use of your voice, microphones and visual aids.
- You will learn a process that is “fail-safe” for preparing to speak, no matter what the subject or the length of time you are going to speak.
- You will get the chance to make a number of speeches during the program, and at the end of each one receive positive constructive feedback from all the audience, and you’ll have the feedback sheets to help you keep improving.
- You will have a good time, and walk away a more confident and accomplished public speaker - we guarantee you that!
- The cost is only \$42.00 ..... where else can you do a comprehensive program Public Speaking other than through Rotary?

If you still need convincing then here is a quote from our DG Colin Muir who attended the program we ran in September - ***‘I attended the initial course last weekend and found it to be of great value to me personally. I also witnessed, during the training, a dramatic change in all 12 attendee’s confidence and ability to speak in public. It was a great day.’***

Be bold, be brave, if you are a President-Elect or a Board Member elect or just someone who would like to be better at doing this ..... then indeed “The Future Is In Your Hands!”

There are still a few vacancies for 29th November

For further information contact David Moss-Bennett - Ph: 0412 388 823 Email: [dmossbennett@optusnet.com.au](mailto:dmossbennett@optusnet.com.au)





## Notices and Events

### Literacy and Educational Assistance Notice

Clubs please note that Rotary Clubs are able to apply for Australian Settlement Grants to undertake or continue work that we do to help refugees and immigrants settle in our country. This money could be especially used to develop and implement Literacy and Educational Assistance Programs, in areas of need in our District. For more information Google Australian Settlement Grants. This could be just the thing to motivate and inspire your club.

Bronwen Scarffe District 9800 Literacy Chairperson  
0418 592 432 [bronwenscarffe@bigpond.com](mailto:bronwenscarffe@bigpond.com)



### Rotary International Fellowships

The Rotary Fellowships Program comprises more than 70 independent fellowships. You can join the growing number of Rotarians who are sharing their favourite activities and professional interests through organized recreational, vocational, and health/medical-related groups within Rotary.

Check out Leon Lewi's Wine Appreciation Group!

<http://sites.google.com/a/rotaryfellowship.com/www/home>



### Spring Carnival Breakfast

The Metropolitan Hotel, On the corner of Courtney and Blackwood Streets, North Melbourne 3051 (Melway Ref Map 2B-A8)

Friday **30<sup>th</sup> October** 2009. Starter's orders @ 7.30 for 7.45 am start for an excellent breakfast!

COST: \$30.00 per person. MC Fr. Joe Giacobbe

A lot of fun and frivolous events which you should dress up for on this special occasion in your best bib and tucker. Best Dressed, Lucky Door & Chair Prizes! - \$5 & \$10 Sweeps – Business Card, Mystery Prize too!

Then Listen to a presentation by Joe Janiak – Trainer of the champion *Take Over Target*.

BOOKINGS PLEASE CALL (03) 9328 8388 or Email [northmelbourne@rotaryd9800.org](mailto:northmelbourne@rotaryd9800.org)

Bookings Close COB Wednesday 28th October 2009



### An Exhibition of Paintings

Promoted by North Melbourne Rotary Club.

**1st to 28th November 2009**

Australia on Collins, 260 Collins Street, Melbourne

To be opened by Martin Foley MP on Sunday 1 November at 2pm

Artists: Kim Kennedy, Di King, Lina Ryazanoff, Clive Sinclair, David Taylor, Michael Weitnauer. Sculptor: Max Irvine

Proceeds go to the Doxa Youth Foundation

Enquiries: Noreen Dempsey (03) 9593 8374 or Mobile 0410 095 159



### Di Morrissey Book Launch

The Rotary Club of Toorak invites you to dinner with renowned author Di Morrissey who will speak about her new book *"The Silent Country"*

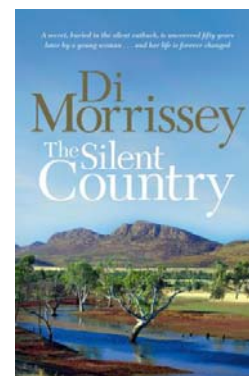
Monday **16 November** 6.30pm for 7.00pm

Royal South Yarra Lawn Tennis Club, Williams Road North, Toorak Vic. \$60.00 per person  
Pre-dinner drinks provided.

*The Silent Country is a vast and beautiful wilderness, a place which holds secrets and stories that are rarely spoken. TV producer, Veronica Anderson, travels to the Northern Territory to retrace the journey of an expedition that had set out fifty years earlier to film the outback, but which mysteriously ended in tragedy. The answers she finds change her life.*

"The Silent Country" will be signed and sold on the evening

RSVP : 12/11/09 Enquiries : Alan Freedman 0419 357 864 [Alan.I.freedman@bigpond.com](mailto:Alan.I.freedman@bigpond.com)





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## Rotary Club of Essendon Charity Golf Day.

Participants and sponsors are sought for Friday **20th November**, – 11am-12.00 noon for registration and 12.30 tee off. Medway Golf Club (Melways reference 27G10)  
\$70 Medway members and \$90 non-members.

Cost includes green fees, light refreshments before and after the game (BBQ dinner) when there will be presentations of prizes and a raffle. Money raised will be shared between helping orphans in Manila and Philippines, DIK, and the Caroline Chisholm Society.

FORMAT: 4 ball Ambrose event with prizes for overall winners, runners-up, longest drive, nearest the pins, drive and chip and many more.

Further information and application forms from: Glenn Smith 0422 480 642 Veronica O'Sullivan 0418 537 253



## Rotary Club of Daylesford "Community Breakfast"

**Monday 23rd November** at the Daylesford Town Hall Vincent Street Daylesford

Time: 7.00am to 8.45 sharp Cost: \$30.00 (Bookings essential)

Guest Speaker: Walter Mikac To raise funds for local school welfare programs.

Walter Mikac has triumphed over extreme loss and has turned his grief into a purpose. He wrote books, lobbied for gun law reform, and helped set up the The Alannah and Madeline Foundation, a national charity keeping children safe from violence of which he is now Founding Patron.

For Bookings please contact Secretary: Lee Manning on 5348 2144 or e-mail on [leem@mmnet.com.au](mailto:leem@mmnet.com.au)



## The Annual Rotary Foundation Paul Harris Breakfast

7.15 AM to 9.00 AM, **Wednesday 25th November**, RACV Club, 17/501 Bourke St, Melbourne. Payments of \$55 per persons can be by cheque or by credit card/s, or by cash. This annual breakfast has been held since 1992 and regularly attracts more than 200 Rotarians and guests. Rotarians will be able to join fellow Rotarians in a District-wide event and be able to support the Rotary Foundation.

Guest Speaker: CEO of Our Community - Rhonda Galbally AO

Rhonda Galbally AO has focussed her life's work on making a difference for a more equitable society. A CEO for 25 years in the business, philanthropic and government sectors, Rhonda's leadership in finding effective solutions for social, health and economic development culminated in her establishing [www.ourcommunity.com.au](http://www.ourcommunity.com.au) - a hub of resources, training and advice for community organizations.

For bookings and more information, contact Keith Frampton on 0417 519 137 or 9690 4101

[kandmf@bigpond.net.au](mailto:kandmf@bigpond.net.au). Attendees are encouraged to wear their PFH regalia - medals and/or lapel badges.



## PUBLIC SPEAKING PROGRAM

Following the outstanding success of our first program on 20th September, the Rotary Club of Brimbank Central is presenting another great learning opportunity

Learn how to make successful impromptu and prepared speeches.

Obtain valuable knowledge and skills to ensure every speech is successful.

Friendly interactive learning environment

**Sunday 29th November 2009** Only 8 places left .....

Leaping Lizard Conference Centre, Brimbank Park, Keilor East.

8.30am Registration, for 9.00am start. Finish at approximately 4.15pm

\$42.00pp - includes manuals, handouts and catering (M/Tea, Lunch & A/Tea)

For further information contact David Moss-Bennett - Ph: 0412 388 823

Email: [dmossbennett@optusnet.com.au](mailto:dmossbennett@optusnet.com.au)



## Victorian Bushfire Dinner - Strathmore & Sunshine Rotary Clubs

Experiences Concerns and Plans for the Future **Wednesday 2 December**

Moonee Valley Race Club (Chairman's Room), 6.30pm for 7.00pm start

Funds raised will be donated to the Rotary Bushfire Fund

\$50 per person. Includes 2 course meal, tea/coffee. (Drinks at bar prices)

Guest Speakers: The Hon Bill Shorten MP Parliamentary Secretary for Victorian Bushfire Reconstruction and Disabilities & Childrens Services

Ms Christine Nixon Chair of The Victorian Bushfire recovery & Reconstruction Authority.

RSVP by 15 November 2009 (Seats are limited)

Rod Gurry Ph: 0412 33 88 44 [rod.gurry@aph.gov.au](mailto:rod.gurry@aph.gov.au) or John Avent Ph: 9312 3544

Sunshine Rotary Club, Box 157 Sunshine 3020 or PO Box 28, North Essendon 3041





## Situations Vacant

### RAWCS Disaster Relief in Samoa

The Rotary Club of Bendigo will coordinate the re-building process which will be subjected to significant planning on the ground. Members are to visit Samoa next week to commence discussions with local Rotary, community representatives and AusAid officials. The actual project or projects will be around community services/facilities, ie. village primary schools, health clinics, etc. Obviously the amount of work that can be undertaken will depend on the amount of dollars raised.

It is expected that this re-building process will start around March/April next year and extend over a number of years. While we do not want to be taking jobs from the locals there will be a need to work with local communities and I expect the opportunity for many RAWCS volunteer teams. Rotarians are asked to register individually or as club teams to participate as a RAWCS volunteer and I can keep them informed as to the progress.

Garry Gunnell District Disaster Relief and Recovery Coordinator, P.O. Box 807 Strathfieldsaye 3551  
Ph: 0448 405709 (m) 03 54393544 (h) Email: [gunnell1@bigpond.com](mailto:gunnell1@bigpond.com)



### School of St Jude

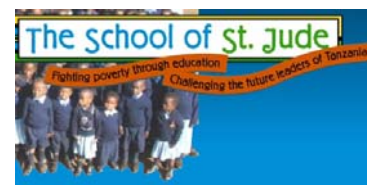
If you are interested in working at St Jude's in Tanzania for a couple of years, and you have great computer skills, an enquiring mind, capacity for hard work and a sense of humour, then maybe you can help. They need another member on the donations team who process payments into a Sponsorship database.

Finally, if you are a doctor and available for the first few weeks in February there is an opening on the medical team to assist with the annual health screen for 1300 plus students in 2010.

Gemma Sisia (Director) The School of St Jude, will send you the relevant forms.

Email: [schoolofstjude@habari.co.tz](mailto:schoolofstjude@habari.co.tz) Website: [www.schoolofstjude.co.tz](http://www.schoolofstjude.co.tz)

Address: PO Box 11875, Arusha Tanzania, East Africa Phone: 255-754-566136



### Rotary Leadership Institute

The end of October will see 40 graduates from D9800 in all 3 parts of this training.

Who in your club is leadership material or just wants to improve their Rotary knowledge?

Part 1 Sundays November 8, December 6, April 4

Part 2 Sundays March 28, May 2

Part 3 Sundays November 29 (Fully booked) February 21, May 23

Enrol with Vicki Teschke on [vicki.t@tacobill.co.au](mailto:vicki.t@tacobill.co.au) or Chairman John Wigley on [jawigley@bigond.com](mailto:jawigley@bigond.com)



### Rotary Youth Leadership Award

Applications are now open for D9800's Rotary Youth Leadership Awardees, between 18 and 25 years of age.

Contact the RYLA Co-Directors, Chrissy [christinewaugh@gmail.com](mailto:christinewaugh@gmail.com) 0414 012 351, or Emma

[embroughton@gmail.com](mailto:embroughton@gmail.com) 0413 597 604, or the RYLA District Chairperson Wayne Hunter

[wayne.hunter@cvgrp.com](mailto:wayne.hunter@cvgrp.com) 0408 398 297. [www.ryla9800.org.au](http://www.ryla9800.org.au)



### 2011 District Conference Committee

DGE Iven Mackay seeks Rotarians, especially those with "conference experience" to establish a DISTRICT CONFERENCE COMMITTEE. This would give all Rotarians in the District the opportunity to offer their expertise or interest in marketing, promotions, conference travel, Information Technology, MC, printing, entertainment, etc.

Please contact the Chairman for our 2011 District Conference in Adelaide, PP Alan Freedman, [alan.l.freedman@bigpond.com](mailto:alan.l.freedman@bigpond.com)



### DISTRICT 9800 YOUTH EXCHANGE COMMITTEE

An interesting initiative of the Youth Exchange Committee is to begin a youth exchange program with the USA. The first student will arrive in the year 2010-2011. If you are interested in being a member of the dynamic Youth Exchange Committee, to co-ordinate the planned youth exchange between the USA and D-9800. There will be ample opportunity for training & support.

Register your interest with John Basarin, Chairman, YEC, Tel: 95970814, 0438055056 [johnnyturk@optusnet.com.au](mailto:johnnyturk@optusnet.com.au)



