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**OCTOBER IS ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MONTH**



## DG Neville John's Message



### ***October is Economic and Community Development Month***

**"Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can." - Arthur Ashe**



***DG Neville John and Rebecca***

Economic and community development is one of Rotary's six areas of The Rotary Foundation's focus.

Nearly 1.4 billion employed people live on less than \$1.25 a day. Rotary members promote economic and community development and reduce poverty in underserved communities through training, well-paying jobs, and access to financial management institutions. Projects range from providing people with equipment to vocational training. We work to strengthen local entrepreneurs and community leaders, particularly women, in impoverished communities.



U n e m p l o y m e n t , underemployment, lack of economic opportunity, lack of

appropriate training, and the absence of social safety nets lie at the core of poverty. For the poor, labor is often the only asset available to improve well-being. Creating productive employment opportunities is essential for reducing poverty and achieving sustainable economic and social development, and for providing income security and empowerment especially for women, people with disabilities, youth, and the extremely poor.

Determining your community's needs and resources is an important starting point for any community project. Community assessments identify the community's strengths and weaknesses and how Rotarians will be able to work with the community to meet its needs.

It is vital to conduct a community assessment, often in conjunction with a cooperating organization, before starting your project. Remember to consider the historical, cultural, and social dynamics of the community with which you wish to partner. You'll not only identify the core needs and select the most appropriate project, but will also ensure support and sustainability for your endeavors.

## Free vegetable gardens sprouting up – A Potential Local Project?

Now that you've done the planning, imagine a community where the residents are all free to plant, grow, harvest, and eat healthy food whenever they want without having to pay for it. That's exactly what residents of more than 20 cities and towns in France are doing through a project called Potalib. Launched by the Rotaract Club of Versailles, Potalib was inspired by the Incredible Edible project, an international food-sharing movement founded by Nick Green in England. The Rotaract members obtained Green's permission to apply the concept in France, changing the name to "Potalib," a contraction of "potager libre" (free vegetable garden). The club registered the name, created a brand, and now sells the project as a kit to French institutions, local communities, and corporations.



The materials include seeds for as many as 18 kinds of vegetables, information on how to cultivate them, and 12 wooden bins, each about a cubic meter in size and filled with around 270 kilograms of soil. In cities where the gardens are planted, the club sponsors a festive opening-day ceremony, featuring a free meal cooked by club members and a professional chef. "The goal is quite simple: To give everyone, from the wealthiest to the poorest, the opportunity to eat quality vegetables," says Club President Thibaut Mathieu.

## Micro Loans & Financial Literacy Training for Women Entrepreneurs

At heart, entrepreneurs are problem solvers – they identify a need and meet it with a product or service. Nowhere are their problem-solving skills more desperately needed than in the developing world. Handouts from the foreign aid community have proved incapable of solving the development issues plaguing the world's poorest. A hand up to budding entrepreneurs may be the development tonic needed. Women perform 66% of the world's work and produce 50% of the food, but earn only 10% of the income and own 1% to 2% of the property.



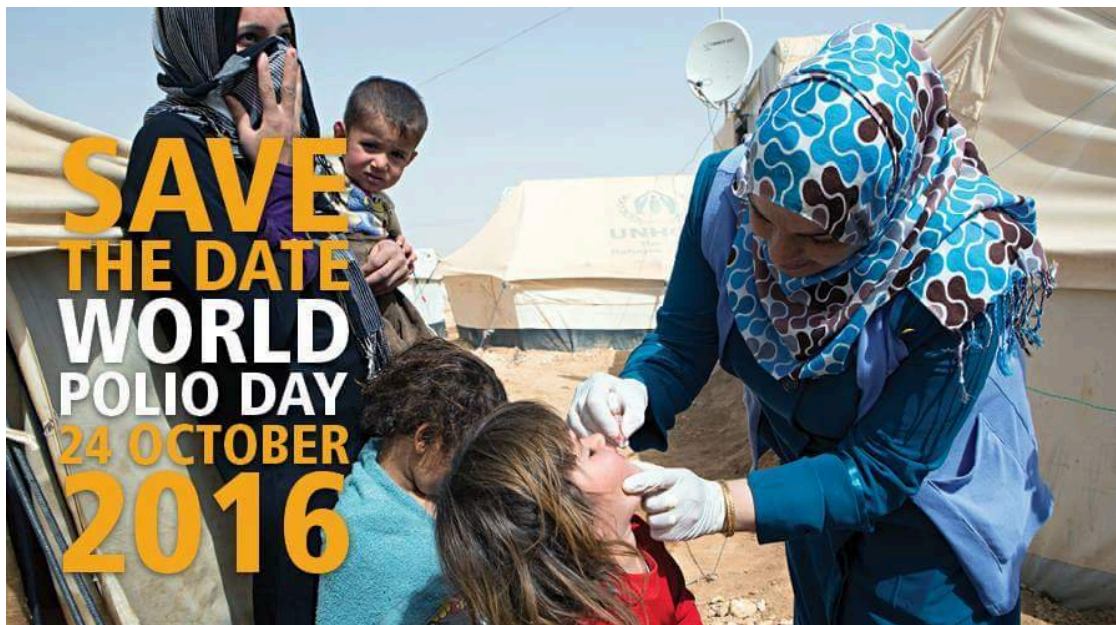
Globally, women invest their earnings into their families at a staggering rate of 80%, double the rate of male wage earners. Micro loan programs can be beneficial, especially for women, in both rural and urban communities. Entrepreneurs in rural communities may borrow money for cattle acquisition or fattening, dairy farming, agricultural cultivation, bamboo making, weaving, setting up small retail shops in their homes, and so on. Entrepreneurs in urban areas use micro loans, for example, to become street vendors, rickshaw drivers, or tailors. You can add the micro credit supplement when applying for a global grant for an entrepreneurship program

with micro credit components. If you plan to use Rotary grant funds for loan capital, you're encouraged to contract with a microfinance institution as the permanent lending infrastructure in the community.

***"I believe everyone recognizes the opportunity to serve Rotary for what it truly is - not a small opportunity, but a great one; an opportunity of a lifetime to change the world for the better, forever through Rotary's service to humanity." - John Germ***



## End Polio Now – Purple Finger



REGISTER YOUR EVENT AT:  
[endpolio.org](http://endpolio.org)

Earlier this year at International Assembly RI President John Germ stated that we are at a crossroads in Rotary, where one day soon will be the year that will be known as the greatest in Rotary's history – the year that sees the world's last case of polio. Notwithstanding the recent set back in Nigeria there are now only 24 cases of the wild virus. Some say that this is no longer relevant here in Australia because we haven't seen polio since the 1950's. Remember that polio is only a plane trip away and there is a rising number of children in this country not being immunized – against anything. We never want to see the day polio returns. That is why we need to finish the job we started in 1985. Rotary gave a commitment to the world that polio will be the second human disease ever to be eradicated, and so it will.

Bill Gates recently said that while he was disappointed to hear of the two new cases in Nigeria's northern Lake Chad region, he is optimistic that the whole world will soon be polio free, despite how hard it is to find kids in areas that are not safe. Northern Nigeria is where Boko Haram militants operate. For every one US dollar that we contribute to the End Polio Now campaign, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation contribute two US dollars, up to US\$35 million per year until 2018. Let's all be part of the push to finish what we started by doing what we can as clubs and individuals to contribute and to influence others by building awareness that this is not just someone else's problem. The colour purple is associated with the dye used to paint the little finger of each child that is vaccinated. Your club could hold a purple for polio day during the week of 24 October to raise awareness and collect some donations along the way.

To stay up to date on what is happening with polio, follow the End Polio Now Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/EndPolioNow> and see what you can do to build awareness in the community about the campaign to end polio and why it is still very relevant to Australia.

.... And Thank you for what you do in Serving Humanity!

*Neville John*

**District Governor 2016-2017**

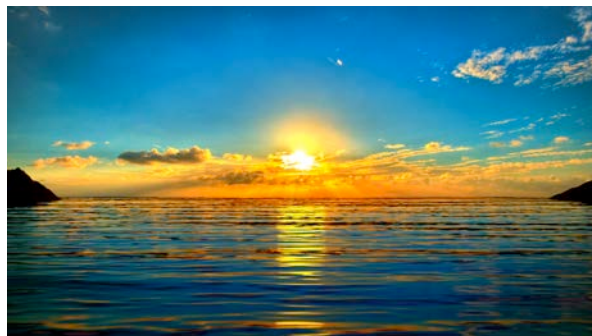
**Do What You Can, When You Can - We'll Just Take Whatever Time You Have! (Me)**



## Clarice's Comments



Welcome to summer time, everybody! Did you sleep in, or are you a sunrise person? I just love the long evenings, they are great for walking the dog. But getting up that hour early was a bit of a shock: do you imagine I get up at crack-of-dawn to enthusiastically read your e-mails and trim up "The Networker"?



How did your **Club's Bulletin Editor** react to the time change? If your club bulletin is feeling a little jaded, he can download photos on all sorts of Rotary topics to brighten it up at:

[http://images.rotary.org/rotary\\_images/#/](http://images.rotary.org/rotary_images/#/)

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What a great story **David Dippie** sent us about a wheelchair for a needy girl in Timor. (The Magic of Donations-in-Kind) The DIK team are simply inspirational! Visit the store and be enlightened, or just visit the website:

<http://www.rotarydik.org/contact.html>



I had a chat with **DGN Bronwyn Stephens** when I visited the DIK Store last week: Bronwyn was busy as ever, but she took time off to tell me that her "World of Difference" Tour to Cambodia

in January is booked out already. I made her promise to write up a report with some nice photos for our readers. Joining Bronwyn on one of her tours is near the top of my "to do" list.

How did your Footy Team go this year? I'll bet the winning supporters will all be fined by our ever-diligent Sergeants-at-Arms. For the losers? There's always next year . . . .

And don't forget to tell me about your new members, when you send me your news: [clarice@rotarydistrict9800.org.au](mailto:clarice@rotarydistrict9800.org.au)

I once got a job at a bakery: I kneaded the dough.

**See you later - Clarice.**

## World of Difference Humanitarian Travel





## Youth Science Forum a winner for Thomas

*By Tony Thomas, Networker Correspondent.*

**Thomas Houlden 18, has found his National Youth Science Forum award last January to be a life-changing experience. With help from Bendigo RC and his school, Bendigo Catholic College, he went on to win a mid-year three-week trip to XLab in Gottingen, Germany for a more advanced science camp with 19 international students.**

XLAB's 19 students were from eight countries and spoke 12 languages, creating a cultural cocktail while students took in insights from leading-edge scientists in biology, chemistry and physics.

"I focused on biology, taking courses in neurophysiology, molecular biology and immunology," Tom says.

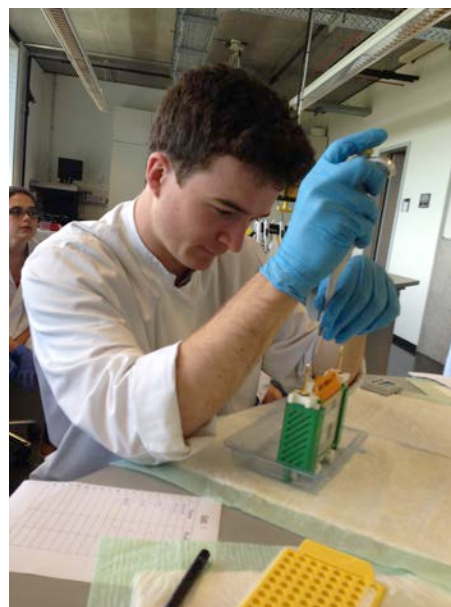
"We analysed blood samples for specific antigens, genetically altered bacteria, stimulated neuron signals and analysed the visual system of insects.

"I got a glimpse into what research is actually like, the failures, the tedium, the obsession with detail, the endless data collection, the successes and most importantly, the dedication to 'finding things out'."

Since his return from Germany, he's been a frequent speaker at many Rotary and school groups. "I've learnt how to fake confidence," he jokes. "Post-NYSF is a new chapter of my life - the connections, the friendships, the skills and the experience will stay with me forever."

Tom's mother Helen Sexton is full of praise for the Rotary program:

"I've been amazed at Tom's personal growth, starting from his preparation to meet the selection panels, and now reflected in his ability to do public speaking. He's been exposed to new fields of science and he's well placed now to make good choices about his tertiary study courses."



***Thomas at work in the lab.***



## The Magic of Donations In Kind

By David Dippie, RC Keilor

### A request for help 14/9/16

Michele is a Palms Australia volunteer based in Balibo living in the Accommodation unit that Rotary help to build with a TRF Grant . She sent a request to Roger (RC Pakenham): *"We are trying to source a wheelchair for a 12 y.o mentally and physically disabled girl. Her only mode of transport is being carried by her mother. She came to our attention through the Dental Clinic as she lives in one of Balibo's outlying villages. "*

### DIK Reply 15/9/16 "Which chair would suit best?"



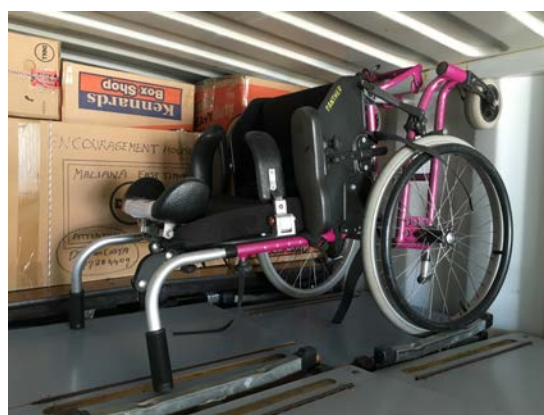
### 20/9 /16 The wheelchair was Loaded in the container

We can't guarantee instant results like this, but you can see how easy it is to significantly improve lives using the resources available from Donations In Kind. There are projects available that would suit any Club. To find out how you can't make a difference contact me at [solatube@bigpond.com](mailto:solatube@bigpond.com)



### 19/9/16 Michelle selected the chair and replied:

*"Thank you so much for your help and support. This chair will give Cecilia a better quality of life. She spends all day either being carried by her mum or laying on the floor which is also her bed day after day. I am so grateful for your assistance. It breaks my heart to see this type of thing but knowing through the generosity of others we can make a difference restores my faith in humanity. My profuse thanks and appreciation."*





## Working Holidays for Aussie Teachers

By DGN Bronwyn Stephens

**Cambodian teachers in remote rural areas have no access to any professional development training after their very limited initial teacher training. Some of them have only completed primary school themselves and now are trying to educate children.**

The teaching methods in Cambodia are rudimentary to say the least. Class sizes of over 60, methods that we could perhaps identify with back in the 1930-1950's with corporal punishment used extensively and rote learning. On Saturday September 17<sup>th</sup>, five Australian volunteer teachers left for Cambodia. They are giving their school vacation time to volunteer in remote areas of Cambodia to train Cambodian teachers.

In January a team of four teachers undertook a pilot training workshop, which I was intimately involved with. It was a resounding success. The Cambodian teachers were so receptive to other styles of teaching. To find that children could learn by laughter and engagement with stimulating energizer games to capture their imagination was a whole new world to these teachers. They embraced the concepts and soaked them up, eager to take the ideas back to their class rooms and try them out with the children. At the completion of the workshops many of the teacher students had tears of joy from the sense of fulfillment of four days of intense training from modern methodology in teaching strategies. They begged the Aussie teachers to return. It was the first taste of such an experience ever in their careers.

The funding for the January team was provided by Rotary via a District sponsored Foundation Grant. Such was its success that a Foundation Global Grant application has been submitted to fully fund an annual program to train 200 teachers each year for two years. This capacity building will be strategic and leave the teachers with such training that they will continue the program without Australian intervention after that time: i.e. it is sustainable.

12 months between the pilot program and the next implementation phase seemed too long though and the teachers begged us for another workshop in 6 months. The Australian teachers agreed that after 12 months the knowledge drain would have probably occurred and old habits returned. A plea from the teachers was translated by Rithy, a Rotarian with the Rotary Club of Phnom Penh and project manager of "World of Difference" in Cambodia. It was captured on video, and played over and over on Facebook. So yesterday, with the teachers volunteering their time it is happening again: another group slotted in midway between the annual program, just this once and privately funded under the auspices of Rotary.

40 kms from Siem Reap: a 4-day workshop for 100 teachers, then Kampong Speu (2 hours from Phnom Penh) another 4-day workshop for 100 teachers. Five Australian teachers working with four teacher translators from Phnom Penh side by side in the classroom teaching remote village teachers, many of whom have had little more than a primary school education themselves. Some have had a diploma 1 year course, but none have had any professional development in their careers.

This is amazing. Two of the teachers volunteered their school holiday times in January and now are spending their entire holidays again volunteering, such is the investment they are willing to contribute to this program. Both of them are returning again in January 2017. This generous and huge hearted team and their eager teacher students can be followed and encouraged at

<https://www.facebook.com/D9800VTTCambodia>.



***Teaching the teachers. The Cambodian teachers have yellow satchels which they treasure: they came from the Donations-in-Kind Store.***



## Moving Rotary Forward

*By John F. Germ, Rotary International President, 2016-17*

Part of moving Rotary forward means providing you and your clubs with the tools you need to succeed. A project that I'm proud to have launched this year is the upgrade of Rotary Club Central. We've listened to your feedback and are currently working to create a platform that is easier, faster, and more user-friendly by 30 June. Updates will be provided as they become available.

There are several upcoming events in the Rotary world. [Reconnect Week](#), 9-15 October, is an opportunity for you to invite Rotary alumni in your community to join you in a celebration or special event that will help strengthen their bond with Rotary. By staying connected with alumni, you not only cultivate new membership opportunities and network with proven leaders, but you also help them find new ways to make a difference through Rotary.

Rotary's fourth World Polio Day celebration, on 24 October, will highlight the extraordinary progress made in the eradication campaign and emphasize the work that remains before we wipe out the virus for good. Health officials and Rotary's celebrity polio ambassadors will head to Atlanta, Georgia, USA, for the event, the first to be held at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). It will be streamed live and then will be available for viewing at [endpolio.org](#). You can participate by:

- [Download the World Polio Day toolkit](#) for information and resources on planning and promoting a successful World Polio Day event, such as a viewing party or fundraiser.
- [Register your event here](#) for a chance to be recognized in Atlanta, or to be featured on our website and social media pages.
- Write to local media and government officials. Pitch a story about your club's contributions to the campaign and remind them why it's important to keep fighting.

Looking ahead, the [Rotary convention](#) will be extra special as we celebrate the centennial of The Rotary Foundation in the city where it was born. I hope you'll join me in Atlanta, 10-14 June 2017, to look back proudly at a century of being people of action and serving humanity—and look ahead to the challenges Rotary will tackle in the century to come.

You can help make this the most memorable convention yet by inviting your fellow members to register. [Visit the online convention promotion kit](#) for tools and ideas. You can also help by sharing your knowledge and experience at a breakout session in Atlanta. [Submit your proposal online](#) by 19 September for consideration.

Prior to convention will be the Presidential Peace Conference, 9-10 June, at the Georgia World Congress Center. We'll celebrate our successes of making peace a priority and work on the underlying causes of conflict while looking ahead to opportunities to continue our commitment to peace. This special two-day event is open to the general public and all preconvention and convention attendees, including Rotary members, Peace Fellows, alumni, youth, and friends of Rotary. [Find event information online](#).

I hope you see these events for what they are: opportunities to celebrate our accomplishments and spread the good work that we do as a part of *Rotary Serving Humanity*.



***RIPE John Germ***



## Lift the Lid on Mental Illness

*By Ron Adams, RC Melbourne South*

The 'Lift the Lid' campaign aims to raise funds to significantly increase research into mental illness prevention. We want to look ahead and learn through research how to prevent these illnesses happening.

D9800 Rotary Club Presidents should have received a DVD from Australian Rotary Health inviting you to join all Rotary Clubs in Victoria in our **Lift the Lid on Mental Illness** campaign on Friday 7 October.

If by any chance you haven't seen the video, it can be watched on [YouTube](#) **LIFT THE LID - on mental illness [7 October 2016]** and for further film clips and details about the campaign check out the link to our Website <https://australianrotaryhealth.org.au/support-us/campaigns/lift-the-lid/>.

There will be significant media support across the State from Herald Sun newspapers, Neil Mitchell from 3AW, Robert Doyle Lord Mayor of Melbourne and Linda Dessau Governor of Victoria, particularly leading up to the day itself, so that the general public will be expecting Rotarians to be active in supporting mental illness prevention research.

Negotiations have been completed with Metro Trains which has ordered 2,500 stickers for their staff to use in support on the day as well as welcome support from V'Line making all metropolitan and country railway stations available for Rotarians to use when collecting funds.

Bunnings has also given the green light to Rotarians to collect for Lift the Lid at all their 67 Victorian stores on 7<sup>th</sup> October.

The LTL Facebook page is well and truly up and running. Our priority is now to ask friends and family to 'like' the Facebook page and to share the page with as many people as possible with this link

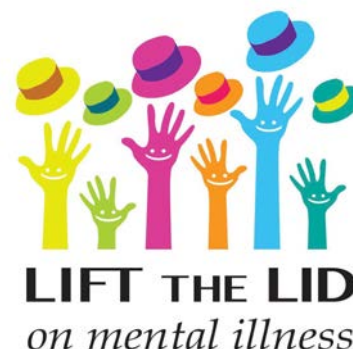
<https://www.facebook.com/Lift-The-Lid>

We firmly believe that by approaching the general public in large numbers State-wide, Rotary's profile will be enhanced and help us attract greater membership.

For more details and/or to make a donation, please head to the link

<https://australianrotaryhealth.org.au/support-us/campaigns/lift-the-lid/>

or contact Ron Adams on 0408 136 100.



*Neil Mitchell of 3AW*



*Robert Doyle, Lord Mayor of Melbourne and Linda Dessau, Governor of Victoria*



## Letters to the Editor

Our peripatetic correspondent Tony Thomas is on a well-deserved holiday in UK. He sent some photos, and a long epistle, starting with:

*HI folks,*

*All going well with the trip even though I've suddenly upped my exercise level from 30mins walking a day to 5 hours or so. I certainly get home a bit fagged out but on a nice high from so much adventure and interesting goings-on.*

*Local adventures were the Manchester Art Gallery on our first day – superb collection of Victorian/pre-Raphaelites.*

*And ending with:*

*We heard a thump from outside our bed/sit half an hour ago, later looked out window and looks like two buses collided, no great damage but a collision at sea ruins your whole day as they say.*

*No more news, xx t*

*Clarice replies: from the look of his holiday snaps, we suspect he really is on a cruise. Keep well, Tony, and come back safely!*



RC Kyneton Bulletin Editor, Pip Elston wrote to us about a recent Calder Cluster meeting, which the clubs of Castlemaine, Gisborne, Kyneton and Woodend held in the Castlemaine Gaol.

Chairman Rob Cordie (Castlemaine) welcomed PDG John Wigley, AG Graeme Batrouney, AG Gary McClure, AG Colin Styles, David Bourke and Grant Hocking

The speaker was Khurram Khan, Young Victorian of the Year and also the recipient of a Royce Abbey Champion of Change Award.

Despite the environment shown on the right, the crowd below seem to be enjoying the evening.



## Notices and Events

### What is Shine On Recognition About?

'Shine On' is an outstanding annual Australia-wide Rotary recognition program to acknowledge exceptional service to others by people with disabilities. Clubs may nominate people who meet the criteria and all nominees will receive recognition with a Certificate of Commendation.

The 'Shine On' recognizes and acknowledges service to the community by people with disabilities.

Does your club know of somebody with a disability? Do they provide outstanding support to others with disability? Are they a community leader or involved in a community group?

Do you have a relationship with a local organisation who supports people with disability who may want to nominate somebody for Shine On?

Well it is time to get to it and reach out to your local community and find people who have a disability who are worthy of Shine On recognition. Let's make this year better than ever for the selection panel and give them many outstanding nominees to consider.

To be eligible, nominees should:

- Demonstrate the active involvement of the nominee in community service for the benefit of others and have demonstrated a significant level of personal achievement whilst managing a specific medical disorder/disability, and
- Be endorsed by Rotary Club.

Examples of personal achievement may include:

- Leadership and/or mentoring of others with the disability
- Membership and/or leadership in community groups
- Service to the community and/or a history of community achievement
- Other special awards or forms of recognition

Nominations may be made by clubs, associations or individuals aged 21 years and over.

A nominee must sign a consent form and include a small or passport sized photo. Nominations close on Friday 16 December 2016 and recognition ceremony will take place on Sunday 30 April 2017.

Go to our 'Shine On' page at [Rotary District 9800](#) to download the program flyer, nomination criteria, and the nomination form.

If you would like more information about the Shine On Recognition 2017 please email Louise at [louise.b@internode.on.net](mailto:louise.b@internode.on.net) or call her on 0418 597 427.



### Rotary Glen Eira

Now meet at SAPA RIVERS RESTURANT. 803 Glen Huntly Road, Caulfield. Near the corner of Hawthorn Road and Glen Huntly Road. 6:30 for 6:45 start, 8:00pm finish. The format is that as you enter the restaurant, you place your order and pay at the takeaway counter, order your drinks, and make your way upstairs.



### Rotary Club of Prahran

Please note a change in lunch and dinner days. From this coming week dinner

meetings will be the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Monday of the Month. Lunch will be 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday.

## Stay informed on Rotary events:

[http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org/notices\\_and\\_events\\_future](http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org/notices_and_events_future)



## Notices and Events

### Bringing the Light"

An inspiring documentary about the work of Steph Woollard's Seven Women organization in Nepal, screens at the Como Theatre, South Yarra, 6pm

**Tuesday October 11.**

During the past ten years Seven Women has helped 5000 disabled or disadvantaged Nepali women to make and sell products as micro-businesses. The event is co-hosted with Kate Strain, Brighton North RC, who is trekking Nepal and raising money for the Seven Women Cooking School in Kathmandu. The school will be used to generate a local income through cooking classes for tour groups, build confidence in teaching, and train women in skills of hospitality.

This fund-raiser (\$35 per ticket) will contribute to the \$20,000 needed to build a commercial kitchen in Kathmandu. Book at <http://bit.ly/2bLakYO> or contact Steph at [steph.w@seven-women.com](mailto:steph.w@seven-women.com)



### STYLE EDIT WORKSHOP

Presented by The Ark Clothing Co. & the Rotary Clubs of Canterbury and Camberwell, raising money for the **Busy Feet Program**.

Style is a unique expression of you, your lifestyle and what makes you happy. Our stylists will show you how to wear different pieces for travel, work and weekends.

**Thursday 13th October.** 6.30pm arrival for 7pm

BASS Care Conochie Hall 2 Rochester Road, Canterbury, 3126

Parking on street and at rear of BASS Care

Candelight supper. Cost: \$30 per person

Complementary bubbles on arrival, otherwise BYO drinks. Tea and coffee provided.

RSVP: Monday 10th October 2016

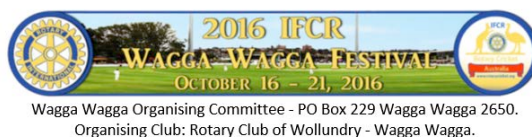
FOR BOOKINGS Online via Trybooking: <http://www.trybooking.com/201777>



### Fellowship of Cricketing Rotarians

There will be a week of cricket in Wagga Wagga, NSW for the Bi Annual IFCR Australian Festival, from **Sunday the 16th to Friday 21st of October 2016.**

More information on the festival is available on our website [www.ifcrwagga2016.org.au](http://www.ifcrwagga2016.org.au). The cut-off for registrations is **August 31, 2016.**



### Trash and Treasure Market

Its Spring and what better time to get moving and clean out those cupboards! But hold on.... don't throw your unwanted items away... why not help raise some funds for your club by taking a stall at the first ever St Kilda Tras'N'Treasure Market on the 9th October. Your trash could be someone else's treasure and the money you raise can help your club do great work in your community.

Just jump on the website at [www.stkildamarket.org.au](http://www.stkildamarket.org.au) and start collecting your goodies.

The market is also a terrific way for community groups you know of in your area to raise much needed funds - so feel free to share with one and all.

The Rotary Club of Melbourne South thank you for your support.

**Sunday 9 Oct, 13 Nov & 11 Dec - 9am - 1pm** Where: Car Park in

Marlborough St, St Kilda East

Bookings: [www.stkildamarket.org.au](http://www.stkildamarket.org.au)

Trash & Treasure



**ST KILDA MARKET**

A ROTARY CLUB OF MELBOURNE SOUTH PROJECT

## Notices and Events

### Art In Action – Cityscape in Elsternwick (free event)

10 am to 3.30 pm **Sunday 6 November** – Elsternwick Plaza.

Observe artists in action in an urban environment. Artists will spread out from Elsternwick Plaza, near Elsternwick Station and down Glen Huntly Road to Orrong Road and surrounding areas between 10am and 3.30 pm on Sunday 6 November. Children welcome to participate in colouring in pictures.

Then visit the Exhibition of works created on the day and vote in the People's Choice Awards with a chance to win a Voter prize. Exhibition at Glen Eira Gallery Annexe **Saturday 26 November to Sunday 11 December**. Weekdays 10am to 5pm and weekends 1pm to 5pm. Details ph 9568-7190 or [gleneiraartistsociety.org](http://gleneiraartistsociety.org)

Cityscape Day and Exhibition are hosted by Glen Eira Artist' Society Inc and proudly supported by Rotary Club of Caulfield Inc, Glen Eira City Council, Elsternwick Main Street committee and Bendigo Bank Community Bank (Caulfield Park Branch).



### ROTARY PEONY HARVEST PICNIC

Romswood Farm [www.romswoodfarm.com.au](http://www.romswoodfarm.com.au) is situated in the Macedon Ranges and is approximately 15 minutes from Woodend. **SUNDAY 13TH NOVEMBER**

This is a Rotary Club of Melbourne Fundraiser in support of the End Trachoma Now Project.

Groups members friends children and friends are all welcome.

Picnic with activities including tours and flower picking are planned.

Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/MUPL>

To read about the Trachoma Project [click here](#).

Enquiries to Cynthia Edgell 0407 982 292 or Bernie McIntosh

[Email](#)



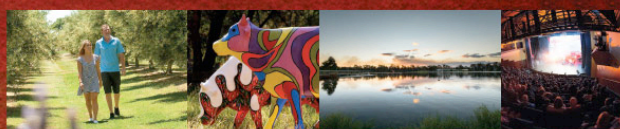
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	<b>TRADITIONAL RUM AND BRANDY FRUIT CAKE</b> \$ 16.50 Each		\$2.20	\$2.00
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## Notices and Events

### The Goldfields Rush

The Rotary Club of Daylesford has developed a new, exciting fund raising idea. The "Goldfields Rush" is a fantastic way to see the forests of Central Victoria over 2 days of postie bike riding. The ride suits those with an adventurous streak, a willingness to get out of their comfort zone and a sense of humour.

Based in Daylesford the Goldfields Rush is a mild on/off road tour emphasizing fun, scenery and regional produce.

The first ride from **18th -20th November** 2016 is limited to 8 participants and costs \$ 950.00. We provide a fully registered Honda CT110 Postie Bike to ride for the tour, accommodation and all meals with an emphasis on our wonderful regional food , an orientation session to your bike and great riding. You will need a reasonable level of fitness, a motorcycle license, an approved full face motorcycle helmet and eyewear and appropriate rider attire.

The second ride is from **18th-26th March** 2017 is limited to 20 participants and costs \$3750.

E-mail your expression of interest to [goldfieldsrush@hotmail.com](mailto:goldfieldsrush@hotmail.com) or call 0407 197 138 [www.goldfieldsrush.com](http://www.goldfieldsrush.com)



### Paul Harris Breakfast

Tim Cartwright – "Holding them to account"

Tim was appointed as the State's Family Violence Reform Implementation Monitor in August 2016. He will report to the Parliament annually on the progress against the Family Violence Royal Commission's 227 recommendations, and on the implementation of the state's Family Violence Action Plan. He has a degree in Criminal Justice from RMIT, and a Graduate Diploma in Public Policy and Management from Monash University (School of Business).



**Tuesday 22nd November:** 7.15 for 7.30 till 9.00am at The RACV Club, Level 17, 501 Bourke Street. Tickets: \$65.00 per head or \$600 for a table of ten (incl. GST) All Paul Harris Breakfast proceeds are used for Rotary Foundation programs. RSVP: 11th November. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT: Marjorie Gerlinger 0419 302 109 Email: [marbern@bigpond.net.au](mailto:marbern@bigpond.net.au)



### Our Contributors



*District Governor Neville John is a member of Central Melbourne Rotary Club.*



*Tony Thomas contributes regularly to "The Networker", and he has a current story in "Rotary Down Under".*



*David Dippie of Keilor RC is a Rotarian who wants to change the world. Keep an eye on this man!*



*Philip Archer of Southbank Rotary Club is District Membership Director.*



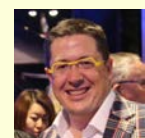
*Our Glamorous Girl Friday Clarice edits and replies to the letters we receive at "The Networker".*



*John Germ of Tennessee, USA, is Rotary International President Elect for 2016-17*



*Lesley McCarthy, Principal of Flemington Primary School, edits the Flemington RC Bulletin.*



*District Image Guru, Adrian Nelson, always keeps the Networker team on their toes.*



*DG Nominee Bronwyn Stephens is a supporter of several projects in Cambodia.*



*Roger Thornton of Central Melbourne RC reports on the functions arranged for the Paul Harris Society.*