

Rotary District 9800



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Connecting communities,
inspiring others and
transforming the lives of
people locally, in Australia and
internationally.**

Rotary Making a Difference.



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District Assembly May 20th

It's an incredible vibe in the building when one third of our Rotary District come together to share, connect and learn. Passionate people talking about their projects and portfolios.

When Learning and Development Director Julie Mason asked for a show of hands for the people in the room who were attending for the first time it was astounding to see so many hands raise. Good on you Rotarians who raised your hands and thank you for coming along.

The different sessions that were offered with their varieties of formats and styles....It was a smorgasboard of what we are doing. In the President 2018-2019 session I was so grateful for 2 hours with 44 Presidents of Clubs. It was a chance to reflect a little and tie up some loose ends, ask some questions and just be together.

Standing with DGN Grant and DGND Philip stating the names of all the District Support Team members who will be happy to help in any way they can going forward was a special moment. It represented to me that we are in a cycle of succession. We are all in a team together, supporting each other and planning for a better future. **"Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves."** Surely Rotary's vision statement was in action at District Assembly.

Bronwyn Stephens
District Governor elect 2018-2019



The new District Support Team was announced by District Governor Elect Bronwyn Stephens at the District Assembly last week. Supporting Bronwyn in the 2018-2019 year are:
current District Governor Peter Frueh, Vice Governor Neville John, Secretary Jane Pennington, Treasurer Arthur Hubbard, District Governor Elect Grant Hocking, District Governor Nominee Phillip Archer, Foundation Chair Dennis Shore, District Director Governance David Whiting, Director Public Image & Communications Kerry Kornhauser, Assistant Governor Mentor Jonathan Shepherd; Club Service Chair Yvonne Flynn, Community Service Chair David Bourke, International Service Chair Bob GIndeman, Youth Service Chair Maria Silber, Vocational Service Chair Alan Seale.

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Des O'Shanassy

Goldfields North

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Goldfields South

Cliff Downey

Heritage

Joan Robison

Hobsons Bay

Peter Rogers

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Westside

Josephine Falzarano

District Governor Peter Frueh

June is International Fellowships month across the Rotary world. Perhaps this is because in late May and June the World Conventions are held and this allows 30,000 or more committed Rotarians and partners to get together, with many diverse interests.

International Fellowships began in 1928 when a group of Rotarians formed to champion the use of Esperanto which is a language, formed from scratch as an international auxiliary language. The longest continuously running International Fellowship is the International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians, where Rotarians fly the Rotary flag on their boat at fellowship events.

There are over 70 International Fellowships which you can browse through at www.rotary.org/en/our-programs/more-fellowships and you can click through to the website of any that interest you.



An example which is active in our District is Cricketing where Tony Plant (Bendigo South) organised a cricket match on the Friday before our Warrnambool Conference. So if you are interested in Golf, Beer, Wine, Cruising, Flying, Fishing, Travel and Hosting or whatever, have a look at the link. They are open to Rotarians, Rotoractors and Partners. **The District contact for International Fellowships is Leon Lewi (Keilor).**

Another little known international program is **Rotarian Friendship Exchanges**, where groups of Rotarians and partners have reciprocal visits to build goodwill and advance peace and international understanding. A group from District 9800 are leaving soon for Scotland and exchanges are planned for Canada in 2019 and Colombia in 2020. If you are interested in finding out more, **contact Jeanette Lynch (Keilor).**

This year's International Convention is in Toronto and over 70 Rotarians and partners from our District are attending. As we have an Australian World President in Ian Riseley, we expect a big group from Australia. Unfortunately the Convention is very late in the Rotary year this year on 23rd to 28th June, so Anne and I will not be able to be at Club Changeovers and say thank you in person.

Let's make the Club Changeovers this year a community event and encourage our community partners to attend and celebrate all the good things that Rotarians are doing in the world.

Peter Frueh
District Governor 2017-2018

The new Rotary General Data Protection Regulation came into effect on May 25th.

Rotary is applying these new standards globally, not just for our European constituents. So no matter where you live, if Rotary processes your personal data, you will have certain rights
<https://my.rotary.org/en/what-you-need-know-about-new-data-protection-rules>

Discover International Fellowships

Some Benefits of Rotary Fellowships

- Fellowships provide opportunities for Rotarians to make lasting friendships outside of their own club, district, or country.
- Fellowships contribute to the advancement of world understanding and peace.
- Fellowships serve as an incentive for attracting new members to Rotary and retaining existing ones.

International Fellowship of Cricket Loving Rotarians

The 10th World Rotary cricket festival will be held in January 2019. Melbourne You will have the opportunity to attend the opening function at the city's iconic sporting venue, the Melbourne Cricket Ground. You will also have the opportunity to spend a day with a difference at the spiritual home of Australian IFCR at Strath Creek. Cricket will be at Caulfield Park with all players and friends in the same vicinity. After match presentations and socialising will take place in the function centre at the park.

Contact Richard Groom at rgroom@iinet.net.au



International Fellowship of Flying Rotarians

The International Fellowship of Flying Rotarians (Australia) Inc has a goal to achieve a better understanding of aviation among non-flying Rotarians and others, through appropriate Rotary Club programs, flying events, and other activities.

Contact Sam Graham president@iffr.org.au



The Environment Fellowship of Rotarians (EFR)

The Environment Fellowship of Rotarians (EFR) unites all Rotarians, their spouses, and Rotaractors who are very interested and/or have a vocation related to the Environment.

Interest in the environment can be general or specialized, including contributing towards building an environment of peace and sustainable development.

EFR members are always ready to contribute their expertise in supporting environmental Rotary projects locally, regionally or globally.

Contact Marco Kappenberger, www.envirotarians.org/



Thank you to Leon Llewi for providing these. Others will be featured throughout June.

National Recognition for District Governor Nominee Grant Hocking

At a recent Stroke Foundation event our very own DGN Grant Hocking (Woodend Rotary) received the President Award for 2018. Many readers may know that Grant is employed as a Clinical Manager at Ambulance Victoria and has had an interest in the prevention and management of Stroke for over a decade.

Finalists from across Australia attended the awards event at Melbourne Town Hall at the beginning of May. All finalists received a framed certificate to recognise their achievements in 6 categories. This was the inaugural President Award and Foundation President, Professor James Angus presented finalists with certificates and then announced that Grant was the recipient of the award and presented a trophy.

From the Stroke Foundation website:

Grant has been interested in the management of stroke for over a decade firstly with Rotary Club supporting, and then managing, the **Know Your Numbers** campaign, an opportunistic health check program of the Stroke Foundation.

This interest has been maintained and extended into his professional career in 2010 when Grant took an active role in championing the review, and improvement of, the Ambulance Victoria management of patients with stroke.

Over the last decade Grant has supported the introduction and continued development of Ambulance Victoria Stroke Clinical Practice Guidelines (CPG) and improved changes to the procedure of pre-hospital notification.

These efforts have seen the management of stroke within Ambulance Victoria receive increased focus and attention. In Australia there are approximately 60,000 new strokes every year, and stroke is the second leading cause of death and the leading cause of disability.

Grant was joined by his wife Melissa at the event and stated, "it was a humbling experience to be present at the awards ceremony with the other amazing finalists from across Australia. The advances in stroke management are making a real difference to the lives of many Australians".



<https://strokefoundation.org.au/>

Changes to Youth & Child Policies

Last month the District Board approved a document entitled **"Know Your Volunteer"** which contains a new Form 3, and a brief explanatory memorandum.

This month the District Board approved **"Involvement in Child and Youth Activities – advice for individuals"** and **"Involvement in Child and Youth Activities – advice for clubs"** You can download these forms below or from the District website <http://rotarydistrict9800.org.au/policies>

They are intended to assist volunteers and clubs in understanding what it is that they need to do, and why they should do it. A Working with Children Check is simply not enough.

In the time in which these documents have been prepared there have been many discussions and debates about whether a Working with Children Check is sufficient on its own (or not). From a Rotary Club perspective, the answer is no, never.

Our requirements under the code of policies from Rotary International, the obligations of the Clubs under the Working with Children Act and the Child Safety and Well-Being Act mean that a working with children check might be all that a member/volunteer requires, but will almost never be sufficient for a club that uses a member/volunteer in a youth/child activity. And that's before we get to the question of insurance.

It's a requirement of our insurers that the policies of Rotary International and District be followed in order for insurance to be forth-coming. Why risk it?

If you have any questions that you would like to put forward that could be included in a "frequently asked questions" section as part of the Form 3 documentation, please send them to governance@rotarydistrict9800.org.au and that form will be updated to reflect the questions.

David Whiting
Director of Governance
District 9800



David is well known to most Victorians for his legal advice and commentary on ABC Radio Melbourne as part of the Jon Faine program. He started broadcasting in 1983.

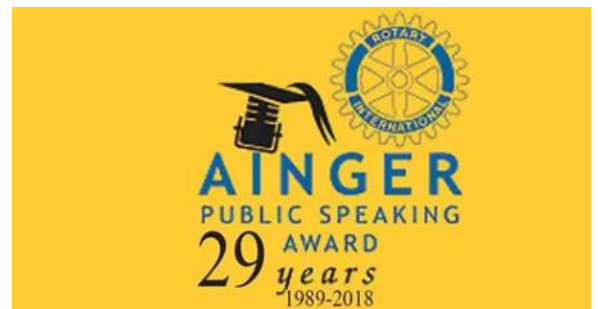
The questions he answers range across the law, and transcripts of his conversations are available here:
<https://774talkbacklawyerfan.wordpress.com/>

Jon Faine has praised him as "making sense of the legal world".

Ainger Public Speaking Award

The Ainger Public Speaking Awards is a joint project between the Rotary Club of Richmond and the Rotary Club of Melbourne Park. It was originally a project of the Rotary Club of Richmond and the Ainger family in memory of past member Ern Ainger

The award gives high school students the opportunity to speak on any topic for four minutes. The competition focuses on preparation, personality, projection and individuality rather than the topic itself. Every year the Ainger final proves to be a highly entertaining and inspiring event.



The finals were held at The Amora Hotel in Richmond on May 21st in front of an appreciative audience of Rotarians, family and friends, the final 10 speakers were all scored above 8/10 by the judges.

Rotary Club of Melbourne Park President Jacinta Walker did an outstanding job as Chair for the night. She engaged well with both the audience and the student finalists. The finals were also fortunate to have a dedicated adjudication panel ably led by Stephen Yolland.

However the stars of the night were the ten finalists. It was a strong field with a outstanding presentation from our winner Harrison Huber a 14 year old in year 9 at Mentone Grammar School. It is now back to back year 9 winners as last year's trophy winner was Marietta Stents in year 9 at Genazzano FCJ College - Youth is certainly on the march ! Don Kinsey's legacy was on show last night and he would have enjoyed it. .



The finalists were from nine schools with Harrison's very funny thoughts **'Parents on Facebook'** winning him the prize of \$400, an inscribed Winner's Medallion and his name on the perpetual Ainger Trophy. Harrison was also the youngest contestant, so we expect to see him back on future occasions.

Gemma Taylor from Melbourne Girls' College was runner up receiving \$300, and **Samuel Roach** from St Kevin's College was third receiving \$200. **Conor Barnes** from Westbourne Grammar School won the Rotary Club of Melbourne Park's Encouragement Award receiving \$125

It was lovely to see Patricia Peck representing NHP and John Ainger representing the Ainger family. In the audience was Margo Kinsey who had been an adjudicator for many years, Valerie Claire (formerly of NHP who had hosted the heats at NHP over many years, and our special district representatives District Governor Elect Bronwyn Stephens and Mark, District Governor Nominee Grant Hocking and Melissa and Assistant Governor Anne King.

Ben Hosking

Chair Ainger Public Speaking Award

Silk Miller Award

The Rotary Club of Central Melbourne presented the Annual Silk Miller Award at their meeting on May 22nd.

The Silk Miller Award is an ongoing project of the club in support of the Youth Suicide Awareness program at the Centre of Adolescent Health at University of Melbourne. This is a two year scholarship that supports a current member of the Victorian Police Force to undertake a Masters Degree. It was named in honour of officers Sergeant Gary Silk and Senior Constable Rodney Miller who lost their lives in the line of duty in 1998

The 2018 recipient is Senior Constable Tanya Stacey of Prahran Station.

The Silk Miller Award is highly valued by Vic Pol and the Centre for Adolescent Health as it enables Police Officers to round off their Police training and experience with an empirical understanding of the challenges of young people who either offend or are at risk of offending.



Keilor Car and Bike Show

Despite the dire long range weather forecasts the event enjoyed a beautiful sunny and warm day. Volunteers from the Gateway Rotaract Club and the Keilor cricket club turned up at 6.00am to assist club members with putting up the fencing and setting up the food marquee.

The first cars started arriving just after 7-00am with a fantastic array of cars and bikes, from as far afield as Frankston and Berwick attending the show.

Volunteers including locals Jamie and Lyn, with club members did a terrific job of squeezing in 260 exhibitors cars & bikes to provide spectacular display of 4 and 2 wheel machines. Keilor Rotary's team did a great job providing delicious breakfast and snags for attendees as they were entertained with live music from Chris Langford

District Governor Peter Frueh visited and commented on the excellence of the event.

Kids and adults were entertained by face painting, jumping castle and Mervin the Wizard making it an all round fun day for everyone.

Congratulations to all the exhibitors for their fantastic preparation and presentation of their machines. Photos from the show will be available on the club's website.

facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=893726637501417&set=pcb.893728424167905&type=3&theater

Car Show Chairman Joe Raimondo congratulated all entrants on the superb quality of their vehicles., and thanked everyone who helped.

Fundraising was assisted by our raffle and supported by the Bendigo Bank for their financial sponsorship

Leon Llew
Bulletin Editor



Rotary Albert Park Helps in New Community Housing Project

Women over 55 currently sleeping rough or in severe housing stress will be able to seek shelter in new pop-up accommodation in Melbourne's City of Port Phillip.

The aged care facility known as Claremont Home, operated by CaSPA Care, is currently vacant awaiting master planning for redevelopment. The goal is to use the building in the interim to provide housing for women, with the project up and running on 16th May.

This has been managed by Robert Pradolin, a past member of Rotary Albert Park and a property developer, who has used his contacts in the building industry to install a brand new kitchen, cleaned up the garden area and organised brand new lounge chairs.

Rotary Albert Park has been involved with the wonderful help of Donations In Kind in providing all linen, dressing gowns, toiletries, as well as supplying bookshelves and books.

YWCA, who will manage the building, provided a team of women tradies; unemployed women who have gained trade qualifications, to perform the improvement works.

Robert said while not a solution to homelessness, existing infrastructure could be repurposed for short-term use as crisis or transitional accommodation for those who need it. The property will be subject to a lease with the YWCA until the owner requests it back to begin the redevelopment process. CaSPA Care is making the property available at a peppercorn rent of \$1 a year.

Richard Chater
Rotary Club of Albert Park



For more information and photos, see <https://portal.clubrunner.ca/.../Stori.../rap-at-claremont-house>

Rotary International President Ian Riseley

Dear fellow Rotarians,

For 60 years, choosing a theme has been the privilege, and sometimes the challenge, of each incoming president. Looking back on those past themes opens a small window into the thinking and the vision of each leader – how they saw Rotary, the place they saw for Rotary in the world, and what they hoped Rotary would achieve.

When my turn came to choose a theme, I did not hesitate. I knew immediately that our theme in 2017-18 would be **Rotary: Making a Difference**. For me, that small phrase describes not only what we do now, but what we aspire to do. We want to make a difference. We strive to help, to have an impact, to make the world a bit better.



Over the past two years, I have seen so many ways that Rotary is doing just that. In California, after the devastating wildfires last year, I saw Rotarians **Making a Difference** to those who had lost everything. In Guatemala, I saw the difference that simple wood stoves are making in the lives of women who had been cooking on open fires: They no longer breathe smoke when they cook, they spend less time gathering firewood, and they are using their stoves to start small businesses. In Israel, I visited a Rotary-supported hyperbaric center that is helping brain injury and stroke patients return to healthy, productive lives. In communities around the world, Rotarians are **Making a Difference** by resettling refugees, immunizing children, ensuring a safe blood supply, and helping young people learn and thrive.

All over the world, I have been a part of Rotarians' commitment to planting trees. As this issue of *The Rotarian* goes to press, we are still awaiting the final count of trees planted, but I am delighted to announce that we have already far surpassed our original goal of 1.2 million trees, one new tree per Rotarian. And, all over the world, Rotary is continuing its advocacy, fundraising, and support for polio eradication. Last year, wild poliovirus caused only 22 cases of paralysis in only two countries. I am confident that soon that number will be zero, and we will begin a new phase in the timeline of eradication: counting down at least three years from the last sign of wild virus to the certification of a polio-free world.

As Juliet and I return home to Australia, we will bring warm memories of the places we have visited, the friends we have made, and the service we have seen. Thank you, all of you, for the tremendous work you are doing, through **Rotary: Making a Difference**.

IAN H.S. RISELEY

President, Rotary International



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Sustainable Communities Cambodia

Global Grant - Varin District

We met with the commune committee at the end of April to discuss the running of the fish farm and how the proceeds from the sale of fish will be used to both pay down the community loan and be invested in the community for the benefit of the community.

Rithy did a great job mapping out on a large whiteboard how the process will work. Please refer to the flow chart in Appendix 1. When one of the committee members got up to discuss aspects of the flow chart with the committee, we knew that we were getting somewhere! We got the impression that the committee particularly liked the idea of paying the repaid funds forward to the next commune and helping by sharing what they have learnt on this project.



We left agreeing to return the following week by which time they were to have democratically elected a project leader and what Rithy called “a permanent committee” which would include an accountant, a banking team, an administrator and security team who would watch over the dam to ensure the fish were not stolen.

A week later we returned and learned that the head Monk had been elected as project leader and a permanent committee had also been elected. In the coming weeks Rithy has committed to work with the committee to help them identify who will be responsible for what on the project.

In between trips, Rithy & I discussed the concept of security and thought rather than pilot 20,000 fish as first planned – 20,000 fingerlings would cost \$1,200 - and pay a security team for 10 months at a cost of \$150 pm, that it might be more sensible to release 40,000 fish in the pilot – a \$2,400 investment - because it was unlikely that 20,000 fish would be stolen during the growing period.



We discussed this with the committee and they agreed suggesting that they would endeavour to oversee the security of the dam. Rithy also proposed that while we pilot the fish farm and farmer group loans, that it might be more sensible for him to provide the training and the money budgeted to pay the GIZ lady be shared among the project committee.

The committee welcomed the suggestion. *

We have agreed to: -

- a) pilot the microfinance on a small scale while we refine the administrative processes
- and
- b) seek out farmer's groups who are not afraid to work hard, because they will set the example for future groups.

Once the committee structure and responsibilities have been finalised Rithy will seek to finalise the community agreement with the committee ahead of piloting the project.

With respect to the fish farm, it was agreed that the Monk and his young monks would be responsible, feeding the fish the pellets, managing the worm farm and breeding the fish. Rithy suggests that the committee will feed the worms to the fish, because the monks cannot for religious reasons.

A New Monument Built Beside The Dam.
Elephants represent steadfast work, strength, rain
and the ability to produce abundant wealth.



Rithy has asked if the interest paid could be invested in the community along with the revenue from the fish farm? * With respect to investing the community funds, the committee understands that it will be up to them to determine where to invest the funds in the community and that it needs to be for the benefit of the community.

Areas such as infrastructure (a charity house, a community meeting hall, establishing a community market, business's around the dam), education (books and equipment), health (medicine and hygiene) etc. were discussed. It was wonderful to have Clarke Ballard from the Rotary Club of Balwyn (Balwyn funded the clearing of the dam) as well as incoming DG Bronwyn Stephens and Pam Baker at the first meeting to be party to the discussions and get a firsthand insight into how this project is being navigated with community involvement.

Meeting With Army Generals

During our visit to Varin we were invited to lunch by the army generals – from Phenom Penh – who are stationed in Varin District for five years.

The main commander (pictured right) has set an agenda for his team to help the poorest in the community. Thanks to the financial assistance from his friends in Phenom Penh they have already provided 10 families with a plot of land and a house.



General & Rithy In Front Of The House His Team Built For a Poor Family

Recognising the synergy in our work, the generals are keen to help us to manage our project by identifying those in need in the community. Rithy suggests it is all above board and they will be a great help.

Department of Fisheries Phenom Penh and our visit to a farm in Battambang

We met with one of Somony's managers at the Department of Fisheries in Phenom Penh. He was very informative and furnished us with a list of 44 fisheries in Cambodia who could help us to establish our farm. He told us that: -

- ◆ a fish eats 3-5% of its body weight,
- ◆ you can expect an 80% survival rate,
- ◆ the ancient dam in Varin could stock up to 117,000 fish.

On our way home from Battambang we visited one of the farms where we learned that: -

- ◆ it would be possible for our fish farmers to breed the fish
- ◆ the farm sold 250,000 fingerlings a year for approx. \$15,000 USD
- ◆ they sold between 2,000 and 4,000 fish a year for between .50c & .75c profit
- ◆ the profit could be increased significantly by farming worms. This would reduce the cost of food by 70% and increase the return on the sale of fish to approx. \$1.75 to \$2 each fish.
- ◆ It takes between 10 and 12 months to grow the fish to a size ready for sale.



The Farmer Said He Learned To Breed Fish In About 2 Weeks

Microfinance Advice & Draft Contract

While visiting the fish farm we learned that the farmer was also providing microfinance loans. He explained that in the early days, after a number of borrowers had defaulted on their loans and disappeared too Thailand, he improved his lending process. He had a more formal contract drawn up - he has kindly provided us a copy to use on our project – and only loaned money to applicants who had a land title that they were willing to put up as collateral.

Meeting Battambang RC

We travelled to Battambang to meet with the President, President Elect and Past President of the Rotary Club of Battambang where we discussed the progress of the project. They agreed to take on the task of auditing the accounts on the project. They will work with the RC of Brighton and Rithy to define the administrative process for the micro finance.

Hang's Widow Has Found Her Feet

During our visit to Varin we visited Hangs family where we learned how wonderful Rithy has been, helping them get back on their feet. He has provided them with a \$1,700 micro loan so they can start a Cambodian Noodle Restaurant. The only restaurant in the village.



Hang's Widow Collecting Dough From Her New Machine

She will pay down the loan in 12 months, starting in August once the restaurant is established. The restaurant is 2 months old now and is already employing 4 people and generating \$40 income per day.

Rithy has also provided Hang's wife with a sow so that she can farm pigs and generate further income.



Hang's Niece & Husband Extruding Cambodian Noodles

Update on Bossalla and Kroa Boa – “Gerhard’s Water Project”

We managed to visit Kampang Speu to see how the community are getting along. I am pleased to say that both village communities are thriving and that the project/ Global Grant can be considered a huge success, it is nothing short of brilliant and Rithy should be applauded for his achievements as should all the clubs in the District who were involved.

I noticed that: -

- ◆ The school is running well
- ◆ A significant number of new houses have or are being built, which suggest that they are embracing Rithy's learning's and are clearly making a good living from their farming activities
- ◆ They are no longer littering
- ◆ They are using their tank water more wisely in summer
- ◆ They say that they would never drink the river water again

During the visit, we discovered that the three dams that were built - financed by the Rotary Club of South Melbourne – are not being utilised as well as they could. Rithy is going to explore running a community fish farm on a microfinance loan basis in the same way that we are planning in Varin.

* Approval for changes sought from RC Brighton and RC Battambang committees.

Barry Hickman
Rotary Club of Brighton



Above: Family Home Prior To Global Grant
Below: New Family Home Post Global Grant



Pride of Workmanship at East Keilor

The annual Pride of Workmanship awards presented by the Rotary Club of East Keilor recently recognised the outstanding commitment and dedication of a number of local people serving the community.

Vocational Director Bob McMartin scoured the community for candidates and was overwhelmed with the response.

At the awards ceremony, Honorary Member Ben Carroll MP, Minister for Industry and Employment presented each recipient with their award, acknowledging their nomination and service.

Winners were Emily Klines,
Property Manager for Pennisi Real Estate;
Tania Mullen,
Veterinarian at Essendon Veterinary Clinic;
Brian Stanley,
Pharmacist at the Lincolnville Pharmacy.



Pictured: PP Joe Albioli, President Ginny Billson, Emily Klines, Ben Carroll, MP, Tania Mullen and Brian Stanley.

President Ginny Billson congratulated awardees for their exemplary vocational service. She also thanked members Annie Webb, Joe Albioli and Cherie Osborn for their assistance.

Rotary wins Best Nonprofit Act for its Polio eradication work

Rotary's commitment to eradicating polio worldwide won Best Nonprofit Act in the **Hero Awards** of the One Billion Acts of Peace campaign, an international global citizens' movement to tackle the world's most important issues.

The campaign is an initiative of **PeaceJam Foundation** and is led by 14 Nobel Peace Prize laureates, including the Dalai Lama, Desmond Tutu, and Rigoberta Menchú Tum, with the ambitious goal of inspiring a billion acts of peace by 2020. <http://www.peacejam.org/>

Each year, the campaign picks two finalists in each of six categories for their work to make a measurable impact in one of the 10 areas considered most important by the Nobel laureates. Winners are chosen by people from around the world.

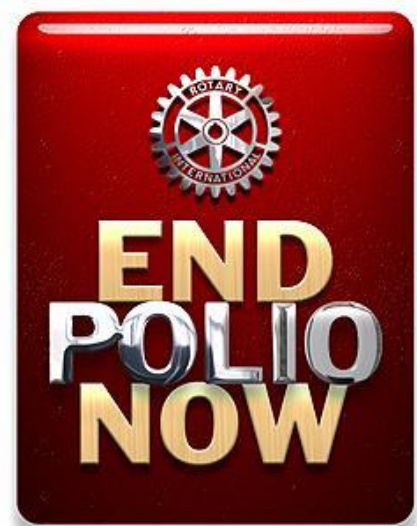
Rotary and Mercy Corps were the two finalists in the Best Nonprofit Act category.

Rotary and the five other winners will be recognized at a ceremony on June in Monaco. Betty Williams, who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1977 for her advocacy for peace in Northern Ireland, will present the award.



A Rotary vaccination team immunizes children against polio at a railway station in Karachi, Pakistan.
Khaula Jamil

<https://www.rotary.org/en/why-zero-matters-polio-eradication>



Justin Art House Museum

The **Justin Art House Museum** is an initiative of Charles and Leah Justin, who are passionate collectors of contemporary art. Through their house museum they hope to share both their collection and their passion for art with the public.

JAHM is designed as a 3 level building at 3 Lumley Court Prahran. It comprises a dedicated gallery space at first floor level and residence at second floor level, designed specifically to display art.

The building has been designed by Elisa Justin of [Justin Architecture](#), with a little interference by her client architect father. The building has a high 7+ star environmental rating, achieved through initiatives such as high thermal performance building enclosure, double glazing, solar panels, recycled water, low energy lighting and recycled rubber flooring.



Charles and Leah Justin have been collecting contemporary art for over 40 years, more seriously over the last 20 years. Their collection comprises over 250 works and continues to grow. The collection includes a diverse spectrum of art practice including painting, sculpture, works on and from paper, and photography. There is a strong emphasis on digital and video work. The collection is broad based and includes established and emerging artists practicing both locally and internationally.

JAHM's aspiration is to provide a distinctive experience, one that is intimate and personal for its visitors. There are two curated exhibitions per year, one exhibition will be drawn from the Justin Collection, the other will be based on either another private collection, a commissioned work for the gallery space or curated by an invited expert or artist.

Each visit includes a tour of the exhibition conducted by Charles and Leah, after which visitors are invited to their apartment for refreshments, and to enjoy a conversation about the exhibition, art collecting or whatever is of interest. Visitors will also have the opportunity to observe how collectors such as the Justins' live with their art.

Charles and Leah Justin have a strong belief in cultural diversity and hope to introduce another voice to the visual art world.



The Justin Art House Museum/JAHM has been listed as the 8th thing to do in Melbourne

A visit to JAHM includes a tour of the current exhibition conducted by Charles and Leah, after which visitors will be invited upstairs for light refreshments and the opportunity to enjoy the art and architecture.

Visits can only be made online and numbers are strictly limited to a maximum of 25 per visit. Cost is \$25 per person. jahm.com.au/about/

Did you know?

ROTARY DOWN UNDER— There are 29,326 Rotarians in 1107 clubs in 21 districts in Australia.

Rotary Down Under May 2018 out now, see

<http://digitaledition.rotarydownunder.com.au/?iid=158538#folio=1>

Rotary On The Move—Rotary Coordinators Newsletter Zone 7b and Zone 8 JUNE

<http://rotaryclubofmiltonnulladulla.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/2018-06-Rotary-on-the-Move-Newsletter-Zone-7B-and-8.pdf>

The Autumn edition of the **Australian Rotary Health newsletter** is out now with some excellent stories to share.

https://issuu.com/australianrotaryhealth17/docs/arh_newsletter_autumn_2018?e=31587428/59827024

The June issue of **The Rotarian** is now available:

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

Rotary Leader is available here <http://www.rotaryleader-en.org/rotaryleader-en/en201803?pg=1#pg1>

RAWCS / RABS Dick Smith Matching Grant opportunities

<http://rawcs.org.au/projects-2/rotaryaustralia-benevolent-society/dick-smithmatched-funding-grant/>

The Australia New Zealand Rotary Conference (formerly the Rotary Zone Institute) is a combined conference for Australia and New Zealand. <http://rotaryinstitute.org.au/>

VALE

The Rotary Club of North Balwyn are mourning the passing on May 21st of Beverley Thomas, wife of Brian. She was recently recognised with a Paul Harris Fellow Award for her work supporting the club project in the Solomon Islands.

The picture shows Bev teaching sewing technique on a visit to the Solomon Islands.



VALE

The Rotary Club of Bendigo South mourn the passing of Past President Ron Twitt 1975-1976, PHF 2007 who died on May 18th.

VALE

The Rotary Club of Echuca Moama mourn the passing of Gail Simpson, wife of Brian, and member of the Inner Wheel, who passed away on May 22nd.



Around the Clubs Welcome new Rotarians

The Rotary Club of Camberwell welcomes new member Lyndon Joss, pictured with wife Margaret.



The Rotary Club of Balwyn recently inducted Mark Tobin as a new member. He is pictured with wife Gabrielle.



Peter Pearce was inducted into the **Rotary Club of Brighton North** recently. The induction was conducted by Ian Lawrence who welcomed him into the club and presented him with the Rotary club pin and dinner badge. Malcom Baird was appointed his mentor and his classification is Leadership Training.



Malcolm Fielden was inducted as a member of the Rotary Club of Central Melbourne. He is well known to President Frank, who has introduced him to our club. Malcolm is a Chartered Accountant who has recently semi-retired. He is an avid supporter of the Burwood Cricket Club and is their current secretary. His interests include animal welfare, cricket and he has recently taken up golf.



The Rotary Club of Hawthorn has inducted **4** new members this month. President Katrina Flinn is pictured with Yin-Ping (Kim) Chang, vocation of International Export Trade - Management.



Pictured below are:

Denbigh Richards (Welfare Services – Management),
Pamm Robilliard (Consulting Education) and Paul Dipnall (Building Products - Manufacturing) with sponsor Noel Halford and President Katrina.



Jan Christian Klages was inducted into the **Rotary Club of Camberwell** this month. Jan will be mentored by Peter Gray and will join the vocational committee next year

Australian Aid: Friendship Grants is a three-year small grants program which will engage a diverse group of Australian community organisations in the delivery of Australia's aid program.

Australian Aid: Friendship Grants will bring more local Australian community organisations into the Australian aid program by providing funding for them to expand or enhance their existing overseas aid activities, including through new projects.

Eligible Australian community organisations are encouraged to apply for funding of between \$30,000 and \$60,000 in three annual grant rounds.

Round One opens on Monday 18 June 2018.

<http://dfat.gov.au/aid/who-we-work-with/friendshipgrants/Pages/default.aspx>

Around the Clubs In our District

Win Osborne, known to all in the Rotary Keilor East community as Grandma Win celebrated her 101st birthday on May 31st.

Win is a Paul Harris Fellow, and is the mother in law of Cheri Osborne and a regular attendee at the Rotary East Keilor events.

Happy Birthday Win!

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The Rotary Club of Bendigo was packed to the rafters at their last meeting when Past District Governor and Australian Rotary Health Chairman Greg Ross paid a visit.

Greg had come to present Frank Lean with a Gold Companion Award for his contributions to Australian Rotary Health. Frank was totally unaware this was going to happen and his reaction was a joy to watch. Congratulations Frank – a great effort.

Also featured in the latest ARH e-newsletter, the outstanding fundraising efforts of the Rotary Clubs of Balwyn and Brighton who held events and donated thousands to ARH.



RLI Facilitator Dale Hoy presented Certificates of Achievement to 3 Rotary Club of Brighton members who completed the recent course.

Pictured with Dale are Jeff Taylor, Sally Hoffman and Sylvie Berchick.





Welcome

G'day,

The Australia New Zealand Rotary Conference (formerly the Rotary Zone Institute) will be held in Hobart, Tasmania on the weekend of the 14 – 16 September 2018. This will be a combined conference for Australia and New Zealand.

It is terrific that we will have then Immediate Past President of Rotary International Ian Riseley and Juliet attending the Conference as representatives of then President Barry Rassin and his wife Esther.

As the Convenor for this Conference I would like to extend a personal invitation to all Rotarians to attend and participate in the weekend. I would like all past officers of Rotary International to invite those Rotarians who are new to Rotary as well as those long time Rotarians. I am sure if all Rotarians can experience this Conference they will leave enthused and motivated to become more involved in Rotary. The Organising Committee have organised a great venue and the programme will be of interest to everyone. Plus this year we will have a number of breakout sessions on a wide range of topics.

The Darwin Conference was special and everyone really enjoyed themselves, Hobart promises to be just as exciting and enjoyable.

Sue and I look forward to welcoming you all to Hobart in 2018.

Regards,
Noel

News

A conference for all Rotarians!

The Australia New Zealand Rotary Conference (formerly the Rotary Zone Institute) is a combined conference for Australia and New Zealand.

DG Peter Freuh from District 9800 has won the early registration prize of one dozen bottles of Tasmanian wine. Congratulations Peter.

RI President Ian Riseley and Juliet to attend

The Conference organisers are delighted to advise that RI President Ian Riseley and Juliet will be the representatives of RI President Elect Barry Rassin. [Read more...](#)

Avalon Waterways our Major Sponsor

Our major sponsor Avalon Waterways will once again be in the Showcase after their successful sponsorship in Darwin. We welcome them on board. [Read more...](#)

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2018 Australia New Zealand Rotary Conference

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CONVENOR: Noel Trevaskis, RI Director 2016/18

2018 Australia New Zealand Rotary Conference Newsletter

Issue 4, May 2018

REGISTRATION RUSH!

Not that we needed any proof, but there is now no doubt that Tasmanian wines must have a great reputation.

Registrations went wild as we neared the 30 April deadline for the early registration prize of one dozen bottles of Tasmanian wine. Following the closing date we drew a random number from the registrations and the winner is:

DG PETER FRUEH – DISTRICT 9800

Congratulations Peter...we look forward to handing over the wine at the Conference! Peter is one of some 300 registered for the Conference so far, so make sure you register now to secure your place.

<http://www.rotaryinstitute.org.au/>



Great Speakers, Great Venue, Great Location!



The more there is to know about what Hobart has to offer, the more exciting travelling to this Conference is becoming!

With registrations rapidly growing in numbers, you really need to act now so you don't miss out.

We already have a great line-up of impressive speakers from within Rotary, but next month we will start to bring you the details of guest speakers outside of Rotary as well.

Not only will the conference content be amazing, so too will be the incredible array of unique and special projects being showcased. I encourage you to share your own projects and book a booth.

The Australia New Zealand Rotary Conference truly will be a wonderful event that you will not want to miss. Add in the spectacular tourist offerings of this

unique State, and you are guaranteed a memorable event. Register quickly so that you can Explore the Possibilities!

Noel Trevaskis
Convenor

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Ian shares common goals as he represents
2018-2019 RI President Barry Rassin at the
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Major Sponsor Comes On Board!

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Variety in the Showcase

A great array of booths have been booked, but
there's still room for more!

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Save the DATE

International PRESIDENT'S BREAKFAST

 **Friday 31st August 2018** 7:15am - 9:00 am
MCC Member's Dining Room & Percy Beames Bar (MCG Gate 1)



GUEST SPEAKER: Ian Riseley OAM
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*The Rotary Club of Essendon
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President's Night & the launch of the Club's Book of History*

*Friday, 15 June 2018
6:30pm for 7:00pm*

*At
"The Woodward Centre"
University House
Level 10, 185 Pelham Street, Carlton
(Above Melbourne University Law Faculty)*

*\$75 per person - 3 Course Meal
Drinks at Bar Prices*

Dress Code: Bow ties, cravats, pearls & feather boas

*RSVP by Monday, 4 June
To book <http://rce.org.au/event/president-s-night-2/>*

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For bookings please contact:

Yvonne Moon OAM at yvonne.moon@bigpond.com or call 0407 303 255

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When & Where:

23rd JUNE 2018 at the LAKEVIEW BALLROOM LAKESIDE
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6.30pm Pre Drinks 7.00pm Dinner & Program (BLACK TIE EVENT)



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**Do you want to be a part of the 2019 International Convention?
Are you hankering to visit Hamburg?**

Then you need to know about this there is a vacancy for the District 9800 "On-To-Convention" Chair for the Hamburg Convention in June 2019. Did you know that Hamburg is the home of the largest model railway in the world? That is the Miniatur Wunderland.

This International Convention will see the handover from Barry Rassin to Mark Daniel Maloney and in our District from Bronwyn Stephens to Grant Hocking. Are you Interested in taking on this role? Want to know more?

Please contact Yvonne Flynn for more details.
Phone: 0418 387 339 Email: clubservice@rotarydistrict9800.org.au





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A woman with dark skin and curly hair is holding a baby. The woman is looking off to the side. A stylized graphic of a virus or cell, composed of red and blue oval shapes, is overlaid on the right side of the image. The text '1ST MALARIA WORLD CONGRESS' is written in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters across the middle of the image.

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