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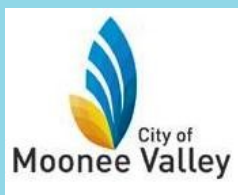
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Colin Styles

President
Hugh Stewart
Past President
Jon Temby
Secretary Chris Drenen
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Meeting Details:
Wednesday morning
7.30am for a 7.45 start-
finish at 8.45am.

Quest Apartments,
corner Epsom &
Smithfield Roads
Flemington 3031

Our Corporate
Members:



September is Basic Education & Literacy Month in Rotary

“Read all about it” and be very grateful that you can.

Literacy and a good education is one of the greatest gifts we can give.

Everyone has the right to learn to read, write and enjoy the power, pleasures and independence of being literate. For some the journey will be easy, for others it will take much hard work and unfortunately for approximately 18 percent of today’s world population it will never happen. We can change the world, but if we all contribute what we can, we can improve many lives. This is the power of Rotary and every Club can contribute.

It has never been easier to support this
“Foundation Area of Focus”.



RAWCS has many great projects that you can support. To find one that will excite your Club go to

www.rawcs.com.au

Go to **Basic Education and Literacy Programs** and click on
“See our projects” and you will find 100+ you can support.

It’s even easier with Donations In Kind.
If every Club in our District donated \$100 to
Donations In Kind we could ship 1400 chairs
or equip 14 classrooms.

Yours in Rotary Service



Ship a chair \$5.00
Table and chair \$25.00
A Class room \$500.00



Hugh's Column 9th September 2015

Rotarians & friends,

Our guest speaker this week, 'Behind the Badge' member Anwar Alishek, is an inspiring story of service above self.

Anwar and colleagues founded Eritrean Australian Humanitarian Aid (EAHA) in 2008. Its work in providing humanitarian assistance to Eritrean refugees living in refugee camps overseas is well documented. Anwar has been a driving force. His efforts have included working to build classrooms at a school at Shagarab refugee camp in Sudan (see photo).



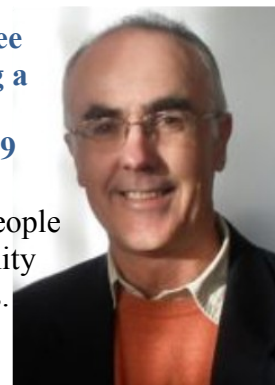
Eritrea is the third-largest source of refugees trying to reach Europe, after Syrians and Afghans. The recent crisis relating to Syrian refugees magnifies the plight of Eritrean refugees. Anwar joined Rotary Flemington in 2013. In speaking to Anwar recently about what Rotary meant to him, his testimony included the following words that really drove home to me the impact of Rotary:

"I had been in Australia for 20 years before I joined Rotary. I joined because I was 'locked in' with my own community. I wanted to experience the wider community in Australia. Rotary has been an enriching experience for me. At Rotary, you know the whole Australia is at the table."

We value Anwar's membership and we applaud his work with EAHA, a partner of Rotary Flemington.

Our corporate partner Moonee Valley City Council is holding a Community Conference and Sports Summit on Saturday 19 September.

The event will bring together people from a broad range of community service organisations and clubs. This event is an opportunity to discuss the future of sport, recreation and community in Moonee Valley. I will attend and will be joined by Allan Bruno.



A member floated the idea of our breakfast meetings running from 7:30–8:30 rather than 7:45–8:45.

Sounds like something worth testing. An early start is a good start. I will bring it to a meeting, with an idea to trial it for a month?? It could even be tied to daylight saving? Views are welcomed!

It was great to see Charter member Vance Hilton at our meeting this week.

After an unplanned absence, Vance enlightened the opening of proceedings with his special grace. Welcome back Vance!

Some reminders:

Board meeting – Tuesday 15 September.

District Governor Julie Mason's visit – Wednesday 23 September.

Blue Moon event – Wednesday 30 September, 'Chef Lagenda'.

Enjoy your week in Rotary,

Hugh

President
2015-2016

Meeting Minutes 9th September 2015

President Hugh Stewart welcomed everyone here today with a warm welcome back to couple of members: Past District Governor Vance Hilton who has been unwell, and Richard Naudi, who has been on holidays.

He then made following announcements;

- District Governor Julie Mason will be visiting our club on 23/09/2015, the Board to meet her at 7.00am prior to normal meeting
- The Mentoring project for the PSOs has started and will be continuing
- The September Blue Moon function will be held on Wednesday 30/09/2015 see bulletin for additional information. Josie is taking registrations.
- 21/09/2015 Foundation Grants seminar will be held at Melbourne University, Hugh will be attending, anyone wishing to go please contact Hugh.

Sergeant's session

Sergeant Geoff was on duty today, and started with fining Paul P, for his wedding anniversary. He then fined PDG Vance as we missed him so much. Richard Naudi who owes you money fine, John S, for ANZ CEO Mike Smith being on TV apologising and drinking wine, Donal for visiting the hospital at Surfers Paradise ending up spending time in hospital instead of holiday, rumour is that he was only looking for customers; Eugene for running out of bread on Friday, Hugh for introducing Anwar as a speaker "Badge behind the Rotarian"?, donations were collected for those who didn't get fined.



Meeting Minutiae

Apologies: Peter Donnellan, Peter Cribb, Allan Bruno, Len Seddon, Anthony McManus, Beata McManus, Lesley Mc, Josie Magri, Janine Hamilton,

Make Ups: Eugene, Paul, Chris, Del, Hugh, Peter C, Peter D, Allan B, Eugene

Visiting Rotarians: Lisa Murr, RYE

Visitors: Ryan Currie, Jellis Craig Real Estate

Raffle: Mick - bottle of wine and Lynn - bag of fresh lemons

Guest Speaker Anwar Alishek, EAHA

Anwar stated that he is from the Eritrea which is situated in the eastern part of Africa. He escaped to Sudan and when he reached Australia was placed in Shepparton where he was fruit picking. Since this is seasonal work and has no future, he obtained employment in Melbourne in an electroplating factory where he worked for around 3 years.

He then obtained employment as a turner and fitter in a factory in Sunshine, for 1 year, after which he was driving a Taxi for 5 years. He then saw an opportunity to work as a handy man and still continues with his own business.

He went back for a visit and has seen the hardship faced by his countryman in the refugee camps. Anwar has seen how women are waiting for their grain to be processed at the mill and how the owner of the mill was taking a percentage of the food which they didn't have. So he decided that he will come back and try to raise funds for the new mill for the camp, so they could grind their grain themselves, without paying a fee to the owner.

Unfortunately he was not able to raise funds, but he did start E.A.H.A. - Eritrean Australian Humanitarian Aid Fund.

Whilst raising funds he made contact with members of Rotary Club of Albert Park and Rotary Club of Flemington.

Since the Mill machinery was out of his reach he worked with the Rotary club of Flemington to send a container of books to school children in refugee camps.



Due to corruption at the Port of Sudan the container never reached its destination and was lost in Sudan. He then decided that he will be helping the children in any way that he can even if it meant that he would go back and work building schools and hospitals, and providing repairs and maintenance to give them some future.

He has been back number of times and has been working on several school projects purchasing materials and working manually. Anwar has shown us the slides of the schools and children and what they face in every day in the refugee camps.

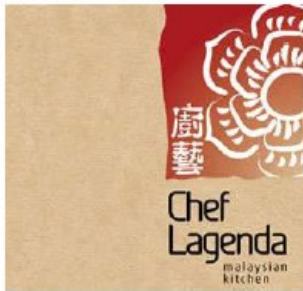
Eritrea is the second largest refugee problem in the world, only second to the current Syrian problem, the young people in the country have no future and take chances to escape to Sudan, but on the way they face a number of bandit groups who sell them for body parts or ask their family for ransom to buy them back otherwise they will get killed. Some families have no funds to pay for ransom, so the fate of these young people is only death.

In the recent trips he has managed to purchase some books and assist teachers who cannot afford to live on the wages which teachers are paid. which is around \$10 per month.

The Shagarap refugee camp in Kassala, Sudan has 1700 students and only 52 teachers, with no books, toilets, running water, even walls between classrooms, all this is a gradual project.

With the support of Rotary and Moonee Valley Council, EAHA now also have a BBQ which they are using to raise funds for the school.

September Blue Moon Function 2015



Blue Moon Function

Date: Wednesday 30 September 2015

Place: Chef Lagenda

Address: 16 Pin Oak Crescent, Flemington

Time: 7:00 pm

Cost \$25.00 - Banquet Meal

Licensed or BYO – Wine and Beer (corkage \$2.00)

(Please advise if you are a Vegetarian as meals are available)

*RSVP your attendance by Wednesday 23 September 2015
to:*

Josie Magri

Email: josiem@ozonline.com.au or phone: 93282451

From Rotary On The Move—September

Celebrate your Rotary club, your members, and the good you do in your community and around the world.

MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR MEMBERSHIP. HERE'S HOW:

- Learn more about [Rotary Global Rewards](#), a new member benefit program that offers discounts on products and services – travel, hotels, car rentals, dining, and entertainment. Visit the [Member Center](#).
- Identify a need in your community and work with your club to design a hands-on project that addresses it.
- Learn how to [apply for a grant](#) to implement a project.
- Know a young leader? Tell them about Interact, Rotaract, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA), and Rotary Youth Exchange.
- Explore other clubs. Did you know that you're welcome to attend any club's meeting, anywhere in the world? Use the [Club Finder](#) tool or download the Club Locator app to find a meeting when you travel.
- Try a new role. Clubs need leaders. Take the first step and ask where your club needs help.
- Attend the next Rotary International Convention in Seoul, Korea. Enjoy inspiring talks from global leaders, celebrities, and activists. Meet members from around the world. It's the ultimate way to understand the scope of Rotary. [Register today](#).
- Be part of history and help eradicate polio. [Find out how to support PolioPlus and join the movement to end polio](#).
- Use the resources in the [Rotary Brand Center](#) to help you communicate, inspire, and collaborate
- Meet other members who share your interests and passions through a Rotary Fellowship or Rotarian Action Group. There are about 70 groups, catering to everyone from cooking enthusiasts to water and sanitation project experts.
- Connect on social media. Rotary has official pages on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), LinkedIn, [Instagram](#), [Pinterest](#), Flickr, and more. [Join the conversation](#).
- Support The Rotary Foundation. Contributions provide millions of dollars in grants that support our humanitarian service around the world. [Learn more](#).
- Watch a [video](#) of RI President on membership.

If you would like to regularly receive this Newsletter, or you know of someone who would like to receive one, please email the editor; Issa Shalhoub shalhoubissa@shoal.net.au

Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair's Monthly Message

Ray Klingensmith

Trustee Chair 2015-16

September 2015

Rotary and its partners have developed an endgame for the final eradication of polio, and the plan is working successfully. No one can predict the last case of wild poliovirus, but if our progress is sustained, it may come before the end of this Rotary year. What a victory that will be for Rotary and its partners – and for the children of the world!

Rotary also has a plan to publicize and gain recognition for its vital role in the eradication of polio. Rotary started its first immunization campaign against polio in 1979, when there were still 500,000 cases of paralytic polio every year. Its success led Rotary to launch **PolioPlus** in 1985, with the goal of immunizing all the world's children against polio. It raised US\$247 million for that purpose in the first three years, and it then joined forces with the World Health Organization, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and **UNICEF** in 1988 to eradicate polio. When the partnership was formed, a truly epic battle was joined, and Rotary was the catalyst.

Now we are in the final days of this heroic effort, and it is important for Rotary that the entire world is made aware of its contributions as a major partner in the eradication battle. Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation will do everything they can to publicize Rotary's role, but that is only one piece of the puzzle. Every Rotary club needs to learn the history of the **PolioPlus** campaign and publicize the news in their local communities. We need the active involvement of every Rotary club in the world to spread the news around the globe.

Download the marketing tools available at endpolio.org, and read *Rotary and the Gift of a Polio-Free World*, now available at shop.rotary.org. Share information about Rotary's role in the fight to end this disease with your social networks online and offline.

World Polio Day is observed every year on **24 October**, and it is critical that every Rotary club schedule an event on or around 24 October this year to spread the word in their local communities about Rotary's role in the campaign to eradicate polio. Use the live-streamed updates from endpolio.org as a key element of the program. This is a great time to start our local publicity efforts for World Polio Day 2015. We are so close to our goal – don't let us down! Your club needs to start spreading the outstanding news about PolioPlus!



Rotary Club of Docklands—Festival of Giving

The Docklands Festival of Giving will feature a range of displays that showcase specific examples of generosity by both the corporate members and residents of Docklands. There will be Christmas Gift Stalls in abundance, A Giving Tree to donate to those less fortunate at Christmas, a 'Passion Soap-box' and Roving Performers.

We will celebrate with a large variety of Gift stalls and Multicultural foods for visitors to taste. Music and Face Painting will add to the atmosphere:

Date: Sunday 6th December, 2015.



These examples of 'giving back' can include

1. Showcase 'Not for profits' sponsored by business in Docklands who make a difference in our community
2. Christmas Gift Stalls of every description
3. Multicultural Food and Family fun for all of the family
4. Face Painting, Buskers,
5. Showcase the range of Rotary volunteering and Projects that Rotary Clubs in Melbourne have contributed to our communities.

The mission of the Docklands Festival of Giving is to not only help raise the profile of the generous community spirit of Docklands but also to raise funds for the Royal Children's Hospital. The festival aims to provide a spring 'soullifting' for Docklands. One of the best ways to demonstrate a community's 'soul' is by emphasising the 'well of generosity' that actually exists within both the corporate community and residents of Docklands.

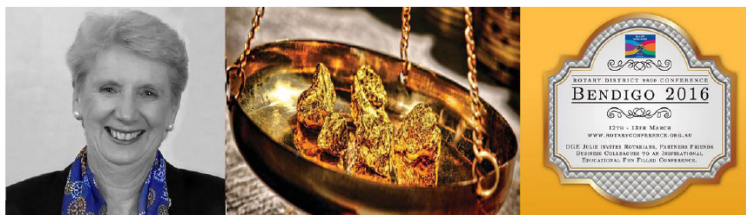
As well as promoting the event that will include a classic car show, zumbathon, music and dancing, face painting, Christmas market and roving entertainment, RC Docklands are looking for volunteers to assist with the running of the event.

- Volunteer and support can include
- Volunteer on the day
- Volunteer with the organising committee
- Sponsorship (cash/in-kind)
- Know someone who could be a stall holder

INTERESTED?

CALL LORYN 0418 390 334

2016 District 9800 Conference—Bendigo



In March 2016 Rotary District 9800 aims to provide a world class conference in Bendigo, the heart of our Rotary District.

In beautiful Bendigo the conference will focus on inspiring international, national and local speakers. The weekend will be fun, relevant and provide insights into programs and

projects that through partnerships develop resilient, harmonious communities. Rotarians will be informed, entertained and dined whilst networking and sharing ideas to improve communities at home and abroad

WHAT IS THE 2016 CONFERENCE ALL ABOUT?

INNOVATIVE LEADERSHIP

With growing community concern in regard to the ethics of organizations operating within their communities and internationally; the Conference will explore both the relevance of Rotary's own 4-way Test and the need to influence ethics as a cornerstone of leadership, personal and professional development in vocational, educational, community, youth and business settings.

JOINED UP PARTNERSHIP

Rotarians rarely work alone and developing partnerships with community groups is desirable when seeking to achieve outstanding results. This is obvious in the successful projects around the world that have improved the lives of a countless number of people. The End Polio Campaign is a wonderful example of "joined up Rotary partnerships". Through the insight of fabulous speakers the possibility of increased partnerships will be explored.

OUR YOUTH OUR FUTURE

Australia's future is its youth – but their future depends on the opportunities to develop with what, we as a community provide. Rotary works extensively with young people; from all spectrums of life to help develop their full potential. The conference will explore the many facets of this aspect of Rotary with the aim being a simple one – a better future for all.

GOLDEN ROTARY MOMENTS

Rotarians have achieved many remarkable feats – the near eradication of Polio throughout the world, bringing fresh water and sanitation to millions previously lacking access to such amenities as well as countless projects within local communities. The 2016 Rotary International District 9800 Conference will showcase the achievements Rotary has made in the past year with our partners to make the world a better place

FUN, FELLOWSHIP and NETWORKING

On Friday night there will be an optional Welcome Cocktail Party, Saturday night will feature the Gala Dinner and on Sunday night there is to be for Club / Cluster dinners. The Monday public holiday will provide an opportunity to choose or several of the local Bendigo tourist attractions to visit before heading home.

Breakout sessions will be a feature of the Conference as well as the Rotary Marketplace; both providing an opportunity to learn more about Rotary and the projects of Clubs in District 9800

ACCOMMODATION BOOKINGS

There are several activities scheduled in Bendigo on the same weekend as the Conference so we urge you to book your accommodation or to ask your OnToConference Chair to arrange a block booking of rooms

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Conference website <http://rotaryconference.org.au/>

Conference Video <https://youtu.be/eNnF3dGboY>

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/D9800Conference>

Accommodation Map

<https://www.google.com/maps/search/accommodation+near+Park+Rd,+Bendigo,+Victoria+3550/@-36.75415,144.280727,15z?hl=en-US>

Accommodation Bookings

<http://www.bendigotourism.com/accommodation/search>

River Nile Learning Centre fundraiser

**An all Australian
production**

**Special Fundraiser Screening
8 October 2015
for "River Nile Learning Centre"**

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LEARNING TO LOVE - HAVING TO LET GO



AN OZLINDA FILMS (AUSTRALIA) PRODUCTION

STARRING MAHESH JADU COCO-JACINTA CHERIAN NATALIE O'DONNELL SACHIN JOAB

PRODUCED BY WINSTON FURLONG MICHELLE BOURKE PHOTOGRAPHY LAZLO BARANYAI

SCORE BY COMPOSURE EDITED BY STEVE DOYLE WINSTON FURLONG SOUND DESIGN BY MUSIC AND EFFECTS

WRITTEN AND DIRECTED BY WINSTON FURLONG



World Polio Day October 24

World Polio Day is October 24

Pre release screening of Bridge of Spies October 21st. In March of this year (the last polio film night) Australian Rotary Clubs raised over \$200k for Polio and with the Gates Foundation match raised nearly \$600K.

• **Bridge of Spies**

- Tom Hanks stars in Steven Spielberg's BRIDGE OF SPIES, which is the story of James Donovan, an attorney who finds himself thrust into the centre of the Cold War when the CIA sends him on the near-impossible mission to renegotiate the release of a captured American U-2 pilot.

Rotary and our partners are close to eradicating polio – only the second human disease in history after smallpox – achieving a 99 percent reduction.

POLIO CASES HAVE DROPPED FROM

350,000

IN 1988



36

REPORTED CASES
YTD 2015

The Rotary Foundation

END POLIO NOW

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Community Conference and Sports Summit 2015

It is our greatest pleasure to invite you to the Community Conference and Sports Summit.


The Summit will bring together representatives from a broad range of community service organisations and clubs. Speak with representatives who are at the forefront of shaping the future of sport, recreation and community in Moonee Valley.

Meet like-minded individuals and groups and increase your industry knowledge around marketing, social media, innovation and local trends and opportunities in your field.

When: Saturday, 19 September
9am to 2.30pm

Where: The Clocktower Centre
750 Mount Alexander Road
Moonee Ponds

For further information on guest speakers, workshops and proceedings, and to reserve your place, please visit mvcc.vic.gov.au/summit or call our Sport and Recreation team a call on 9243 8888



Rotary Club of Laverton
Point Cook presents

October 24TH

Charity Night

\$100
PER TICKET

PROTECT A LIFE

JOIN OUR CHARITY EVENT

PROTECT ORPHANED CHILDREN

Prepare to be swept away into the
magical, mystical, colourful world of Rios
Melbourne Brazilian Cabaret show

7 Course meal

Raffles

**Complimentary
drink upon
arrival**

Dj Music



Rio's



Location: 316 Church Street Richmond VIC 3121

Rotary Club
of Laverton Point Cook



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Wingate Avenue Community Centre

with esteemed guest
THE HONOURABLE DANIEL ANDREWS MP
PREMIER OF VICTORIA

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Date:

Tuesday 13th October 2015

Time:

10.00am - 1.00pm

Place:

13a Wingate Avenue, Ascot Vale

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FREE FOOD, MOBILE FARM, FACEPAINTING,
HENNA, LOCAL MUSICIANS AND
ENTERTAINMENT

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Club Calendar Dates

Date	Event	Location	Contact
Wednesday 16th September	Weekly Breakfast Meeting	Quest Apartments Flemington	Hugh Stewart Anthony McManus
Wednesday 23rd September	District Governor's visit	Quest Apartments	Hugh Stewart
Wednesday 30th September	Blue Moon Wednesday	Chef Lagenda, Pin Oak Cres, Flemington	Josie Magri
Saturday 21st November	Community Service BBQ	Ascot Vale Primary School	Allan Bruno

Cluster and District Calendar Dates

Date	Event	Club	Location	Contact
Monday 21st September	Foundation Grants Seminar	District 9800	Graduate House Leicester St Carlton	PDG John Wigley
Friday 9th October	Hat Day	Australian Rotary Health	District 9800	
Tuesday 20th October	Gateway Super Cluster Mental Health event	Gateway Clubs	St Bernard's Auditorium	Colin Styles, Lesley McCarthy, Gerard Mahoney, Tom Barber, Peter Halaseh, Hugh Stewart, Himanshu Kaushik, Angus Scott Walker, Greg Follett,
21st October	Advance Screening for End Polio Campaign	District	Everywhere	Your club
Sunday 6th December	Festival of Giving	Docklands	Docklands	Loryn Clark
28th February 2016	President Elect Training Seminar #2	District 9800	Baden Park College, Hoppers Crossing	DGE Neville John
28 May—1st June 2016	Rotary International Convention	Rotary International	Seoul, South Korea	www.riconvention.org

Flemington Rotary Club



Be a gift
to the world

The Rotary Club of Flemington meets for breakfast on a Wednesday: 7.30 for 7.45am at the Quest Apartments, Corner Epsom and Smithfield Roads, Flemington.

Contact us: www.flemingtonrotary.org.au
[webmaster @rotaryflemington.org.au](mailto:webmaster@rotaryflemington.org.au)

Opportunity Shop: 444 Racecourse Road,
Flemington 3031 Find us on [FaceBook](#):

A close-up photograph of a person's mouth, showing a wide, joyful smile with red lips.

"It feels good
to do some good"

Sue Gammon, Rotarian, Bundaberg

Turning conversations into actions.
Once a week groups of people get together,
leave their egos at the door and help others
in the wider community. It's life changing.

**What
in the
world
does
Rotary
do?**

We're helping to
eradicate polio worldwide,
we're providing
disaster relief,
improving literacy locally
and globally, and we're
doing so much more...

Rotary 

Rotary. Humanity in motion.

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