



District 9800
Club No. 24401
Chartered: 24/4/1987
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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:



February is Rotary Peace and Conflict Prevention/ Resolution Month

We have had a very busy fortnight with members participating in a range of events. Allan Bruno led a team comprising Peter Cribb, Hugh Stewart and Jacqui Iverson to assist with a **BBQ at the Gardiner Railway Station** for Metro Rail last week. A very successful event for our club again.

On the same day, Allan and Hugh again turned out to lead Flemington #1 in the **Gateway Cluster Bowls Competition**, just losing to Keilor in the finals.

Peter Cribb, Anwar Alishek and I are again working with Maureen Ryan at VU on the next stage of the **Words & Pictures Project**; while Peter and I are continuing development of the Flemington Learning Portal in the community.

Meanwhile, the **Membership Committee**, led by Lyn Borghouts have been hard at work preparing for next Wednesday's event to be held at Quest, publicising and promoting Rotary and our club in the community.

A very special birthday wish this month to our **PDG Vance Hilton** who turned 81 on February 15th!
Happy Birthday Vance!



VALE:

Flemington Rotary Club Charter Member Robert Cameron Ross died in hospital on Tuesday. Rob was originally a member of the Rotary Club of North Melbourne and in 1986, assisted with the establishment of the Flemington Club. The funeral will be held at the Blair Chapel, Springvale Crematorium on **MONDAY 22nd February** at 12.45 p.m.

Be a Gift to the World!

Lesley
20th February 2016

President's Report 17th February 2016

Hugh's column

Rotarians & friends,

The club had a successful joint BBQ with Chadstone / East Malvern club on Thursday 11 February.

This was conducted for Metro Trains at Gardiner Station in support of the program to remove level crossings. Thanks to Allan Bruno, Peter Cribb and Jackie Iversen who made the early morning trek across the city for a 6:00 am start. We enjoyed the fellowship with our Rotary colleagues from Chadstone / East Malvern and made some useful connections that may prove fruitful for several of our current projects.

The Gateway Supercluster of Clubs bowls night on 11 February was a great success.

For the first time Flemington Rotary participated in this event, fielding two teams ably skippered by Len Seddon (Flem 2) and Allan Bruno (Flem 1). After a 'round-robin' tournament involving eight teams, Flem 1 went through undefeated into the final where Keilor pipped it in three tight ends. All had a good time. We'll be back!

During the week I had the pleasure of meeting Metchie Arnaiz, a Royce and Jean Abbey Vocational Scholar.

Canterbury Rotary is hosting Metchie, who is a forest scientist and ecosystems management specialist from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources in the Philippines. I met Metchie while she was residing with the Otway Agroforestry Network at Deans Marsh – the same group who supported our Royce and Jean Abbey Scholar, Jimmy Musiime from Uganda, in 2015.

Speaking of Jimmy Musiime, he sends his greetings to the club.

In an email of 18 February, Jimmy said that he had been engaging community groups in land care activities leading up to the expected heavy rains in March. He has been busy with Rotary activities and attended regional training organised by the Rotary Training Institute that attracted delegates from 16 Rotary clubs from Western Uganda.

The Board met on February 16th. The club has a busy program ahead.

Things of note are:

(1) The Investment Committee has met and is arranging financial planning services to guide the choice of investments for the club's reserves.

(2) We will take steps to develop closer ties with the Maribyrnong Riverside Probus club, which was sponsored by Flemington Rotary.

(3) The club has donated \$500 to the Moonee Valley Junior Women's Football team to assist it in its start-up year in 2016.

(4) The club is on track to achieve its budget target of \$8,000 from fund raising BBQs, whereas net revenue from the Opportunity Shop may be 10% less than budget.

(5) President Elect Del King will finalise the Board for 2016-2017 by the end of May.

Some dates:

Wednesday 24 February – our regular breakfast meeting will be replaced by our MEMBER-SHIP NIGHT, to be held at the Quest. I look forward to seeing you at this most important event in our 2015-2016 calendar.

Saturday 5 March – BBQ (Seeing Eye Dogs Australia).

Tuesday 8 March – International Women's Day breakfast, MVCC. Lesley McCarthy, Del King, Lisa Murr and myself will represent the club.

Wednesday 9 March – Breakfast meeting, with member Nuran Umit giving a 'Behind the Badge' talk.

Friday 11 – Sunday 13 March – District Conference, Bendigo, with 18 delegates registered under Flemington Rotary.



Hugh
President, 2015-2016

Meeting Minutes 17th February 2016

From our President

President Hugh Stewart welcomed everyone here today. He then advised that our guest speaker for today has cancelled, so we will have more fellowship time. He then announced the following:

- Next week 24/02/2016 will be our membership drive evening meeting. Commencing at 6.30 pm at the Quest, all members are asked to be present and assist the Membership committee.
- 02/03/2016 Caroline Webster from Kensington Neighbourhood house will be our Guest Speaker
- 08/03/2016 Moonee Valley Council International Women's Day breakfast at the Civic Centre, Hugh has a table booked for 10
- 09/03/2016 Member Behind the Badge talk
- 16/03/2016 Conference Report
- 23/03/2016 Annual Stawell Gift Past Runners breakfast at Medway Golf club Maribyrnong
- 30/03/2016 Blue Moon evening meeting. Thank you to Josie Magri who is organising

Fundraising

- 05/03/2016 BBQ at the Seeing Eye Dog centre 17 Barrett St Kensington, starting at 8.00 am.
Please advise Allan of your availability
- 20/03/2016 BBQ – Annual Unity Cup football event in Kensington - advise Allan of your availability

Board Reports

- The Children's Holiday Carnival to be held on 02/04/2016
- Moonee valley Junior Female Football team sponsorship
- Succession planning with president elect
- Investment Committee
- Draft budget is being prepared for next year
- Gateway Super Cluster Bowls night competition, 2 teams entered, 1 team lost in finals, great achievement and fellowship.
- BBQ at Glen Iris railway station held with assistance of Glen Iris Rotary club, due to members not being available

Colin Styles ADG

- District Governor is happy with the conference registration in excess of 900
- Super Cluster Conference on Ice & Mental health problems in community, with great speaker to be held in May
- Super Cluster Conference /forum on Domestic violence later in the year

Sergeant's Session

Sergeant Geoff was on duty today, he started to fine our soccer hooligans for the flares on the weekend, but due to time Allan just made a general collection and everyone put in.

Meeting closed

Meeting Minutes:

Apologies: Vance Hilton, Peter Cribb, Len Seddon, Jackie Iverson, Lesley McCarthy, Josie Magri, Anwar Alishak, Anthony McManus, Craig Skleton, Donal Murtagh.

Make Ups: Allan Bruno, Hugh Stewart, Lesley McCarthy, Jackie Iverson, Jon Tenby, Beata McManus, Anthony McManus, Eugene Odachowski, John Sklenar, Peter Cribb(6), All board members attending Board meeting, All the membership committee attending meeting, all the committee members for children festival meeting.

Visiting Rotarians: Assistant Governor Colin Styles

Visitors: Evelyn Man, George Liu, (visiting today as they can not make it to next week's event)

Raffle Winner: George Liu

This months celebrations:

Happy Birthday Ted Frank 8th, Chris Drenen 13th, Vance Hilton 15th, Ai Kien Donnellan 20th, Donal Murtagh & Edith Chen 29th

Happy Wedding Anniversary to Peter & Ai Kien Donnellan

Club Anniversary John Sklenar 23rd February



Rotary Club of Flemington Membership Event

Wednesday 24th February 2016 6.30pm at The Quest

Invitation



We would like to extend an invitation to you to come to a relaxed evening, with like-minded people, to hear about the activities of Rotary International and your local Rotary Club.

We believe that Rotary will become the most important non-government, non-religious, non-profit, non-political organisation in the world's history. We would like you to hear why we think this and what we are doing in the Flemington community and throughout the world.

The evening has been arranged by the Rotary Club of Flemington and will be held on **Wednesday February 24th 2016** at the Quest Flemington at 6:30pm. Drinks and finger food have been organised. Please confirm your attendance using the contact details provided. You are welcome to invite your partner and others in the community.

If you would like to attend but are for some reason unable, please let me know so that another opportunity can be arranged for you. We hope you will be our guest on this evening and look forward to getting to know you better.

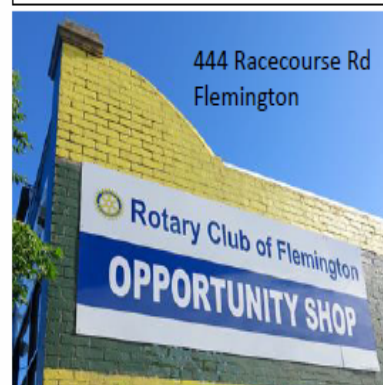
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Quest Flemington
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Flemington

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Rotary Club of Flemington in action this month

On Thursday 11th February, BBQ King Allan Bruno with a trusty group, assisted Melbourne Metro Rail with a BBQ at the new Gardiner Railway Station in Burke Road, Glen Iris. Also assisting, members of the Rotary Club of Glen Iris. As with our previous Metro Rail BBQs, it was an early start, 6am and ran through until 9am providing over 500 serves to commuters.



Gateway Super Cluster Bowls Competition

This annual event organised by the Rotary Club of Keilor East was again held at Clifton Park Bowling Club in Aberfeldie. By 6pm on Thursday 11th February, 10 teams of enthusiastic, but mostly inexperienced Rotarians, presented themselves for the competition. Teams were fielded from Flemington, Keilor, Keilor East, Footscray West and Tullamarine clubs.

Flemington was lead by bowling star Dulcie Heard and supported by Allan Bruno, Hugh Stewart, Len Seddon, Sam Nicol and Lesley McCarthy. Encouragement was provided by Chris Drenen, Marg Bruno, Audrey Seddon and Geoff Cawsey {who had been competing all day and was unable to participate} RYE Lisa Murr also played. Team Captains Allan and Len started our teams well with the team of Dulcie, Allan and Hugh really showing some strength and accuracy. Len and Sam bowled strongly while amateur Lesley showed glimpses of possibility.

Teams played 4 ends against 3 other teams before dinner with points being compiled for the play off. Flemington #1—Dulcie, Allan and Hugh won through to the finals before being defeated by Keilor #1 comprising Jan Haydon, Joe Engert and Pat Draper. Congratulations Keilor who have now won the event 3 times, equalling the record held by Keilor East.

Pictured below left: Pat



*Pictured Right:
Lisa Murr shows
her form.*

*Below: Flemington
bowlers in action.*



with



*Draper, Jan Haydon and Joe Engert
President of RC Keilor East Gerard Ma-
honey.*



Blue Moon Wednesday ~~ 30th March 2016



Blue Moon Function

Date: Wednesday 30 March 2016

*Place: The Anglers Tavern
Bar & Grill
Smart pub with a bistro serving global dishes.*

Address: 2 Raleigh Road, Maribyrnong

Phone: (03) 9318 2811

Time: 7:00 pm

Counter Meal and Drinks at Bar Prices (order upon arrival)

RSVP your attendance by Friday 25 March 2016

To:

Josie Magri

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

District Governor's Report—Networker 15th February

As I sit and type, I see that it is less than a month until over 900 people come together in Bendigo for our District Conference. Given all the time taken in planning, and the cost of running this event I do reflect on the value if there is not a point of difference or challenge in the content of the Conference.

For those attending we intend to be a little provocative, forward looking, musical, technological and add... **Fun, Inspiration, Relevance and Education....FIRE** to your life. I hesitate in using this in the hope that the negative connotation associated with the word does not annoy anyone affected by the recent bushfires.



For those unable to attend we intend to record many of the Rotary speakers and make this available to all. The Conference themes of **Innovative Leadership, Joined Up Partnerships, Our Youth Our Future and Golden Rotary Moments** are designed to ebb and flow throughout the few days that we spend together celebrating our lives in Rotary. The words of Cass will remind you of the important role we have in promoting peace in the world. Who is Cass? Well you will know after you have been to Bendigo!

Taking Rotary from the Inside Out.

In demystifying Rotary and showing that we are in fact **NOT male, stale and pale**, I have asked you to take a Rotary gathering outside so that people can see the diversity in our clubs, the projects that we do and the outcomes that we achieve.



It seems appropriate to me that we do this in **February**, the anniversary month of the formation of Rotary.

I was delighted to be able to attend a Beach Bathing Box gathering by the Brighton North group of Rotarians, partners and friends. They took the opportunity to show the passing parade of people walking along the look of Rotary and some of the work that their local club does in the community. Now please send me photos of your event and I will include it in the District Governor Facebook Page that is a permanent record of this year of you "Being a Gift to the World".

Vocational Training Team Returns

Over a hundred teachers know more about their profession and Rotary, because of the work done by a special group of educators who gave up time and holiday opportunities to go to Cambodia in the name of the second Vocational Training Team for District 9800. Team members were selected for their experience as educators and their commitment to, and understanding of, the particular needs in Cambodia.

The aim of this Vocational Training Team is to assist teachers from remote villages to have some purposeful exposure to innovative teaching techniques and thereby increase the opportunities for students to get a thorough knowledge of the English language and increase their opportunities to get out of the poverty cycle and access a better life.

It certainly seems that the pilot program was very successful and now we apply for a Global Grant to extend the program for another three years. So thank you.....Audrey, Gary, Maria, Bronwen, Rosemary and the amazing Bronwyn Stephens for taking an idea and making it reality!!



The trainees involved, practiced education in rural areas, often with a severe lack of resources, out-dated teaching practices, a deficiency in professional development opportunities and large class sizes. Although passionate about educating children, they faced challenges incomparable to those faced by Australian teachers.

The program delivered was built around the foundations of Early Years Literacy strategies, with a specific focus on: Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening. Embedded into these lessons were strategies involving group work, team building, engaging brain exercises and behaviour management. Along with these, we included the development of positive relationships, effective teaching and learning skills and a range of assessment tools.

There were two groups of eighty teachers, each offered four-day workshops. Participants were incredibly engaged, appreciative and most importantly, motivated to implement the various strategies taught in their own classrooms. They were able to understand that learning could be fun, adaptable and student centred. These were new concepts to many of the participants. The results of collated 160 evaluations were overwhelmingly positive. For a pilot program it was amazing! It is our sincere hope that this program continues in future in order to maintain the development of these incredible Cambodian educators... If so, we have absolute faith that each year we will continue to exceed expectations and build upon well developed foundations.

It has truly been one of the greatest experiences of Audrey's teaching career and one she is extremely passionate about. Not only has it been a privilege, but an honour to take on our roles in this team.

Bronwyn Stephens, VTT Team Leader

If Paul Harris started Rotary today

I wonder, as we approach yet another Rotary anniversary, what Paul Harris would think of the Rotary of today? Would he smile, or grimace? He probably didn't imagine how far his little idea would go when he sat down for that [first meeting](#) on 23 February a full 111 years ago.

As a fun exercise, I tried to imagine what it might be like if Paul Harris started Rotary today. To do this, I first imagined what a Gen Y Paul might be like.

I decided he'd be a social entrepreneur and blogger. His personal style is a touch metro, add some emo, and just a squeeze of hipster. He lives a healthy lifestyle, eats organic and gluten free. He is warm and welcoming, with a hearty laugh, and certainly doesn't need a copy of "How to Win Friends & Influence People." He has 500 plus connections on LinkedIn.

What does his Rotary club look like?

The club is very inclusive with its membership. They work hard to attract individuals of all genders, races, beliefs, and backgrounds. They are very particular about not incorporating any practices that would be offensive to any particular group. They don't take political stands, but they are eager, collectively, to dive into action to better their community.

The club uses Facebook, LinkedIn, and social media a lot to connect, not only socially but for service projects. They use Kickstarter and GoFundMe to finance projects, and have developed some Rotary-specific tools (like our [Rotary Ideas](#)) to also achieve this goal.

Club meetings

The club meets in person and online on a semi rotational basis, usually once or twice a month depending on the needs to be addressed. The club is more about how members can contribute their talents and take part in projects getting their "hands dirty," than how many times they show up for a meeting.

Members communicate almost daily through Facebook or Snapchat. Word about what they are doing seeps out through their social media network of friends, co-workers, and colleagues, spreading the excitement and attracting interest.

Their physical meeting locations vary, sometimes at a tavern, sometimes a coffee house. They are kept affordable so members can focus their resources and time on service. Meetings tend to be relaxed, and some people connect remotely via web technologies.

Social hour

The club hosts regular social events to build stronger relationships between members. Members frequently invite friends with little pressure on the individual to join. Even service projects involve a good number of people who are not members, but share a common interest.

Although I've just been imagining, there are certainly clubs that do some of these things. Do you like my vision of what Paul Harris' club would look like today? What is yours?

Evan Burrell is a member of the Rotary Club of Turramurra, New South Wales, Australia, and a former member of Rotaract. He has been involved with Rotary since he was 18. He currently manages social media for [Rotary Down Under](#), the Rotary regional magazine of Australia.

Evan Burrell, left, with other members of the Joint Committee on Alumni Relations during a visit to Room 711, a recreation of the room where Rotary began.



Annual Past Runners' Breakfast

Medway Golf Club, Omar Street Maidstone on Wednesday 23 March 2016
Commencing 7:30am until 9:00am



The annual Past Runner's Breakfast is conducted every year in the week leading up to the **Stawell Easter Gift** carnival. This is Australia's most prestigious and well known professional foot-racing event with national Television and Radio coverage. The breakfast recognises many of the previous runners over the years, many of whom are still involved with the sport.

- **Grace O'Dwyer, 2015 Stawell Women's Gift winner** will be Guest of Honour
- **Ricky Dunbar** will provide some form pointers for the Stawell Easter Carnival
- **John Henry** will comment on the betting odds.
- Multi-Prize Raffle

Guests are invited to make up table of 8
Cost: \$25 per person (full breakfast)



RSVP by 16 March to Paul Perrottet
(M) 0413 595934
Email:
prb@rotaryflemington.org.au

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Jointly hosted by Past Runners' Association
and the Rotary Club of Flemington Inc.
Profits from the breakfast will be donated to the Past
Runners' Sponsorship Fund.
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MOONEE VALLEY ART SHOW 2016



Art Exhibition & Sales

Saturday 16th & Sunday 17th April, 2016

Gala Opening Preview Evening

Friday
15th April

Returning in 2016, acclaimed and emerging artists exhibit their work at the North Park Mansion, 69 Woodland Street, Essendon.

Entry just \$5 for students and concession, \$10 for adults. Free entry for anyone aged under 15.

Gala Opening tickets available from
www.mooneevalleyartshow.com.au

Exhibition tickets available at the door.

MOONEE VALLEY
Art Show



Rotary Club of Keilor East
Rotary Club of Essendon

Club Calendar Dates

Date	Event	Location	Contact
Wednesday 24th February	Membership Evening 6.30pm	Quest Apartments	Hugh Stewart Lynn Borghouts
Wednesday 2nd March	Weekly Meeting 7.30 for 7.45am	Quest Apartments	Anthony McManus Hugh Stewart
Saturday 5th March	Seeing Eye Dogs Open Day BBQ	Barrett St, Kensington	Allan Bruno
Tuesday 8th March	International Women's Day Breakfast 7.15am	Moonee Valley Council} Civic Centre	Hugh Stewart
Wednesday 9th March	Weekly Meeting 7.30 for 7.45am	Quest Apartments	Anthony McManus Hugh Stewart
Friday 11th to Sunday 13th March	District Conference Cocktail Party 7.30pm	Bendigo	Hugh Stewart
Tuesday 15th March	Board Meeting	Flemington Library	Chris Drenen
Wednesday 16th March	Weekly Meeting 7.30 for 7.45am	Quest Apartments	Anthony McManus Hugh Stewart
Sunday 20th March	Unity Cup Football competition & BBQ	J J Holland Park, Kensington	Allan Bruno
Wednesday 23rd March	Stawell Gift Breakfast 7.15am	Medway Golf Club, Omar St Maidstone	Paul Perrottet Hugh Stewart
Friday 25th to Monday 28th March	GOOD FRIDAY EASTER SUNDAY		
Wednesday 30th March	Blue Moon Wednesday 6.30pm	Anglers Tavern, Maribyrnong	Josie Magri Chris Drenen
Wednesday 6th April	Weekly Meeting 7.30 for 7.45am	Quest Apartments	Anthony McManus Hugh Stewart
Wednesday 13th April	Weekly Meeting 7.30 for 7.45am	Quest Apartments	Anthony McManus Hugh Stewart



Cluster and District Calendar Dates

Date	Event	Club	Location	Contact
23rd February	Rotary's Birthday	Rotary Internationa		
24th February	40th Anniversary	Essendon North	Ascot House, Ascot Vale	Sam Pennisi, Grant Maggs
Thursday 25th February	Gateway Cluster meeting	Gateway Cluster	Fredricks Restaurant Mt Alexander Rd Essendon North	AG Lesley McCarthy AG Colin Styles
26th February	Trivia Night Fundraising night	Essendon	St Bernards, Pavilion	Shirley Kukk
28th February	President Elect Training Seminar #2	District 9800	Baden Park College, Hoppers Crossing	DGE Neville John
28th February	Moonee Valley Festival BBQ	Gateway Cluster RC Keilor East	Queens Park Moonee Ponds	Gerard Mahoney Peter Halaseh
Tuesday 8th March	Women's Day Breakfast	Moonee Valley City Council	Civic Centre	Craig Skelton
Thursday 10th	International Women's Day Breakfast	District 9800 RC Albert Park	Crown Palladium	Kerry Kornhauser
Thursday 24th March	Gateway Cluster meeting	Gateway Cluster	Fredricks Restaurant Mt Alexander Rd Essendon North	AG Lesley McCarthy AG Colin Styles
Friday 15th to Monday 18th April	Moonee Valley Art Show	Keilor East Essendon	North Park Mansion, Strathmore	Gerard Mahoney
Saturday 1st May	Annual Car Show	Keilor	Keilor Oval	Tom Barber
Monday 24th May	Keeping Our Kids Alive Forum	Gateway Cluster	TBC	AG Lesley McCarthy AG Colin Styles Gerard Mahoney
Saturday 4th June	Heart Kids Fundraising Dinner	Keilor Tullamarine	Ultima Receptions Keilor	Tom Barber Leon Llewli Anthony Flapper
Thursday 16th June	Domestic Violence Forum	Gateway Cluster	VU	AG Colin Styles AG Lesley McCarthy David Bennett
Friday 24th June	Presidents Changeover	Keilor	TBC	Tom Barber
Sunday 26th June	District 9800 Changeover	District 9800	RACV Club	DGE Neville John
Monday 27th June	Presidents Changeover	Keilor East	TBC	Gerard Mahoney Joe Albioli
Wednesday 29th June	Presidents Changeover	Brimbank	Taylor's Lakes Hotel	David Bennett Arthur Michael Donnelly
Wednesday 29th June	Presidents Changeover	Flemington	TBC	Hugh Stewart Del King

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