



District 9800
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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:



March is Rotary Water and Sanitation Month

What an amazing District Conference we enjoyed last weekend in Bendigo. Congratulations to District Governor Julie Mason and her outstanding team from Wyndham led by Gary Willson and Sean Thompson.

The venue was superb, the speakers a truly inspirational and talented group, MC Tracey Curro did a wonderful job and the attendance of more than 900 Rotarians and partners provided for some fabulous networking.

Congratulations to all clubs, Assistant Governors and Ian Hovey and Paul Perrottet for their work on the cluster presentations. They were a wonderful presentation of the truly amazing work done by all Rotary clubs in our District, showcasing the depth and range of service above self.

VALE Kevin Michael McManus

We were advise on Tuesday afternoon of the passing of Kevin, husband of Beate and father of Anthony. Kevin has been ill for several years now, but was able to attend a number of club functions with Beate and was a welcome visitor. President Hugh Stewart, members of the Board and Rotarians and their partners mourn his passing and send our condolences to Beate and family.

The funeral service will be held at
St Monica's Church, Mt Alexander Rd,
Essendon on Tuesday 22nd at 11am.



Be a Gift to the World!

Lesley

Flemington Rotary at the District Conference Bendigo

Conference dinner at the All Seasons venue, McIvor Hwy. Chris & Rosemary Drenen, Del King and Lisa Murr attended the event at the Bendigo Town Hall with the District Governor, RIPR and the Youth Exchange students.



After the club dinner at Rocks on Rosalind on Sunday evening, we all wandered down to visit the most famous blonde in town. She is magnificent though!

Below: Lisa Murr was the first exchange student to present to a guest speaker, and to speak about her exchange.

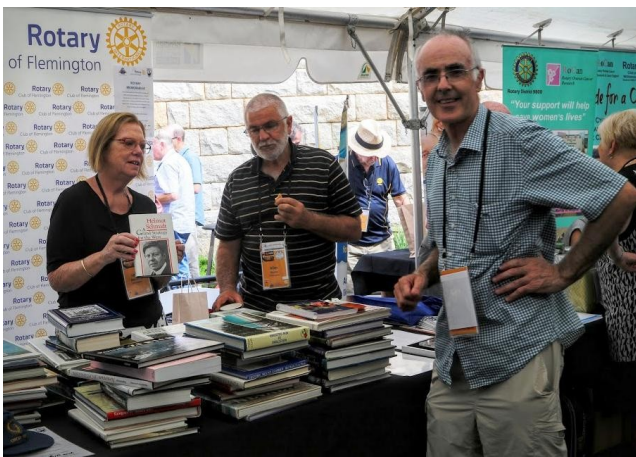


District Conference Bendigo



District Governor Julie Mason with RIPR—PDG Jun and his wife Zeny.

Below: The magnificent dragons.



Left: The RCF book stall selling PRIP Royce Abbey's books.

Below: The Ride to Conference team.



Above: The entrance to Ulumburra; the old Bendigo Gaol.

Right: Youth Exchange students



Weekly Meeting Minutes ~ Wednesday March 9th 2016

President Hugh Stewart welcomed all members to today's meeting. He then reported the following:

1. Yesterday, he attended the Moonee Valley Council International Women's Day breakfast at the Civic Centre. He was joined by Lisa Murr, Del King and Lesley McCarthy, as well as 4 students and 2 teachers from Mount Alexander College.
2. Last Sunday, we supported the Seeing Eye Dogs Open Day at Kensington with a BBQ. A net profit of \$1500 was achieved with a very busy day for those who attended.

We have a very busy schedule coming up as follows:

1. District Conference this weekend. We have 18 Rotarians and partners attending.
2. Sunday 20th March is the Unity Cup BBQ at J.J. Holland Reserve. Please advise Allan or Ted of your availability.
3. The Annual Stawell Gift Past Runners breakfast is on Wednesday 23rd March at Medway Golf Club. Paul Perrottet has provided a link on the website for RSVP with good attendance so far. There are 3 corporate tables attending.
4. Wednesday 30th March is our next Blue Moon Wednesday with dinner at the Anglers Tavern in Maribyrnong Road. Please advise Josie Magri of your attendance asap.

Guest Speaker Nuran Umit—Manager, Bendigo Bank, Flemington

Nuran stated that she arrived in Australia in 1995 from Cyprus with limited English language. She is married and has 2 children, a son, 21 years old and daughter, 16 years old. She started to learn English and joined the Commonwealth Bank in 2005. In 2007 she joined the Bendigo Bank and worked her way around, in different position at branches in Niddrie, Sunshine and then back to Niddrie.

In 2014 she resigned and joined Westpac, which she found was a mistake. After a short time she resigned and applied for a position at the Bendigo Community Bank in Flemington.

Nuran pointed out the differences in working with different banks and then highlighted Bendigo Bank's reward program for introducing new accounts to the bank.

Sergeant's Session

Sergeant Geoff Cawsey was on duty today and he provided some historical information as follows

- 1935 Cane Toads were introduced to Australia
- 1934 the first Qantas flight to carry overseas mail
- 1937 The "Dad and Dave" radio program started
- 1932 The Sydney Harbor bridge was opened
- 1940 Australian Commonwealth government controls resources

Geoff then started on fines and first up was Paul for asking questions of our guest speaker, Allan and Peter C. Were fined for missing the PROBUS bus and smiling about it; Ted for burning the toast and having the room full of smoke; Peter C. was presented with Magpies colorful shorts; John S for all the talk about banks; and all members going to conference. Well done Geoff.

Meeting Minutiae:

Apologies: Janine Hamilton, Lesley McCarthy, Lynn Borghouts, Peter Donnellan, Josie Magri

Make Ups: Allan Bruno, Peter Cribb, Hugh Stewart, Del King, Paul Perrottet, Chris Drenen.

All those at the Seeing Eye Dogs BBQ.

Visiting Rotarians: Lisa Murr, RYE

Visitors: Gordana Lukac, Eliana Cuppari

Raffle Winners: John Sklenar who donated the prize to our guest speaker, Nuran Umit.

Weekly Meeting Minutes ~ Wednesday March 16th 2016

President Hugh Stewart welcomed everyone.

He then announced that Kevin McManus, husband of Beate and father of Tony, had passed away yesterday. Kevin has been ill for quite some time, living in a Nursing Home and wheelchair bound. Beate withdrew from the Conference due to a deterioration in his health but sent along her niece, Julia in her place.

Our thoughts are with Beate, Anthony and Gabrielle. We will advise of the funeral arrangements when known.

Hugh then reminded everyone of the following:

Next Sunday is Unity Cup day at J.J. Holland reserve. Please see Ted if you can help with the BBQ.

Next Wednesday is the Annual Stawell Gift Past Runners breakfast. Paul has an RSVP link on the website and acceptances are around 90. Please let Paul know if you are attending.

Josie Magri is organising the Blue Moon event on 30th March. It is at the Anglers Tavern on Maribyrnong Road.

This morning, Hugh is attending a Cultural Diversity morning tea at Flemington Police Station.

After breakfast, Hugh then reflected on the District Conference. He wanted to show those who could not attend what a Rotary Conference is all about. There were over 900 attending, one of the largest in recent years. The conference was held at the Ulumburra Theatre, built on the site of the old Bendigo Gaol and incorporating the history of the place. MC Tracey Curro was excellent and she and DG Julie focussed on the themes of Youth and music, however the star of the weekend was Marilyn!

He showed several images from the weekend and spoke about the event: speakers, youth exchange students, the club book stall where some of Royce Abbey's books were sold and the enjoyment of catching up with friends and the dinners. Flemington had 18 Rotarians and partners attending, including Beate's niece Julia, who is a Rotarian from Boronia and joined us in lieu of Beate for the weekend.

Prior to the conference a survey was circulated asking what were the next big tasks for Rotary. The highest response was for Water & Sanitation then mosquito control. The Rotary International President's Representative was PDG Virgilio Jun Farcon from the Philippines, and his wife Zeny.

The Breakout sessions were good, the Interact session also, our stall went very well. Allan and Hugh met with members from RC Werribee re the Op Shop.

Paul encouraged all of us to record our activities and events and send photos to him.

Sergeants Session:

Sergeant Geoff Cawsey was quick this morning as we were short of time but he fined Len for saying there wasn't enough food on Sunday night; John Sklenar for being early for next week; Craig for being a newly engaged gentleman; Del for catching up with PDG Murray and old friends all weekend; Hugh for attending every session; Geoff for attending the exercise session with a very old Rotarian; Len was charged a reading fee for reading every book at the stall; Chris for being in the Green Room all weekend and Peter D for pinching Josie's name badge.

Meeting Minutiae:

Apologies: Beate McManus, Anthony McManus, Janine Hamilton, Lynn Borghouts, Peter Cribb, Sam Nicol, Vance Hilton, Nuran Umit

Make Ups: Everyone who attended conference, Eugene Odachowski, Allan Bruno, Hugh Stewart, Peter Cribb

Visiting Rotarians: Lisa Murr, RYE

Raffle Winner: Given to our Guest Speaker.

Stawell Gift breakfast - 23rd March 2016

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

Rotary
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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.
www.rotaryflemington.org.au

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

BBQ at the Seeing Eye Dogs Centre Open Day

"Treasurer Tim Pallas today announced a \$500,000 funding boost for Vision Australia to develop a state-of-the-art training centre for vision impaired Victorians.

The Indoor Mobility and Safety Training Centre, at the Seeing Eye Dogs Australia's National Kennel and Puppy Centre in Kensington, will assist Victorians with vision loss to gain confidence and remain active in society.

It will provide a controlled and safe environment for clients of all ages to use various aids, mobility devices and Seeing Eye Dogs to develop and learn new orientation and mobility skills.

The Centre is one of the final parts of the redevelopment of Seeing Eye Dogs Australia.

The redevelopment will lead to an increased capacity for dog training and production and approximately twenty new jobs over the next three years.

It will also create many more indirect jobs, as vision impaired people become job-ready and their ability to participate in the economy increases.

It will feature a mock pedestrian and train crossing, a bus stop with a shelter and roadside kerbing, functional traffic lights with aural signals, open and closed stairs, and a mock café.

Focused on innovation, this state of the art facility will help train vision-impaired Victorians to better navigate their way through an increasingly complex urban environment and assist in body-protection techniques.

The economic impact of vision loss is also significant due to early retirement and re-hiring costs, the productivity losses of carers who may take time off work, and the greater difficulty the blind or those with low vision face in finding employment.

The centre will operate seven days a week and provide a service for all Victorians. There are three residential houses nearby to enable people from rural and regional Victoria to attend intensive training. The project is expected to be completed in



Members from the Rotary Club of Flemington operated the BBQ for the Open Day and were kept extremely busy serving the very large crowd. SEDA were very grateful for the support.

See Marg left.

DISTRICT 9800 GVE WELCOME HOME FROM PHILIPPINES DISTRICT 3800



ROTARY CAROLINE SPRINGS

**INVITES YOU AND YOUR PARTNER TO ATTEND
THE DISTRICT 9800 GVE WELCOME HOME DINNER**

TUESDAY 29TH MARCH 2016

VENUE: THE CLUB, 1312-1322 WESTERN HIGHWAY, CAROLINE SPRINGS

TIME: 6.30PM FOR 7.00PM START

DRESS CODE: SMART CASUAL

COST PER HEAD: \$ 25.00 - 2 COURSE MEAL

Drinks available at bar price

R.S.V.P: 24TH MARCH 2016

ANNETTE BUTTERWORTH, MOBILE 0401 031 917

DIRECT PAYMENT: BSB 633-000 ACCOUNT NUMBER 155646672 PLEASE NOTE YOUR NAME IN REFERENCE

For any special dietary requirements please phone Annette direct after payment



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



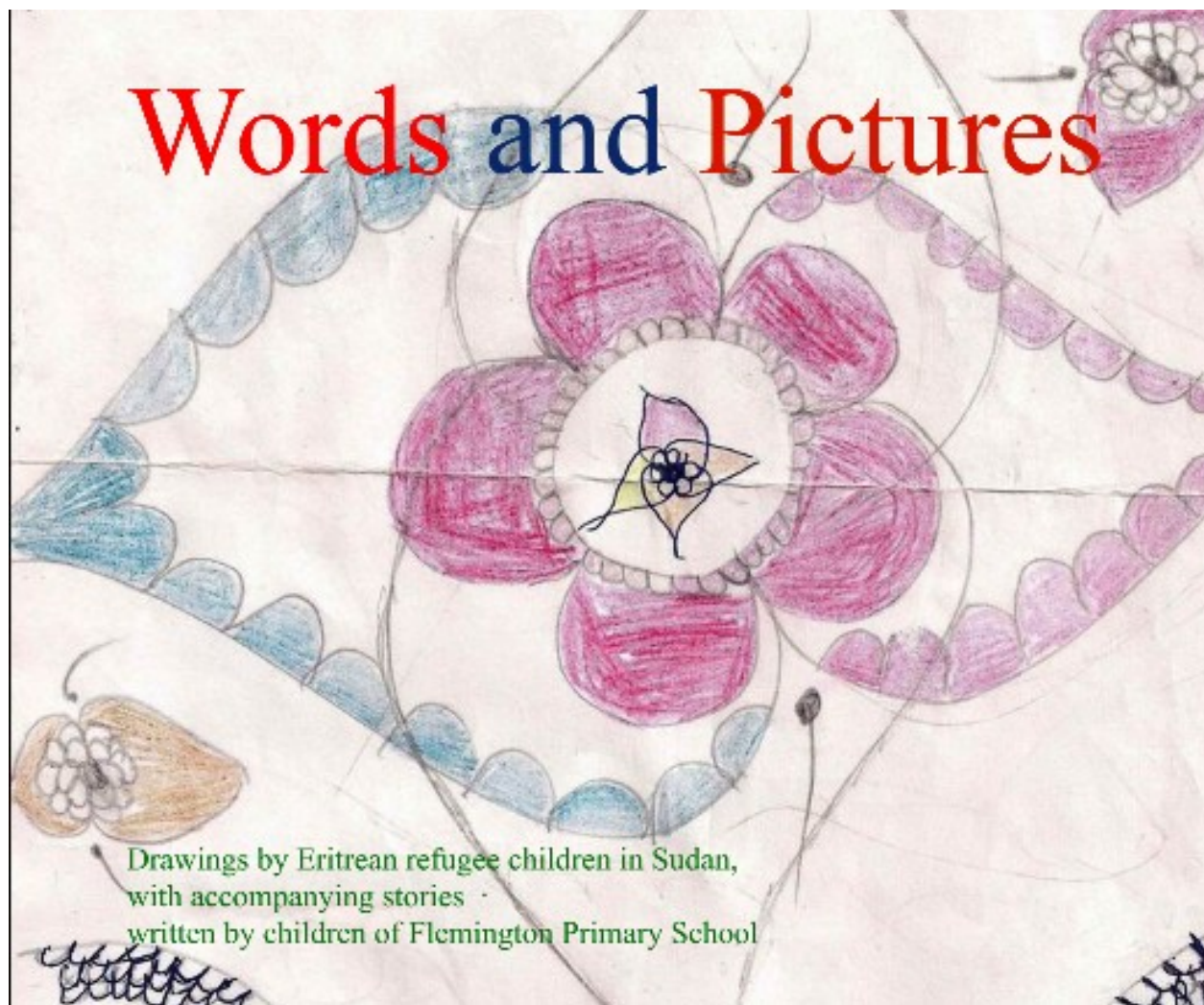
Rotary Club of Keilor East
Rotary Club of Essendon

The Words & Pictures Book Launch

A project between Victoria University, EAHA {the Australian Eritrean Humanitarian Association} students at the Kassala School in Sudan and Flemington Primary School.

WHERE: 100 Story Building, 92 Nicholson Street, Footscray VIC 3011

WHEN: Tuesday April 5th 2pm—4pm



RSVP to Sarah Tartakover at Sarah.Tartakover@vu.edu.au or Maureen Ryan at Maureen.Ryan@vu.edu.au

Club Calendar Dates

Date	Event	Location	Contact
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
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 Llewi 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	Taylors Lakes Hotel	David Bennett Arthur Michael Donnelly
Wednesday 29th June	Presidents Changeover	Flemington	TBC	Hugh Stewart Del King

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SERVICE, BUT WE PERFECTED IT!

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