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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:**



April is Rotary Maternal & Child Health Month

Members from Flemington Rotary have been very busy in recent weeks with 3 major events conducted.

A wonderful day was experienced by all who attended the **Unity Cup** on Sunday 20th March at J.J. Holland Park. this annual event organised by the AFP together with the AFL celebrates Harmony Week with a multicultural AFL 9s football competition. As always, Flemington Rotary was on hand to provide the usual spectacular BBQ for all comers.

Then, our **Annual Past Runners** breakfast in support of the Stawell Gift and the Past Runners Association. This year's Guest Speaker, the amazing Grace O'Dwyer, a schoolgirl still, who was the Women's Gift winner in 2015. Accompanied by her parents Peter and Barb, Grace spoke of the training and effort required to succeed at this level. What an amazing young person for us all to meet.

Last Wednesday, as the 5th Wednesday in the month saw members and partners gather together to enjoy dinner at The Anglers Tavern in Maribyrnong. It was great to meet up with Maddie Collis, a previous RYPEN attendee and visitor at our Membership event last month. Congratulations to Josie Magri for organising another enjoyable evening.

A reminder that the launch of the **Words & Pictures** book featuring pictures from students at the refugee school in Kassala, Sudan together with script by students from Flemington Primary is to be held at 100 Story Building, 92 Nicholson Street, Footscray on Tuesday April 5th at 2pm. Hope that many of you can attend and celebrate this fabulous project.
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Be a Gift to the World!

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Past Runners Breakfast—Wednesday 23rd March 2016

A very large audience was warmly welcomed to this year's Past Runners event, a prelude to the Stawell Gift. Guest Speaker for this year's event was the 2015 Women's Gift winner, Grace O'Dwyer.

President Hugh Stewart thanked all who attended, with particular thanks to PP Paul Perrottet who has taken over the organisation from PDG Vance Hilton.

Ricky Dunbar, Neil King and John Henry provided expert commentary and forecasting as usual.



Annual Unity Cup Football Competition

Over the weekend the Australian Federal Police and Essendon Football Club in conjunction with the AFL hosted the 9th Annual Unity Cup in Melbourne.



Young people from culturally diverse communities competed in rounds of AFL 9's resulting in the **Newport Mosque** team taking home the prestigious Unity Cup.

Congratulations to our Unity Cup Champions!

As always, Rotary Flemington was on hand to provide a delicious BBQ for visitors, competitors, family and friends. The weather was perfect for the strong competition with mens and womens teams from across Melbourne.



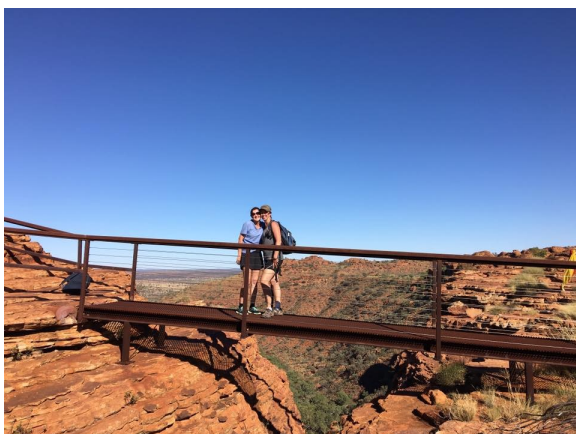
Rotary Youth Exchange Safari 2016

Our exchange student Lisa Murr and President Elect Del King have set off on this year's Safari with exchange students and mentors for this Multi District event.

This is always one of the most popular images:



Del gets into the spirit of space!

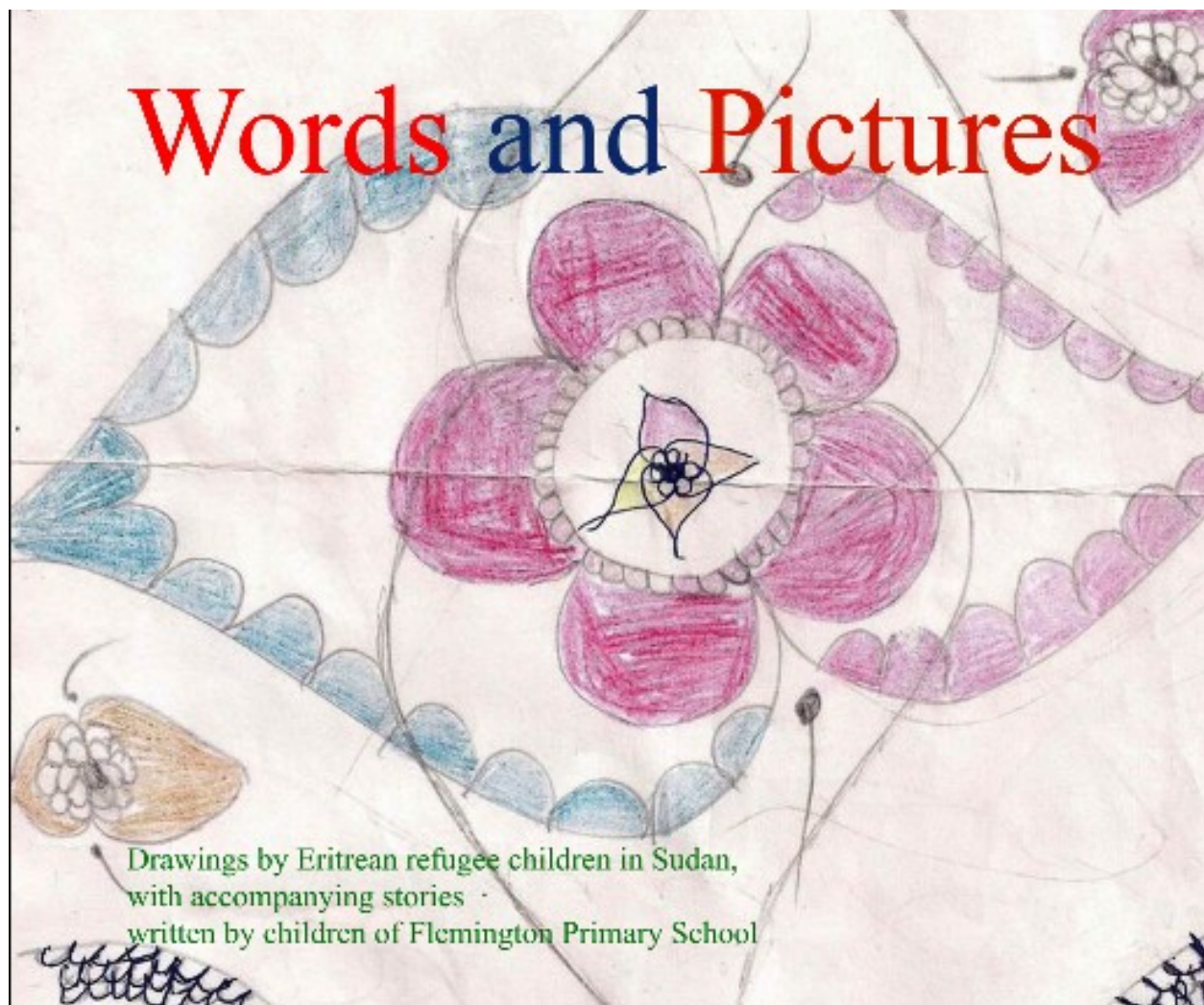


The Words & Pictures Book Launch

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

Rotary International President's Message



April 2016

Many years ago, in Kolkata, India, I had the chance to meet Mother Teresa.

She was an incredible woman with an incredible force of personality. When she walked down the street, the crowd parted in front of her like the Red Sea. Yet when you talked to her, if you mentioned the tremendous things she had done, she almost did not engage in this topic at all.

By many reports, if you asked her what her greatest achievement was, she would answer, "I am an expert in cleaning toilets."

The answer was both humorous and absolutely serious. Her business was caring for others. Toilets had to be cleaned, so she cleaned them. There was no question of a job being beneath her. Helping people who needed help was her work, and there was nothing higher, nothing in the world more important than that.

So one day, when an elegantly dressed man came to Kolkata looking for Mother Teresa, the nuns who answered the door informed him that she was at the back of the house, cleaning the toilets. They pointed the way, and indeed he found Mother Teresa scrubbing the toilets. She said hello, assumed he was there to volunteer, and began explaining to him how to hold the toilet brush correctly and how not to waste water. Then she put the brush in his hand and left him standing there, in his expensive suit, alone in the lavatory.

Later, the man came out, found Mother Teresa again, and said, "I have finished; may I speak with you now?" "Yes, certainly," she said. He took an envelope out of his pocket and said, "Mother Teresa, I am the director of the airline, and here are your tickets. I just wanted to bring them to you personally."

That airline director told that story again and again for the rest of his life. He said those 20 minutes spent cleaning toilets had filled him with the greatest joy he had ever known – because by putting his hands to Mother Teresa's work, he became part of that work. For those 20 minutes, he cared for the sick just as she did: with his own hands, his own sweat.

That is exactly the opportunity that Rotary gives us. We might not do what Mother Teresa did – give up our lives, our homes, our families. But for 20 minutes, 20 hours, 20 days of the year, we can be like her.

We can do the work that others will not with our hands, and our hearts, and our sweat, and our devotion – knowing that what we do is the most important work in the world.

K.R. Ravindran

President 2015-16



Rotary Club of Glen Eira & The Rotary Foundation

The Rotary Foundation and 20th Century Fox will be teaming up again to do a special POLIO PLUS screening programme with Hugh Jackman's EDDIE THE EAGLE to celebrate the film's release in cinemas on April 21.

Special pre-release access to the film is available on Wednesday April 13 for Rotary group bookings in support of the Polio Plus Foundation.

Inspired by true events, EDDIE THE EAGLE is a feel-good movie about Michael "Eddie" Edwards (played by Taron Egerton), an unlikely but courageous British ski-jumper who never stopped believing in himself and his dream to attend the 1988 Calgary Winter Olympics.

This is a true underdog story and one not to be missed in cinemas everywhere.

Book here: <http://rotarygleneira.org.au/event/17787/fundraising-movie-night-eddie-the-eagle>



Inspired by true events, Eddie the Eagle is a feel-good story about Michael "Eddie" Edwards (Taron Egerton), an unlikely but courageous British ski-jumper who never stopped believing in himself – even as an entire nation was counting him out.

With the help of a rebellious and charismatic coach (played by Hugh Jackman), Eddie takes on the establishment and wins the hearts of sports fans around the world by making an improbable and historic showing at the 1988 Calgary Winter Olympics.

From producers of Kingsman: The Secret Service, Eddie the Eagle stars Taron Egerton as Eddie, the loveable underdog with a never say die attitude. -

MEMORIES AND MUSIC FROM WWI

MOONEE VALLEY BRASS

In association with the
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THE ARMED MAN

Conductor
GREGORY FLOOD

Soloists
CLAIRE MCDONALD
& SADECK OMARJEE

Organist
GRAEME BURNHAM

SUNDAY, APRIL 10th 2pm

CLOCKTOWER CENTRE
750 MOUNT ALEXANDER RD
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This event is free and supported by the Australian Government Spirit of ANZAC Centenary Grants Program

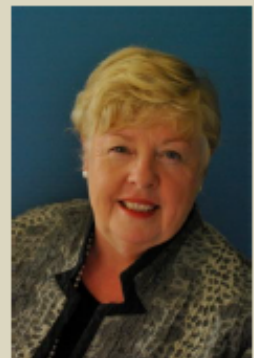


Drought Relief Project 2016

“Supporting our friends in Wycheproof”

Guest Speaker: Christine Nixon APM

Deputy Chancellor of Monash University & former Chief
Commissioner of Victorian Police



Hear about Christine, her many senior positions in NSW Police, in Victoria Police and as Chair of Victoria's Black Saturday Recovery.



Funds raised at this event will be used by Rotary to assist the town of Wycheproof, in north west Victoria, to maintain its spirit in the face of a severe two year drought that has stripped 80% of farmer family incomes and severely impacted the town.

Rotary clubs have come together to raise funds to transport, and accommodate, the students and teachers from Wycheproof P12 School, via Keilor, to a two day camp at Healesville & the Healesville Sanctuary on 2 & 3 May.

Special fundraiser night at Keilor Hotel, 670 Old Calder Hwy, Keilor

6pm for 6.45pm on Tuesday 19 April

\$25 per person, including main course meal - drinks at bar prices

Raffle & Silent Auctions with value exceeding \$4000



Bookings by Friday 15 April to <https://www.trybooking.com/KWLM>

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 6th April	Weekly Meeting 7.30 for 7.45am	Quest Apartments	Anthony McManus Hugh Stewart
Sunday 10th April	Fundraising BBQ	Bunnings, Footscray	Allan Bruno Ted Frank
Wednesday 13th April	Weekly Meeting 7.30 for 7.45am Guest Speaker, Wayne Haworth, Principal Mt Alexander College	Quest Apartments	Anthony McManus Hugh Stewart
Tuesday 19th April	Board Meeting	Flemington Library	Chris Drenen
Wednesday 20th April	Weekly Meeting 7.30 for 7.45am	Quest Apartments	Anthony McManus Hugh Stewart

Cluster and District Calendar Dates

Date	Event	Club	Location	Contact
Friday 15th to Monday 18th April	Moonee Valley Art Show	Keilor East Essendon	North Park Mansion, Strathmore	Gerard Mahoney
Thursday 28th April	Gateway Cluster meeting	Gateway Cluster	Fredricks Restaurant Mt Alexander Rd Essendon North	AG Lesley McCarthy AG Colin Styles
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

Flemington
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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.

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