Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Keilor East Inc.



Rotary Club 21222 - Charter granted 10th August 1983 April 15th 2019 - Volume 36 Number 33 Club Motto - "Fun and fellowship whilst helping others" Club Website - www.keiloreastrotary.org



On Monday 15th April we held our third Meeting upstairs at our regular Keilor East RSL meeting venue. From now on we will need to start our meals in the Bistro at 6.30pm. We will pay \$2 at the door and then order from the Bistro Menu. We will move upstairs at 7.00pm. Pictured are our President Elect, Mark Tognon and Guest Speaker, Keilor East Rotarian, Athena Vass.

President's Report

President Ginny Billson

Monday 15th April 2019

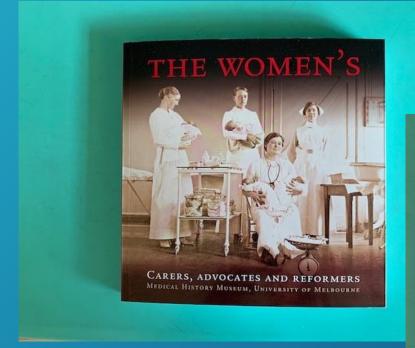




President Ginny was absent due to her attendance at a book launch. She sent the following report and photos.

I went to an exhibition celebrating the history and achievements of the Royal Women's Hospital.

I was honoured to write the chapter on "Leading the Way in Pathology" about the long and distinguished history of pathology and pathologists in Melbourne.







More Reports

- President Elect, Mark Tognon, conducted the Meeting and was Chairperson for the evening.
- Mark introduced guest Lee Martin and Guest Speaker Athena Vass.
- District Assembly will be held on May 26th at Tabcorp Park, Melton. Please let Mark know if you are interested in attending.
- Club President's Changeover will be held on Monday 24th of June at the Cross Keys Hotel, Pascoe Vale. The cost will be \$45 per head. It would be appreciated if funds for tickets could be directly transferred to our Club account. More details on Invitation Poster. Our Treasurer will take money by cash or credit card (before the event) if you prefer.
- No Club Meeting will be held on April 22nd due to Easter Monday holiday.
- WynSpeak Final (Public Speaking Competition held for secondary students by Werribee Rotary Clubs) will be held on Wed 5th June at Thomas Carr College, Tarneit.
- Attendance Lloyd Lancaster 29 Rotarians with three or four on extended sick leave.
- Our Club is operating a BBQ at Riverside Golf Club at an event to raise funds for the Royal Children's Hospital's Good Friday Appeal.
- Care Bear Marianne Potgieter We welcome Bruce Cameron back after his operation. We have heard that Jan Allan is still unwell. We send her our very best wishes for a complete recovery. We hope that Yew Kong Lye enjoyed his Birthday and hope that Sonja Cornish will have a great day for her Birthday on April 24th.







'Make your Mark' at Keilor East Rotary's Changeover

You are invited to join Keilor East Rotary Club for our Annual Change Over Dinner.

We will be celebrating 2 wonderful years of Presidency by Ginny Billson, and welcoming Mark Tognon as our incoming President.

To be held on Monday 24 June 2019 @ 6.30PM

At Cross Keys Hotel, 350 Pascoe Vale Road, Essendon

Dress: Cocktail

Entertainment to be provided by The Orlando Combo Jazz Band



Contact: Mark Tognon - marktognon@gmail.com / 0431 329 487

RSVP by 27 May 2019 - please include any dietary requirements

\$45 per head

2 course meal, live music, drinks at bar prices

Payment method: EFT to:

Account name: Keilor East Rotary

BSB: 633 108

Account No:117 310 292

Reference: please use your name







Guest Speaker - Athena Vass - Rotarian Behind the Badge





- Athena was born in Australia. Her father is from Palestine and her mother from Greece. They met in Prahran and lived in Essendon and Maribyrnong where Athena attended Maribyrnong High School. Her father was an "on call" electrician for the Department of Defence in Maribyrnong. He was very active in the local community and was always helping people.
- Athena's connection with Keilor East Rotary began when she met John Walsh whilst arranging Work Experience in the 1980s for students from Niddrie Technical School where she was teaching. John's children attended the school and John told her all about Rotary. She came to the Club as a guest speaker, explaining Work Experience. She asked to join Essendon Rotary but was told she needed to be at least a School Principal so she joined Keilor East Rotary instead. She later joined Moonee Valley Rotary and Brimbank Rotary Clubs before coming back to Keilor East last year.
- After her marriage broke up Athena found that Rotary helped her get her life back together. She even held District positions and was instrumental in making sure that Rotarians who were working with children had background checks, hence the current Working with Children checks.
- In a change from teaching Athena worked for Beyond Blue. She held a national role and for three or four years travelled around Australia, highlighting the importance of maintaining good mental health. This topic was close to home for Athena as her brother had severe depression at age thirty. She is adamant that we all need to consider the mental as well as physical wellbeing of our family members, friends and colleagues. We should ask RUOK and be prepared to really listen and help where we can.
- When she returned to teaching she became an Assistant Principal and is now working three days per week as Wellbeing Leader at Buckley Park College. Athena now cares for her elderly parents on her days off. She and her husband Wayne (they met 17 years ago) recently bought a Dachshund puppy, Cisco. She recommends a puppy to give elderly people an interest. Athena and Wayne recently celebrated the marriage of their 30 year old daughter Kristen to Aidan Fitzgerald.



Our Rotary Youth Exchange Student - Marina Monnerat from Nova Friburgo - Brazil



Keilor East's Rotary Youth Exchange student, Marina Monnerat, was on a three week "Safari" over thousands of kilometres in Australia. We welcomed her home at 9 pm on Saturday 27th April.





These are just a few of Marina's 2000 photos from her "once in a lifetime" Safari.



On Sunday 7th April Marina left on a three week Safari with a coachload of other Rotary Youth Exchange Students from several Districts. We look forward to hearing about her Safari experiences.

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photos.







The Safari group comprised 43 Rotary Youth Exchange Students from five Rotary Districts, four leaders, two cooks and Damien, the bus driver. Marina knows all their names and countries and her Rotary Blazer is weighed down with badges. Marina is extremely grateful for the opportunity she has been given to attend 2019 Safari.

Upcoming Events





RAGMSA Rotarian Action Group of Multiple Sclerosis Awarenes

2019 Global MS Lunch "Kiss Goodbye to MS"

Sunday May 19, 2019 1.00 pm for 1.30pm start Belgian Beer Café 5 Riverside Quay, Southbank Vic 3006 \$50pp includes 2 Course Lunch Complimentary Glass of Champagne on arrival

Drinks. Tea or Coffee at Bar Prices

(special Dietary requirements please notify when booking) Fabulous Sunday Afternoon, speakers, entertainment, auction, "Door Prize" and raffle.

Wear Something Red

Guest speakers: "MS Research Status" "Living with MS"

Entertainment: "Music"

Funds raised go to MSA projects, MSRA and MSIF RSVP by May 17 2019 to Diana Taurins on 0419-564-389 or taurins3@vegas.com.au Any Auction or Raffle Items would be appreciated.

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GALA FASHION PARADE 4th May, 2019

6.30pm - 11pm

Club Italia Furlong Road Sunshine



Entertainment ~ Raffles ~ Auction items

\$50 p/p incl. finger food and a glass of champagne \$30 p/p children (U18) incl. finger food & unlimited soft drinks
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For tickets to the event come into our branch at Keilor East or Ring Kerry 0401 031 779 ~ Yvonne 0407 303 255

Proceeds will go to Cancer Research & Wellness Centre



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More Upcoming Events



THE FINAL – 2019 Wyndham Youth Public Speaking Competition 5th June 7pm







A community project proudly sponsored by Rotary Club of Hoppers Crossing

&

the Apex Club of Hoppers Crossing hosted by Thomas Carr College

supported by Rotary Club of Caroline Springs and Rostrum Victoria

COME AND SUPPORT OUR BEST STUDENT PUBLIC SPEAKERS IN THE WESTERN REGION

at

THOMAS CARR COLLEGE
Fr MORAN PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE ON WEDNESDAY
5TH JUNE 2019 7PM START
FREE ADMISSION



Days for Girls Keilor Gateway Cluster

Movie Fundraiser

When. Mon 13 May 2019

Where: Sun Theatre 8 Ballarat St Yarraville

Time: 6.15pm SEP Meet in Foyer

Cost: \$24.00 (including a lolly bag)

Please book early at:

https://www.trybooking.com/496985

Please print and bring your ticket on the night

Seating is limited, and tickets will be allocated in order of receipt of booking/payment & are <u>non</u> <u>refundable</u>.

Any questions pls Contact:
Janice Young ::
0414 782557
jdyoung@netspace.net.au



Top End Wedding

In the remote Northern Territory, things are done a little differently from what its young townies from Adelaide are used to. A charming and funny cross-cultural romantic comedy which deals with love, family and second chances.

Director: Wayne Blair Stars: Miranda Tapsell, Gwilym Lee, Kerry Fox, Huw Higg

Money raised will enable us to continue to make reusable feminine hygiene kits for girls in Balibo, Timor Leste. Girls in such countries can lack access to products for their sanitary needs, putting themselves at risk of infections and exploitation. As a consequence they can miss up to two months of school each year, lowering their education standards and chances of earning income and independence. Once employed it further impacts their ability to consistently attend work. DFG helps by alleviating these problems around the world.

Come along and test your knowledge and support a great organisation 'Giving Small Lives Big Hope'
CHILDREN FIRST FOUNDATION

TRIVIA NIGHT

Friday May 3, 2019 | 7:00PM Strathmore Bowls Club, 40 Loeman st Strathmore, 3041

Tickets \$30 pp, tables of eight

Make new friends and join a table of strangers or
gather the gang and book a whole table.

https://www.trybooking.com/BBQML

All proceeds go to:



BYO food to share with the table, drinks at bar prices, dessert items available for purchase. Please NO BYO Drinks.

Including raffles, silent auctions and other fun activities

Helping build the dream since the beginning...



Hosted by: Rotary Moonee Valley NRG

Sponsored by: Rotary Keilor East

For more information contact Elizabeth at ed<u>ymock@ahavets.com.au or Jenny Foster on 041</u>0 595 847

What's Next?

Date	Event
Monday 22nd April	No Meeting - Easter Monday Public Holiday
Monday 29th April	Exercise Physiology - Jacqui Pengelly (Luigi)
Wednesday 1st May	Days for Girls Sew In at Baptist Church Hall Essendon 1.30 - 4.30pm
Saturday 4th May	RoCan Gala Fashion Parade at Club Italia Sunshine - Gerard Mahoney
Monday 6th May	Possible Joint Meeting Gateway Rotaract and our Club
Monday 13th May	Footys 4 All - Michael Gallus
Monday 20th May	A new way to do Charitable Giving - Janet Hay
Sunday 26th May	Rotary District 9800 - District Assembly at Tabcorp Park Melton
Monday 27th May	Yedidya Ephrem - RYLA Candidate 2018
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Sunday 2nd June	Bunnings BBQ at Watergardens, Taylors Lakes

Our Club gratefully acknowledges the sponsorship we receive from the Keilor East Bendigo Community Bank and Smart Storage World to assist us in providing services to the Community.

Rotary Club of Keilor East meets on 6.30pm for 6.45pm at Keilor East RSL, Hoffmans Rd, West Essendon For Club Membership or Sponsorship information Contact: Past President, Joe Albioli (0438133123) http://www.keiloreastrotary.org Program Director 2018-2019 Joy Ryan









Rotary Thanksgivings

- *We give thanks for our daily food. May Rotary friends and Rotary ways, help us to serve all our days.
- * For good food, good fellowship, and the privilege to serve, we give thanks.

April and May Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

April 3: Lois Cameron April 4: Cathy Wright April 11: Carmen Puli April 15: Yewkong Lye April 24: Sonja Cornish May 4: Linda Lye

May 9: John Youings May 11: Barry Mullen

May 18: Ginny Billson and Betty Lancaster May 20: Barbara McKeon and Michael Donnelly

May 24: Maryanne Walsh

May 31: Brett Bedson and "Grandma" Win

Osborn (who will be 102).

Wedding Anniversaries

April 7: Gerard and Tricia Smith April 8: Ken and Jan Allan

May 4: David and Laraine Barnes
May 5: Lloyd and Betty Lancaster
May 8: Gerard and Lynn Mahoney
May 25: Bruce and Lois Cameron
May 26: Bob and Janet McMartin

Rotary Anniversaries

April 1: Ken Allan and John Cowl May 6: Jeselee Vytilingam 2002

May 8: Yew Kong Lye 2000 May 10: Ginny Billson 2004 May 19: Les Norton 1997

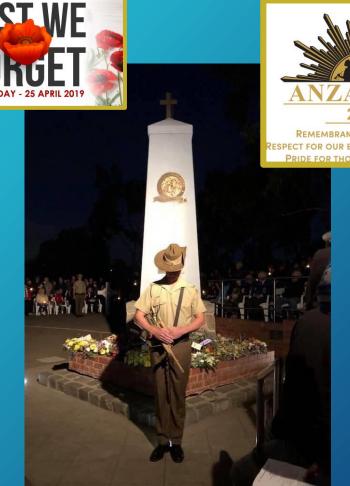






Member News -





There was a huge Easter egg hunt for the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal at the Riverside Golf Club. Essendon RC usually runs it but they have recently sold their BBQ so asked our assistance in supplying the sausage sizzle. We happily agreed and with some personnel from Essendon RC, cooked and served the donated snags and other items on a coolish but sunny day. Thanks to Helen, Michael, Alex and Ginny.

Keilor East Rotarian, Ben Carroll, MP for Niddrie posted this photo and message on Facebook.

Congratulations Keilor East RSL on another successful Anzac Day Dawn Service. Remembering the price that was paid for the freedom that we enjoy today. #LestWeForget