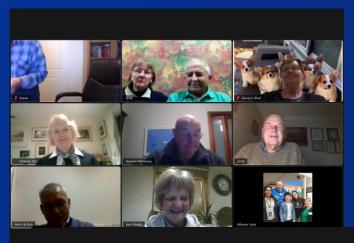




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### President's Report - President Michael Donnelly

August 24th, 2020



Members in Attendance Gerard Mahoney, Barbara Rafter, John Rafter, Deb Akers, Ginny Billson, Bruce Cameron, Steve Pennicott, Deb Sloggett, Helen Penna, Chris Rundell, Michael Donnelly, Phil O'Brien, Cherrie Osborn, Mark Tognon, Annie Webb, Yvonne Osborn, Athena Vass, Minh Nguyen, John Walsh, David Bennett. Apologies- Vanda Mullen.

President Michael welcomed everyone to our Zoom Meeting and was pleased to see the number of attendees. He thanked Mark Tognon for the work he has been doing arranging Guest Speakers for the next few months. Mark will now take a break from Rotary for a while. The Zoom Meeting was interrupted by some poor-quality sound so, at this point, Members made individual reports.

Gerard Mahoney - An email is being finalized to schools, announcing the Terms and Conditions and the Entry Form for the Bendigo Bank Writing Competition. We will be needing judges for the different age groups. Primary, Years 7 and 8, Years 9 and 10 and Years 11 and 12. Entries will close in Mid October and an Award Night will be held later in the year if possible.

Phil O'Brien - spoke of our connection with the Moonee Valley City Council and that he is happy to take on the role of Club Champion for Sustainability and the Environment. He also spoke about our commitment to helping dismantle and move playgrounds to Donations in Kind store for shipment to third world countries. Our contact is Peter Grimes from Flemington/Kensington Rotary. This will only go ahead if COVID restrictions allow. Volunteers were sought.

Annie and Ginny are holding a Guess the Rotarian from their Baby Photo Competition. If you would like to be a part of this, send your baby photo to billsons@bigpond.com.

Deb Akers - in her role as a solicitor in the Family Law area Deb spoke of the sad fact that much of her current work arises when parents are withholding children from seeing their other parent during Lockdown.

Deb Sloggett - has still been involved in COVID Testing and has been very busy.





A society grows great when old men plant trees whose shade they know they shall never sit in.

Greek Proverb

# Meeting Reports Continued August 24th, 2020



Special Projects - Gerard Mahoney - the Bendigo Bank Community Branch at East Keilor will again sponsor us. It is hoped that a Community Shuttle Bus will be sourced and operate in the Keilor East area in the future. It will provide good advertising opportunities and get Rotary's name out into the Community. The Youth Essay Competition is about to launch so stay tuned. If we choose to undertake an environmentally focused project, we may be able to access funds from Bendigo Bank Foundation.

Cherrie Osborn - thanked Athena Vass for all her work towards helping us support the education of young people during these challenging times.

Ginny Billson - attended an online Morning Tea with the District Governor. She reported that it was very well organized and had 5 speakers. The main theme was Optimism, but the areas of Diversity, Equity and Equality were emphasized. Research has shown that people who are optimistic live longer and survive treatments etc. She explained that the difference between Equity and Equality was explained by the shoe example - Equality - Everyone is given size 10 shoes, Equity - everyone gets shoes that fit them.

Gerard Mahoney - Will be asking via email for a response to approve us participating in an Art Show with Essendon Rotary as we have over the past several years.

President Michael - WERN - Western Emergency Relief Network is operating one day per week as its service is considered "essential". The City of Melton supports WERN and Michael is a delegate for the organization. He is busy in his role as Club President and Assistant Governor so would be happy to have another Club Member take over his role with WERN.

Athena Vass - Youth - RYPEN is unlikely to go ahead in October. RYLA will have an online replacement Camp which might run in four modules over six weeks (2 hours per week) from 8th February to 21st March.

It will cost approximately \$150. We should seek a quality candidate.

Annie Webb - Camp Getaway cancelled for 2020. Dates have been set for September 2021.

Michael Donnelly - thanked Members who had sent him their preferences for Committees. He also thanked Members in attendance for their forbearance with the technical difficulties experienced tonight. He appreciates the work done by Annie on Program and by Phil in Sustainability and the Environment. He thanked Treasurer Steve for his invoicing and those who contribute to the Newsletter. He lastly thanked Secretary Chris Rundell for the Zoom Breakout trial and to Phil O'Brien for demonstrating the use of screen sharing.

Next Meeting - September 7th Guest Speaker Michael Spiegel from State Trustees.

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#### A letter to Keilor East Rotary - Former Rotary Youth Exchange Student Danielle Gratz





Dear Michael,

Thank you for your email and confirming that our 'Offshore Online Learning' student at Glenroy College can participate in the Rotary Writing Competition. I will be pleased to pass along the competition details to this student and am hopeful that he will submit an entry.

Also, I wanted to pass on my thanks to Rotary. I was a High School Exchange Student through Brighton Rotary back in 1995. It is many years ago now, but the experience of living overseas for one year, attending a local high school, learning a new language and staying with Rotary families at a formative age (I was 18 at the time) was truly an amazing opportunity. Since my Rotary exchange, I returned with a second language (I went to Cologne, Germany) and several years later I met my husband in Melbourne - who is German.

I have since become a teacher and have done further studies to be qualified to teach 'English as an additional Language' (EAL). So my career path has stemmed from my experience on Rotary Exchange. I am now teaching students who arrive in a new country with no English. I understand and empathise the challenges of language acquisition while surviving in a new educational setting.

So, I guess I can say that my experience through Rotary as set me on this path to education and now working with students Offshore and learning a new language.

Anyway, I thought that I would share this story with you, as I am grateful for the programs, opportunities and services that Rotary provide in the community. Thank you for the work that you do.

Kindest regards, Danielle

#### DANIELLE GRATZ

**EAL DOMAIN LEADER** 

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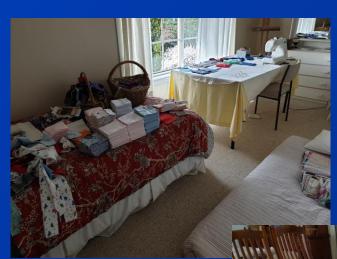
# What have we been doing during Lockdown 2.0?

Hi Everyone,

I've sent a couple of photos of what I've been up to.

Cheers,

Cherrie Osborn









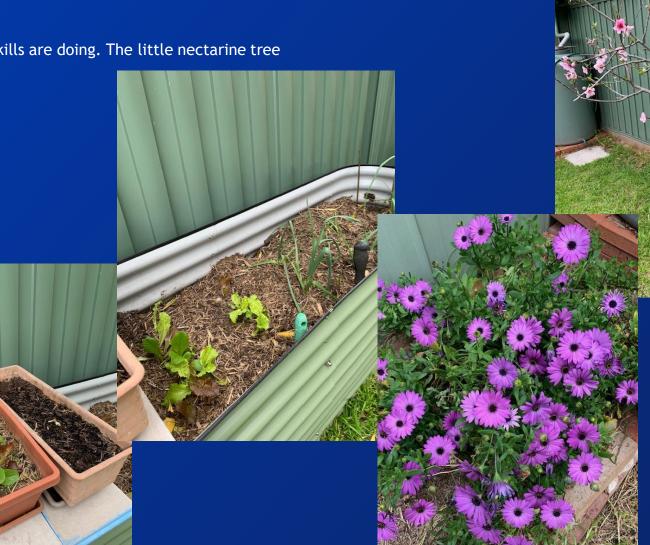
# What have we been doing during Lockdown 2.0?

A Message from Ginny Billson -

A small collection of what my amateur gardener skills are doing. The little nectarine tree

thinks it is nearly spring.





Well Done Ginny. The pollinators love your garden.

### Lockdown 2.0 Activities

A message from Annie Webb - Using the 6x6 inch squares.





Trying to get fit...been dancing around to some Golden Oldies!





Thanks John...with your help we will have enough quilting squares to use for quite awhile!

So back to Geelong for Child Care...for those with no imagination...Abigail is a Rabbit & I'm a Unicorn!

Spot the Rotarian - Name that Baby

Ian Wright

Ginny Billson and Annie Webb are organizing a "Spot the Rotarian" Competition.

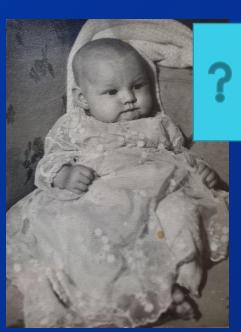
So far, Marianne Potgieter has found Ian Wright and the Rafters have identified Annie Webb.

Email your guess to billsons@bigpond .com

Annie Webb







You are welcome to join us via Zoom on Monday 24th August at 6.45pm. Meeting ID: 514 079-0305 Password: KERC2020

Now would be a great time to look for these and put them aside for the end of Lockdown

### PLEASE DONATE YOUR UNWANTED FOREIGN COINS AND NOTES





THEY HELP SUPPORT **ROTARY PROJECTS** 

Contact Barbara Rafter Rotary Club of Keilor East

# What's Next?

Club Meetings at Keilor East RSL are suspended for the future (at least, until restrictions on gatherings are lifted).

ZOOM Meetings are held fortnightly.

The next Meeting will be held at 6.45pm on Monday 24th August.

1	Date	Day	Speaker / Event Title	Speaker (if applicable)	Organiser
2	31-Aug-20	Mon	NO MEETING		
				Michael Spiegel (Exect GM) (E 17/8)	
4	7-Sep-20	Mon	State Trustees Limited (STL) BOARD MEETING	Sarah Caldare (Exect Assistant)(E 27/8)	Chris/ Mark
5	14-Sep-20	Mon	NO MEETING		
				Dr. Stephen Carbon (Exect Director /	
6	21-Sep-20	Mon	Mental Health "Prevention United"	"Prevention United" (E 23/7)	Michael / Mark
7	28-Sep-20	Mon	NO MEETING		
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9	5-Oct-20	Mon	Malaria & Covid 19 Vaccine Research BOARD MEETING	Bill Oakley (R/C Sandy Bay) (E 28/7)	
10	7-Oct-20	Wed	Gateway Cluster Clubs / DG - 7-8.00pm	(Email 18/8)	Michael
11	12-Oct-20	Mon	NO MEETING		
				Rowan Mc Clean / Club Service	
12	19-Oct-20	Mon	Vietnam / "Farming & Children's Education"	(E 23/7 & 14/8 &15/8)	Mark /Annie
	26-Oct-20	Mon			
19					
15	1-Nov-20	Sun	Bunnings BBQ / Taylor Lakes Dependant on C19 Rules	(E31/8/20)	Barbara Rafter
16	2-Nov-20	Mond	Meeting / TBC BOARD MEETING	(email 14/8)	Michael
17	3-Nov-20	Tues	MELBOURNE CUP		

Meeting ID: 514 079 0305-

Password: KERC2020

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.

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#### **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.

## September Birthdays and Anniversaries

#### **Birthdays**

September 4: Ken Allan

September 7: Khaled Ebrahim

September 13: Deborah Akers

September 17: Annie Webb

September 18: Pamela Vandenham

September 21: Bruce Cameron

September 21: Colin Akers

September 22: Helen Penna, Laraine Barnes

and Kim Nguyen

September 23: Greg Osborn September 25: Terry Badenhope

September 26: Janet McMartin

#### **Wedding Anniversaries**

September 4: Khaled & Emma Ebrahim September 7: John & Marjorie Youings September 9: Paul & Alison Perrottet September 21: Raj & Jeselee Vytilingam

#### **Rotary Anniversaries**

September 3: Gerard Mahoney 2012 September 5: Mark Tognon 2016 September 7: Tina Ballos 2015 September 19: Joel Hewish 2016 September 30: Phil O'Brien 2002

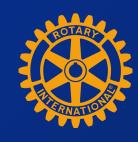






### 2020-2021 KERC Board Officers and their Portfolios





#### 2020-2021 KERC Board OFFICERS and their PORTFOLIOS

PRESIDENT
Michael Donnelly
Presiding at Club meeting.
Presiding at Board meeting
Liaison with Program coordinator and assistant
Liaison with Cluster and District

PAST PRESIDENT
Mark Tognon
Preside in absence of President
Assisting with Program

PRESIDENT ELECT
Yvonne Osborn
'Internal Services' Liaison: Venue liaison for meeting, forum, Speaker, Sergeant, On to Conference, Care Bear, Membership, Child Protection
Communications
Preside in absence of President

SECRETARY Chris Rundell As per Constitution

TREASURER
Steve Pennicott
As per Constitution

### Board directors and their 'PORTFOLIOS'

INTERNATIONAL
Cherrie Osborn
Overseas Projects: initiation & management.
DIK
Overseas Disaster Relief
Rotary Foundation
Events & Fundraising (as appropriate)

LOCAL COMMUNITY
Gerard Mahoney
Local Projects: initiation & management
WERN
Australian Disaster Relief.
Local sponsorship and partnerships
Events & Fundraising (as appropriate)

YOUTH
Athena Vass
Youth Exchange
RYPEN, RYLA, MUNA & NYSF
Schools Liaison
Interact Club

'CONNECTIONS'

Joe Albioli

Social events: fellowship gatherings, weekends away, vocational visits,

Public functions: Awards nights e.g. Pride of Workmanship, Changeover, Club Birthday,

**Christmas Party** 

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OTHER ROLES: 'CLUB CHAMPIONS'

Membership: Vanda Mullen Foundation: Debra Sloggett

Vocational Service 'revitalisation': Paul Perrottet

Care Bear: Marianne Potgieter

Program: Lou Gionfriddo, assisted by Annie Webb

On to Conference: Paul Perrottet
Sourcing & Assisting Grants: David Bennett
Local Government Area 'connection': David Bennett
Sergeant & Child Protection: John Walsh

Environmental Sustainability: TBA Club Vision Implementation: TBA

## Member News -

### Spring has Sprung



Congratulations to John and Marjorie Youings upon the safe arrival of their 10th grandchild.



Happy Iso Birthday to Ken Allan



We all hope you had a fantastic Birthday, despite the Lockdown, Ken. Very best wishes from your Keilor East Rotary Family.

Cherrie sent us this photo of her garden. She titled it "Birds and Bees". Congratulations upon encouraging the pollinators Cherrie.

From Alex Youings and Ingrid Fernandes Facebook - 27th August 2020

Happy to announce the safe arrival of our little baby girl Mia. Born late last night. Both mother and daughter are well and spending recovery time together at the hospital.

We would love some of your photos and/or holiday shots for this page. Text to 0411773360 or email keiloreastrotary@gmail.com