

District Conference
2020
Bendigo 27-29 March
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Christmas Edition

Newsletter

of the Rotary Club of Keilor East Inc.



Rotary Club 21222 - Charter granted 10th August 1983
December 16th, 2019 - Volume 37 Number 19
Club Motto - "Fun and fellowship whilst helping others"
Club Website - www.keiloreastrotary.org

On Monday 16th December we held our Annual Family Christmas Party. Santa Claus visited and handed out gifts to the children. The Christmas food included a Roast and Plum Pudding. We continued our tradition of collecting toiletries, socks etc. for homeless people. They will be distributed by past President, Brett Bedson.

President's Report

Monday 16th December 2019

President Mark Tognon

Rotary Passport Club Charter

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Chartering of the Rotary Passport Club of Melbourne

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Mark Tognon President of the Rotary Club of Keilor East presented Jenny Foster with a plaque in recognition of their chartering as the mother club.

Charter President Maria Hicks was formally inducted by District Governor Grant Hocking before assisting with the induction of the 40 new members (some of whom could not attend due to overseas commitments). These new members are already working in or committed to projects in Cambodia, Nepal, Kenya, Uganda, Ghana, Timor Leste, Malawi and Vanuatu.



Jenny Foster was made speechless and brought to tears with the announcement of the 41st member: husband Charles who was a Rotary Exchange student to Africa during apartheid. He has resisted Rotary for many years but has now taken the plunge along with Jenny's son Nick. Jenny's father, a long time Rotarian was there to witness her efforts in establishing the Passport Club come to life.

The ladies from Essendon CWA provided a magnificent High Tea served on beautiful afternoon tea china and with tiered cake stands filled with home made delights. Many thanks to Jenny Nola and her team.



Above: Marina presented President Mark with a gift of toiletries for the homeless which will be overseen by Brett Bedson. It was Marina's last Rotary meeting.

Other Reports

Packing Medical Equipment at Donations in Kind (DIK) Store - Thursday 9th January 2020.

Passport Club members and Keilor East Rotarians helped sort and pack supplies to accompany a team of vets heading to areas which have suffered damage during recent bushfires.



L to R: Front - Karen Clark, Jenny Foster, Jane Odgers, Marianne Potgieter and Yvonne Osborn. Rear: Retired Vet, Charles Foster who sourced supplies and equipment to go to wildlife rescuers and teams of volunteer vets.



Thank you to our fantastic volunteers.



Parking Assistance at Milleara Mall Prior to Christmas. Photos by Annie Webb. The Centre's Management pay Keilor East Rotary for this valuable service.



Keilor East Rotary - Family Christmas Celebration - Monday 16th December 2019





Keilor East Rotary - Family Christmas Celebration (continued)

Marina



Keilor East Rotary - Family Christmas Celebration (continued)



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

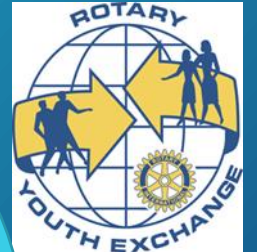


Hi Everyone,

Marina has been with us for almost a year. She will be departing January 13 @ 7am, so if any of you would like to see her off, you would need to be at the airport at 4am.....difficult time for most of us, so do not worry if you can't be there.

Flight details are as follows: QF 408 This flight goes to Sydney first-but it is an international 'connected flight', so we need to be at the airport 3 hours prior.

Regards
Athena Vass (Youth Director)



On Monday 23rd December Marina celebrated her 17th Birthday. Happy Birthday Marina. We hope you have enjoyed your year Down Under. Very best wishes for the future from all your friends at Keilor East Rotary.



Update: Marina has arrived in Brazil where she was met by her excited family. She will be spending the first week with her Grandmother in Rio before heading back to Nova Friburgo this weekend. She told us that she misses Australia already.

What's Next?

Date	Day	Speaker / Event Title	Speaker (if applicable)	Organiser
20-Jan-20	Mon	Club BBQ to go to Brimbank Bicycle Educational Centre 6pm	(Email 6/01)	Mark
23-Jan-20	Thurs	RPM (Passport) Connect Meeting Golden Fleece Hotel Sth Melb 6pm		Jenny Foster
27-Jan-20	Mon	Australia Day - No Meeting		
29-Jan-20	Wed	DFG Sew In / Baptist Church		Cherrie
1-Feb-20	Sat	Passport Meeting 10am (10:15 start) (DIK)	Jenny	Jenny
3-Feb-20	Mon	BOARD MEETING (after Club Meeting)		
3-Feb-20	Mon	Chair Yoga	Poppy (Email 5/01)	Mark
10-Feb-20	Mon	Holloway Aged Hostel -Lauren Heenan Assistant Manager		Ian / Mark
15-Feb-20	Sat	DIK Working Bee 10 - 3pm	Jenny	Jenny Foster
14-16 Feb 20	Fri-Sund	Fellowship Weekend - Kyneton Bushland Resort		Marianne
17-Feb-20	Mon	REACH - Cambodia (Note: Des O'Shannassy AG to attend)	John Ioannou (email 5/01/20)	Mark
23-Feb-20	Sund	RPM (Passport) Connect Meeting Golden Fleece Hotel Sth Melb 6pm		Jenny Foster
23-Feb-20	Sund	MVCC Food Fair TBC		Joe
24-Feb-20	Mon	RYPEN - TBC (or to be held in April?) ??? TBC Poppy / RYLA	(email 27/11/19)	Athina
26-Feb-20	Wed	DFG Sew In / Baptist Church		Cherrie
2-Mar-20	Mon	Buckley Park College Principal / TBC BOARD MEETING	Harold Cheung (email 7/01/20)	Mark T/ Athena
7-Mar-20	Sat	Passport Meeting 10am (10:15 start) (DIK)	Jenny	Jenny
9-Mar-20	Mon	No Meeting (Labour Day)		
15-Mar-20	Sunday	MVCC Family Fun Day / TBC		Joe
16-Mar-20	Mon	Community Youth Leadership Awards - TBC	(email 27/11)	Athina
21-Mar-20	Sat	DIK Working Bee 10 - 3pm	Jenny	Jenny Foster
22-Mar-20	Sunday	BBQ - Friends of Steele Creek at AJ Reserve		Phil O'Brien
23-Mar-20	Mon	Vocational Committee - Club Debate - 4 Way Test Relevant ? TBC	(email 3/9)	Mark T/ Michael
25-Mar-20	Wed	DFG Sew In / Baptist Church		Cherrie
27-29 Mar	Fri - Sund	<i>District Conference - Bendigo</i>		
29-Mar-20	Sunday	MVCC Neighbour Day Picnic / TBC		Joe
30-Mar-20	Mon	Aberfeldie Bowls Club Competition & BBQ	(email 14/12/19)	Gerard

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 2019-2020
Mark Tognon (assisted by
Annie Webb)



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.

Upcoming Events

PLEASE DONATE YOUR UNWANTED
FOREIGN COINS AND NOTES.

THEY HELP SUPPORT ROTARY
PROJECTS.

Contact Barbara Rafter, Rotary Club of Keilor East





ROTARY CLUB OF KEILOR EAST

YOU ARE INVITED
TO

GOOD TASTE

BAD TASTE

NIGHT

JANUARY 20 2020

To celebrate Keilor East's first meeting for 2020, we are having our first meeting offsite!

- Bring something to eat - BBQ is onsite!
- bring something to drink
- wear your worst outfit - prize for worst dressed!
- have a great night with fellow Rotarians
- Family, friends, kids welcome with their bikes (please bring bike & helmet!)

WHERE

Brimbank Bicycle Education Centre
Green Gully Reserve
7 Club House Pl
Keilor Downs VIC 3038

time: 6pm onwards



Rotary Passport Club of Melbourne
Golden Fleece Hotel
6pm till Late - 23rd of January

Chats, Chow and Cheer!!

Are you a Volunteer?
Keen to rack someones
brain about your ideas?
Bolster some support? Or
keen for a Parma?

More info?

Maria - 0400 001 315
Jenny - 0410 595 847
Victoria - 0402 575 041

Rotary
People of Action

December and January Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

December 6: Steve Pennicott
December 10: Alison Perrottet
December 11: Liz Albioli
December 15: Emma Ebrahim
December 21: Howe Tan
December 29: Patrick Honeyborne
December 31: Vanda Mullen
January 1: Cherrie Osborn
January 9: Tricia Smith
January 17: John Cowl
January 25: Chris Rundell
January 27: Lou Gionfriddo
January 31: Raj Vytilingam



Wedding Anniversaries

December 8: Ian and Cathy Wright
December 9: Deb and John Akers
December 19: Peter and Rachel Tomlinson
January 6: Phil and Trish O'Brien
January 10: Vanda and Barry Mullen
January 20: Yvonne and Greg Osborn



Rotary Anniversaries

December 1: Steve Pennicott 1991
December 1: Brett Bedson 1993
December 13: Annie Webb 2013



Member News -



Sumo demonstration was very interesting with many subtleties explained.

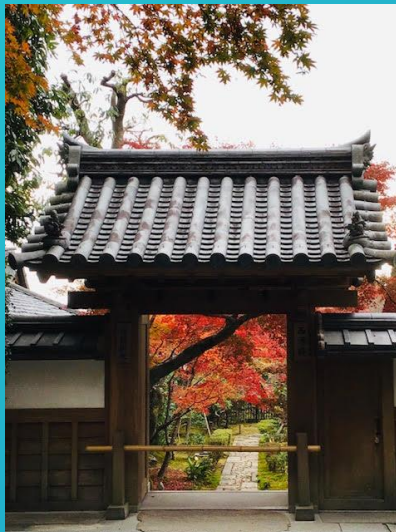


Yummy goods in the fish market.

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



Above: Me, my aunt Helen and a new friend Pam wearing kimonos and learning how they are donned. Really tight around the ribs....



Vanda and Barry Mullen
We wish you a very
Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary
January 10, 2020



Vanda Mullen

January 10 at 8:05 AM · 🧑🏻

Celebrating our Golden Wedding Anniversary today, 10th January 2020. 50 very special & wonderful years together; our journey continues.



You, Virginia Billson, Glenys Ann and 112 others

268 Comments

Ginny Billson has sent us some more great photos from her trip to Japan.
Above: Pagodas in autumn in Kyoto. Centre: Regular evening meal.