Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Keilor East Inc.



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On Monday 23rd July our Guest Speakers, Natasha Gomy and Sonja Hood, told of the success of Community Hubs in areas with refugees, social and economic disadvantage.

President's Report

President Ginny Billson

Monday 23rd July 2018





- We had a very educational talk last Monday from Wildlife Victoria and we were taught about how to help our native wildlife who live in and around our urban environment. We were given a certificate of appreciation which is on the front desk.
- The highlight of this report is the announcement that we would love to have the former Brimbank Central members undergo their induction on the day of our 35th birthday on the 13th of August. The opportunity to celebrate both events with cake is not one to be missed. Also on the day we will have Jane Watters educate us about what we can look forward to as sponsors of the St Albans Interact club. Education, celebration and cake that is what Rotary is all about.
- The Cluster meeting last Thursday evening was interesting and educated the cluster presidents on one another's activities for the coming year.
- My knitting project is slowly progressing and the delivery of the bags of wool last Tuesday from Joy was met with squeals of pleasure.
- VIP entries into your diaries. Our Moonee Valley Art Show will be held over the weekend of the 15th, 16th and 17th of March next year with bump in and bump out on the days either side. We all should think about who we could approach as sponsors for the event as having a pool of money as prizes can attract really good artists and art works.
- Gail Horkings has organised a Blue Illusion fashion evening this Thursday, the 26th of July and the clothing is just lovely. Gail will give more details.
- The Days for Girls working bee is this Wednesday. All genders, ages, various skill sets are welcome and can be put to good use. Cherrie and Marianne can give you any further details.

President's Report continued & Other Reports

- Alex and I are accompanying David Dippie to the launch of a Rotary program for the re-use of equipment such as walkers, frames, shower stools, walking sticks and the like to be distributed to people who cannot afford to purchase new and often expensive aids. This is a new cluster initiative to help the needy in our local community and if successful could be rolled out throughout District and beyond
- There is a hands on work party at DIK on Saturday the 25th of August to sort hospital items such as linen, clothing, surgical instruments and other bits and bobs. All are welcome to come for as long as you like and nurses past and present are particularly encouraged. Come along just for a look around if you cannot stay to assist to Shed 39 /400 Somerville Road West Footscray.
- Gateway Rotaract is having a changeover party at Ginger Annie's on Saturday 11th August. This is a bar/restaurant at 914 Mt Alexander Road neat the Essendon roundabout. A flyer will be attached to the newsletter. Should be a cosy night.

Other Reports from July 23rd Meeting

Barbara and John Rafter – Barbara presented President Ginny with a cheque which represented the proceeds of Foreign Coin Boxes which have been placed in Banks etc.

Back in 2002 Barbara was asked by the Rotary Club of Hornsby NSW if she could clear some boxes containing Foreign Coins and Notes from various Foreign Exchange Centres. (This is an Australia Wide Project)

Since that time Barbara and I have collect over 871.67 kilos of coins returning \$24,366.00 back through our Rotary club, from as far away as Mornington and Ballarat.

Being that we always do things together, I have always tagged along pretending to be her bodyguard.

At the height of the project we were collecting from 32 boxes as well as looking after two other Victorian collectors, one in Bendigo with 4 boxes and one in Glenferrie with 3 boxes. Last year the American Express Foreign Exchange outlets around Australia closed. And we lost 16 collection points.

Every 3 months we leave home at 7am and drive for a 9am start at Mornington, then collect from Frankston, Blackburn, Box Hill and Camberwell.

On another day we would be to Sunshine, Caroline Springs and Sunbury.

Then on another day we would collect from 3 Bendigo Banks in Ballarat

Then we would do Niddrie, Keilor East and Moonee ponds,

For accountability, Barbara weighs each collection per location and box no. and sends a copy to RC of Hornsby.

Being that our Brimbank Central Rotary Club has now ceased to exist, and last year's returns have only just been received. Our New Rotary Club Keilor East will now be the beneficiary of the money returned for last year and Barbara has 4 cheques to present to President Ginny.

They are for: - Interplast \$1,500.00, Disaster Aid \$1,500.00,

Rotarians against Malaria \$1,500.00 and ROMAC \$870.00

A total of \$5,370.00 that the Rotary Club can send to these agencies under your Club's name.

Close to the end of this Rotary year, Barbara will liaise with The President Ginny and International Director Cherrie to see which International agencies they might wish to support for this years collections.

If any members have any unwanted foreign coins at home, please bring them to Rotary, you might also ask you family and friends. John Rafter.



Other Reports continued -



We were pleased to welcome back our former Sergeant at Arms, Daryl Cornish(left) who is home from Abu Dhabi. Current Sergeant John Walsh had Daryl collecting the "Fines".



Marianne Potgieter - Birthdays for Jan Allan and Karl Ebrahim. Raj is resting in preparation for a bypass operation within the next few weeks. Lois Cameron is moving to Epworth Rehab in Brighton. Bruce Cameron will have a small operation on his leg at John Fawkner Hospital this week.

Joy Ryan - Next Monday 30th July - Dr Jaclyn Healy - The Art of Healing Museum. August 6th Water Filtration. Saturday August 11th Bunnings BBQ. Monday 13th August - Club Birthday and Inductions.

Youth - Vanda Mullen - 2 PEGS students have nominated for NYSF. We hope they are endorsed at the NYSF Selection Day which will be held in August.

Gail Horkings - Fashion Parade at Blue Illusion on Thursday night 26th July. Please ask friends as we need as many people as possible to make the evening a success.

International - Cherrie Osborn - Days for Girls Sew In Day will be held on Wednesday 25th July. There are plenty of tasks whether you can sew or not. Photos thanks go to Ginny Billson.









St Albans Secondary College Interact Club

A brief history on the beginning of the Interact Club of St Albans Secondary College by Rotary Club of Brimbank Central Interact Rep, Barbara Rafter.

Early in 2016 the St Albans Secondary College Principal, Kerry Dowsley, sent a request to the Rotary Club of Brimbank Central about the possibility of setting up an Interact Club at her school.

Information from Rotary International was obtained and supplied to the Assistant Principal, Ian Crocker. He asked for Expressions of Interest of students and in May 2016 a group of approximately 20 students began meeting.

The students continued to meet and the paperwork/forms required to Charter a local Interact Club was submitted to Rotary International by Barbara Rafter. This submission was approved by Rotary International in November 2016.

Discussions between Ian Crocker, Barbara and John Rafter with their Charter function arranged and held on 16 December 2016, with 24 Interact members.

In September 2017 their first Change Over function was held at the St Albans Secondary College. At this function D9800 Metropolitan Interact Rep Jane Watters presented Charter President Tony Micallef with a D9800 2016/17 Interact Citation

Of the 12 Victorian District 9800 Interact Clubs - St Albans Secondary College was 1 of 4 to be successful and receive their certificates.

I also had submitted an on-line Interact Citation submission to Rotary International, USA, which closed August 2017. My application was successful. With 21,790 Interact Clubs in 498 districts in 161 countries worldwide, Rotary International, USA, informed me that about 525 Interact Clubs had successful 2016/17 Presidential Citation applications - the Interact Club of St Albans Secondary College was the only Australian Club to achieve a 2016/17 Rotary International Presidential Citation signed by the, President of Rotary International.

Photos - Thanks to Barbara Rafter Left - New President May with new Sponsor Club President, Ginny

Centre - St Albans Secondary College Principal Kerry Dowsley and John Rafter.

Right - Attendees at Interact Changeover.





Interact Club of St Albans Secondary College (continued)

The second Change Over function of the Interact Club of St Albans Secondary College was held on 26 July 2018, and once again D9800 Metropolitan Interact Rep Jane Watters presented President Vanessa Duong with a D9800 2017/18 Interact Citation.

Again, I have submitted an on-line Interact Citation submission to Rotary International, USA, which closes August 2018. Hopefully this will be another successful Citation for the Club.

A few of the projects the Interact student have participated in over the past 2 years - many fundraising BBQ's and have supported many School programmes/projects, The Smith Family and Oxfam, and also combined with the Rotary Club of Brimbank Central to upgrade the gardens at SCOPE, a disability centre, at 432 Main Road West, St Albans.



Past Board Members with their Certificates of Service.



New President May and Past President Vanessa.



2018 - 2019 Board Members.





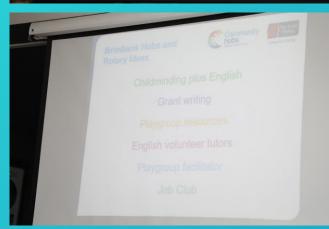


Guest Speakers - Refugee and Disadvantaged <u>Community Hubs</u> in the North West - Philip Archer- Monday 23rd July

<u>Community Hubs</u> serve as gateways that connect families with each other, with their school, and with existing services. Dozens of community hubs operate under the National Community Hubs Program - recognized as a leading model to engage and support migrant women with young children.

Community hubs leverage existing facilities in state and Catholic primary schools (two are based in community centres). Hubs welcome all migrants, including fathers, however women with young children are their primary client group.





District Governor Bronwyn Stephens introduced Sonja Hood who is the CEO of Community Hubs. Sonja explained that there are now community Hubs in four Australian states. They have been established in suburbs with lots of diversity and vulnerable residents e.g. Brimbank, Hume and Dandenong.

School Principals started playgroups in their schools. They offered engagement, pathways, English language and skills providing pathways to job training.

The main aim of Community Hubs is to minimize isolation. The Smith Family supports Community Hubs and funds are also set aside from their Learning for Life project.

Sonja introduced Natasha Gomy who spoke about the Community Hubs in the Brimbank City Council area. Besides Playgroups there are also Computer and Art and Craft classes, English Language, Cooking, Gardening and Child Care Certificate introductory classes.

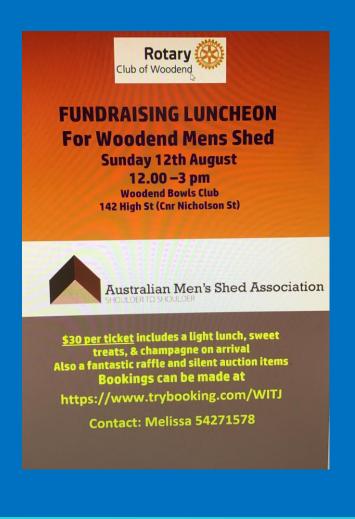
The Community Hubs offer bus tours to the Library, Leisure Centres, Melbourne CBD. Many of these people would not get these opportunities otherwise. Volunteers are needed. They should have Working with Children Checks and be enthusiastic about cultural diversity.







Upcoming Events





Gateway Rotaract Changeover

The Rotaract Clubs of Gateway and Melbourne City invite you to join us for OurSpace

When?: Saturday the 11th of August.

What time?: 6.30 for 7.00pm start - 11.00pm Where?: Ginger Annie Bar and Restaurant 914 Mt

Alexander Road Essendon 3040

OurSpace is Rotaract District 9800's annual changeover event celebrating the young inspiring adults making a difference in local and global communities. It is a celebration for the past, present and future activities of Gateway and Melbourne City. We will also be celebrating Rotaract's 50th year of doing good in the world!

Tickets are \$35 and MUST be purchased prior to attending the event. Ticket includes finger food and a complementary glass of beer, wine or champagne upon entry.

https://events.humanitix.com.au/ourspace2018

Dress code - Cocktail.

OurSpace welcomes everybody including friends, family, Rotarians and the wider community to enjoy a night of entertainment, celebration and delicious food. It is bound to be a fantastic event as always so get your ticket soon before you miss out!

What's Next?

Date	Event
Monday 30th July	Dr Jacqueline (Jacky) Healy - Curator of The Art of Healing - Melbourne University Medical History Museum
Monday 6th August	Water Filtration Project - Ted Dziadkiewicz
Saturday 11th August	Bunnings BBQ Taylors Lakes
Monday 13th August	Our Club's 35th Birthday Celebrations - A Partner's Night (with Birthday Cake) & Induction of new Members
Monday 20th August	Girl Talk: One Hundred Years of Australian Girls' Childhood - Dr Gwenda Beed Davey
Monday 27th August	TBA

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)

Program
Director 20182019 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.

July and August Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

July 12 Heather Honeyborne

July 16 Liz Gibbs

July 19 Joe Albioli & Stephanie Hewish

July 23 Jan Allan

July 24 Khaled Ebrahim

July 31 John Bergbauer

August 11 Trish O'Brien

August 20 David Barnes

August 22 Peter Tomlinson

Anniversaries

July 11 Patrick and Heather Honeyborne

July 13 Khaled and Emma Ebrahim

July 14 Joe and Liz Albioli

July 15 Daryl and Sonja Cornish

August 27 Arnold and Pam Vandenham





Rotary Anniversaries

July 9 Ben Carroll (Honorary Member) 2012

August 1 David Barnes 1991

August 1 Bruce Cameron 1984

August 1 Peter Tomlinson 1991

August 22 Vanda Mullen 2011

August 10 Lloyd Lancaster 1983

August 10 John Walsh 1983

August 10 Yvonne Osborn 2002



Member News



















We welcomed Jeselee Vytilingam's nephew Sharon Noel who is visiting from Sweden where he works for Volvo constructing transmissions.



Well after the pre-breakfast ride this morning to Col d' Aspin (left at 6, back by 8), had breakfast, then went on another ride to Col de Peyresourde and back. Then with prepared lunch in hand headed off to walk about 1km into the start of the Col d' Aspin climb and waited for, and saw, the pro riders go through. Then back to town to relax and watch the rest of the TDF stage on TV especially the Col Du Tourmalet climb which we rode yesterday.

