

# Newsletter

of the Rotary Club of Keilor East Inc.



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Club Motto - "Fun and fellowship whilst helping others"  
Club Website - [www.keiloreastrotary.org](http://www.keiloreastrotary.org)



Assistant Governor Des O'Shanassy's Visit.

# President's Report

President Ginny Billson



The last two weeks have been a bit of a blur with preparations for our changeover and attending several of our cluster change over events including Flemington, Essendon and West Footscray. All have been different and all part of each club's Rotary history.

I really enjoyed our "changeover/change across" last Monday. I always get a few butterflies before standing up in front of a crowd but knowing that KERC members are all so friendly it made it a special night. The "boy band" "The barking Dogs" warmed up the cool evening.

Mark's video on the Days for Girls activities was a lovely surprise addition to the agenda as was his confirmation that he will be our president elect for 2019-2020. Well done Mark and we are all here to help you with your presidential preparations.

The last sew in was very well attended including Mark who was taking candid camera shots all over the place. His video was highlighted at our changeover and gave an overview of what we do to construct the kits that can give so many girls the freedom to continue to pursue their life goals.

I gave a presentation to the Essendon Club last week about my journey so far with MS and how RAGMSA has assisted MS researchers at our local university centres of excellence at Melbourne and Monash. Sadly Jacob Taurins, past president of North Essendon, a member of RAGMSA and the son of the Director of RAGMSA, Martin Taurins passed away on Tuesday morning the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July. He was severely physically affected by his progressive MS but his mind was still very active and with the help of an assisted computer he composed and studied for a master's degree in music composition. Vale Jacob.

The Airport West Uniting Church where the coffee machine we assisted in funding is in need of wool and if anyone has any spare balls of 8ply wool, please bring them along and we can forward them to the ladies who meet each Tuesday. I will present the cheque from KERC for buying more wool on Tuesday.

Lloyd's talk last week was a hoot as he has been such a stalwart of the Keilor East Rotary Club. His history and contributions over many years need to be celebrated and introduced to the newer members of the club. We will re-cycle all the club members "behind the badge" over the next year so we can all enjoy getting to know and renew our stories.

## President's Report continued

President Ginny Billson with  
District Governor Elect  
Grant Hocking.



Minh will give an update on our inaugural Taylors Lakes BBQ at Bunnings. Alex and I spent a cheerful couple of hours slicing 20Kg of onions. A job many of you have done for past BBQ's. I am still learning about many of our behind the scenes activities that make things happen. Thanks to John and Barbara Rafter for your wise advice on the event.

Gail Horkings has organised a Blue Illusion fashion evening on the 26<sup>th</sup> of July and the clothing is just lovely. Gail will give more details.

### Other Reports

President Ginny welcomed members and guests including Lilian, Terry, Athena, Barbara and John from the former Brimbank Central RC. Chairperson for the evening was Jeselee Vytilingam.

Attendance - Lloyd Lancaster - 70%

Treasurer - Steve Pennicott - Annual Fees are \$300. This may be paid as a whole or in two installments of \$150. \$1231 has been received from the weekend Bunnings BBQ.

Care Bear - Marianne Potgieter - Lois Cameron has returned to hospital. We wish her all the very best. David Gibbs's condition is stable.

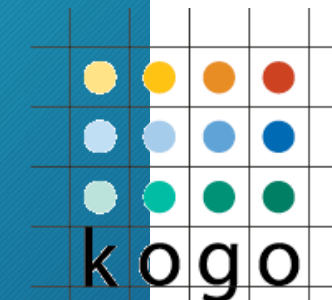
Community Service - Minh Nguyen - Minh thanked the 12 volunteers who worked so tirelessly on yesterday's busy Bunnings BBQ in 3 shifts between 8am and 4pm. We will have one BBQ per month until December 2018 as Bunnings operate on a calendar year roster. Through his work connections Minh has been able to help the EndTrachoma organization with transport of a container from Brisbane to Alice Springs. The cost quoted was \$5000.

Vocational - Mark Tognon - has a couple of locations in mind for Vocational visits. Please let him know of any others you would like.

Wearing his former Rotaract hat Mark informed us of the Gateway Rotaract Club's Changeover event which will conveniently held at Ginger Annie's in Essendon on Saturday 11th August.

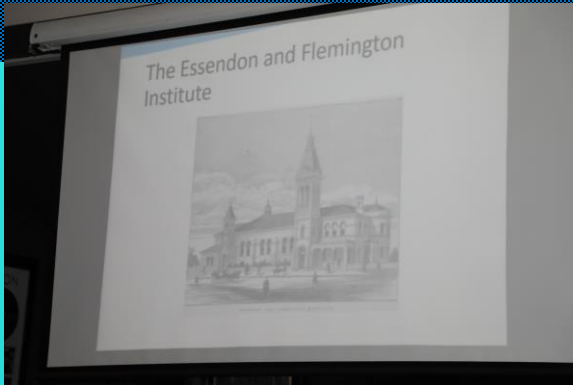
# Airport West Knitting Group

- Hi Ginny,  
Please pass on to your Rotary our sincere thanks for your generous donation to buy wool for our knitting groups. Your donation will enable us to purchase wool in bulk. We are finding the ladies are enjoying each other's company while they are busy knitting much needed items for [Knit One Give One](#). What a wonderful connection we have formed with you helping us to continue an outreach group for people who in turn are providing for the needs of others.
- We wish your Rotary continuing success in your dedicated work.
- Carol Coon.
- Airport West Uniting Church.



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## Guest Speaker - Celia Rice - [Moonee Valley Libraries](#) - Monday 9th June



This year the Essendon Library celebrates 50 years of operation. It initially consisted of the Flemington and Essendon branches but now has many others including the Keilor Branch ( in Niddrie) and Avondale Heights. The Essendon Library is now called the Sam Merrifield Library. The Libraries have 58,000 members.

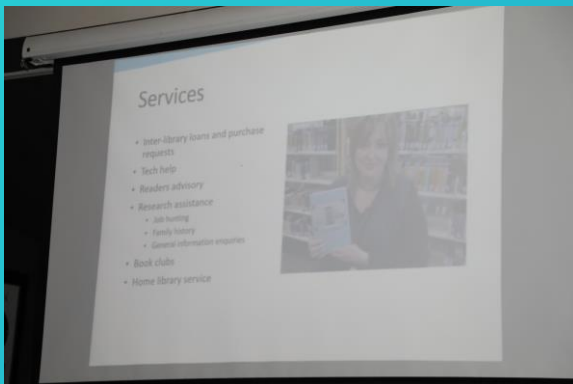
In this technological age many other forms of media are offered as well as traditional printed books. Free computer access is available to all residents as well as free wi-fi access within the Library buildings.

Programs which can be quite expensive to access personally such as [Ancestry](#), [Studiosity](#) and other online courses such as [Lynda](#) are freely available.

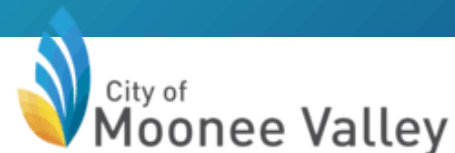
Programs such as [Early Literacy Support](#) are offered to children and their families. Books are given to each new baby in the municipality. Families are encouraged to participate in the [1000 Books Program](#).

The Libraries are community buildings for the benefit of all residents. There are special school holiday programs, Family History and craft groups. Meeting rooms are available for use by community groups.

Special occasions are celebrated e.g. Book Week, Biggest Morning Tea, Melbourne Food and Wine Festival, Melbourne Fringe Festival, Melbourne Writers Group. There are Author Talks, IT Classes, English Language and Conversation Classes, Memoir Writing. All upcoming activities are in the What's On brochures or on the website.



Moonee Valley Libraries



# Upcoming Events

## Blue Illusion Fashion Event - Thursday 26th July 2018

Fashion Parade at Blue Illusion, Puckle St Moonee Ponds @7.30pm. We will receive 15% on any sales ( usually 7.5%).




**Registration**  
Open July 1st 2018  
EarlyBird closes November 30th 2018


**Provisional Program**  
Friday February 15th  
Evening Club Dinners  
Daytime Various tours of Melbourne as well as golf and other activities

Saturday February 16th 9:30 - 4:30  
Evening Gala Dinner  
Sunday February 17th Conference closes 1:30 PM


**Provisional Registration Costs**  
First Time Conference attendees \$125  
EarlyBird Conference attendees \$175  
Normal (after Nov 30) \$225  
(note: Gala Dinner is at a separate cost)

**Further Information**  
2019ndvicrotaryconference@gmail.com

**Rotary**  **VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION**

 **INSPIRE**

**Rotary**  **2019 Victorian Multi-District Conference**  
15-17 February 2019  
Melbourne Convention Centre

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[www.rotaryconference.org.au](http://www.rotaryconference.org.au)

## 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 16th July	Elodie Camprasse -Wildlife Victoria
Monday 23rd July	Refugee and Disadvantaged Community Hubs in the North West - Philip Archer
Thursday 26th July	Fashion Parade at Blue Illusion, Puckle St Moonee Ponds @7.30pm. We will receive 15% on any sales ( usually 7.5%)
Monday 6th August	TBA
Monday 13th August	Our Club's 35th Birthday Celebrations - A Partner's Night (with Birthday Cake)
Monday 20th 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)  
<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.

# July 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



## 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



## Rotary Anniversaries



July 9 Ben Carroll (Honorary Member) 2012





# Member News

Left: Assistant Governor Des O'Shanassy presented Ian Wright with a Paul Harris Fellow. Congratulations Ian!

Centre: Phil O'Brien and Gerard Mahoney caught up after Phil's recent caravan holiday.

Right: Athena Vass caught up with Celia Rice after teaching together at a Werribee school years ago.