



# KEILOR EAST ROTARY NEWSLETTER

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Sylvie Paladino performed at the fantastic RICON hosting event at The Clocktower Centre Moonee Ponds

## President's Report

by President Deb Sloggett

Rotary and volunteering go hand in hand. Rotarians understand what it means to give up their own time to be of service to others. Being cheerful and friendly while doing so does not go unnoticed. Feedback from visitors to Melbourne's international Convention highlighted how friendly the volunteers were and how helpful Melburnians were. This was nice to hear as a lot of hard work and energy went into the preparation and running of the convention. Our small part was assisting with hosting an event on the Monday night at the Clocktower with Sylvie Paladino as our feature performer. Thank you to the volunteers from Rotary Keilor East who gave up their time to spend with the visitors and make the night a success. Our volunteers were, Paul P, Helen P, Yvonne W, Yvonne O, David D and Debra S. They joined with volunteers from the other participating Rotary clubs, Essendon, Footscray and the organising club Flemington/Kensington.

It seems only yesterday the convention was in town, but now it is over, and we look forward to Singapore next year. A new RI President has been inducted and this month is all about changeovers. A year of being President is almost over and a new year with a new President is about to start. Clubs get to celebrate what they have achieved during the year and start planning for what is to come. Keilor East is no exception.

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It is a time for me to reflect on what worked well, engagement of members, what could have been improved on and what I learned. I am of an opinion if you think everything is perfect already then there is nothing to look forward to, no challenge to engage in and nothing to get excited in. Keilor East is not perfect but I and I hope others want to belong to this great club because we have drive to achieve, to help and build a better future for others.

Last Monday's meeting was all about building the future, investing in projects and members. This Sunday a few of us led by John and Barbara Rafter packed birthing kits. These kits are headed for the Philippines. This is a great project; I haven't seen one in use, but I know the difference just one small kit can make. It seems hard to imagine that there are women in our world who don't have access to clean and safe birthing facilities and a trained birthing attendant. This kit supports maintaining cleanliness at the birth aiming to reduce infection risk and promote a safer birth. A great way for me to end my year as President,

Deb (can't take the Midwife out of my life 😊)

### Birthing Kit Assembly 11/6/2023

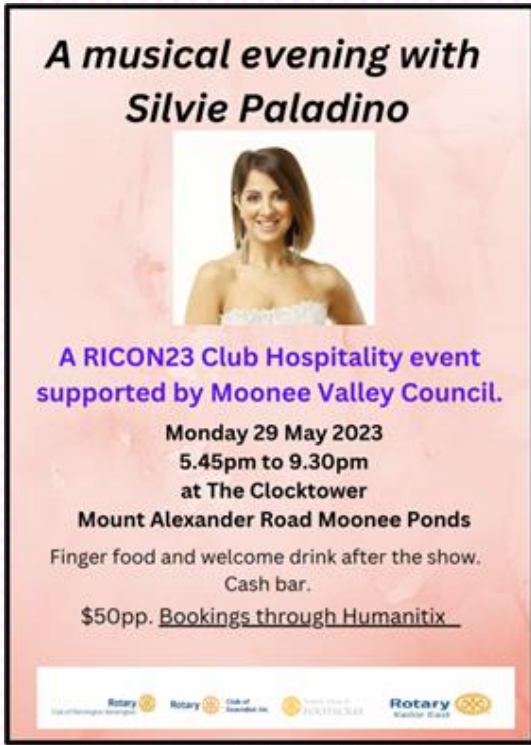


Above: RCKE 's International Team met at Keilor Retirement Village to pack the Birthing Kits. Our thanks go to the wonderful volunteers.

A Message from President Deb: The 3 photos are of birthing kit day. Volunteers are me, Helen, Yvonne W, David D, Barbara and John and Tamara from the Retirement village. Over 200 kits were prepared in just one hour by this small but super organised team;



# An Evening with Sylvie Paladino - Clocktower Centre - Mon 29th May 2023



Above L to R: Sunil Perera from Essendon Rotary and our President Elect, David Dippie. Below L to R: Phil and Trish O'Brien and Regina Davern from Essendon Rotary.



Above and below: Yvonne Watson greeted the early arrivals.



L to R: Joe Albioli, Marianne Potgieter, Alison Perrottet and Liz Albioli.



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Above: Yvonne and Bob Farqharson. Yvonne was our Guest Speaker on Filter your Future - Kidney Health. Below: Lesley McCarthy and Edith Chaney from New Zealand.



Our resident expert Melbourne Guide Paul Perrottet led the three busloads of International and Interstate Rotarians who were our guests at the Clocktower Centre.



We were treated to an outstanding concert featuring Sylvie Paladino, her accompanists and the Australian Women's Choir led by Wendy Stapleton.





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Jane Odgers (centre) was another of our excellent Melbourne guides on the buses which came from the Convention Centre.



The performance quality was outstanding and much appreciated by the audience, both local and international.



Above L to R: Essendon Rotary President Vera, Flemington/Kensington President Shradha Sharma, Deb Sloggett and Sandy from Flemington/Kensington.  
Below: Shradha with Paul and Alison Perrottet.



Bob Crouch from Texas USA and his wife were just some of the many International Rotarians who enjoyed the evening.



# Rotary International Convention RICON – Melbourne - May 2023

On Monday 29th, Tuesday 30th and Wednesday 31st May The House of Friendship at the Melbourne Exhibition Centre received many visitors as everyone was welcome for free. KERC member Minh Nguyen hosted the ROMAC booth.

I attended a breakout session on Virtual Vocational Exchange which is like the former Group Study Exchange and is relatively easy to organize, matching participants with those from a Rotary District in another country.



Above: Minh Nguyen with other members of the ROMAC Team. Cherrie Osborn is the incoming chair of ROMAC for District 9800 and Mihn will lead ROMAC in Zone 8. Congratulations to them upon their new roles.



Above Left: Martin and Diana Taurins were raising awareness about MS. Above Right: Rotaractors and Rotarians from Hong Kong were enthusiastic about forming vocational partnerships with Australian Rotary Clubs.



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Our Michael Donnelly is a member of this [RVFR](#) group.



Booths are set up at Conventions to highlight Rotary Projects and Rotary Fellowships such as [RVFR \(Recreational Vehicle Fellowship of Rotarians\)](#) for Rotarians with recreational vehicles.

Left: Lift the Lid on Mental Illness is one cause we try to support by holding an annual Hat Night.



The Global Rotaractor Scholarship Program above could use a lot of support. It aims to support 50 Rotaractors from Cambodia with scholarships by sponsoring their education.

## UPCOMING EVENTS



Let's book our [tickets](#) early for this year's Club President Changeover. We would like to have as many KERC members, partners and friends as possible celebrate "The Year that was".

**Rotary**  
Keilor East



INVITES YOU TO OUR

*President Change Over*

**CELEBRATING THE 2022-2023 ROTARY  
YEAR WITH PRESIDENT DEB SLOGGETT**



**INTRODUCING PRESIDENT DAVID DIPPIE FOR  
THE 2023-2024 ROTARY YEAR**

MONDAY 26TH JUNE

6.30 FOR 7.00PM

KEILOR EAST RSL

HOFFMANS ROAD ESSENDON

Cost: \$45 per person. Drinks at Bar prices.  
Bookings and any special dietary  
requirements <https://www.trybooking.com/CIKZO>  
by Sunday 18 June. Enquiries – Yvonne 0411773360.





## UPCOMING EVENTS

Click on the poster to go to the  
Trybooking page for tickets



The poster features a vibrant rainbow background. On the left is the 'IMAGINE ROTARY' logo with a purple gear icon. On the right is the 'CREATE HOPE in the WORLD' logo with a colorful swirl icon. The central text reads 'Rotary District 9800 Changeover' in large blue font, with the Rotary International gear logo above it. Below this, the date 'Saturday 24th June 2023' is displayed. The venue 'Hyatt Place Convention Centre, Essendon Fields' and time '12:00pm for 12:30pm - 3:30pm' are listed at the bottom. Two portraits are included: DG Amanda Wendt on the left and DGE Ron Payne on the right.

**Rotary**  
District 9800  
**Changeover**

**Saturday 24th June 2023**

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Essendon Fields**

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IMAGINE ROTARY

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Rotary Keilor East will celebrate 40 Years in August 2023. The actual date is August 10th but, since that is a weekday, we will be celebrating the Birthday on **Sunday 13th August** at Riverside Golf Club in Ascot Vale.

Stay tuned for more details TBA.

Our “40th Birthday”, “40th Anniversary”, “Cheers to 40 Years”, whatever we call it, let’s make it a memorable celebration of our great Rotary family over so many years.



# Camp Getaway Weekend Working Bee



Weekend of July 21st-23rd 2023 at  
Camp Getaway, Axedale, Victoria

Hosted by Rotary Keilor East

- Friday Afternoon - travel to Axedale, settle in to accommodation, Dinner at Axedale Tavern.
- Saturday - Work in gardens as needed, BBQ Lunch, more work then Dinner/ Social Evening at the Camp.
- Sunday - Work in the gardens as needed, Lunch, then travel home.

Enquiries and bookings Yvonne Osborn, Rotary Keilor East  
0411773360 or keiloreastroty@gmail.com



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Camp Getaway Weekend Working Bee July 21-23 2023

Hosted by Rotary Keilor East

Rotarians, family and friends  
are welcome



If you can't stay for the weekend but would like to come for the day, you'd be most welcome.

- Cabins with ensuite bathrooms and plenty of dormitory style accommodation available
- Beautiful bush/rural setting outside of Axedale township
- An opportunity to have fun as well as improve the Camp environment
- Enquiries and bookings Yvonne Osborn, Rotary Keilor East, 0411773360 or keiloreastroty@gmail.com

Our Next Keilor East Rotary Meeting is on Monday 19th June at Windy Hill. Dinner is from 6.00 and the Club meets in the Legends Room at 7.00.

On Monday 19th June our Guest Speaker will be from [Moonee Valley City Council](#) and will speak on Community Needs Analysis. This should assist us with our planning for the next Rotary year.

[Windy Hill Bistro](#) is the venue for our dinner, (order from the menu), before our 7.00pm Monday Rotary Meeting in the Legends Room on Level 2.

On the following Monday, 26th June, don't miss our fantastic [President Changeover](#).



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We welcome your suggestions for future Guest Speakers. Email [keiloreastroty@gmail.com](mailto:keiloreastroty@gmail.com)



Upcoming BBQs in 2023 @ Bunnings Taylor Lakes

Feb	Saturday	4
Mar	Sunday	5
Apr	Saturday	1
May	Sunday	7
June	Saturday	3
July	Sunday	2
Aug	Saturday	5
Sep	Sunday	10
Nov	Saturday	4
Dec	Sunday	3



# CALENDAR

Date	Day	Speaker/ Event	Contact
June 12	Monday	King's Birthday Public Holiday - No Meeting	
June 19	Monday	Guest Speaker on Community Needs Analysis from Moonee Valley City Council	David Bennett
June 24	Saturday	District 9800 Governor Changeover 12.00 for 12.30 until 3.30pm	
June 26	Monday	Club President Changeover at Keilor East RSL	Deb Sloggett David Dippie Ginny Billson
July 3	Monday	David Dippie's first Meeting as President	David Dippie
July 10	Monday	Dr Murray Verso speaking on the history of Polio	David Dippie
July 17	Monday	TBA	David Dippie
July 21-23	Friday - Sunday	Camp Getaway - Working Bee/ Social Weekend at Axedale	Yvonne Osborn
July 24	Monday	Speaker from Black Dog Institute on Men's Mental Health	David Dippie
July 31	Monday	TBA	David Dippie
August 7	Monday	Guest Speaker TBA	David Dippie
August 10	Thursday	Our Club's actual Birthday - Morning Tea TBA	Yvonne Osborn
August 13	Sunday	Rotary Keilor East 40th Birthday Celebration	Ginny Billson Yvonne Osborn

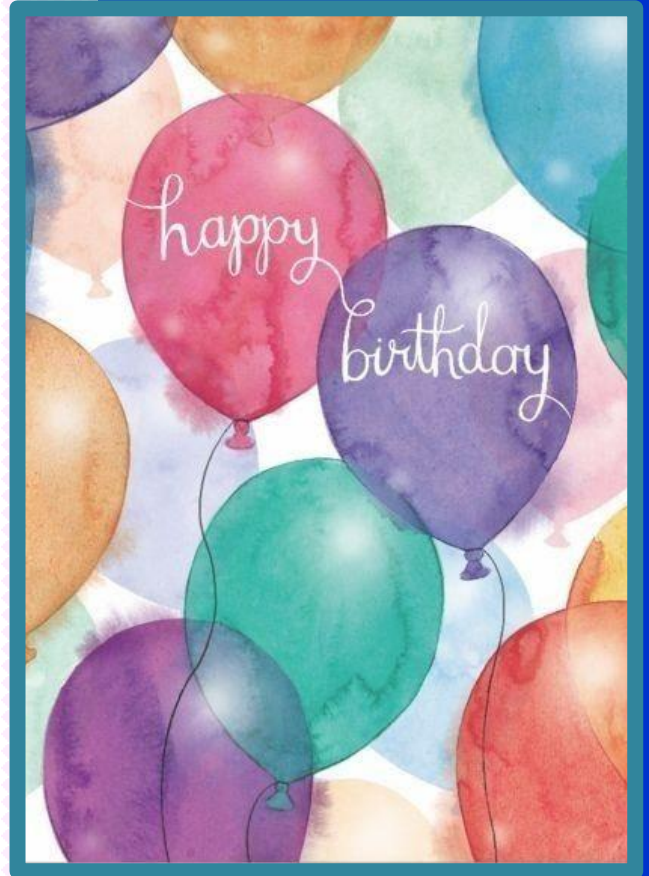
Our Program Director, David Bennett, assisted by President Elect David Dippie, will be coordinating a program of Guest Speakers and activities for the 2022-2023 Rotary Year.

Your ideas are welcome [keiloreastrotary@gmail.com](mailto:keiloreastrotary@gmail.com)

## Club Birthdays and Anniversaries

### Birthdays

June 1: Gerard Smith (Honorary Member)  
June 7: Alex Billson  
June 8: Helen Drayton  
June 13: Yvonne Osborn (70) and Gail Horkings  
June 17: Marjorie Youings and Athena Vass  
June 19: Rachel Tomlinson  
June 22: Minh Nguyen  
June 27: Tony Thomas and Jan Tucker  
June 29: Sam Dinatale  
June 30: John Walsh



### Wedding Anniversaries

No June Wedding Anniversaries

### Rotary Anniversaries

June 1: Arnold Vandenharn 1986  
June 1: Joe Albioli 1995  
June 3: Cherrie Osborn 2002  
June 23: Gerard Smith 2008





# Member News

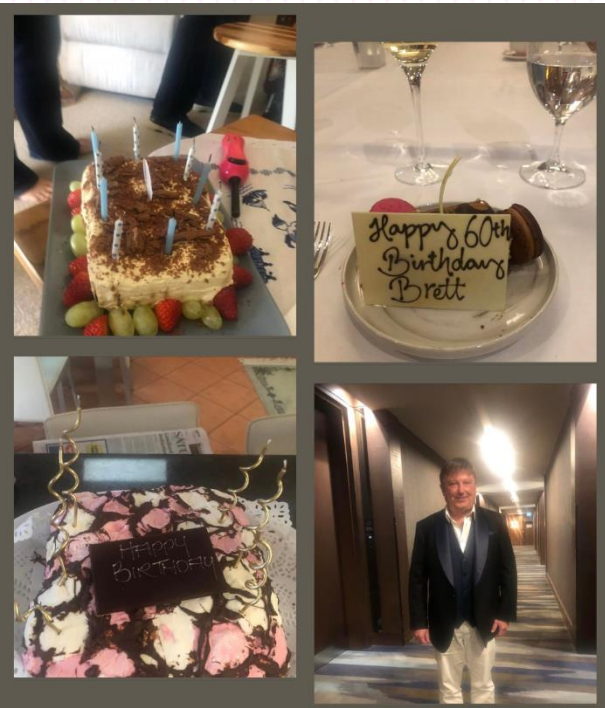


Above: Rachel and Peter Tomlinson helped Brett Bedson celebrate his 60th Birthday at the RACV Club.



Above: Brett Bedson also celebrated his Birthday with Grandma Win Osborn who was 106 on May 31st.

Right: Grandma Win was the centre of attention with her family and friends at a June 1st Birthday Lunch held at Cherrie's home.



Above: The Gionfriddo family enjoyed a delicious Mother's Day Lunch on Sunday 14th May.

A Facebook message from Brett Bedson - *Thank you to all of my fabulous friends who thought of me on my birthday. I felt very special. So many cakes! What a wonderful time I have had. Thank you all.*

It would be great to get more photos of our members and families for our next Newsletter. Send to my phone 0411773360 or email to keiloreastroty@gmail.com



# Member News

## In Loving Memory of Janice Allan



The members and families of Keilor East Rotary are saddened to hear of the death of Jan Allan on Sunday 11th June and offer their warmest condolences to her husband Ken, daughter Simone, son Rohan and their families.

Jan has been a wonderful supporter of KERC and the life of many social occasions, not to mention her ability to win our Rotary Raffles. She will be very sadly missed by us all.



Moama Weekends, President Changeovers, Christmas Parties, Hat Nights and Ladies Nights were all attended by Jan. She helped whenever possible and was a great supporter of Ken and of us all. RIP Jan.





## We thank our Generous Sponsors



Keilor East Community Bank has been an outstanding sponsor of our Club projects over many years. We are very appreciative of their generosity and support and urge Members, family and friends to use the bank which supports its local community. Tina Ballos who is a member of the Rotary Club of Keilor East, is the Branch Manager. Our Past President, Gerard Mahoney is Chairman of the Bank Board.

We are also very grateful to have the sponsorship of Smart Storage World in Keilor East for the storage of our Club trailer. We appreciate their support for us and urge Club Members and friends to make use of this local business.

For all your Home or Business Storage, including Boats, Caravans and Cars, call 0408 KEILOR or 0408 534 567. The business can be found on the Web at <http://smartstorageworld.com.au/>

