

Newsletter

of the Rotary Club of Keilor East Inc.

District Conference 2020
Bendigo 27-29 March
[Information Video Link](#)



Rotary Club 21222 - Charter granted 10th August 1983
October 21st 2019 - Volume 37 Number 12
Club Motto - "Fun and fellowship whilst helping others"
Club Website - www.keiloreastrotary.org



On Monday 21st October, we dressed up in school uniforms and reminisced about our school days. Top: Annie Webb. Left: Vanda Mullen in her current PEGS Yard Duty gear and Right: Lloyd Lancaster with his Sunday School photo. He is on the right in the front row.

President's Report

Monday 21st October 2019

President Mark Tognon



President Mark welcomed Assistant Governor Des O'Shanassy, Members and guests. He thanked everyone for entering the spirit of our Back To School Night. He explained that we would be having lessons conducted by Mrs. Mullen and Mrs. Vytilingam.

A Multi District Public Image Seminar will be held from 10am -2.30 pm on Saturday 9th November at Baden Powell College, Hoppers Crossing. Let Mark know if you would like to attend.

The Keilor East RSL is still looking for Poppy sellers for the Remembrance Day Poppy Appeal. Mark thanked those Members who have done so already.

On 28th October our International Committee will make a presentation about their projects.

On December 16th we will hold our Christmas Party here at the RSL.

A Message of Congratulations -

A big thank you to the many Keilor East Rotarians who supported the End Polio walk Around Albert Park Lake last Saturday.

You probably were the club with the biggest number of walkers - a mighty effort for a great cause!

Thank you also for promoting the dinner with Past RI President KR Ravindran on Wednesday 13th November. Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=543871&>

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at that event also.

Many Thanks & Cheers

PDG Murray Verso, District Foundation Committee Chair 2019 - 2020



Above: Our fabulous Keilor East Team.

Other Reports

Monday 21st October 2019



Attendance - Lloyd Lancaster - our year to date attendance is 71.8463% which is impressive.

Treasurer - Steve Pennicott- Steve is also looking for a replacement Treasurer. He has effective procedures in place and is willing to train a

Youth - Athena Vass - Athena reminded us about our Rotary Volunteer Declaration forms. Each needs three referees, only one of which can be a Rotarian. Please return ASAP. We have a candidate for RYLA. We will be interviewing her prior to the next Club Meeting.



Care Bear - Marianne Potgieter - We were so very sad to lose dear Jack Watson. Our warmest condolences go to Dawn and her family. We wish Tina Ballos a very Happy 50th Birthday.

Rotary Youth Exchange Student Marina Monnerat - is planning to hold a Brazilian Lunch on 8th December.

Annie Webb - Annie reported on the End Polio Walk around Albert Part Lake on Saturday October 19th. We had a great team. Well done everyone.

Gerard Mahoney - We will be running a Cup Sweep for the Melbourne Cup. The Moonee Valley Art Show committee meets this Thursday at 7pm.

Phil O'Brien - Playground dismantling - Saturday 26th October - Volunteers needed to shift playground pieces between containers. WE are also needed to cook a BBQ at MMVC's Multi Cultural Neighbourhood Fiesta from 3pm until 7pm on Friday 25th October.

Club Service - Joe Albioli - The Cystic Fibrosis Support BBQ went very well. It was very busy. Enormous thanks to those who helped.

On to Conference - Paul Perrottet - Please let Paul know if you are considering attending the 2020 District Conference in Bendigo. The Early Bird Registration ends on November 30th.

Our Club went Back to School - Monday 21st October

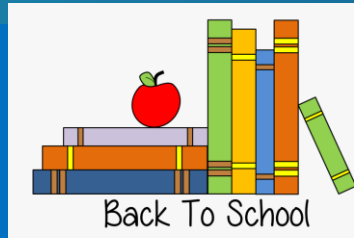


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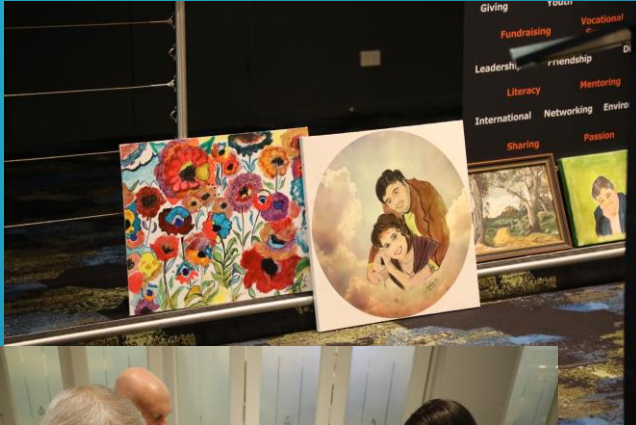


Above L to R: Lou Gionfriddo, Ken Allan, Chris Rundell and Deb Sloggett (with the new arrival). Below: St Bernard's Old Boy Gerard Mahoney, President Mark, Jeselee Vytilingam, Deb Sloggett and real teacher (at Taylors Lakes Primary School) Helen Penna.

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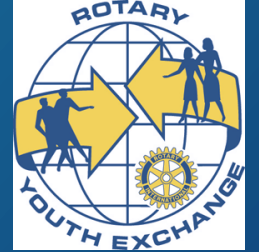


Above L to R: Jeselee's paintings, Annie Webb was a star pupil and John Youngs was Quality Control for Marjorie Youngs. Below L to R: Minh Nguyen starred at painting a tree, Joe Albioli at cartoons and our gorgeous Brazilians at colour exploration. Cherrie, David and Deb were skilled at paper weaving while Yvonne Osborn brought along some memorabilia from her old school, Girton CEGGS in Bendigo, and her School Reports and Bank Book from Muskerry East State School No. 2108.

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



Keilor East's Rotary Youth Exchange student Marina Monnerat is living at the home of Athena Vass and Wayne Parker where she will live until she returns to Brazil on January 13th, 2020.



Above: Marina and Rayssa tried their hand at Painting on our Back to School Night.



During the weekend Marina visited Oakleigh and ate Greek food with her Host Mum, Athena, and her fellow Brazilian Rotary Youth Exchange Student, Luana.



Highlights of the week have been going to the beach and gym with Rayssa, weekend outings with Athena and Luana and getting three more SACs out of the way at school.

Update on District Governor's Visit - Donation from our Club has helped the people of Vanuatu



On the evening of our District Governor Grant Hocking's visit Keilor East's Rotary donated to the Rotary Club of Woodend's Vanuatu School Project. We have been sent some photos of the progress so far.

UPDATE REPORT ON NEW DOUBLE CLASSROOM & OFFICE FOR MWAST CENTRE SCHOOL 2019



Photo 1: Excavation to strip footing.



Photo 2: Excavation to footing at rear end



Photo 3: Rear end excavation of footing complete.



Photo 4: Excavation to midsection of building.



Photo 5: Fixing of reinforcement bars for footing.



Photo 6: Mwast community labour worker at the construction site.

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Photo 5 : Full strip footing excavation completed.

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Help build a school in Vanuatu

The Woodend winter has many of us getting out the heavy coats and beanies, keeping a watchful eye on the electricity meters and dreaming of a bit of winter sun - maybe in a South Sea island paradise.

For the people of Mwast on the island of Espiritu Santo in Vanuatu, beating the winter chill is the least of their concerns. This small rural community, accessible only by four-wheel drive vehicle, has recently had a significant influx of people evacuated from the island of Ambae, after a catastrophic volcanic eruption. As a result of this relocation, the pressure on local resources has increased dramatically. Of particular concern is the impact on the local school. Designed for fewer than 100 pupils, the school has been stretched beyond capacity, with over 200 students now attending. Students now have less than one square metre of classroom space each.

Over the years, local Rotarians Allan and Shirley Cann have been regular visitors to Vanuatu, offering voluntary training support to local organisations. "We'd always been aware of the lack of resources and poor conditions many students in Vanuatu endure," said Allan. "This is particularly noticeable in the more rural areas, where students often sleep in the schools at the end of the day, due to the travel distances." Being people of action, Allan and Shirley decided to do something about it. Following meetings with the Ministry of Education and Training, it was agreed that Rotary would build additional school buildings in the village of Mwast.

The Rotary Club of Woodend, in partnership with the Rotary Club of Santo, Vanuatu, have developed plans to build a two-classroom school block with a small office. We are currently looking to raise funds for all construction costs. The local villagers from Mwast will build and maintain the school buildings, with oversight from the government architects. In the event that we overshoot the fundraising target, the project will be expanded to improve more amenities at the school site.

How you can help:

Fundraising for the project is underway and Rotary clubs across Victoria have been approached for financial and practical support; however, you can make a contribution too, by pledging financial or in-kind support. Over the next few months, we will need to have skilled people travelling to Vanuatu to assist with the building of the school. We also need support materials for the students.

There will be an information evening on the project at the Victoria Hotel on **18th July, 6.00-7.00pm**. Refreshments will be provided. We'd love to hear your ideas as to how the Woodend community can support the project. If you'd like to get involved, or want to know more, please come along. Your help in planning and fundraising will be very welcome.

For further information please contact Allan Cann, International Director, Rotary Club of Woodend on 0409 411 168 or ascann@bigpond.com.




Photo: current classrooms at Mwast school.



Upcoming Events

A Celebration of the Rotary Foundation

BOOK NOW



The Rotary Foundation

Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club
489 Glenferrie Road,
Kooyong Victoria 3144

6.30pm for 7.00pm
13th November 2019

2 COURSE DINNER
Drinks at bar prices
(one drink on arrival included)

TICKETS
\$60 per person

RSVP
5th November

BOOKINGS
<https://www.trybooking.com/BEYOD>

Wednesday 13th November 2019

"A CELEBRATION OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION"

The Soufflé Sisters
with guests
Errol's Angels Community Choir & Broken Creek



An Afternoon of Music

Sunday 17th November
1.30pm

Brunswick Uniting Church
212 -214 Sydney Road
Cnr Merri Street

Tickets \$10 available via TryBooking
<https://www.trybooking.com/BGCFA>
(kids under 12 free)
or \$15 (kids \$5) at the door

Afternoon tea is included

A donation from ticket sales will be made to Days for Girls Keilor East Gateway Cluster & The Olive Way
All enquiries to Paula Curlette 9384 0371


PLEASE DONATE YOUR UNWANTED FOREIGN COINS AND NOTES.

THEY HELP SUPPORT ROTARY PROJECTS.

Contact Barbara Rafter, Rotary Club of Keilor East



The Rotary Clubs of Australia Drought Appeal



About the Appeal

Farmers are in crisis. Record-high heat and record-low rain mean their livestock is starving. Their crops are dying. Many farmers and their families are suffering in silence.

The Rotary Clubs of Australia have partnered with Channel 9, Great Northern Brewing Co. and Bendigo Bank to raise funds and in-kind donations for the drought affected communities across Australia. The appeal is administered by Bendigo Bank's charitable arm, Community Enterprise Foundation™.

Where does the money go?

Money raised will be used to provide charitable relief in locally identified drought affected areas by supporting projects that assist in the relief, recovery and reconstruction for drought affected persons and communities across Australia.

Following a consultation process, Rotary along with representatives of drought affected communities will be conducting a localised consultation process to understand the needs and assistance required for those directly impacted by the drought. This will define how funds are best allocated in supporting families and communities.

Distributions of grants will be made to eligible ITEM 1 Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) Charities and Not-For-Profit Organisations.

How to Make Donations

1. Donations can be made on line via the following link: <https://www.bendigobank.com.au/rotarydrought>
2. In person by visiting any branch of the Bendigo Bank: <https://www.bendigobank.com.au/locate-us/>
3. Or by Cheque. Cheques to be made payable to "Community Enterprise Foundation" and posted to Community Enterprise Foundation, PO Box 480, Bendigo, VIC 3552

I'm a Corporate Organisation and I want to get involved

If your organisation wishes to support the appeal please head to www.bendigobank.com.au/rotarydrought and click on the "Ways your business can help" button. Upon completion of your email correspondence someone will be in contact with you directly to discuss.

I'm a Charitable Organisation and would like to apply for a grant

Following the community consultation process with drought affected communities, applications for funding will open in late November, 2019. Further updates will be provided as they are confirmed.

If you require further information regarding the Community Enterprise Foundation™ grant process please click on the following link: <https://cia.communityenterprisefoundation.com.au/Documents/FAQs.pdf>

Hi All

I have been asked by our District Foundation Chair Murray Verso to invite you and your members to attend the Rotary Foundation dinner with Past Rotary International President and Rotary Foundation Chair Elect, Ravi Ravinden on November 13

Ravi is one of the world's most popular and distinguished Rotarians. He is an outstanding speaker and has been invited by the Parramatta Office of Rotary International to address multi district events in Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne during Rotary Foundation month.


The Melbourne dinner will be held at the Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club on Wednesday 13th November. It is very moderately priced at only \$60 per person. Bookings via www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=543871&. See attachments for more details.


Representatives from each of the five Rotary Districts in Victoria will be attending. Club presidents are invited to promote it at your club meetings and through their club newsletters.

AG Des O'Shanassy

More Upcoming Events

Rotary






Multi District Public Image Seminar

A **free** seminar designed to provide interested Rotarians with the opportunity to learn skills to assist with raising the profile of their Club and thereby **increase membership**. This Seminar is designed to enable participants to produce a **Club Brochure** and Business Cards, and design a **press release** to send to their local newspaper. They will be confident to suggest better content on **web pages** and will confidently use **Social Media** to showcase fabulous projects and programs.


Date: Saturday November 9th
Venue: Derrimut Heath Campus
Baden Powell College
Sycamore Street, Hoppers Crossing
Time: 10 am to 2:30 pm

9:30	Participants arrive refreshments served
10 am	Keynote Speaker  Bernadette Schwerdt. "The Importance of the Rotary Story"
10:30-12:45	Workshops provided
	Using My Rotary Brand Centre Lesley McCarthy
	Writing a successful Press Release Alesha Capone
	The power of Social Media Amanda Wendt
	A Web Presence with a difference Mark Stephens
	Everyone Can Tell a Story Bernadette Schwerdt
12:45	Lunch
1:15 -2:30	Connecting with and keeping Members!

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This is a Do-Fest not a Talk-Fest



"People don't know what they want until you show it to them" Steve Jobs

Public Image and Membership Seminar

Want to improve your Web page, impact through Social Media, write a successful Press Release, confidently tell your Rotary Story and attract new members ... well, this day is for you!!



Venue: Baden Powell College Derrimut Heath Campus
Sycamore Street, Hoppers Crossing.

Date: Saturday the 9th November 10 am to 2:30 pm

Bookings essential Kerry Kornhauser E: kornhauser.k@gmail.com

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OAKS DAY GARDEN PARTY

Thursday 7 November
12.00 - 4.00 pm
997 Old Calder Hwy, Keilor

A day to frock up and wear your best hat. Food, drinks, entertainment, raffles, silent auctions, gifts to buy, a sweep, and lots of fun!


\$50
Tickets strictly limited.
To book:
<https://www.trybooking.com/BFHTB>


Funds raised will help Days for Girls Keilor Gateway Cluster continue to make and distribute female hygiene kits to all secondary school girls in Balibo, Timor Leste.

Credit cards and cash accepted for purchases on the day.

JANE
0403 924389

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0414 782557





The beautiful private Keilor garden referred to in the above Poster is our own Cherrie Osborn's. Click on the poster to reach our Trybooking page.

More Upcoming Events

Rotary's Longest African Dinner

Come and hear about Rotary projects throughout many nations in Africa, meet members of the Melbourne African community while experiencing the colours and flavours of Africa!

- African buffet dinner - various cuisines from across the African continent
- Showcase of educational, healthcare and community projects in Africa
- Community and cultural networking
- Drinks at bar prices

Guest Speaker: Billy Williams
Development & Public Diplomacy Consultant
Former High Commissioner to Ghana

On Friday 15 November 2019 at 6:00pm

LOCATION

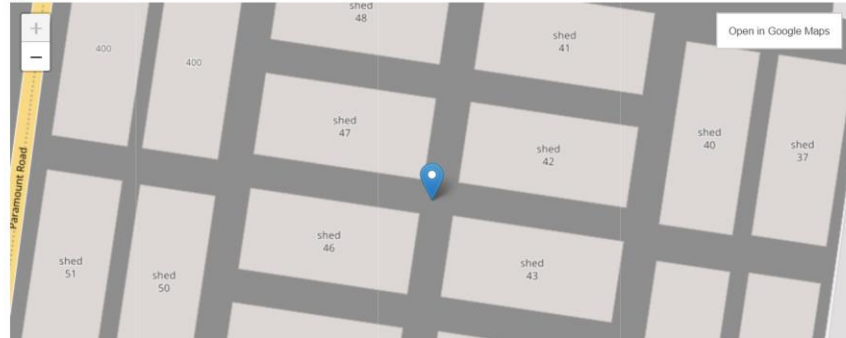
Donations in Kind
Shed 39, 400 Somerville Rd, West Footscray, VIC 3012

CONTACT DETAILS



CONTACT EVENT ORGANISER



MAP



Upcoming Dates

31 October Thursday 6.30pm	Rotary Connects Moonee Valley - Cross Keys Hotel (Upstairs)  Halloween - dress up required 
2 November Saturday 10am-11am 9am-3pm	Passport Club Meeting @ DIK West Footscray - Focus Guest Speaker TBA Plus Medical Working Bee at Donations In Kind (9am-3pm) BYO Lunch <i>Must wear covered shoes please</i>
7 November Thursday	DFG Oaks Day Event Invitation attached To book: https://www.trybooking.com/BFHTB
15 November Friday 5.30pm	DIK Rotary Longest African Dinner - DIK West Footscray Invitation attached Book now at https://www.trybooking.com/BFUOF
27 November Wednesday 1pm- 4.30pm	Days For Girls - Essendon Baptist Community Church, 138 Buckley St Essendon All welcome
6 December Friday	Rotary Connects Moonee Valley Xmas Wrap Up - Venue TBA
7 December Saturday 10am-11am	Passport Club Meeting @ DIK West Footscray Guest Speaker – Carolyn Walker, Days For Girls Victorian Co-Ordinator
29 January 20 Wednesday 1pm - 4.30pm	Days For Girls, Essendon Baptist Community Church, 138 Buckley St Essendon All welcome

What's Next?

Date	Event
Monday 28th October	International Committee/ Project Night
Wednesday 30th October	Days for Girls Sew In at Baptist Church Hall Buckley Street Essendon
Thursday 31st October	Vocational Visit - Mark Tognon
Saturday 2nd November	Passport Club Meeting and Working Bee at DIK - Jenny Foster
Monday 4th November	No Club Meeting - Cup Eve
Wednesday 6th November	Club Board Meeting 7 pm Upstairs at RSL
Thursday 7th November	Oaks Day Garden Party at Cherrie Osborn's (Days for Girls Fundraiser)
Monday 11th November	Foundation and Membership Committees Presentation Night
Friday 15th November	Longest African Dinner at DIK 6:00-9:00pm \$35 Ad/ \$20 Child
Monday 19th November	Rotarian Behind the Badge - Deb Akers
Monday 25th November	Our Annual General Meeting Guest Speaker from Brimbank Bicycle Education Centre - David Bennett
Wednesday 27th November	DfG Sew In at Baptist Church Hall Buckley St Essendon
Saturday 30th November	Bunnings BBQ Highpoint

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.

October and November Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

October 8: Lloyd Lancaster
October 10: Marianne Potgieter
October 13: Jack Watson (Wow! He will be 90)
October 14: Tina Ballos
October 15: Ian Wright
October 18: Dawn Watson
November 1: Mark Tognon
November 7: Lyn Mahoney
November 19: Barbara Rafter
November 21: Lynette Tan
November 30: Phil O'Brien



Wedding Anniversaries

October 16: Yew Kong and Linda Lye
October 20: John and Barbara Rafter
November 28: Lou and Nonie Gionfriddo
November 11: Gerard and Lyn Mahoney
November 17: John and Maryanne Walsh



Rotary Anniversaries

October 15: Chris Rundell 2012
October 21: Minh Nguyen 2002
October 26: Alex Billson 2015
November 4: Judith Maddocks 2004
November 17: Raj Vytilingam 2003
November 24: Daryl Cornish 2007



Member News -

It's Spring Racing Carnival Season



L to R: Peter Tomlinson, Rachel Tomlinson, their son Jeffrey, Brett Bedson and Alan Eberle enjoyed their day at the Cox Plate.



On Saturday 12th October 2019 Yvonne Osborn (nee Hickson) attended a Family Reunion of the Hickson Family. It was the twelfth such reunion of the descendants of Edward George Hickson and Lucy Mary Ann Aylett and was held where the couple was married in 1879 in Toolleen, Central Victoria.

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

