Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Keilor East Inc.



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On Monday 8th October our Guest Speaker was longtime Club Member Dr Les Norton who spoke about the History of Keilor. In the background, President Ginny was wearing her Crazy Hat as part of our fundraising effort for Rotary's Lift the Lid on Mental Health campaign.

President's Report

President Ginny Billson

Monday 8th October 2018

- Next week we are having a special night at DIK combined with the Keilor Club when we will be given a tour of the facility, induct our two new Debs and have a lovely meal provided by Cameron William's catering company. He is a past Rotaractor and is providing the roasts, vegies and salads very reasonably at \$22.00 a head. Joe will get firm numbers tonight.
- Just an early heads up that Bronwyn Stephens will be visiting our Club on Monday 29th October and will be the main speaker on "Being the Inspiration" so we want a great attendance that evening which will be a Partner's night.
- The last week of September saw me at the RMH for the week. A bit of a shock from diverticular disease which required a few transfusions. On the mend now but a bit light headed still. Thanks for all your kind thoughts.
- The next District conference is being held in Melbourne details are in the Newsletter.



Left: Joy at DIK looking at the list of all the containers being prepared to go around the globe to people in need after a heavy day of instrument sorting.

Right: The other pic is of a keen group, including DG Bronwyn learning about all the ways Rotary can mentor our youth through programs like Rotaract, Interact, RYPEN, RYLA, and lots of individual club events like public speaking and writing competitions. The Youth Forum was held Saturday morning at DIK. It is becoming our second home....

Photos and text by President Ginny.











YOUTH SERVICES FORUM

Saturday 13th October 2018

10:00am to 12:30pm at DIK

Shed 40, 400 Somerville Road, West Footscray

Invitation to Youth Chairs, Presidents and Club Members

Are you interested in starting an Interact Club or a Rotarect Club? Find out more about the Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA). Come along for a taste of RYLA. Learn about DIK and how it can support youth programs. Discover other innovative, youth programs run by our clubs in District 9800. Provide inspiration to other clubs by bringing a youth project to share it can be a small or large project.

SVP to Maria Silber by Monday 1st October - marsil18@tpg.com.au or 0438 023 947

Morning Tea and Light lunch provided - Cost \$15 payable on the day. Please advise of any special dietary requirements.





Other Reports (continued)

President Ginny introduced her husband Alex (wearing the striking punk hairstyle) as Chairperson for the evening.

Secretary - Chris Rundell - Chris has signed up for the ROCAN ride from Sydney to Melbourne to aid Ovarian Cancer which will be held prior to the Multi District Conference.

Arnold Vandenham - Volunteers will no longer be required for Peter Mac collection at Motor Classica. Apparently the permit application went in late. Many thanks go to those who had volunteered.

Attendance - Lloyd Lancaster - Last week's attendance was 76%. With the big group here tonight and all the visitors I think this weeks might be 118.4%.

Care Bear - Marianne Potgieter - Marianne will celebrate a Birthday this week. Tina's will be on Sunday and Ian Wright's and Jack and Dawn Watson's soon. We wish Grandma Win Osborn all the best for a speedy recovery after her week in the RMH.

Vocational - Mark Tognon - A very successful Brewery tour was held last week. Mark will now take time out from Vocational duties to concentrate on getting his Board positions for his Presidential year sorted. He needs a Treasurer.

Community - Minh Nguyen - Thanked all who helped on our very busy weekend of Bunnings BBQs. A very satisfactory amount was raised to fund our many projects. Yvonne Osborn spoke on behalf of the Watergardens Bunnings volunteers, thanking Minh for all his organization and Athena Vass for obtaining the assistance of Year 12 Buckley Park Secondary students. Thanks also to the Principal of the school for allowing the students to participate.

Joe Albioli- Great Strides BBQ for Cystic Fibrosis - This will be held on October 28th and we need six volunteers. It is an early start but is set up in an attractive city location and finishes at 1.00pm.

Youth - Vanda Mullen - RYPEN- We have sponsored two students from Rosehill Secondary College to attend the weekend Camp. We are looking for a young person with leadership potential between the ages of 18-25 to attend the weeklong RYLA camp in early December. We are now sending Alan Wu and Jasmin Buckland to NYSF (National Youth Science Forum). Jasmin had been on the standby list and was given the place after someone, who had been selected, withdrew.

John Walsh - We were saddened to hear of the death of former Club President Graham Mason's wife. We extend our deepest sympathy to Graham and their family.



End Polio ... Prance in the Park

Save the Date! 17th November if your Club is looking for an event to get involved in around World Polio Day on 24th October, here it is!

District 9800 End Polio Now Ambassador Susie Cole and Club presidents Amritpal Singh (Southbank) & Kitty O'Connor (Laverton/Point Cook) are organising a major fundraiser for End Polio Now and they need 20 Rotary Clubs to send 5 walkers/prancers to participate in the inaugural End Polio Prance in the Park, featuring punks, princes & princesses I at Albert Park Lake on Saturday 17th November.

This year only 100 walkers can participate as more than that will require Parks Victoria permits, more complicated infrastructure & time to plan, but if this year is a success it will grow to a major event in 2019 & beyond.

Every Club's Team representatives are being asked to raise at least \$1,000 in sponsorship, wear a District 9800 End Polio Now T-shirt (made famous at the Rotary International Convention in Toronto recently!) & dress as a punk, prince or princess at this fun event!

All teams' sponsorships will be attributed to their respective clubs as part of their annual contribution to Foundation and End Polio Now and if the event raises the hoped for \$100,000, with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

contribution of 2:1 it will be \$300,000 towards the final push to end polio in the world!

The registration/sponsorship website is coming soon, so meanwhile, who's in?

Susie will be there in her gold shorts helping to run the day, we need 17 more clubs to register & join the Prahran Prancers, Southbank Strutters & Laverton/Point Cook Lopers (working titles – may change) with 5 more prancers aniece!

Let Susie (scole16@hotmail.com) or Kitty (catherine@champagnethursday.org) know if you're up for prancing (or even just walking sedately)?

If not prancing, for an extra charge you car be part of the "End Polio Push".... where you'll be pushed around the 5km course in a DIK loaner wheelchair!

Save the date & NOMINATE!!

Susie Cole District 9800 End Polio Ambassado PP Rotary Club of Prahran scole16@hotmail.com





Guest Speaker - Dr Les Norton - The History of Keilor



From the Keilor Historical Society Website

The Galway Arms Tavern was the first name given to the Keilor Hotel in 1849. In 1854 an Englishman named James Smith bought the tavern and called it the Red Lion. The last name change occurred in 1862 when Mathew Goudie bought the hotel for 1,000 pounds and called it Keilor Hotel.

The Gold Rush period of the 1850s meant a prosperous time for the innkeepers along the road to the goldfields. William Kelly, a traveller, in 1853, described his coach trip to 'the diggings' and his breakfast stop at the Keilor Hotel. He was amazed at the size of the steaks being served. The meat was grabbed from the plates as they left the kitchen of the hotel.

Ownership has been retained within the one family since 1862.

The Keilor area is situated on the Great Southern Lava Plain. As the Maribyrnong River (known previously as the Saltwater River), flowed in a series of meanders it cut deeply into the basalt plains to form the present landform.

The indigenous Wurundjeri enjoyed a rich lifestyle in the Maribyrnong Valley, which provided them with a varied and healthy diet; animals skins for their winter cloaks; bark for canoes, containers and shields; and stone for tools. They led complex social and cultural lives interacting with other tribes of the Kulin nation.

Charles Grimes in 1803, and Hamilton Hume with William Hovell in 1824, journeyed in the area, as they assessed the agricultural potential of the Port Phillip Bay region. In 1835 John Batman described the Keilor Plains as "the most beautiful sheep pasture I ever saw". It was not until the 1850s and the Gold Rush Period that Keilor could claim any notoriety. At that time it became a 'stop-over' on the way to the goldfields and the 'Village' became a bustling community with several Blacksmiths, Hotels, Caroline Chisholm Shelter Sheds and other assorted businesses. Orchards, market gardens, farmlands, flat grasslands and river valley landscapes constitute what Keilor looked like for almost 100 years but then there was a massive change to suburbanization with the Post World War II immigration program. Cheap land, industrial estates in the western suburbs of Melbourne and available work, represented the attraction to this area.



Above: Built in 1868 the so called Basket Bridge was built well above the level of the Maribyrnong River which was prone to flooding. One had been washed away in 1853. It is iron in construction and features on the Keilor Historic Walk. "It is considered a rare and intact example of 19th century Victorian engineering, constructed as a direct response to the transport demands of the gold rushes,"



Above: The Arundel Road Bridge in 1907.

Guest Speaker - Dr Les Norton - The History of Keilor (continued)

- In 1836 <u>Hunter and Watson</u> were early settlers who named their station "Keillor".
- Born in Scotland on 20th November 1818, William Taylor died at Overnewton on 21st June, 1903. He had emigrated to Australia from Scotland in 1840 and had large property in the Wimmera before taking up a large holding of thirteen thousand acres around Keilor. In 1849 he built a bluestone house which he named Overnewton. It was then in the colony of NSW. By 1859, after Victoria was founded, he completed the home by adding turrets in the Scottish Baronial style. He also built a series of Dams on Taylors Creek (now Taylors Lakes). He employed a large staff, (around 20 and not including seasonal workers), and had thirteen children.
- A second wave of settlers built the Keilor Hotel in 1849 and began the plentiful market gardens on the fertile soil of the Maribyrnong River. One was David Milburn, who was a gardener at Overnewton, was one of the first market gardeners. He had four sons, all well known locals. Other early settlers included Goudies, Dodd, Fox, Robinson, Harricks and Brown.
- Overnewton From Keilor Historical Society Website
- Overnewton was the residence of William Taylor (1818-1903).

William Taylor is often referred to as the 'Father of Keilor' because of his 40 year association with municipal government in Keilor. He was Mayor on 23 occasions.

His first purchase of land in Keilor was in 1849 and the property originally covered 13,000 acres of land. The homestead was first built as a single storied section as a six-roomed colonial cottage. The second storey was built in 1859. The homestead remained in the hands of the Taylor family until the 1950s.

- The settlers of Keilor had large families William Taylor 13 children, David Milburn 10, his son george Milburn had 15 children and Thomas Brown had 12. Many of the families stayed in the Keilor area for generations and were involved in local government. Street names and sporting facilities have been given some of these names.
- A Keilor Heritage Walk may be undertaken which takes in places of historic significance.
- Chairperson Alex Billson thanked Les for his interesting and very informative presentation.





Upcoming Events

*Click on posters to be directed to the 2019 Multi District Conference website.

The Multi District Conference will bring together 1500 Rotarians, 700 young people between the ages of 18-30 in a Youth Forum and Interactors / Earlyactors in a separate Forum.

A Showcase occupying over 3,000 sq. metres showing Rotarians and the public of Melbourne -

"What Rotary Does!"



REGISTER BEFORE OCTOBER 31ST

TO GO IN A DRAW TO WIN FREE REGISTRATION FOR 2 PEOPLE

ACCOMMODATION FOR 2 NIGHTS
(UP TO \$500)



CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Up to November 30th

Normal \$175 Concession \$125

(New Rotarian (joined after Jan 2017), Rotaractor, YEX student)

after November \$225 Gala Dinner \$110



Victorian Multi District Conference

Districts 9790, 9800, 9810, 9820 www.rotaryconference.org.au



Registration is now Open

TO WIN FREE REGISTRATION &

GALA DINNER FOR 2 PEOPLE

PLUS ACCOMMODATION FOR

TWO NIGHTS (UP TO \$500)

\$175,

\$125

www.rotaryconference.org.au

New Rotarians

Early Bird

(joined after July 1 2016)

AFTER NOVEMBER 30TH \$225

Conference Dinner \$110

GALA DINNER





Featuring the Baker Boys, a 9 piece band covering a wide variety of music 3 course meal, Open Bar plus surprises all night

WHAT ROTARY DOES!



As well as a fantastic Rotary Showcase there will be "three hands on projects" where you can pack emergency food for disaster relief, pack birthing kits or kits for the homeless in our communities.

Always a great fellowship opportunity

Further details www.rotaryconference.org.au

More Upcoming Events



District 9800 **Paul Harris Society Luncheon** Friday, 02 November 2018

You are cordially invited to the annual function of the Paul Harris Society

The lunch will feature Ruth Carlos-Martinez who recently received the inaugural Zone 8 Humanitarian of the Year Award. Ruth will speak about her involvement in community projects in the Philippines





in 2010. She was recently recognised by Rotary with the inaugura Humanitarian of the Year Award for Rotary Zone 8 for the person who selflessly improves and enriches the lives of individuals and the greater society in our region

Venue: Graduate House

220 Leicester Street Melway Map 2B D8

For all bookings: Trybooking: https://www.trybooking.com/426598

For any queries: Roger Thornton Email: rogert1000@gmail.com Telephone: 0400 999 203

Arrival: 12:00 noon for 12:30pm Cost \$60 for a 2 course meal: Cash Bar available Free parking available



Notice is given of the Keilor Hostel for the Aged Annual General Meeting to be held in the Cameron Room at Holloway Aged Care Services, I Rotary Drive, Keilor East on Sunday 25th November 2018 commencing at 2.00PM.



Shine On

Shine On Recognition - Nominations NOW OPEN

Does you club know of somebody with a disability?

Do they provide outstanding support to others with disability?

Are they a community leader or involved in a community group?

Do you have a relationship with a local organisation that supports people with disability who may want to nominate somebody for Shine On?

Well it is time to get to it and reach out to your local community and identify people with a disability, who are worthy of Shine On recognition. Let's make this year better than ever for the selection panel and give them many outstanding nominees to consider.

RI Southern Districts 'Shine On' is a multi-district project covering all of Victoria (and small parts of SA and NSW), and acknowledges exceptional service to others by people with disabilities. Clubs may nominate people who meet the criteria and all nominees will receive recognition with a Certificate of Commendation.

To be eligible, nominees should:

- Demonstrate the active involvement of the nominee in community service for the benefit of others and have demonstrated a significant level of personal achievement whilst managing a specific medical disorder/disability, and
- Be endorsed by Rotary Club.

Examples of personal achievement may include:

- Leadership and/or mentoring of others with the disability
- Membership and/or leadership in community groups
- Service to the community and/or a history of community achievement
- Other special awards or forms of recognition

Nominations may be made anybody in the community, and, are open to people aged over 15 years.

Each Nomination must be endorsed by a Rotary club. The nominee must sign a consent form and include a small or passport sized photo, as well as other supporting documentation.

Go to our 'Shine On Recognition' page at https://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/sitepage/community-service/shine-on to download the nomination Form.

Nominations close on 15 December 2018.

The Shine On Recognition ceremony will take place on Sunday 7 May 2019 at the Italian Sports Club of Werribee, hosted by the Rotary Club of Hoppers Crossing.

If you would like more information about the Shine On Recognition 2017 please email Louise at louise.b@internode.on.net or call her on 0418 597 427.

What's Next?

Date	Event
Monday 15th October	Combined Dinner at DIK Donations in Kind with Keilor Rotary
Monday 22nd October	Youth - Athena Vass
Monday 29th October	District Governor Bronwyn Stephen's Visit (Partner's Night)
Sunday 4th November	Bunnings Watergardens BBQ
Monday 5th November	Cup Eve - No Meeting
Monday 12th November	Cycling Without Age - Julia Soldaini

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 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.

October Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

October 8: Lloyd Lancaster October 10: Marianne Potgieter

October 13: Jack Watson October 14: Tina Ballos October 15: Ian Wright October 18: Dawn Watson

Wedding Anniversaries

October 16: Yew Kong and Linda Lye October 20: John and Barbara Rafter



Rotary Anniversaries

October 15: Chris Rundell 2012 October 21: Minh Nguyen 2002 October 26: Alex Billson 2015





Member News -



L to R: Membership Director John Walsh, Paul van de Wetering and Arnold Vandenham got together after our meeting.



Jack and Dawn Watson are both having Birthdays soon. Jack's is on 13th October and Dawn's is on the 18th October. They looked great in their colourful hats.



The winner of our Crazy Hat Night as Judged by Guest Speaker, Les Norton, was Vanda Mullen. Her glamorous straw hat had a Puffin perched atop. She was presented with her prize by our very colourful President Ginny Billson. Congratulations Vanda.



With many Members and several guests in attendance the room was full and there was a great atmosphere for Crazy hat Night.



L to R: Helen Penna (who will be inducted as a Keilor East Rotarian on Oct 29th), Jenny Foster, Immediate Past President of Essendon Rotary and Deb Sloggett who will be inducted at our Monday15th October Meeting at DIK.



Our dedicated Member, Daryl Cornish, (also wearing a hat) joined us via Skype (laptop in background) for our Crazy Hat Night Meeting.