

# KEILOR EAST ROTARY NEWSLETTER

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BBQ for Friends of Steele Creek - Sunday 2nd October 2022



# President's Report by President Deb Sloggett

October is a busy month for very important messages. The Rotary theme for the month is Economic and Community Development. A lot of things could be attributed to this theme I believe and for us I am thinking of our work in Cambodia, David Dippie's recent trip to Tonga and the Days for Girls work in Balibo Timor Leste. We cannot underestimate the impact that each one of these projects have on the local communities.

I am sharing the recent message I received from our CRST Project W Manager Pov.

We would love to say thank you so much for your support. Through the support from your clubs, it makes our dreams become possible now. Through your support, many students at Techo Hun Sen Angkor Thom have toilets to use in the school, and they also have safe drinking water to drink. Through your support, many students at Tapang Secondary School have clean water to drink, and we can see that most of them stop buying plastic bottles now.

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### Report by President Deb Sloggett (continued)



- Another message that we as a club focused on was Mental Health Awareness week. Australian Rotary Health District Chair Dr Suresh Marcandan presented to us on the work that is being done by researchers in this field. Australian Rotary Health provides funding for research and this year the focus is on the mental health of children aged 0-12. Particularly pertinent I think especially with the recent Covid pandemic and how it changed our lives for 2 years.
- It's been a tough week for messages and respecting diversity in our community. We have seen a couple of respected Australian Rules football clubs seemingly make poor decisions which are polarising their followers. As Rotarians the 4-way test helps us consider what we think, say or do. We all have our own values and beliefs that guide us and our families. We may not understand or agree in what others say or do, may even find it hard to be open to all but if we can ask ourselves
- · Is it the truth?
- It is fair to all concerned?
- · Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
- · Will it be beneficial to all concerned?
- Then Rotary will always be forward thinking, all embracing, non-judgmental, respected and more people will want to be part of this great organisation
- Yours in Rotary
- Deb Sloggett President 2022-2023







Photos from CRST's Project W Facebook Page

## Altona City Rotary Wednesday 12th October 2022



"Education is a gift that lasts a lifetime" Maria will share how the Baguia Scholarship Program for High School students in Timor Leste has created life-changing opportunitios for students in remote schools. She will suggest a possible extension to the model which will support students who choose to further their education at tertiary levels.

Maria was Charter President of Rotary Passport Melbourne and was awarded an OAM for International Humanitarian Aid in 2019. Her interest and visits to schools in Timor Leste began during the period of the UN Integrated Mission to Timor. Wednesday, 12 October 6.30 for 7.00 PM Altona RSL 31 Sargood Street,

Book early– RSVP by 5 October 2022

Alternating main course <u>Drinks</u> at bar prices

## BOOKINGS & ENOUIRIES:

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Cost: \$35.00 pp

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President Deb, Secretary Helen, Helen's Mum Bev, and Yvonne Osborn attended the awards evening at Altona RSL. The night, which is run along similar lines to our Pride of Workmanship Night, is an annual event and recognizes the work of individual teachers, graduate teachers and teams of teachers in the local area. They are nominated by the administrative staff within their schools and are presented with certificates.







Above: L to R: Deb Sloggett, Maria Hicks from Rotary Passport Melbourne.

Right: District Governor Amanda Wendt and Rotary Keilor East President Deb Sloggett. Guest Speaker - September 2022 - Youth Director Michael

Donnelly Youth Projects: 2022 & 2023

#### District-related 'one-offs'

- Rotary Youth Program of ENrichment (RYPEN) two places offered to Victoria University SC Senior Campus.
- National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) initial request from St Albans SC but no return call. Funded by RC Balwyn ??
- Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) post school
- Rotary Foundation District Scholarships

#### **Historical Connection**

- · Local primary school in Keilor East
- Rosehill SC Speech Night Awards

Guiding Principles: "Diversity, Equality and Inclusion"



#### **Guiding Principles for Youth Projects**

- Baseball analogy
- · Western Chances 'mantra'
- Utilitarianism: Greatest good for greatest number
- Economic rationalism: Bang for Buck
- Justice: Support for lower socio-economic/disadvantaged students

#### Additional Principles for RCKE Youth Projects

- Schools where we have 'contacts' are our keys to initiate involvement
- Mindful of the realities of schools in 2022: returning to "normality"; post COVID; shortages; ongoing disruptions
- Post-WW2 Rotary is a Peacebuilding entity: through creating the social conditions that enable people/nations to live in harmony
- Promoting personal growth and mental health (student-lead or student-directed if possible)
- Funding from Community Bank Keilor East, if available
- A demonstrable 'Link' to Rotary or Acknowledgement of Rotary



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#### Major 2022-2023 Youth Project

- Seeding Grants for VCE (VM) student groups in 2023 School Year;
   Characteristics:
- · Involvement with Club membership
- T4, 2022: Call for Expressions of Interest re Fundraising or Service Project (student determined and organised) as part of Personal Development Skills component of VCE
- 2023 end T1: Presentation to Club of student's project for feedback
- 2023 T2 and/or T3: implementation by students (possibly with individual members support)
- 2023 T4 Leadership Awards Night

#### 2023 other significant Project: Writing Competition

- Organised in similar manner to our COVID writing competition (resilience and building a better world focus)
- 'Hope and the environment' is the topic so that there is positive mental health focus and Rotary Supporting the Environment
- Different age groups 2 x Secondary and 2x Primary
- Development of assessment criteria (rubric), panels to mark and moderate
- Notifications in mid Term 1 and to be completed by end of term 2 in 2023
- An Awards Night

#### In the Future

- More interact Clubs
- Peace Schools
- · A Youth Committee at RCKE
- · Vocational Visit to VUSC

# Guest Speaker - October 3rd , 2022 - Dr Suresh Marcandan <u>District 9800 Rotary Health</u>



Many Rotary Keilor East members wore hats in support of Lift the Lid on Mental Health, a Rotary Health initiative. We "took the Hat around" and raised over \$200 which will be donated to the campaign soon.





Above: L to R: Yvonne Watson and Tina Ballos.

Above Right: Dr Suresh Marcandan and our Program organiser, David Bennett.

Right: Paul Perrottet and his wife Alison entered the spirit of Hat Night for Rotary Health.



## Guest Speaker - October 10th, 2022 - President Elect David Dippie - Tonga Trip August - September 2022



Donations In Kind Supporter Clubs are partners in every container shipped. Rotary Keilor East is one of these Clubs.

Without the ongoing DIK Inc Club support there would be no DIK Store, or Projects like this.

Tonga is a Developing Country.

It has a well-developed management structure in many areas, all they need are the Guidance, Equipment and Supplies to allow them to provide better care.

But they also share some of the basic problems that 3rd world countries have.

It has a small population, a little over 100,000 people, the support we provide makes a significant contribution.

The support and recycled and repurposed goods that we can are suppling are having a major beneficial impact.

The Team

There were 14 of us, half the team were non-Rotarians
Three of the members have made 80+ visits collectively.
We had Dental, Medical, and Optical Professionals.
Two retired School Principals.
A Days for Girls representative.
And me representing Rotary Donations in Kind

The trip had several goals

- To help to distribute the goods we shipped
- To help set-up the three Dental Clinics
- To help set-up the three Sickbays
- To assist with the set-up of the Maintenance Department Container
- To form a closer relationship with the local Rotary Club of Nuku'alofa
- To form a closer relationship with the recipients and a wish list procedure
- To identify if there was a need for Days for Girls support
- To attempt to form a relationship with the High Commission

The start was shipping two containers of mainly recycled and reproposed goods from DIK.

130m3 of goods diverted from landfill.



Above: President Elect David Dippie.



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Vaiola is the main Hospital in the country. Until now, it had no equipment storage area or maintenance workshop.

We supplied the container, the air-conditioning system, some tools and some of the shelving.

The local team did the rest.

All of the equipment in the workshop has been supplied by Rotary.





Above: President Elect David Dippie.

We set-up the three Dental Clinics

One of the joys of the trip was to observe the professional volunteers in action.

While the dental chair was being commissioned, others were cleaning and sterilizing the rooms, then all of the equipment and supplies were positioned.



Queen Salote Dental Clinic (The Royal Family is very supportive of Rotary's assistance in Tonga). Apifo'ou Dental Clinic is another of the new Clinics.



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This was managed by John McDonald. John is a highly qualified Intensive Care Nurse, who has had a long association with the Vaiola Hospital, through the St John of God Twining Program.

With 40+ trips over 30 years, he fully understood what was required and has a fantastic relationship with the key people.







Above: President Elect David Dippie.

The staff test drove the equipment with David in the chair.

Queen Salote College Clinic now has two Sickbays

Anyone who has a respiratory problem is isolated in the Respiratory Clinic and treated as though they have Covid 19 until the medical staff are confident this is not an issue. The medical staff have the personal protective equipment we supplied.

If the student has Covid 19 they are collected by their parents and isolate at home, or if required collected by ambulance.

We are also please to report that everything we shipped was needed. At times it was like watching children open Christmas Presents.

We helped to equip, supply and set-up the library in the Queen Salote Library

Much of the shelving was supplied by the Ballarat Library and Rotary Clubs.

Several groups supplied the books.

The team assembled the shelving, sorted and loaded the books.

A lovely touch is the curtains that the students made from material we supplied.





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We achieved all of our goals.

With the exception of two of us getting Covid19 and Airline issues there were no problems.

The next goals are
To ship a mobile Dental Clinic
Another container early next year
Another Volunteer Visit probably May

The goodwill generated by projects like this is immense.



Above:
President
Elect
David
Dippie.
Left:
Unpackin
g the
books for
the
Queen
Salote
Library.



Above: The damage from the Tsunami is still evident.

## BBQ for Friends of Steele Creek Inc. - Sunday 2nd October 2022



The Mayor of the City of Moonee Valley Samantha Byrne and her friend attended the Friends of Steele Creek Planting event.



Left: L to R: Michael Donnelly, Marianne Potgieter, Yvonne Osborn and Yvonne Watson joined John Walsh to provide the Sausage Sizzle for the Friends of Steele Creek after their busy planting morning.



# UPCOMING EVENTS

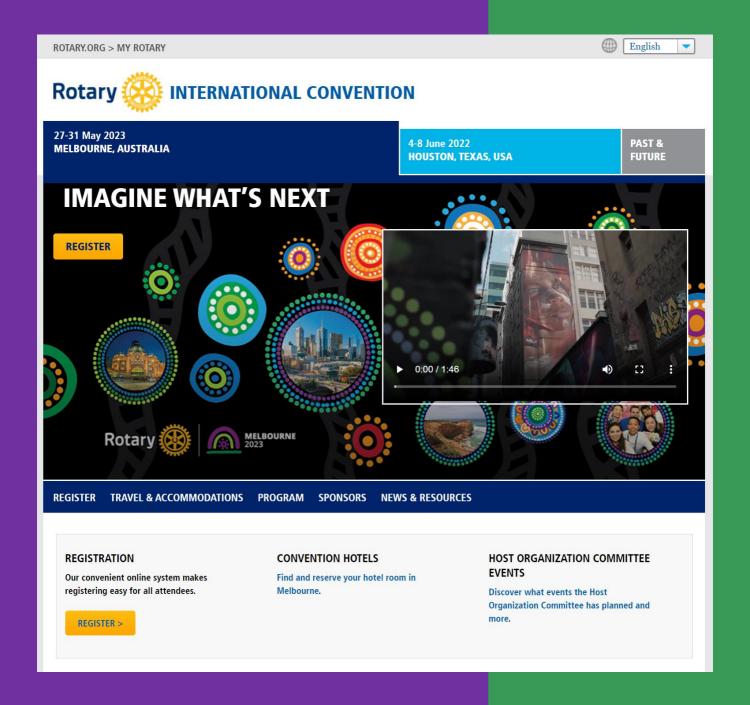
Tony Thomas asked if this poster could be included in our Newsletter "Garden DesignFest 2022 - A Rotary event showcasing the work of professional garden designers

Managed by the Rotary Clubs of Kew, Brighton North and Central Melbourne. Bus tours will depart from St Kilda Road, opposite the Arts Centre, on the heading south (out of town) side. Main charity supported is Youth Suicide Awareness. Inquiries: Tony Thomas at tthomas061@gmail.com, 0407 305 757."

Thanks for your help.

www.gardendesignfest.com.au





Our Next Keilor East Rotary Meeting is on Monday 17th October at Legends Room, Windy Hill at 7pm. Many of us meet for dinner from the menu in the Bistro from 6pm

We are meeting tomorrow night at Windy Hill as usual. Bistro meals available from 6pm and later our meeting at 7pm on level 2.

Amanda Brocklebank will be our Guest Speaker. She is the Sales Advisor at the new Raelene Boyle Retirement Village in Aberfeldie.

Any club reports can also be shared.

Look forward to seeing you there
Zoom link is below

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5140790305?pwd=KzhDcnh4S3hCbkVPWGt2K3RrcStqdz09

Meeting ID: 514 079 0305 Passcode: RCKE2020



<u>Amanda Brocklebank</u> (left) with Ryman resident Kate.



Save the Date - Our Rotary Keilor East Christmas function will be held on Monday 12th December. More details TBA. Windy Hill Bistro



We welcome your suggestions for future Guest Speakers. Email keiloreastrotary@ gmail.com

#### **CALENDAR**

Date	Day	Speaker/ Event	Contact
October 8	Saturday	Bunnings BBQ at Watergardens	Gerard Mahoney
October 10	Monday	Club Project Meeting - President Elect David Dippie will speak about his recent time in Tonga	Deb Sloggett
October 17	Monday	Guest Speaker – Amanda Broclebank – Ryman Sales Advisor at Raelene Boyle Village in Aberfeldie	David Bennett
October 24	Monday	World Polio Day – Kitty O'Connor District 9800 Polio Plus Chair	David Bennett
October 31	Monday	No Meeting - Cup Eve	
November 6	Sunday	Bunnings BBQ at Watergardens	Gerard Mahoney
November 7	Monday	Adelae Rose (Pnuemedia Group)	David Bennett
November 14	Monday	Teresa Day - Moonee Valley City Council - Sustainability	David Bennett
November 21	Monday	Rotary Foundation Speaker November is Foundation Month	
November 28	Monday	Annual General Meeting / Speaker on Balibo Project in Timor Leste	
December 5	Monday	District Governor Amanda Wendt's Visit - Cluster Clubs included	

Our new Program Director, David Bennett, assisted by President Nominee 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

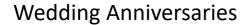
## **Club Birthdays and Anniversaries**

# **Birthdays**

October 8: Lloyd Lancaster (he will celebrate his 90th)

October 10: Marianne Potgieter

October 14: Tina Ballos October 15: Ian Wright October 18: Dawn Watson October 27: David Dippie



October 3: Howe and Lyn Tan

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







Above: Peter and Rachel Tomlinson are enjoying their around Australia cruise. Bon Voyage!

#### A Message from Barbara Rafter

A photo of the presentation of a certificate to the Interact Club of St Albans Secondary College members today, on behalf of the Brimbank Bicycle Education Centre

The students recently did a morning of garden maintenance and checking and minor repairs on bikes, as part of their Community service project.

Rotary members present on Tuesday 11th October were Cherrie Osborn, John Rafter and Barbara Rafter.

Happy 90th
Birthday Lloyd
Lancaster
Very best wishes
from your Rotary
Family.



Celebrating 90 wonderful years with our wonderful friend Lloyd Lancaster at The East Pantry, The Centreway, Keilor East.

Keilor East Rotarian and Plumber, Terry Badenhope, gave us some great advice about our stormwater issue. Thank you, Terry.

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 keiloreastrotary@gmail.com



### We thank our Generous Sponsors



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.

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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.



