

# 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)



On Monday 10th September our Guest Speaker was Anne Connors( left) from Western Chances. She is pictured here with Jenny Foster, Essendon RC, Club President, Ginny Billson and our Youth Director, Vanda Mullen.

# President's Report

Monday 10th September 2018

President Ginny Billson



- Welcome one and all. Rotarians and friends of Rotarians are always welcome. A busy weekend was had by a large number of club members together with a mixed mob from RC Essendon, Bendigo South and further afield at Camp Getaway amongst the wattles and kangaroos at Axedale, whilst another group sweated over the BBQ at Bunnings at Taylors Lakes. Well done all.
- Alex and I are spending next weekend in Adelaide, my second favourite Aussie city. Mark and his many mentors will be holding the fort till we return on the following Tuesday the 18th.
- October is designated Mental Health Month and Australian Rotary Health has requested Rotary clubs to raise funds for mental health research over that month with the “Lift The Lid” motto. We have had significant hat days in the club and this time, just to be different, let's have a silly hat day. Les Norton is giving a talk on the History of Keilor on the 8<sup>th</sup> of October and has consented to judge the silliest hat. A prize will be awarded. So prepare or purloin a silly hat and a gold coin or paper entry fee which together with the Sergeant's fines will be donated for mental health research.
- Alex and I attended the Interact meeting at St Albans secondary college last Wednesday at lunch time. We were impressed by their energy which was ably controlled and directed by Mr John Coulson the vice principal. They are raising funds for Foodbank, helping after hours at a local primary school, raising awareness for mental health and organising a roster for a Homework Club. Alex suggested I could do a short 10 minute talk on what is Rotary, how it can be of benefit to them as well as the community and a bit about what our club does such as youth programs NYSF, RYPEN, International programs Bangladesh toilets, Days for Girls, Shelterboxes and ROMAC, Community eg Camp Getaway to just name a few. We await a response from Mr Coulson on this proposal.
- The next MV NRG (Next Rotary Generation) group will be meeting again at the Cross Keys Hotel on the Thursday 4<sup>rd</sup> of October with some more inspiring speakers. Jenny Foster, the driving force behind it, might like to comment at this point.

## President's Report continued and Other Reports



- A reminder that we are having a meeting combined with the Keilor Club at DIK on the 15th October when we will also have the pleasure of inducting 2 new members (at least). Michael Gallus is a local man, ex PEGS teacher with a passion for footy who unfortunately couldn't make it tonight but we will meet at the Brewery Tour is one and Deb Sloggett, a midwife and here this evening, who has worked diligently at DIK with a passion for Cambodia and Nepal the other.
- There is a call out for volunteers to help pack a container going to the Solomon Islands tomorrow, Thursday and Saturday. Jenny might like to say something to this too.
- Just an early heads up that Bronwyn Stephens will be visiting our club at the 29<sup>th</sup> of 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 as well.  
The next District Conference is being held in Melbourne. Details are in the Newsletter as is a host of other important news.

**Ginny introduced the Chairperson for the evening, Joy Ryan.**

### Other Reports

**Secretary - Chris Rundell** - Chris attended the NYSF orientation session with our candidate Alan Wu from Penleigh and Essendon Grammar PEGS. We thank Chris for undertaking that duty on such a busy weekend for Club members.

**Attendance - Lloyd Lancaster** - Last week we had 35 members in attendance which was 89.7%. Our Year to date attendance is 80.5% which is excellent.

**Care Bear - Marianne Potgieter**- Judith Maddocks is home from hospital. We send her our very best wishes. We also send congratulations to Daryl and Sonja Cornish who recently welcomed a granddaughter who was born in Ireland.

**Community- Minh Nguyen** - Minh thanked everyone who helped at the extremely busy Bunnings BBQ at Watergardens where \$1965 was raised. Our Club would like to thank Richard Carthew from Taylors Lakes Lions Club for helping out. Our next Bunnings BBQs are on October 6th at Watergardens and October 7th at Maribyrnong.



## Other Reports (continued)

**Program - Joy Ryan** - Program slots are full for the remainder of the calendar year.

**Youth - Vanda Mullen** - Vanda thanked Secretary Chris Rundell for supporting our NYSF candidate yesterday. We are currently seeking Year 10 students for the upcoming RYPEN camp.

**Camp Getaway - Arnold Vandenharn** - The Working Bee over this past weekend was a great success. Arnold thanked all who helped and expressed his desire that someone else take over the organization of the Working Bee Weekend for 2019. The same weekend has been booked for next year.

**Gerard Mahoney - Moonee Valley Art Show** - We need more sponsors. The Art Show will be held at the Mansion in Strathmore for 2019 but that may change for the following years. The Bendigo Bank will increase its amount of sponsorship in this financial year. They will also increase the amount of funds for their "Pitch for Funding".

**Vocational -Mark Tognon** - Brewery Vocational Visit is on Monday October 1st. Please let Mark know if you would like to attend as we might be able to accommodate a couple of extras.

**Jenny Foster - Essendon Rotary** - Jenny asked that anyone who is free to help load medical supplies etc. into a container which will be sent to the Solomon Islands should come to [DIK - Donations in Kind Store](#) ( Shed 40 / 400 Somerville Road West Footscray) on Tuesday, Thursday or Saturday between 10am and 3pm. Volunteers are called for as there is a lot to pack.

**DIK Update** - Jenny Foster emailed President Ginny to say that Joy Ryan ( modelling the Rotarians at Work vest @ right) had been a fantastic help at DIK. Our thanks go to Joy for representing us.



## Guest Speaker - Anne Connors - [Western Chances](#) believes in the power of education to change lives



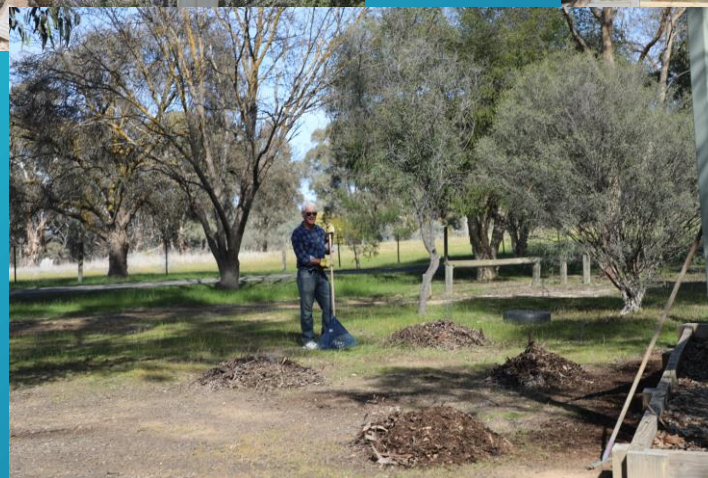
- Founded in 2004 by Victorian Premier's wife, Terri Bracks, [Western Chances](#) has provided 6,250 scholarships to 12-25 year olds from the Western suburbs of Melbourne. There are two rounds of applications available per year. Last year 615 scholarships were awarded. There are many applications so competition is intense with a panel choosing the most worthy recipients.
- Western Chances has a vision to see young people in Melbourne's Western suburbs achieve their full potential by providing scholarships, opportunity programs and ongoing support. Applicants must show demonstrable talent and commitment to an education or pathway.
- The Foundation is funded by trusts, foundations and generous donations from corporations, individuals and organizations. It awards new and renewal based scholarships. It provides programs and networks which advance the talents and pathways of young people.
- Students must work hard to prove that the money being spent on their education is being well spent. Applicants must have proof of or demonstrate financial need or hardship. They must be enrolled in a Government Secondary School, TAFE, University or Community Organization. They must live in Brimbank, Hobson's Bay, Maribyrnong, Melton, Wyndham or Moonee Valley.
- [Past recipients](#) include Mimi from Vietnam who is now a dentist in the Western suburbs, Cheyne who is a world class dancer, Andreas and [Garang from South Sudan](#).
- Scholarships fund such items as textbooks, MYKI, laptops, stationary, home internet, calculators, specialist lessons e.g. dance, singing, VET fees, musical instruments and specialist equipment e.g. lab coats, work boots, stethoscopes.
- There are many Link Opportunities available to Western Chances. These include Ormond and Trinity College at Melbourne University, RMIT Laptops, VCE Summer School, DOXA, Lord and Lady Somers Big Camp, Vic Uni Access Scholarships, Spark Engineering Camp, better Life Mobile and ad hoc opportunities such as Kokoda Trail.
- Ongoing support is offered to these students by Western Chances Alumni Community, networks, employment connections, leadership workshops, Pursuit Awards, professional and personal development, general support and advice.



## Camp Getaway Working Bee Weekend.



L to R: Jenny Foster, Anne Peace and Annie Webb warm up around the fire.



Left: Tara Coffin Harrold and Benji Harrold are the new caretakers at Camp Getaway.

Left and Above: Members and Partners from Keilor East, Bendigo South and Essendon Rotary Clubs made a huge difference to the appearance of the camp gardens and surrounds.



## Camp Getaway Working Bee Weekend (continued)



Below: The leveling job was made easier by Jock ( Bendigo South) using his earthmoving equipment.



Left: The gardens were looking neater after many hands made light work in the delightful Spring weather at Camp Getaway.



Above top: Tom and Clive (with his beautiful Border Collie, Sasha) from Bendigo South worked clearing an unsafe tree. Merlyn Quaife, also from Bendigo South, worked patiently, trimming the plants. The Mini Golf course (left) was also tidied up.



## More from our Camp Getaway Working Bee Weekend



Jock Catto from Bendigo South Rotary has all the right equipment needed for a working bee.



Sue (Bendigo South) had some help from Luke Harrold.



Cherrie Osborn and Annie Webb swept up after their massive efforts in the new Camp kitchen



A Buffet Dinner for thirty people was ably provided by the kitchen crew.



L to R: Caleb Harrold, Tom Campbell and his partner Rachel and Steve Pennicott. Left : Alex Billson and former caretaker, Barbara Mitchell, enjoyed their dinner.



L to R: Caleb and Luke Harrold with their parents Benji and Tara, President of Bendigo South Rotary, Rod Spitty, Working Bee Weekend Organizer, Arnold Vandenharn, and Keilor East Rotary President, Ginny Billson.



# Upcoming Events

## Brewery Tour



Where:  
Fury & Son Brewery  
46 Concorde Drive  
Keilor Park 3040

When: 1 October 2018  
Time: 6.45pm - Tour Starts at 7pm

Price: \$15 to be paid on night  
RSVP: By Monday 20 August 2018  
(if not done during Rotary meeting)

Questions: email  
[marktognon@gmail.com](mailto:marktognon@gmail.com)



## 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 Rotaract 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.

RSVP to Maria Silber by Monday 1st October - [marsil18@tpg.com.au](mailto: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.



Registration is now Open

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

REGISTER BEFORE OCTOBER 31<sup>ST</sup>

TO WIN FREE REGISTRATION &  
GALA DINNER FOR 2 PEOPLE  
PLUS ACCOMMODATION FOR  
TWO NIGHTS (UP TO \$500)



Early Bird \$175,  
New Rotarians \$125  
(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](http://www.rotaryconference.org.au)

\*Click on poster ( left) to be directed to the 2019 Multi District Conference website.



# What's Next?

Date	Event
Monday 17th September	Friendship Club Coordinator - Trish Simpson
Monday 24th September	<u>Keilor East Cougars</u> - Footy Colours Night
Monday 1st October	<u>Fury Brewery</u> Tour - 46 Concorde Drive, Keilor Park
Thursday 4th October	Meeting of NGR Next Generation Rotary at Cross Keys Hotel
Saturday 6th October	Bunnings BBQ Taylors Lakes
Sunday 7th October	Bunnings BBQ Maribyrnong
Monday 8th October	The History of Keilor - Dr Les Norton (and wear your silliest hat for Rotary Mental Health)
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)

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.



# September Birthdays and Anniversaries

## Birthdays

September 4: Ken Allan  
7: Khaled Ebrahim  
17: Annie Webb  
18: Pam Vandenharn  
21: Bruce Cameron  
22: Laraine Barnes (1943)  
22: Kim Nguyen  
23: Greg Osborn  
25: Terry Badenhope  
26: Janet McMartin

## Wedding Anniversaries

September 7: John and Marjorie Youngs  
21: Raj & Jeselee Vytilingam

## Rotary Anniversaries

September 3: Gerard Mahoney 2012  
7: Tina Ballos 2015  
18: Barbara McKeon 2017  
Jo Sculli 2017  
19: Joel Hewish 2016  
30: Phil O'Brien 2002





# Member News -



Membership Director, John Walsh helped Deb Sloggett with her membership application. We should soon be welcoming Deb and Deb Akers as Members of Keilor East Rotary.



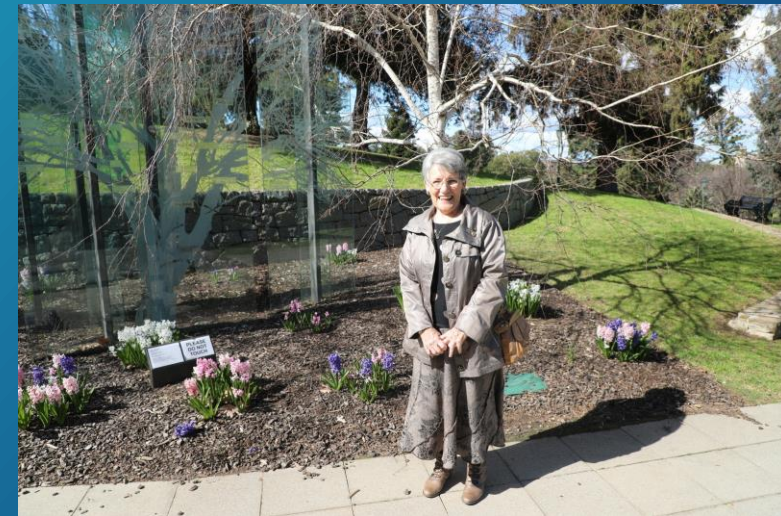
Our wonderful Camp Getaway Working Bee Weekend organizer Arnold Vandenharn joined East Keilor PROBUS on Monday. He has asked that after 14 years with Camp Getaway another Club Member take over the role of Working Bee organizer for 2019. Please see Arnold if you would like to do so.



From Facebook (with permission) Brett Bedson has been enjoying some time on the Rich River Golf Course (which appears to need some rain). He reports that he had a great time catching up with old friends.



In her role as a secondary teacher in the Western suburbs Athena Vass (left) has been involved in the nomination of students to receive Western Chances Scholarships.



Marianne Potgieter enjoyed the delightful Spring weather last Friday whilst heading to Camp Getaway.