# Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Keilor East Inc.



Rotary Club 21222 - Charter granted 10th August 1983 September 3rd 2018 - Volume 36 Number 10 Club Motto - "Fun and fellowship whilst helping others" Club Website - www.keiloreastrotary.org



On Monday 3rd September our Guest Speaker was former police officer Charlie Bezzina. He spoke about the <u>Victoria Police Blue Ribbon Foundation</u> and about policing in general. He was thanked by Chairperson for the evening, Annie Webb.

## President's Report

President Ginny Billson

Monday 3rd September 2018





- What a lovely spring day and I hope some of you could get out and boost your vitamin D levels. Just a reminder to the board members that we will have a meeting tonight after the main meeting concludes.
- Last Wednesday the 29<sup>th</sup> of August the intrepid team for Days for Girls were in action at the Essendon Baptist Church in Buckley Street together with our District Governor Elect, Grant Hocking and his wife Melissa assisting too. See the pic in the newsletter.
- 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 we could also have him award a prize for the silliest hat. This gives everyone over a month to prepare or purloin a silly hat with a gold coin entry fee which together with the sergeant's fines can be donated for mental health research.
- Alex and I will be attending the next Interact meeting at St Albans secondary college on Wednesday at lunch time. I only received the notice last Friday so it was a bit short notice but hopefully we can have a few members attend now and again to keep up to date with their activities. Currently they are fundraising for Youth Day and working with primary school students and their families for Fathers Day.
- On Thursday the 30<sup>th</sup> there was a meeting to entice younger people to participate in volunteering and ultimately to become Rotarians. There was a good turn up of about a dozen non-Rotarians(yet) and they heard about Days for Girls, Seven Women in Nepal, Children First and ROMAC for children from the third world recovering from major operations and Footys for All. A good contingent of Rotarians including John Walsh and Des O'Shanassy were there. John was hard at work recruiting Keilor East locals.
- Just an early heads up that Bronwyn Stephens will be visiting our club at the end of October and will be the main speaker on "Being the Inspiration" so we want a great attendance that evening which will be a Partners Night.
- The next District conference is being held in Melbourne details are in the newsletter.

### Other Reports

Ginny introduced the Chairperson for the evening, Annie Webb.

**Attendance - Lloyd Lancaster** - We have 31 members in attendance and 3 on leave. Attendance for August was 77.5% Year to date was a creditable 79.6%. We have 46 Members now.

**Treasurer - Steve Pennicott** - A few fees still need to come in. They may be paid in two installments.

Care Bear - Marianne Potgieter- Karl has a Birthday on 7th September. Sympathy is extended to the Osborn family upon the loss of Grandma Win's sister Bet Brownlee.

**Community- Minh Nguyen** - We will need more volunteers for the Bunnings BBQ at Watergardens on Sunday September 9th as many members will be at Camp Getaway.

**Vocational - Mark Tognon** - Our Brewery Tour will be held on Monday 1st October - details in the Newsletter. The light meal cost will be \$15.00.

**Program - Joy Ryan** - Dates are filling fast for the remainder of the calendar year.

Youth - Vanda Mullen - Vanda asked whether a club member would be available to support our NYSF candidate, Alan from PEGS, at his selection interview on Sunday 9th September at Swinburne. On Sunday October 13th a Youth Forum will be held at Shed 40/400 Somerville Road West Footscray. More details on the Upcoming Events page.

Camp Getaway - Arnold Vandenham - The Working Bee is this weekend will include members of our Club and Bendigo South Rotary. There should be around 30 people in attendance for the Saturday Dinner/Social Evening at the Camp.



Congratulations to Vanda Mullen who brought her friend Deb Akers along on September 3rd. We issue a warm welcome to Deb to visit us again soon.

### Other Reports (continued)

Gerard Mahoney - Moonee Valley Art Show - We need more sponsors. 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".

Arnold Vandenham - The Peter MacCallum Institute has asked that our Club provide six volunteers for the Motor Classica from 5pm -9pm on Thursday 11th October.

President Ginny asked Joy Ryan to come forward. She was presented with a certificate of achievement from the Rotary Leadership Institute.





# Why Attend Rotary Leadership Institute?

- · Leadership Development
- Rotary Knowledge
- Exchange of Ideas
- Member Engagement
- Service Project Leads

- Strategic Planning
- Improved Communication
- Team Building
- Public Relations
- International Perspective

## Guest Speaker - Charlie Bezzina - Victoria Police Blue Ribbon Foundation



Charlie Bezzina is a retired Police Officer who now speaks about his career in various branches of the Victoria Police Force to support the Victoria Police Blue Ribbon Foundation. As a corporate speaker he is able to collect donations towards the Foundation which commemorates the lives of 159 police officers who have lost their lives while on duty over the years.

Charlie spoke about the changes he has seen in policing over the years and told us about some of the high profile cases he has investigated whilst working as a detective in the homicide division. He retired in November 2009 after thirty-eight years of service.

Charlie answered a range of questions from members about crime in the community, police numbers and respect for police and the law. He has written a book, entitled "The Job" about his work on the front line of policing.

The National Library of Australia reviewed his book

Charlie Bezzina was one of Victoria's top homicide detectives. In his 17 years in the Homicide Squad, he investigated more than 300 suspicious deaths, including 150 murders - among them the crimes of serial killer Paul Denyer, the killing of Melbourne gangland figure Alphonse Gangitano, the Silk/Miller police murders, the baffling disappearances of former gameshow model Jacquie Ramchen and Sarah MacDiarmid, and the death of former Test cricketer David Hookes. This is the story of Bezzina's rise from a sheltered childhood in a Maltese family in Melbourne's western suburbs, to a widely respected senior detective who served Victoria Police with distinction and unquestioned integrity for 37 years, culminating in his highly controversial departure from the force. Brimming with exclusive insights that only a seasoned detective can provide, The Job is an explosive and intriguing account of what it takes to be a criminal investigator at the highest level.

## Next Rotary Generation Moonee Valley Satellite Club

An inaugural meeting of this group was held on Thursday 30th August at the Cross Keys Hotel.









Above L to R: Jenny Foster, Stephanie Woollard and President Ginny Billson.

Left: District Governor Elect Grant Hocking and Stephanie Woollard, founder of the <u>Seven</u> <u>Women</u> organization.



Right: The panel of people who promoted organizations e.g. Days for Girls, Seven Women, Footys4All which began with a great idea were available to answer questions.



## **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

Rotary BE THE INSPIRATION



### 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 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

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

TO WIN FREE REGISTRATION &

GALA DINNER FOR 2 PEOPLE
PLUS ACCOMMODATION FOR

TWO NIGHTS (UP TO \$500)

www.rotaryconference.org.au

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

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

## What's Next?

Date	Event
Fri 7th - Sunday 9th September	Camp Getaway - Working Bee at Camp Getaway Axedale
Sunday 9th September	Bunnings BBQ Taylors Lakes
Monday 10th September	Western Chances - Anne Connors
Monday 17th September	Friendship Club Coordinator - Trish Simpson
Monday 24th September	Keilor East Cougars - Footy Colours Night
Monday 1st October	Fury Brewery Tour - 46 Concorde Drive, Keilor Park
Monday 8th October	The History of Keilor - Dr Les Norton (and wear your silliest hat for Rotary Mental Health)
Monday 29th October	District Governor Bronwyn Stephen's Visit ( Partners 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)

Program
Director 20182019 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

18: Pam Vandenham

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 Youings

21: Raj & Jeselee Vytilingam

#### **Rotary Anniversaries**

September 3: Gerard Mahoney 2012

7: Tina Ballos 2015

30: Phil O'Brien 2002







## Member News -









Annie Webb's vest matched the beautiful Golden Wattle in the delightful Spring sunshine.



Alex Billson (left) was first to collect the delicious roast dinner provided by the cooking team led by Cherrie Osborn.

Right: Meal preparation was made easier by the great new kitchen facilities at Camp Getaway.

Cherrie and Annie made a clean sweep in the kitchen before leaving on Sunday.

