



Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Keilor East Inc.

Rotary Club 21222 - Charter granted 10th August 1983
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Club Motto - "Fun and fellowship whilst helping others"
Club Website - www.keiloreastrotary.org



On Monday 7th September we had Michael Spiegel from State Trustees as our Guest Speaker. Michael emphasized the importance of providing a positive Customer Experience or Cx.



President's Report - President Michael Donnelly

September 7th, 2020



Members in Attendance Gerard Mahoney, Barbara Rafter, John Rafter, Ginny Billson, Alex Billson and their dog Benny, Steve Pennicott, Deb Sloggett, Helen Penna, Chris Rundell, Daryl Cornish, Michael Donnelly, Phil O'Brien, Cherrie Osborn, Mark Tognon, Annie Webb, Yvonne Osborn, Athena Vass, David Barnes, John Walsh, David Bennett, Paul Perrottet. Apologies- Vanda Mullen, Bob McMartin and Joe Albioli.

President Michael Donnelly welcomed everyone to our Zoom Meeting and was pleased to see the number of attendees. Our Guest Speaker, Michael Spiegel, gave his presentation first and then, after several Reports, Members were put into breakout groups of four. Participants were asked to speak briefly on "Why did you join Rotary?" and "What keeps you in Rotary?"

Gerard Mahoney - The Playground removal has been put on hold due to the extension of Lockdown 2.0.

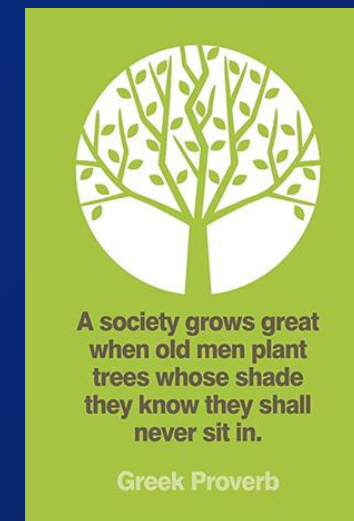
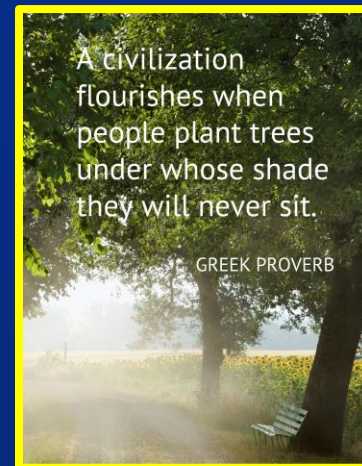
We have begun to receive entries for the Student Writing Competition. We will be needing judges for the different age groups. Primary, Years 7 and 8, Years 9 and 10 and Years 11 and 12. Entries will close in Mid October and an Award Night will be held later in the year if possible.

Annie and Ginny are holding a Guess the Rotarian from their Baby Photo Competition. They have had some successful identifications so far. If you would like to be a part of this, send your baby photo to billsons@bigpond.com.

Deb Sloggett - Thanked the Keilor East Rotary for \$5000 for the Lighthouse Project in Battambang, Cambodia. Rural students are in a boarding school situation but have fortunately been able to continue their learning during the Covid-19 crisis. Lucas has communicated that the generous donation has enabled the purchase of computers for a computer lab.

Treasurer - Steve Pennicott - Is pleased to announce that thirty-seven members have paid their Rotary dues.

Michael Donnelly - Next Meeting - September 21st - Guest Speaker - Dr Stephen Carbon -Executive Director of "Prevention United" - Mental Health.



Guest Speaker - Michael W. Spiegel - State Trustees

September 7th, 2020



Michael Spiegel
General Manager, Trustee Services
MBA, MSc, BA
Appointed: : 19 August 2019

Michael's photo from the
State Trustees Website.



Michael is responsible for the Trustee Services division which develops, grows and delivers core Trustee products and services, including wills, attorneyships, executor assist and trust administration.

Michael has had a varied career across financial services, science and academia, including roles at the European Molecular Biology Laboratory and the Australian Regenerative Medicine Institute. Most recently Michael has been a regional Community Manager at Bendigo Bank. Many of Michael's roles have also involved commercialization of new products. Michael has qualifications in science, arts and finance and is fluent in several languages.

Our Mission
Together, we support Victorians to protect their financial wellbeing at all stages of life

Over **17,000**
online and retail
Will and Power of
Attorney Kits

Over **500**
Financial Power of
Attorney clients

Over **10,000**
Personal Financial
Administration
clients

Michael Spiegel was introduced
by Past President Mark Tognon
who is currently working with
State Trustees.

THE CHANGING ENVIRONMENT IN VICTORIA

- BECOMING OLDER
 - 26% OF US SPEAK A DIFFERENT LANGUAGE AT HOME
- WE REPRESENT DIVERSE CULTURES AND RELIGIONS
- MIGRATING TO GROWTH CORRIDORS ON THE PERIPHERY OF MELBOURNE
- INCREASINGLY MORE IN DEBT
- LESS LIKELY TO OWN OUR OWN HOMES
- EVOLVING OUR DEFINITION OF 'FAMILY'
 - 6% increase with couples who children
 - 900,000 single parent families in Australia, 80% single moms
 - 39% increase in same sex couples since 2011

Michael was born in California USA
and has worked in eight countries.
He once cycled across America and
in a Rotary event.

- "It is not the strongest of the species who survive, nor the most intelligent, but the ones most responsive to change"

CHARLES DARWIN



It is important for individuals,
organizations and businesses to
show care, unity and passion.
Relationships, particularly on
intergenerational levels, are key.

Cx - Customer Experience
is becoming the most important
facet of business success. In
recent months people have
slowed down. Adaptability is
key as we navigate through the
changing world.

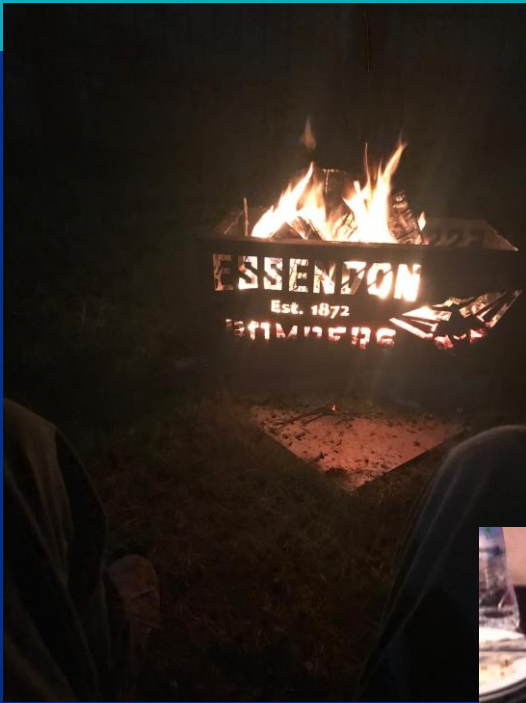
"EIGHTY PER CENT OF BRAND BUILDING IS ABOUT THE BEHAVIOR OF AN ORGANIZATION AND ITS PEOPLE - NOT MARKETING"
KEVIN KECHANE, BRAND STRATEGIST

• KNOWING OUR CUSTOMERS

What have we been doing during Lockdown 2.0?

Hi Everyone,
Melissa and I have settled into our new digs and we are getting set up - already been a shooting 200metres from our front door. We have been spending time working on the Man Cave, a second bedroom, the garden and keeping Shelby happy. Melissa and I also celebrated our second anniversary.

Keep looking after yourself,
Mark Tognon.



What have we been doing during Lockdown 2.0?

Photos from Cherrie Osborn entitled "A Bee's Paradise".



Well Done Cherrie. The pollinators love your garden.



Cherrie's knitted rug is taking shape beautifully.

Lockdown 2.0 Activities

A message from Ginny Billson-

The picture below is a screen shot for our hat party to close the end of term of the Soufflé Sisters choir on Zoom last Wednesday. We meet event week for a sing along and have done a couple of group videos that we will be able to circulate in future weeks. We have lots of fun and enjoy catching up with one another with jokes and stories of our advent during COVID iso.

You are welcome to include the pic in our Newsletter for a bit of colour.

Cheers and keep well.

Ginny



Spot the Rotarian - Name that Baby



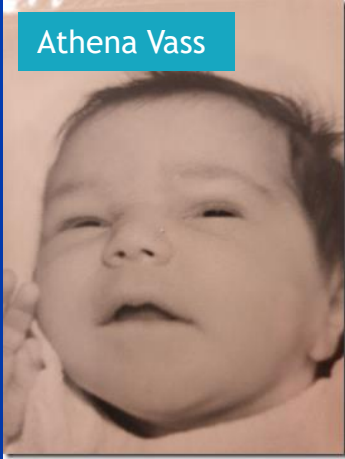
Now would be a great time to look for these and put them aside for the end of Lockdown

Ginny Billson and Annie Webb are organizing a "Spot the Rotarian" Competition.

So far, Marianne Potgieter has found Ian Wright and the Rafterers have identified Annie Webb. Tina Ballos identified Athena Vass.

Well done to John Rafter who identified baby Marianne. Email your guess to billsons@bigpond.com

Athena Vass



Marianne Potgieter



Ian Wright



Annie Webb



PLEASE DONATE YOUR UNWANTED
FOREIGN COINS AND NOTES



THEY HELP SUPPORT
ROTARY PROJECTS

Contact Barbara Rafter
Rotary Club of Keilor East



You are welcome to join us via Zoom on Monday 21st
September at 6.45pm. Meeting ID: 514 079-0305 Password:
KERC2020

What's Next?

Club Meetings at Keilor East RSL are suspended for the future (at least, until restrictions on gatherings are lifted).

ZOOM Meetings are held fortnightly.

The next Meeting will be held at 6.45pm on Monday 24th August.

1	Date	Day	Speaker / Event Title	Speaker (if applicable)	Organiser
2	31-Aug-20	Mon	NO MEETING		
3					
4	7-Sep-20	Mon	State Trustees Limited (STL) BOARD MEETING	Michael Spiegel (Exect GM) (E 17/8)	Chris/ Mark
5	14-Sep-20	Mon	NO MEETING	Sarah Caldare (Exect Assistant)(E 27/8)	
6	21-Sep-20	Mon	Mental Health "Prevention United"	Dr. Stephen Carbon (Exect Director / "Prevention United" (E 23/7)	Michael / Mark
7	28-Sep-20	Mon	NO MEETING		
8					
9	5-Oct-20	Mon	Malaria & Covid 19 Vaccine Research BOARD MEETING	Bill Oakley (R/C Sandy Bay) (E 28/7)	
10	7-Oct-20	Wed	Gateway Cluster Clubs / DG - 7-8.00pm	(Email 18/8)	Michael
11	12-Oct-20	Mon	NO MEETING		
12	19-Oct-20	Mon	Vietnam / "Farming & Children's Education"	Rowan Mc Clean / Club Service (E 23/7 & 14/8 & 15/8)	Mark /Annie
13	26-Oct-20	Mon			
14					
15	1-Nov-20	Sun	Bunnings BBQ / Taylor Lakes Dependant on C19 Rules	(E31/8/20)	Barbara Rafter
16	2-Nov-20	Mond	Meeting / TBC BOARD MEETING	(email 14/8)	Michael
17	3-Nov-20	Tues	MELBOURNE CUP		

Meeting ID: 514 079 0305-

Password : KERC2020



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.

For Club Membership or Sponsorship information
Contact: Past President, Joe Albioli (0438133123)

<http://www.keiloreastrotary.org>

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
September 7: Khaled Ebrahim
September 13: Deborah Akers
September 17: Annie Webb
September 18: Pamela Vandenharn
September 21: Bruce Cameron
September 21: Colin Akers
September 22: Helen Penna, Laraine Barnes
and Kim Nguyen
September 23: Greg Osborn (He will be 70)
September 25: Terry Badenhope
September 26: Janet McMartin

Wedding Anniversaries

September 4: Khaled & Emma Ebrahim
September 7: John & Marjorie Youings
September 9: Paul & Alison Perrottet
September 21: Raj & Jeselee Vytilingam

Rotary Anniversaries

September 3: Gerard Mahoney 2012
September 5: Mark Tognon 2016
September 7: Tina Ballos 2015
September 19: Joel Hewish 2016
September 30: Phil O'Brien 2002



2020-2021 KERC Board Officers and their Portfolios



2020-2021 KERC Board OFFICERS and their PORTFOLIOS

PRESIDENT

Michael Donnelly
Presiding at Club meeting.
Presiding at Board meeting
Liaison with Program coordinator and assistant
Liaison with Cluster and District

SECRETARY

Chris Rundell
As per Constitution

TREASURER

Steve Pennicott
As per Constitution

PAST PRESIDENT

Mark Tognon
Preside in absence of President
Assisting with Program

PRESIDENT ELECT

Yvonne Osborn
'Internal Services' Liaison: Venue liaison for meeting, forum, Speaker, Sergeant, On to Conference, Care Bear, Membership, Child Protection
Communications
Preside in absence of President

Board directors and their 'PORTFOLIOS'

INTERNATIONAL

Cherrie Osborn
Overseas Projects: initiation & management.
DIK
Overseas Disaster Relief
Rotary Foundation
Events & Fundraising (as appropriate)

LOCAL COMMUNITY

Gerard Mahoney
Local Projects: initiation & management
WERN
Australian Disaster Relief.
Local sponsorship and partnerships
Events & Fundraising (as appropriate)

YOUTH

Athena Vass
Youth Exchange
RYPEN, RYLA, MUNA & NYSF
Schools Liaison
Interact Club

'CONNECTIONS'

Joe Albioli
Social events: fellowship gatherings, weekends away, vocational visits,
Public functions: Awards nights e.g. Pride of Workmanship, Changeover, Club Birthday, Christmas Party

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OTHER ROLES: ‘CLUB CHAMPIONS’

Membership:	Vanda Mullen
Foundation:	Debra Sloggett
Vocational Service ‘revitalisation’:	Paul Perrottet
Care Bear :	Marianne Potgieter
Program:	Lou Gionfriddo, assisted by Annie Webb
On to Conference:	Paul Perrottet
Sourcing & Assisting Grants:	David Bennett
Local Government Area ‘connection’:	David Bennett
Sergeant & Child Protection:	John Walsh
Environmental Sustainability:	TBA
Club Vision Implementation:	TBA

Member News -

Home Schooling and a Happy Birthday for Annie Webb



School task for the day...make Humpty Dumpty nursery rhyme. I think Abigail did a great job, and Nana (Annie Webb) is loving it!

A very lucky Nana, to be able to share my birthday with Abigail & Elijah. I had a lovely day



The Bee Search - Helen Penna



A Message from Helen Penna -

Hoping you are well and enjoying the sunshine today. Happy to be in school holidays now for a few weeks.
Found these 2 in my garden during the week to add to the bee search.
Helen

Alex Billson is keeping busy during Lockdown 2.0.



The little loo and washroom at the end of our sunroom is now completed and awaiting the next stage of painting. Photos and text by Ginny Billson.

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

