

PRESIDENT CAROL'S THOUGHTS & REPORTS

Greetings Rotarians and Friends

This week's Club Meeting

Welcome to our weekly Bulletin, this week we have invite Bridgett Howes from Blue Cross who is General Manager -models of Care. Bridgett will talk to us about many aspects of dementia and with families living with someone who has dementia. I have know Bridgett for many years and she has a wealth of experience in supporting families and also making an environment that support those living with dementia. I am sure you will find the information she can provide both interesting and reassuring. Bridgett will be joining us at The Mornington Hotel.

District 9820 Conference 2022

Having just returned from the Rotary District 9820 annual conference **Protecting the Environment.** I thought that I would share with you some of the key moments of the two days. It really was a fabulous conference the speakers were excellent, and everyone was very excited about being the first to use the new Traralgon Community Art Centre, which has not yet been officially opened to the public. What a fabulous place! Jennifer Scott, a dynamin speaker and Rotary International Presidents Personal Representative (the RIPPR) spoke three times and each time she had a call to action.

Her focus was on growing Rotary and spoke to the RI President Shekhar Mehta key focus Service for Change which he says' is the rent we pay for our time on earth' and we will expand Rotary's service as we grow more to do more. We will grow more through "each one brings one".

The focus of the Conference was on 'protecting the environment' and the first person who spoke was Vic Grosjean a young Chartered Engineer, Oceanographer and awarded one of Australia's Best Innovative Engineers and Rotary's People of Action Young Innovators awards. Vic was very engaging and encouraged us all to - plant more trees, plant mangoes, and set up an environmental group in our Rotary Clubs he also encouraged everyone to join **Environmental Sustainability Rotarian Action Group** (ESRAG), which we have.

We listened to Ray Garner Emirates Professor who is currently Chair of the Mine Land Rehabilitation Authority Board who spoke about rehabilitating land around the three local mines in Gippsland over the next 10 years. Erin Coldham from Star of the South project spoke about the wind turbines in the sea around Gippsland. Gippsland is preparing for the closing of the three mines within the next 10 years and preparing to provide additional energy resources when their mines close.

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SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

7th March 2022

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These Celebrations are for the next week 28th February to 6th March 2022

Birthdays

Yvonne Marks 7th February Lyn Rawlings 5th March

Wedding Anniversaries

Phyllis & John Scales 1st Steve Daly & Gwen Cornelius 3rd Stephen & Janet Pugh 5th

Rotary Anniversaries

Nick Roberts 1/1975 Christine Williams 2/2009



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Professor Fiona Woods from WA and Australian of the Year 2005 spoke to us about the work she has done in developing new spray on skin cell for burns victims. In particular the work that she did In 2002 with the Bali bomb victims, 28 of them who arrived in Perth badly burnt and scarred. She spoke about leadership and how she had built the Burns Unit and how she had managed this full career in addition to raising six children with her surgeon husband. When asked what inspired her most she said 'to create a future for our children'. She also told us that the best way to treat a burn is to run cool water over the burn for 20 minutes this treatment must happen within three hours of the injury and then cover with a clean, cool cloth, sheets or towel and seek medical advice.

For me the most inspiring speech was from Leigh Woodgate. Horse Riding was Leigh's life, she was a natural rider and from a young age developed into a champion. A proud and proficient professional Jockey. One race changed all that. Leigh had a horrific fall broadcast on national TV with the racing world watching and fearing the worst. She survived but it took her 15 years to repair her shattered body and mind. That is 15 years of perseverance, dedication and planning to get back onto a horse, she finally received clearance from doctors to ride again and she does so professionally two mornings a week for trainer Eric Musgrove. Her story of perseverance, courage and never giving up and taking one day at a time was truly inspirational.

I would like to congratulate Bill Degnan and his Conference Team for a great Conference. We now look forward to next year when Rosebud/Rye will be hosting the conference on the Mornington Peninsula at the RACV Cape Schanck Resort on February 24-26 2023

Yours in Rotary - President Carol

Mon 9 May

MARCH IS WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE MONTH

Mon 7 Mar	Club Meeting - at The Mornington Hotel @ 6.00 for 6.30pm and via Zoom				
	with Belinda Howe from Blue Cross Aged Care speaking on Dementia				
Sat 12 Mar	Mount Martha Sausage Sizzle - see Roster on page 9				
Mon 14 Mar	No Meeting - Labour Day Holiday				
Mon 14 Mar	Bunnings BBQ - see Roster on page 8				
Fri 18 Mar	End Polio Now Movie Night - see Flyer on page 4				
Mon 21 Mar	RCMM Committee meetings				
Fri 25 Mar	WesternPort Seagrass Partnership Working Bee 10am - see Flyer on page 7				
Mon 28 Mar	Club Meeting - Ridge Kally from Kieser Physiotherapy				
	APRIL IS MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH MONTH				
Mon 4 Apr	Club Meeting - at The Mornington Hotel @ 6.00 for 6.30pm and via Zoom - TBA				
Sat 9 Apr	Mount Martha Sausage Sizzle - see Roster on page 9				
Mon 11 Apr	r Club Meeting - at The Mornington Hotel @ 6.00 for 6.30pm and via Zoom				
	Guest Speaker is Mark Patrick of Rotary & Victorian Police Mentoring program				
Sat 16 Apr	Bunnings BBQ - see Roster on page 8				
Mon 18 Apr	No meeting - Easter Monday Holiday				
Mon 25 Apr	No meeting - Anzac Day Holiday				
	MAY IS YOUTH SERVICE MONTH				
Mon 2 May	Club Meeting - at The Mornington Hotel @ 6.00 for 6.30pm and via Zoom - TBA				
Sat 7 May	Mount Martha Sausage Sizzle - see Roster on page 9				

Club Meeting - at The Mornington Hotel @ 6.00 for 6.30pm and via Zoom - TBA



Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation position statement on COVID-19 vaccination

As the first organization to envision a polio-free world through mass immunization of children, Rotary believes the decision to vaccinate is a humanitarian imperative. The Rotary International Board of Directors and Rotary Foundation Trustees believe that:

- Global vaccination is the path to ending the pandemic, and we strongly encourage vaccination for all individuals, including our members.
- Misinformation hinders the fight against COVID-19, and we are committed to providing our members with science-based information.
- Rotary is engaged in assuring equity in vaccine access to all people. Through joint efforts with Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance we are leveraging our frontline experience with polio to facilitate vaccine delivery.

Rotary salutes Health Care workers everywhere as they continue to provide lifesaving services. We encourage Clubs to offer recognition and encouragement to these heroes.

Rotary and Rotaract Clubs are encouraged to redouble their efforts to support COVID-19 prevention and vaccination efforts.

As one of the greatest advances of modern medicine, vaccines are safe, effective and save millions of lives each year. They have eliminated or controlled numerous diseases such as polio, smallpox, measles, and Ebola, and now, there is the opportunity to end the COVID-19 pandemic through vaccination.

The eradication of polio remains the goal of the highest order for Rotary. We can continue to apply the lessons we have learned in fighting polio to COVID-19 response efforts.

You too can support The Rotary Foundation "Doing Good in the World" by:

- Renewing your Centurion Club membership. \$100 per year as you are able.
- New Centurion Club member forms are available from Roger Annear Direct bank contribution to the RC Mt Martha Club A/c BSB 633-000, Account 126265388 Please note your name and also advise Roger by email when done.





The Duke Movie Night supporting End Polio Now is back on (after being cancelled late last year due to Covid) at the Peninsula (Rosebud) Cinema on Friday 18th March at 7.30pm. Ticket bookings can be made as per Flyer.









28/02/2022

MEDIA RELEASE

National Flood Relief Appeal

Australian charity, Rotary Australia World Community Service, today announced the creation of a national Flood Relief Appeal for people impacted by the current floods in Queensland and Northern NSW.

Australians impacted by the recent floods will be the beneficiaries of money raised by Flood Appeal and will be able to liaise with their local Rotary Club to advise of their needs.

The fundraising campaign was launched today to support the communities in need after yet another disaster impacting Australians.

"The money raised from the Appeal will go directly and quickly to support those impacted, providing essential items and financial support where Disaster relief and Insurance claims won't stretch," said Rotary Australia World Community Service Ltd CEO Andrew Woodward.

"The number of disasters Australians have endured in the last few years in addition to the pandemic have been significant and left a lot of people in very difficult financial positions," Mr Woodward said.

Rotary Australia World Community Service has previously raised money for Bushfire and Drought affected areas and sees this disaster as just another where the network of Rotarians can step in to assist.

Mr Woodward said that he expects the money to help people with the things that insurance or disaster relief funds cannot replace. Whether it be helping farmers build new fences or providing food and clothing to those that have lost everything, the money raised will be crucial in helping families get back on their feet as soon as possible.

Rotary Australia World Community Service is a not-for-profit charity that aims to be the leading Australian charitable organization for people's wellbeing, supporting Rotarians and Rotary Clubs undertaking humanitarian projects in Australia and overseas.

Tax Deductible Donations to the appeal can be made on the Rotary Australia World Community Service website at https://rawcs.org.au

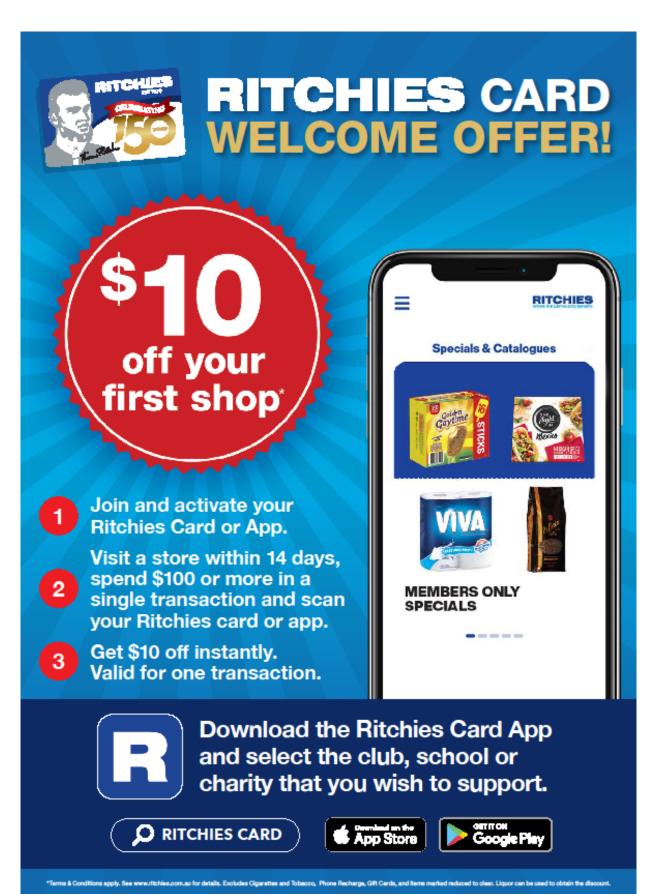
Andrew Woodward is available for interviews and photographs.

Link to headshot photo here

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WESTERN PORT SEAGRASS PARTNERSHIP – WORKING BEE

Captain Dick Cox is a Director of Western Port Seagrass Partnership (WPSP) and has been involved in mangroves, seagrass and saltmarsh in Western Port for the last 12 years. He is also a District 9820 Rotarian

The WPSP has organised a working bee at Grantville on Thursday 24th March at 10am. We have students from RMIT assisting our scientific team to clean up and monitor and explain what we are doing, what we have been experimenting with and progress to date. I would greatly appreciate it if we could get a Rotary team together to do the same at Lang Lang the following day Friday 25th March 10am.

Unfortunately, Vic Grosjean is unable to join us as he has speaking engagements (which does not surprise me at all) but hopefully, he will be able to join us on a boat trip in the northern part of Western Port on **Saturday 30 April** which I am in the process of organising. The boat (Tidemaster) takes only 40 people and preference will be given to attendees at the March working bees.

Working on the mud flats requires a reasonable amount of fitness and wearing cloths and especially footwear that you will not mind throwing away, footwear is best to be old sneakers (or wet suit foot wear) NOT gum boots there have been too many sucked off and left in the mud.

We will be recording all these events so that you will be able to put them on your websites (especially when someone does a face plant in the mud!) a point made by the best RIPPR Jenny Scott in her summing up at the Conference, she had looked at ALL our websites in 9820, that we do not put our present and future projects online enough.

Please email me at riwcox@bigpond.net.au if you can attend at any of the above and I will forward further details of these events.

Regards
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SAUSAGE SIZZLE ROSTERS

BUNNINGS BBQ'S

<u>8 to 11am</u> <u>11am to 2pm</u> <u>2pm to 5pm</u>

Monday 14th March 2022 (Labour Day Holiday)

Rob DaviesBruce RankenBill CumminsTom BarrettRay MartinCarol AllenGordon MorrissValerie LyonsPhyl ScalesTom GouldingBill BranthwaiteDavid WheelerMerv WillamsWayne NorrisBarrie Sweeney

If you are unable to make your allotted shift, please find another Member to replace you and advise Bill Cummins and Byron Groves

Saturday 16th April 2022 (Easter Saturday)

Rob DaviesPeter RawlingsBill CumminsByron GrovesLinda FerrariRay MartinBernard ButlerBill EwingPat MortonMary McIntyreRoger AnnearCarol AllenWayne NorrisBruce RankenBarrie Sweeney

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OUR COMMUNITY & CLUB SUPPORTERS, TO WHOM WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL















The Mount Martha Sausage Sizzles are back and will be conducted on mainly a monthly basis.

RCMM Mount Martha Saturday Sausage Sizzle Roster 2022 commencing at 9.00am and finishing 1.00pm approx

The column with 2 hour slots is for those who indicated an issue with standing for 4 hours

12/3/22	2hrs 2hrs	Lara Barrett Bernard Butler	Linda Ferrari	Bill Ewing
9/4/22		Gordon Morriss	Tom Goulding	Phyllis Scales
7/5/22		Carol Allen	Mt Martha House	Community Garden
4/6/22		Rob Davies	Wayne Norris	Byron Groves
2/7/22		Ray Martin	Valerie Lyons	Mary McIntyre
13/8/22		Peter Rawlings	Pat Morton	Barrie Sweeney
10/9/22		Bruce Ranken	Peter Warren	Bill Ewing
8/10/22		Tom Barrett	David Wheeler	Tom Goulding
5/11/22		Gordon Morriss	Bill Cummins	Paul Clark
3/12/22		Mary McIntyre	Mt Martha House	Community Garden
17/12/22		Roger Annear	Rob Davies	Ray Martin

