



There will be NO Club Meeting this Monday 3-April, with Committees meeting as advised. Our Let's Go Cruising involvement has been cancelled by the organisers this Tuesday

WHAT'S HAPPENING AND AROUND & ABOUT

Welcome to Ron! Our newest Member, **Ron Najim** was welcomed into Membership last week with his wife Diane alongside. With an accounting background, the Melbourne Storm loving Ron will be joining the Community team.



Carol Allen spoke about her visit to Capetown and some of the playgrounds that our RORP team sent across. They have been put up in townships which are like shanty towns. Homes have no running water or toilets but they do have power. Kids have nowhere to play & a lot have never seen a playground before – they grow up playing in the dirt. One of the playgrounds is in a facility where deaf children attend. An Australian Cochlear institute is providing implants for these approx. 60 children. **See more on pages 6 and 7**

David Wheeler shared his bio. David was born at Mornington Bush Nursing Hospital and his family has a long history with the town. David went to Mornington Primary School, Frankston Tech. Apprentice motor mechanic. He spoke about growing up in a Mornington which is very different today – everyone knew everyone & walking up Main St would take hours as he stopped to say hello to people. This also meant everyone knew all things that were happening. David held a variety of jobs before he ended up owning his own business importing china & glass. He spent 33 years in the brick industry at Nubrik & Selkirk Bricks. He followed his father's footsteps in becoming heavily involved in the local community, e.g. Mornington Football Club, citizens Band, Youth Group, Mornington Sec College School Council. Married to Jenny and they have 4 children and 9 grandchildren.



Rotary International Convention 27-31 May 2023

Because they are held in a different location around the world each year, RI conventions provide a wonderful opportunity to combine a fabulous Rotary extravaganza with a great holiday. Each one has a great house of friendship and each one has great hospitality events all along with wonderful fellowship. **Please see Flyer on page 8 of this Bulletin.**



3rd April 2023

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These Celebrations are
for the week from
3rd to 9th April 2023

Birthdays
Tom Barrett 6th

Wedding Anniversaries
Nil

Rotary Anniversaries
Nil

We note with sadness the passing of Helen Armstrong, partner of former club member Neil. Helen had been ill with kidney disease for some time. Our loving thoughts and condolences have been passed on to the Armstrong family.

APRIL IS MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH MONTH

Apr 3	RCMM Committee Meetings
Apr 8	Easter Saturday - Bunnings BBQ - see Roster on page 3
Apr 10	No Meeting - Easter Monday
Apr 13	RCMM Board Meeting
Apr 17	RCMM Club Meeting - Club Assembly
Apr 24	RCMM Club Meeting - Guest Speaker is Leigh Nesbit on scam awareness Chair - Mary McIntyre

MAY IS YOUTH SERVICE MONTH

May 1	RCMM Committee Meetings
May 8	RCMM Club Meeting - Guest Speaker is Mardi Shepherd, Chairperson District 9820 of Australian Rotary Health - Chair - Rob Marks
May 10	RCMM Board Meeting
May 15	RCMM Club Meeting - TBA
May 19	Bunnings BBQ - see Roster on page 3
May 22	RCMM Club Meeting - TBA
May 27-31	Rotary International Convention in Melbourne - see Flyer on page 8
May 29	RCMM Social Night (5th Monday)

Rotary Club of Mount Martha (RCMM) Environment Statement

RCMM acknowledges the importance of protecting and preserving the environment.
RCMM is proactive in promoting environmentally sustainable projects.
RCMM ensures that at all current and future Rotary projects and events, consideration will be given to:

- ..# Reducing Waste
- ..# Promoting Recycling
- ..# Reducing the Environmental Impact


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SAUSAGE SIZZLE ROSTERS

BUNNINGS BBQ'S

8 to 11am

11am to 2pm

2pm to 5pm

Saturday 8th April 2023 (Easter Saturday)

Rob Davies
Wayne Jenkins
Peter Warren
Tom Barrett

Peter Rawlings
Carol Allen
Ron Najim
Ray Martin
Bruce Ranken

Byron Groves
Phyllis Scales
Barrie Sweeney
Gordon Morriss

Friday 19th May 2023

Rob Davies
Merv Williams
David Wheeler
Wayne Jenkins

Barrie Sweeney
Peter Rawlings
Wayne Norris
Ray Martin
Anne Shaw

Byron Groves
Tom Barrett
Peter Warren
Colin Stokes

Friday 16th June 2023

Rob Davies
Gordon Morriss
Tom Barrett
Wayne Jenkins

Peter Rawlings
Peter Warren
Carol Allen
Anne Shaw
Byron Groves

Bill Cummins
Roger Annear
Phyllis Scales
Colin Stokes

If you are unable to make your allotted shift, please find another Member to replace you and advise Colin Stokes (acting BBQ Convenor) and Byron Groves (Bulletin)



LET'S GO CRUISIN' BBQ

Tuesday 4th April 2023 CANCELLED

Hi Jonathan,

Birthing kits arrived and in safe hands. Patiently Timothy waited in Sigri Village, collected the two boxes of goods from Christian Leaders Training College (near Mt Hagen) and carefully delivered to Poppy hands in Ingin Village. Poppy received the life saving package with great excitement and gratitude.

Poppy, Timothy and Ingin people extend their greatfullness and deep gratitude to both Rotary Mt Martha and Rotary Club of Warrnambool Central.

Below are some photos and a video recording of Poppy using the only English words she knows, "Thank you, Thank you"

Your time, finance and faithfulness in enriching my people has always been heartfelt.

Wonderful work Jonathan for making it happen! Warm regards, Moses Pulop-Levey



Applications are now open for Rotary's **2023 RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards)**. Our 2023 6 day live in Leadership camp will be held from 26th June to 1st July with inspiring speakers and an amazing program. The program is designed to help participants develop leadership skills, build lasting friendships, and gain new insights and experiences.

They will engage in a range of activities, including workshops, group discussions, team-building exercises, and outdoor activities. They will have the opportunity to learn from and connect with inspiring guest speakers, successful business leaders, and community leaders. Applicants must be available for the entire program and be aged between 18 to 30 at the time of the seminar. RYLA is being conducted jointly by Districts 9810 & 9820. Rotary Clubs financially support participants to attend. For more information

<https://www.9810rotary.org.au/Page/ryla>



If you know anyone who would be a suitable candidate for RC Mount Martha to sponsor, please let Pat Morton (Youth Director) know ASAP.

AG Peter Rawlings recently visited the **Rotary Club of Dharamshala** in District 3070 in the Indian State of Himachal Pradesh where he shared with the club some of the local projects from Mount Martha and the Peninsula including RORP—the Recycled Overseas Relocated Playgrounds, the Peninsula Trail and the soon to be held RI Convention to be held in Melbourne. The Hon Greg Hunt, from Rotary Hastings—Western Port also spoke on the impact of Rotary in the sub continent region as it combats Polio. Peter was joined by Greg Hunt, John Allen (former Rotary Melbourne) and Michael Temple.

The Rotary Club of Dharamshala has developed strong relationships with clubs here in Melbourne including Sunshine and Doncaster as it collaborates with international clubs with various Global Grants. Their projects include working with Tibetan refugees, local environment and forestry initiatives and school projects as well as prosthetic's program.

Peter exchanged a banner and donated new Australian Cricket shirts for the club to auction as fund raisers for their local projects. The banner was presented to Rotary Mount Martha last Monday.



RORP installed playgrounds in Capetown 2023

The story behind these photos stem from two sisters, Jenny Ibbotson from the Newlands RC in Cape Town and her sister Carol Allen from the Mount Martha Club here in D98s0.

During a recent family visit, the two sisters (and other RORP Movers and Shakers) toured a number of recently installed playgrounds in the Cape Town area.

This young boy resides in this impoverished shantytown with a rather solemn daily ritual, with not much joy or activity to look forward to break the daily grind !!

Then the Durbanville Rotary Club installed Playground “ZAZ from Highfield Reserve in Berwick” into the Sisonke Sibambisene ECD area.

Not only is it the first playground this boy has ever seen, it now brings, smiles, grins, laughter and joy to kids that have never seen such a thing before.

Rotarian Wayne Jenkins
Project Coordinator
Rotary Overseas Relocated Playgrounds (RORP)



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Now some Good News from Cape Town, South Africa:

The following photo's are from our ZAO – Sheen Reserve, (Noble Park)....these were transported in the last D9820 RORP Container arriving in Cape Town just prior to Christmas 2022.





IMAGINE WHAT'S NEXT
MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA | 27-31 MAY 2023

Register today at convention.rotary.org

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