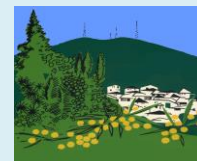




ROTARY CLUB OF CROYDON

46 Years of Serving our Community



THE CHRONICLE

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President 2018/19 – Jean Stuart

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

**Standard meeting venue and time: Dorset Gardens Hotel, 335 Dorset Road,
Croydon 6:00 pm for 6:30 pm start, unless otherwise specified.
\$25 for a two-course meal.**

DATE	Tuesday 27 th November 2018
SUBJECT	Information on Multi District Conference, including AGM and Board Meeting
SPEAKER	Wil Cornelissen
CHAIR	Stephen Bode
DATE	Tuesday 4 th December 2018
SUBJECT	Cheque Presentation to Nominated COMMUNITY GROUPS under the Bendigo Bank sponsored 2018 Rotary Club Community Service Support Program, and Induction of Swinburne University as a Corporate Member.
SPEAKER	Rowan Alexander
CHAIR	Tony Wright
DATE	Friday 7 th December 2018, Help with BBQ at MONKAMI from 5:30pm to 8:30pm.
SUBJECT	Monkami X'mas BBQ
DATE	Tuesday 11 th December 2018
SUBJECT	Camera House
SPEAKER	Nigel Roper
CHAIR	Ross Taylor
DATE	Tuesday 18 th December 2018 at the home of PP Stephen Bode
SUBJECT	Christmas Dinner

PLEASE NOTE:

It is the responsibility of The Chair to write a short, 2 to 3 paragraph summary of the night and email to the editor printing in The Chronicle.

MEMBERS CORNER

There is some good news relating to those club members who have been struggling with health issues.

Dr Joy Varughese

Joy had further treatment on Friday and has come up feeling strong and well. His tests results were excellent. He will have treatment again in three weeks and it is expected that his tests will again show continuing improvement.

He is in high spirits.

Jim and Heather Tinney

Jim is now at home after 10 days At Donvale Rehabilitation Hospital. The treatment he received has given him improved mobility.

Heather is at home doing well. Both are being cared for by family members and as each day passes, they are becoming more independent.

John Gander

John is soldiering on as would be expected. He is still dependent on oxygen which limits his activities and causes him much frustration.

He is however having many more good days and always bright and chirpy.

Kevin Francis

Almoner

MEMBERS CORNER (Contd.)

**It is the responsibility of each member to inform the club of absenteeisms,
OR if additional numbers are expected at the meetings,
before 10:00 am on Monday**

Cashier for November : Sue Jonas

Greeter for November : Michael Jackomos

If you are on duty and cannot attend, **PLEASE ARRANGE FOR A SUBSTITUTE.**

Raffle Prizes for Partner Nights: (would those mentioned below, please bring a gift for the raffle)

Ian Cumming, Jill Fletcher, Kevin Francis, Sue Jonas.

Warm Birthday wishes to all those celebrating their special day during October.

John Hexter	10 th	November
Heather Tinney	24 th	November
Viv Baum	25 th	November



Chronicle contributions and any articles of interest are invited from all members and persons that have an interest in the promotion of Rotary International

By emailing

President@rotarycroydon.org.au

By close of business on Friday.

President's Report: 27-11-2018

The Primary Schools Speech Contest held last Tuesday was a great success. The young students were amazing and performed like Professional speakers. It was a very difficult task for the judges as they were ALL excellent speakers.

Next Tuesday, we will have Wil Cornelissen from the Rotary Club of Waverley speak to us about the Multi District Conference planned for the 16th and 17th of February 2019 in Melbourne. It should be a great weekend.



I attended the 9810 AGM last Friday. PP John Barnes from the Rotary Club of Clayton was nominated for the position of RI Director for the year 2020/21. We also listened to PP Ken Mirams who spoke to us on Youth Protection and how it impacts on Rotarians especially when dealing with our overseas students. We also heard from PP Malcolm Chiverton that the 2019 International Convention will be held in the beautiful country of Hamburg.

The meeting planned for the 4th of December will be an important event in our calendar when we induct our very first Organisational Member, the Swinburne University, Croydon. There will also be the presentation of cheques by the Bendigo Bank to nominated Community Groups. This will be a fantastic event for the Rotary Club of Croydon and I would like to see as many of our members as possible at this important event. Those who have not yet advised me of your attendance, please do so ASAP.

May I please request members to bring along old copies of the RDU (Rotary Down Under) magazines on Tuesday for distribution to our visitors at our meeting on the 4th of December.

Don't forget to Register for the Victorian Multi District Conference before the 30th November to take advantage of the special price offered. See flyer on Page 9 for details.

Regards,

Jean Stuart

PRIMARY SCHOOLS SPEECH CONTEST

The Rotary Club of FINAL of Primary Schools Speech Contest was run at **Melba College on Tuesday 20th November 2018**

We had 10 young speakers - all winners in their Rotary Club area contests (about 120 children in all), all competing for the District 9810 Grand Final Winner, and boy, what speeches!

The winner was Ashton Smith, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Emerald Club with his energetic rendition of **“Sports are for Everyone”**. Second place went to Gemma Angerosa, sponsored by the Rotary Club Templestowe with **“Does Advertising Influence Food Choices?”** And in third place went to Andrew Zang, sponsored by the Forest Hill Rotary Club with **“Was That a Spaceship?”**



The Winners, Ashton Smith, Gemma Angerosa and Andrew Zang with Marlene Sinclair and Michael Sukkar

ALL the speeches were unbelievable.

And again, we had the stalwarts from Croydon assisting.

Ross Taylor created and printed the certificates, while Pat Taylor took over the kitchen and food production with helpers Ruth Bode, Jenny Coburn and Bev Thomas. What a wonderful supper for all to enjoy. Handy with the camera was Stephen Bode.

Our speech timers were Jill Fletcher and Jean Stuart - an excellent job!

The winners were presented with trophies by our local MP for Deakin, Michael Sukkar, who gave a pep talk to the students. Our Assistant Governor, Bob Richards, also helped, handing out certificates and was similarly impressed.

Thank you, Melba College for the use of your theatre and thank you to our tech support Oliver. Our Rotary MC was very well done by John Anderson, thank you John. Marlene Sinclair ran the contest with her judging team of experienced Toastmasters, Sue Forster, and Judith Talanoa who worked so hard to find a winner. Well done and thank you both. Thank you also for the Croydon Rotarians and partners who came to swell the audience as well as parents, teachers, Principals and Rotarians from around the district supporting their candidates.

Thank you to everyone who played a part in the running of the Primary Schools Speech Contest- those kids just get better and better!



*Marlene Sinclair with judges,
Sue Forster, and Judith Talanoa.*

Marlene Sinclair

Contest Chair

A short message from Sam Thomas:

As I was travelling around Germany and Belgium it really dawned on me just how much this program has given me. A few times that I sat down after a huge day of exploring and adventuring, I found myself wondering what I'd be doing if I weren't involved in the youth exchange program. Each time I realised that I'd never have had any of these opportunities to experience such amazing things without being on exchange with rotary and because of this I am truly thankful.

I'd like to once again thank the rotary club of Croydon for sponsoring me on my exchange and getting me involved in the program in the first place, and also the district exchange committee for organising such a wonderful program that brings so much for each of us on exchange.

Literacy Program

Earlier this year a discussion was had with Eastwood Primary School to determine if there was any interest for Eastwood to work with Croydon Rotary to develop a Literacy Program of benefit to Eastwood students. This program would be financed in part by Croydon Rotary. The project has gone ahead, an application to Rotary District 9810 for a Grant for 50% of the Croydon Rotary share of the project cost has been approved. At the moment Eastwood PS is waiting for the final items to be supplied to complete the purchase of resources for the project. It is anticipated that by the end of this school year all components of the Literacy Project will be complete and ready for the new School Year with one exception. Eastwood Primary School needs community members to volunteer their time and work with the students, the beneficiaries of this Literacy Program.

The objective of this Literacy Program is to assist students who have been assessed to have below average reading skills to improve and catch up this vital literacy skill. The Literacy Program has been designed such that community members volunteer their time in 1-hour blocks to help these students improve their reading skills. The volunteers will all receive training to be better able to assist these needy students. The Literacy Program will operate 9:00 - 10:00 AM Monday to Friday and 2:30 - 3:30 PM Tuesday to Friday. Volunteers can come once per week for one hour or as many times as they wish, two or three times per week is considered to be ideal.

This is a project where all members of the community can assist and it is our task at Croydon Rotary to make the local community aware of the need for volunteers at Eastwood PS and to also volunteer ourselves. Are you willing to help to make this another successful Croydon Rotary project? Why not arrange with a couple of friends to spend an hour at Eastwood PS helping the students and then, go for a coffee and a chat.!

Please speak to Ross Taylor if you have questions or would like to become a volunteer.

Report from Rotaractors Meeting on the 13th November 2018

There were 6 members in attendance plus Carole and Frank Lawton plus myself at the Rotaractors meeting.

Under the direction of President Sarah (granddaughter of Brian McDaid) they discussed potential fund-raising events - BBQ or chocolate sales etc..

They are preparing cosmetic packs for ladies affected by domestic violence.

Possible future events are a bingo night and a jazz night.

They discussed possible ventures with their sponsor Clubs and have been asked by the Lilydale Rotary Club to assist at the Lilydale Air Show. They were also asked for help by the Emerald Club's Fun Run but as it is on the same day as the Air Show, they felt they should support the sponsor Club instead. Their last meeting for the year will be 4th of December. They will resume January 22nd 2019.

All Rotaract Clubs are having a Christmas BBQ at Ringwood Lake on 1st of December.

Regards,

Ian Cumming

Yarra Valley Mystery Tour

Saturday November 17, 2018 was the date of the Toastmasters Self Drive Mystery Tour of the Yarra Valley. The tour commenced near Coldstream and meandered through the roads and streets of Wandin, Gruyere, Seville, Mt Evelyn and finally to Lilydale Lake where everyone enjoyed a BBQ. Each car consisted of one or two teams all competing for the **mystery prize**.

The tour organisers provided an amount of paper work including a number of challenging questions to be answered along the way and a series of clues in order to navigate the picturesque route. There were several organised breaks, where one could join an exercise program such as throwing the gum boot, shooting basketball hoops or driving a rusty nail into a piece of wood. At one of these stops all were offered tea with scones jam and cream, a truly country delight.

On the day, the winning team consisted of Cheryl and Pat closely followed by the grandsons of Lou and Lyn Davies. The Mystery Tour was organised by the Wandin Toastmasters Club. A special thank you to Nola, Judy and Marlene who made up the organising committee. The objective for the outing was to have some fun and along the way, collect a few dollars to assist those Toastmasters who plan to attend the upcoming conference. A great day was had by all who attended.

Ross Taylor



MULTI DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Multi District Conference will bring together 1500 Rotarians, 700 young people between the ages of 18-30 in a Youth Forum and Interactors /Earlyactors in a separate Forum.

A Showcase occupying over 3,000 sq. metres showing Rotarians and the public of Melbourne -

"What Rotary Does!"



REGISTER BEFORE OCTOBER 31ST

TO GO IN A DRAW TO WIN FREE REGISTRATION FOR 2 PEOPLE PLUS ACCOMMODATION FOR 2 NIGHTS (UP TO \$500)

February 16 - 17th 2019
Melbourne Convention Centre



CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Up to November 30th

Normal \$175

Concession \$125

(New Rotarian (joined after Jan 2017), Rotaractor, YEX student)

after November \$225 Gala Dinner \$110



Victorian
Multi District
Conference

Districts 9790, 9800, 9810, 9820

www.rotaryconference.org.au

The Conference will

INSPIRE by sharing ideas while enjoying fun and fellowship

CONNECT Rotarians across Victorian Districts

TRANSFORM new members into Rotarians by sharing ideas

The conference will feature outstanding Rotary and general speakers in plenary sessions where all 1500 plus registrants will leave enthused, uplifted and inspired to become more involved in Rotary.

BREAKOUT SESSIONS On Saturday afternoon there will be a wide variety of topics such as membership through diversity, Rotary towards 2030 and many more choices to enhance your Rotary knowledge.

WHAT ROTARY DOES! In the adjacent Exhibition Centre a 4,500 square metre area will be available to share projects amongst clubs as well as hands on opportunities to pack birthing kits, emergency packs for the homeless and emergency food packs for distribution in Disaster areas.

SINGLE DISTRICT SESSIONS Each District will have their own session available for topics selected by their District Governor.

ENTERTAINMENT throughout the conference will ensure that you learn and have fun and fellowship.

CONFERENCE GALA DINNER

Join us in the Melbourne Room overlooking the city as we celebrate with a magnificent meal, drinks, a nine piece Baker Boys band together with surprises - fellowship and fun guaranteed.



Keynote Speakers



PRP IAN RISELEY and JULIET are the number one and two fundraisers for the Conference



SALLY CAPP who was elected Lord Mayor of Melbourne in May 2018 will open the Conference



JASON BALL is a Rotarian who started the Pricer Cup will be part of the Membership Forum



GRACE FORREST is the Founder of Walkfree an organisation against slavery. Grace is an UNIAA Ambassador.



GRANT HACKETT Grant will present on his battle to reform and where this has now led him.



CHRISTINE NIXON the 15th Police Commissioner is truly a woman in leadership who rose to the top of a male dominated organisation



JOHN SOE a Rotarian from Indonesia who was inflied with Polio as a child. John tells an inspiring story of how he overcame adversity



BRITTANY ATHUR is an Ambassadorial Scholar from District 9810. Brittany is a member of the RI International Joint committee for Young Leaders.



DR EDNA ADAN Director and Founder of the Edna Adan Hospital. She is an humanitarian and former politician in Somalia



STEPHANIE URCHICK the RIP representative is an RI Director Elect and Chair of the RI Strategic Planning Committee



PDG NOEL TREVASKIS Past RI Director brings great experience and will be part of the Panel on Rotary towards 2030



PDG TIM MOORE Zone 8 Co ordinator will lead a Panel discussion on Membership through Diversity



JOHN PRENDERGAST An RI Facilitator from New Zealand will participate in the Conference and bring his vast experience as an MC for some of the main session

Rotary

Club of Croydon

Serving Our Community



Made up of men and women across all vocations and cultures, Rotary continues to make an impressive impact. Are you:

- Keen to help others and want to make a difference?
- Seeking more meaning and purpose in your life?
- Looking for ways to help your community?
- Want to be part of a worldwide network for good?
- Interested in a Corporate Social Responsibility program in which your company can participate?

Volunteering with Rotary can provide you with a great work life balance. It's an opportunity to extend your life experience and business skills, to benefit your local community and the wider world.

- It provides a bridge from your working and home life – to meet and network with other business and community people
- Ongoing personal development
- Grow your understanding and knowledge
- Open to both men and women
- Make a new extended network of friends
- Weekly contact opportunities
- Links to a vast international network
- Provides a pathway to do good in the world

The impact our members make takes shape at our Club meetings and activities. These gatherings allow you to join other passionate, visionary people to discuss and act upon community needs.

Rotary Club meetings are also a place to strengthen connections to friends and neighbours and form meaningful relationships that last a lifetime.

If you are interested in finding out more about:

The Rotary Club of Croydon please visit:

<http://rotarycroydon.org.au/> or for information about

Rotary International visit: www.rotary.org.au/

Club Information

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