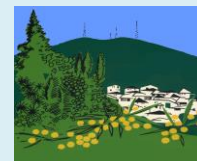




# ROTARY CLUB OF CROYDON

46 Years of Serving our Community



## THE CHRONICLE

**11<sup>th</sup> December 2018 – Volume 46 No. 23**

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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.**

<b>DATE</b>	Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2018
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Camera House
<b>SPEAKER</b>	Nigel Roper
<b>CHAIR</b>	Tony Wright
<b>DATE</b>	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2018 at the home of PP Stephen Bode
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Christmas BBQ at the home of Stephen Bode.
<b>DATE</b>	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> January 2019 – The Public Brewery, Croydon.
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Club Fellowship at 'The Public Brewery', Lacey Street, Croydon.
<b>CHAIR</b>	Ross Taylor
<b>DATE</b>	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2019
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Youth Exchange Student, Sam Thomas' presentation on his year in Germany.
<b>SPEAKER</b>	Samuel Thomas
<b>CHAIR</b>	Ian Cumming

#### 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

### **Reg Girvan**

We have heard that Reg is not keeping well and is now receiving early oral chemotherapy.

Jan has suggested that we withhold all messages and phone calls for the time being until Reg gets on top of the side effects of this treatment and is feeling better.

Reg is special to many of us and we wish him well for a speedy and complete recovery.

I will keep you all informed.

**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 December** : Sue Jonas

**Greeter for December** : 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)

Greg O'Neill; Marlene Sinclair; Brady Stanton, and Jean Stuart.

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

Tony Wright	4 <sup>th</sup>	December
Greg O'Neill	13 <sup>th</sup>	December
Eric Thomas	21 <sup>st</sup>	December
Judith Wright	26 <sup>th</sup>	December



**Congratulations to those celebrating their Anniversaries this month**

Ruth & Stephen Bode 17<sup>th</sup> December



**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](mailto:President@rotarycroydon.org.au)**

**By close of business on Friday.**

# President's Report: 11-12-2018

Last Tuesday was a huge success, with Rotarians, Partners and Rotary friends present to witness two important events at our club meeting. Five of our local community support groups were awarded \$1,000 each by our club with funds sponsored by Bendigo Bank to support our annual Community Support Program. Rowan Alexander, Manager of the Bendigo Bank of Mooroolbark presented the cheques on our behalf. Also present, to witness the presentation was Richard Nicholas, Director of the Bendigo Bank. The recipient Community Support groups help those, suffering family violence or families affected by mental health problems.



Community Service Director, Greg O'Neill introduced each Community Group nominated to receive donations under the Bendigo Bank sponsored 2018 Rotary Club Community Service Support Program.

The five Community support groups nominated to receive the donations from Rowan Alexander, Manager of the Bendigo Bank of Mooroolbark were:

- Geoff Marsh from Elisha Care.
- Annie Carnell and Maria Talagi from EDVOS
- Ellen Matusko from Safe Futures Foundation
- Dianne Bull and David Collett from Helping Hand, and
- Bronwyn Sanders from Eastern Health. Kids Club.

**Congratulations to all.**

We also inducted Swinburne University of Croydon as the very first Organisational Member of our Rotary Club. Thank you to Terry McEvoy, Director of Swinburne University to be our Organisational Member. Jenny Coburn representing Rotary District 9810 in her capacity as the District Membership and New Club Development Chair, addressed the meeting. President Jean Stuart with the help of PP Stephen Bode, and Jenny Coburn presented him with the Badge, Rotary Pin and other materials and formally welcomed Terry McEvoy to the Rotary Club of Croydon.



PP John Gander attended our meeting after a long absence due to ill-health accompanied by his wife Pat. attended our meeting after a long absence due to ill-health. It was a very happy occasion as the club was able to award John, the Paul Harris Fellow which he was unable to receive at our Changeover last June. Congratulations to you John, from the members of the Rotary Club of Croydon.



Last Friday night, 11 members and partners of our Club helped man a BBQ at Monkami Centre in Croydon at their Christmas function. Monkami provides support and services to adults with an intellectual disability, and provides an opportunity to develop skills that will enable them to live with the greatest degree of independence within their own community. I would like to thank **Stephen Bode** for organizing the BBQ with very short notice, from purchasing the snags, bread, sauces etc. to overseeing that the BBQ ran smoothly. A magnificent job done by all in the sweltering heat and deafening noise though the music was enjoyed by the customers. The club raised a net result of over \$250. **A BIG THANK YOU** to: Ross Taylor, Kevin & Margot Francis, Jean Stuart, Roger Coburn, Viv Baum, Lyn & Lou Davies, Sue Jonas, Joe Bellizia & Stephen Bode. Thanks to all, for your willingness to provide a service to Monkami and allow their staff to enjoy the event.



The Rotary Club of Croydon also help support disadvantaged families in our community during this Christmas season by supporting the Ray White 'LITTLE RAY OF GIVING' campaign to help cheer children who are less fortunate than us during this festive season. If YOU would like to help donate a gift, please deliver your gifts to any of the Ray White Estate Agents in Croydon or Mooroolbark.



Regards,

*Jean Stuart*



# Chairman's Report

A great night was had by all those that attended the Club's meeting last Tuesday night. The Bendigo Bank is the Club's major sponsor, and generously donated the sum of \$5,000.00 to the club in order that it may make donations to a number of local community support groups.

Rowan Alexander as manager of the Bendigo Bank in Mooroolbark and one of the directors of the governing board Richard Nicolas attended the meeting and Rowan presented cheques for \$1000.00 to each to the following worthy recipients:

1. Ellen Matusko of Safe Futures Foundation
2. Bronwyn Sanders of Eastern Heath, Kids Club
3. Geoff Marsh of Elisha Care
4. Dianne Bull & David Collett from Croydon United Church Helping Hand Food Bank.
5. Annie Carnell and Maria Talagi of Eastern Domestic Violence Service.

All recipients spoke briefly about their organization and were most grateful for the donation by the Club.

The club also inducted Terry McEvoy on behalf of Swinburne University into the Club as its first Organizational Member. Jenny Coburn representing District 9810 in her capacity as Membership and New Club Development Chair, spoke briefly about these areas to the Club.



**Tony Wright**

*Chairman*

# 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 - 17<sup>th</sup> 2019  
Melbourne Convention Centre



## CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Up to November 30<sup>th</sup>

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](http://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



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



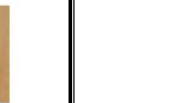
**SALLY CAPP** who was elected Lord Mayor of Melbourne in May 2018 will open the Conference



**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 infatuated with Police 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



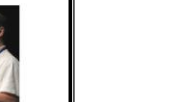
**STEPHANIE URCHICK** the RI Representative is an RI Director Elect and Chair of the RI Strategic Planning Committee



**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/](http://www.rotary.org.au/)



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