



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	Wednesday 16th January 2019 at The Public Brewery, Croydon.
SUBJECT	Club Fellowship at 'The Public Brewery', 13 Lacey Street, Croydon.
CHAIR	Ross Taylor
DATE	Tuesday 22nd January 2019.
SUBJECT	1. Induction of Viv Baum and 2. Review of Program for 2nd half of year and Board Meeting.
CHAIR	Jean Stuart
DATE	Tuesday 29th January 2019. TBA
DATE	Tuesday 12th February 2019
SUBJECT	Youth Exchange Student, Sam Thomas' presentation on his year in Germany.
SPEAKER	Samuel Thomas
CHAIR	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

**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 January : Sue Jonas

Greeter for January : 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 January.

John Gander 15th January

Ian Cumming 29th January



Congratulations to those celebrating their Anniversaries this month

Jenny & Roger Coburn 26th January



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: 16-01-2019

Welcome back to the second half of the Rotary year. I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas with family and friends and managed to stay cool during the festivities. I wish all our Rotary members and friends a Very Happy New Year.

We ended 2018 with a BBQ dinner at the home of Stephen and Ruth Bode. It was an enjoyable night ending with a Yankee Swap or sometimes known as Dirty Santa. The winner this year was Marlene Sinclair who walked away with a cartoonish painting three females at a beach in their swimsuits, which she wanted for her new bathroom!" Others were trying their best to snap up the Santa Chocolate barrel!



I am sure, everyone had a fun night.



Anne and Michael Jackomos delivered a hundred packets of shortbread biscuits to the Eastern Health Mental Unit on the 17th December. **A VERY BIG THANK YOU** to both of you.

We received a Thank You and greetings for Christmas and New Year from Heidi Schimdt at Eastern Health Mental Unit. See note further on in this newsletter.

On the 20th December, Greg O'Neill and Stephen Bode picked up Christmas gifts from Ray White Real Estate in Croydon for delivery to Safe Futures for distribution to children who are less fortunate. Over the years, Ray White in partnership with Rotary have helped children from disadvantaged families who may need a little extra light during the festive season. Thank you to all those who helped this worthy cause.



A letter of thanks was received from Ellen Matusko for the wonderful array of gifts received. (see copy of letter further on in the Newsletter).

Our club also received a letter of thanks from Jason Smith, Director of Eastern Health Foundation for the donation of \$1,000 for the ongoing support of the Kids Club which support children from families that have at least one parent with a mental illness. This group becomes a safe place for children to share information and feelings and come to know that they are not alone.

Last Thursday 9th January, Shirley Hoe from our sister club, the Rotary Club of Subang D3300 visited us, with Stephen and Ruth Bode hosting a dinner at their home. Joy Varughese and myself welcomed Shirley and took this opportunity to exchange our Renewal Agreement, and at the same time, donated a cheque for RM1,575 for the Brian McDaid Fund for school children in Malaysia.



Please remember our Multi-District Conference that will take place on the weekend of February 16th – 17th at the Melbourne Convention Centre. It is not too late to purchase your tickets. See flyer further on in this Newsletter.

As we begin the 2nd half of the 2018/19 Rotary Year, I would like to remind all Directors that they should prepare short reports of what has been done upto December 2018 and what remains to be done by June 2019, for your individual presentations at our meeting on Tuesday the 22nd of January 2019. It would be great if you can also have your funds allocation for the year and funds utilized till December 2018 under your respective Avenues or Committees.

I am once again organising a roster for members to visit the Yarra Rangers Rotaract Club at least once a month. The Rotaractors meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. Could members please help by informing me of a date suitable to you.

Here's hoping that everyone has had a wonderful Christmas break and are now ready to put in your best efforts in 2019 to help our community.

Hope to see you all on Wednesday night at the dinner meeting at 'The Public Brewery'. Please advise Ross Taylor if you wish to attend.

Regards,

Jean Stuart

ROSTER TO VISIT YARRA RANGES ROTARACT CLUB

Club Meets **every 2nd and 4th Tuesdays** at 7:15pm for 7:30pm

Kimberley Place Community Centre, 33 Kimberley Drive, Chirnside Park

DATE	NAME	
January 2019		
February 2019		
March 2019		
April 2019		
May 2019		
June 2019		
July 2019		

Could I please have more volunteers to visit the Yarra Ranges Rotaract Club?

A Thank You Note from Sam Thomas

Dear Rotary Club of Croydon,

After arriving home from school today I found a great surprise waiting for me in the letter box! I would like to thank everyone that signed the wonderful Christmas card and I would also like to extend warm and happy Christmas greetings to all members of the club.

I am very busy enjoying the last few weeks of my exchange, creating lots of memories that I can't wait to share with you all when I arrive home in January.

Once again, many many thanks and a merry Christmas to all!

Regards,

Samuel

Also have a great Christmas and New Year.

A Note from Heidi Schmidt – Eastern Health

From: "Schmidt, Heidi" <Heidi.Schmidt@easternhealth.org.au>

Date: 17 December 2018 at 9:46:22 am AEDT

To: 'Michael Jackomos' <michaelj24@icloud.com>

Subject: CHRISTMAS

Hi Michael,

Just to let you know that we had delivery of 100 pkts of shortbread biscuits today.

Thank you so much for this kind gesture. The clients and the employees that will be working on Christmas day will greatly appreciate these.

Wishing you a lovely Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Kind regards

Heidi Schmidt

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Each day the women and children we work with are a reminder about the things that are important. Whether you have provided us with a donation, volunteered your time, partnered with us professionally or advocated on our behalf, you have been important and pivotal to our Foundation. Whilst we reflect on the year that has been, Safe Futures would like to say that we are truly grateful for your kindness, generosity and support.

Thank you for working with and partnering with us to 'make a difference' in 2018!
We can't do the work we do without you.
From all of us here at Safe Futures,
We wish you all a safe and happy holiday season.
We look forward to working with you in 2019.

Ellen Matusko
CEO



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



PRIP IAN RISELEY and JULIET are the number one and two ticketholders 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 Pride Cup will be part of the Membership Forum



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



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



CHRISTINE NIXON the 19th 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 inflicted with Polio as a child. John tells an inspiring story of how he overcame adversity



BRITTANY ATHUR is an Antisocialist 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 TREVISKIS 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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