



# ROTARY CLUB OF CROYDON

46 Years of Serving our Community



## THE CHRONICLE

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### 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 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2019
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Jade Brodie, a physiotherapist will speak to us about the importance of exercise.
<b>SPEAKER</b>	Jade Brodie
<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
<b>DATE</b>	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> February to Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2019
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Victorian Multi-District Conference at Melbourne Convention Centre
<b>DATE</b>	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2019
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Visit to the Blue Lotus Water Gardens, 2628 Warburton Hwy, Yarra Junction VIC 3797
<b>DATE</b>	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2019
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Conference Report and Joint Clubs Board Meeting
<b>DATE</b>	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2019
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Merged Club special meeting to approve the Rules and ByLaws of the merged club.
<b>DATE</b>	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2019
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Croydon Rotary Charity Golf Fundraiser.

<b>UPCOMING PROGRAMS (Contd.)</b>	
<b>DATE</b>	Tuesday 12 March 2019
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Charter Anniversary cum Presentation of Merged Club Charter.
<b>DATE</b>	Saturday & Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> March 2019
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Multi-District PETS
<b>DATE</b>	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March 2019 at The Lilydale Croquet Club Market St, Lilydale.
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Annual Croquet Challenge with the Rotary Club of Lilydale.

***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 if they are unable to attend any Tuesday meeting, OR if they are bringing partners / guests to a meeting.**

**Please notify Jean Stuart on 0416 036 489 or at [jeanieos007@gmail.com](mailto:jeanieos007@gmail.com) before 10:00 am on Monday**

**Cashier for February : Sue Jonas**

**Greeter for February : 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)**

Brady Stanton, Ross Taylor, Eric Thomas & Joy Varughese

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

Roger Coburn	8 <sup>th</sup>	February
Dawn Anderson	23 <sup>rd</sup>	February
Michael Jackomos	24 <sup>th</sup>	February



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

Heather & Jim Tinney	14 <sup>th</sup>	February
Pat & Ross Taylor	24 <sup>th</sup>	February



**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: 05-02-2019



Last Tuesday, we had Jenny and Roger Coburn speak to the club about their recent trip to India with a group of 7 from the Rotary Club of Box Hill Central's Operation Toilets Project. Travelling to Mumbai, Nasik and Delhi with the project, they also visited Agra (Red Fort and Taj Mahal) and south to enjoy two days on a Houseboat on the Kerala Backwaters.

The highlights of the visit were the amazing scenes with the students and teachers who were so amazingly appreciative of toilets at their school. As partners in the project, the schools commit to maintenance, cleanliness, implementation of a Water, Sanitation and Hygiene program and ensuring soap is available in the toilet areas as well as the Hand Washing Stations.

The camaraderie of the Rotary Club of Nasik was exceptional, as Operation Toilets has partnered with them for five years now and the Global Grant to undertake 12 Schools projects - having completed the 11<sup>th</sup> and the 12<sup>th</sup> will be finalised by May.

The projects in India are usually thought of as a Water & Sanitation focus, but really, they are about Education and Literacy. Every girl in the school can now attend school every day, she can drink water and be healthier and can aspire to a better education and a career. Without the toilets, the girls do not go to school when they are menstruating, they do not drink water, so that they don't need to go to the toilet and stay at home at least one week in four! This project is making a difference - attendance rates at school have improved and the schools with toilets are attracting higher enrolments as a result of the facilities.

In Delhi, the Education Department Manager announced that they have taken the initiative following our work to fund and implement hygiene programs into 727 schools across the Delhi Region - this could easily be 100,000 students positively impacted as a direct result of Operation Toilets.

Jenny & Roger enjoyed both Home Hosting and Hotel stays during their visit, but gained so much from meeting the locals including visiting the Mumbai Slums - Dharavi.

An experience which inspired, which changes lives and which will deliver on each of the areas of focus of The Rotary Foundation:

Water & Sanitation?

Basic Education & Literacy,

Maternal & Child Health, (Prevention of children being home and becoming Child Brides and becoming pregnant as a teen)

Economic Aid and Community Development (developing careers of students, providing work for local communities)

Peace and Conflict Resolution, (positive health outcomes from water drinking, health / hygiene and hand washing before meals / after toilets visits - enables everyone to have access and supportive)

Disease Prevention? (As above)

In the photos, it is interesting to note that the Airport at Kochi, is fully powered by Solar. This shows the paddocks of solar panels - an interesting sight.



Nasik School Wash Station



Solar Panels at Kochi Airport

All our Youth Exchange students have arrived back home and a 'Welcome Home Dinner' has been organised for Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March at the Mulgrave Country Club. If anyone is interested in attending, please let me know. The cost is \$30 per person for a two-course meal. It will be a wonderful night with all students from District 9810 giving us an account of their experiences in another country, with a new way of life, learning to speak another language in most instances and developing a lifetime of international friendships and an understanding of many different cultures. Sam Thomas from Melba College who was sponsored by our club will also be there to give an account of his experiences in Germany.



Rotary District 9810 will be holding the 2018/19 Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA) on the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of May 2019 at Parliament House. The Rotary Clubs of Montrose and Croydon are hoping to sponsor 3 teams this year.

The Multi-District Conference being held in Melbourne this year is drawing near. Hope most of our members are planning to attend as there is a fantastic line up of speakers and things to see and participate in.

Next week's speaker will be Jade Brodie, a Physiotherapist who will speak to us about the importance of regular exercise in our lives.

The club's Merger Joint Committee met on Friday and finalized the Merger Application. The Application has now been submitted to RI for approval. The charter date of Croydon (2nd March 1973) will be the Charter date of the merged club while the merger date will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2019.

There will be a Joint Clubs Board Meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> February 2019. This will be followed by a merged club special meeting to approve the Rules and ByLaws of the merged club on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019."

Kind regards,

*Jean Stuart*

## ROSTER TO VISIT YARRA RANGES ROTARACT CLUB

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

**"Please note that the Rotaract's usual meeting venue is no longer available.**

**You will need to check the address details prior to your arrival**

**by contacting President Sarah Jacobs on 0438 884 973"**

DATE	NAME	
22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2019	Frank Lawton	
February 2019		
March 2019		
April 2019		
May 2019		
June 2019		
July 2019		

**Could I please have a volunteer to visit the Yarra Ranges Rotaract Club for the month  
of **February**?**



# 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



PRIPIAM 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 Prize 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 19th Police Commissioner is truly a woman in leadership who rose to the top of a male dominated organisation

**JOHN SOE** is a Rotarian from Indonesia who was inflected 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 Somaliland



**STEPHANIE URCHICK** the RFP 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/](http://www.rotary.org.au/)



## Club Information

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