



## President's Message

Dear Members and Friends,

It's hard to believe that next week it's February, school is starting up again, and the holidays are over. Things are getting busy again!

Many thanks to Ken (& Shirley) for stepping in at late notice and giving us a talk last Thursday night on some of the many places he and Shirley have discovered in our own backyard. Ken mentioned places I had never heard of.

Next Sunday is our first community market at Beumaris North Primary School. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered, hopefully the weather is kind to us.

A Rotary RAWCS appeal for TONGA has been established – further details in this newsletter.

Our meeting this week is again on zoom, and our speaker is Kathy Kaplan OAM. Kathy's Biography has been included in our newsletter. She is a very interesting and inspiring speaker, and I hope as many of our members as possible join us.

Our PE Chris D'Arcy will be taking my place this week as I have a family commitment.

I look forward to seeing you all the following week at VGC.

Yours In Rotary,

Lynda



## Next Meetings

Thursday 3 February

Zoom Meeting: 6 pm

**Kathy Kaplan OAM**

**Impact for Women**

**Chair: Mary Sealy**

Thursday 10 February

**VGC**

**Andrew Coogan**

**A life changing experience**

**Chair: Roy Seager**

**Attendance: John Sime, Trish Smyth**

Thursday 17 February

**VGC**

**Clem Quick**

**Rotary Group Study Exchange to Brazil in 1978**

**Chair: Simon Kavanagh**

**Attendance: Greg Every, Peter Flude**

Venue is VGC, 6:50 for 7:00 unless otherwise noted.

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## Tonga Appeal

You will no doubt be aware of the disaster that has impacted the nation of Tonga after the recent volcanic eruption and tsunami.

At the District Leaders' meeting, DG Daryl advised those present of the appeal that has been set up by RAWCS in conjunction with RNZWCS and the Rotary Club of Nuku'alofa to provide aid and assistance to affected communities and help restore their livelihoods.

The appeal can be accessed at <https://directory.rawcs.com.au/42-2021-22> or via the RAWCS website. The objective of the appeal is to raise \$1,000,000.

The Nation of Tonga is a near neighbour and part of Rotary Zone 8, and all clubs in Australia and New Zealand are being asked to help as much as they can to reach and even exceed this target.

I am providing the details for any individual members who may wish to contribute.

Our Club's International Committee will be making a recommendation to the Board at our next meeting.

## Coming week's speaker: Kathy Kaplan OAM,



Originally a secondary Maths/English teacher who spent most of her teaching career in North Queensland working with Aboriginal and Islander adolescents, Kathy has spent the better part of her professional life working in the fields of educational management and fundraising. She now runs Impact as a volunteer to make a difference to Victorian women and children fleeing extreme violence in Victoria. Kathy is the daughter of a holocaust survivor,

A six-time breast cancer survivor, Kathy has been a passionate presenter advocating for breast cancer research and specialised in supporting young single mums facing their breast cancer journey. She had the sad privilege of sitting with several such women during their last hours and minutes.

Kathy is passionate about her involvement in inter- and intra-faith work based on her conviction that, as one human family, it is possible to produce something good for the whole of humanity when we're respectfully united in and through our diversities. To that end, Kathy is an active participant in the school tour teams in few synagogues, at the Jewish Museum of Australia and with the Jewish Christian Muslim Association.

On Australia Day 2011, Kathy was awarded an Order of Australia Medal for her work in the area of domestic violence and also for her work in the Jewish community and, in October 2015, Kathy was honoured with the prestigious Ron Castan Humanitarian Award for lifetime achievement.

And, in 2020, not only did Pro Bono Australia name Kathy as one of the top 25 influential people in the Australian social sector in 2019, but Keep Victoria Beautiful named impact as the best community Social Well-Being program of the year.

Kathy is the very proud mum of three adult children and the adoring Safti (grandmother) of two little boys.

## Last Week's Speaker

**Speaker: Ken Mirams**

**Topic: Throw a Dart at a Map**

Club Member Ken describe the unique way he and partner Shirley found interesting places to visit around regional Victoria and NSW.

In the interests of time his presentation covered 15 unusual and out of the way places for an overnight or longer stay.

Faced with the choice of a summary which would miss leaving out too many good bits or filling out too many pages we have decided to include a link to the presentation itself.

However, this is the full presentation covering 40 places.

Thank you Ken and Shirley

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1sNADzuqD7TPQYHbSkDc2tIGxMFiAbVA0/view?usp=sharing>



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<b>Farmers Market</b>	<b>Chris Mara</b>
<b>Community</b>	<b>Richard Jones</b>
<b>International</b>	<b>Mark Perelaer</b>
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Vivienne Zoppolato	

## Indigenous - Chair **David Hone**

Robert McArthur	Chris Mara
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## Membership – Chair **Denise Grocke**

Soula Deville	Malcolm Sawle
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## Club Service **Chris D'Arcy**

Almoners	Julie Reith, Gail Anderson
Archivist	Malcolm Sawle
Attendance	John Beaty
Financial Reviewer	Tony Phillips
Club Protection Officer	Ken Mirams

## Newsletter, Website, Facebook

	David Lea
Fellowship	Megan Glenwright
Foundation	Chris D'Arcy
On to Conference	Adrian Culshaw
Speaker Program, Dining & Duties Roster	Bridget Hage

## District Officers

Assistant Governor for Monash A Cluster	Chris D'Arcy
District Compliance Officer	Ken Mirams
District Indigenous Support Committee	David Hone

## Bayside Charity Golf Day

Peter Flude	James Glenwright
Jim O'Brien	Richard Jones

## Farmers Market – Chair – **Chris Mara**

Ken Mirams	Liz Tanzimat
James Glenwright	Charmaine Jansz
Julie Reith	Vivienne Zoppolato

## Faroe

### Islands

Mulafossur Waterfall falling over the rocky cliffs of Vagar Island to the ocean below, with the green hills of Gásadalur village as a backdrop.

