



President's Message

Dear Members and Friends,

I hope you have all had a chance to enjoy the beautiful weather we have had this weekend.

One of the areas we are working on improving within our Club is communication. When I conducted a survey last year about our newsletter, everyone thought they were not being informed enough about what was happening both within our Club, neighbouring Clubs and our District. Last week you all received an email with a summary of the minutes from our last Board meeting from our Secretary, Greg Every. Although the minutes are always uploaded to the website, we thought we would trial this method of sending them to you, to read if you wish. David Lea and Trish Smyth have also created a Calendar of Events on the second page of our newsletter – a different way of seeing what is coming up.

Feedback is always welcome – positive or negative !

A reminder that this week we are having a joint meeting with Brighton North Rotary at Royal Brighton Yacht Club. Starting time is 6.00pm for 6.30pm .

Yours In Rotary,
Lynda



Next Meetings

Thursday 24 February

6:00 for 6:30

Royal Brighton Yacht Club

St Stevens Community Garden - 5th Anniversary

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Thursday 3 March

VGC

Elizabeth (Libby) Hawker

The Power of Australia (TBC)

Chair: Malcolm Sawle

Attendance: Vivienne Zoppolato, Gail Anderson

Thursday 10 March

VGC

Terry McAleenan

The Fathering Project

Chair: David Rushworth

Attendance: Michelle Butt

Trish Smyth

Venue is VGC, 6:30 for 7:00 unless otherwise noted.

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Future Events Calendar

<u>Date / Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Responsibilities / Contact</u>
February 2022 Every Friday , 4: 00 to 5:00 +	Happy Hour, all welcome	The Parlour, Weatherall Road, Beaumaris	Gail and Julie
Thursday 24, 6:30 for 7:00	Club Meeting	Royal Brighton Yacht Club	Richard Potter
	St Stevens Community Garden - 5th Anniversary	Joint event with Brighton North RC, Details Page 5	
Sunday 27, 10:00 to 2:00	Rotary Storm Recovery Festival Details Page 4	Monbulk	Volunteer team filled.
March 2022	Club Meeting	VGC	Chair: Malcolm Sawle
Thursday 3, 6:30 for 7:00	The Power of Australia (TBC) Elizabeth (Libby) Hawker		Attendance: Vivienne Zopolato, Gail Anderson
Sunday 6, 9:00 to 1:00	BN Community Market	BN Primary School	Chris Mara
Sunday 6, 10:00 to 12:00	Clean Up Australia Day	Trey Bit Reserve, Sandringham	Malcolm Sawle
Tuesday 8	Board Meeting	Lynda's Home	Lynda and Greg
Thursday 10, 6:30 for 7:00	Club Meeting	VGC	Chair: David Rushworth
	Terry McAleenan		Attendance: Michelle Butt
	The Fathering Project		Trish Smyth
Saturday, 12, 8:00 to 1:00	Black Rock FM	Royal Avenue	Chris Mara
Thursday 17	Nine & Dine See details Page 3	Yarra Yarra Golf Club	Richard Jones
Thursday 24, 6:30 for 7:00	Club Meeting	VGC	Chair: Denise Grocke
	Debby Chaves		Attendance: Mary Cunnington, Max Darby
	Beaumaris Secondary College Update		

This Week's Speaker / Club News

Speaker: Clem Quick

Topic: Rotary Group Study Exchange (GSE) to Brazil in 1978

Club member Clem entertained his audience in his usual style with a series of anecdotes about his role in leading a Rotary (GSE) team to Brazil in 1978.

His team from the Western District of Victoria to the Cisplatina Province of Brazil. This is the southern most part of the country.

Flying was a series of stops via Easter Island, Ecuador (just after a military coup) and Argentina. There baggage of 300 boomerangs, intended as gifts, drew unwanted attention and it had to be explained that they were not really weapons.

Stopping over in Argentina was the first encounter with the South American way of life were the evening activities start after 10pm and finish well after midnight.

Brazil, or Brasil as they found it was spelt locally, was the same. Every day was structure around a 6.30 start a 2.00 until 4.00 siesta and drinking and singing, men only, long into the night.

The group had prepared a number of songs but soon found their repertoire was exhausted and improvised with a cobbled together version of "Old McDonald's Farm"



complete with actions. This proved a great hit and was reprised wherever they went including the District Conference. Most of the hosts knew little English so the groups recently learned Portuguese was put to the test.

Following the formalities of the Exchange were over the team headed for Rio and Carnival. On the fabled beaches they found they were the only ones who could swim, the locals used the locale for parading!

Great talk Clem.

Nine and Dine – Yarra Yarra Golf Club

Thursday 17th March 2022

4.00pm Golf, \$30pp

7.00pm Dinner (2 courses), \$50pp

Wish to play and/ or dine? Contact Richard Jones



Zero School Dropouts Report Terms 3 & 4 2021

Despite the difficulties caused by the COVID pandemic, Beaumaris Secondary College (BSC) has been able to continue to offer the CHOICE Program to highly disengaged students. A total of sixteen students from years 9 and 10 participated in the program. The essence of the program is to get the students to participate in a series of activities that develop their self-belief and encourage more trust in adults, the intention being that this leads to more appropriate behaviour and a stronger engagement in school life.

Though term three was difficult because of the lockdowns, apart from one student who moved home and also schools, fifteen of the students were excited to return to face-to-face interaction with the facilitator. The feedback from the students at the end of Term 4 has been very positive.

The program is continuing for the next two terms, but additional funding is being sought to allow it to continue beyond the second term.

The above is a summary of a more extensive report provided by Beaumaris secondary College. Any member wishing to access the full report should contact

Bridget Hage.



Clean Up Australia Day

Have you got plans for Clean Up Australia Day? Join us on 6 March 2022, 10am - 12pm, as we clean up the beach, parkland and surrounding areas in the Trey Bit Reserve, Sandringham vicinity.

Bring along a rubbish bag and a pair of gloves and join in the movement to clean up Australia. Doggies welcome.

I will coordinate.

Malcolm Sawle

Rotary Storm Recovery Festival
SUNDAY 27th FEBRUARY 2022
10.00am - 2.00pm
St George's Anglican Church Paddock,
Main Street, Monbulk

'A Time to Heal - A Time to Thank - A Time to Help'

STALLS. AMUSEMENTS. FOOD. LIVE MUSIC. DISPLAYS.
Food Stalls. Crafts and Gifts. Coffee Van. Live Music. Amusements. CFA and SES Displays. Pop-corn. BBQ. Yarra Ranges Information tent. Give-Aways.
(Formalities commence at 12 Noon)
Gold Coin Entry donated to CFA and SES
Festival Proceeds Directed to Rotary Storm Recovery Projects

NB: Starting time 6:00 for 6:30

Joint Meeting with RC of Brighton North

Come and here what can be achieved when Rotary clubs work together. You are invited to the joint meeting of The Rotary Club of Brighton North and Beaumaris Rotary at The Royal Brighton Yacht club 24th February 2022. The meeting celebrates the 5th anniversary of the opening (11th December 2016) of the St. Steven's Community Garden- a joint project of our two clubs. Come and hear Chris Baker, the current chairman of the community garden, tell us about the history of the garden, current activities and future plans and issues.

July 2016- Setting Out the Garden at First Working Bee



The Garden on 10 February 2022



Sabu Island

We will also have a short presentation on the recent activities on Sabu Island in Indonesia With an update on the student hostel currently being constructed and progress following the Cyclone in May 2021.

Want Something Different?

A number of Rotary Clubs in our district are holding International Women's Day events early in March. I will be attending this event so if you want to attend and want a lift let me know

Chris D'Arcy President Elect.



**The Rotary Club of Glen Waverley is holding a major event on
Monday 7th March**

International Women's Day Charity Dinner Guest Speaker Victorian Ombudsman: Deborah Glass

Deborah was appointed to a 10-year term in March 2014. Her office looks at the decisions and actions of Victorian government departments, local councils, statutory bodies and their contractors.



She was raised in Melbourne, and practiced law briefly before leaving Australia, working for an investment bank in Switzerland before moving into a career in financial services regulation in Hong Kong and London. She then became a Commissioner of the Independent Police Complaints Commission of England and Wales, heading up criminal and misconduct investigations into police.

In 2008, Deborah was appointed IPCC Deputy Chair and in 2012, was awarded an OBE for her service. Deborah is on the board of the International Ombudsman Institute, which connects more than 190 offices world-wide. She is committed to ensuring fair and reasonable decision making, public sector integrity, improving public administration and advancing human rights.

**Monday 7th March, 2022 6.30pm
Cabaret Room: Village Green Hotel,
Cnr Springvale/Ferntree Gully Rds, MULGRAVE
Cost: \$60**

You can also join via Zoom to hear the speaker for a donation of \$30
Bookings through "Try Bookings" <https://www.trybooking.com/BWZCF>
Enquiries Michele 0449 500 659 (Ctrl/click to follow the link)

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Club Structure

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Community	Richard Jones
International	Mark Perelaer
Membership	Denise Grocke
Youth	Michelle Butt

Community- Chair **Richard Jones**

Jan Cooper	Mary Cunningham
Jude Kavanagh	Roy Seager
Roy Downes	Jan Cooper
Mary Sealy	Ken Mirams
Chris D'Arcy	Chris Mara
Kerrie Geard	Soula Deville
Malcolm Sawle (Sustainability)	
Gail Anderson	Lois Lindsay
Bridget Hage	

International - Chair **Mark Perelaer**

John Manks	Geoff Stockdale
Fred Hofmann	John Sime
Clem Quick	Simon Kavanagh
Richard Potter	Tony McKenna
David Rushworth	

Youth – Chair **Michelle Butt**

Bridget Hage	Simon Kavanagh
Antony Nixon	Trish Smyth
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

An eagle soaring over a lake in Canada

