

# Rotary

## Rowville Lysterfield



### Fr Bob Maguire Foundation—Paul Brophy

Paul Brophy gave a presentation from the heart this evening, in place of Fr Bob, who was unable to attend.

Paul outlined his background and his pathway to working for Fr Bob and his Foundation. Originally from Port Fairy, Paul trained in nursing, then moved into management of an aged care facility and worked for the Brotherhood of St Lawrence for a number of years. His experiences here were varied, such as working with the homeless and dealing with indigenous issues, which served him well when he moved to help Fr Bob in 2018.

A major activity of the Fr Bob Maguire Foundation is the running of a Community Pantry, located at 204 Gladstone St, Sth Melbourne.

The Community Pantry is open 4 days a week and gives out food and sanitary and hygiene products. It is manned by volunteers and helps around 40 people every day. Prior to COVID there were meals cooked and taken to a park in Port Melbourne where around 40-50 came for a meal. On Sundays the meal was in St Kilda and up to 150 people took part in this meal. In addition, legal studies students from Monash would come to talk to people to provide legal information.

The food for the Community meals comes from Fare Share, Second Bite and Oz Harvest and what is not used is passed on to other agencies.

There are many emotional stories shared at the community meals as many people are finding times challenging and this is likely to become even worse in the future. The challenges of mental health issues and drug abuse are so widespread, across all segments of society. The Fr Bob Foundation does not receive any Government funding, although a recent visit by Anthony Albanese resulted in the commitment to provide a grant of \$300,000.



Home Club of  
PDG Daryl Moran

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#### Meeting Details

##### Where:

Tosaria's Café  
60 Henderson Rd  
Rowville

##### When:

Tuesday, 6.30 pm  
for 7.00 pm start

Meetings are  
hybrid unless  
indicated other-  
wise

Visitors are  
warmly welcomed

For information  
contact:

Kevin Harrison  
0419 919 011

Zoom link [here](#)



Paul Brophy

## Project— Shoe Toss



The Club will shortly commence a sustainability project to support the organisation Tread Lightly, which works under the auspices of the Australian Sporting Goods Association (ASGA).

Tread Lightly is a national recycling initiative that takes unwanted sport and active lifestyle footwear and responsibly recycles it here in Australia to give it new life. The processing is done by Save our Soles and produces items such as flooring from the recycled shoes. The process is shown below.



### OLD SPORT SHOES

Customer drops off pre-loved sports shoes at one of the 400+ collection locations at participating retail locations.



### RECYCLING

Donated footwear is sent to the recycling plant here in Australia for sorting, breakdown and processing.



### COMPONENTS EXTRACTED

Reusable components are extracted, including rubber, leather and fibres at the recycling facility.



### NEW PRODUCTS

Reclaimed materials are used to manufacture new products such as gym mats, floors and playgrounds.



Shoes make their way to Australian shores each year



of those shoes are sports footwear



is how long it takes sport shoe components to decompose

### This project will involve:

1. An awareness campaign within the Club and local community, to increase awareness of the existence of Tread Lightly, to appreciate the value to the environment of using this scheme, to learn what can be donated and where the closest drop off points are.
2. A campaign for a month to collect shoes from our community of neighbours, friends and family, to take to the drop off points, to encourage a change of habit when dealing with worn out shoes.

The types of shoes accepted are: runners, trainers, golf shoes, hiking boots, thongs and slides, work boots, football boots, sneakers, formal leather school shoes. **More details coming soon.**



On Tuesday September 13th, Boronia Rotary Club has a special speaker, Frida Umuhoza.

Frida is an author and a survivor of the Rwandan Genocide of Tutsi people in 1994. She witnessed her family being massacred by Hutu men with machetes and was then asked how she wanted to die.

She could not afford a bullet for a swift death, which they offered to sell her, so instead she received what should have been a fatal blow to the head with a club. She was put in a mass grave with her slaughtered family only to find herself still alive and conscious, and she eventually climbed out. Frida's trauma will never be undone, but today she has an important message for the world.

Frida will recount how her life was totally transformed by the power to forgive and love her enemies. Despite great adversity, the message is one of immense hope and personal deliverance.

The meeting will be held at 6.30 for 7.00 pm at Crave Receptions, 238 Dorset Rd, Boronia.

If you wish to attend let John Poke know on [pokelly@bigpond.net.au](mailto:pokelly@bigpond.net.au)

## District 9810 Incentive Scheme

District has introduced a new incentive scheme to encourage Clubs to grow and to broaden their engagement with District and other clubs within the District. When different levels of reward points are achieved, Club members will receive, free of charge, an item such as a Rotary, mug, cap or polo shirt. If 10,000 points are achieved by the Club, each member will receive a hoodie.



The reward points will be awarded when the Club or its members:

- inducts a new member
- attend District Conference
- attend RICON 23
- attend District training Seminars
- completes a service project
- donate stamps and foreign coins
- attend a meeting of another Club
- update the Club website
- have a Club Public Image Chair
- reaches the Foundation target of \$120 USD per member
- publish an article in the DG's newsletter
- invites a District Chair to speak

***We look forward to reaching the 10,000 target and receiving our hoodies, courtesy of District.***



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### Rotary theme for each month

**July**— New leadership

**August**— Membership and New Club Development

**September**— Basic Education and Literacy

**October**— Economic and Community Development

**November**— Rotary Foundation

**December**— Disease Prevention and treatment

**January**— Vocational Services

**February**— Peace building and Conflict resolution

**March**— Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

**April**— Maternal & Child Health

**May**— Youth Service

**June**— Rotary Fellowships



The Foundation is 'run on the smell of an oily rag', but Fr Bob's varied connections provide some helpful support. For instance, in recent years half the rent has been paid by Crown Resorts, but this has now ceased so a new sponsor needs to be found.

Fr Bob has many supporters from all walks of life. He has over 120,000 followers on Twitter and he has a good relationship with the Archbishop of Melbourne, Peter Comensoli, who he meets with often. Life is never boring working with Fr Bob—a visit from Mick Gatto resulted in the donation of a freezer and prominent philanthropist Jeanne Pratt insisted on throwing Fr Bob a birthday party.

Fr Bob is notable as he treats everyone in the same way. He is passionate and can be fiery, but his focus is always on 'getting on with the job'.

He has no interest in clothes or other material possessions and sleeps in a chair as he has given his bed away to someone who needed it more!

Paul offered a hearty invitation to visit the Community Pantry at any time. Anyone interested can see the details on the website [here](#).

Paul reflected that it is not a job that he does—it is his passion, and it is an expression of his humanity. He encouraged us all to do an act of kindness each day, to show leadership and make a difference in the lives of others.

*Our hearty thanks to Paul for travelling to our meeting and sharing with us the information about the Fr Bob Maguire Foundation in a heartfelt and entertaining way.*

## Queen Elizabeth Jubilee Tree Planting

Community based tree-planting events are being run throughout 2022-2023 to mark the jubilee of her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II. One of these will be within the City of Knox.

The aims of this project are to:

- increase community awareness and celebration of Her Majesty's Jubilee
- create a legacy of tree plantings across the nation
- increase and/or enhance the area of tree canopy

A lead up event will be the planting of 50 trees along the Corhanwarrabul Creek, with the balance of 1000 trees to be planted in 2023. So if you are free, come along:

**Sunday 11th, between 10—12 am**

If you are interested in being part of this activity, contact Gary Forrest      dons10@bigpond.net.au

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Membership of the Club is a privilege and we should be proud of our Club and tell everyone about it. Make it a goal to speak to one person a week about Rotary.

Try to keep them engaged and interested by knowing what project we have and make them feel like they need to join us.





**Sweet treats— Upwey Baptist Church between 9-11 am**

September 15th	Heather, Pam, Jenny, Olivia and Tahlia
September 29th	Marg, Anita, Fiona, Jenny
October 13th	Heather, Pam, Corinne, Olivia and Tahlia



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**Soup—FTG Guide Hall between 2—4 pm**

September 21st	Jenny, Fiona, Kate, Heather/Bob
October 19th	Marg, Jenny, Fiona, Heather/Bob
November 16th	Marg, Jenny, Kate, Heather/Bob

**BUNNINGS BBQ DATES**

September 16th

October 21st

**SHEBA Fundraising Dinner and Cultural Event**

After several years of not being able to hold this event, once again we are invited to the major fundraising event for SHEBA. Our Club has supported SHEBA for many years and we will hear an update about their progress in providing health care in rural parts of Bangladesh from Dr Sharif on October 4th. The admission cost of \$40 covers entertainment plus a wonderful Bangladeshi meal. More details re booking to come.

**Fundraising Dinner and Cultural Event 2022**

**Glen Waverley Community Centre**

700 Waverley Road, Glen Waverley 3150

**22nd October 2022, Saturday  
6:30 pm**



**Sheba Primary Health Care Initiative**

**Women Empowerment Project**

[www.sheba.ngo](http://www.sheba.ngo)

**Contact:** [shebanet@gmail.com](mailto:shebanet@gmail.com)



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- RAFFLES
- AND MORE!

### WHEN

Wed 14<sup>th</sup> September 2022  
@ 6:30 pm

### COST

\$60 pp – Includes welcome  
drink & 2 course dinner

### WHERE

**TOSARIA'S RESTAURANT**  
60 Henderson Road  
Rowville (off Kelletts Road)

### DIRECT PAYMENT

BSB: 633 00 00  
ACC: 149 618 571

### ONLINE BOOKING

[www.trybooking.com/CBCAZ](http://www.trybooking.com/CBCAZ)

### ENQUIRES

Heather Morris – 0419 376 743

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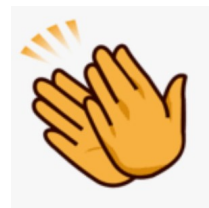


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- Happy birthday wishes to Kevin for September 9th. We know that he will celebrate in style, so wish him a great celebration and a special day.
- Kaye is excited as she is heading to Sydney for the weekend to fulfil an item on her 'bucket list' - to attend the Opera at the Sydney Opera House. There may be a little bar hopping on the agenda for the weekend as well. Enjoy your weekend, Kaye.
- Murray and Janine are thrilled and excited to announce that daughter Alex will make them grandparents in February next year, as a baby boy is on the way.
- Jeff has been pleased to be back in the saddle, that is of his bike, as his hand has recovered sufficiently from the collision with a bollard several weeks ago.
- Planning for the Girls' Night Out is well in hand. A reminder to the waiters to pay for their meal (\$35) by a bank transfer to the Club account. An enormous thank you to Kath and John from Helloworld Travel for the donation of a \$500 voucher, presented in a lovely hamper with travel products. Also thanks to Ayanthi who has sourced a number of donations by visiting shops at Stud Park and Rowville Lakes Shopping Centre.
- Best wishes to Neil M who is off to hospital for a short stay. We wish him a swift recovery.
- Good wishes for a swift recovery also go to Alan and Bob who are both not very well. We hope we see them in full health at the Girls Night Out next week.
- **Please note that the newsletter next week will be published on Thursday, after the GNO.**



### Details of the District 9810 Conference 2023

**Venue:** Realm Hotel 18 National Circuit Barton ACT

**Date:** 3rd —5th March 2023

**Cost:** \$295 including the Gala Dinner in the Great Hall of Parliament House  
Early bird discounted price \$245 until 30th November

[Conference link](#) for booking



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Date	Registration	Chair	Setup and production	Program
<b>September—Basic Education and Literacy</b>				
<b>13</b> In-person/ hybrid	Meeting cancelled due to multiple other Club activities on during this week. Members who have the time may be interested to attend the Boronia RC meeting instead—see page 3 for details.			
<b>20</b> In-person/ hybrid	Jenny	John	Stephen Bob Daryl	<b>Marty Stow</b> Robots in our everyday life
<b>27</b> In-person/ hybrid	Pete	Daryl	Bob Jenny John	TBC
<b>October— Economic and Community development</b>				
<b>4</b> in-person/ hybrid	Adrian	Arshad	Jenny John Ian	<b>Dr Sharif Shah Ahmed</b> Update on SHEBA program
<b>11</b> In-person/ hybrid	Robyn	Carol	John Ian Alan	<b>RYLA</b>

### *48th Annual Knox Art Show*



The Knox Art Show, run by RC Rowville Lysterfield and RC Bayswater, will be held in person and on-line this year. The venue is Knox Community Arts Centre.

Opening Night: Friday November 11 at 7.00 pm  
Open for viewing Saturday and Sunday.

There will be the need for a lot of manpower to receive paintings, to hang paintings and to be part of the sales team over the weekend. In addition, it would be great to see a large contingent of Club members at the Opening Night. Mark this weekend in your diary NOW.

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District 9810

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