



NEWSLETTER 12, SEPTEMBER 10, 2024

Rotary meets weekly at Tosaria's Café **60 Henderson Rd Rowville**

Tuesday 6.30 pm for 7.00 pm start

Meetings are hybrid unless indicated

Zoom meeting link

Visitors are warmly welcome

Contact: President Jenny Moran 0404893870

Home Club of PDG Daryl Moran



Jo Eager—"Walking the Camino Trail - A Meditative Experience"





Our speaker this week shared with us the experience of walking the Camino Portuguese from Porto to Santiago de Compostela. This trail is one of many, starting in different parts of Europe but all ending at this bustling city where walkers are able to relax and recover.

The route taken by Jo was around 250 km and took her around 12 days to complete, walking 20-25 kilometres a day. Her walking party opted to book accommodation in advance, as finding a room in an albergue can be unpredictable, plus they had their luggage transferred to their accommodation each day.

The trail passed through wonderful scenery of little villages, past churches of all sizes, vineyards, corn storage structures and the like, plus some larger towns with interesting architecture and historical sites. The path is marked about every 300 m with the scallop shell symbol, or often just with a yellow arrow painted on a convenient surface.

The first few days were ideal for walking, but then the rain set in and did not let up for the remaining 9 days. Facing the prospect each day of walking in the rain, with limited visibility obscuring the scenic delights, tested her determination. However, the bigger challenge each evening was trying to dry out wet clothing and boots! Along the way, one task to complete each day was to gather two stamps in their 'passport', which becomes the 'pilgrim credential' at the completion of the walk.

On reflection, Jo found the experience had many highlights. Waking each day in the knowledge that her only task for the day was to walk, was in stark contrast to normal life. The rhythm of each day and the rhythm of walking were calming and provided a chance for reflection, as was being out of the busyness of normal life. But for Jo, the knowledge that she was walking in the footsteps of pilgrims who have passed that way over the last 800 years was of significant impact.

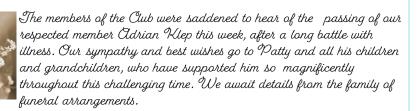
We thank Io for her informative and engaging presentation, which may inspire some of our adventurous members to consider making this trek.



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SUMMARY OF BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

A thank you letter has been sent to the Gearon Family Company, thanking them for their \$1500 donation.

A business card has been designed to distribute to local businesses around Tosaria's to inform them that a defibrillator has been installed.

Thank you emails were received acknowledging the final reports for the completion of the projects funded by District Grants last Rotary year. These were the Kiriwina Toilet Maintenance project and the Student Sponsorship – Uganda Family Care.

Treasurer -Bank balance \$88,232.29. Treasurer is following up unpaid membership dues. A term deposit of \$40,000 has been renewed. Payments were passed for attendance of President and President Elect at the 'Fit for Purpose' workshop in Sydney, purchase of 10 TJ bears to support the DG Partner Project, with bears to be donated to B4VK and \$300 to be donated to the RANCH project to support homeless people.

Community -Members are encouraged to support the Share Space drive for non-perishable food items. It was agreed to continue to fund the purchase of meat for distribution to the clients of Share Space for a further 10 weeks.

Vocational -The Knox Business Awards judging is almost complete. The Awards breakfast will be held on October 24th at Churchill Waverley Golf and Bowls Club and the 15 finalists and partners will be invited guests.

International -District Grant for the Kiriwina boat motor has been approved. The Bangladesh eye screening program has stalled due to issues in Bangladesh but will resume when political unrest and weather issues settle.

Foundation -District Foundation Chair will be the Guest Speaker on October 1.

Art Show -New screen covers will be constructed made from shade cloth. Bunnings has donated 2 rolls and will give a discount of \$500 for the balance of rolls needed.

BBQs -Next BBQ on September 20th with two in October – Friday 18th and Sunday 20th at the Antique Fair.

Rotary Community Group Event -The Board agreed that our Club would be involved in an event next year that is a collaboration between the clubs in the Community Group. It was decided at the recent Community Group planning day that this event would be a Cultural Food Fair. Heather volunteered to be the representative of our Club on the planning committee.

Berwick Antique and Collectible Fair -Almost all places for stall holders have been booked and paid for and stall holders will give a list of the products they are selling. An updated flyer will be prepared ready for circulation. List of jobs needed on the day to be finalized. Bump in Saturday 19th from 12 – 5 pm to allow Club members to attend SHEBA that night. The profit from the Fair will be donated to Knox Nocturnals Youth Program.

Business Breakfast -Daryl has offered to run a Business Breakfast to capitalize on the contacts gained through the Business Awards.

Professor Brad Turner from the Florey Institute of Neuroscience and Mental Health, who spoke at our club a few months ago, was featured on the News this week; sharing positive outcomes from his team in their research into possible treatments for MND. Testing in the lab, which used to take years, is now possible in mere weeks due to new machinery being used by scientists. The club donated \$1000 at the time to help in the research fight.

STOP PRESS STOP PRESS!!!!

Noa Nghiem Temple Tour and Dinner has been cancelled. We will be notified when the visit is rescheduled.



Member news snippets

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

9th - Kevin

18th- Daryl





We need a muffin maker for the 30th of September and 28th October to replace Fiona please

- Anita and Rajeev are very busy hosting several members of the extended family, including a trip to NZ. This will
 provide a chance to celebrate Neha's recent wedding with family who were unable to make it.
- Ian did a run out to B4VK after collecting several items from the Peppertree Hill Village. The donated items included 2 piles of Santa sacks, clothes, books, pencils and toys. Thank you to all for their continued generosity towards the children who benefit from the work of B4VK. There were also hand knitted beanies for babies in Timor-Leste as well as items for recycling which benefits the environment.

UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SAT 19th OCTOBER—SHEBA Fundraiser Event—Glen Waverley Community Centre

SUN 20th OCTOBER—Berwick Antique and Collectible Fair—Berwick Leisure Centre

THURS 24th OCTOBER—Knox Business Awards—Churchill - Waverley Golf and Bowls Club

FRI 8th-SUN 10th NOVEMBER—50TH Knox Art Show- Churchill - Waverley Golf and Bowls Club

WED 20th NOV-BUSINESS BREAKFAST- Churchill - Waverley Golf and Bowls Club

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ALWAYS A FUN NIGHT.....



SHEBA Fundraising Event 2024

Primary Health Care Initiatives and Community Development Projects

For stall holders or more information, please visit our new website at www.berwickantiquefair.com.au

Berwick Leisure Centre, 79 Manuka Road, Berwick

International News



Students on Kiriwina Island sitting exams at desks made with assistance from our club through the Kiriwina Aid Project. Great to see the desks in action!





This week's meeting highlights



We were entertained by the winner of our recent Primary Schools' Speech Competition. Luke proudly delivered his speech "The Place That Inspires Me the Most" in a very mature and relaxed manner. He is pictured here with the Perpetual Plaque which Karoo PS has won 3 years in a row. Congratulations!



CONGRATULATIONS

to our newest Member, Andy Lingga, who was inducted on Tuesday night.

Andy has attended several meetings and enjoyed getting to know our members.

We are sure you will very much enjoy being part of the team at Rotary Rowville-Lysterfield, Andy!

Inaugural Knox Business Awards



BOOKINGS OPEN ON THE 15TH OF SEPTEMBER

https://www.trybooking.com/CVGKG

SOMETHING A LITTLE DIFFERENT...

OCTOBER 8th

A CELEBRATION AND PLANNING NIGHT

Gather from 6.00 pm, meeting 6.30 - 7.30 pm.

No guest speaker, but time to celebrate achievements and plan for the busy time ahead.

At 7.30 pm, those who wish, may depart but if you wish, it will be time to share a meal together (meals will be ordered at the start to enable them to be ready in time)

ROSTERS—Foothills muffins and soup

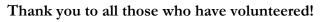
| 16 September Muffins | Marg, Kaye, Corinne, Pete and Sue |
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| 30 September Muffins | Heather, Jenny, Anita and Rajeev, ??? |
| 9 October Soup | Kate, Kylie, Anita (last one for 2024) |
| 14 October Muffins | Marg, Kaye, Corinne, Pete and Sue |
| 28 October Muffins | Heather, Jenny, Anita and Rajeev, ??? |
| 11 November Muffins | Marg, Kaye, Corinne, Pete and Sue |







NEXT BUNNINGS BBQ— Next Friday - September 20th





PROGRAM

| Date | Registration | Chair | Setup and Production | Program | |
|--------------|--|---------|-------------------------|---|--|
| 17 September | John | Stephen | Alan Bob | BELRag (Basic Education and Literacy Rotary Action Group) ZOOM Neil W "Member Behind the Badge" | |
| 21 September | Saturday Coffee and Conversation Tosaria's 9:30am | | | | |
| 24 September | Marg | Jeff | Ian Daryl | Footy Theme with Footy Food Wear your Footy Club Colours | |
| 01 October | Carol | Neil W | Alan John | Foundation with District Chair Alma Reynolds | |
| 08 October | Bob | Heather | Ian Daryl | Celebration and Planning Night | |

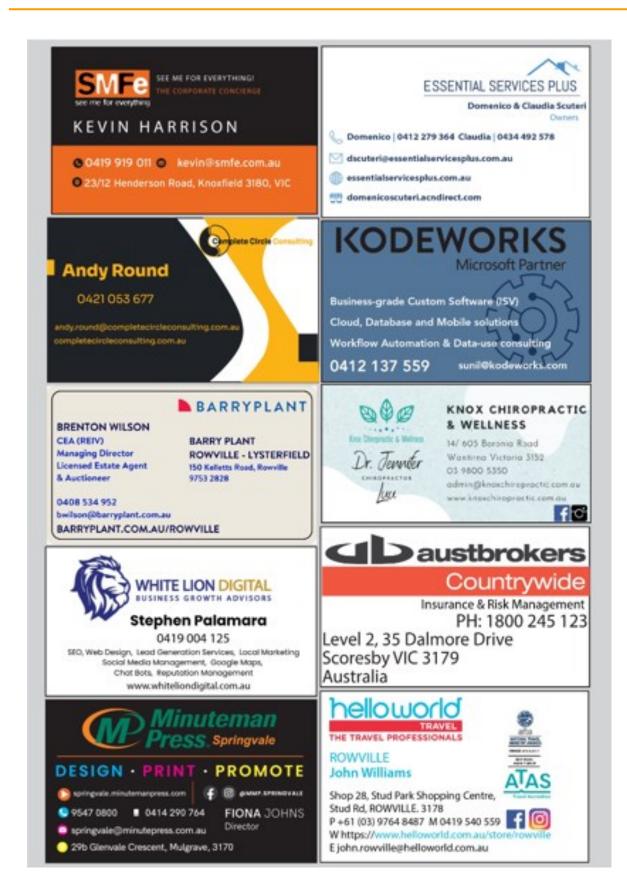


EARLYBIRD TICKET PRICE FINISHES 30TH SEPTEMBER

https://rotary9815.org.au/sitepage/district-conference-2025

GET YOUR TICKET TODAY!!

Let's support our members....



CONTACT DETAILS

Club website https://www.rowvillerotary.com.au/

District website : https://rotary9815.org.au

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/Rotary-Club-of-Rowville-Lysterfield-

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2024-2025 BOARD MEMBERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

PresidentJenny MoranSecretaryHeather MorrisVice PresidentMurray WilsonTreasurerNeil White

President Elect Bob Morris Immediate Past President Carol Constantine

2024-2025 COMMITTEE MEMBERS and OTHER ROLES

| Community Service | Marg Vesey | Art Show Committee | Rajeev Wadhwa |
|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| | Kate Kidd | | Carol Constantine |
| | Ian Vesey | | Alan Lunghusen |
| | Ayanthi Gunatilake | | Gary Forrest |
| Youth Service | Max Williams | Program Committee | Jeff Somers |
| | Gary Forrest | | Kate Kidd |
| | Daryl Moran | | Jenny Moran |
| | Rajeev Wadhwa | Newsletter | Corinne Baillie |
| International Service | Alan Lunghusen | Fundraising/ Sponsorship | Stephen Palamara |
| | Marg Vesey | | Kaye Sharman |
| | Ayanthi Gunatilake | BBQ Committee | Heather Morris |
| | Rajeev Wadhwa | | Bob Morris |
| | | | Ian Vesey |
| Environment | Arshad Samsudeen | Rowville Secondary | Rajeev Wadhwa |
| Vocational | John Williams | College Council Rep | |
| | Stephen Palamara | Facebook | Stephen Palamara |
| Foundation | Neil White | Website | Andy Round |
| Membership | Bob Morris | Rowville Lysterfield | Jenny Moran |
| | Kevin Harrison | Community News | |
| Club Protection Officer | Carol Constantine | On-to-Conference | Jeff Somers |
| Club Protection | Anita Wadhwa | Social Convenor | Kaye Sharman |
| Assistant (WWCC) | | Antique Fair | Stephen Palamara |
| | | Committee | Gary Forrest |
| | | | Kaye Sharman |
| | | | Jeff Somers |
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