



NEWSLETTER 3 9 JULY, 2024

Visit to Diaster Aid Australia

weekly at Tosaria's Café 60 Henderson Rd Rowville

Rotary meets

Tuesday 6.30 pm for 7.00 pm start

Meetings are hybrid unless indicated otherwise

Zoom meeting link

Visitors are warmly welcome

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Home Club of PDG Daryl Moran



A hardy group of club members braved the Melbourne chill last Tuesday and ventured to Eumemmering for a very informative and inspiring presentation on the work of Disaster Aid Australia. This organisation is a project of the Rotary Club of Greater Dandenong and Π Endeavour Hills and was set up in 2010. The CEO, Brian Ashworth, and Director Cherie Ramsey, outlined the work of DAA and their Safe Water for Every Child projects. The visit included a demonstration of the Sky Hydrant which is central to the provision of clean water in developing countries in the Asia Pacific region. The sky hydrant comes in two sizes. The GEM Rapid Response Pack weighs 20 kg, costs \$2,500 and is designed for emergency use. It is small enough to be taken as checked luggage on a plane flight and can be set up within 2 hours, providing 5,000 litres of filtered water per day. The larger sized Sky Hydrants are intended for permanent sites and can filter 10,000 litres per day. Both types filter particles down to a size of 0.04 microns, which eliminates 99.99% of bacteria. Local people from the area where



the hydrants are installed are trained in the maintenance of the units, which involves cleaning the filter once a day through a simple process and a more involved process once a week to remove any build up of slime. The local people must also build a suitable structure to house the sky hydrant and have a strategy in place to replace the filter membrane after ten years. With this input from the local community, the residents gain a sense of ownership of the sky hydrant..... (Continued on page 3)





Next week's Speaker 16 July - Carol Bellew

Soap Aid is a not-for-profit organization recycling and sending critical soap to communities facing major hygiene challenges.

Come along and hear how this is achieved.









The first Coffee Catch-up last Saturday was a great success with 8 members attending and Murray and Bob doing a quick stop on their way to fundraising activities.

Most members decided to have some breakfast to go with their coffee of choice and the conversation flowed freely.

We all agreed that it is a great initiative from President Jenny!

Alan arrived with the new AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) which has been donated by the Club and will soon be installed on the wall inside Tosaria's Restaurant.

The Defibrillator will be very useful if the need ever arises. Neighbouring businesses will be informed of its location as well.



Club members will be given a training session with the machine, although Alan says that it is very easy to use as the machine gives instructions as it is being used.



Next Coffee catch-up—Saturday August 10th, 9.30

Family Size Toiletry Kits arrive in N.T.

ANMARRIYANG SCHOOL An email thank you from a Senior Teacher at Nganmarriyanga School NT after receiving our family size Toiletry Kits..... Good afternoon, The kits have arrived thank you!! I will Nganmarriyanga endeavour to send some photos of them being Northern Territory distributed with the Health Clinic's assistance as soon as I can. Thank you kindly, Nganmarriyanga Kellie Bithell Senior Teacher Nganmarriyanga School

Member news snippets

July Birthdays:

- 2 July Kath Williams
- 31 July Stephen Palamara

In other news, Heather and Bob are delighted that "the girls" are coming to visit from Sydney. Always quality family time with G-ma and Bob Bob! It will be a crowded house, as Heather's brother and sister-in-law are also arriving from Queensland.





CONGRATULATIONS!!!

To a very special couple who like to keep things private....

Marg and Ian celebrated their 46th Wedding Anniversary last week!! What a marvellous achievement! I would love to wish you 46 more!!

They actually celebrated in style on their Kimberley Cruise and then had a lovely dinner on the day.

FUNDRAISING FUN

Meanwhile, whilst some of us were connecting with members who have difficulty attending meetings at Tosaria, other members were raising money for the club.

Our thanks to Kaye and Carol who set up in front of Helloworld Rowville at Stud Park (many thanks to Kath and John!) and sold \$200 worth of handknitted Beanies and Teddies! Great effort ladies!

At the same time, Bob was set up at Bunnings Scoresby selling Raffle tickets. It was freezing cold but Bob managed to sell the last 13 books of tickets totaling \$260.

This is a great result for the Club as sale of all the tickets this year for the GWS Community Raffle will mean in excess of \$2000 for our Fundraising account.





Disaster Aid cont'd from page 1.....

In recent years DAA has had an ongoing commitment to provide Sky Hydrants to every major school in Bhutan, working in partnership with the Rotary Club of Thimpu and the Ministry of Education in Bhutan. So far 130 have been installed, with plans to add another ten.

Another example of their work was in response to floods in Southern Thailand early this year. Within three days of the request for assistance, Brian was on a plane with 4 Gem Rapid Response Packs in his luggage. Over four successive days these sky hydrants were installed and locals trained in their maintenance, resulting in clean water for the local communities.

The work of DAA addresses all 7 of the Rotary areas of focus. Figures show that where a sky hydrant has been installed there has been a better than 70% reduction in illness in the local community. The flow-on effect is noticeable in terms of less absenteeism from school which leads to more effective schooling. The elimination of the need to bring in bottled water is a win for the environment in a number of different ways... the benefits go on.

The work of Disaster Aid Australia is truly inspiring with a very compelling outcome, that every \$1 donated can provide water for one person for a year!

Our Club is very happy to be able to donate \$500 to the work of Disaster Aid Australia.



ROSTERS—Foothills muffins and soup

17 July Soup	Kate, Kylie, Jenny
22 July Muffins	Marg, Kaye, Corinne, Pete & Sue
5 August Muffins	Heather, Fiona, Rajeev & Anita, Jenny
14 August Soup	Kate, Kylie, Anita
19 August Muffins	Marg, Kaye, Corinne, Pete & Sue
2 September Muffins	Heather, Fiona, Rajeev & Anita, Jenny
11 September Soup	Kate, Kylie, Marg



Next Bunnings BBQ—July 19. A great result on the last BBQ, with a profit of **\$774.55**. Thanks to Alan, Kaye, Jeff, Ian and Bob (who worked both shifts!). And thanks Marg for the wonderful cake you sent for the BBQ Team to

PROGRAM

Date	Registration	Chair	Setup and Production	Program	
16 July	Jeff	Bob	John Ian	Carol Bellew—Soap Aid	
23 July	Stephen	Carol	Kevin Daryl	Caitlyn Smart—My RYLA experience	
30 July	Kaye	Daryl	Alan John	Anita Wadhwa—My Family Story	
06 August	NO MEETING TONIGHT — DG Partner Project Fundraiser (see Flyer below RSVP by 30 July)				
		YOU ARE INV our Fundraisin Shangri-L Malaysian & Chine 37-39 Brentwor Forest Hill TUESDAY AU 6:30PM FOR 7P Berling COST: 560 PE Includes Chinese fea & c Beer & soft drinks available for p RSVP by Jt Ieannebyron550 DB15 Partner P BS1: 632 C	g event at: District 9815 a Inn se Restaurant, od Square 3131 UGUST 6 M START MEAL R HEAD orkage BYO Wine. hurchase at own expense. aty 30 gmail.com s to: roject a/c 00		

Let's support our members....



CONTACT DETAILS

Club website <u>https://rotary.completecircleconsulting.xyz/.</u> (work in progress) District website : <u>https://rotary9815.org.au</u> Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/Rotary-Club-of-Rowville-Lysterfield-171446576246728/?ref=bookmarks</u>

2024-2025 BOARD MEMBERS

President	Jenny Moran	Secretary	Heather Morris
Vice President	Murray Wilson	Treasurer	Neil White
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2024-2025 COMMITTEE CHAIRS, 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
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	Marg Vesey		Kaye Sharman
	Ayanthi Gunatilake	BBQ Committee	Heather Morris
Environment	Arshad Samsudeen		Bob Morris
Vocational	John Williams		Ian Vesey
Foundation	Neil White	Rowville Secondary	Rajeev Wadhwa
Membership	Bob Morris	College Council Rep	
	Kevin Harrison	Facebook	Stephen Palamara
Club Protection Officer	Carol Constantine	Website	Committee to be
Club Protection	Anita Wadhwa		Confirmed shortly.
Assistant (WWCC)			Website is a work in
			progress (see link
			above)
		Rowville Lysterfield	Jenny Moran
		Community News	
		On-to-Conference	Jeff Somers
		Social Convenor	Kaye Sharman