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Rotary Rowville Lysterfield



Newsletter 2023-2024



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Dr. Sharif SHEBA Eye Care Program

Dr Sharif recently travelled to Bangladesh to see how the Eye Care Program is progressing. SHEBA or Social Help Endeavour for Bangladesh is a Melbourne based non-profit organization. It is registered with The Consumer Affairs Victoria (Reg no: A0049495D) since its inception in 2007 and also registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission (ACNC). SHEBA has been granted a Tax Concession Charity (TCC) and Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status by the Australian Taxation Office. Hence all donations made in Australia are tax deductible.

The SHEBA Eye Care Program faced initial challenges in successfully transferring the funds into Bangladesh. After lengthy processes this has now been resolved.

The program launched on 30 October 2023 with the first eye camps in Kazihal, Fulbari and Dinajpur. The awareness campaign targeted 30,000 people with the objective of screening 3,000 through the 25 eye camps. Screening includes errors of refraction, Glaucoma, Diabetic Retinopathy and cataract. Over 500 pairs of spectacles were also distributed at the eye camps to those in need.

The photo below shows some of the many patients benefiting from this program.



ANZAC DAY – 25th April 2024

This year a some of us will attend the Dawn Service at the Quarry Reserve in Ferntree Gully. This service is co-ordinated jointly by the Rotary Club of Ferntree Gully and the Ferntree Gully CFA. The service is 5.45am for a 6am start. Parking is available at the Village Shopping Centre and Upper Ferntree Gully Railway station both within easy walking distance to the event.

I invite our members to join us for breakfast at Montania Café after the service to enjoy some fellowship (booking is in the name of Carol).

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

Meeting Zoom Link

Visitors are warmly
welcomed

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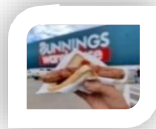


Board meetings:
at 7.30 pm via zoom, all
members are welcome.



Home Club of
IPDG Dr Daryl Moran





BBQs are on the third Friday of the month. The roster is available via the link [Bunnings Roster 2024](#). We have a special Mother's Day Night event on Thursday 9th May from 6pm-8pm. Bob and Heather will be two of the four volunteers for this event. We will receive \$200 in Bunnings Vouchers for participation.

Explore the Hidden World of Fungi with Mycologist Ema Corro

This will be a terrific insight into the world of fungi and a showing of support for first friends of Dandenong Creek by its Rotary Club. I encourage as many Rotarians that are available to attend. Embark on an unforgettable journey into the captivating realm of fungi with esteemed mycologist Ema Corro. This exclusive, one-time event offers a unique opportunity to delve into the mysteries of Bateman Street Bushland and discover the incredible diversity of fungal life that calls it home.

Date & Time: Sunday 28th of April. 1-3pm **Location:** Bateman Street Bushland

Registration: Space is limited, so be sure to reserve your spot by registering [here](#).

Inaugural Business Awards

As you are aware promotion of the Inaugural Business Awards has commenced. Nominations are now open. I encourage you to support the business awards by nominating your favourite business using this link <https://bit.ly/43G0iSc> or if you share the details with local businesses so they can submit a nomination.



Girls Night Out

Thanks to Ayanthi and Gary who attended 50 businesses over 4 hours Rowville Lysterfield area on the weekend to raise donations/ gift cards/ vouchers as well as promoting the Girls Night Out. Please invite all your friends to the Girls Night Out on 1st May 2024. Booking is available via the QR Code.



Holland Festival – Saturday 27th

Thank you to all our members who have registered as volunteers. You will all receive more information via email this week. Please contact Stephen Palamara if you have any questions.

<https://hollandfestival.org.au/volunteer-applications/>



Muffins & Soup Roster

Thursday 4 th April	Marg, Kaye, Corinne, Pete & Sue
Thursday 18 th April	Heather, Fiona, Rajeev & Anita, Jenny
Thursday 2 nd May	Marg, Kaye, Kylie, Pete & Sue
Thursday 16 th May	Heather, Fiona, Rajeev & Anita, Jenny
Thursday 30 th May	Marg, Kaye, Kylie, Pete & Sue
Thursday 6 th June	Heather, Fiona, Rajeev & Anita, Jenny
Thursday 20 th June	Marg, Kaye, Corinne, Pete & Sue

Program 2023-2024

Date	Registration	Chair	Setup and production	Program
April – Maternal and Child Health				
23	Heather	Bob	John Daryl	Pete Cass Plastics Recycling
25	ANZAC DAY Dawn Services Breakfast @ Montania afterwards			
27	Holland Festival 10am to 6pm			
May – Youth Service				
7	Kate	Jeff	Bob John	Blaze Aid, Disaster Recovery
14	Daryl	Jenny	Daryl Kevin	Planning 2024-25 PE Jenny Moran
21	Heather	John	Alan Bob	District Youth Report Daryl Moran
28	Kaye	Jenny	Daryl Ian	Planning 2024-25 PE Jenny Moran
June				
4	Kate	Bob	Bob John	Earlyact 2024 Office Bearers
11	Ayanthi	Marg	Kevin Alan	Bianca Hurle Rosehaven Services
18	Kaye	John	Bob Daryl	TBC
25	Club Changeover Night Welcome PE Jenny Moran as President 2024/25			

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July – New Leadership
August – Membership and New Club Development
September – Basic Education and Literacy
October – Economic and 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 Fellowship



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