



Primary School Speech Contest 2023 Winner – Jack DeBolfo



Last week Jack Debolfo joined us. Jack of Karoo Primary School was the winner of this year’s Primary School Speech contest. He was accompanied by his parents and siblings. He gave a stirring and informative speech about ‘The ANZACS’ contribution to Australia. It was easy to see why he won the event – his presentation skills were obvious. President Carol Constantine presented Jack with the winner’s shield for Karoo Primary School to display.

District 9810 Conference 2024 - Murray Wilson, our on-to-conference chair, gave a report on the plans for the District Conference being held on 22 to 24 March 2024 in Warrnambool, look out for an email from Murray soon.

A tour of India with Kate - Kate Kidd gave an interesting talk following her recent return from the Indian sub-continent. The group was guided by an excellent and passionate person who did a great job on the tour. Kate used words like “mind explosion” and “stimulating” saying he made the exercise what it was. She observed that India is a nation of some 180 states and with multi religions being a major impediment to progress. We look forward to the photos 😊.

International Program – District Grant Application Family Care Uganda
The District Grant application has been submitted seeking funding to for an employee of Family Care Uganda who is unable to complete his university degree without funding. The need for funding was identified with Marg & Ian Vesey’s recent visit to Uganda. We hope we are successful.

Tamminya House Christmas Raffle - The donated hampers for the raffle were delivered to the Rose Street Op Shop and were received with sincere thanks and gratitude. Thank you to all Rotarians who bought tickets last week in support of Tamminya House.

Salvation Army Open Pantry - Another delivery of donations has been made and again much appreciation was expressed by Rosie Massey.

Knox Nocturnals Youth Program Training will take place on Saturday 3rd February 9am–12 noon. Anyone interested in helping to support this program should register on the website, <https://knoxnocturnals.org>. Additional requirements are a working with children certificate (WWCC) and Police check. To obtain a police check, visit [Intercheck](https://intercheck.com.au). Volunteers also need to complete an on-line child safe module, which will be sent to all those who register.

CHRISTMAS AT CAROL’S – Tuesday 12 December 2023
Tuesday 12th December 6pm for 6.30 start, \$25 per person includes nibbles, a 2-course meal, soft drink/juice – BYO alcohol. Any funds left over will be donated to Rotary Foundation.

KRIS KRINGLE - This year we would like Kris Kringle to be ‘**One of your favourite things**’, please bring along one of your favourite things to go into the Kris Kringle sack.

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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at 7.30 pm via zoom, all members are welcome.



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'Brand New Day' with Margo Hartley

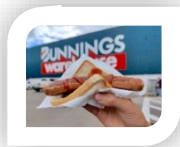
Recently Gary Forrest caught up with Margo Hartley who established 'Brand New Day'. Brand New Day is an organisation founded by Margo and (the late) Tom Hartley in Dandenong, to help immigrant women assimilate into Australian society. Women are taught life basics, such as how to use public transport, shopping, cooking, day to day English and other skills necessary to live in a world totally different from their countries of origin. Skills we all take for granted. The Rotary Club of Dandenong/Endeavour Hills helps out by regularly mowing the lawns in the beautiful, expansive garden and nature-strip. Gary was able to donate 8 ex-business laptop computers to 'Brand New Day' which will be used in the many free classes available at the house.



Gin Tasting @ Tiny Bear Distillery Tuesday 5th December

Gin tasting at Tiny Bear Gin Distillery, 7/10 Henderson Road, Knoxfield. The price is \$25 each which includes a cheese, biscuits, and dried fruit platters plus a tasting tray of 4 different gins along with a tour of the distillery. Gin prices vary according to what you choose to take home, and they have agreed to give a 10% discount per purchase. Please advise Kaye if you are going to this function so I can let the host/hostess know the numbers.

Bunnings BBQ's December and January



Upcoming BBQs are Friday 15 December, Tuesday 26 December, Saturday 6 January, Saturday 27 January. Please check the roster via the link [Bunnings Roster December and January](#) to see where extra help is needed.



FOOTHILLS
COMMUNITY CARE

Muffins & Soup Roster

Thursday November 30 th	Kaye, Fiona, Pete & Sue
Thursday December 14 th	Marg, Corinne, Anita & Rajeev, Heather

Wellington Village Bear Sale for Backpack4Kids



The Rotary Club of Rowville Lysterfield is held a sale of knitted dolls and Santas at Wellington Village on Saturday 25th November 25th went very well and will result in a good donation to Backpacks 4 VIC Kids. Thank you to Jenny, Kaye and Murray for volunteering on the day.

Program 2023-2024

Date	Registration	Chair	Setup and production	Program
November – Rotary Foundation				
28	Social Night – Italian Restaurant Dinner Angelette Authentic Italian 114 Bayswater Road, Croydon South \$30 includes a free drink, antipasto platters, a variety of pasta dishes and an assortment of pizza's. Coffee, dessert and other drinks not included.			
December – Disease Prevention and Treatment				
5	Gin Tasting Night, Little Bear Distillery (\$25) 7/10 Henderson Road, Knoxfield			
12	Christmas @ Carol's Enjoy a Traditional Christmas Dinner			
January – New Leadership				
16	Kaye	John		Welcome to 2024 Casual meeting
23	Kate	Jeff		Being finalised
30	Ayanthi	Gary		Being finalised
February – Peace Building and Conflict Resolution				
6	Heather	Bob		Amie Zwag Music and more
13	Corinne	Daryl		Brad Turner, MND
20				Reserved
25				Sunday Lunch @ Montague Orchard
27	Jeff	Rajeev		Julie Kennedy Rowville Secondary College
March – Water, Sanitation and Hygiene				
5				Packing Night Kits for End Trachoma
12				Martin Stow, Robotics
22-24th	District Conference, Warrnambool			

Newsletter
2023-2024



CREATE HOPE
in the **WORLD**

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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