



**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 otherwise

[Zoom meeting link](#)

Visitors are warmly welcome

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**Satellite Club meets
at Tosaria's Café**

Alternate Thursdays at 7:30am

Contact :

President Kevin Harrison
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Home Club of

DGND Murray Wilson

PDG Daryl Moran



This week's meeting.....

Tonight we had a meeting with a very big difference, as it was much smaller than we have experienced over the last few months. Some nights we have been bursting at the seams with so many visitors and have had to scramble to set up some extra tables to accommodate everyone. The room has been buzzing with energy and lively conversation with around 30 people in the room. In fact, setting up three long tables, has been the norm.

This week, I walked into the back room at Tosaria's with Ian who had pulled up outside at the same time as I. There we found only one long table and 5 members present. Surely, it wouldn't just be the 7 of us?

I was on the Registration table and it was particularly easy! Only \$100 in cash and the rest on the Tyro Square. It was very easy to balance the sheet, which is usually not the case for me, for some reason. Probably because mathematics is not my strong suit.

Over the next half hour, a few other members trickled in and we ended up with 10 altogether. It was actually a very good number for people to be able to share and listen and laugh together.

We didn't have a meeting but we did spend quite a bit of time talking about Rotary "stuff". Robyn W, one of our newest members was present, so it was a great opportunity to fill her in on various aspects of Rotary as well as Club projects and to refresh the memories of the other "older" members present.

Bob spoke about Satellite Clubs and different set ups for these and how they evolve to suit their membership. He also filled us in on the size of the group and that our a Satellite Club is the Knox Business Network with 8 Members. They meet for breakfast fortnightly on a Thursday at Tosaria.

Alan was a great conduit for both Rotary information and Club projects. He spoke at length about RAWCS and how Australians can make Tax Deductible contributions and donate to over 400 projects both locally and internationally. Just go into the RAWCS site and browse the long list including 3 of our Club projects - Kiriwina Aid Project, Kiriwina Education Fund and Uganda Family Care.

Alan also recounted stories of Kiriwina and the simple lives that the islanders live. He told us about how the boat, which was originally donated to help with fishing, has had its motor replaced and is used regularly to rescue men whose dugout canoes have been pushed out to sea in bad weather. He fondly remembered his first ride on a boat there, where he was sat on a kitchen chair and held onto firmly by several men as the boat crashed up and down over the rough sea.

Alan described the very first shipment to Kiriwina which was a shipping container filled with hospital beds and equipment, school desks, books and other educational resources. It turned into a large game of Tetris to fit it all into the space. The hospital beds came from a disused hospital in Reservoir and many of the other items came from Donations in Kind. Bob was only fairly new in Heather's life when she asked him to drive the truck to transport the beds to the container. The power of Rotary weaved it's magic, and here we are, with Bob about to take over the reins of the Presidency of our club.

The rest of the time was filled with lots of conversation and laughter between members. It was great to see Neil there and also Cheryl, who is only able to attend during school holidays.

We will look forward to a normal meeting next week with many of our travellers back again. Our guest speaker is David Jordan who is a serving Naval Officer and also Heather's son-in-law.

Have a great week everyone! Corinne



MUFFINS ROSTER

17 April Muffins	Kaye, Mary, Corinne, Heather & Bob
01 May Muffins	Marg, Heather & Bob, Pete & Sue, Anita & Rajeev
15 May Muffins	Fiona, Corinne, Mary, Glennys
29 May Muffins	Marg, Fiona, Pete & Sue, Anita & Rajeev



PROGRAM

Date	Registration	Chair	Setup and Production	Program
APRIL - Environment				
22nd April	Kevin	Daryl	Alan Bob	David Jordan— serving Naval Officer
29th April	5th Tuesday - No Meeting - RESTAURANT DINNER - Eating House, Rowville			
MAY - Youth Service				
6th May	Jeff	Neil	Bob Ian	George Petrou - The Art of Humanity
13th May	NO MEETING			
20th May	Andy R	Heather	Ian John W	Jade Mainwaring-Knox Council Grants and Grant Process
27th May	Kate	Gary	John W Kevin	Murray Verso—End Polio
JUNE - Rotary Fellowships				
3rd June	Carol	Bob	Kevin Daryl	President Elect Club Plan Presentation

UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

FRI 25th APRIL- ANZAC DAY DAWN SERVICE, followed by breakfast at Montania, FTG

THURS 1ST MAY-GIRLS' NIGHT OUT – Tosaria Restaurant Rowville, 6:30pm

SUN 4TH MAY- INAUGURAL SUNDAY MARKET– Rowville Community Centre

TUES 24TH JUNE– CHANGEOVER NIGHT– Waverley Churchill Golf and Bowls Club



Member news snippets...

April Birthdays

11th - Heather

15th - Kaye

16th - Pradeep

28th - John W



Special birthday wishes to Pradeep who is about to be inducted back into the club. It is his birthday today! Have a good one Pradeep!

The countdown is on for the 17 members who are off to Bali very soon. Packing will be easy...leave the jumpers out!



Wishing all members a Happy Easter spent with family and friends.

May the Easter Bunny come past your place.

SOCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

-**ANZAC DAY** Dawn Services will be held in several areas in Knox. Members are invited to attend their chosen venue and then meet for breakfast at 7-7:30am at Montania in Mountain Gate. Please let Kaye know ASAP if you wish to attend, so that she can make the necessary booking.

-**TUESDAY 29th APRIL** is the 5th Tuesday of the month and Kaye has organized dinner in a private room at the Eating House, Wellington Village. Booking is for 7pm but you may like to meet in the Bar at 6:30pm for a pre dinner drink. Please let Kaye know ASAP if you are attending (if you have not filled out the attendance sheet) as she must confirm numbers.

KNOX BUSINESS AWARDS 2025

Hi Fellow Rotarians,

We'd really appreciate your help in spreading the word about the **Knox Business Awards!**

How you can help:

- **Like and share** our Facebook page to help amplify the message:

<https://www.facebook.com/Knoxbusinessawards>

- **Refer a local business** that you believe deserves recognition:

<https://knoxbusinessaards.com.au/referral/>

Let's work together to shine a spotlight on the amazing businesses in our community. Your support truly makes a difference!

Warm regards,
John Williams & Stephen Palamara

GIRLS' NIGHT OUT

This is always a fabulous night with lots of fun, conversation and laughter. This year there will also be some "secret" entertainment! Book your tickets as soon as you can! Get your daughters, sisters, mothers and friends together on a table.

All money raised this year will go directly to the Ovarian Cancer Research Foundation.

If you have anything you would like to donate for the raffle table or silent auction please let Heather know. Even something small can be put together with other items to make a hamper-style prize.

Any male members who want to volunteer as waiters on the night, please talk to Heather.

2 WEEKS TO GO!!!!!!

BOOK NOW IF YOU HAVEN'T.....



GIRLS' Night Out

Get a group together

A NIGHT OF ENTERTAINMENT, RAFFLES, SILENT AUCTIONS & MORE

WHEN
Thursday 1st of May 2025
@ 6:30 pm

COST
\$65 pp - Includes welcome drink & 2 course dinner
Drinks at bar prices

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

BOOK ONLINE!
Via trybooking

ENQUIRES
Heather Morris - 0419 376 743

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BUNNINGS

NEXT BUNNINGS BBQ—EASTER SATURDAY— 19th APRIL

Thank you to all the members who have volunteered their time to help on this day! A shout out and big thank you to John P and Mary who have put themselves down for a double shift.

Bob is rostered on the 11:30am-1:30pm shift too. If anyone is available to take Bob's place, it would be very much appreciated and would mean that Bob and Heather can organize the last minute things before they fly to Townsville in the afternoon, without having BBQ duty in the middle of it all!



INTERNATIONAL NEWS



It is wonderful to see these photos of the Solar Panel installation on the roof of the school in Uganda. The students will benefit greatly. This shows the direct benefit of a District Grant as well as a very generous donation of \$5,000 from the Rotary Club of Greater Dandenong and Endeavour Hills.

Congratulations to all involved in getting this "off the ground"! (Quite literally!)



Let's support our members....



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