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Rotary Rowville Lysterfield



NEWSLETTER 32, MARCH 17, 2026

**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

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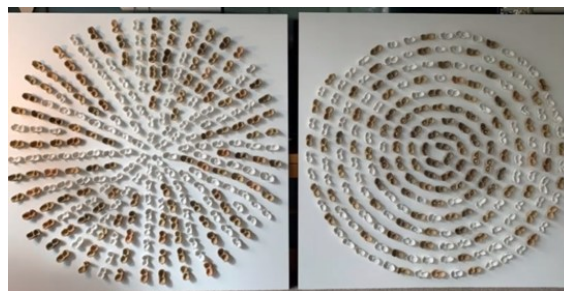
**Home Club of
DGN Murray Wilson
PDG Daryl Moran**



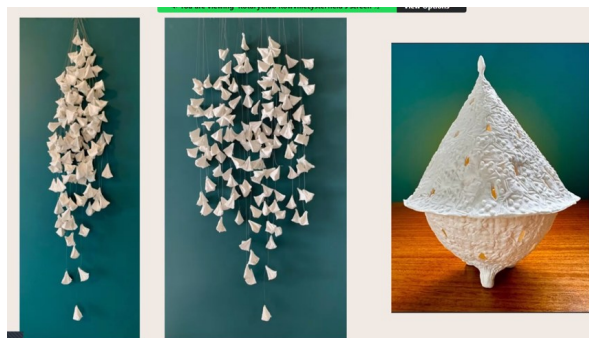
THE JOY OF POTTERY—ADRIENNE MANN

Adrienne reflected that she has been creative all her life, starting with making mud pies in the garden as a small child! She has since gained qualifications, such as a Diploma from Chisholm Institute and has participated in many exhibitions. One of interest was the Enthralled Exhibition in 2018, where multiple small pieces reminiscent of the inside of a mushroom were arranged in a 2m x 2m installation on the wall. Adrienne likes the idea of taking simple items and putting them together to make an art piece. She is also open to changing the art piece to accommodate changing circumstances.

One example is when the small pieces began to fall off the wall; she added some carpet tiles on the floor and enjoyed the thought that people might sit and watch and wait for a piece to fall. A further example was that this piece became two 1m x 1m works for a different exhibition. (shown here)



Adrienne confessed to a fascination with teabags and several art works she showed us were inspired by tea bags. The dried bag is dipped into a porcelain dip which creates a thin layer shaped around the tea bag. In the kiln, the tea bag is burnt away, leaving the delicate shape, to be used such as in the 'chandelier' type piece titled 'Journey'. (shown here on the far left).



Adrienne creates many different types of lamps, using the translucent nature of porcelain clay to beautiful effect, such as this one on the left.

A further part of Adrienne's experience has been with a residency in China in 2019 at a town that is totally pottery inspired, and a further residency in Bali, where she worked with someone whose whimsical work was focused on telling a story.

A recent piece of work on these lines was 'The Boston Tea Party' (2025), a work that features her dog but also focuses around the Boston Tea Party of 1773. Adrienne explained the process of research and planning that went into producing this complex piece.

The Boston Tea Party (2025)



*Thank you to Adrienne for
sharing her passion and
creative insights with this
interesting presentation.*



MUFFINS ROSTER

26th March Muffins	Mary, Corinne, Pete & Sue, Glennys & Howard
9th April Muffins	Marg, Fiona, Heather & Bob, Anita & Rajeev
23rd April Muffins	Mary, Corinne, Pete & Sue, Glennys & Howard
7th May Muffins	Marg, Fiona, Heather & Bob, Anita & Rajeev



PROGRAM

Date	Registration	Chair	Setup and Production	Program
MARCH - Water, Sanitation and Hygiene				
24th March	Howard	Alan	Andy John W	Matt Allen - Metro Trains
31st March	NO MEETING (5th Tuesday) - CLUB DINNER at MOTANIA'S			
APRIL - Environment				
7th April	Sharon	Andy R	John W/Alan	Rajeev and Ratnakar - Global Grant information
14th April	Andy R	Bob	Alan/Ian	Sandra Sursock - Australian Rotary Health
21st April	Kate	Ian	Kevin/Cheryl	Tim Vesey— Engineer and Project Development
28th April	Jeff	Marg	Kevin/ Ian	Daryl Moran—’War and Memory; One Australian Story’

UPCOMING CLUB DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

FRIDAY 20th March— Bunnings BBQ, Scoresby—*one more helper needed, either am or pm*

MONDAY 23rd March—BBQ at St Simon the Apostle School

SUNDAY 29th March— BBQ at Seebeck Oval for the Rowville Junior Football Club

SUNDAY 29th March—Wellington Village Easter Fair

TUES 31st March - Club Dinner, Montania's Ferntree Gully

FRIDAY April 3rd—BBQ at Seebeck Oval for the Rowville Senior Football Club

WED 27th May - Girls' Night Out - Mulgrave Country Club

Speak to President Bob if you can help at any of these events.



MAKERS and BAKERS MARKET



Makers and Bakers Market at the Rowville Community Centre, Fulham Road Rowville.

SUNDAY
MAY 3rd
9am—2pm

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/16QvHXSGDYayD5DYgq0mZkKUC-rNe3MLA/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=108019844417789794781&rtpof=true&sd=true>

DISTRICT 9815 2026 CONFERENCE



No doubt we will hear more about the D9815 Conference in Hobart, but here are a few photos, just to give us a taste of the fun and friendship that are such a big part of attending a District Conference.

CLUB NEWS and INVITATIONS from OTHER CLUBS

FACEBOOK TRAINING – Improve your skills

PE Andy Round has offered to teach Club members some skills that will enable them to prepare more focused and effective FB posts.. These will be 3 x 1 hr sessions at Tosaria's at 10 am on Mondays: April 13th, April 20th and April 27th. Please let Andy know if you will be attending and what level of experience you have with FB.

ALL WELCOME!



ROTARY CLUB OF SPRINGVALE CITY
On behalf of the District 9815 & Rotary Foundation
Invites you to



POLIO Fund Raising Night
On Thursday 23rd April 2026 at 6:30pm
at
SAIGON REX Restaurant (Former Maxim Restaurant)
Level 1/17 Balmoral Avenue
SPRINGVALE, 3171 (Melway: 79 J 9)

Cost: \$80 pp for Banquet Dinner
Includes: Tea and Soft Drinks
Alcohol at bar prices

We hope that all cluster clubs are well represented and can make up a table
Partners, Friends are most welcomed

RSVP: By COB: Friday 17th April 2026 with any special dietary requirements to

Angelina Colombino

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Payment required at time of booking.

EFT to: Bendigo Bank -Acc name: Rotary Club of Springvale City

Bank: 633 000 -Acct: 199 284 068

ALL DONATIONS TAX DEDUCTIBLE AND RECEIPT WILL BE ISSUED.

On March 31st there will be a Club dinner at Montania Café, Bar and Restaurant, Shop 52 Mountain Gate Shopping Centre, 1880 Ferntree Gully Road, Ferntree Gully.

Please let Kaye know if you will be attending; she will have a sign-up sheet at the meeting next week.



BUNNINGS



NEXT BUNNINGS BBQ 20th MARCH

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1yZ2CCLKH5cvbJSV1ZpT46xjpsngO9Ir1BXYB6B5axeo/edit?usp=sharing>

Member News Snippets.....



MEMBER BIRTHDAYS MARCH

1st - John P

8th- Ian

Well done to Cheryl who has taken up her new role as Chair of Youth Services with great enthusiasm. She has accompanied President Bob to Karoo PS recently to help build a relationship with that school.

The drive for Teddy bear biscuits, promoted by Cheryl, has been very successful and there are now sufficient for the Earlyact Club at Park Ridge PS to use for their stall.

GIRLS NIGHT OUT—BOOKINGS NOW OPEN

GIRLS Night Out

A NIGHT OF ENTERTAINMENT, RAFFLES, SILENT AUCTIONS & MORE

Get a group together

WHEN
Wednesday 27th of May 2026
@ 6:30 pm

COST
\$75 pp – Includes welcome drink & 2 course dinner
Drinks at bar prices

WHERE
MULGRAVE COUNTRY CLUB
469 Wellington Road
Whealers Hill

ENQUIRIES
Jenny Moran – 0404 893 870

BOOK ONLINE!
<https://www.trybooking.com/DJNKF>

ALL MONEY RAISED GOES TO JULIA ARGYROU ENDOMETRIOSIS CENTRE

"Every dollar we receive goes directly into research, educational resources, and enhancing the patient experience – all with the goal of improving quality of life for individuals living with endometriosis."

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WWW.ROWVILLEROTARY.COM.AU

A reminder that our 'waiters' need to book also and, if a 'tuxedo' T-shirt is required, let Alan know so that he can order them in good time.

Good quality pre-read books will again be on sale as Mystery Books at the GNO.

Donations are needed. Please pass on to Jenny.

CONFERENCE MUSINGS

One of the most inspiring speakers at the Rotary D9815 2026 Conference was Saroo Brierley, whose story is very familiar to many from the book and film "Lion". Saroo was accidentally separated from his family when he was a small child, subsequently being adopted by an Australian couple.

When he reached adulthood Saroo became determined to find his birth family and, with very little to go on, started a desperate search for them. With amazing perseverance, he was eventually reunited with them. A most amazing story.

A further moving presentation was from the father of a girl who joined a Youth Development Sail Training Voyage, through the Windeward Bound Foundation. On this voyage she not only learnt the skills to sail a square-rigged tall ship, she also learnt a lot about herself. The father brought many in the auditorium to tears as he described her change, from a difficult teenager, to a confident, pleasant young woman.

The Windeward Bound Foundation is supported by Rotary District 9830 (Tasmania).



Kaye and Mary both enjoyed meeting Saroo

2026 Ride for Medical Research

Marg and Ian are again joining the District 9815 Ride for Medical Research, "Search for the Centre of Victoria" 2026, Woodend to Kyneton. This year the ride is covering approximately 568 kms over 6 days in Central Victoria from 22-27 March. With the recent fires, this may not be as scenic a ride as it has been in the past.

The Club has donated \$1100 to this very worthy cause, splitting the funds between Marg and Ian.

If you would like to make a personal donation and sponsor Marg and/or Ian please click on the link below:

[Donate to Ride for Medical Research](#)

Last year, we raised a further \$50,861.00 for Australian Rotary Health, bringing the total raised by both the old D9810 & D9820, now D9815, to an amazing \$2,476,285.00.

(Quote from the Ride for Medical Research website)



Marg and Ian have participated in this ride for several years, being joined two years ago by Bob and Heather as support crew.



2026 Ride for Medical Research
March 22 - March 27

ROTARY SOUTH PACIFIC ZONE 8 CONFERENCE, 2026



Another chance to hear some impactful speakers and learn more about Rotary is this conference.

Venue: Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre

Date: Friday 30th October—Sunday 1st November.

The host for this event is Rotarian Tony Monley OAM, well known to many as he is a member of D9815.

Link for further details: [Rotary South Pacific Zone 8 Conference](#)

Let's support our members....

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*Proudly involved with
the Knox Business Awards*



Meeting timetable for the rest of the year:

March	12, 26	July	2, 16, 30
April	9, 23	August	13, 27
May	7, 21	September	10, 24
June	4, 18	October	8, 22
		November	5, 19
		December	3 Finish for the year

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and expand your business
and also make a difference through **Rotary**

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