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VALE. RICHARD STONE



Richard John Stone O.A.M. ; K.S.G. ; K.H.S.

It was with great sadness that at last Tuesday's meeting President George noted the passing of Richard on Friday 22nd April.

Richard was a Charter member of the club, the first Treasurer, and maintained a highly active membership until illness intervened a few months ago, a term of twenty-nine years. He was a Paul Harris Fellow [1994], plus two Sapphires and was President of the club in its tenth year. Richard inspired many to join the club, including Elias Lebbos a relatively recent member and Neville John who will be District Governor in 2017-18.

Richard will leave an indelible mark on our club through his impacts and communication, being one of the key architects of the club's Police Leadership Mentoring program and the Community Village both of which are highly rated and effective beyond the borders of our own District. He was also greatly successful with fund raising for the club and the Rotary Foundation, leveraging his broad business and sporting networks. Some members will remember the "Rotary Wheel" raffle on Sundays at Victoria Market.

In addition to Rotary, Richard was equally as involved in community affairs.

His strong faith, effective fund raising for St. Mary of the Cross, being a Board member of Catholic Care Victoria and ongoing energy in many roles were acknowledged in 2007 by his being conferred with a Papal knighthood, The Chivalric Order of Saint Gregory the Great. He was also a Knight of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem, Australia.

Richard supported Australian Red Cross Victoria becoming a member of the Executive and Divisional Council in 1997. In 2001 he became Chairman a position he held until December 2007. As Chairman he was also a member of the National Board of Red Cross and the National Council. In 2005 he was awarded the prestigious Australian Red Cross Service Award, his citation noting;

"Richard is one of the most motivated Chairmen that ARCV has been fortunate to have lead them. He is extremely motivated and inspires members of the general public to join the organisation. He was the first Chairman to visit every one of the 28 regions within Victoria to encourage and acknowledge the achievements of the membership of ARCV. The members are fortunate in having such a caring dedicated person to lead them into the next phase of nationalisation."

In 2011 Richard was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia [O.A.M.] for "...service to the community particularly through the Australian Red Cross"

Meeting Responsibilities

WEEKLY ROSTER 3rd May

Chair
CALLANDER, Tom

Presenter
THOMAS, Tony

Greeter
BAO, Ivy

Reporter
CAVELL, Warwick

Photographer
JONES, David

Door
CUTHBERT, Greg

Director Report
HINES, Rob

Bulletin Editor
JONES, David

MARKET ROSTER 5th May 2016

Bump In
FRASER, Paul

Bump Out
ROBERTSON, Doug

Upcoming Events

[Guess Who Is Coming to Dinner?](#)
Amora Hotel Riverwalk
May 21, 2016
6:00 PM – 11:00 PM

[Echuca Moama Steam Rally](#)
Jun 11, 2016 – Jun 12, 2016

Speakers

May 03, 2016
[Rob Hines and Roger Thornton](#)
Garden DesignFest

May 10, 2016
[Assoc Prof Gregory Phillips](#)
The Australian challenge in health education for Indigenous people

May 24, 2016
[Club Strategy Review](#)

Jun 21, 2016

He was also an Honorary Life Member of Australian Red Cross [2007].

In his business career Richard was employed by the Bank of New South Wales, later to become Westpac in which he became State Manager Marketing, Victoria and finally General Manager, Melbourne Office. He is recalled as one who assisted the merger of two banks with equality for staff of both components and being affectionately known as "the Big Fella". Throughout his career Richard gained much respect for being prepared to 'rock the boat' and initiate worthwhile change. His 'Wales' life included such remote offices as London and Normanton, the latter leaving such a huge impression on Richard, or maybe it was vice versa, that with one of his sons he visited Normanton last year.

After retirement from banking Richard became involved with KPMG, consulting on matters of business governance and board member responsibilities. He often provided pro bono governance advice to 'not for profit' organisations including Travellers Aid of which he was a Board member for 6 years.

Richard is survived by his loving wife Veronica, their two children and two grandchildren.

A friend of Richard's said "His enthusiasm and involvement was such that it was difficult to say 'no' to him." It is apparent that same enthusiasm was also the cause Richard did not say 'no' to others.

NEXT MEETING TUESDAY 3rd MAY 2016

"Garden DesignFest - November 2016"

Speakers. Rob Hines and Roger Thornton

Garden DesignFest 2014 was the sixth and most successful running of this event since its inception in 2004.

The next event will be in November 2016 where once again around 25 spectacular gardens will showcase the work of some of Victoria's most acclaimed garden designers. As always, the designers and their staff will be on hand at their respective gardens to chat to the public and to discuss their design needs and obtain all the relevant information needed to create or improve their own gardens.



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PRESENTER. MATERNAL AND INFANT MORTALITY

Posted by Tony Thomas

The daily death toll in the developing world is 830 mothers and 16,000 children under 5. Half these children die in their first 28 days' life through birth problems and flow-on from malnutrition.

The bulk of these deaths are in sub-Saharan Africa, where under-5 mortality is 12 times the rate in the developed world. The good news is that infant mortality has halved since 1990, and since 2000 has been falling at 4% per annum.

Australia's nearest neighbours PNG and Timor Leste both have third-world rates of maternal/infant mortality:

- Maternal deaths per 100,000 live births in our region:
 - PNG fell in 2015 to 215, a drop of 54% on 1990.
 - Timor Leste the drop was even more pronounced, to 94 or down 73% on 1990.
 - In contrast, Australia's maternal death rate is only 6, down from 8 in 1990.



A crucial factor in reducing maternal mortality is ante-natal visits (preferably at least four). In Timor Leste the proportion of mothers getting such care is 55%, and in PNG, 29%. A second key factor is skilled help at birth, normally via trained midwives. The Timor figure is 29%, PNG 43%. These figures indicate deficiencies that if corrected, could have a powerful impact for lower death rates.

- In terms of Under-5 mortality per 1000 live births:
 - Timor in 2013 had a rate of 55, down 68% on 1990, and
 - PNG 61 (down 31%).

[Police Mentoring Graduation breakfast](#)

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[Read more...](#)**TERRY'S 90th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION**

Our Charter President Terry Cocks OAM will celebrate his 90th birthday in May.

Terry is hosting an Open House and has very kindly invited "any club members who remember me" to join him anytime between 2 - 5pm on Sunday 15th May for a 'sip of champagne and cake.'

Details are;

45 Burrindi Road, Caulfield South

No Gifts, Just a Smile thanks.

RSVP by 5th May please - to Helen
by e-mail sibfmg.3@hotmail.com or Tel 0402 437 052

2016 CAFE INTERNATIONALE 7th MAY

International House and the student community cordially invites ALL MEMBERS to attend Café Internationale 2016: "A Night on Broadway"

"An evening of entertainment and fun to support students from all around the world. Enjoy being part of and supporting a community that is inclusive of all cultures and backgrounds. Embrace the night to inspire and rekindle a love for Broadway themed live music and dance."

As with previous years, International House resident students provide an evening of high quality dining and performance! 50% of profits will be donated to *Affecting Real Change*, a charity that works within local communities and facilitates responsible volunteering opportunities in the developing world. The remaining profit goes into running the International House Student Club.

RCCMS is a long-time supporter of International House and of Café International in particular.

Café Internationale is Saturday, 7th May at International House, 241 Royal Parade, VIC 3052

6.30pm for 7.30pm. Cost \$85 pp, includes all beverages, three course meal and entertainment.

Contact Russell Rolls asap (rjr@pacific.net.au) to make up a club table.

**MEETING REPORT 26th APRIL 2016**

Posted by Tony Thomas

Chair: Stella Avramopolous.

Present: 28 plus guest speaker Snr Sgt Kerrie Hicks.

Stella opened the meeting with a special toast to late member Richard Stone: "To the life, friendship and legacy of Richard Stone."

Announcements:

- Russell Rolls: **Café Internationale's** "A Night on Broadway" annual dinner 6pm Saturday May 7 – **book now!**
- Anne King: **Guess Who's Coming to Dinner** event May 21 – she'll send out an email seeking participants.
- Peter Duras: Contact him peter.duras@bigpond.com if you have **blankets to give to Melbourne's disadvantaged** for winter use. Through DIK, Pacific Brands and donors, the appeal for warm clothing is mostly met except for blankets.
- President George announced the sad news of Richard Stone's passing last Friday. He was a charter member of RCCMS, and highly active and engaged almost to the end. He inspired many to join the club, including Elias Lebbos and Neville John, our 2017 District Governor. Richard will leave an indelible mark on our club through his impacts and communication and enthusiasm for travel and meeting people from all walks of life. He was one of the three key architects of the club's Police Leadership Mentoring, of which our speaker Snr Sgt Kerrie Hicks is an exemplar. "We all wish him well on his next great journey," George said.

Presenter Session:

Tony Thomas gave a global overview of maternal and infant mortality trends, April being Rotary's mother-and-child month. (See Breakout Story).

The Swindle:

To general amazement, club treasurer Doug Robertson carried away The Swindle pot of \$1200-1400 (no-one knows exactly) less the token 50%

handing fee to the club. He, Frank O'Brien and Elias Lebbos made the semi-final with Doug drawing first the highest card and then the Joker. Previous pot-winner in spectacular circumstances was Roger Thornton. Next winner: to be arranged.

Guest Speaker Snr Sgt Kerrie Hicks
"Walk and talk – The importance of mentoring."

Kerrie outlined her happy and privileged childhood and thwarted ambition to be a jet fighter pilot or professional rower. She embarked on a BA in Criminology and Psychology but after a year decided psych's were "all a little bit nuts:" and focused on criminology.

She was accepted into VicPol in 2001, becoming squad leader during training and awarded Best Student. Her first role was trainee constable at Fitzroy Police Station and then Footscray, working with many kids from unfortunate situations. "I remember going home one day to thank mum for not keeping me out of school so I could cut up and package heroin for sale," she joked.



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A FEW CANDIDS FROM LAST WEEK'S MEETING:



