

Wednesday 12 March 2025

The email address for the [bulletin@rotaryhamilton.org.au](mailto:bulletin@rotaryhamilton.org.au)

President Noel welcomed members Guests Margie McIntyre who will soon be inducted, Phil Whelan and our **guest** speaker, Julienne Clifford

## Club Updates

Barry Little is back home having had hip surgery for a breakage after a fall.

Sandy van Renan kindly donated \$100 to RAM, raised as a part of her garage sale.

JP Service at Hamilton Library The club voted to contribute \$250 for promotional pamphlets.

Shine on Awards. Candidates for this award can be put forward. See district Newsletter

Dates ahead:

- Next Sunday BBQ for the Black Dog Ride. Set up 7.30 a.m. at the boat ramp. Serving at 8.00 a.m. Wear Rotary shirts.
- Monday 24/3 Combined meeting with Portland Rotary Club. Visit SW Fibre at Myamin and dinner at the Condah Pub
- Wednesday 26/3 Harness Racing. Roster on Shared Drive
- Wednesday 9/4 Home Hosting. John Main needs 2 more hosts to share their homes.
- Sunday 13/4 Rotary Community Group Meeting in Hamilton.
- Thursday mornings. People needed for relief roster at Uniting Church. Trip to Warrnambool for Second Bite

## LIKE MY BROTHER DOCUMENTARY

Heather Ward commends this documentary film about young Aboriginal girls involvement in football - their education at Tiwi College, travel to Melbourne, with worthwhile understandings of Aboriginal culture in the Tiwi Islands

Screenings Tuesday evening 18/3 at 7.30 and Friday afternoon 21/3 at 1.00 Hamilton Cinema

## District Notices

- District Conference Mar. 21, 2025 - Mar. 23, 2025  
<https://rotary9780.org/sitepage/district-conference-2025/>
- PETS (President Elect Training) 24 May in Horsham
- District Assembly 25 May in Horsham



Congratulations Murray Menzel on your 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday

## BOARD MEMBERS

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## Birthdays

Murray Menzel 16<sup>th</sup>

Kerryn Little 20<sup>th</sup>

## Wedding Anniversaries

Mary and Damien Meagher  
10<sup>th</sup> March

## Induction Anniversaries

Marg Moffatt 15<sup>th</sup>

David Hayes 20<sup>th</sup>



## Coming club events

2025

**16 March Sunday BBQ Black Dog Ride.**

**19 March** Geetha Yoga

**24 March (Monday)** Combined meeting with the RC Portland Visit to SW Fibre at Myamyn and dinner at the Geen Hills Hotel.

**26 March** No meeting

**2 April** Dianna Lawrence Carriage Driving

**9 April** Home Hosting TBC

**16 April** Beth Tonissen Being legally blind in Hamilton

## Weekly social events

**Bike Riders:** meet each Thursday morning, 09:00 at the Ansett Museum, finishing for coffee at Tosca Browns, around 09:35

**Friday Coffee:** meet each Friday Morning, 10:30 at the Roxburgh, all welcome

## The Rotary theme for March is Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Month.

This month celebrates Rotary's commitment to providing clean water and sanitation facilities to communities. Rotary members believe that access to clean water, sanitation, and hygiene leads to healthier and more successful lives

<https://www.rotary.org/en/our-causes/providing-clean-water>



## Crystal Lee Foundation Julienne Clifford



The Crystal Lee Foundation was conceived by a teenager before she passed away from an aggressive cancer, not long after she'd successfully completed year 12. Crystal had a wonderful and vibrant personality. This Foundation, named in her honour, was established not long after her death in 2019.

Our guest speaker, Julienne retired from senior public service roles to Port Fairy and is now the executive director of the foundation that serves people in SW Victoria.

Cancer diagnosis for a child, adolescent or young adult inevitably means total family disruption; parents and child in Melbourne for treatment, employment interrupted, home responsibilities unmet, other children in the family needing care. Families are often separated from their normal social support.

The Foundation offers practical and financial support for those families - and there are about 10 diagnoses of childhood cancer each year in SW Victoria.

In addition, the Foundation advocates for treatment options of childhood cancer to be available in the SW, and also for age-appropriate clinical facilities, especially for teenagers and young adults.

Grief support to anyone of any age upon request is offered with an employed and accessible professional counsellor through the Crystal Lee Foundation without any particular referral.

There is no Government support for the Foundation, but it does have charitable status. Costs include rent on their Koroit Op Shop, travel, salary and, of course, the actual practical help provided. Consequently, the Foundation seeks donations and bequests. Pledges will help secure their long-term future.

Contact [eo@crystallee.org](mailto:eo@crystallee.org)

*Thanks to Jeni Barke for the notes and Rose for the photos.*