

Wednesday 29 January 2025

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President Noel welcomed everyone to our meeting. Simon and Kevin have once again been tied up at the airbase due to the extensive fires still raging in our area. We hope that those outbreaks can be controlled.

Club Notices

- Working Bee at Rotary Shed postponed until Sunday 9th @ due to expected hot weather at the weekend.
- A quote to replace floor at the Lamb Baa was accepted (\$600)

District Notices

- District Conference Mar. 21, 2025 - Mar. 23, 2025
<https://rotary9780.org/sitepage/district-conference-2025/>



Congratulations to Dr Jessie Harman OAM Rotary Club of Wendouree Breakfast

It was 26 years ago when Dr Jessie Harman said yes to joining a club that would ultimately change her life. Dr Harman has taken on various roles within Rotary, including Governor of District 9780, and is currently the chair of the Rotary International Communications Committee.

Senior Australian of the Year was Brother Ollie Pickett

Ollie has helped thousands of children in developing countries across the world gain their mobility. As the co-founder of the charity Wheelchairs for Kids, he has helped to provide more than 60,000 wheelchairs for children in more than 80 countries, all of them for free.

Wheelchairs for Kids Ltd is a project of the **Rotary Club of Scarborough**, Western Australia, supported by the Christian Brothers established in 1998. Many Rotary clubs have contributed to this amazing project.

<https://wheelchairsforkids.org/>



Wheelchairs For Kids
Giving freedom & mobility worldwide

Thinking of our members past and present

Ian Ferguson recovering from a stroke and Murray Elliot on the mend from a broken leg.

Jean Swaby wife of the late past Hamilton Rotarian Ian Swaby recently passed away aged 96. Condolences to her family.

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Birthdays

Judy Joyce

Wedding Anniversaries

None

Induction Anniversaries

None



Coming club events

2025

Working Bee at Rotary Shed 9am postponed until Sunday 9th due to expected hot weather at the weekend.

5 February Geetha Yoga TBA

12 February Jenny Hurse Deaf School in Vietnam

19 February Brian Jenkins Northern Hemisphere Adventures

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



. Photos below were taken on Saturday 25th January when we took a drive to Halls Gap and back over Mirranatwa Gap showing the destructiveness of the recent fires. Editor



Guest Speaker

SGSC Melanie Russell spoke about the two roles that she manages.

Shire of Southern Grampians Community Partnership Grant Program dispenses over \$300,000 per year Grants are available in the following areas.

1. Arts and Culture Development
2. Community Infrastructure
3. Community Strengthening
4. Environmental Sustainability
5. Heritage

Grants over \$2500 require a 1:1 commitment

Sustainability Strategy 2024-2041

Sets targets that align with State and Federal Governments emission polices.

Provides a roadmap for Council and our community to achieve a net zero carbon future and prepare the shire for challenges of a changing climate

Key themes form Community consultation

- Support green energy emissions
- Support for zero and low emission transportation
- Support more green transport options
- Low transfer station fees
- Preservation and protection of biodiversity
- More recycling and waste education in plain English
- Opportunity to build resilient communities
- More support for Volunteers

