

Wednesday 5 March 2025

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President Noel welcomed members and one guest Marg McIntyre to our club meeting. Tonight we heard from some of our members about a variety of

## Club reports

- TICKETS FOR the DG's partner RAFFLE are still available. \$10.00 each. Prized is a super dooper rocking horse. Proceeds to RAM
- Meg Watson has nominated for President Elect 2025-26

## 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

## Club Updates

**Domestic Violence** Committee (reported by Kevin Safe and Peter Irvin)

- Coffee Cup campaign
- BTTD (Behind the Toilet Door) posters
- Resilience Rights and Respectful Relationship school project
- Football Match

**Sheepvention** (Simon Wilson)

- 3-4 August
- New floor in shed
- Same format as previous years
- Members will need to do multiple shifts
- Let Simon know availability

**Finance Report** Bob Cadden outlined our current financial report

**Koirapita Fiji** now called Model Towns Charitable Trust (Glenn Howell)

The project was founded by Peter Drysdale in 1985. Prior to registration of the MTCT, the project had been operating as the **Fiji Rotahomes Project** under the Rotary Club of Lautoka.

Koroipita is the first of what could potentially be a series of "model" communities in Fiji to address the problems of squatter settlements in per-urban areas, **manage urban drift and accommodate and assimilate climate change refugees.**

- Quite a few of our club members have been involved in this project over the years
- Update on the project



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## Birthdays

Gerri Griffin 3 March

## Wedding Anniversaries

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

## Induction Anniversaries

John Main 17 Years  
Sandy Vanrenan 2 years



## Coming club events

2025

**12 March** Crystal Lee Foundation Julienne Clifford

**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>

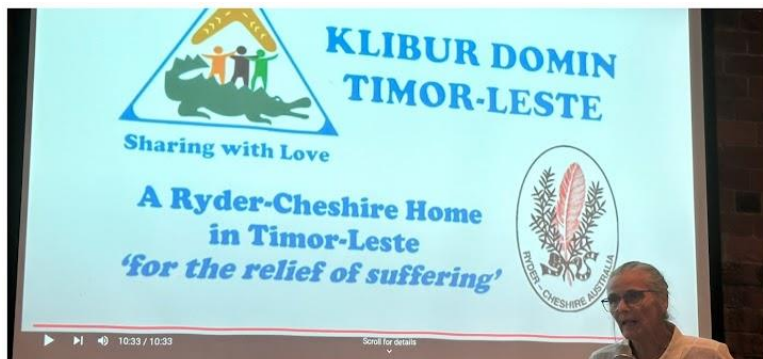


## Ryder Cheshire Foundation (Jenny Barke)

Jenny spoke about her visit to Klibur Domin where one of the Ryder Cheshire projects is based. Noel and Rose have also been involved there.

She showed us a video where Father Ted Burns talks about Ryder-Cheshire Australia's home, Klibur Domin in Timor-Leste and it takes us through the village. As the sound was not the best you may like to view it again on the link below.

<https://ryder-cheshire.org/media/videos/>



## International Women's Day

March 8

#accelerate action

Imagine a gender equal world. A world free of bias, stereotypes, and discrimination. A world that's diverse, equitable, and inclusive. A world where difference is valued and celebrated. Together we can forge gender equality.

International Women's Day (IWD) has been around for over a hundred years, as have many of the issues still impacting women's advancement. Since 1911, IWD belongs to all who care about women's equality. Celebrate women's achievement. Raise awareness about discrimination. Take action to forge gender parity.