

Update to RAP members on the books project:

- The library at commission housing at the bottom of Victoria Avenue, Albert Park is now being stocked on weekly basis with the help of a non-Rotarian and one of the residents
- We have recently contributed 6 boxes of children's books to the kindergarten in Park Towers in South Melbourne and intend to keep giving on a regular basis to this very needy kindergarten
- We gave 20-30 boxes of good clean books to Albert Park Primary School for their fete on the 6th March
- We have 15-20 boxes of books sorted and ready for Lorraine and Rob to pick up for Wye River to raise funds for those in need in that area (after the fires)
- The library at Napier Street aged care is up and running with 100's of good clean books donated by us and is being regularly topped up with more books
- Rachel Ferris who is helping with the library at Victoria Avenue is also running the service at Napier Street and is even helping those patients bed ridden at Napier Street by offering a mobile service of books
- Roughly 1000 books will be given to a book dealer in Talbot who in turn gives a percentage of sales of the books to the Maryborough College
- Non-fiction and fiction books are still being donated to Albert Park College on a weekly basis adding all the time to their impressive collection and we are providing a number of free books in the teachers staff room at the college and also in the library for student access
- We also give good quality books on a regular basis to the Holy Trinity Church in Bay Street, Port Melbourne for their monthly fair
- It is impossible to put a monetary value on all of the above but without the support of the Albert Park College and the area that they allow us to use and sell from none of this would eventuate

Two more recent sales that are worth mentioning:

- Albert Park Primary School purchased books to the value of \$273 - which if they had had to purchase new would have been well in excess of \$1,000 and Bupup child care centre bought books for \$190 which again if purchased new would have been over \$1,000.