



Message from the Melbourne HOC Chair – Mary Barry

*As you are aware
Melbourne will host the
2023 International
Convention.*

*While the official
promotion program for the
Convention will not
commence until after the
2022 Convention in
Houston, this newsletter
will help to keep you up to
date on relevant
information about the
Convention and the work of
the Host Organising
Committee (HOC).*

*Membership of the HOC
includes 14 Rotarians from
all Victorian Districts and
two representatives from
the Melbourne Convention
Bureau .*

*Please see a copy of the
HOC structure (below) for
further details.*

HOC RESPONSIBILITIES FOR 2023 CONVENTION

The Host Organization Committee (HOC) is a group of Rotarians from the host district(s) who support the success of the convention by fulfilling specific responsibilities. Key responsibilities include:

- Serve as a welcoming committee
- Recruit and manage a volunteer force
- Promote the convention to host districts
- Liaise between key local contacts and RI
- Organise Host Hospitality event
- Identify potential sponsors
- Opportunities for associated tourism & Merchandise Sales

RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS

Recruitment of volunteers for various roles during the Convention will commence in the next few months. Clubs will be notified about the different roles required from greeting delegates at the airport to ushers and booth crew at the House of Friendship during the Convention. HOC volunteers may be Rotarians, Rotaractors, Interactors, Exchange students and alumni as well as people from community service groups and relatives, or friends of the above.

HOST HOSPITALITY

Host Hospitality, an RI Convention tradition where delegates are given a memorable evening of hospitality, local culture and international fellowship in the home of a Rotarian, a restaurant or larger venue in the host area is a key responsibility of the HOC. A number of venues and opportunities are currently being considered by the HOC. Over the coming months the HOC will be seeking Host Clubs for the larger events and host families for the home hosting component.

Next Steps

The International Convention Committee (ICC) chaired by Francesco Arezzo who is a PDG of District 2110 - Sicily & Malta and RI Board Director representing Rotarians in Italy and France, for the period 2018-2020, will hold its first meeting at the end of August. Following that meeting further details regarding volunteers and other Club support will be made available.

HOST ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE

HOC GOVERNMENT RELATIONS



Holly Row
Jason Balkin

CHAIR
Mary Barry

**RI DIRECTOR
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Jessie Harman



**VICE CHAIR &
SECRETARY/
TREASURER**
Tony Monley

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