



## THE MORNINGTON ART SHOW

The Mornington Art Show is the second largest Art Show in Victoria. It commenced in 1971 and has raised over one million dollars over that time.

Around 200 artists display nearly 900 pieces of art, selected from over 1300 submissions.

Over 1000 visitors view the show and 250 VIP's attend the Opening Night.

It runs for seven days in the week up to and including the Australia Day weekend in January

It is entirely run by volunteers, family and friends of the Mornington Rotary Club.

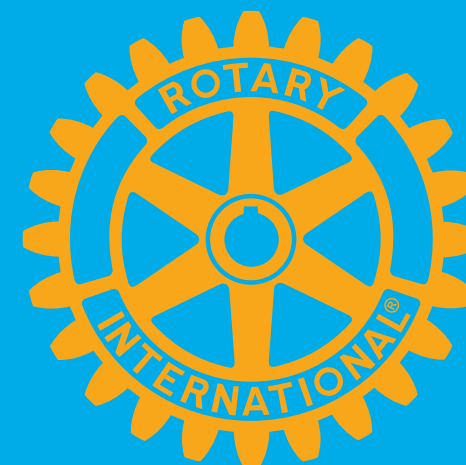
It raises funds through commission earned on art sales, admissions on entry, a silent auction, a raffle and sponsorship. These funds are then applied to the sorts of projects that the Mornington Rotary Club undertakes.

### ROTARY CLUB OF MORNINGTON

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## WHAT IS ROTARY ?

Rotary is a service organisation, with over 1.2 million members, in nearly 36,000 clubs, in over 220 countries

It was formed in 1904, and is entirely a volunteer organisation, focussed on community service, both locally and internationally.

The International Rotary Foundation is a not for Profit organisation, funded entirely by voluntary contributions, that in turn funds humanitarian projects in 215 countries. Its achievements include the substantial elimination of Polio in the world.

In Australia, there are nearly 30,000 Rotarians, in over 1100 clubs. Australian Rotary Health is a major funder of medical research in Australia, having contributed over \$40m since its inception. 100% of funds raised are invested in projects. In 2018 its focus is mental health.

One of Mornington Rotary Club's major achievement arose from a project it started in the 1980's, to research the cause of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS), that in turn led to the formation of Australian Rotary Health.

## INTRODUCING THE ROTARY CLUB OF MORNINGTON

Mornington Rotary Club was formed in 1947 and meets weekly for a social dinner (every Wednesday at Brooklands at 6.30pm), but its projects and activities are conducted throughout the week and weekends.

Its major activities are oriented to fund raising and community projects. Fund raising is through the Mornington Art Show and other activities such as Bunnings BBQ's , car parking at community events, an entry fee for social events, raffles and donations

Funds raised are applied to International Projects such as Interplast, which funds education and operations in corrective plastic surgery in Asia Pacific, and local projects such as support and aids for people with a disability, or for youth to attend leadership and development programs or exchange with an overseas student. Other projects funded elsewhere in Australia include bushfire and drought relief.

Local Community Projects that the Mornington Rotary Club has delivered include The Briars Forest, The Clock Tower in Main Street, Gazebos and tables in a number of parks including the Long Table in Mornington Park, a Defibrillator at the Information Centre, a critical care bed at the Bays Hospital and the the collection and distribution of Christmas presents for families.

## WHO ARE ROTARY CLUB MEMBERS ?

Rotary members include men and women of all ages, with an interest in fun, social connection, and business networking. They are a cross section of the community, and are connected through their desire to make a positive contribution. In doing this Rotary provides them opportunities for personal growth, development and leadership.

Visitors to club dinners and projects are welcome, as are new members.

My experience with our club has been immensely valuable. I've made lifelong friends and important connections that have helped me succeed in business and enjoy community life.

John Parkinson

Rotary has provided me enormous satisfaction in contributing to both our local community and to international projects. Since joining I have been made very welcome.

Libby Paterson