

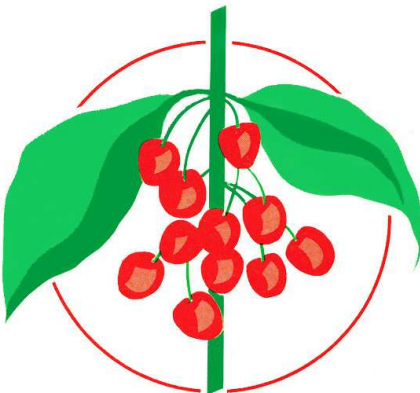
**Rotary**  
Club of Wandin Inc



**“40 Years of Giving” and still getting stronger**



**CREATE HOPE  
in the WORLD**



**“The Heart of the  
Cherry Country”**

**District 9810**

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**LIFE MEMBERS - ALAN SHARP**  
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Community: Heinz Budweg (Chair), Peter Manders, Garry Byrne  
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Ben Vallence. Bryce Edwards

Car Show: Pat Cullen (Chair) Cliff Riseborough, Ray Barrett, Tony Knox, Rob Bayliss,  
Peter Johnson.

Bar – Car Show: Gavan McIntyre, Alan Henderson, Ben Vallence.

Aus. Day Fun Day: Gavan McIntyre

# ROTARY CLUB of WANDIN Inc.

## This Week

Chair:

**Committee Reports  
& Fellowship.**



***BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES***

***Birthdays  
There are none***

***Anniversaries  
There are none also! .***

## ***Thought of the Week***

**Finding happiness is the real key to success; if you enjoy what you do, success will follow.**

## **Report from President Alan.**

What a week, with “Australia Day Breakfast” and the “Australia Day Fun Day”. Firstly, I’d like to personally thank Heinz, Brian and Gavan for all their work in organising everything to make both events a great success. To the members of the Club and partners who helped on the day Thank You. The comments and feedback from guests at both events make you proud to be a Rotarian.

Our Guest speakers certainly gave us an interesting perspective on what it’s like to be a proud Australian. Liz Kitchen originally from North Carolina USA explained the original reason for her move to work here then to becoming an Australian Citizen. Philip Johnson, accompanied by his wife Sarah, certainly expressed his passion for Australia and his passion to improve our environment with his designs and creations. The garden on the site of the Olinda Golf Course is magnificent. Both speakers showed enormous amounts of enthusiasm and drive, not only through their careers but also in support of their community with volunteer work in their spare time.

Congratulations to John Hasan on receiving his Paul Harris Fellow Recognition and to Megan Gibbons for her Community Service Award in company of the Rotarians, The Community, Family and Friends.

Thanks to Bridget Vallence Member of the Victorian Legislative Assembly, Aaron Violi Member of the House of Representatives, District Governor Ian Ballintine of District 9810 and to Peter Brockhurst leading in singing the National Anthem. If I do say so, it sounded a little better than when we sing it at our regular meetings.

To the following Local Families and Businesses who kindly made donations towards the day.

For the Breakfast we had Cherries from Graeme Sebire and the Jones Family organised by Cliff Riseborough, Apples from Hillndale Orchards Garry and Pauline Byrne, Tomatoes and Stone fruit from Mick Aumann, Blueberries and Blackberries from the Cappellucci Family and Strawberries and Raspberries from John and Annette Hasan.

For the Fun Day we had stumps donated by Timber Slabs and Hoogies Seville Home Timber & Hardware supplied the Nails and Hammers for the Nail-a-thon. Tony Ingpen and team from Mt Evelyn IGA for their support with the Food, Drinks and Ice creams for both events. Their continued support with the breakfast is much appreciated.

To Nola Sharp for her Muffins and Anne Wettenhall for preparing the tomatoes and all the ladies (and gentlemen?) who baked the quiches.

This week’s meeting is a Committee meeting and reports followed by fellowship. This could be an opportunity to bring up any ideas or make a few suggestions for the club in the future.

Our Acting Attendance Officer for the next few weeks will be PP Paul Martin Mob. 0408379488. Please remember to let Paul know by Midday Monday if you are going to be an apology.

***Alan Henderson 2023 - 2024***

# We are all Part of the Story – *Australia Day Breakfast*

Congratulations to Heinz for coordinating an unforgettable Australia day where we were all invited to reflect, respect and celebrate. There was a nice light towards the future with the flags behind the lectern which acknowledge two official Australian flags and the rainbow flag whilst retaining tradition with the single flag on the tables.

Acknowledgement was balanced by affirmation. Liz Kitchen gave a Welcome to Country, Phillip Johnson expressed gratitude that he had no need to repeat this, and Aaron lead us in affirming our loyalty and obedience as Australian Citizens.

Liz used the idea of custody of the land and the call to country as a theme throughout her speech. She highlighted the character of Australia and her people as justification for her desire to achieve citizenship and recognized that what she initially perceived as a gift to her from her chosen country has converted into a deep and significant call for the contributions, she now makes in so many ways.

Phillip's speech was phenomenal! No-one displays the successful outcome of inclusivity better than he does. He has progressed from being a colourblind and self-confessed mediocre school performer through expertise as a climber to world regard as a landscape architect controlling millions of dollars in global budgets. His reconstruction and extension of the successful Best in Show Garden at Chelsea to its present site in Olinda is regarded by some as the best example of its type in Australia. Equally memorable for me was his reference to a visit from an indigenous elder who had been taken from his birth family in Boronia as a child. This man had never previously returned to The Dandenong Ranges but this visit with Phil brought him to tears.

The breakfast certainly showed we are all part of the story and produced an excellent template for Australia Days to come.

Brian Hodgson

# AUSTRALIA DAY BREAKFAST













# FUN DAY







# CAR SHOW DATES 2024

**21 February.**

**20 March.**



## Cluster Croquet Night - All Welcome!

Tuesday 12th March 6.30pm



Venue - Market St, Lilydale

Cost - \$10 - Pizza & Game

RSVP - Judith 0438 389 695

-Jenny 0418 344 625

RSVP 8th March

## **PROGRAM 2024**

**31st January—Committee Reports  
& Fellowship.**

**7th February—Archery night at Victoria Rd  
Coldstream.**

**DEFINITE #'s REQUIRED THIS WEEK.**

**1 hour of Archery with dinner after  
wards, BYO \$25.00 per  
head. More info next week.**

**14th Feb—TBA**

**21st Feb– CAR SHOW—ALL HANDS ON DECK.**

***NB: Ladies & Partner's are always welcome to attend***

### **Attendance**

**If you are unable to be at the next  
meeting, please advise**

**by NOON on the MONDAY prior to the Meeting.**

**Contact Paul Martin , phone, text 0408379488**

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**ROTARY CLUB OF WANDIN INC.**

Our club was chartered on 27-6-84.

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D.G. Special Rep.	Neil Webber
Extension Chairman	Bill Hester
Charter President	Alan Sharp
Charter Secretary	Bernie Wilder

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**"THE 4-WAY TEST"**

of things we think, say or do.

Is it the TRUTH?

Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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**ADVANCE AUSTRALIA FAIR**

Australians all let us rejoice  
for we are one and free  
we've golden soil and wealth for toil,  
our home is girt by sea.

Our land abounds in nature's gifts  
of beauty rich and rare,  
in history's page let every stage  
Advance Australia Fair.

In joyful strains then let us sing  
**ADVANCE AUSTRALIA FAIR."**

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**ROTARY GRACE:**

"For good food, good fellowship,  
the opportunity of service  
through Rotary, we give thanks.