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President 2016-17

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Sergeant Michael called President Maria to the podium. President Maria welcomed our guest Jenni Mann and the speaker David Whiting

#### President Maria's message

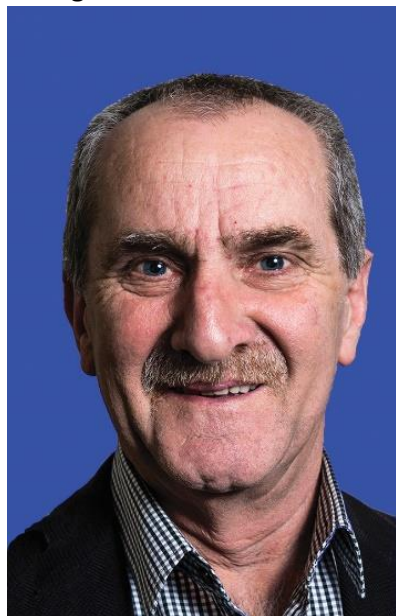
## Lost Rotarians – are you still there?

Our club is currently looking for quite a number of members who seem to have either lost their way to the lunch meetings or maybe not sure which committee they have been allocated to and more sadly they have lost the enthusiasm that was once the reason they joined the Rotary club in the first place.

We have arranged some very good and informative speakers and sadly they present to under 50% of our club membership. It makes it very difficult to grow the club with new members when we only managed to just get less than 50% attendance. We are all volunteers, wanting to make a difference. How much time can you spare, was a question asked of our District Governor Neville John, Well I too ask you the same question.

Come to our lunch meeting, go to your committee meeting, put your hand up to assist with one of the events planned for the club. Come to our night meeting at the Boathouse on the 9<sup>th</sup> November, bring a friend, neighbour or family member. What about the steam train day at the Essendon Railway Station some of you can remember this event back in the good old days? Well the good old days are still able to be revisited.

Let's get back to what we do so well; Fellowship, fun and making a difference.



**“Rotary encourages and enables me to help many people in many ways.”**

John Odgers - RC Essendon

We have some very passionate Rotarians who are all very busy in their own right, who need a few more Rotarians to come back and be part of the team of the Rotary Club of Essendon and share the load.



**Maria's quote for the day** – *"A judge is a law student who marks his own examination papers"* – H L Mencken

President Maria also mentioned the following:

- RDNS progress made
- Steam train whole of club event we need 42 plus helpers
- Dinner at Gary's on the 9<sup>th</sup> Replacing the regular meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> November.

**Other matters-**

- Leno won the raffle but failed to draw the joker
- Friday BBQ at the Traffic School – Helpers needed

**President Maria introduced the speaker for the day David Whiting**



**David has extensive experience in the legal aspects of Rotary, he has been the Legal contributor to Jon Faine's morning 774 ABC talk back radio.**

David Whiting was asked to come to the Club and talk about insurance and working with children checks, and related matters. David is well known to many of the Club's members, as his grandfather and father and uncle were all members, and he was an exchange student sent by the club to the Philippines 44 years ago.

He comes to our meeting as the **District Director Governance for District 9800**, a position he has had for the last two years.

David said-

## **Insurance**

"Rotarians and our volunteers, including family members, Friends of Rotary, and anyone we have roped in to support us, have the benefit of a series of insurance policies that are taken out by the Districts of Rotary in Australia, for the benefit of the districts, the clubs in the districts, and participants in Rotary projects – which includes the Rotarians and other volunteers that I have referred to above.

The policies are a general public liability policy (including product liability) personal injury cover, travel insurance, directors and officers cover (for Incorporated entities) theft cover (basically for money in transit), and where you have a trailer and you nominate the trailer to the insurer, there is a policy that covers the trailer.



To obtain the benefit of the cover, the person or entity seeking cover must be participating in an officially constituted Rotary activity but only where such participation does not involve the representation benefit or gain either directly or indirectly of any person or entity other than Rotary.

Almost everything that we do is intended to provide a benefit or gain to a person or entity other than Rotary. It's the nature of what we do. The test is at the participation level. Effectively, if you are attending in your capacity as a volunteer, you have the benefit of the covers. If you are attending in a paid role then you have the benefit of the personal injury cover policy, but not of the general liability policy, which is designed to protect third parties" he said

All of David's dealings with the insurance companies have been very straightforward, "but it needs to be remembered that the insurance companies make their money by paying out less in claims than they receive in premiums. So it's not reasonable to expect that they will be particularly generous in acknowledged claims"

From a practical point of view recording in some way, formally or informally, that a person is participating is a very good start. Before or after the event. Even an incident report following an event might well be sufficient evidence of participation he said. David's recommendation is that for all new projects we should undertake a risk assessment, and for projects that we undertake on a regular basis, we should regularly review those risk assessments

### **Working with children**

District does not require that club members have working with children checks, but it is quite likely that clubs will from time to time conduct activities where a working with children check should be held by participants – whether club members, or volunteers.

The process followed by his club (East Keilor) is that upon the adoption of a project, it's determined whether a working with children check is appropriate.

By way of example installing a bench at a primary school, requires a working with children check although (on one view of the law) it might not, but selling sausages at a barbecue at Bunnings does not.

Checks are only required for child -related work and the definition of what constitutes child -related work runs to several pages. It is essentially unsupervised work that involves direct contact with a child that is more than occasional.

One of our members asked for advice as to what constituted work for which a working with children check is required, David informed him that he would find the definition, and provide it.

Child -related work is work that usually involves direct contact with a child and that contact is not directly supervised by another person.

Work is not child -related work by reason only of occasional direct contact with children that is incidental to the work (a barbecue?)

Direct supervision of a person's contact with the child requires immediate and personal supervision, but does not require constant physical presence

### **The kinds of activities that are relevant include:**

Clubs that provide services or conduct activities for, or directed at, children or whose membership is mainly comprised of children coaching or tuition services of any kind specifically for children.



**Maurice Mollica a senior member since 1971 enjoying lunch after finishing his work at the front desk**





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# ***Fashion Styling Workshop at Blue Illusion***

*91 Puckle St*

*Moonee Ponds 3039*

*Thursday 24th November 2016*

*6 pm—9 pm*

*\$10 per person*

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**15% of all sales on the night go to the  
Rotary Club of Essendon**

**If you cannot make it on the night be sure to pop in to the store before hand, select your fashion pieces and the transaction will be processed on the day of the fundraiser for your sale to be directed to the**

**Rotary Club of Essendon**

**RSVP LISA LOWCOCK**

**[Lisa.lowcock@preceptservices.com.au](mailto:Lisa.lowcock@preceptservices.com.au)**

**Door prizes, raffles, and more!**

**\*\*\*Bring along a friend or two but get in quick as numbers are strictly limited!**





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ADULTS \$45, CHILDREN (UNDER 11) \$25 FAMILY, (2 ADULTS, 2 CHILDREN) \$110

2ND TRIP: ALBION-BROADMEADOWS & RETURN, VIA GOODS LOOP  
- LEAVE 11.45AM & RETURN 1.20PM  
ADULTS \$50, CHILDREN (UNDER 11), \$30 FAMILY, (2 ADULTS, 2 CHILDREN) \$130

3RD TRIP: WYNDAM VALE & RETURN - LEAVE 1.30PM & RETURN 4.04PM  
ADULTS \$50, CHILDREN (UNDER 11) \$30, FAMILY, (2 ADULTS, 2 CHILDREN) \$130

4TH TRIP: BOX HILL & RETURN - LEAVE 4.15PM & RETURN 6.10PM  
ADULTS \$45, CHILDREN (UNDER 11) \$25, FAMILY (2 ADULTS, 2 CHILDREN) \$110

5TH TRIP: NEWPORT NOT RETURNING, RETURN BY PUBLIC TRANSPORT  
- LEAVE 6.20PM

ADULTS \$25, CHILDREN (UNDER 11) \$15, FAMILY (2 ADULTS, 2 CHILDREN) \$70





Join us for a Rotary Night of  
**SPRING BLING**  
At: THE BOATHOUSE

Date: Wednesday 9th November

Time :7pm

Address: 7 The Boulevard,  
Moonee Ponds

3 course dinner with a glass of bubbles on arrival

Speaker : Gary Mehigan

Raffle and Prizes

Photo opportunities and Book signing

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## DAYS FOR GIRLS

Our next Sew-In-Day at Cherrie's home 997 Old Calder Highway, Keilor is this coming Friday 28th October, OPEN HOUSE between 12 noon and 5.30 pm.

Come along and enjoy the fun. Bring along your sewing machine if you can sew, and just yourself and your enthusiasm to help if you cannot sew. There is a job for everyone.

Contact Lisa Lowcock for details.



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Did you know that financial contributions to 'Donations in Kind' are tax deductible? The Rotary Club of Essendon has supported DIK with rental assistance and volunteer labour for many years but you can also make an individual, tax-deductible contribution. The options are:

Donation to container and freight costs - project number 31-2014-15.

Donation to DIK administration and store rental - project number 32-2014-15.

Donations can be made on-line through [www.rotarydik.org](http://www.rotarydik.org). Click on 'Projects' then 'DONATE NOW'. If using a credit card an electronic tax receipt is sent back almost immediately. Don't forget to select 'Yes' to the question regarding Rotary membership so the 3% administration fee will be waived.

Please contact Stephen Roe if you would like more information or any assistance with the donation process.

2017 DISTRICT 9800  
**CONFERENCE**  
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30 MARCH - 1 APRIL



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Early bird offers until 30<sup>th</sup> November 2016. Accommodation bookings are going fast.  
See Jenny Foster re accommodation.

## MEN'S SHED OPEN DAYS

**When:** Friday, 28 October and Saturday, 29 October, 10am

**Where:** Aberfeldie Men's Shed, 5 Rutherford Street (access via Bruce Street) on 28 October;

Strathmore Men's Shed, 144a Mascoma Street on 29 October



The Moonee Valley Men's Sheds will be a hive of activity, with demonstrations, entertainment and a woodwork display. Come and join us for a free BBQ lunch, meet the Sheddies and find out about Moonee Valley Men's Sheds! No need to book, just join in the fun!





## EVENTS CALENDAR

DATE	SPEAKER/EVENT	VENUE
1 <sup>st</sup> November	<b>Melbourne Cup</b>	NO MEETING
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November		NO MEETING
<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November night</b>	<b>Gary Mehigan</b>	<b>Boathouse Restaurant, The Boulevard Moonee Ponds at 7pm to 11pm</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> weekend in November	<b>Day for Girls</b>	
15 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Peter Baker – Remembrance Day – Military History</b>	The Anglers Tavern 12.30 pm for 1pm to 2pm
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Golf day (TBC)</b>	Deferred to 2017
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Steam train rally</b>	<a href="http://www.TRYBOOKING.com.NLLQ">www.TRYBOOKING.com.NLLQ</a>
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	<b>Club Forum</b>	The Anglers Tavern 12.30 pm for 1pm to 2pm
29 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2016	<b>AGM</b>	The Anglers Tavern 12.30 pm for 1pm to 2pm
6 <sup>th</sup> December 2016	<b>David Abbey</b>	The Anglers Tavern 12.30 pm for 1pm to 2pm
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Christmas dinner meeting</b>	Vicolo Restaurant (to be confirmed)
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Board meeting followed by Breakfast</b>	Venue TBA
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> December to 10 <sup>th</sup> January 2017	<b>NO LUNCH MEETINGS</b>	
17 <sup>th</sup> January 2017	<b>Joint meeting with RC Essendon North</b>	To be confirmed
24 <sup>th</sup> January 2017	<b>Steve Roe &amp; Richard Lawrence – Kokoda Trek</b>	The Anglers Tavern 12.30 pm for 1pm to 2pm
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> January 2017	<b>Australia Day BBQ</b>	Home of Boris & Ineka Struk
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February 2017	<b>Fundraising dinner at DIK West Footscray</b>	
Fri 17 & Sat 18 February 2017	<b>Relay for Life</b>	
3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2017	<b>Delegation to Myanmar &amp; Cambodia</b>	
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2017	<b>Art Show Gala Opening</b>	
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup> & Sun 26 March	<b>Art Show</b>	
30 <sup>th</sup> March to 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2017	<b>District Conference</b>	
May 2017	<b>Graffiti clean-up day</b>	TBC
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2017	<b>Charter Night</b>	



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