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NEXT MEETING - GUEST SPEAKER

Trang Du – founder of twosquarepegs.com

"Twosquarepegs – connecting & collaborating"

Twosquarepegs is a social enterprise harnessing the sharing economy and technology through a collaborative platform, promoting diversity and flexibility in work choices in order to build successful, innovative small businesses and create jobs.

They connect experienced professionals looking for new challenges, with small to medium businesses who need expert assistance to help their companies grow.

Trang Du is a digital product designer and social entrepreneur. She is passionate about design thinking and taking a human-centred approach to understanding, defining, designing, trialling and implementing solutions to social issues. Trang is equally passionate about building technology to deliver impactful solutions at scale.

MEMBER NEWS - CHANTS DE NOEL

Posted by Gerard HOGAN

The poster is for a Christmas concert by the French Chorus of Melbourne. It features the text "La La La" in a large, stylized font at the top. Below it, "la chorale française de Melbourne" is written, followed by "conducted by Paola Bastreri-Grey" and a small illustration of a bell. The main title "Christmas Concert" is in a large, red, serif font. Below that, it says "Join us for an evening of French Christmas carols, folk songs and classical music!" with a small illustration of a rooster. The date and time "Wednesday 5 December 8:00 pm" are prominently displayed. The venue is "Northcote Uniting Church 251 High Street Northcote". At the bottom, it states "Admission: \$20" and "Proceeds go to the Darwin Information Volunteer and Resource Service to provide Christmas hampers to families in need."

VICTORIAN MULTI-DISTRICT CONFERENCE & PEACE FORUM

Posted by Doug ROBERTSON

Meeting Responsibilities

Chair
KENDALL, Keith

Greeter
MILLER, Alice

Reporter
JONES, David

Photographer
THORNTON, Roger

Door
WILLIAMS, Rohan

Bulletin Editor
WILLIAMS, Rohan

Social Media
LIM, Daniel

Upcoming Events

[Board Meeting](#)
Dec 12, 2018
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

[Bunnings BBO](#)
Bunnings
Dec 14, 2018
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Speakers

Dec 04, 2018
[Trang Du – founder of twosquarepegs.com](#)
Twosquarepegs – connecting & collaborating

Dec 11, 2018
[Warren Sparrow](#)
Angel Flight – transporting rural Australians to medical appointments in major cities

Dec 18, 2018
[CHRISTMAS PARTY](#)

Dec 25, 2018
[CHRISTMAS BREAK](#)
No regular weekly meeting

Jan 01, 2019
[CHRISTMAS BREAK](#)
No regular weekly meeting

Jan 08, 2019 7:30 AM
[INFORMAL MEETING](#)
RACV Bistro

Jan 15, 2019
[David Petersen](#)
Team Rubicon – Australian Veterans making a difference

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EARLY BIRD CLOSING NOVEMBER 30TH
SAVE \$80 by registering NOW

LATEST NEWS

BREAKFAST SESSIONS (Pan Pacific Hotel)

SATURDAY MORNING Leadership Breakfast
Stephanie Tzechick RI Strategic Planning Committee
Future directions for Rotary International

SUNDAY MORNING Rotary Foundation Breakfast
Bryn Styles
Chair, Rotary Peace Centres 2018-20,
Chair, Rotary Cadre of Technical Advisors 2018-19

GALA DINNER
Register your partner for the Dinner. They don't need to register for the Conference.
Clubs will be seated together in clusters and districts
THEME Rock 'n Roll with a touch of Red and Dress to impress

ROTARY SHOWCASE "What Rotary Does?"
Over 35 Booths have been booked so hurry if your Club wants to participate.
The Showcase will be open to the public of Melbourne on
Saturday and Sunday afternoons

As well as a fantastic Rotary Showcase there will be hands on projects where you can pack emergency food for disaster relief or kits for the homeless in our communities.

Further details www.rotaryconference.org.au

Any Questions

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9810	Graham Richardson	grm@richardsonbigpond.com
9820	Peter Willis	prockate@bigpond.com
SHOWCASE	Sue Cornallison	sueandiv@hotmail.com
REGISTRATION	David Sutton	9820d@suttonbigpond.com

VICTORIAN POLICE LEGACY

Posted by Elias **LEBBOS**



President Neville Taylor and Chair of the Youth Services Committee, **Elias Lebbos**, met with **Lex de Man**, Chief Executive Officer - Victoria Police Legacy.

Victoria Police Legacy supports:

- Members of the police family who have lost a partner who is a serving or retired sworn member of Victoria Police, Protective Services Officer or recruit in training.
- Serving or retired sworn members and Protective Services Officer who have lost partners.
- Resigned Members, who fall into one of the above categories, if they have served more than 25 years with Victoria Police.
- Legatees who have moved into a new relationship; and
- Parents of serving members of Victoria Police and Protective Services Officers where that member was not in a relationship at the time of their death.
- Members, their partners and families and legatees experiencing grief and hardship caused by imminent or actual death or permanent (prolonged) disability.

Our meeting this morning had two purposes. The first was to present Lex with a cheque for the sum of \$678 which were the proceeds of the raffle sold at the Victoria Police Leaders Mentoring Program Breakfast. These funds will be used to contribute the great work Victoria Police Legacy undertake to support young legatees.

The second reason was to explore how Rotary is able to collaborate with Victoria Police Legacy to support their vital and unique work. Victoria Police Legacy will be undertaking a review of their Youth Development Framework over the next few months and RCM will be invited to participate in this review.

We look forward to developing a mutually beneficial working relationship that support the development of vulnerable young people in our community.

MEETING REPORT - 28th NOVEMBER

Posted by Rohan **WILLIAMS**

President Neville Taylor opened the meeting by welcoming Rotarians and their guests, acknowledging the traditional owners of the land that the meeting was taking place and outlined the purpose of the Annual Paul Harris Breakfast.

District Governor Bronwyn Stephens shared a personal story about how Rotary Foundation funds had funded the provision of clean water to a Cambodia village then proposed a toast to Rotary International.

District Foundation Director Dennis Shore and **Past District Governor Peter Frueh** recognized the **Rotary clubs of Balwyn, Camberwell, Central Melbourne, Melbourne, Melbourne South and Wyndham** for each raising more than US\$1,500 for the Rotary Foundation. Dennis outlined how Rotary Foundation funds were contributing to the EndPolio program, the developing of Peace Fellows to support local conflict resolution, providing clean water and health care.

Guest Speaker – Air Chief Marshall Sir Angus Houston

Secretary Koren Harvey formally introduced **Sir Angus** and highlighted his distinguished service in the Australian Defence Force, continued commitment to serve Australia in leadership roles and a variety of roles in the community.

Sir Angus shared the story of **Sir Albert Coates** to demonstrate how effective leadership can make a significant difference in challenging situations.

Sir Albert Coates served in WW1 as a medical orderly in Gallipoli and France and later served as an intelligence officer. After returning to Australia, he studied at night to become a surgeon, eventually lecturing in anatomy at the University of Melbourne. At the outbreak of WW2, Coates volunteered to serve in Melaka and also served in Singapore before being evacuated to Dutch-controlled Java. After Java's fall to the Japanese, Coates became a prisoner of war in Burma and Thailand. During this difficult period he saved many lives with his surgical skills, creating makeshift surgical equipment from whatever was at hand (he removed a burst appendix using a common razor blade). Working with Weary Dunlop in the Thailand camp, many credited their survival to his remarkable medical skills and his indomitable attitude in the service of others. At the conclusion of WW2, Coates was awarded a knighthood in recognition of his contribution to Australia in both wars. Coates was a key witness at the Tokyo War Crimes Tribunal and the RSL delegate at the signing of the Peace Treaty. The people of Melbourne and Australia were the beneficiaries of his surgical skills, his knowledge and dedication to serving others in his subsequent post-war career.

Drawing conclusions from Coates' life of service and his own personal experiences, Sir Angus shared the following principles for effective leadership:

1. Set a clear direction
2. Develop the right culture
3. Develop leadership at all levels of the organization
4. Communicate, communicate, communicate
5. Develop strong working relationships

Secretary Koren thanked Sir Angus and presented him with a gift.

President Neville stated that the \$5 EndPolio contribution made by 95 attendees, auction expertly ran by Bryan Cain and raffle drawn by Suzette Taylor had raised

\$8,032.50 for the Rotary Foundation.

President Neville concluded the meeting by thanking **Foundation Director Frank O'Brien** and the organizing committee, our generous sponsors, Sir Angus Houston and all attendees for making the 26th Paul Harris breakfast a great success.

GALLERY

Posted by Roger THORNTON

26th Paul Harris Breakfast



President Neville Taylor & District Governor Bronwyn Stephens



District Foundation Director Dennis Shore



Frank O'Brien with Past District Governor Peter Frueh



Chair Koren Harvey with Sir Angus Houston



Auctioneer Bryan Cain



Suzette Taylor drawing raffle

