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## GUEST SPEAKER - NEXT MEETING

**Audrey Zibelman, CEO of AEMO**  
**"AEMO's System Security Market Framework Review"**

AEMO operates Australia's National Electricity Market (NEM), the interconnected power system in Australia's eastern and south-eastern seaboard, and the Wholesale Electricity Market (WEM) and power system in Western Australia.

NEM, like power systems worldwide, is being transformed from a system dominated by large thermal power stations, to a system including a multitude of power generation resources and technologies of various sizes. At the same time, customers are engaging with their electricity supply in new ways.

Prior to her appointment as CEO of AEMO since Monday, 20 March 2017, Ms Zibelman gained extensive experience in the public, private and not-for profit energy and electricity sectors in the United States, most recently having held the positions of Commissioner and Chair of the New York State Public Service Commission (NYPSC) where she was responsible for overseeing the regulation and safety of New York's electric, gas, telephone, cable, water and steam utilities.

During her tenure at the NYPSC, Ms Zibelman led the design and implementation of extensive regulatory and retail market changes to modernise and transform the state's electricity industry under New York Governor Andrew M. Cuomo's 'Reforming the Energy Vision' plan.

A recognised national and international expert in energy policy, markets and Smart Grid innovation, Ms Zibelman is a Founder and past President and Chief Executive Officer of Viridity Energy, Inc., which she formed after more than 25 years of electric utility industry leadership experience in both the public and private sectors.

Previously, Ms Zibelman was the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of GO15 member organisation, PJM, a regional transmission organisation responsible for operating the power grid and wholesale power market serving 14 states across the eastern United States.

Ms Zibelman also held legal and executive positions at Xcel Energy, served as General Counsel to the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission, and was Special Assistant Attorney General in the Minnesota Attorney General's Office.

During her career, Ms Zibelman has served on numerous industry-related and non-profit boards, including, but not limited to the Midwest and Mid-Atlantic Reliability Councils. Ms Zibelman's board experience also includes Advisor to Secretary of Energy for the US Department of Energy and Advisory Council, New York State Energy Research and Development Authority, the New York State Planning Board and the New York State Emergency Planning Council.



## SOCIAL ENTERPRIZE REPORT

Posted by Rob SOROS



The initiative we've started this rotary year, procuring our weekly breakfast raffle prizes from social enterprises to build awareness for and promote their social missions, has got off to an amazing start.

So far we have purchased from **STREAT** (coffee vouchers funding employment pathways), the **Soup Place** (soup funding meals for Melbourne's homeless), **RAM Jams** (jams funding malaria prevention projects), **Learmonth Foundation** (cider funding regional development in the Ballarat region), **Empower** (Tibetan yak milk soaps whose producers are mostly girls and women whose lives have been impacted by HIV/AIDS, human trafficking and abuse), **Mildura Chocolate Co.**, and **Aussie Biscuits** (biscuits funding employment for those living with a disability).

To kick us off you were requested to donate a bottle, to subsidise as the additional raffle prize each week. **Well done, 45 bottles of varying liquids and other substances so far from our generous members.**

You can still donate your bottle, of anything you chose, just bring to your next weekly breakfast and hand to Rob Soros or Neville Taylor.

## HOW IT WORKS - COMMITTEE REPORTING

Posted by Rob SOROS

Recently there has been a re-examination of the time in meetings for members of the club to enjoy fellowship and breakfast with each other.

This was discussed at the July board meeting and President Neville proposed trying to streamline the agenda rather than start the meeting earlier. This will allow for more time for fellowship both before the meeting and during the break.

This will be done by a trial of removing director reports and instead having a joint director Q&A/report in lieu of the guest speaker on an as needed basis.

This way we will add another ten minutes into the run sheet each meeting with a view that it will be used to extend the break for fellowship in the middle of the meeting.

The first joint director Q&A will be held on Tuesday 4th September.

## Meeting Responsibilities

*Chair*  
SALVANO, Neil

*Greeter*  
JONES, Brett

*Reporter*  
King, Anne

*Photographer*  
JONES, David

*Door*  
CARDELL, Stuart

*Bulletin Editor*  
WILLIAMS, Rohan

*Social Media*  
LIM, Daniel

## Upcoming Events

[Board Meeting](#)  
Aug 08, 2018  
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

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

[VicPol Mentoring Program](#)  
[Graduation breakfast](#)  
RACV City Club  
Sep 25, 2018  
7:30 AM – 8:45 AM

## Speakers

Aug 07, 2018  
[Audrey Zibelman, CEO of AEMO](#)  
AEMO's System Security Market Framework Review

Sep 11, 2018  
[Frances Cosway – Principal](#)  
[White Pebble Interiors](#)  
Downsizing Effectively

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**AMOS NATIONAL SCIENCE COMPETITION**

Posted by Mary VOICE

Members are encouraged to prompt their school-age children or grandchildren to enter the **AMOS National Science Week Competition - Presenting My Local Weather**.

The competition involves students submitting a 2 minute video of them presenting the weather in their local area.

Further information may be obtained via [www.amos.org.au/activities/education-and-outreach/amos\\_nsw\\_comp](http://www.amos.org.au/activities/education-and-outreach/amos_nsw_comp).

**MEETING REPORT - 31st JULY**

Posted by Doug ROBERTSON

**Chair:** Daniel Lim

**Visitors Welcomed:**

- Dr Monika Nagel from Perth
- Ruth Breen, a guest and daughter-in-law of President Neville
- Lady Pastidio, a guest of Neville John
- Michael Lapina, who has resigned from RC Central Melbourne to join RC Wyndham
- Guest Speaker Michelle Enbom and colleague Luke Casey

**Announcements:**

- Alan Seale reported that:
  - in District 9800, there were 66 candidates for 40 places in the National Youth Sciences Forum. Unfortunately our candidate, Ellen Crawley from Mac.Robertson Girls High, did not gain a place.
  - our Club is sponsoring Raphael Wong on a New Generations Service Exchange. During his 5 weeks, he will perform in two operas at the Bayreuth Young Artist Festival in Germany and have other engagements including teaching at a Rotary summer week for young artists. He will be hosted by Rotarians, including the family of Hana Weigl who had previously been hosted by our Club.
  - the Ambulance Victoria mentoring program is now beyond its third month. Ratings for the program have come in at 8 ½ / 10. *Great result Alan!*
- Elias Lebbos announced the Youth Service Committee will meet immediately after the Club meeting closes.
- President Neville
  - around 25 members and family attended the Geoffrey Kaye Museum at ANZCA and were engaged and enlightened by the presentations which gave members a much broader insight into the history and role of anaesthetists. He thanked John Iloit for arranging such a successful Vocational event.
  - members were asked to note that on 18 September, a special breakfast will be held. The guest speaker will be Lord Mayor, Sally Capp. If each member is able to bring a guest, a successful meeting will be assured.
  - the first of the Cluster Club visits will take place tonight at RC Southbank, with 6 members of our Club to attend.
  - a social dining evening "love thy neighbour" will be held on Saturday 11th August.
  - President Neville farewellled Michael Lapina, who has joined the Rotary Club of Wyndham. He detailed the extensive service that Michael had given to the Club since first joining in 2005, noting he will still be involved in "Opera on the Yarra" next year and thanking him for his marvellous contribution. In response, an emotional Michael thanked Club members and reflected on the importance of the Rotary family in his and his family's lives.

**Member Talk - Mary Voice**

Past President of the Australian Meteorological & Oceanographic Society and Club Member Mary Voice gave a very informative presentation on the role of the Weather Bureau, illustrating that it went well beyond the 7.00 o'clock news presentation. In particular, Mary highlighted the importance of forecasts in all aircraft movements, shipping and managing fire risk.

Whilst around 100 large ship founder each year, lives lost due to storm damage has decreased. The use of satellites in the science of weather forecasting has been critical. A negative has been that meteorologists have been the target of abuse by climate change deniers. Despite this and after a long career, Mary is well satisfied that meteorologists are "making a difference", a positive one, to people's lives.

**Guest Speaker's Presentation:**

Our guest speaker was Michelle Enbom, Disability Coordinator, Marlborough Unit, Port Phillip Prison. The prison was opened in 1997 after Pentridge closed and has 16 units with 1100 beds. It is a diverse prison which includes a hospital wing. The prison is privately owned by G4S, a large international company.

Within the Marlborough unit, recidivism rates run at around 70%, while for the prison population as a whole, the rate is around 40%. Those with cognitive impairments find it more difficult to transition back into the community than other prisoners. There is a high rate of autism as well as many with Acquired Brain Injury (ABI). For the overall prison population, ABI runs at 43% because of drug taking and injury. Some prisoners in the unit have IQ's well below 70 meaning that daily functions are a significant challenge. Ages range from 18 to 78.

Social issues are a major problem when prisoners are released as most are illiterate, have no chance of employment, have no family, community, end up homeless and for indigenous prisoners, loss of cultural identity. And yet when asked, most aspire to having a place to live.

Since 2007, Michelle has been running programs for prisoners with cognitive impairments. The overall aim of the programs is to affect behavioural change to stop them re-offending. Acquired characteristics have to be changed. Prisoners need routine and are expected to make their beds, tidy their rooms and be on time for activities. The process is slow and repetitive. The programs have shown though that change is possible, although difficult. Addressing illiteracy is one of these challenging areas.

The building itself has landscaped gardens with artwork surrounding it. There is a significant horticultural program where plants and vegetables are grown. It was featured on Gardening Australia in 2013 when Jane Edmanson spent two days filming. Plants are passed out to schools and other community groups and excess vegetables made available to charities. In this way a connection to community is developed.

Interaction with animals is another way of developing empathy. She noted that their chicks provided eggs which had to be collected and cooked. She amused us when she said it is not unusual to see an individual, with all sorts of issues, quietly patting a chick.

Street soccer is another program that provides access to community. Visits from high profile sporting identities also provides important social interaction. Michelle and Luke speak at many Rotary Clubs and continue to seek ways to encourage interaction for the prisoners with the community.

**Social EnterPrize Raffle**

Stuart Cardell, David Jones and Michael Lapina were the lucky winners this week.

**GALLERY**

Photos: *Candid*s from last meeting.



Frank welcoming members and guests



President Neville farewelling Michael Lapina



Mary Voice



Michelle Enbom, guest speaker



Luke Casey, Dr Monika Nagel and Michelle Enbom

