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SEASON'S GREETINGS



GOLF EVENT

Posted by Mary VOICE



A three Rotary Clubs Golf Event is planned for **Friday afternoon 29th March 2019**. Please note the date in your diary and stay tuned for further information in the new year. Inquiries to Mary Voice (mvoice@bigpond.net.au)

ROTARY PEACE FELLOWS

100 fellowships for fully funded university training in peace and conflict resolution, are now available

Through application of their training, study, networking, and practice Rotary Peace Fellows become leaders and catalysts for peace and conflict resolution. Many go on to careers in national governments, NGOs, the military, law enforcement, peace education, media, international organizations like the United Nations and World Bank, and grass roots organizations working in communities.

Rotary International is committed to this program. Since 2002 more than 1,500 graduates have been trained.

THE ROTARY PEACE FELLOWSHIP INCLUDES:

- Tuition and fees
- Room and board
- Round-trip transportation
- International field study experience
- Rotary for living expenses

TWO-YEAR MASTERS DEGREE

Up to two years of fully funded graduate study at an internationally recognized program in England (University of Bedfordshire), Japan (International Christian University), Sweden (Uppsala University), or United States (Duke and University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill).

THREE-MONTH PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATE

Designed for mid-career professionals already working in the field of peace and conflict resolution. This fully funded course at Buckingham University in England offers a mix of theory and practical skills to build a classroom environment and in the field.

ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION CRITERIA

Applicants for Rotary Peace Fellowships must have the following:

- A strong commitment to practicing demonstrated through professional and academic achievements
- Excellent leadership skills
- Proficiency in English
- For the master's program, a bachelor's degree or equivalent, plus three years of full-time relevant work experience
- For the certificate program, a strong academic background, plus five years of full-time relevant work experience

HOW TO APPLY

Rotary Peace Fellows are selected through a competitive worldwide process.

REVISION: The online application is at www.rotary.org/peace-fellowships

OFFICE USE: A Rotation that you have

CONTACTS: Bob Rubicon at grubicon@rotary.org or 6474 399 499
 Tania MSHU (Peace Fellow alumni) at tmsheu@rotary.org or 6427 274 287
 Jim Wils at jwils@rotary.org or 1921 601 4520

DISTRICT 9802

District office has received and reviewed more successful Rotary Peace Fellow applications than any other district worldwide. **Use applications for study require District endorsement and close on 15th May 2019.**

Is there someone that you know who might benefit from this program? Please circulate this flyer to them.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE SUCCESS AT BUNNINGS

Posted by Frank O'BRIEN



We know you are all on board now so we just wanted to let Club members know that the December "Bunnings 6 Pack" between Port Melbourne, Collingwood and the one-off at West Footscray last Saturday has raised almost \$4,000.

Meeting Responsibilities

Chair
WILLIAMS, Rohan

Greeter
LIM, Daniel

Reporter
CHAN, Alison

Photographer
THORNTON, Roger

Door
CALLANDER, Tom

Bulletin Editor
WILLIAMS, Rohan

Social Media
LIM, Daniel

Upcoming Events

Board Meeting
Feb 13, 2019
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

Multi-District Conference
Melbourne Exhibition and Convention Centre
Feb 15, 2019 9:00 AM – Feb 17, 2019 5:00 PM

Speakers

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

[View entire list](#)



Our thanks go to the many, many Club members and 3 partners who have given valuable time to assist in various ways this month. The weather as always is a contributing factor and we had our moments, particularly when the heavens opened last Friday afternoon!!! This activity is one of the recent success stories of our Club and is now going a long way to form recurring income for our Fundraising Committee....and our projects.

Thank you very much to all who have volunteered. We already have roster dates for Port Melbourne and Collingwood for the first half of 2019 so opportunities abound for volunteering next year....watch this space!!!

(Photo: Peter Duras learning the art of a good sausage sizzle from Past Rotary International President Royce Abbey)

MEETING REPORT - 18th DECEMBER

Posted by Frank O'BRIEN

Great Expectations...that's what lay ahead for the 75 Club members, partners and friends as they eagerly awaited, firstly, the sounds of the Central Melbourne Choir (including **Kevin Love, Millie Swann, Peter Duras, Alice Miller, Rebecca John, Stuart Ellis, Lynne Webber and Frank O'Brien**) under Choir Master, **Gerard Hogan**, and secondly, the return of Santa Claus after a well earned rest....our Annual Christmas Breakfast had arrived.

A couple of tunes later ("Do You Hear What I Hear" and Roy Orbison's "Pretty Paper" (for those who missed them!!), **President Neville**, opened proceedings by welcoming the following guests:

- **President Robert Fisher**, RC Melbourne
- **Assistant District Governor Dale Hoy**
- **Past District Governor Uttam Ganguly**, District 3291 and member of RC Rabinra Sarobar, and daughter **Puja**
- **Anne Mitchell**, Steps Ministry / part of Concern Australia
- **Annie Jones**, Lentara / part of Uniting Church
- Representatives from **SisterWorks**, a non profit social enterprise which our Club supports.

After acknowledging Country by telling the story of Greg Muir, an aboriginal artist, President Neville, welcomed **Suvam Ganguly** to the stage to toast Rotary International.

Thereafter, President Neville invited **Frank O'Brien** and **Darren Park**, both Paul Harris Fellows, to receive Sapphires for their work within Rotary. Frank received his award from President Neville for longstanding work within our Club and Darren received his award from PDG Neville John for his work in auditing the District accounts over the last 3 years and the Shepparton District Conference.

We then heard from **Therese Robinson**, Director Community Services, regarding the annual gift giving ("Tree of Joy") collected from TAL from their 2 Melbourne offices which will be distributed to the Steps Ministry and Lentara.

And as if we hadn't heard enough of our Club Choir, they returned with community singing..."Aussie Jingle Bells" and "Santa Claus is Coming To Town" ... and right on cue, Santa (aka **Brett Jones**) came to town...distributing gifts and goodwill to all.

Suzette Taylor found 5 lucky seat holders with vouchers from SisterWorks and thereafter it was left to President Neville to close the Breakfast...but not before he thanked :

- the **Christmas Breakfast Organizing Committee**
- **Alison Chan** for not only coordinating the Christmas Hamper arrangements but also bagging and repackaging the various spices which members had ordered as part of their hampers
- the **Central Melbourne Choir** who returned for one last Carol, appropriately ..."We Wish You a Merry Christmas".

Post meeting, **Alison Chan** and **Mary Voice** received the following feedback from a young RACV employee, who had kindly helped with taking the Christmas Hampers downstairs.

"Not a problem, I am pleased to help. It is awesome what you people do. I hope you all have a great Christmas and New Year."

GALLERY

Posted by Roger THORNTON

Meeting 18th December



President Neville & Frank O'Brien with Neville John keeping a close eye



Our choir led by Gerard "the Joker" Hogan



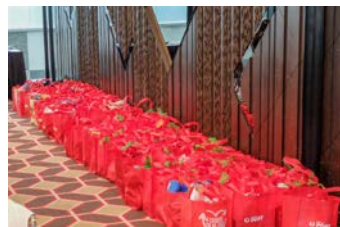
SisterWorks Stall



Anne Mitchell from Steps



Andi Jones from Lentara



Christmas Hampers ready to go

