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NEXT MEETING - TUESDAY 10th March

Posted by Gerard HOGAN

**John Karagounis****CEO of the CEO Circle**

John Karagounis is a passionate thought leader, celebrated author and keynote speaker. As the CEO and managing director of The CEO Circle, he engages with some of the world's brightest minds in hundreds of exclusive, confidential forums around the country. He truly knows what is top-of-mind in the business world and what it takes to be a successful leader in today's global marketplace.

John started his career in the financial services industry, winning numerous state and national awards. He found his niche in private wealth management and held senior executive roles in two of Australia's leading financial institutions and a global wealth management business. During his twenty-year career in financial services, he held several board positions and was a true advocate for the industry.

His ability to connect with people and his commitment to helping make a difference led John to The CEO Circle, Australia's leading exclusive peer group for business leaders. He purchased The CEO Circle in February 2008 and has never looked back. As a high achieving visionary, continuously striving for personal and professional excellence, he has already left his mark on this esteemed organisation.

In addition to his career achievements, John has been on the judging panel of The CEO Magazine's prestigious Executive of the Year awards since they commenced in 2012. A dedicated supporter of numerous charities and causes throughout Australia and overseas, he proudly continues to support those most in need.

Meeting Report March 3rd

Rotary Central Melbourne Report
03/03/2020

Elias's organization Travelers Aid has entered into an agreement with the Melbourne Flower and Garden Show to offer their Mobility Aid services to show visitors. DIK will provide wheelchairs and walkers to Travelers Aid. The Show runs 25 – 29 March at Carlton Gardens. Elias is seeking volunteers for the stand, if interested contact Elias. Gerard has booked our morning tea at Parliament house for 10 o'clock Tuesday morning 7 April in the "Strangers Corridor" This will be followed by a tour of Parliament house. Please confirm attendance by 1 April. The cost for the morning is \$35 for non-seniors and \$25 for seniors.

Gerard also reminded members of the Rooftop Bar event at the Sheraton Hotel 20 March

Meeting Responsibilities

Chair
ROLLS, Russell

Greeter
ROBERTSON, Doug

Reporter
HERON, Bruce

Photographer
THORNTON, Roger

Door
FIELDEN, Malcolm

Bulletin Editor
CLIFT, Nick

Social Media
LIM, Daniel

Upcoming Events

[Labour Day](#)
Mar 09, 2020

[Board meeting – zoom](#)
Mar 11, 2020 7:30 PM

[Saint Patrick's Day](#)
Mar 17, 2020

[Roof top drinks 20 March, after the BBQ at Bunnings Port Melbourne](#)
To Be advised
Mar 20, 2020 6:00 PM

[Rotary D9800 Conference 2020](#)
Mar 27, 2020 – Mar 29, 2020

[School Holidays](#)
Apr 01, 2020 - Apr 19, 2020

[Some time in April, to be confirmed](#)
Parliament house Victoria
Apr 01, 2020 10:00 AM

[TBC- presidents partners activity day](#)
Apr 03, 2020 12:00 PM

[Board meeting –RACV CLUB](#)
Apr 08, 2020 5:30 PM

[Easter holidays](#)
Apr 10, 2020 - Apr 13, 2020

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Speakers

Mar 10, 2020
[John Karagounis - CEO of the CEO Circle](#)

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Peter Duras published his Autumn Wish List, requesting donations of Adult sized T shirts, Track Suit Pants, Leggings, Hoodies, Sleeping Bags and Backpacks. If you plan to bring a large volume of goods please let Peter know in advance



Guest Speaker Tony Nicholls

Founder and Director of Good Talent Media, Tony Nicholls is an accomplished journalist who has held roles for more than ten years with the ABC, SBS and Network Ten, covering thousands of news stories across Victoria, Australia and in the international media. Tony spoke about the need to have crisis management plans in place for all foreseeable events.

Tony spoke of owning the first critical minutes, where the press will speak to anyone in the absence of those in the know. This is where misinformation starts and is difficult to reverse. In the absence of crisis management plans, some organisations follow an approach of “burying your head in the sand” Those well prepared will not seek to shut down the conversation, rather they will be on the front foot communicating. Tony discussed the contrast between Red Cross and Dreamworld’s approach to Crisis Management. St Kevin’s had plenty of time to prepare but didn’t.

MELBOURNE INTERNATIONAL FLOWER & GARDEN SHOW



The 25th anniversary of the Melbourne International Flower & Garden returns to the Royal Exhibition Building & Carlton Gardens on 25-29 March 2020.

Travellers Aid Australia (TAA) has proposed to support the Melbourne International Flower and Garden Show in making the event more accessible and inclusive in four ways during the 25 – 29 March 2020 experience. The objective is to provide people experiencing mobility challenges related to age or disability with the confidence to participate and engage at the Melbourne International Flower and Garden Show. This is the first time that TAA will provide this level of service to this event and is keen to use this opportunity as a learning experience for future events.

TAA will work closely with **Donations in Kind (DIK)** and **Rotary Central Melbourne (RCM)** to ensure that this proposed “pilot” is fit for purpose and cost effective.

TAA will set up an onsite Mobility Equipment Hire Service providing wheelchairs and walkers for daily hire. We envisage a marquee type set up close to the event entry. This service will be provided in collaboration with RCM as a community service. DIK has agreed to loan us the mobility equipment during the event. A nominal fee will be charged to participants for the use of equipment while at the event.

The service will be operated by TAA with the support of RCM members and the revenue will be split between the two organisations. If this pilot is successful, we may be able to offer the service at all future CBD based events.

We are seeking volunteers to support this initiative by working on the stand for a 4.5-hour shift, either 8:30am to 1pm or 1pm to 5:30pm. Friday night evening shift is also available.

DATES	TIMES
Wednesday 25th March	9:00am-5:00pm
Thursday 26th March	9:00am-5:00pm
Friday 27th March	9:00am-9:00pm
Saturday 28th March	9:00am-5:00pm
Sunday 29th March	9:00am-5:00pm

Do let me know what dates/times you are able to volunteer by email on rdwrcm@gmail.com.

STEPS for Youth Homelessness

Dear Rotary Central Melbourne

Given the long standing partnership that the club has with Concern Australia’s STEPS Program, it occurred to me to invite you, your workplace, community group or people you know to support one of our **major fundraisers**

for our work with young people experiencing homelessness through joining our Run Melbourne team this year.

Last year we raised \$23,048.41 and our target for 2020 is \$20,000, however we would be thrilled to exceed this.

By way of background, each year Steps Outreach Service has a team of runners and walkers take part in Run Melbourne to raise much needed funds for Steps. Since 1985, Steps has provided long-term relational and practical support to young people who are experiencing homelessness or at-risk of homelessness.

We would love Rotary Central Melbourne to join our team in Run Melbourne 2020! Participants can take part in either a 5km walk/run, 10km run or a half marathon on **Sunday July 26th 2020** around Melbourne to help us raise funds so that Steps can continue for another year.

Early bird pricing finishes on April 23rd so save on registration by getting in early.

People interested in being part of our 'Steps for Youth Homelessness' team can email grace.baulch@concernaustralia.org.au and she will send you more details on how to register and start a fundraising page.

For more information on Steps Outreach Service, you can visit our website here: <https://www.concernaustralia.org.au/steps/>



Thank you for your ongoing passion for our work and for all you do to invest in making the world a better place for young people.

Much Grace.

Michelle

GALLERY

Photo Gallery



Elias, Frank and Russell



Tony Nicholls, Kevin and Mary



Elias



Lotta Rink





Guest Speaker Tony Nicholls



Workers Anne and Tony

