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**The 17th Charity
Auction & Dinner**
Friday 12 October 2012
 6.30pm for 7pm
 Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club
 489 Glenferrie Rd Kooyong
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Upcoming speakers

Sep 18, 2012

[Dr Kevin Donnelly](#)

Educating your child: it's not
rocket science

Club meetings: 7.15 for 7.40 am at the RACV
 501 Bourke Street, Melbourne

NEW BULLETIN TEAM

After two years of dedicated service, Rebecca Reibling has stepped down as Bull Bulletin will be produced by a team including Bruce McBain, Tony Thomas and R (coordinator). There are also new arrangements for meeting reporters to submit editors. These will be emailed to all Club members soon and will also be available at Organization >> Documents. The arrangements for photography will continue with the team consisting of Yanpu Zhang, Alan Seale and Allan Driver (coordinator). In response to your survey feedback, the RCCMS Bulletin team will, over the next few months, be making some changes to its presentation.

DUTY ROSTER – 18 September 2012

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| Chair | Gerard HOGAN |
| Sergeant | Michael BROMBY |
| Greeter | Keith FRAMPTON |
| Reporter | Bruce McBAIN |
| Photographer | Yanpu ZHANG |
| Door | Roger THORNTON |
| Director Report | John ILOTT |

NEXT WEEK'S SPEAKER



Dr Ken Donnelly – Educating your child: It's rocket science

For parents, and grandparents, educating children has never been more difficult. With new technologies and social networking sites, fears about stranger danger and cyber

Sep 25, 2012

[Inspector Lauren Callaway and
Snr Sergeant Stephen](#)
Victoria Police Legacy

Oct 09, 2012

[Anne Mitchell](#)
Steps Outreach Service

Oct 23, 2012

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Upcoming events

17th Charity Auction & Dinner
Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club
Oct 12, 2012 06:30 PM

**2012 Rotary Foundation Paul
Harris Breakfast**
RACV Club
Nov 14, 2012 07:15 AM - 09:00
AM

**Police Academy Vocational
Visit**
Victoria Police Academy
Nov 23, 2012 10:40 AM - 03:00
PM

Photo Albums

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[25th Anniversary Lunch](#)

Editor Robin STEVENS

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questions, please contact the
editor.*



choosing the right school and concerns about falling standards all conspire to make hard work. There are also debates about whether Australian children are wrapped in and whether the Tiger mums have a better approach.

Kevin Donnelly taught for 18 years in secondary schools and is one of Australia's education authors and commentators. He writes regularly for the print and electronic media including the Australian, the Age, the Financial Review and the SMH, and has published His most recent book, Educating your child: it's not rocket science, details what parents to give their children and balanced and successful education.

REPORT OF LAST MEETING – 11 September 2012

Chair – Richard Bowen | **Sergeant** – Michael Bromby

Reporter – Alan Seale | **Editor** – Robin Stevens | **Photographer** – Yanpu Zhang

Visitors – Travis Wells (Mik Well's son)

Announcements

Robin Stevens – asked for an additional volunteer for garden work at McCauley House on September (Kevin Love to assist).

Tony Thomas – explained how he and his estranged daughter shared a full page in *West Australian* on Fathers' Day, each relating their stories of a turbulent relationship that has improved.

Neville Taylor – a reminder that the Charity Auction is only one month away. The bookings to date and Neville asked any outstanding payments to confirm these bookings.

President Kay Stevens – reported on Tom Callander's progress following surgery at Cabrini Hospital and hopes to be back at home on Friday. Kay also announced the Club's new Community Village trailer donated by Jayco and thanked all those involved in the excellent demonstration and BBQ last Sunday.

Director's Report (International Service)

Roy Garrett – reported on the 2012 Ban Heu Yen School rebuilding project and the Hue Kang High School rebuilding project in Laos and made the following points in his presentation:

Roy introduced Somnuek – “our man in Laos”. Somnuek is (among other things) the “Dream Resort” where the 2012 Group will stay under a degree of hardship (irony of the name). Last May, Somnuek took on oversight of the beginning of construction of our two new Ban Heu Yen Villages.

Photos received in late June showed the project was progressing and last week arrived showing the little school effectively finished.

It is hoped that this year's tour group can paint a mural on the new building depicting an elephant, a kangaroo and maybe our national flags, symbolizing the connection between the two peoples. We will be there for the opening ceremony.

A similar tour has been planned for November 2012 – renovation of the (awful) dormitory at Hue Kang High School.

The 2012 tour group will travel through northern Thailand, cruise down the mighty Mekong to Luang Prabang, a beautiful world-heritage town from where we will add some to the High School and again attend the opening ceremony. Moving on to Vietnam, activities may include golf, beaches, great food and shopping.

The 2013 tour is for 18 days and the cost is \$5,800 per person that includes a donation to the renovation project.

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Sergeant's Session

Our sergeant heartlessly fined all the Geelong supporters whilst letting Hawthorn make matters worse he then, after regaling us on Richard Wagner's history tried Elgar's "Nimrod" from his *Enigma Variations* as Wagnerian! Robin Stevens was and spoke about how he came to choose "Nimrod" as his favorite piece (see det

A perfect synthesis of music and film

Further to the Sergeant's session and Elgar's "Nimrod". One of film director Ken film's was *Elgar – Portrait of a Composer* (1962). This moving documentary, shc white cinefilm, includes many of Elgar's best loved compositions which illustrate is available for viewing in four parts on YouTube. Click on the following links to a these: [Part 1](#) | [Part 2](#) | [Part 3](#) | [Part 4](#)

Guest Speaker



Leading Constable Kemal Brkic is the Silk Miller Scholarship holder for 2012. Kemal described himself as a troublesome youth who settled down when he met his now wife in York. They are happily married 21 years later – see what love can do! In another important part of his presentation, Kemal described how his senior footy coach was a major factor on his decision to join the Police. The moral of this story is how adults can have a big impact on kids. Kemal has extensive experience in Victoria Police and is currently working in the Employee Support and Welfare Services which helps members who have often had to face some horrific scenes. He is currently on three months leave to work with unaccompanied minor refugees from Iran and Afghanistan. The cases he deals with are often very difficult and don't always have good outcomes. The discussion moved onto youth suicide and the issue of public debate about prevention strategies. Kemal warmly thanked the Club for supporting Adolescent Health studies.