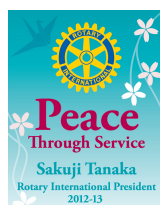




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Guest Speaker - August 21 - District Governor Dennis Shore

DG Dennis will share his vision on how we can achieve **Peace**

Duty Roster, Tuesday 21st August

Posted by David JONES on Aug 19, 2012

Chair	Kay Stevens
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Meeting Report, Tuesday 14th August

Posted by Peter LAKE on Aug 19, 2012

Welcome

President Kay Stevens and Chair Koren Harvey opened the meeting and welcomed Anne Barton to our club.



**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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Club Announcements

Allan Driver announced to the Club that he and John Meehan were involved in the 2015 Rotary Anzac Peace Tour to Turkey and bookings were open. This tour is a centenary of the Gallipoli landings so get in fast to secure the best cabins!

Past President Kevin Walklate gave the club a Director's report on Foundation. The Chief Commissioner will be guest speaker at this year's Paul Harris Fellow Breakfast held at Level 17 of the RACV Club on 14th November. The Club is aiming for 250 members so members are urged to publicise and diarise the event. Kevin informed members of club activity in the New Year and stated a 50% increase in foundation support (every year) as a club aim.

President Kay recently attended a Batman Cluster meeting and alerted members to publicising the Fitzroy Street Rotary Farmers Market, the 27th September RC Melbourne year anniversary and the RC Melbourne October 27 event at Abbotsford Convention Centre.

Sergeant's Session

Sergeant at Arms Michael Bromby used his wit to take members through a laugh at the film world as viewed by the recently passed critic Judith Crist. Members learned much fun between 1933 and 1980, Ms Crist likened Elizabeth Taylor's performance in 'The Fishwife' to that of a Fishwife. Michael's greatest film of all time was 'Some Like It Hot' and Vice President John is proficient in the use of Google!

Vocational Talk - George Mackey

George, a Data Engineer took members through a fascinating explanation of fibre optic National Broadband Network (NBN). George showed members a piece of four-core fibre optic cable (two communication control wires and two data wires). After ensuring that members didn't suffer glass injuries of the non-red-wine variety, he went on to explain how we rely on fibre for all aspects of our life as all data is based on base 2 numbers and the amount of data allowed engineers to send 64 lasers down one fibre in two directions. The NBN will allow the data sent over one hundred years of the Overland Telegraph operation in 0.000003 seconds and George looks forward to revisiting RCCM-S in 100 years' time to listen to any young data engineer - much like himself - explain to members how this piece of fibre can transmit one hundred years of NBN data in 0.000003 seconds...

Guest Speaker - Anne Barton

Anne is the Great Granddaughter of Edmund Barton, Australia's first Prime Minister, a man renowned for his humour, wit, knowledge of the arts and theatre and most importantly his ability to remain silent and listen. Edmund was a member of the Australian Native Advance Australia - and in 1880 took over as leader of the federation movement. A team led by Edmund took London by storm and members celebrated when federation was confirmed after negotiations with Chamberlain.

Barton led the first parliament in Melbourne's Exhibition Building and Anne has recently discovered that she had two sets of Great Grandparents in attendance. Edmund won the Prime Ministership in 1903 and served on the High Court until his death in 1920. He was a loving husband and loving father to six children. He was also a great friend to Deakin and his friendship grew stronger over time.

Out of members questions we also learned that Deakin's writing and big ideas were a component of his strong profile, Jeanie, and Edmund's son in law destroyed most of his papers upon his death to protect his privacy and there were five future Prime Ministers in his cabinet.

Meeting Close

President Kay reminded members to support the 12 October Charity Gala, thank excellent presentation and closed the meeting.



Pictured - Guest Speaker, Anne Barton

Reasons why people join Rotary

Posted on Aug 12, 2012

Murray Verso

Friendship

The second reason Rotary started was to provide access to friendship and fellowship, one of our most basic human needs and is no less relevant in our increasingly technological world.

August is Rotary Membership Month

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