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## **NEXT MEETING - GUEST SPEAKER**

Posted by Bruce HERON



**Shanaka Fernando**

### **Lentil as Anything**

Lentil As Anything aims to provide food without borders: without borders of race or gender, finance or social status. It is a multicultural, refugee-friendly, organisation and was registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission in 2000.

There are currently four Lentil locations, the first of which opened in 2000 in St. Kilda and the largest being located at the former Abbotsford Convent. The most recent restaurant opened in the Melbourne suburb of Thornbury in 2015, and seven other locations have opened and later closed in the group's history.

Lentil As Anything restaurants and grocery store have no set prices. Everyone is welcome to come for a meal and contribute in any way they can. Some people volunteer their time in the kitchen or on the floor, others leave a financial donation in one of the contribution boxes. All leave with the feeling that they are part of an inclusive community. Many of the people working at Lentil As Anything are volunteers.

Members of the community who volunteer for a meal, to learn hospitality skills, or improve their social or language skills. The under-employed, the homeless, refugees and the disenfranchised are all given an equal opportunity to gain skills and help their fellow humans at Lentil As Anything.

Shanaka Fernando is the founder of Lentil as Anything. Originally from Sri Lanka, Shanaka opened the first Lentil As

## **Meeting Responsibilities**

*Chair*  
ELLIS AM, Stuart

*Greeter*  
CHAN, Alison

*Reporter*  
JOHN, Neville

*Photographer*  
THORNTON, Roger

*Door*  
CARDELL, Stuart

*Bulletin Editor*  
CLIFT, Nick

*Social Media*  
LIM, Daniel

## **Upcoming Events**

[District 9800 Rotary Walk To End Polio](#)  
Albert Park Lake  
Oct 19, 2019 10:00 AM

[District 9800 End Polio Train Ride](#)  
Oct 24, 2019

[Pub Campari BAR 23 - 25 Hardware Lane catch up - city rooftop bar 6 o'clock](#)  
Oct 25, 2019 6:00 PM

[Luncheon with new members - everyone welcome](#)  
Oct 26, 2019  
12:00 PM - 3:30 PM

[Regular meeting](#)  
Oct 29, 2019 7:20 AM

[BBQ - Port Melbourne](#)  
Nov 01, 2019 8:30 AM

[Annual General Meeting](#)  
Nov 12, 2019 7:40 AM

[Board meeting - zoom](#)  
Nov 13, 2019 7:30 PM

[27th Rotary Foundation Paul Harris Breakfast](#)  
RACV CLUB  
Nov 21, 2019  
7:30 AM - 9:00 AM

Anything in 2000 and has been increasingly involved in projects addressing social justice issues. In 2007 Shanaka was awarded Australia's Local Hero/Social Challenger at Australian of the Year Awards. He lives in Melbourne with his wife and four children.

#### **Business Awards**



Nick McDonald and Thea McCroary run Prestige Inhome Care, champion Bayside business in the Rotary-led 2019 Business Excellence awards

#### **Five clubs' zeal creates business awards**

By Tony Thomas, Rotary Central Melbourne

Sometimes it takes a push to get Rotary clubs co-operating. Three years ago Jeff Taylor of Brighton North Rotary approached Bayside City Council about an excellence-in-business awards program. Early this year the council decided, "OK, providing you team with the other four bayside Rotary clubs and give us a good plan". Brighton North and Brighton are in District 9800 and Hampton, Beaumaris and Sandringham clubs are in D9810. They range from 25 to 100-plus members: all up, about 250. They had plenty of their own projects on the go, but cooperate they did. The council gave the green light and provided a handsome grant. The clubs developed the awards [website](#), shared their know-how with the council and found further sponsors.

On October 3 winners collected awards at a 250-seat sold-out formal dinner at the Sandringham Yacht Club (tickets: up to \$185). Talks are under way about annual awards.

Bayside Mayor Michael Heffernan says, "Council jumped at the chance to recognise local firms. The participation level of 80-plus was incredible."

Christine Lindsey of Hampton RC, who chaired the project, is a professional events strategist. "No-one was territorial," she says. "Brighton North ran the nominations; Brighton ran sponsorships and judging, and Hampton took on overall management, website and legals. Bayside council ran the gala dinner and a Telstra Business Awards judge helped coordinate judging."

Many Australian cities run business awards but few involve Rotary. Brighton North originally had a small "Vocational Excellence Award" but it ran out of steam. Jeff Taylor helped tie the award to the council's thriving Business Network. "We loved to see the surprise, joy and pride of the winners," Jeff says.

Nick McDonald (CEO) and Thea McCroary (GM Sales and Marketing) are the brother and sister team that took Bayside's champion business Prestige Inhome Care to an astounding 550 staff. Its services help people live independently at home. Nick says, "The Rotary awards forced us to think strategically about managing our fast growth." Thea says, "Government support for in-home care constantly evolves and Rotary is a good way to get information out to the community."

Awards chair Christine says, "We worked together really well. I hope our project is an inspiration to Rotary clubs."

#### **Bernie's birthday**



The Gerlinger's enjoying their High Tea gift from the Club on the occasion of Bernie's birthday. Very enjoyable way to spend an afternoon, thanks everyone.

Marjorie and Bernie

#### **PolioPlus Events October**

#### **[TBC-shine on award nominations](#)**

Dec 01, 2019

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#### **Speakers**

Oct 15, 2019

[Shanaka Fernando](#)

Lentil as Anything

Oct 22, 2019

[Dr Gihan Jayaweera](#)

Pilot Program - Health Ninja Licence

Oct 29, 2019

[Maryann Liethof](#)

Representing Polio Survivors throughout Australia

Nov 05, 2019

[NO REGULAR MEETING TODAY](#)

MELBOURNE CUP HOLIDAY

Nov 12, 2019

[Jessica Trijsburg, Peace Scholar D9800](#)

Rotary Peace Scholarship and Beyond

Nov 19, 2019

[NO REGULAR MEETING TODAY](#)

PAUL HARRIS BREAKFAST ON THURSDAY 21st NOVEMBER - see full details on home page

Nov 21, 2019

[Dr Andrew Browning](#)

Maternal health care in Africa- an Australian intervention

Nov 26, 2019

[Dr Murray Verso - District Director Foundation](#)

Dec 10, 2019

[Gabe Denemark - Community Ambassador for NBN](#)

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<https://www.facebook.com/events/2636333173044049/>

Polio Train Ride Thursday 24 October – This event will be leaving from Train stations across our district (Bendigo, Brighton, Werribee and Caulfield) with the aim to meet at Fed Square Melbourne at 2.30 pm. I have invited the other 4 Victorian Rotary Districts to join us in this adventure. If hundreds attend think of the impact we will make. Meet us at the stations on the way or Join us on the train for the trip to Fed Square.

The goal is to receive club and individual Donations prior to or on the day. Make donations at the Stations. Our motto is '**Its the end of the line for Polio**'. With your continued support we know it will happen soon.

#### 26th October Social Lunch



**Date: Saturday 26 October for lunch**

Time: From midday

**Place: 3 Outlook Drive, Eaglemont (Rebecca and Neville's home)**

If you are travelling from the West, head along the Eastern Freeway and take the Burke Road exit. Head left along Burke Road North and at the main roundabout, keep going straight (it becomes Maltravers Road) and in 200 metres turn right into Outlook Drive. Number 3 is third house on the left from the corner.

Cost: It's a social gathering so no cost.

Meat and bread will be provided but BYO refreshments.

What else can you bring? - bring a salad; dessert or whatever else to share or talk to Neville if you have other ideas.

**RSVP Neville John by 4th October on email**

[nrjohn@iprimus.com.au](mailto:nrjohn@iprimus.com.au), or mobile 0417 387216

If you are coming, please let Neville know what food you to plan bring so that we don't all end up eating dessert for lunch. Also advise any dietary restrictions.

#### 27th Rotary Foundation Paul Harris Breakfast

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##### GUEST SPEAKER

Dr Andrew Browning

Maternal health care in Africa- an Australian intervention

Dr Andrew Browning spent 17 years living with his family in Ethiopia and Tanzania amongst some of the poorest people in the world.

He specialises in treating a devastating birth injury called obstetric fistula. This results from women giving birth at home, without medical help. In labour for four or five days they deliver a stillborn child and the tissues in their pelvis are destroyed, leaving them with large holes (fistula) to their bladder and bowel. Leaking continually they are shunned, depressed and suicidal.

Andrew is one of only a handful of surgeons in the world who have dedicated their lives to helping treat and prevent this. His charity has now built three maternity hospitals in Africa and aims to build many more.

All funds raised will be used to support Rotary Foundation projects that make lives better in your community and around the world

- The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International has received 12 consecutive 4-star ratings, the top rating, from Charity Navigator as at January 2019.
- Charity Navigator also rates The Rotary Foundation as Number One in their list of the 10 of the Best Charities Everyone's Heard Of.
- It also received an A+ from Charity Watch its highest rating in 2017 (the most recent rating).
- The Association of American Fundraising Professionals named The Rotary Foundation as the outstanding Foundation for 2016.

We look forward to welcoming all Rotarians, partners, friends and colleagues to this special event

BOOKINGS: [www.trybooking.com/BEYTZ](http://www.trybooking.com/BEYTZ)

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#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

When  
Thursday, 21st November 2019

Where  
The RACV City Club  
Level 17, 501 Bourke Street  
Melbourne

Tickets  
\$70.00 per head  
or  
\$650 for a table of ten  
(incl. GST)

RSVP  
7th November 2019

Time  
7.15 for 7.30 till 9.00am

[Download flyer](#)

#### **SAUSAGE SIZZLING RETURNS**

*Posted by Peter DURAS*



A new Rotary year and suddenly **the first Bunnings sausage sizzle at Port Melbourne** was successfully completed on Friday 12th July.

If you are able to help on any of the future dates listed below, could you please email me at [peter.duras@bigpond.com](mailto:peter.duras@bigpond.com) indicating your preference for morning, lunchtime or afternoon? We'll run from shortly after 8am to 4.

Remaining dates for Port Melbourne this calendar year are:

**Friday 30th August**

**Friday 1st November**

**Friday 15th November**

**Sunday 22nd December**

#### **MEETING REPORT 8th October**

*Posted by John ILOTT*

Rotary meeting 8 October 2019

Guests: Ms Alex McNamara, colleague of guest speaker.  
No visiting Rotarians.

Announcements:

Peter Duras announced that sausage sizzles raised \$5,500 so far this year.  
He has a gap in the roster on the afternoon of 1/11 at Bunnings Port Melbourne. Please contact Peter if you can help.

Martin Langton is promoting the Australian Rotary Health program, Lift the Lid on Mental Illness. At our meeting on 22 October, Martin will be fining members \$5 for wearing funny hats and \$7 if not wearing a hat. All proceeds to Australian Rotary Health.

Kevin Love announced that the VicPol Leadership Mentoring Program will be launched next Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> October.  
Martin Langton, Des Benjamin, Elias Lebbos and Michelle Crawford are mentors for RCM.

Kevin also reminded members about the second hand trinket stall at Camberwell Market. If you have saleable items, email Veronica with details.

Alan Seale announced that 24 October is world polio day. The WHO recently announced that the African region is now polio-free. The Middle East still a challenge.  
There will be a Rotary walk around Albert Park lake to raise awareness.  
On 29 October a speaker from Polio Australia will present to the club.

Gerard Hogan has organised a club social event for members and guests. Come along on 25 October to Campari Bar, 23-25 Hardware Lane, city rooftop bar 6pm. All welcome.

Brett Jones conducted a member interview with Daniel Lim.  
Daniel is a civil engineer with Boral. He grew up in Malaysia and studied engineering in Leeds.  
He is now studying at Melbourne Business School.  
Well known as a foodie, Daniel is a local distributor for a truffle importer.  
He loves doing things for the community and is part of the Docklands community.

Guest speaker

**GUEST SPEAKER**

Joel Jenkins spoke about the Victorian statewide cladding audit

The task force was established in June 2017 following Grenfell tower fire in which 70 people perished. The task force looked specifically at two types of products which are known to be combustible. They continue to investigate product labelling, compliance and failure of the regulatory system.

Initial focus was on 1369 priority projects which led to the statewide cladding audit methodology rolled out. The task force concentrated on:

- Class 2 buildings, apartments;
- Class 3 buildings, over 3 storeys, short-stay accommodation; and
- Class 9, public use buildings (vulnerable occupants e.g. aged care, child care, schools).

They physically inspected 2500 buildings, and this work led to referrals to an advisory reference panel, then recommendations. Over 1200 buildings were found to have combustible cladding, placing them in the higher risk category.

The audit findings included:

- Poorly maintained essential safety measures, e.g. alarms and sprinklers
- Materials commonly substituted between design and build stages
- Extensive use of cladding for Type A construction which require non-combustible materials
- Buildings designed with single point of egress and without fire and smoke isolation.

The audit also revealed that essential safety measures had been compromised. For example:

- A number of buildings had complex designs and owners' corporations sometimes don't understand that complexity.
- Some smoke alarms were tampered with.

This was an absorbing presentation, followed by many questions, too many for the time available. The topic was highly relevant to our audience and it showed the rigour that has been applied by the task force to resolving this risk to occupant safety in Victoria.

**GALLERY**

*Posted by Roger THORNTON*

**Breakfast Meeting Photos**



President Warwick Cavell



Chair Therese Robinson





Guest speaker Joel Jenkins



Brett Jones & Daniel Lim

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Marjorie GERLINGER's Commitments

**Current Club Committees**

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Foundation	



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