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## NEXT MEETING - GUEST SPEAKER

Posted by Bruce HERON



### Andrea Heffernan - Victorian State Director of the Funding Network

#### "The Funding Network"

The Funding Network Australia (TFN) is a unique live crowdfunding and capacity building model for social change. TFN started off as a live crowdfunding event in the UK for small grassroots non-for-profits that lacked resources, who didn't have a platform to raise funds and awareness of what they were doing.

This crowdfunding event involved screening the candidates that had applied for funding and eventually selecting three small grassroots charities to present at the event. Bringing together approximately 150 corporate contacts, philanthropists and guests at these events, people would pledge donations live, and each charity generally raised between \$15,000 – \$20,000.

TFN Australia empowers everyone, from those with modest means to the affluent, to play a role in providing solutions to some of our most troubling societal problems.

TFN do this by partnering with corporations to attract the widest possible audience with a capacity to give, enabling them to support innovative, grassroots charities.

TFN's engaging, interactive and inclusive events unite people to achieve more as a group than individually. By empowering people to give they challenge the notion that only the wealthy can make a difference. TFN expand and deepen the practice

of giving by making it collaborative, rewarding and accessible to all.

Andrea has over 17 years experience in the philanthropy and not-for-profit sector. Prior to her role at TFN, she was General Manager of Australian Communities Foundation for 13 years.

Andrea is passionate about the social outcomes achieved by connecting donors with community needs. An energetic team player with extensive management and operations experience and is dedicated to organisational excellence.

She is currently also a Board Member of Focus Individualized Support Services on the Mornington Peninsula in Victoria.

## MEETING MINUTES 9TH JULY

Posted by Tom CALLANDER

**President Warwick Cavell** opened the meeting by welcoming all present, including a strong contingent of visiting Rotarians from RC North Melbourne, RC Moreland and RC Brighton, then asked **Chair Lynne Webber** to proposed a toast to Rotary International.

### Announcements

- **President Warwick** shared that Zhang Yan Pu had broken her ankle then required hospitalization for the flu. She was highly appreciative of the members who had contacted her during the past week.
- **Peter Duras** requested volunteers for our first sausage sizzle at Bunnings Port Melbourne on Friday 12th July.

### Guest Speakers - Emmanuel (Emma) Kusaira Edwin and Anne-Marie Reddan, founders of Yimba Uganda

Emma and Anne-Marie spoke about the NGO they founded in Uganda, which seeks to train and empower young people who have missed out on schooling. Youth unemployment in Uganda is very high.

They provided an overview of the following 4 initiatives:

1. **Clothing Design & Fabrication** which involves training 20 young people (mainly women) each year and has increased self esteem of graduates and enabled graduates to establish small businesses within their communities.
2. **Washable Menstrual Pad Fabrication** which seeks to increase school attendance of girls once they reach puberty.
3. **Goat Giving** which provides a female goat to a family with the condition that they provide one of the goat's offspring back. Emma shared the story of one women using her first goat to create 4 goats to then sell to purchase a cow to then sell the cow plus calf to build a new family house.
4. **Musician Mentoring** which involves Emma (a professional gospel / rap singer) providing training to young emerging musicians in a recording studio.

The Brighton Rotary Club is strongly supporting Yimba Uganda with seed funds of around \$10,000, augmented with district designated grants and contributions from 2 other clubs, had increased this to over \$100,000. The speakers showed an entertaining video made in Uganda based on the Essendon Football Club theme song, with numerous enthusiastic young people participating. This is a program worthy of support.

President Warwick closed the meeting by thanking Emma and Anne-Marie for their inspiring presentation and visiting Rotarians for joining our meeting.

## GALLERY

Posted by David JONES

### Breakfast Meeting Photos

## Meeting Responsibilities

*Chair*  
DURAS, Peter

*Greeter*  
LOVE, Kevin

*Reporter*  
CARDELL, Stuart

*Photographer*  
THORNTON, Roger

*Door*  
O'BRIEN, Frank

*Bulletin Editor*  
CLIFT, Nick

*Social Media*  
LIM, Daniel

## Upcoming Events

[School Holidays](#)  
Jun 28, 2019 - Jul 15, 2019

[BBO – Port Melbourne](#)  
Jul 12, 2019 8:30 AM

[BBO – Collingwood](#)  
Jul 14, 2019 8:30 AM

[Meeting -District Governor Grant Hocking](#)

RACV CLUB Level 1  
Jul 23, 2019 7:30 AM

[Neighbourhood dinners](#)  
Aug 10, 2019 7:00 PM

[Board meeting – zoom](#)  
Aug 14, 2019 7:30 PM

[TBC - Family activity](#)  
Aug 25, 2019 12:00 PM

[BBO – Port Melbourne](#)  
Aug 30, 2019 8:30 AM

[National Gallery of Victoria – Friday night visit optional dinner afterwards.](#)

Aug 30, 2019 5:30 PM

[TBC -Tree planting Phillip Island](#)

Phillip Island  
Sep 01, 2019

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## Speakers

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Guest Speakers Anne-Marie & Emmanuel



Neville from RC North Melbourne with Paul, Herb and Rohan



Mary & George from RC North Melbourne

