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NEXT MEETING - CLUB FORUM 17th NOVEMBER 2015: YOUR CHANCE TO INFLUENCE CLUB ACTIVITIES

CLUB FORUM: MEMBERS' CHANCE TO HAVE A SAY IN THE FUTURE DIRECTION OF THE CLUB AND ITS PROGRAMS

President George has reminded members of next week's

Meeting Responsibilities

Chair O'BRIEN, Frank

Presenter THOMAS, Tony

Greeter
MITCHELL, Dick

Reporter NEIL, Cecily

Photographer JONES, David

Door ROLLS, Russell

Director Report KING, Anne

Bulletin Editor DRIVER, Allan

Speakers

Club Forum that will be a follow up on the Club Visioning exercise – with the first two topics being membership and fundraising. This will be an important meeting as increase in membership and the ability to raise funds for current and future programs is critical for the success of our club.

PAUL HARRIS FELLOW BREAKFAST 24th NOVEMBER 2015

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PP Roy Garrett and President George

Mackey have reminded members that the Paul Harris Breakfast is to be held on 24th November 2015 at the RACV Club commencing at 7:30am. This is one of the key events for our club with the emphasis on fellowship while fundraising for Rotary International Foundation. It is important to make bookings early so that planning can be carried out with the RACV Club. Final numbers are required by the RACV Club on Thursday 18th November at the absolute latest. **So your response is vital!**

Nov 17, 2015 CLUB FORUM

Nov 24, 2015

PAUL HARRIS BREAKFAST DR KATE LESLIE

Bookings essential see link in more info

View entire list





The guest speaker is

Professor Kate Leslie.

- Stuart Ellis and Marjorie Gerlinger have produced and distributed the event flyer. Use link to open flyer: Paul Harris Fellow Breakfast
- Ten Members have volunteered to phone the presidents of all the Rotary Clubs in our district and invite them and their members to the breakfast

Come and hear one of Melbourne's pre-eminent Medico's discuss

what happens when they – 'put you to sleep' "To sleep, perchance to dream – what's really happening during general anaesthesia?"

Roy and George have encouraged club members to consider inviting a guest and, if possible, a whole table.

Also, the RC Melton Valley is once again promoting the sale of Christmas Cakes and will have cakes available at the PHF Breakfast. Details can be found here: http://rotarydistrict9800.com.au/images/DistrictSecretary/ClubOrderLeafletForm.pdf

<u>DONATIONS IN KIND: YOUR CHANCE TO CREATE WITH</u> YOUR HANDS 21st NOVEMBER 2015

Posted by Frank O'BRIEN

DONATIONS IN KIND (DIK) - WORKING BEE

It's that time of the year when the International Services Committee assembles a team of Club members and partners and venture out to the Rotary District West Footscray warehouse of DIK and assist in various ways, particularly unpacking and packing donated items such as new clothing which are ultimately containerised and headed for an underdeveloped country such as Timor Leste or the Philippines.

So with that in mind, you are all invited to come along to help out. Only light duties will be involved.

Details are as follows:

When: Saturday 21 November at 9.00am. Finish by 1.00pm

Where: Rear Shed 40, 400 Somerville Road West Footscray VIC 3012

How to get there: The Store is one of several wool stores located on the corner of Somerville Rd and Paramount Rd West Footscray Mel 41 7E. Enter though

Gate 1, opposite Whitely Parade.

The "Tims" sign is a good visual reference.

More information here: DIK Information

Please let Frank O'Brien know if you can come on 0419 008 804. Thanks in anticipation.

GOURMET FARMERS MARKET - NEXT MARKET IS 19th NOVEMBER

Our 5th GOURMET FARMERS MARKET is on Thursday, 19th November 2015.

Please note that Paul Fraser is the contact person to enable you to contact for volunteering either for bumping in or bumping out. Paul can be contacted on mobile 0457 788 753 or

email: phf3000@bigpond.com



Also, the market has gained in

popularity: See link for recent publicity: Goldsbrough Farmers Market http://www.broadsheet.com.au /melbourne/food-and-drink/article/first-farmers-market-city Also, the Lord Mayor of the City of Melbourne, Cr Robert Doyle, visited the market on the 5th November and expressed delight at the market being in the city. Many RCCM-S volunteers, including President George Mackey, were there to assist with the market operation and to welcome the Lord Mayor.



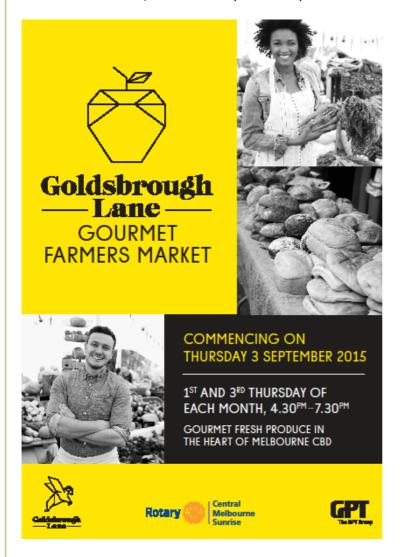


If you haven't been to

our market yet we hope you can make it to this one. Volunteers are always welcome to bump in and bump out.

If you have been already we know there is a strong chance you will be joining the repeat customers we have noticed.

181 William Street, CBD. 4.30pm - 7.30pm



MEETING REPORT 10 NOVEMBER 2015

Posted by Kevin LOVE

Meeting Report: 10 November 2015

Chairperson

Warwick Cavell

Announcements

Kevin Walklate reported that the early bird registrations for next year's District Conference are available until November 30th after which the cost goes up \$75 per person. He still has rooms available from the block booking of accommodation.

Kevin and **Peter Duras** also drew members' attention to the Christmas hampers project which is outlined in a brochure setting out appropriate items for hampers. Bulk purchases of spices etc. will once again be organized by Margaret Thomas.

Frank O'Brien reminded members of a DIK working bee on November 21st. [See article in this Bulletin]

Neil Salvano called for more volunteers for the early weeks of the Community Village project.

Alan Seale advised the club that the Victoria Police Leaders' Mentoring Program will be one of five district projects presented at the Zone Institute meeting on November 20th. Alan and his partner Robyn, PP John Meehan and partner Lorraine, DGE Neville John and partner Rebecca and Allan Driver will be joining Rotarians from the RC of Goksu from Turkey to commemorate the D9800 Rotary Anzac Peace Tour [RAPT's] final meeting on the 10th November, together with the RC Balwyn. This meeting was held on this day as Mustafa Kemal Atatürk, who was a Turkish army officer, revolutionary, and the first President of Turkey. He is credited with being the founder of the Republic of Turkey and passed away on 10th November 1938. [Additional words from the Editor!] [Refer to separate story in this Bulletin about RAPT and photos in the GALLERY].

President George reported on the very successful visit of the Lord Mayor to the Gourmet Farmer's Market and advised members that Wolfgang Jacobs had attended the market and looked well.

He also reminded members of next week's Club Forum that will be a follow up on the Club Visioning exercise – with the first two topics being membership and fundraising.

International Committee Report



International Director Rob **Hines** provided a report of the committee's activities including the approach to the Rotary Club of Osaka-Midosuji Hommachi to co-sponsor a Global Grant application to The Rotary Foundation for the next Laos Project and a fundraiser on April 16 next

year to support this project.

He also reported that it had been decided to align future Laos trips with the District's World of Difference project, including a potential "alternative schoolies" trip to Laos in future years.

Closer to home, the committee is organizing a joint meeting / lunch with the RC of Echuca-Moama for March 2016.

He then reported on developments on the project at Fitzroy Crossing, following on from Bill Layton's presentation to the Club a couple of months ago. Bill has now finalized the plan for the Bunuba Walk along Brooking Creek and Geiki Gorges. He now intends to trial the walk in June and July next year prior to it becoming a commercial walk run by the local Bunaba people. Rob suggested that some members may wish to join a trial walk.

Guest Speaker

Kath Walters – The Bystander Effect and Why Boards Need to Overcome it



Kath Walters is a journalist, author and media trainer. She recently wrote an article in the Australian Institute of Company Director's Magazine about the "Bystander Effect" and how that might apply to boards.

Essentially the effect is the observed behaviour of people who will hang back and not take action when they are in a group even though they would act if they were on their own. She argues that "when other people are present we hold ourselves back. We are confused by the inaction of others".

She also said that psychologists had identified that people tend to trade off long term benefit for short term gain and to respond to positive messages about changes they make rather than negative messages about the consequences of their actions. People also respond more actively to rare and unusual emergencies than to insidious risks.

While this is a problem for financial sustainability, Kath was directing her remarks to what she sees as an even greater problem regarding environmental and social risks and impacts. She argues these often do not get the attention they deserve at the board table.

The issue of gender diversity is now getting attention and this has been greatly assisted by the public commitment of companies and organisations like the Australian Institute of Company Directors to improving the representation of women at senior management and board level. Kath observed that public commitments are much more effective than private commitments. She suggested that boards could lift their game and drive change in Corporate Social Responsibility by making public commitments on environmental and social matters and by appointing a champion at board level. [Photo L to R: Warwick Cavell, Kayla, Pres George and Kath Walters]

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<u>DISTRICT 9800 CONFERENCE CLOSING DATE FOR</u> EARLYBIRD REGISTRATION 30th NOVEMBER 2015

The District Conference Team continues to work hard to make the 2016 Conference in Bendigo the most exciting conference so far.

We are anticipating a large attendance and **it would help with our planning if you could register** before November 30th. SEE **KEVIN WALKLATE** FOR ACCOMMODATION AND REGISTRATION.

The early bird cut off date is November 30th and registration after this date will be an extra \$75.

A copy of the Conference Brochure can be downloaded here

ROTARY ANZAC PEACE TOUR [D9800 RAPT PROJECT]
10th NOVEMBER 2015

Posted by Allan DRIVER

Past participants of Rotary ANZAC Peace Tours of Turkey, including Alan Seale, Robyn Seale, John Meehan, Lorraine Meehan and myself, became familiar with most of the Rotarians from the RC Goksu, located in Istanbul. We, along with DGE Neville John, attended a number of events on the 10th November 2015 in Melbourne.

Around 20 Turkish visitors attended these events on Tuesday 10th November as it is designated as the most important day of their tour and in fact it is the most important day of the year for the Turkish nation. November 10th is the day Mustafa Kemal Ataturk died [in 1938] and it is a national holiday in Turkey. Mustafa Kemal Atatürk was a Turkish army officer, revolutionary, and the first President of Turkey. He is credited with being the founder of the Republic of Turkey.

Our day with our Turkish friends will began at 11.00am



at the Seeds of Friendship Sculpture

(www.atfms.org.au) Birdwood Avenue, Melbourne where we will gathered at the sculpture for words of welcome and a brief talk on the background of the sculpture and the Shrine. All present were given Remembrance poppies, red for Australians and white carnations for the Turkish visitors, to place on the sculpture to allow for an opportunity for personal reflection.

After the visit to the sculpture, we walked to the Shrine



of Remembrance and assembled for a wreath laying ceremony in the Sanctuary of the Shrine which commenced at midday.

This wreath laying ceremony was conducted by Colonel John Coulson OAM RFD ED a trustee of the Shrine and will be held in accordance with the protocols of the Shrine. After this ceremony we were given a tour of the Shrine by PP and Honorary Member, Keith Frampton.

We will then reassembled at Greenacres Golf Club, Kew





East for a social catch-up and pre dinner drinks before the commencement of the joint dinner meeting between RCs Balwyn and Goksu at 6.45pm. The meeting was conducted as a normal Rotary meeting and a highlight was the opening of a time capsule presented by our Goksu friends to Balwyn some 8 years ago.

[Next week I will follow up with a very moving speech made by PP RC Goksu 2004-05, Ms Banu Tulumen, at the meeting mentioned above- Editor: Allan Driver]

GALLERY

Alan and Robyn Seale's wedding day some 50 years ago, the 28th October, in fact. [Published with the permission of Alan and Robyn]







PP and Honorary Member, RCCM-S, Keith Frampton with PP Bob Batrouney, RC Balwyn at the Shrine of Remembrance 10th November after our very informative tour.

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