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WELCOME MICHELLE



Welcome to Michelle Crawford, inducted into our club on Tuesday.

Michelle is CEO of Concern Australia, the umbrella organisation for Steps Outreach.

NEXT TWO MEETINGS

Meeting Responsibilities

20th December

Chair

LAPINA, Michael

Photographer

THORNTON, Roger

Bulletin Editor

JONES, David

Upcoming Events

[Peninsula Family BBQ](#)

Jan 15, 2017

12:00 PM – 4:00 PM

[Chinese New Year Party](#)

Jan 27, 2017

Speakers

Dec 20, 2016

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Dec 27, 2016

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No regular meeting today

Jan 03, 2017

[CHRISTMAS BREAK](#)

No regular meeting today

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Our final meeting for 2016 will be our family Christmas meeting on Tuesday 20 December at 7.30am. Catering should have been confirmed with Paul Fraser - if you have not booked for yourself or guests, please contact Paul as a priority.

We will be taking a break from regular meetings on the 27th December and 3rd January.

On the 10th January an informal get together will be held over breakfast in the RACV Bistro at 7.30am. Breakfast can be purchased from the bistro directly.

Back to normal meetings on 17th January.



FAMILY BBQ - 15th JANUARY 2017

Peninsula Family BBQ



We hope you and your family will join us for a barbecue hosted by Lorraine and John Meehan.

WHEN: Sunday **15th January 2017**

TIME: Midday

WHERE: Lorraine and John Meehan's home,
15 Watson Rd., Mt Martha.

SUPPLIED: Gourmet BBQ meats / Salads / Breads / Eating Utensils

BYO: Drinks /Chairs

COST: \$10.00 per person, pay on day

RECREATION: 3 min walk to sandy beach or lap pool on site, boardwalk along Balcombe Creek etc.

RSVP: Friday **6th January 2017**



Register on the RCM website or notify Roger Thornton, Tel. 0400 999 203 or email: piroton@connexus.net.au

Please advise of any special dietary requirements.

CALLING ALL ROOSTER'S

PLEASE NOTE RSVP BY 20th JANUARY



"CHINESE NEW YEAR PARTY"

27th January at 7pm

Unit 1801, No 1 Freshwater Place, Southbank

\$50 per person

Drinks and food provided throughout the night including a variety of dumplings, spring rolls and other Chinese finger food, wine and champagne (and some Chinese beer)

ALL PROFITS WILL SUPPORT

Rebuilding of a village school in Laos

BOOKINGS - PLEASE RSVP by 20th January

Cecily Neil 9682 3992 or cecily_neil@yahoo.com

ALL WELCOME, BRING YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY

(numbers limited to 40)

Hopefully the Crown firework display will be on that night and we can adjourn to the Freshwater Place communal garden and watch the display from there.

GUEST SPEAKERS PRESENTATION 13th DECEMBER

Posted by Alan SEALE

"Zoo's Victoria's International Conservation Partnerships."

Chris Banks.

"Our overriding mission is a commitment to fighting extinction of wildlife"



Chris Banks is manager of Zoos Victoria's International Conservation Partnerships. In this role he details Zoos Victoria's multi-year partnerships in the Philippines, Papua New Guinea and Uganda, a conservation grants program and a sister zoo partnership in Port Moresby. As a zoo-based conservation organisation, Zoos Victoria supports recovery programs for 21 threatened native species and a range of international conservation projects. The key criterion for the international relationships is clear benefits to both wildlife and people.

Chris detailed several of the international conservation programs in which ZV is currently a partner. In the Philippines, the target is primarily the indigenous crocodile which is endangered, only 250 known to be surviving. There are two

populations in the Philippines, but the southern one is in Mindanao and inaccessible. In the north of the country is a second population threatened by land clearing. There the partnership has created a sanctuary and won the support of the local villagers to raise and protect the young upto 2 years old by which time they are able to defend themselves and are released.

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REPORT ON THE REPORTER

Posted by Tony THOMAS

The bulletin editor has asked me to do a piece on my history of writing for the club bulletin.

I edited the bulletin continuously from 2002 to 2010, or more than 300 issues. Now, as non-editor, I enjoy interviewing our club's visitors to meetings, such as ex-Albanian Dominic Leone and our Fraternitas awardee from International House, Robert Soh. I grab such people after the meeting, and they hastily pour out their stories on a couch outside.

I have been hugely impressed by the ability of subsequent editors David Jones and Allan Driver under Marjorie's guidance to keep producing high-class Club Runner bulletins.



The bulletin work overlaps with my role as correspondent for the District's Networker bulletin. I like seeing my pieces about other clubs in our bulletin – parochialism within clubs is a Rotary vice.

Photo: Tony enjoying his role interviewing Robert Soh last week.

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ALMONER'S REPORT

Allan has reported:

"Dick Mitchell has had another brief visit to Epworth Hospital and now at Epworth Rehabilitation in Camberwell. Trish and Dick send their best wishes to everyone and they hope that Dick can spend some time at home at Christmas".

NOTICE OF SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING 17th JANUARY 2017

President Justine has announced Neville Taylor has accepted nomination to become President of the Club for the 2018-19 Rotary year.

In accordance with the Rules of Rotary Central Melbourne Inc, a Special General Meeting will be held during the breakfast meeting on Tuesday 17th January 2017 to consider the following Motion:

"That Neville Taylor be confirmed as President-Elect for 2017-18 and President-Designate of the Club for 2018-19."

Neil Salvano
Secretary and Public Officer

MEETING REPORT 13th DECEMBER

Posted by Alan SEALE

Chair; Doug Robertson

Visitors;

Michelle Crawford (inductee) and husband Alan Crawford. Trevor Dymond.

Announcements;

Roger Thornton - the now traditional **Family BBQ** at the Meehan's in Mt Martha will be on January 15th. Bookings by 6th January are essential. Fine weather is guaranteed.

- Paul Fraser reminded us of the club **Christmas party** next week and again bookings are required - don't forget the hampers
- Stuart Ellis explained that the **National Youth Science Forum** to which we have sponsored a student need volunteers in Canberra to help run the event. Accommodation is provided. Contact Stuart for more information.
- Cecily need to have bookings for the **Chinese New Year fundraiser** on January 27th.

Presidents Announcements;

- The first full meeting in 2017 will be on January 17th, but on January 10 all are welcome to join an informal breakfast on the ground floor at the RACV.
- Applications are being sought for the next Rotary Leadership Institute which is an opportunity to learn more about this amazing organisation and hone your leadership skills.
- There will be a Special General meeting on January 17th to consider Neville Taylor's nomination as President Elect Nominee for 2018/19-

New Member Induction;

President Justine was delighted to induct Michelle Crawford into the Club.

Anne King will be Michelle's mentor. Michelle spoke briefly about her upbringing as the youngest of three in a Salvation Army family and noted the parallels between Rotary's values and those of the Salvo's. She has spent 25 years in the not for profit sector and became CEO of Concern Australia just 6 months ago.

Guest Speaker.

Chris Banks. "Zoo's Victoria's International Conservation Partnerships."

Please refer separate item in this Bulletin.

GALLERY



Rob Soros and fiancée Laura Hohmann - to be married Saturday 17th December



Koren and David Harvey with new member - Olympia (Olly)



Red socks conspiracy?



Roped in - New member Michelle's husband Alan joins us for breakfast



Kevin has the Conference team hard at work.

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