



ROTARY CLUB OF CENTRAL MELBOURNE – SUNRISE INC.

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Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

*We meet Tuesday 7:15am for 7:40am
RACV City Club
501 Bourke Street
Melbourne, VIC 3000
Australia*

Upcoming speakers

- May 22, 2012
[Dr Jillian Cavanagh](#)
Men's Sheds in Australia
- May 29, 2012
[Roger Thornton](#)
Our year in Dubai
- Jun 19, 2012
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- Jun 26, 2012
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Club changeover Friday evening
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Upcoming events

- [Horizon's Day](#)
Ian McLennan House
May 27, 2012 09:00 AM
- [Steam Rally with Rotary Club of Echuca Moama](#)
Rotary Park
Jun 09, 2012 - Jun 11, 2012
- [Police Mentoring Programme graduation breakfast](#)
RACV City Club
Jun 19, 2012 07:15 AM
- [25th Changeover Dinner](#)
Athenaeum Club
Jun 29, 2012 07:00 PM
- [Working Bee in the gardens at McAuley House](#)
McAuley House
Jul 07, 2012 09:00 AM
- [Camp Getaway working bee weekend](#)
Camp Getaway
Aug 03, 2012 - Aug 05, 2012
- [Charity Auction](#)
Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club
Oct 12, 2012 07:00 PM

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[Meeting Report, Tuesday 15th May, 2012](#)

Posted by Margaret STUART on May 20, 2012

Announcements

Kay: 27th May is Horizons's Day - 17 attending. Room for more

John: Keith Frampton has a broken shoulder and torn tendons. He will have an operation this Thursday at Epworth Hospital.

Molly has a broken collarbone. The Police Mentoring Breakfast will be held on 19th June. Please book in.

Frank: The vocational visit to Police Operations is on this Friday 18th May. Police have waived the \$25 fee, however, Rotarians will donate the fee to Police Legacy. There is room for 1-2 more on the trip.

Michael: This week is National Volunteers Week. A lift is needed for the students back from Camp Getaway.

David: Changeover Dinner registrations are open.

Kevin: District Assembly is on this weekend. See Kay. A working bee will be held at McCauley Health on 7th July. The Echuca Steam Rally is on 9th June.

Next year's board members are invited to attend the Board Meeting on Wednesday 20th June.

Guest Speaker - Gerry Phillips "ROMAC"

This is a multi-district Australian Rotary Project and has been successful in treating approximately 340 children since it started.

Doctors, surgeons, medical and support staff and supplies are donated to care for Pacific Rim children who cannot get the medical care and life saving or life changing surgery they need in their own country.

Hospitals involved are Monash and Royal Melbourne Children's.

Gerry spoke of three children as an illustration of what ROMAC does.

Joyce was burnt in a cooking fire when her borrowed grass skirt caught on fire. She spent nine months getting treatment and skin grafts. She is now a really happy little girl, however, experienced cultural issues in settling back into her home village after being in Australia for so long.

Marcel was an orderly in a TB hospital, had TB himself and an ill functioning heart. An interpreter was brought from Timor to help. The operation was simpler than expected and he fully recovered.

Nelia was named after the Prime Minister and her religion. After her birth she was not thriving as



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her esophagus and stomach were not connected. Within 6 days she was successfully operated on at Monash. The longest delay in getting her to Australia was getting the paperwork approved. Nelia came from a very primitive village in Dili and had no concept of western lifestyle including flushing toilets or cooking facilities. She and her mother stayed at Ronald McDonald house.

The cost is between \$10,000-\$30,000 per child and sometimes reaches \$250,000 if there are complications. Monash Hospital has limited the cost at \$7,500 per child for 10 children as this is good experience and learning for the medical staff.

In 2011 one hundred children could not be helped - this can be because of the politics of keeping beds open for an Australian child emergency.

ROMAC finds that there are not enough:

- Hospital beds
- Time
- Not enough of anything...everything

Help needed

District can help by donating to ROMAC - this year in line to raise \$75,000. Volunteers are needed to transport children, buy food, clothing suitable for Melbourne's climate and take children on outings as they recover.



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Changeover Celebration Dinner - Friday 29th June

Posted by David JONES on May 20, 2012

Our 'Next Big Thing' - Kevin's swan song and Kay's taking over the bridge.

Bookings and payments before 18th June please

In brief:

Friday 29th June at 7pm
 Athenaeum Club
 Cost \$95 per person

Details are on the web page - 'click' on the link in left column of this bulletin.

Please forward your completed booking form to David Jones. If unable to attend please phone or email David (jomo001@bigpond.com or tel 9899 8676).



Guest Speaker - 22nd May - Dr Jillian Cavanagh



Men's Sheds in Australia

In 2007 the Australian Men's Shed Association (AMSA) was established to support independent Men's Sheds across this country. The Sheds are grass roots community-based organisations predominantly made up of retired men. There are now over 700 Sheds and each Shed is a member of AMSA.

There are over 90,000 members and the numbers are growing each day.

The Sheds promote health and well-being by encouraging members to connect with other members and friends, be productive and valuable to their communities, and maintain active minds and bodies. The Sheds now represent one of the largest community healthcare initiatives in Australia.

Duty Roster 22nd May 2012

Posted by Kay STEVENS on May 20, 2012

Note: *Duty people are expected to be on duty at RACV at 7am as many guests start arriving from this time.*

Please note; if unable to attend please arrange to swap your role with another member.

Chairperson	Doug Robertson
Sergeant	Ed Stockdale
Reporter	Marjorie Gerlinger
Greeter	Ian Angus
Photographer	Robin Stevens
Door	Richard Stone