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GUEST SPEAKER TUESDAY 28th APRIL

Sister Trish Franklin

Loreto Vietnam-Australia Project

Sr Trish Franklin, IBVM, AO has been CEO of the Loreto Vietnam-Australia Program in Vietnam. She will present with images of the work of Loreto in Vietnam – explaining the regions and the numerous projects that have been undertaken: constructing and equipping kindergartens and schools and also explaining how Loreto in Vietnam embellishes curriculum areas in many schools. Particular emphasis will display how Loreto in Vietnam now works only in very poor, remote and far-flung rural areas, and she will explain about the poverty of families, children, hamlets and villages.

Trish will be accompanied by two Vietnamese team members: Pham Doan Ha My – Deputy CEO and Le Le Trang – Finance and Communications Manager.

In 2005 Trish was invested with the Order of Australia (AO) "for service in the field of humanitarian relief and to the children of South East Asia, particularly in Vietnam, through the establishment and administration of education and welfare programs".

Honorary Medals were also awarded to Trish by the Vietnamese Government in 2000, 2004 and 2007. In 2010 she was honoured with a Paul Harris Fellow recognition. In March 2013 she was awarded an Honorary Doctorate from the Australian Catholic University.



YOUNG CLUB GETS KIDS TO TALK THE TALK

Posted by Tony THOMAS

Melbourne Park Rotary looks like the youngest-profile club in D9800, and maybe in Victoria. President-elect Jason Reynolds says that the average age of the 35 members is about 30. "Only a few are elderly, i.e. over 30," he says (he's 31).

The club started five years ago with 25 members, including some from Rotaract and former beneficiaries of Rotary youth and study exchanges. They meet Tuesdays at 6.45pm at the Olsen Pub, South Yarra, but for wine and canapés, not dinner.

President Nicole Lake and Jason say the club has been a keen supporter for three years of the Ainger Public Speaking Award for secondary students. It helps inspire schools to put



DUTY ROSTER 28th April

Chair

HARVEY, Koren

Sergeant

GERLINGER, Bernie

Greeter

HERON, Bruce

Reporter

KING, Anne

Photographer

HOGAN, Gerard

Door

LOVE, Kevin

Director Report

JONES, David

Bulletin Editor

JONES, David

Upcoming Events

Camp Getaway Working Bee

Camp Getaway

May 01, 2015 6:00 PM –

May 03, 2015 2:30 PM

RCCMS Golf Day

Southern Golf Club

May 08, 2015

7:30 AM – 3:00 PM

Board Meeting

RACV City Club

May 21, 2015

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM

RC Echuca Moama Steam

Rally

Rotary Park

Jun 06, 2015 – Jun 07, 2015

Board Meeting

RACV City Club

Jun 18, 2015

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM

contestants forward, provides a judge, and helps with the three evenings of the contest with at least ten speakers a night during the week in May. "The kids come up with their own topic," Jason says. "Last year the winner talked on "The definition of 'Cool'". A lot of kids tackle heavy sociology like 'Impact of feminism on female students' futures'. "We back the program because kids learn to think critically and talk logically."

PHOTO: Jason Reynolds, President Elect, getting involved at our Royal Talbot hospital working bee on April 18.



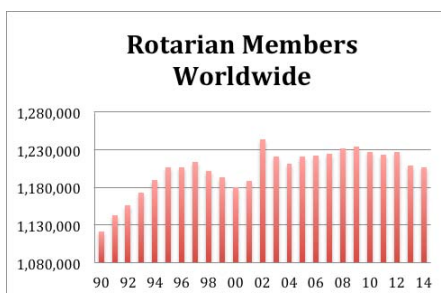
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ROTARY MEMBERSHIP TRENDS

Posted by Tony THOMAS

Chris Egger, D9800 Membership Director and Tony Thomas have produced a report on Rotary membership trends, starting with global figures and then drilling down to Australasia, Australia, D9800 and RCCMS.

The report is attracting interest so far at top levels in Zone 7B and 8, D9800, D9810, and across in WA's D9465. The report will be disseminated en masse as soon as Tony has completed a Part 2 report in (hopefully) a few days. This 5000-word report is a very detailed analysis of the success of Rotary of Crawley as a 21st century model of how Rotary ought to be operating.



The membership report defies the Rotary convention of not making useful management-style data and time series publicly available, in contrast to some comparable bodies. It involved authors in considerable frustration in accessing data, as bits and pieces can be found here and there, but never in a logical format. The report, for the first time to the authors' knowledge, provides a detailed comparison of Rotary and Lions membership trends.

[Read more...](#)

ANATOMY OF A 21st ROTARY CLUB

Posted by Tony THOMAS

Members are aware of Tony's fascination with the rapid progress of the Crawley WA club. The 'Crawley Report' is available to all directly at tthomas061.wordpress.com The Executive Summary is reproduced here:

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY - 'THE CRAWLEY REPORT'

Rotary in the Anglosphere including Australia is shrinking and ageing in membership. Membership growth plans and targets almost invariably are failures. This is documented in the March 2015 report by author and D9800 Membership Coordinator Chris Egger. [Also available at tthomas061.wordpress.com.]

1. However, Rotary of Crawley ('ROC') stands out as a club with a winning formula in all dimensions, becoming the largest club in WA within a year or two of its recent foundation. It demonstrates:

- a. Membership strength and growth since inception:
- b. High female membership:
- c. Ethnic membership:
- d. Youthful membership:
- e. Fund-raising (enormous success):
- f. Fostering future community leaders:
- g. Energy:
- h. Networking with business elites:
- i. Community recognition.

2. This report is an effort to understand the club and its success, in terms of both structure and the individuals driving it.

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SUPPORT FOR STEPS OUTREACH

Apr 28, 2015

[Sister Trish Franklin](#)

Loreto Vietnam-Australia Project

May 05, 2015

[Peter Duras, Sports Physiotherapist](#)

Travelling with sporting teams

May 12, 2015

[Alistair Murray](#)

The highs and lows of manufacturing in Australia

May 26, 2015

[Zac Lewis](#)

Back from the brink: restoring Australia's lost and declining biodiversity

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AN OPPORTUNITY TO CELEBRATE 'STEPS OUTREACH' 30th ANNIVERSARY, MAY 8th.
More from Roger shortly.



CONCERT
FOR YOUTH HOMELESSNESS

CHOIR OF HOPE & INSPIRATION
(formerly Choir of hard knocks)

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FRANK DIXON & CYRUS JENSEN
DYLAN JOEL
JESSE MITCHELL
LAKE MOUNTAIN
PAINTERS OF SILENCE

STEP UP
REACH OUT
FOR MELBOURNE'S
HOMELESS YOUTH
CONCERT
FRIDAY 8 MAY 2015

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FESTIVALS OF THE WORLD

LAST DAYS TO REGISTER.



SATURDAY 9th MAY 6.30pm

INVITATION TO ALL MEMBERS

"Dear Roy Garrett, President of Rotary Club of Central Melbourne Sunrise.
International House and the student community cordially invites you to attend

Café International 2015 "Festivals of the World"

Join us as we explore the cultural wealth and diversity of human festivities from all around the world. Let your spirit run wild as we adventure across cultures to experience some of the most intriguing traditions. Embrace the night to inspire and rekindle a love for culture, dance, and celebrations.

As with previous years, our resident students provide an evening of high quality dining and performance! In accordance with tradition, a percentage of the profits (50%) will be donated to The World Wildlife Fund for Nature WWF. The remaining goes into running International House Student Club.

Café International is on Saturday, 9th May at International House, 241 Royal Parade, Melbourne.

Dress Code: Formal, cultural clothing encouraged!

Doors will open at 6:30pm for pre-dinner drinks and refreshments. Dinner and the show begin at 7:15 sharp.

Ticket cost is \$85 AUD per person and includes all beverages for the night, a three-course meal and spectacular entertainment.

RCCMS members are asked to register direct with RUSSELL ROLLS, by 26th April.

A WEEKEND IN THE COUNTRY?

Posted by Allan DRIVER



Once again we have the opportunity to assist our sister club the RC Echuca-Moama raise money for their local community as well as having a great time.

When: Queen's Birthday Weekend 6 and 7 June 2015

What time: 9am – 4.30pm

Where: Rotary Park, Echuca

Please consider and place in your diaries.

If you need more information contact me on 0418 573 803.

Many thanks,

Allan Driver [on behalf of the International Service Committee]



MEETING REPORT 21st APRIL 2015

Posted by Rob HINES

Chair: John Illott

Visitors:

- Sue Gillam from RC Wangaratta
- Paul Fraser - Prospective member
- Warwick Cavell - Prospective Member

The meeting commenced with a report on the Men's Shed by Alan Seale. Alan outlined the history of the establishment and funding of the shed and gave an overview of the various activities performed.

Announcements

- Wolfgang Jacobs reminded members that there are 4 slots left for the **TarraWarra Wine tasting luncheon** in two weeks time
- Russell Rolls advised members to contact him asap if they wish to attend the **Cafe International dinner** on May 9
- Kevin Walklate requested a few more volunteers for the **Camp Getaway working bee** over the weekend of May 1
- Alan Seale reminded members of the **IFTA Dinner to be held on July 2** and the **Police Mentoring closing breakfast** on June 16
- Rob Hines advised that entries for the **Rotary Golf Day** on May 8 were disappointing and that the event would need to be postponed unless another 10 golfers signed up before the end of this week

President's Announcements

President Roy advised the members of the outcomes of the Board meeting:

- Warwick Cavell's application for membership was approved.
- Greg's Farmer's Market plan was approved. *[Editor -Greg challenged the name attributed to the market].*
- A donation of \$1500 to Kampuchea House was approved.
- A donation of \$500 for the Rotarians Against Malaria program was approved.
- The District Assembly will be on Sunday May 19 at Tabcorp Park, Melton.



[Photo: Warwick with proposer Tony].

Directors Report - Frank O'Brien, International Service Committee

- Frank likened the international service program to the Melbourne Cup including various disparaging remarks about the weight of certain jockeys
- The Laos school renovation project was proceeding and Kevin Love had completed the application for a District Grant
- The Fitzroy Crossing project is on track for the members visit in June
- The DIK working bee was a great success
- Planning is underway for the Echuca Steam Rally and the Cafe International dinner

Due to time constraints there was no Sergeant's session

Guest Speaker: Dr Janet Butler - Kitty's War

- Dr Janet Butler is an Honorary Research Associate in the History Program at La Trobe University. Her research explores the personal accounts of Australians at war to shine new light on – and ask different questions about – this aspect of our nation's history. Her book *Kitty's War*, based on the diaries of First World War army nurse Kitty McNaughton, was published by the University of Queensland Press in 2013.
- *Kitty's War* is based upon the previously unpublished war diaries of Great War army nurse Sister Kit McNaughton.
- Through *Kitty's* diaries and Janet's thoughtful narration, we see the war through the eyes of a young Australian nurse as she is transformed by what she witnesses. *Kitty's War* is an intimate and rare story of one woman's remarkable experience of war.



GALLERY



CHAIRMAN FOR THE DAY JOHN WITH VISITORS AT LAST WEEKS MEETING



'DIK' WORKING BEE IN FULL SWING



MENS SHED GUYS ABOUT TO GET WORKING



ALLAN LEARNING THE DRILL AT THE FED SQUARE MENS SHED.