

GUEST SPEAKER: MOLLY O'SHAUGHNESSY GENERAL MANAGER OPERATIONS safe steps Family Violence Response Centre

TITLE OF PRESENTATION: Women and children living free from violence

safe steps Family Violence Response Centre is the 24/7 state-wide first responder for women and children experiencing family violence.

The centre provides a range of services including: 24/7 family violence response line, risk assessment, emergency accommodation, safety planning, support, information, advocacy and referral services to enable women and children to become – and stay – free from violence.



It is a non-for-profit service for women and children experiencing violence and abuse from a partner or ex-partner, another family member or someone close to them. For over 40 years **safe steps** has been the voice for the prevention and elimination of violence against women and children.

Molly has worked for over 17 years in the social services sector. Her background includes work in the areas of mental health, drug treatment and homelessness and spans both government and community organisations. She is currently the General Manager of Operations at **safe steps**, where she is responsible for delivery of services as well as contributing to the organisation's policy and advocacy work.

MEETING REPORT 22nd MARCH 2016

Chair: Justine Murphy. **Reporter:** Tony Thomas 21 members present.

Special General Meeting: endorsed nominations for President and Board, 2016-17.

Announcements:

Marjorie Gerlinger highlighted Gerard Hogan's Persian Breakfast at his place Sunday April 3. Email Gerard by 31/3 to accept. Last year's Gerard-fest was great, she said.

Greg Cuthbert announced no market this week, market open next week, 31st March. More stallholders are wanted, so seek some out for us.

Herb Greenwood stressed the importance of the fundraising event on Saturday 16/4, a craft beer and fine wine night at the Henry St Brewhouse, Kensington, 7pm, \$65 a ticket. Wines are wanted from members for auction. Email Herb at greenwood@plm.com.au.

Anne King announced a Guess Who's Coming to Dinner Saturday May 21. A great social event and cheap, she confided.

President George's announcements:

The catch up with our sister club Echuca-Moama was a success on Sunday 20th March at the Tooborac Hotel and Brewery.

Upcoming Events

International Committee Fundraiser Apr 16, 2016

Speakers

Mar 29, 2016 Molly O'Shaughnessy Women and children living free from violence

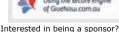
Apr 05, 2016 <u>Detective Senior Sergeant</u> <u>Stuart Bailey</u> The Function of the Homicide Squad & Victoria Police / Rotary Mentoring Program Initiative

Apr 19, 2016 Dr Leon Lewi Interplast – an outstanding Rotary success story

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28 were present from both clubs [see separate report].

Alessandra Bergamin submitted her application for a Global Group Study Scholarship, and will go to interview April 4. Competition within D9800 is fierce and coaching is important.

Three of four donated tickets to Torquay Sands Golf Club for four people and 18 holes have been sold for \$200 each. The fourth was snapped up by Greg Cuthbert.

Presenter Session

Tony Thomas, who btw is making good progress with his chemo, presented on the links between Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and Rotary. He screened (with some technical glitches) footage of the dynamic duo discussing their strategies. From 2013 to 2018, every \$1 Rotary commits to direct support for polio immunization will be matched 2-to-1 (up to \$35 million per year) by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. If fully realized, the campaign will result in \$525 million for polio eradication.

The Gates Foundation is worth about \$US50b, compared with the Rotary Foundation total assets about \$US1.1b.

Bill Gates is worth about \$US80b and is No 1 world's wealthiest. Warren Buffet, worth about \$US65b, is No 4.

Warren Buffett has pledged 80% of his assets progressively to the Gates Foundation, about \$US2-3b a year. The total will exceed \$US30b. Bill Gates has so far donated about \$US30b+ to the Foundation; Buffet about \$US20b.

Speakers:

D9800 President for 2016-17, Neville John, and his aide-de-camp Kevin Love spoke about the 2017 D9800 District Conference to be held at Shepparton, which our club is organizing. Marjorie Gerlinger will look after the finances and



Koren Harvey will MC. Neville Taylor is doing the program and marketing, Stuart Ellis is chief operating officer and Neil Salvano will do logistics. The conference is project to inject \$1m into Shepparton businesses. Finding good speakers is the current task. They discussed feedback from this year's conference which

included urging for tighter speaker slots and no over-runs; speakers to relate one way or another to Rotary and the conference theme, and more time for networking.

Floor questions elicited that the public are welcome to the display hall, but stallholders should avoid Rotary acronyms and jargon; child minding has been offered but not used previously and will be offered again; batches of secondary school kids could be invited to hear specific speakers; speakers could emphasise the multicultural strength of Shepparton and a senior police speaker would be welcome; indigenous participation at least for Welcome to Country

is suggested; Veronica Love, Rebecca John and the Meehans will coordinate the entertainment/dinners; strong liaison with the local Rotary club(s) will occur, for example, on barbecues; and NAB has donated \$10,000 and Shepparton Council is being approached for a grant.

The Golden Opportunity draw (aka the Swindle) failed to succeed again and must be on a pot around \$500-600. Good luck all!

GOLDSBROUGH LANE GOURMET FARMERS MARKET

THE NEXT GOLDSBROUGH LANE GOURMET FARMERS MARKET IS ON THURSDAY 31 MARCH 2016. REMEMBER THE MARKET NOW OPERATES WEEKLY.

For those on Facebook refer to https://www.facebook.com/GoldsbroughLaneGFM/?fref=ts



Paul Fraser will roster 1 Rotarian on for each bump in and out to supervise the Lentara helpers.

The Rotarian only need assist physically if they are able to do so.

We can still use volunteers to assist with bump in or out – we have a number of Rotary/Rotaract clubs interested in helping. All volunteer and Rotarian supervision inquires can be sent to Market Volunteers Update

We have secured an agreement with Lentara to provide helpers for the market bump in and out.

This means we do not require 4-6 club members to continue to do the bump in and out.





Paul Fraser - pjf3000@bigpond.com

STALL HOLDERS ON THURSDAY 17th MARCH WERE:

Tranqil garden Precut flowers John Howell orchards Apples/pears Kookaberry Fresh and frozen berries Nougatine Macarons Stir crazy Crackers and cordials 3 bees Honey Honey & Honey Comb Julia Organic Organic vegetables Raynor Orchards Stone Fruits Sourdough bakery Sourdough Bread and Pastries Gourmet pies Gourmet pies and pasties WillowZen Free range Eggs Boatshed Cheese Goat and Milk Cheeses Redbox Wines Yarra Valley Wines

Some of the goodies on offer.





Rotary Stall at the market

We have agreed to provide one stall at each market for the use of any Rotary Clubs to selling Rotary related goods, raise awareness or use as they see fit for a cause of their choice.

All Rotary stall inquires can be sent to Marjorie Gerlinger - marbern@bigpond.net.au

ROTARY FELLOWSHIP PERSIAN BREAKFAST 3rd APRIL 2016

Dear Members, partners and friends, you are invited to attend from 7.30 - 12noonish on Sunday 3rd April 2016

RSVP - Thursday 31 MARCH to Gerard Hogan by email: ghogan6@bigpond.com or mobile phone: 0408 511 060

211 SEPARATION ST., NORTHCOTE

Please advise of any special diet requirements sooner rather than later.

All welcome , bring a friend. Ask anyone about it as last year's event was a winner! Profit to the Sergeants Bucket



SAVE THE DATE FOR THE WINE EVENT OF THE YEAR 16th APRIL 2016

Posted by Herb Greenwood



Craft Beer and Fine Wine Event run by the Rotary Club of Central Melbourne Sunrise to meet our commitments for its school projects in Laos to be held at

Henry Street Brewhouse, Unit 5, 38 Barrett Street, Kensington. [https://henrystbrewhouse.com.au/].

On Saturday 16th April 2016 commencing at 7pm. [See poster below]

Born from humble beginnings in the backyard on Henry Street, this tiny artisan microbrewery pride themselves in handcrafting exquisite beers and ales. Created using the finest ingredients, a lot of passion and hard work.

As well as the opportunity to taste a range of craft brews, the event will feature an auction of fine wines and a talk by Sandra de Pury, winemaker at Yeringberg Wines, who has also donated some notable wines for the event.

Sandra, along with her father Guill de Pury and wife Katherine make wines for the new millennium from the low-yielding vines re-established in the heart of what was one of the most famous vineyards of the 19th century. In the riper years, the red wines have a velvety generosity of flavour rarely encountered, while never losing varietal character; the long-lived Marsanne Roussanne takes students of history back to Yeringberg's fame in the 19th century. They export to the US, Switzerland, Hong Kong and China.

RCCMS members have raided their cellars to present a range of interesting wines for the special silent auction and the highlight auction on the evening.

Attendance is strictly limited to 40 people. Finger-food and vouchers for tastings or wine, beer and soft drink by the glass are included in the ticket price OF \$65. Further drinks can be purchased at the bar.

Also a lucky door prize will be awarded at no cost.

If you cannot attend or miss out on a ticket, you can still participate by making an advance bid for the auction items from the list to be circulated before the event.

The Laos school projects run by RCCMS refurbish classrooms and toilets at village schools in Laos, near Luang Prabang. The Laotian people have a strong desire for education but limited resources and RCCMS with your help is working to address this issue.

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A DAY IN THE COUNTRY WITH FRIENDS Report by Frank O'Brien

Even with 2 late scratchings, a field of 28 people representing members and partners of RCCMS and RC Echuca Moama gathered at the Tooborac Hotel near Heathcote on Sunday 20 March.

It was a very pleasant afternoon of fellowship blessed by perfect weather, giving us all the opportunity to meet and greet, enjoy each others company and reinvigorate the longstanding relationship existing between our 2 Clubs.

A DAY IN THE COUNTRY WITH FRIENDS FROM RC ECHUCA-MOAMA

There were no formalities at the hotel, just nonstop talk and laughter, culminating in a fascinating tour of the associated micro brewery next door.



If ever you are driving past and haven't time





for a meal, at least do yourself a favour and stop and



purchase a lamb and shiraz pie. Absolutely delicious!! Our next get together will be over the June Queens Birthday weekend at the Echuca Steam Rally organised by RC Echuca Moama where we will be assisting at the event...**watch this space.**

During the tour of the brewery with PP Doug Robertson and Pres Mike Stansbury, RC Echuca-Moama, someone was heard to say "Go

ahead-Make my day!"

UPDATE ON FITZROY CROSSING PROJECT

GREETINGS FROM THE ESTABLISHMENT COORDINATOR, CHILD AND PARENT CENTRE, FITZROY CROSSING

Greetings all,

Just a quick Monday note to say thank you to all the people who contributed to our first successful Saturday op shop morning. The morning was very successful with many of our customers commenting on what a great idea it is to have a Saturday market and could we do it again in a pay week.

Great feedback!

The sausage sizzle went well and the aroma of fried onions is probably responsible for bringing so many people. I did over cater (better than under catering) and we have enough sausages in the freezer for our next sausage sizzle. Many items of clothing found new homes and the items that arrived on Friday – three boxes of Bonds baby and toddler

clothing – barely touched the table before they were snapped up. Many thanks to Rob Hines and the folk at Rotary Club Central Melbourne Sunrise. The club provided the boxes of Bonds clothing as part of the ongoing Fitzroy Crossing project.

We also had more donations of books, baby bouncers and shoes that arrived and left on the same day! Thanks go to the local people and the local services who got behind the idea and lent their support.

Special thanks to Bullen, Lily, Candice and Hanny whose extra help made it a wonderful day. Also thanks to the support from the Women's Centre, the Women's Shelter, Baya Gawiy and the Legal Unit.

Next month will we will remember to take photos – we were too busy on Saturday – so if anyone wants to flex their photography skills we could set up a photo stand and take photos for families. Family portraits are very popular items. Until next time

Kind regards,

Carolyn Pickett

Establishment Coordinator

Child & Parent Centre [Operated by Marninwarntikura Fitzroy Women's Resource Centre, Aboriginal Corporation http://www.mwrc.com.au/ Marninwarntikura is a Walmajarri word. 'Marnin' means 'women', 'Wanti' means 'big mobs of women' and 'Kura' means 'belonging to'. When said together, it means that women who belong to this region, these countries and each other, have come together]. Fitzroy Valley WA

GALLERY

District Conference update.

Rumour has it the Gerard Hogan also attended the District Conference at the Alumbarra Centre, Bendigo and was heard to say "I was in here when it was a gaol". Turns out Gerard was overseeing the installation of toilets at the bottom of the circular guard towers to save the guards using buckets and ropes! That being after about a 100 years of a well proven practice!

Looking forward to 2017! Obviously attending a District Confrence is a very pleasant experience!





Women in Rotary Function an outstanding success. New awards titled Royce Abbey Rotary Champions of Change were presented by District Governor Julie Mason to Stella Avramopolous of RC Central Melbourne-Sunrise [R] and Antonio Pajovic, RC of Melbourne [L].



The RCCM-S members travelling in Thailand. Message from Rob Hines: Director International: Our Laos tour group at an overnight stop on the way to our school renovation project at Luang Prabang. We've been travelling for 2 days on the Mekong River from the border with Thailand. We will have an official opening ceremony for the school at Ban Bou Aor this Friday. — with Annie Garrett, Roy Garrett, David Jones, Sally Moon and Tessa Hines-supporting 'World of Difference' Projects.



