

# Yarra Bend Rotary BULLETIN

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This week we dedicated almost all our meeting to the Members Forum in which we discussed several matters some of which are critical to the future of the Club and will take priority in the months ahead.

Increasing the Club's membership is the key to our prosperity and ability to deliver our range of projects and activities.

It was good to get a diverse range of opinions and options raised during the Forum and this assists myself and the Club's Board in making decisions and prioritising our club programs.

In some cases we may have to adapt elements of our wide ranging program, but overall we will continue to serve our communities and support other primary Rotary projects.

One final reminder, that if you have not yet booked a place for next week's Foundation cluster meeting, please refer to the notice on page two of the Bulletin to finalise your arrangements to attend this milestone event.

Stay Safe,  
Clint

## OUR TEAM

### YARRA BEND EXECUTIVE

President	Clinton Sceney
Vice President	Justin Wibrow
Secretary	Anne Brown
Treasurer	John Pocock
President Elect	Ken Maher

### CLUB AVENUES OF SERVICE

Community	Bob Lambert
Club Service	Bill Chow
Foundation	Matt Pollard
International	Isabel Armer
Vocational	David Shave
Youth	Edda Williams

### CLUB PROTECTION & PRIVACY OFFICER

John Orr

### ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

John F Germ

### DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Neville John

### ASSISTANT GOVERNOR

Rosalind McMorrow

## UPCOMING SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

22 Feb 17	Cluster Mtng – Foundation 100th
01 Mar 17	Sam and Aymeric, NYSF delegates
08 Mar 17	Vocational visit Shrine
15 Mar 17	Sara Cook - Aged Care Services

## CAMBERWELL MARKET DUTY

19 February 17	Edda Williams
26 February 17	Bill Chow & John Pocock
05 March 17	Mark Miller
12 March 17	John Orr

## WEEKLY DUTY ROSTER

DATE	CHAIR	THOUGHT & GONG	MEMBER'S MOMENT	SET UP / PACK AWAY	BULLETIN NOTES
22 Feb 17	Cluster Mtng				
01 Mar 17	Matt Pollard	Bob Lambert	Bob Lambert	Bill Chow	David Shave
08 Mar 17	Bob Lambert	John Orr	John Orr	Tony Boyd	William Liew
15 Mar 17	Darren G James	Ken Maher	Ken Maher	William Liew	John Orr

# Yarra Bend Rotary

## Dinner Meeting 15 February 2017

This week's dinner meeting was chaired by David Shave, with President Clint leading discussion for the members Forum



## Directors Report

No reports this week.

## Meeting Door Prize



This weeks dinner meeting Door Prize went to Bill Chow presented by President – Clint Sceney

## It's been 100 years!

How does a Minnow eat a Whale? – One bite at a time.

Over the last century Rotarians have embarked on projects Big (enormous) and Small, helping out whenever there is community need.

It's time to pause and celebrate our achievements and we would like you to join us.

You are invited to come and see what the 1.2 million Rotarians have achieved in 100 years of the Rotary Foundation (Guest Speaker Dr Tania Miletic -Rotary Peace Scholar)

Date: 7:00 p.m. Wed. 22nd February 2017

The Amora Hotel : 649 Bridge Road Richmond

Cost (includes dinner) : \$35 per head

Bookings at Trybooking via the link below

<https://www.trybooking.com/OGIY>



# Yarra Bend Rotary

## Rotary District 9800 Networker



member, agreeing to abide by the criteria developed by the club.

During this process, the club consulted the Rotary constitution and there seemed to be no barrier, based on the criteria developed. Ironically, the RI Council of Legislation, which met in early 2016, ratified the category of Associate membership.

On this basis, we believe Yarra Bend may be the first club in District 9800 to have inducted an Associate member.



Photo: Associate Inductee Liz Rodriguez introduced by Yarra Bend's David Shave

## ALTERNATIVE MEMBERSHIP

By David Shave - Yarra Bend Rotary

During its last visioning exercise, some two years ago, in the report to the board, Yarra Bend Rotary recognised the need to review the range of membership categories it offered, to assist in the effort to increase membership.

Three additional categories were considered, Corporate, Business and Associate membership. One of our members developed criteria for each of these categories. When reviewed by the board, it was considered the most useful category to which efforts should be directed, was Associate.

Simultaneously with these deliberations, contact had been maintained with a younger lady who had expressed a desire to become more involved in Rotary, however, was not in a position to consider full membership.

When Associate membership was suggested, Liz Rodriguez agreed it was attractive. Early in 2016 Liz was inducted as an Associate



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## International Womens Day Breakfast

This week's guest speaker was Gabe Hau from the Rotary E Club who spoke to the meeting about Rotary's forthcoming participation in the annual International Women's Day Breakfast 2017, titled this year – Women Leaders – What does it take?.

"It's all about gender equality" Gabe said. It would be good if Yarra Bend members could attend the Breakfast which will be hosted by writer Tom Gleisner. Olympian Kitty Chiller will head a range of guest speakers. "The event spreads the word to a wider audience that Women are welcome to join Rotary.

### Women Leaders

what does it take?

**International Women's Day  
BREAKFAST 2017**

[Click here to get an Early Bird Ticket](#)

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**Wednesday 8 March 2017  
7:00 - 9:00AM  
The Palladium Crown Melbourne**

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