

Yarra Bend Rotary BULLETIN

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It was good to hear from Member for Richmond and Victorian Planning Minister Richard Wynne at our meeting this week. The challenges of the gentrification of Richmond and the housing affordability issues involved. Richard also shared with us his early background and the reasons for his passion for social justice and the need for continued investment in education and in public housing. We appreciated his time as we know there are great demands placed on our politicians.

I again ask you to consider joining us at the fundraising dinner arranged by RC Kew at Yiannis Greek Tavern on Friday 28 July. It is a worthy cause and a great night is promised at \$65 pp plus drinks or bring your own. Ring me if you can join our existing eight attendees.

Stay safe
Clint

OUR TEAM

YARRA BEND EXECUTIVE

President	Ken Maher
Vice President	Clinton Sceney
Secretary	Anne Brown
Treasurer	John Pocock
President Elect	David Chivers

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

Peter Freuh

ASSISTANT GOVERNOR

Rosalind McMorrow

UPCOMING SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

19 July 2017	Matt Pollard - Update on Mentor Training Program
26 July 2017	Dean Pullar - Previous C'wth Gold Medal-Diving
02 August 2017	Club Forum
09 August 2017	Tony Thomas Truth in Science

CAMBERWELL MARKET DUTY

16 July 2017	John Orr
23 July 2017	Mark Miller
30 July 2017	David Chivers
06 August 2017	Ken Maher

WEEKLY DUTY ROSTER

DATE	CHAIR	THOUGHT & GONG	MEMBER'S MOMENT	SET UP / PACK AWAY	BULLETIN NOTES
19 July 2017	Jane Stott	John Pocock	None	Matt Pollard	Edda Williams
26 July 2017	Ed Brown	David Shave	John Pocock	Bob Lambert	David Chivers
02 Aug 2017	Ross Ollquist	David Chivers	David Chivers	Bill Chow	Ken Maher
09 Aug 2017	David Shave	Mark Miller	Mark Miller	Jane Stott	Tony Boyd

Richard Wynne MP – Victorian Minister for Planning

Richard trained as a criminologist after completing his studies at Melbourne University. He was based at Pentridge Prison assessing those prisoners held “at the Governor’s pleasure”. They were a hard lot and most remained in custody. He then went to work at a community health centre in Flemington where he stayed for seven years. In this role he became interested in public policy and the need to influence government to get more investment in public housing and address social justice issues.

After John Cain was elected there was a significant increase in funding for public housing and Richard was approached to run for Council in the City of Melbourne. A wave of increased community activism and a desire to remove Council from the control of the establishment saw him elected in 1985 and he became Mayor in 1991. Highlights of this period included the failed Olympic bid.

Richard subsequently worked as a staffer to a number of Labor ministers and he subsequently was elected as the member for Richmond. In the subsequent 17 years he has seen a lot change in Richmond and sadly there is a housing affordability crisis as Richmond, like many other inner suburbs, has attracted the wealthy property investors and those who grow up in local public housing have little chance of remaining in the area. His personal priority has been to get an increase in funding for education and he is delighted that post the Kennett era there has been a gradual recognition of the need to have more public schools in inner suburbs. The current rebuilding of Richmond High was highlighted.

The Minister also spoke of recent decisions regarding the Queen Victoria Market redevelopment, the benefits anticipated from the investment on the Metro Rail Tunnel and level crossing removals. But there is still a lot to do and Richard highlighted the drug trade problems in Richmond and the need to address family violence as the next challenges. A lively question and answer session followed and members were advised to look at “Plan Melbourne” to gain further insight to plans for Victoria moving forward.

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National Stroke Week

4-10 September 2017

National Stroke Week is the Stroke Foundation's annual awareness campaign. This year with the help of Medtronic International, the Stroke Foundation is focusing on delivering a grass roots campaign in regional and rural communities.

Stroke kills more women than breast cancer and more men than prostate cancer. It is one of the leading causes of adult disability in Australia. More than 80 percent of strokes can be prevented.

Over 4.1 million Australians suffer from high blood pressure, a key risk factor for stroke. The lower your blood pressure, the lower your risk of stroke.

Directors Reports

- Jane's thought : "Stop feeling sorry for yourself and you will be happy" Richard Bach
- A/President Clint issued a reminder about timely arrival for Market Duty
- The brief history of our Club is available for \$30
- Bob mentioned that Rotary is in the top 100 blood donor organisations in Australia
- Boroondara Cares looks like getting a house donated for Servants fourth house
- Phillip Naughton thanked Ed and the Club for the work it has done and continues to do at Kew High School. A shed building project will arise in a few weeks.
- David Shave is meeting with Parks Victoria about a tree planting project
- Nola Geary is grateful for the Club's best wishes and flowers
- Jane used her Members' Moment to suggest that we all need to compartmentalise our issues to avoid being overwhelmed by stress

YARRA BEND ROTARY

If you would like to know more about Yarra Bend Rotary, please call Club Secretary Anne Brown on 0404029165 or email: anneanded@iinet.net.au

You might like to join us for dinner. We meet every Wednesday over dinner at the Amora Hotel 649 Bridge Road Richmond at 6:30 p.m. for 7:00p.m. Just contact the Club Secretary to make arrangements.

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