

Yarra Bend Rotary

BULLETIN

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Neville John, from the D9800 Membership team, delivered an insightful talk on how to approach membership enrolment last week. In short, there is no single method, nor is there a single facet of a club's profile that will magically resolve itself into gaining new members.

To attract new members, our club must understand it's profile, be clear in who they would like to attract to the club, know its stakeholders and have a clear identity in the community.

We will approach membership attraction on a number of fronts beginning with a follow-on workshop led by Neville John and Warwick Cavell from the D9800 Membership team. We will also continue conversations with Swinburne University on engaging students with our projects as well as continue to work with, and build relationships with, our fellow Rotary clubs in the Riverside and Eastside clusters and beyond, into the Boroondara area. It will then fall to the task of selecting which approaches to marketing best suit our club.

On August 9th we will begin to connect with the Swinburne student body through the Rotary Information night where we can showcase the great works our fabulous Rotary Club of Yarra Bend has achieved.

If you are reading this and would like to talk to one of us about joining Rotary or how you can join in our activities, we'd love to hear from you. You can connect with us through our web page at www.yarrabendrotary.com.au or on our Facebook page.

Edda Williams

OUR TEAM

YARRA BEND EXECUTIVE

President	Edda Williams
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Secretary	Anne Brown
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Treasurer	William Liew
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CLUB AVENUES OF SERVICE

Community	Bob Lambert
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Club Service	Ken Maher
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Foundation	Ross Ollquist
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International	Matt Pollard
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Vocational	Clint Sceney
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Youth	Edda Williams
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Our Next Meeting
08 August 2018



BE THE INSPIRATION



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Upcoming Speakers

15 August	Bruce Van Every - Korea
03 October	DG Bronwyn Stephens
22 August	Juley Thai/Maria Thommyppillai – “Stroke Rehabilitation”
15 September	Bruce McNamara – Melbourne’s Property Market

Upcoming Events for your Diary

02 August	Volunteering Fair
09 August	Annual Swinburne Barak Wonga Oration
29 August	Joint club evening at Greenacres - Guest speaker David Parkin
10 November	Garden Design Festival on 10, 11, 17, 18 November
05 December	National Reconciliation Action Plan Conference

[Dinner Meeting Roster Click Here](#)

[Market Duty Roster: Click Here](#)

Dinner Meeting 1st August 2018

Chair: Matt Pollard



Thought: Matt Pollard: ‘Success consists of going from failure to failure without losing your enthusiasm’ – Winston Churchill

Directors Reports:

Isabel Armer - Potential project for Nepal could be local escorted visits to see key Rotary projects which may engender Rotary Clubs to increase support for such projects. Further discussion needed to determine club interest for a member’s group tour.

Edda Williams - Two Kew High School students – Laura Cuthbert, and Aston Bolwell attended the recent Science Experience at Swinburne University. YBR will reimburse Kew HS for the costs.

Bob Lambert - The Boroondara Cares monthly Forum will in the future become a quarterly meeting with the next on 30 September. All Rotary members are invited to attend.



Door Prize: President Edda presents Bob Lambert with a nice red from the Barossa Valley.



Volunteer Fair

President Edda Williams was out and about at the Swinburne Volunteering Expo - having conversations about how Yarra Bend Rotary and Swinburne students can collaborate on projects to assist those who are disadvantaged or in need.

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Guest Speaker – Matt Pollard

Highlights of a Half Lap



Matt and Dianne Pollard recently completed a two and a half month caravan trip to central Australia, Darwin, then through the Kimberley and down the Western Australia coast. The final leg was across the Nullarbor. The Pollards drove their Toyota Land Cruiser and off-road caravan from Melbourne on a journey that covered some sixteen thousand kilometers across 4 states.



The trip took the Pollards along the famous Gibb River Road out of Kununurra along a long stretch of more than 600 kilometers of dirt track.

It was along this route that the road destroyed a caravan tyre. Matt says the only option was to return some 170 kilometers back along the road to buy a replacement. It's indicative of just how remote this part of Australia is from service townships. Matt says it's best to do the Gibb River road now because it is planned to eventually seal it which means there'll be a lot of traffic traversing this challenging part of the Kimberley.

Matt said trip highlights included the wonderful gorges that dot the Kimberley - a welcome and cool relief from the long dusty stretches of the Gibb River road. Lake Argyle is big and this vast stretch of water is the same size as Switzerland. Further highlights of the tour included visits to Coral Bay, Kalbarri Nature Park and the head of the Great Australian Bight; home to some eighty whales.

In summary Matt said two and a half months is a bit rushed to do this trip, but do the Gibb River Road – before it is sealed.

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STRENGTHENING YOUR CLUB WORKSHOPS

The District Support Team is conducting three facilitated workshops, involving
Warwick Cavell (Facilitator),
Kerry Kornhauser (Public Image/Communications),
Yvonne Flynn (Club Service) and
Neville John (Membership Director).

These workshops will be hands--on interactive sessions that will include:

- Leading change in your Club
- Identifying the elements of a strong, vibrant club
- Project identification and selection
- Member and Community engagement
- Promoting your club projects and activities
- Your One-Page plan on membership recruitment and retention

26th August Sunday at Education Centre Montague St South Melbourne
8.30 for a 9.00-1.00 – light lunch provided – no cost to club – who is coming?

RSVP is essential by 6th August, 2018 detailing session you will attend and any dietary requirements to: Marjorie Gerlinger, marbern@bigpond.net.au or 0419 302 109



Red Cross Blood Donation – Volunteers Needed

Yarra Bend Rotary members and Friends are needed for a blood donation morning at the Blood Bank in Collins Street at 9.15am on 19th August 2018.

Please advise your availability to William Liew on 0408 885 290



10th ANNUAL PARKINSON'S WALK BARBECUE- FEDERATION SQUARE

SUNDAY AUGUST 26, 2018



Volunteers Needed!

In Victoria, 27,000 people live with Parkinson's every day. *Parkinson's Victoria* supports sufferers and their carers, through providing information, education, advice and peer support services to improve the quality of life of the Parkinson's community.

The Rotary Club of has offered to support *Parkinson's Walk* participants through managing and staffing the BBQ marquee at Federation Square. Willing hands and stout hearts are needed to volunteer for a shift. All Rotarians, family and friends of Rotary are welcome.

Three shifts of seven people are required to run the event:

7:30am - 9:45 am - Includes Set-up

9:30am - 11:45am - Includes the breakfast crowd

11:30am - 1:45pm - Includes clean-up

The busiest time for the bbq is between 11:30am and 1:00pm

Volunteers with or without experience are required for the following roles:

- Order taking
- Accepting payment
- Cooking
- Order assembly
- Drinks sales
- Order delivery
- Runner (maintains the ammunition)

more information or to enrol to walk:

<http://www.parkinsonsvic.org.au/support-for-you/events/a-walk-in-the-park-2018/>

Michael Berry

Event Coordinator email miberry@optusnet.com.au



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NEW DISTRICT 9800 WEBSITE

www.RotaryDistrict9800.org.au



ClubRunner™
Connect. Collaborate. Communicate.

The District 9800 website is now on Club Runner, a website platform used by 5,000 Clubs worldwide.

Members of Clubs that currently use ClubRunner can continue to use their Club website login.



Members from other Clubs can obtain a Login Name and password by following the instructions by clicking after clicking on the Member Login button. You will need to use the same email recorded by Rotary International.

Full instructions may be [downloaded from the website](#)



A Club Runner App is also available for iPhone or Android users from the App stores.

The app allows access to Club stories and contact details for Club and District members



A pdf version of the District Directory is also available for download from the District website (under District)

Please let us know what you think of the website and contact us if there are problems

Mark Stephens
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Learn more about what we do

Would you would like to know more about Yarra Bend Rotary, please call Club Secretary Anne Brown on 0404029165

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.

If you would like to come along and find out more about what we do or have a particular interest in hearing one of our guest speakers, please first contact the Club Secretary to make arrangements.

Our Mailing Address is P.O.Box 241, Kew East, Victoria, 3102 or e-mail : Yarrabendrotary@gmail.com



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