

Yarra Bend Rotary

BULLETIN

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Back 'home' this week with a small, intimate group of around 8 members – and a very good night it was with the usual informality and banter. I would say that it was superbly chaired by Bob Lambert but he resurrected "Bob's Bad'uns" again, to the usual members' reaction.

Our guest speaker was Ilza Dumanis from the University of the Third Age (U3A). Early in her talk Ilza mentioned the very likely probability that people will spend up to 30 years in retirement – which is not all that short of the expected time in the workforce. This should give us all plenty of food for thought. Clearly, we all need to ensure that we do some planning to 'keep the brain and body working' as well as to retain our relevance and usefulness to society.

But, other situations are also very likely to occur; social isolation for those who are unable or unwilling to move to their new status easily. In both situations others in society, such as Rotarians, can assist either as directly involving our friends and neighbours who are in danger of becoming isolated in our activities. Another endangered group are those who will outlast their money. Living on the Age Pension is very difficult for most, if not all, people and the likelihood of needing to earn an income is becoming reality. We must eschew the idea that 'retirement' (dreadful word – so demeaning in many ways) means stopping to use our brains and our bodies in useful and profitable endeavour.

Ilza described what U3A is and how it works. It does make a very useful contribution to maintain the brain and body in excellent working order.

I believe that clearly the Third Age Group (formerly known as 'retirees') have huge potential to contribute to society by making their wisdom and experience available to following generations (for payment of course!).

This week we have the joint meeting with Glenferrie at the Kooyong Tennis Centre and Oaks Eve is returning to its 'home' this year. Please ensure both are well attended.

Ken Maher

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

Ian H.S Riseley

DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Peter Freuh

ASSISTANT GOVERNOR

Rosalind McMorrow

This Week's Event

**Joint club meeting with
Glenferrie RC at Kooyong
Tennis Club**

UPCOMING SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

24 October 2017	Meeting with Glenferrie RC
01 November 2017	Dr. Julian Mercer – Climate Change
08 November 2017	Oaks Eve Calcutta
15 November 2017	Yarra Bend Rotary AGM
22 November 2017	TBC



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WEEKLY DUTY ROSTER

DATE	CHAIR	THOUGHT & GONG	MEMBER'S MOMENT	SET UP / PACK AWAY	BULLETIN NOTES
24 October	YBR/Glenferrie				
01 November	Edda Williams	John Pocock	John Pocock	David Shave	David Chivers
08 November	Oaks Eve Event				

ROTARY SUNDAY MARKET DUTY

22 October 2017	Ross Ollquist	12 November 2017	Bill Chow/John Pocock
29 October 2017	Darren GJ/Clint Sceney	19 November 2017	Ed Brown
05 November 2017	Mark Miller	26 November 2017	David Chivers

Dinner Meeting 18th October 2017

Chairman - Bob Lambert

'Thought' from Rosss Ollquist - "Most people would sooner die than think; in fact, they do so." — Bertrand Russell

Members Moment – Jane Stott.

Jane is a professional business advisor, facilitator and trainer. Though not an advocate of gambling, Jane talked about the impressive training program conducted by the Crown Casino Group of companies which employs many thousands of people around Australia. All staff are given priority opportunity to apply for internal jobs within the company and training is an ongoing corporate priority. Jane said Crown also makes opportunities to employ people from diverse background including those who are 'Less able'.

Guest Speaker - Ilza Dumanis - Deepdene Branch of U3A



U3A is a community organisation that provides people with opportunities to learn, socialise, and participate in a very wide range of events of activities. Ilza is a member of the Deepdene U3A which has about 1000 members. She said U3A offers members many different ways to broaden their knowledge while engaging and developing new friendships.



Chairman Bob Lambert presents this weeks door prize to Anne Brown with guest speaker Ilza Dumanis.

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Tree Care at Yarra Bend

Members were busy last week at Yarra Bend National Park looking after the one hundred trees the Club planted back in August this year. The strike rate has been excellent with a few losses, but most samplings are growing well this spring.



Left to right – William Liew, David Shave, Molly the Schnauzer, Ken Maher, and Ed Brown. *Photo Darren Grevis-James*



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Trivia Night – *Report from Bob Lambert*

Yarra Bend members and partners attended the fancy dress Trivia Night held by our good friends from the Camberwell Methodist Church at Chambly House Camberwell. It was great to see all our members in their new Rotary kit as “Community Superheroes” and a good fun night was had by all. Our Members were spread among the attendees to give us the opportunity of networking with other people as well as to get some “younger” input into some of the trivia questions. Unfortunately none of our tables emerged victorious on this occasion, but we had a great night with warm welcomes, plenty of food and good company.

The Boroondara Cares Foundation was a major beneficiary on the night and our thanks go to Robin Lim and his parish for organising the event. It was an opportunity for us Rotarians to tell our neighbours about the many things we achieve to help out our local community.



Our host, - David Shave, Nola Geary, Ed Brown, Anne Brown. Peter, and Bev Allen - Boroondara Cares

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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 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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