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If you would like to know more about Yarra Bend Rotary, please call Club Secretary David Shave on 03 9822 3750

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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Be a gift to the world

PRESIDENTE

Welcome to Yarra Bend Rotary's new monthly magazine, YBR! Thank you for opening our publication and giving it a read. Rotary is a recognised brand revered for its steadfastness, integrity, community mindedness and global reach. It never ceases to amaze me how a group of people who start as strangers to each other, yet have a common goal in mind to serve and help others, can come together and accomplish great things. YBR aims to share the positive impact we are making on the local and broader world community alike while connecting with you by showing the human face of our club, showcasing our activities, achievements, club meeting activities and speakers and the Yarra Bend Rotary team having an all-round good time.

In December last year Yarra Bend Rotary hosted the annual Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) camp where 18-25 year olds from all over greater metropolitan Victoria spend a week in a regional setting discovering self and hearing from inspiring leaders of diverse backgrounds. Our message to the group was to ask them to consider 'how can they be impactful'. So how is Yarra Bend Rotary impactful?

Our local

activities

include-

community



• Providing an annual \$3000 bursary to the Kew High School Chaplain for students and families in need

The hosting of the annual Boroondara Emergency Services Awards that recognises individuals from the four emergency services with the winner receiving \$5,000 towards their service's equipment or charity programs

• Board membership with the Boroondara Cares Foundation, an initiative of 9 Boroondara based Rotary Clubs addressing such community issues as domestic violence

Youth is a large focus of Rotary with our club as no exception. Annually we send worthy students to the-

> mentoring and now mentors members of the Swinburne (University) Rotaract Club and work with the committee of management of the Surrev Hills Neighbourhood

House as part of a joint Rotary and Boroondara Council pilot.

Sometimes, and quite unfairly, Rotary is perceived as an 'elitist' organisation with traditions and ceremonies from yesteryear. As a modern and dynamic club, Yarra Bend Rotary respects tradition

but is not defined by it as we celebrate the diversity in gender, ethnicity and life beliefs that makes our club unique.

Youth Leadership Camp

ongoing support of our two Bright Future Community Centres in Kathmandu and school fees, providing health considering trying the Rotary experience. So why not come

IT and language classes and supporting local women through the building of skills to establish micro-businesses.

• National Youth Science

Forum for secondary

students seeking to

pursue science as a

Model United Nations

debating camp

Internationally our major

Kopan, Nepal by; paying

care and information,

focus is to provide the

One of the features of Yarra Bend Rotary is our mentoring training program. Developed in 2012, the program is facilitated by us and undertaken by other Rotary Clubs with the aim of building their mentoring capability so they may extend existing projects. Yarra Bend Rotary has also extended its programs to include

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As an innovative club changing with the times and with life providing competing interests we understand Rotary may not appear your first choice to realise your community contribution, however no such introduction is complete without mentioning our continued interest in reaching individuals

So whether you are reading this online, as an email attachment or even in hard copy at a doctor's surgery, why not connect with us by subscribing to our magazine online, following us on Facebook, LinkedIn or Twitter? We welcome your feedback, project ideas and enquiries about how to join or if it just

along to a meeting and say

Justin Wibrow is the 2015-16 President of Yarra Bend Rotary

to come check us out.

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BULLETIN

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Past Presidents

By Ken Maher



Back (left to right): David Shave, Tony Boyd, Mark Miller, Bruce van Every, Anne Brown, Bob Lambert, Matt Pollard, Ed Brown, Bill Show, Phillip Naughton. Front: Graham King, Peter Leonard, Ann Leonard, Ian Lynton, Justin Wibrow, Bob Farrawell (Charter President), Jeff Flather, Mike Freeman, John Durell. Absent: Ian Cuthbert, Gillian Murray. Deceased: David Currie, Tom Wibrow, Mark King.

Yarra Bend Rotary is 30 this year on 16 June. While we are not planning the 'big bang' single event celebration that typically marks significant milestone we are undertaking a number of smaller events that we think could cater for everyone.

One of those events is the "Past Presidents" Meeting that was held on 23rd March last. The idea was to invite as many of the past presidents we could find to attend a 'normal' weekly meeting and the principle concept here was to provide an opportunity for our current members to learn how it all began from those who made it and, on the other hand, to demonstrate to former presidents that the club they started is still going strong despite

various setbacks such as declining membership in the late 1990's to early 2000's and being invited to leave our much moved meeting venue only to wander like the Israelites in the desert until arriving at our present meeting venue a couple of years later.

The club, in all is metamorpheses ie name changes, has had 27 presidents with some doubling up – Bob Farrawell, Peter Leonard, David Shave. Mark King served as president for an 18 month term following the early resignation of Gillian Murray.

We were fortunate to have all but seven of our past presidents at the meeting. Of the seven, three,

regrettably are deceased, two could not be located in time and the remaining two were out of town. (We now know where all the past presidents are living). As testament to their collective enthusiasm a few are not in good health but that did not stop them and some came relatively long distances – Jeff and Barbara Flather from down the peninsular and Bruce and Sue van Every from Clifton Springs. Ian Lynton could not attend the meeting but turned up for the group photograph beforehand. A great turnout!

The meeting was chaired by Ken Maher (as he is the only member who knows all the past presidents) and it did sort of take the form of a normal weekly meeting. The Guest

Speakers was a panel of four of the early presidents – Bob Farrawell (Charter President), Jeff Flather (1989/90), John Durell (1996/97) and Ann(no 'e') Leonard (2001/02). The Chairmen prepared a bit of a lantern slide show (well we are talking almost ancient history) to jog memories that may be experiencing flattening batteries.

Bob Farrawell kicked off the panel discussion with his recollections how the club was formed and some of the significant projects and activities of the early years. He concluded by saying how pleased he is that the club has retained its strength and also, about the privilege of serving the community through Rotary. Jeff Flather spoke about some early fund raising activities in the form of







themed film nights at the Camberwell Rivoli. John Durell spoke of some of the dramas of the 'Great Distressed Wine Bonanza' and particularly about some of the 'issues' around licencing requirements. Ann spoke about changing traditions which, to some extent, are inevitable as time marches on. All panellists spoke on a number of other topics and answered a number of questions from the floor.

After the formalities, a few little groups were observed to be in deep, reminiscent discussions involving earlier and current members.

The meeting was preceded by a group photo session.

The universal consensus is that it was a great night with the earlier presidents all voicing their appreciation for the initiative (of young Justin Wibrow – nephew of PP Tom Wibrow) and the efforts taken to get them all together.













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National Youth Science Forum



Ever since participating in science at my school I developed a curiosity and passion for the unknown. The National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) enabled me to broaden my view on the Science Technology, Engineering, and Math grants (STEM) and helped me to gain a greater understanding of where I wish to go in life.

I was exposed to the existence of NYSF by Anne Brown from the Rotary Club of Yarra Bend. At the time I had just completed the Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment (RYPEN) weekend leadership camp and she insisted I research the NYSF program further on my own. One year later I sat down with one of my science teachers at Kew High School who recommended me for the program and provided guidance towards further interviews. I then approached the Rotary Club of Yarra Bend and successfully got through their interview process to receive endorsement

for my expression of interest and they were even generous enough to provide financial aid of up to two thirds of the full payment. This endorsement enabled me to be a part of the next interview process which was held at International House, University of Melbourne. Weeks later a letter came in the mail confirming my hopes and informing me that I would be a part of NYSF Session C in Canberra.

Early morning on the 18th of January those who lived relatively close to or within Melbourne boarded the bus for Canberra. We were situated at Burgmann College, located within the Australian National University for twelve days and were provided with rooms of our own and an abundance of likeminded people to talk to. During the day we engaged in a multitude of different activities spanning all the way from lab visits to personal development sessions either run by experienced

professionals or the wonderfully enthusiastic student staff members. On the 30th of January I boarded the bus with new found friends to return to Melbourne.

The NYSF fosters the growth of young scientific leaders by enabling us to experience what working in STEM is truly like. Many lab visits were conducted within the different interest groups that students were placed in based on what field of STEM they preferred. These lab visits were taken by professionals who were very passionate about introducing us to new concepts and building upon our already present curiosity in STEM. Not only did we participate in lab visits but we also went to many lectures/skill building workshops, these helped students like myself to step further out of our comfort zones and always strive to be the best version of ourselves possible.

Personally I found each lab visit to be

captivating yet still thoroughly informative; being able to see the STEM industry first hand has provided me with a greater understanding of how research students and professors work together to achieve accurate results. I also picked up knowledge regarding the operation of larger commercial businesses, career opportunities and more generally how STEM is improving the world in this current day and age. However, the skill workshops/ lectures opened my eyes to a wide array of entrepreneurial possibilities and also helped me to gain a further confidence in myself that will aid me in actively pursuing my goals for the future.

The NYSF was so much more than just science. I came into Session C not knowing a single person and went home with around 200 new and likeminded friends who I am staying in touch with and will continue to into the future. I believe that NYSF pushes students to achieve their true potential and being socially active throughout the session was a key factor in getting people, including myself, out of our shells.

A visit to the pool in the evening and a night long swing dancing class are only some of the amazing activities I got to enjoy with my friends. I'm sure that I will stay in contact with my fellow students and I can't wait until the day I get to see them all again.

I came into this program unsure whether I would be suited for it. I can assure you that my doubts were put to rest the moment I stepped onto Burgmann College lawn and began an incredible two weeks of enrichment and understanding. The knowledge and variety of skills I have gained from The National Youth Science Forum will without a question help me with achieve my goals in Year 12 and point me in the right direction to a successful future. When I initially signed up for NYSF I was set on becoming a physicist but since arriving back in Melbourne I have taken what I learned from my experiences in Canberra and have broadened my view on what my future career might hold. Although this makes me less certain about what I wish to study, NYSF has given me the confidence to know I can achieve amazing things no matter which path I

I'd love to personally thank Anne Brown for all her support and raising my awareness in the program, I would also like to thank the Rotary Club of Yarra Bend for sponsoring/endorsing my application and making such an incredible experience possible for me. I extend this thank you to all Rotary members involved,

specifically Rotary Mum, Rotary Dad, and the wonderful Rotary Aunts and Uncles and the Rotary families who offered up their homes for one day just so we could have a rest. I cannot express how grateful I am to the student staff, they were always kind-hearted and worked hard without fault to ensure our session was the most memorable it could ever be. I'd also like to thank all those involved with the NYSF at Kew High School for pushing me towards applying and always doing what is in my best interest. Lastly, I would love to thank my Mum and Dad for always being there for me and supporting the decisions I make throughout life. I couldn't have done this without all of you so thank you all once

The National Youth Science Forum was incredible and I believe that it really does prepare students for wherever they choose to go in life. I would wholeheartedly recommend this program to all students who are considering attending in the future.



VOYAGE TO THE ANTARCHICA

For years, Angus Horlock had dreamt of visiting the Antarctica.

Adventurous by nature, Angus Horlock finally got to live his dream in 2015 when he set off for the frozen continent with a group of other intrepid travellers aboard an ice strengthened ship bound for the Antarctica.

Antarctica; the fifth biggest continent on earth.

circuitous route across the world through Dubai, then on to Rio de Janeiro and down to Ushuaia. the world's most southerly city.

The outbound flights meant Angus flew some 34 hours on aircraft getting to Ushuaia before boarding a ship for the sea journey to the Antarctica.

Ushuaia is on Argentina's Tierra del Fuego archipelago, the southernmost tip of South America, known as the "End of the World." The remote and windswept town is surrounded by Mountains and is the gateway to Antarctica cruises and tours to nearby penguin colonies.

Together with some 90 other passengers, Angus boarded his ship the 'Akademik Ioffe' and set off for the 1000 mile sea voyage to the Antarctica.

Geographically, the Antarctica continent is nearly twice the size of Australia.

Zodiac inflatable boats aboard the ship shuttle passengers to landing sites and through the bays and channels of Antarctica.

Sailing first through the Drake Passage between Cape Horn and the South Shetland Islands, Angus said Albatross trailed the ship as it sailed southwards deep into the Southern ocean.

Angus recalled how the ship crossed what's known as the 'Antarctic Convergence' where cold, northward-flowing Antarctic waters meet the relatively warmer waters of the subantarctic. He said a ceremony was held aboard the Akademik loffe to celebrate the special experience for the crew and passengers.

From there the ship continued its southwards journey and reached one of Angus's favourite places – 'Paradise Bay' near Lemaire and Bryde Islands which both sit at the tip of the northern part of the Antarctica Peninsula.



Images of Antarctica

Angus is an outstanding photographer and he has captured the beauty of the Antarctica and its wildlife in a superb portfolio of images.

From the start of his trip Angus panoramic and landscape photographs are stunning, so much so that he has published a book of the extraordinary images of the sea, life aboard the ship, and the landscape of the Antarctica. His photos of the wildlife are quite stunning, and reveal the extraordinary birdlife including the huge colonies of various species of Penguins.



Ninety eight per cent of the Antarctica is covered in ice. Angus told his audience that the Antarctica has a range of mountains, a fact that most people don't realise about the polar continent.

In summer, Angus said the daytime temperature was relatively mild and pleasant given that the Antarctica is the coldest continent in the world.

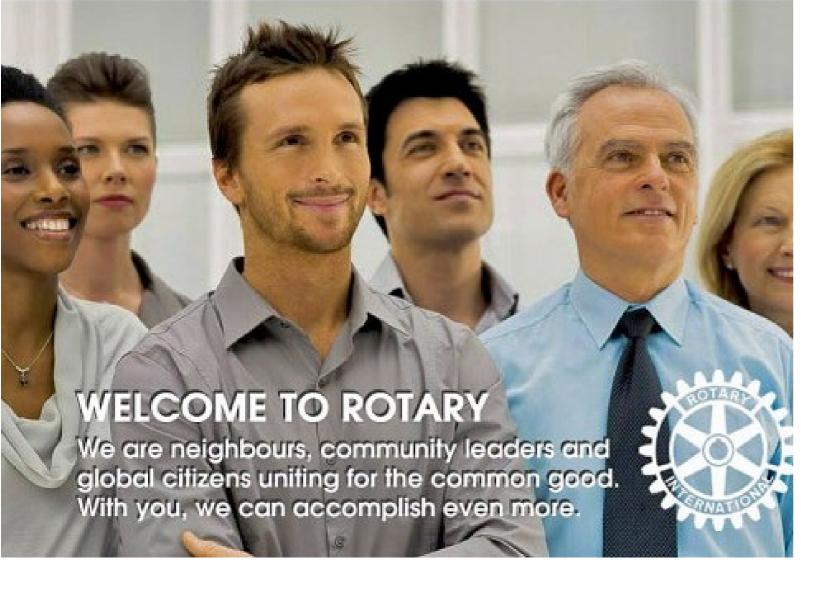
Angus described two days ashore on the ice as one of the highlights of his visit and said the colour palette of blues and greens against the white backdrop of ice and blue sky is

Most of its wildlife consists of vast colonies of penguins and some 20 species of birds. Blue whales, Orcas and fur seals patrol the coastline around the Antarctica.

Angus said there are several types of penguins including the Chinstrap, the Adélie and the Rockhopper penguin which has distinctive feathers around the eyes. Gentoo penguins also breed in the Antarctic.







YARRA BEND MEMBERSHIP

Darren Grevis-James - Director Club Service

Yarra Bend membership

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Yarra Bend Rotary is a progressive, friendly, and a well organised community service club with an enthusiastic group of members dedicated to serving the wider community.

We are seeking people who want to give something back to the community and at the same time enjoy the fellowship of a friendly and inclusive club with like-minded members.

Everyone who joins Yarra Bend Rotary brings their own unique life experience and value to both the club and to the communities we serve; whether it's local, national or international.

Our program covers a wide range of specific causes that our dinner meetings, we arrange focus our service efforts in promoting well-being, fighting disease, providing clean water, saving mothers and children, opportunity to socialise together.

supporting youth, as well as lasting solutions to combat disease, poverty, illiteracy, and hunger.

Yarra Bend Rotary directly assists a community in Nepal, in which we support the 'Bright Futures Community Centre' where women and children can improve their skills and literacy and get training, education and advice on health and hygiene

Our club also contributes to the development of youth in our community, whether it's through leadership programs, mentoring, or exchange opportunities to other countries around the world.

Yarra Bend Rotary is not just all about community service. Fellowship is also a central tenet of our club. Aside from our dinner meetings, we arrange special events throughout the year so that members, partners or friends have an opportunity to socialise together.

Several times a year we do vocational visits to other organisations or places of interest. This month we plan to visit the Cancer institute where we'll see how their research is conducted and what's being achieved.

If you're interested in supporting the local and international community, Yarra Bend Rotary could be the organisation that is right for you. Through the Rotary community, you can exchange ideas and build lifelong friendships with likeminded people.

Come along as a guest to one of our regular meetings. We'd like you to enjoy an evening with us and we can tell you all about our club and what we do. We'd love to have you join us

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

Joining Yarra Bend Rotary Club is easy. And we have something of real value and personal development to offer you.

Our club is unified in its approach to membership. We seek to build on our diverse membership of women and men from all types of backgrounds. We're an inclusive club and everyone is made to feel welcome. Our ethos is to help others.

We have introduced two new membership categories that provide flexibility for people interested in joining our club. There are now three categories of membership:

Full Membership

You can join as a full member. That means you participate on a regular basis in our programs and enjoy our weekly dinner meetings that are held in Richmond. It's informal, friendly, and interesting. We invite speakers to address our meetings and we hear a range of topics from inspiring personal stories to talks about such things as environmental challenges, the arts, travel, business, and the work of government, social justice matters, and the work of other organisations that support their communities.

Full members are encouraged to participate directly in our projects whether it's support to our youth leadership, education or mentoring programs; support to the underprivileged, helping out at a fund raising event, or with a working bee at places like Cam Care or Kew High School.

Associate Membership

If you don't want to be fully involved on a regular basis then you can join us as an Associate Member. It means you support our programs and fund raising activities when you can and also attend say four dinner meetings each year. You also attend our annual change-over meeting and one or two other events or activities each year. Associate members also help out with the roster for Rotary fund raising at the Camberwell Market and an occasional helping-hand to assist at another club activities.

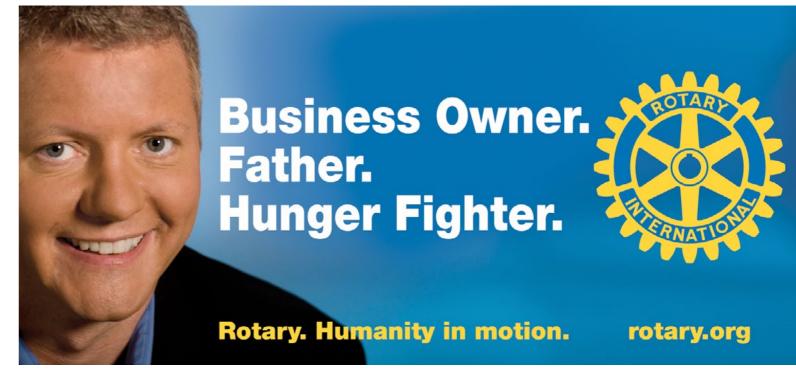
Business Partner Membership

If you're a small to medium business operator or entrepreneur who is interested in supporting Rotary but does not have the time to attend regular dinner meetings, nor to participate as an Associate Member you can join our club as a 'Business Partner Member'.

It means you're entitled, but not obliged to attend any regular meeting as a paying guest

Business Partnership allows you to place an advertisement in our monthly magazine Bulletin and use the Yarra Bend Rotary logo in your own advertising subject to approval

Business Partner Members can also support or promote our club events within your own business or client base or mailing list.



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A grandson's memories of a Prime Minister

Sir John Grey Gorton GCMG, AC, CH, was Australia's 19th Prime Minister from 1968 to 1971.

Yarra Bend Rotary members heard the family history of John Grey Gorton through the personal recollections of grandson David Gorton, a recent guest speaker at the Club.

The Gorton story in Australia began in the 1900's when John Gorton's father - John Rose Gorton, the son of an Englishman, came to Australia via South Africa with his wife Kathleen O'Brien. In Western Australia he established the first totalisator business but, as a businessman, travelled frequently. He later lived in Sydney and then bought land around Swan Hill and Kerang in northern Victoria.

John Grey Gorton was born in New Zealand 1911. In later life Gorton said that he couldn't remember his father being around as a child. However he lived for a short time with his father in northern Victoria.

David Gorton said his grandfather was raised in what would have been considered in the 1920's as a

very unconventional family life.

Reports from his early schooling indicated that John Gorton was "unsatisfactory in scholarship" but had a "strong wilful" character. He was later educated at Sydney Grammar and Geelong Grammar.

In the 1930's. John Gorton attended Oxford University where he studied history, politics and economics'. He graduated with an upper second undergraduate degree. While in England he gained a pilot's licence that would later assist him to qualify for service in the Royal Australian Air Force in WWII.

During a holiday in Europe, John Gorton met Bettina Brown from Maine in the United States, and they were later married in Oxford. After his studies were finished, the Gorton's settled in Australia, taking over his father's orchard, "Mystic Park", near Kerang.

David Gorton said his grandfather achieved distinguished service as a

fighter pilot in WWII, and after the war returned to Northern Victoria. He said a seminal speech that John Gorton gave at the Swan Hill RSL in the late 1940's clearly set out Gorton's vision for the future of Australia.

Initially a member of the Country Party (now the National Party), Gorton was elected as a Liberal Party Senator for Victoria in 1949.

A long career in Federal Parliament followed. In 1967 he took over as leader of the Liberal Party following the disappearance of Prime Minister Harold Holt. Coalition partner - John McEwen of the Country Party served as the interim Prime Minister. Gorton was elected Prime Minister but in order to assume the role he was required to stand down as a Senator and in 1968 he won the by- election for the House of Representatives seat of Higgins, that was vacant due to the death of Harold Holt.

John Gorton formally retired from





politics around 1975.

When David Gorton was only a young boy he and his family travelled from Melbourne to Canberra to visit his Prime Minister grandfather John and grandmother Bettina.

David said that he didn't have a lot of interaction with his grandfather. "He favoured his granddaughters more than the grandsons," David said. He remembered staying at the Prime Minister's residence 'The Lodge" around 1971 and riding his tricycle along the drive to the front gates.

His grandfather engaged intently with people when he was with them but paid little attention to birthdays and other family 'special" events. "He was a bit of an enigma and a very casual person who didn't "dress to impress", according to David. "He loved attention and recognition but was not interested in wealth or material possessions."

David said that John Gorton was noted for 'lighting-up' in the presence of women, probably partly due to the fact that he was raised mainly by women and felt comfortable in their presence.

"My grandfather was a bit of a non-conformist too and nonchalant about his status of being a former Prime Minister of Australia", said David. "I remember he very casually displayed a Christmas card from the Queen and had a fly-fishing rod which had been presented from the Japanese Prime Minister. It was left sitting in a corner of a shed," David recalled. "He allegedly used a rock brought back from the moon as a door stop."

"My grandfather was a warm engaging man and a very caring person who was articulate and held strong opinions."

At a gathering for his 90th birthday, John Gorton, former Prime Minister said "I tried to effect change for the betterment of all who live and work in Australia and that that was the only legacy I should wish to have had a part in."

As an example of John Gorton's character, David Gorton referred to a very moving speech made by his grandfather on 3 April 1946 at a welcome home dinner for 17 local servicemen with a tribute to Bob Davey who had not returned home. This speech can be found at:

http://simoncast.blogspot.com. au/2009/01/speech-by-sir-johngorton-at-mystic.html



"It all started for Kim in Cambodia"







Visiting Rotarian Kim Groizard, a dental and oral hygienist who attended a Yarra Bend Club dinner earlier this year says she discovered her inspiration to help people from a visit she made to Cambodia in 2009.

Kim told our meeting that she was motivated by the resilience of the Cambodians who suffered in the killing fields and their stories simultaneously helped her resolve her own issues with

The visit also engendered her passion to help the Cambodian people specifically in the area of dental hygiene.

Tooth brushing is a simple and effective way of maintain dental hygiene. However a simple toothbrush represents an equivalent cost of \$200 in Cambodia currency value, so few people have

In 2011 she arranged for 200 toothbrushes to be delivered to

Kim says good dental hygiene has significant health outcomes, not just in dental care, but in general health as well since the by- products from poor teeth contribute to other physiological illness such as cancers in the digestive system and even heart

Her current project is aimed at recruiting dentists and support staff to go to treat patents in Cambodia and instruct local people on dental care.

In support of this, she is raising money to buy a portable dental chair (costs approx. \$3800) as well as recycled instruments and consumable items.

Longer term she is aiming to train local people to perform dental work themselves.

Rotary Clubs can help by assisting her with fund raising and collecting toothbrushes issued free at hotels and on aircraft.



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DONATIONS

Rotary 'Donations In Kind' is a major recycling operation, run by volunteers, that gives suitable goods to people in need, for free.

A Donations In Kind (DIK) project is often the most practical and cost effective way to help people in developing countries and it also provides excellent opportunities to help local communities.

The West Footscray Store is part of the National Rotary Donations In Kind Store network, which is Rotary Australia's largest ongoing project and the West Footscray Store is the main depot in Victoria.

DIK provides Rotarians, the public and Corporate Sector with the chance to make a meaningful difference in the lives of people who need our help.

DIK's roots go back 50 years, when Australian Rotarians began hands-on projects overseas and it became obvious that surplus

material in Australia would be very valuable. It is part of Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS) a group that assists with practical projects in developing countries.

Volunteers are needed on a regular basis to sort the donated goods and Rotarians without specific skills can work sorting clothes, books, school equipment.

Recently, Yarra Bend member Anne Brown was given orange coloured tee-shirts from Guide Dogs Victoria. Anne passed them on to fellow Yarra Bend member Isabel Armer who was joined by Liz Dobson to sort clothes at the West Footscray DIK depot. The donated T-shirts from Guide Dogs were immediately packed into a container sailing to Vanuatu.



How long have you been a Rotarian?

Approx. 21 years when I joined Shepparton South Rotary Club.

What's your favourite club role you have held in rotary?

Community Director, Shepparton South Rotary Club.

What are you working on right now?

I am currently the Foundation Director, and very interested in learning more about Camcare and the Foundation associated with it.

What's your favourite project that you have worked on?

A major Project in Shepparton that I organised, and with assistance from the other Rotary Clubs and local Churches, was completed very economically and within our timeline. We, as a group, made a lot of people very happy.

What are you excited about working on next?

As I am the President Elect for 2016/2017 I have been doing a lot of reading, attending meetings, generally finding out more about Rotary in general. I have attended one President Elect information session before Christmas, and soon due to finish the third and final session in Ballarat.

Clinton Sceney







K.R. Ravindran 2015-16 President Rotary International





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