



Rotary



Club of Eaglehawk

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We meet every Wednesday at the Mechanics Facility, 8 School Street, California Gully for a dinner meeting.

The next fortnight....		
2 Sept	Bookshop	Rita & John G
6 Sept	Club dinner meeting	Bar- Geoff A Clean- Rita & Tim
9 Sept	Bookshop	Rita & John G
13 Sept	Club dinner meeting	Bar – Alison Clean – Gary & John G

Happy Birthday to you in September.....

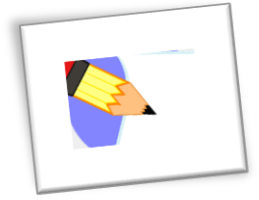
14th - Mary Cunneen



Reminders:

1. Run for Dad – **Sunday 3rd September**- as per attached flyer.
2. Eaglehawk Festivals is gearing up for a Mini Festival along with its Annual Report to the community. Live Art and entertainment and Fire Twirling. Supper provided. Bar Open. A Free event. **Wednesday 13th September, 6pm**, Eaglehawk Football Netball Rooms, Canterbury Park Oval- as per attached flyer.
1. Karen Culture Showcase: **Saturday 23rd September – 4- 9 pm**. Karen groups from all over Victoria will be attending and activities include traditional food and a fireworks display. Our Club will be directly supporting this project. Please see the attached flyer and pass on as you see appropriate.
2. Bunnings BBQ- **Saturday 28 October**.
3. **Regional Red Baker's Dozen** – Wine raffle tickets now open @ \$10-00 per ticket (flyer attached) – **to be drawn 22 November 2023**.

President's report:



This week was a little different to say the least. As members would know, it was our club's official visit from our own District Governor-Ron Payne and his wife Deb.

It was a pleasure to catch up with them both and to hear their enthusiasm for the role that they have embarked on. The Board sat down with Ron prior to the meeting, where there was a crossflow of information, along with some guidance as to the path we are on. The discussions were appreciated.

Our intrepid world traveller returned this week. Brian is certainly looking refreshed and ready to get back into action, (well nearly ready!).

It was a pleasure to have DG Ron to present the Paul Harris Fellow Award with two Saphires to Gary Frank. Congratulations Gary and *thank you* for your support to this Club and as a PHF.

It was also a pleasure to ask Ron and Brian Fitzpatrick (the sponsor) to assist with the induction of Carmel Fitzpatrick. As most members would be aware, Carmel has recently become a resident of Eaglehawk, leaving the hustle and bustle of Melbourne. We welcome Carmel into the Rotary Family and look forward to her getting involved in the Club activities. She has already been displaying enthusiasm and expertise in her work at the Book shop over the last few weeks.

Our Guest Speaker was our District Governor: Ron Payne (refer to the summary below). It was certainly a pleasure to have the chance to listen to Ron and get an understanding of where District is heading under Ron's guidance. His address was very informative and thought provoking. From the questions raised and the follow-up discussions, members appreciated Ron's attendance.

I have received a couple of requests this week which may interested members: -

1. The District 9800 Vocational Service Champions Team Chair is looking for some new members to assist in progressing the District Vocational Service Goals. The team meet monthly via Zoom. The next meeting is 4.00pm 28.08.2023. If interested contact Warwick Cavell (E: Warick.Cavell@rotary9800.org or M: 0411 122 860).
2. Chloe Waddell from the Federation University Aust. Is undertaking a Research Project for her Doctor of Philosophy project with a focus on the topic of **Ageing Well**. Specifically, what does it mean to age well in today's Australia, Chloe is trying to develop a definition based on the perspective of older Australians (65 +). If you are interested, please contact me so I can pass on more details.
3. Rotary Zone 8 Regionalisation Pilot Update: just reminder about the webinars via Zoom on Saturday 2.09.2023 at 10am. You will need to register as per the email forwarded by Sec. John J. We need to keep up with this matter as it progresses.
4. 31st RC Central Melbourne Foundation Committee Paul Harris Breakfast.

Guest Speaker **Peter Hitchener OAM**

Tuesday 21st November 2023 Time 07:15 am.

Venue Plaza Ballroom 630 Little Collins St. Melbourne

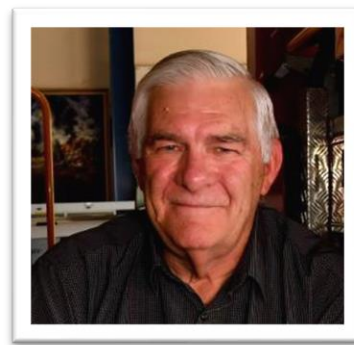
Register - <https://events.humantix.com/copy-of-paul-harris-breakfast>

We were advised that the Eaglehawk Community Breakfast's that were planned for Fridays during September have been postponed to October 2023. More details as they come to hand.

As mentioned at the meeting the remaining trippers were down the South-Western corner of WA. They have been through Fremantle and had moved onto Kings Park, looking at wildflowers apparently.

There are a couple of other members travelling this week, so please travel safely, and for those staying around, take the time to check on someone you know.

Regards- **Eric.**



Meeting apologies: Geoff G and Mick

Meeting guests: DG: Ron Payne

Meeting Guest Speaker- District Governor: Ron Payne

- We need to 'Take Stock' after the effects of Covid. Have we adjusted to different ways of doing things.
- Rotary is a strong organisation.
- Basing our priorities on 4 areas of focus: Increase our impact, Expand our reach, Increase our ability to adapt, Enhance participant Engagement. *Refer to D9800 Priorities 2023-24 pamphlet.
- Based on 7 areas of focus: Peacebuilding, Disease Prevention & Treatment, Water Sanitation & Hygiene, Mental & Child Health, Basic Education & Literacy, Community Economic Development, Environment).
- RI President Gordon McNally has 3 priorities for his year: Mental Health, End Polio, Empowering Girls. and overall "Create Hope in the World".
- Key Pillars are Members, Programs, Projects, Fundraising.
- Our Key Priorities: Communication and Fellowship, Member Engagement and Retention, Public Image and Promotion, Foundation and End Polio.
- Important- If we lose them (members), it's because we haven't engaged them.
- District team are there to assist where-ever clubs need help.
- The aim of End Polio / PolioPlus Society is to have half of all members join.
- A number of wealthy Clubs may well be a source of funding.
- On-line Membership Forum will be on 21/10/2023.

- Rotary Zone 8 Regionalisation Pilot update: Online 02/09/2023 @ 10:00 am- refer to email forwarded by Secretary.
- Not a lot of information at present- however it looks like Regional Council and forming Rotary Communities.
- Rotary communities consisting of 10 to 20 clubs, maybe location-based or project-based, which may be spread over a large area.
- Lead in year 2024-25 with introduction 2025-26.
- Ron attending a District meeting yesterday (online) to discuss the progress to date and going forward.
- More information will be shared as it comes to hand.

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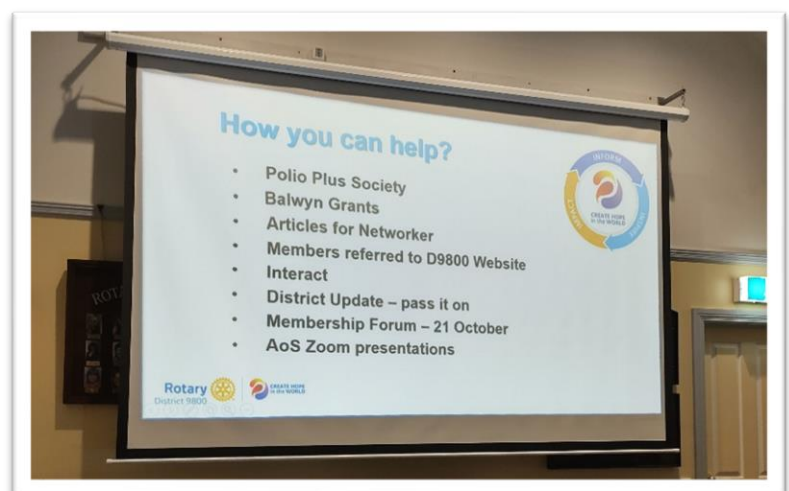
THANKS to everyone- see the slide below!



Rotary International Action Plan



Ways of helping ...





Regional Reds Baker's Dozen

Enter the draw to win a selection of premium wines to the value of \$1200 from the Bendigo and Heathcote Regions of Central Victoria including the iconic 2018 Wild Duck Creek Duck Muck valued at \$425.00

Only 2000 tickets available at \$10 each.

Get your raffle tickets at: www.raffletix.com.au/regionalbakersdozen2023

All proceeds will benefit the Rotary Club of Eaglehawk's local and international projects.

All enquiries to John Jones, P: **0419 113 065** or E: Johnpricejones47@gmail.com

Raffle to be drawn 7pm, 22 November, 2023, 8-12 School Street California Gully.
Winner notified and result published on www.eaglehawkrotary.org.au and www.facebook.com/eaglehawkrotaryclub. There is an agreement with RaffleTix Holdings Pty Ltd (ABN 24 623 531 340) to promote or conduct this raffle for reward.

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More adventures with Geoff G and Mick- this time the amazing wildflowers in Kings Park- Perth and the rugged coast near Albany (PS: Mandy would now like to move to Albany- she's found lots of work Mick can do too!)

One of the Islands in King George Sound



Blow holes near Albany



They have clever tortoises in WA- they can even jump bandicoots!



Coastline near the Natural Arch- rugged and beautiful.



One of the sculptures at National Anzac Centre in Albany. It is where the 1st & 2nd convoys staged before sailing.

