



Rotary Opens Opportunities

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Our Rotary meetings are currently being held
online via zoom.

See below for details on the program for each
Club meeting.

OCTOBER

Birthdays –

3rd Marg Gallagher
4th Beryl Adcock

Inductions –

12th Charlie Cunneen (1994)
14th Ron Payne (2009)
16th Gordon McKern (1976)

Dates and Events for Your Diaries -

October 7 th	Club General Meeting 6.45pm - Zoom – Rotarian Rita O'Brien – Log in using this link https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88102433477
October 14 th	Club General Meeting 6.45pm – Zoom – Log in using this link https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88102433477
October 21 st	Club General Meeting 6.45pm – Zoom – Log in using this link https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88102433477
October 28 th	Club General Meeting 6.45pm – Zoom – Log in using this link https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88102433477

Tattslotto Lucky Supplementary Number Draw

The Club's Tattslotto Comp Round 3 is underway -
details of winners are -



Round 3 – details of winners –

12/9/2020	#6	Barry Clayton	17/10/2020
19/9/2020	#33	Mick Costello	24/10/2020
26/9/2020	#14	John Jones	31/10/2020
3/10/2020			7/11/2020
10/10/2020			14/11/2020

President Mick's Report –

This week instead of having a Club Zoom Meeting we joined in with the Rotary Club of Camberwell where Rotarian Adrian Campbell presented on their initiative of Rotary Outreach Myeloma Program - ROMP for short.

Myeloma is a type of blood cancer that affects the inside of the bone marrow. It attacks the immune system causing fatigue and can lead to frequent infections. Myeloma has no cure.

ROMP intention is to have support groups in all areas in regional Victoria, and have sought our support in establishing a support group in our region the Loddon Mallee Region. More information to follow.

Mick's Quote of the Week

You can't connect the dots looking forward; you can only connect them looking backwards. So you have to trust that the dots will somehow connect in your future. You have to trust in something - your gut, destiny, life, karma, whatever. This approach has never let me down, and it has made all the difference in my life. - Steve Jobs



Earlier this week we received a letter of resignation from PP Leon Scott OAM. We have acknowledged receipt of the letter to Leon, with regret, and have advised that a more formal process will be on the agenda at our Board meeting on October 21. Leon, over 44 Years has given a lot to the Eaglehawk Community and the Rotary Community, Leon you will be missed.

Next Week Rotarian Rita O'Brien will be our guest speaker, talking about the history behind the Rotary Book Store and the family business O'Brien's Pharmacy.

Grant Hocking ASM District Governor 2019-2020 will be joining us on the Night to present the club with a Rotary Citation we have been awarded with.

Quiz Master for the night will be John Jones.

SOS to all members: Can you please help us out with sourcing Guest Speaker for future Meetings

Mechanics Kitchen update: We are getting close to it being finished - the benches are in, the place for the Dishwasher is done and it just needs the Plumber to finish off the benches and hook up the sinks.

Mick Costello
President 2020-2021



'ENGAGING NEW ROTARIANS – SOME THOUGHTS ON HOW TO'

Article by ARC PDG Ingrid Waugh

In my working life I worked in large corporates in Human Resources and one of the areas I worked in involved developing Onboarding programmes. When my own club recently decided to relook at how we attract and engage new members, I was reminded that there are some key principles that we can all apply. The most important? Make it personal.



Like any organisation, when someone joins Rotary, we want them to feel part of our organisation, our Rotary family. Getting the right "fit" comes from shared values, and like any relationship, we want to feel that we will get something from the relationship as well as give to it.

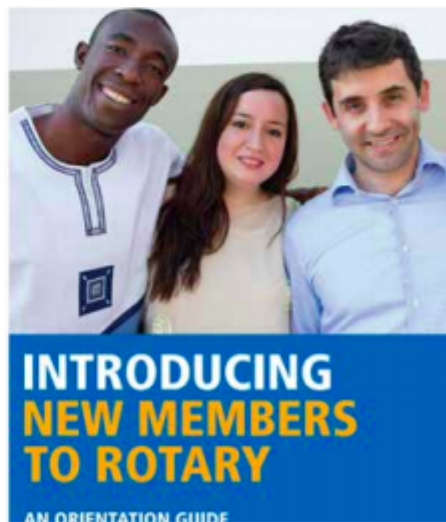
So, some thoughts, which apply whether you are meeting online, an e-club or meeting in person ...

- Engaging a new member involves heart as well as mind – how they feel about early experiences with Rotary as an organisation or Rotarians as people will influence their decision whether or not they want to get involved, and stay.
- The experience of Rotary starts before they actually make the decision to join – perception and first impressions are important.
- We need to understand each other's expectations – is what they signed up for what they get? Did we ask why they want to get involved and explain what we offer? Is the member experience your club is offering one you feel comfortable inviting someone else to come into?
- First impressions count - when a prospective member comes to visit a meeting or participate in a project how are they welcomed? Are they invited to participate or left to their own devices?
- Be mindful of the language you use, especially to be inclusive and avoid Rotary acronyms.
- Listen to what they say – a new perspective and fresh ideas can be very revealing and helpful. I know from personal experience that nothing will disengage more quickly than ***"we have always done it that way"***.

Whenever we join a group, whether the golf club, garden society or Rotary, we form a psychological and unwritten contract in our own head and heart. As an organisation we are more likely to keep that new member beyond the critical first two to three years if we plan how to help individuals develop that connection and then work to keep it.

And now for some practical ideas for engaging new members.

- Make sure you have a good conversation with the individual about what they are looking for, what you do, and be clear about what it means to be a member of Rotary, emphasising opportunities. Listen as well as tell.
- Design a structured orientation or onboarding programme that can be customised for the individual and will work for your club. There are many ideas in the Rotary International publication ***"Introducing New Members to Rotary, An Orientation Guide"***, like assigning a mentor or buddy, learning more about Rotary (the Why, What, Who, When and How), and supporting them to attend Rotary Leadership Institute within the first six months.
- If you like to have a formal induction, make it a special event and invite their family if they would like that. Making individuals feel special creates engagement.
- Check in on a regular basis.



There are many practical things you can do to help a new Rotarian feel part of Rotary, all of which will help build that important emotional and psychological connection.

I will finish with a quote from Simon Sinek, one of my favourite speakers:

***"When people are financially invested, they want a return.
When people are emotionally invested, they want to contribute."***

'EVERY NEW MEMBER CHANGES US A LITTLE BIT'

Excerpts from an article by DG Merewyn Wright, District 9550 DG Newsletter, August 2020 edition

In his [Theme address at the International Assembly](#), Rotary International President Holger Knaack 'hit the nail on the head' with his many comments about membership, this being just one:



"Every new member changes us a little bit. That person brings a new perspective, new experiences. We need to embrace this constant renewal. We will grow stronger as we learn from new members and take their experience and knowledge."

October is 'End Polio Support Month.'

I'm challenging myself to walk 50km (and to ride a whole lot more) throughout the month and raise vital funds that will help eradicate and prepare us for a Polio free world.

Please support my 'End Polio Now' fundraiser by joining my team at <https://www.rotarywalkwithus.org/fundraisers/ronpayne> while also making a valued contribution to world health. If you feel inclined to support this very important project further, please SHARE this post on Facebook or anywhere else you might be able to promote it. Thank you enormously in anticipation.

Ron Payne



End Polio Walk

We encourage members to join this year's fundraising event to be held between 1-31 October.

People can register at www.rotarywalkwithus.org

Or can source further information on the facebook link at:

Facebook event page - <https://www.facebook.com/Rotary-Walk-With-Us-585720215446222>

#Walk with Us - Rotary End Polio Walk

This October, **Walk With Us** for those who can't

Global virus pandemics are not new. Before vaccines were developed for polio in the 1950s, parents were gripped by terror: over 1,000 children were dying or being paralysed *each day*.

Now, polio is a distant memory in most countries, but it persists in a few. The problem is that until we completely eradicate the poliovirus, children everywhere remain at risk.

Alongside Past RI Presidents, Directors and Rotarians from across Australia and New Zealand **you are invited to join a challenge** this year to honour the life of Past RI President, Sir Clem Renouf, Rotary's original Polio campaigner.



What's the challenge? *Go for a walk!*

(*actually, a walk, a run or a roll—your choice*)

You can do this! Even those of us in lockdown can do this. So what's involved?

1. Register your target (say 10km, 20km, 50km or whatever distance suits) during the month of October
2. Get friends, family, colleagues and local businesses to sponsor you
3. Record your activity, monitor the leaderboards, track your results.

What will you achieve?

- *Save children now* in polio hotspots like Pakistan and Afghanistan
- Help develop innovative new vaccination programs
- Help plan the polio endgame, including repurposing the polio network for other health needs
- Deliver a polio-free world.

In the process, stay fit and healthy!

Registrations will open September 1st, 2020 www.rotarywalkwithus.org

Also, if you'd like to become part of the team that's bringing this event to life, email kitty@rotaryinaction.org for more information.

| [#WalkWithUs](#) | [#EndPolio](#) | [#RotaryResponds](#) | [#PeopleOfAction](#) |

Join a team, grab some friends, and #walkwithus this October.

Face Masks -

Recent changes to the face covering requirements have seen another surge in demand for the club's face masks. If it's time you changed to a good high quality double thickness cotton face mask then new stock is now available by contacting Alison by email alison@bendigo.com.au or by calling 0417 562952

Sample of the recent designs available –



Long-Serving Rotarian, Geoff Tighe's \$1m mystery

By Tony Thomas, Rotary Central Melbourne

Geoff Tighe, 76, of Rotary Echuca-Moama, is a trained accountant and businessman, but can't solve a million-dollar mystery in the club. How did the club get its 4 hectares of river-valley land, used for the annual Steam Rally since 1964?



Whilst it's known that the club acquired the land in 1976 from a farmer, who was a one-time Rotarian and didn't need the land, it isn't known if it was gifted or sold, and if sold, for what price. The documents have disappeared, but luckily not the title deed.

"It must be worth at least a million today," Geoff says. In fact, the D9800 Insurance Officer was advised the freehold land had recently been valued at \$1.6 million. This must make the 25-30-member club one of the wealthier Rotary clubs, on paper anyway.

"The adjoining Crown land (another 4.6 hectares) to our Rotary Park goes right to the Campaspe riverfront," added Geoff.

Geoff's working life included a 15-year stint with a chemical company and a year in the 1970s as under-study to the City of Sunshine's Town Clerk.

"I loved the work but my dad, Jack Tighe, happened to be Mayor, so there was a bit of family attitude to deal with."

Geoff's highest profile job was CEO of V-Line (regional trains and buses) for three years to 1999.

Geoff has quite a portfolio of interests since he retired in 2010. A former committee member with the Echuca-Moama Men's Shed and the Steam Rally, and current President of Echuca Moama Centennial Probus, with 120 members, Geoff is also on the Board of 'We Are Vivid', a group that supports the intellectually disabled.

Geoff and his partner Julie have been an item for 23 years. Julie has been a dedicated volunteer at Echuca Regional Hospital for eight years, and is currently Chair of ERH's Senior Advisory Group.

This is one for the whiskey / whisky drinkers!

Established in 2015 so that Rotarians may enjoy a whiskey appreciation fellowship, the Rotary Whiskey D.R.A.M. Fellowship was officially sanctioned by Rotary International the following year. The initials D.R.A.M. refers to Whiskey Drinking Rotarians and Members. The aim of this Fellowship is for Rotarians and their partners, who enjoy drinking whiskey/whisky, to learn and share with each other information about whiskies from different parts of the world.



The history of whiskey is fascinating. It is said that the Chinese invented it more than 5,000 years ago, whereas whiskey making was brought from mainland Europe into Scotland and Ireland by travelling monks over 1,000 years ago. Nowadays, whiskey/whisky is made in many countries including Scotland, Ireland, the U.S.A. Canada, Japan and Australia.

The distilling of whiskey/whisky also has a very interesting history. The word whiskey comes from the Gaelic words 'uisge beatha', meaning the water of life. It was first distilled in the 15th century and both the Scottish and the Irish claim it originated in their country. It can also be spelt two ways (whiskey or whisky), and this is due to the type of cereal grain used in the distilling process and where it was produced.

Whiskey/whisky is a distilled spirit and its major categories include Bourbon, Scotch, Irish whiskey, Rye, Sour Mash, Moonshine, and many others. The main differences are due to the various grains that are used in the distillation, and how and where it is produced. Regarded as the most popular liquor in the world, every style, and each brand within the style, has different flavour characteristics. There are an amazing number of brands and types of whiskey and whisky available, and this makes the Fellowship both interesting and enjoyable.

As with most aspects of Rotary, the Whiskey D.R.A.M. Fellowship encourages fundraising as part of its activities when Rotarians and their partners get together and enjoy their tastings. The chosen projects for their financial contributions involve clean water initiatives.

Whilst the Whiskey D.R.A.M. Fellowship is relatively new, it has proved very popular (naturally!). There are now many hundreds of members in 33 countries throughout the world.

For more information refer to the website: <https://whiskeydram.org/>

Rotary fellowships connect and engage members from all corners of the globe.

This article is currently on the D9800 web site – our bulletin editor is confident that some (many) of our members may be interested.