Guest Speaker for Thursday 18 March 2021 - Carolyn Ingvarson



Caroline Ingvarson has always had an interest in environmental issues, and worked as a biology teacher for 20 years, before moving into the Victorian public service in the Occupational Health and Safety Commission and then Business Victoria for another 20 years.

She was a local government councillor in the early 1990s for Camberwell, prior to the amalgamation of Councils. At 60, with the luxury of superannuation, Carolyn retired and for the last 17 years has focused on writing and on the vexed issue of climate change, founding Lighter Footprints in 2006.

In 2016 she was awarded Boroondara Citizen of the Year, and in 2020 won the ACF Peter Rawlinson medal, 'for individuals who have made an outstanding voluntary contribution to the Australian environment.' She has recently stepped down as Convenor of Lighter Footprints after 14 years and now with a supporter base close to 3000, but she continues as a member and with her work in the community.

Carolyn is married to Lawrence and has two sons and seven grandchildren.