



## Rowan's Reflections



What a terrific community we have. We had 98 members and guests decked out in Christmas garb setting new standards of fun and merriment based on the volume of conversation and laughter. Special thanks to our, "Reverse Santa" for dropping in and collecting presents donated by club members for needy children (Someone left a beer out for Santa!).

Congratulations to our new Paul Harris Fellows Sally Sutherland (from 2015/16), Colin Sharp, and Greg Cribbes on their awards. They have all contributed greatly to the club through outstanding service, and it was good that AG Jonathan Shepherd was with us to present them with their PHF pins, medallions and certificates.

The AG also presented a Certificate of Appreciation from District 9800 for outstanding contributions by our club for financial support for the Rotary Foundation in 2015/16.

For the Days for Girls raffle, Areta Hurnard brought a product of her exquisite cake-making skills and Helen Mary Gartlan donated a superb Christmas hamper.



Then, in my totally unbiased opinion, there was the highlight of night in the form of two brackets of Christmas songs sung by the RCNB Choir. The performance of Janine Lancaster (wife of Chris Flavell-Smith) in singing *The Holy City* so well was unforgettable. Thanks also to Ron Phillips, Bill Oakley, Barry Cummings, Tony Wells, Maurie Walters, Geoff Haddy and David Cheney for joining Janine and I in presenting the two brackets of Christmas songs.

A final word of thanks to our hard-working and excellent Fellowship Committee. These events provide a wonderful contribution to our culture throughout the year.

This time of the year highlights peace and goodwill, but it also makes us reflect on the many, many people in the world who are in need. Caring does not stop for Christmas and, being fortunate to live in safety with comfortable lifestyles, over a million Rotarians worldwide continue to do good in the world. The efforts of Rotary and our members make me proud of our organisation and our club.

Please accept the best wishes of the Board to our Members, Alumni, Friends and Contacts and your families for a happy and safe Christmas and New Year.

Rotary is Serving Humanity!

President Rowan



## Our Leadership 2016/2017



**RI President  
John F. Germ**



**DG 9800  
Neville John**



**AG Eastside  
Jonathan Shepherd**



**President RCNB  
Rowan McClean**

## MEETINGS

**THURSDAYS**  
6 for 6.30pm  
Kew Golf Club

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## 2016-17 Program of Meetings and Club Break

|                                 |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Thursday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec. | Christmas Breakfast at Macleay Park. 7.00 am to 8.30 am.  |
| Sunday, 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan    | Brunch at Warranglen Nursery. 9.30 am to 11.30am.         |
| Monday, 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan    | Cluster BYO everything in the Canterbury Gardens. 6.00 pm |
| Thursday, 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan  | BBQ dinner at Kew Golf Club. 6.00 for 6.30 pm             |
| Thursday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb   | Resumption of normal dinner meetings at KGC.              |





## Christmas Dinner North Balwyn Rotary Club



Three well deserved Paul Harris Fellow Awards...and the best part...none of the recipients knew it was coming. Shocked faces all around!





**URGENT – JANUARY BRUNCH. [WARREN GLEN](#)**

Please accept my apologies for the board not circulating over the last couple of weeks

**However, we need to know if you attending this function:-**

**Please advise** Don Taylor at Thursday's Rotary Breakfast with payment

Or..... Email [Don Taylor](#) or [David Cheney](#)

with EFT payment to The Club Account.

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Please mark EFT payments with “Your name” and “Brunch”

**NOTE Well: There will be no refunds for “No Shows/cancellations” as The Club is obligated to pay in full for bookings in advance.**



Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> January 2017

[Warran Glen Café](#)

373 Ringwood – Warrandyte Road, Warrandyte

Time: 9.30 am

Menu: Orange juice, fruit platter, choice of 4 mains, tea/coffee

Cost: \$25.00 per head.

This was a very enjoyable function last year and makes a great start to the New Year. The nursery has a wonderful range of plants and shrubs, as well as an incredible gift shop – so bring your credit cards!!!!

Merry Christmas and thanks to everyone for your participation in our Fellowship Events this year.

*David Cheney*

*Fellowship Committee.*

**Canterbury Gardens: Monday 16 January** (BYO everything)

Fellowship get together with colleagues from other Eastside clubs.

Relocate to RC Canterbury if wet weather; Rochester Road.

No need to RSVP. Just arrive! All members, alumni and Friends are welcome.



Areta winning  
the Raffle!





Nino at the Woolworths Kew BBQ last Saturday counting money with help of rubber glove fingers. Duncan could never have imagined such a use for the famous Ansell Glove.



### A Letter from our District Leader

Dear Club Presidents,

As you know, in the New Year District 9800 will be conducting three Rotary Showcases in the first half of 2017. The first is in Bendigo on Australia Day, the second in Melbourne on Saturday 25 February and the third will be in Echuca over the June Queens Birthday weekend.

The objective of the Rotary Showcase concept is to provide an exposition of the wide breadth of Rotary service contributions to the local and international communities, at busy public venues so that the community better understands and recognises what we do. Hopefully this will result in more enquiry about being involved in Rotary, either as a project partner or member of a club. This is a special initiative that I have asked Ian Salek and his dedicated committee to manage, and they have worked very hard at bringing this together. The first two of these events will be held very early in the new year, so before we close for Christmas, I am seeking your support by making sure your club members are aware of what is happening.

Along with thirty or so expo marquees, we want a strong turnout of Rotarians wearing whatever Rotary branded gear they have. I therefore ask that you pass on to every member of your club, my invitation to come along and bring their friends to one or more of these showcases. I attach a flyer which can be distributed through your club bulletins or directly to your members by email.

The Bendigo event will run from 9 am through to 3 pm. The Melbourne event at Federation Square Atrium will run from 9 am until 5 pm, with a build up to some very special things happening at midday, as we use this day to celebrate Rotary's 112th anniversary, so we would like to see as many Rotary faces as possible between 11 am and 1.00 pm. More information in relation to Echuca will follow in due course.

Thank you again for your support and I look forward to seeing you at one of the Roadshows.

Best regards,

*Neville*

**Neville John - (Rebecca)**

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## Geoff's Health Tip

### Sunscreen—Smart Move!



With summer upon us please remember to wear you sun-screen. Many of us have learnt that skin cancers can turn nasty and give you major health issues.

Below are [10 myths about protecting ourselves and your children and grand children from skin cancers](#)—don't accept the myths and remember to slip

slop slap every day when out in the sun.

Myth 1: "A base tan protects you." - No it doesn't!

Myth 2 "80 percent of sun damage occurs before age 18, so the injury is already done."

Myth 3. "I have dark skin, so I don't need to worry."

Myth 4. "As long as I protect my face, it's OK."

Myth 5. "Anything above SPF 15 is a waste."

Myth 6. "But I need sun to get enough vitamin D."

Myth 7. "I'm allergic to all sunscreens."

Myth 8. "Skin cancer isn't that big a deal."

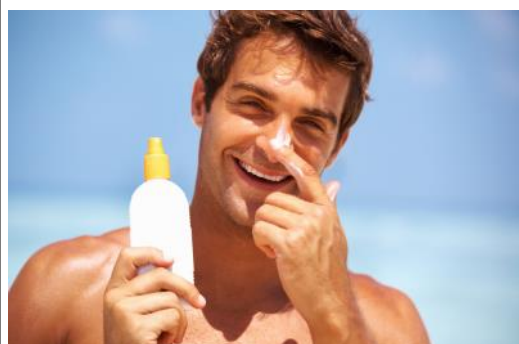
Myth 9. Certain chemicals in some sunscreens make wearing them more dangerous than skipping them."

Myth 10. "I don't need sunscreen if it's not 'peak tanning hours.'"

Don't believe a word of these myths and make sure you look after your skin in the sun.

Have a safe and joyous Christmas and New Year!

Geoff



### Protect yourself in 5 ways



Sun protection at any age is important

## MEETING ROSTERS

**Thursday 22nd December**

BBQ breakfast at North Balwyn Cricket Club. 7.00 am to 8.30 am Macleay Park,  
 Setup: Fellowship Committee  
 Greeting: Eileen Toohill, John McBride  
 Desk: Peter Cleary, Bernie Smith

**Thursday 29th December**

Christmas Recess No Meeting

**Thursday 5th Jan**

Christmas Recess No Meeting

**Thursday 12th Jan**

Christmas Recess No Meeting

**Thursday 19th January**

Fellowship BBQ at KGC.

**Thursday 26th Jan.**

Australia Day, No Meeting

**Thursday 2 February**

**First "normal" meeting for 2017**



**Merry  
Christmas  
from The  
Sergeant**

**Meeting No.25**

Thursday, 15th December 2016

**Present:**

|                                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Guest Speaker                        | Club Christmas Dinner   |
| NB Members                           | 48  |
| Wives/Partners                       | 34  |
| Visiting Rotarians                   | 4 AG Jonathan & Elizabeth Shepherd (Kew), PE David Jones (Balwyn)<br>Ken Maxfield (Yea)   |
| Guests                               | 2 PNMs Yvonne Lyneham & Selina Han  |
| Friends & Alumni                     | 8 June & Ron Phillips, Maree & Terry Keyhoe, Anne & Ian Glenny,<br>Margo Morris & Maria Gouvoussi   |
| Exchange Student                     | 1 Moritz Ellermann  |
| Other Activities<br>(Board Approved) | 31 <b>Catering 17; Very Special Kids</b> - Head, McDonald, Oakley, Pennington,<br>Richardson, Sofra, Stepnell & Taylor.<br><br><b>Carols @ Carrical</b> - Kelly, Oakley, Pennington, Sofra & Steinicke.<br><br><b>DIK</b> - Peter Sutherland (once a week); |

**Absences for Rosters:**

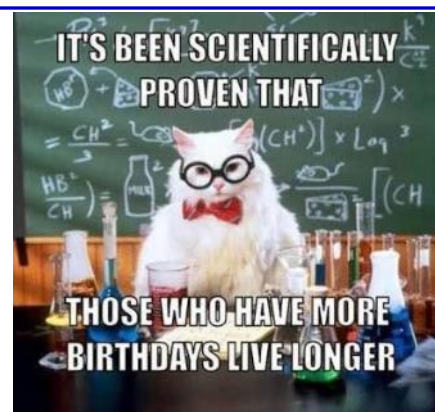
Bob Bott, Paul Fitz, David Rowe & Belinda Wandabwa

**Celebrations up until our first 2017 meeting**

**Birthdays:** The Editor!, Findley Cornell, Kristine McDonell, Jan Cheney, John Gartlan, Gavan Schwartz, Greg Ross, Adrian Ranson, Ann Koa, Judy Steinicke, Sally Sutherland, Karen Fitzpatrick, Ivy Angleton, Alison Adams.

**Inductions:** Gavan Schwartz 2001

**Weddings:** Jack Liao and Joanne Huang, Tony and Jo Wells, Jane and Matthew Pauli, Nina and David de Garis, Joan and Russell Cooper, Rob and Lachelle Stewart, Ian and Joan Richardson.



**MAKE NOTES OF THESE DATES IN YOUR DIARY**

See also [http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/notices\\_and\\_events\\_future](http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/notices_and_events_future)

**Thursday 22nd December:** BBQ breakfast at North Balwyn Cricket Club. 7am to 8.30 am Macleay Park, Belmore Road, North Balwyn. \$15.00 per head. Partners welcome. Please advise Hugo if you cannot attend or are bring your partner.

**Sunday 15th January:**

Brunch at Warran Glen Nursery, Warrandyte –  
9.30 am to 11.30 am.



**Monday 16th January:** BYO everything, for an optional fellowship get together with colleagues from other Eastside clubs. If the weather is inclement, we will go to the RC Canterbury meeting venue in Rochester Road nearby. There is no need to RSVP. Just arrive! All members, alumni and Friends are welcome.

**Thursday 19 January** First club meeting for 2017. Fellowship BBQ at KGC. There will be no meeting the following week Thursday 26th Jan. **Normal meeting pattern will recommence on 2 February.**

**Thursday 26th January, Rotary Showcase,** Lake Weeroona on Australia Day, Bendigo

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2017 Rotary Golf Day**

Kew Golf Club 7.30am start for 128 Players with a shotgun start .

**Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> February 2017. TRAMBOAT LUNCHEON CRUISE**

Sail from Victoria Harbour, down the Lower Yarra and up the Maribyrnong River.

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**Saturday 25th February—The Rotary Showcase**

**Melbourne** – In the Atrium, Federation Square on Saturday 25th February, 2017.

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**Please note: Rob Head has booked-out a nice compact motel for our Club very close to the Conference venue.**

See Rob for accommodation details.  
Registrations are now open!  
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[www.rotaryconference.org.au](http://www.rotaryconference.org.au) to register.



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Submission by Noon Saturday please.



### APOLOGIES FOR CLUB MEETINGS

1. Sign the "apology sheet" at the front desk at the prior meeting if you know in advance.
2. Click [HERE](#) for apologies, and log into website; select My Menu; Meeting Attendance/Apologies and Make-Ups; Select meeting date; Add Apology to this meeting; and send.
3. Or E-mail Hugo Goetze, [hugogoetze@netspace.net.au](mailto:hugogoetze@netspace.net.au) with your personal message.
4. Phone 9857 6701 (leave a message if required). Mobile phone calls & SMS are not to be used.

It is important to advise absences, guests attending, and partners attending. This is needed as the Kew Golf Club needs to know how many are attending each week to ensure we have the correct number of places set, meals provided and service staff employed. The Rotary Club incurs charges if we overestimate numbers attending. A meal may not be available if additional people attend to that advised.

Please apologise **no later than 5pm on Tuesday**.



### THE FOUR-WAY TEST

of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

**DECEMBER IS**

**FAMILY OF ROTARY MONTH**

*I believe the world is one big family, and we need to help each other.*  
Jot Li

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NORTH BALWYN

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