

Judy Steinicke Remembered

Judy Steinicke sadly passed away last week and many at the Club meeting on Thursday reflected on her wonderful contribution to Rotary and our Club and her support for Geoff over the years. Acting President Tony Wells began the meeting with thoughts about Judy and her lengthy battle and our admiration for her sustained determination and the manner in which Geoff has cared for her.

There always has been widespread affection for Judy and her connection with the Rotary Club of North Balwyn. She was committed supporting Geoff in his many roles in our Club.

And beyond that she took great care with great love for her own family through difficult times. We are sad at the loss, but we can also celebrate a great life.

Judy always supported Rotary's mission to do good in the world, and the notion of Service Above Self. Her commitment was acknowledged with Paul Harris Fellow recognition.

It was wonderful that Judy was with us at our meeting at Kew Golf Club the previous week, sitting in her wheelchair, with a kind word and a gentle smile for all who spoke with her.

Our Club is about to celebrate 41 years of Rotary service and Judy, as the wife of a charter member in Geoff, has been with the Club for its entire history. Judy and Geoff have supported many Club programs. One example close to their heart is Camp Getaway which they have supported through its progress and development. There are many others.

Judy was a regular at our meetings, but she had other interest and with Geoff enjoyed many of the fine things in life – particularly the arts, including music and the theatre.

Another important aspect of her life was her faith and regular attendance at church. She was a very Christian person.

Geoff has done a wonderful job caring for Judy. Our thoughts are with him.

Judy will be missed. But the legacy of her connection with the Club will continue in the years ahead.

