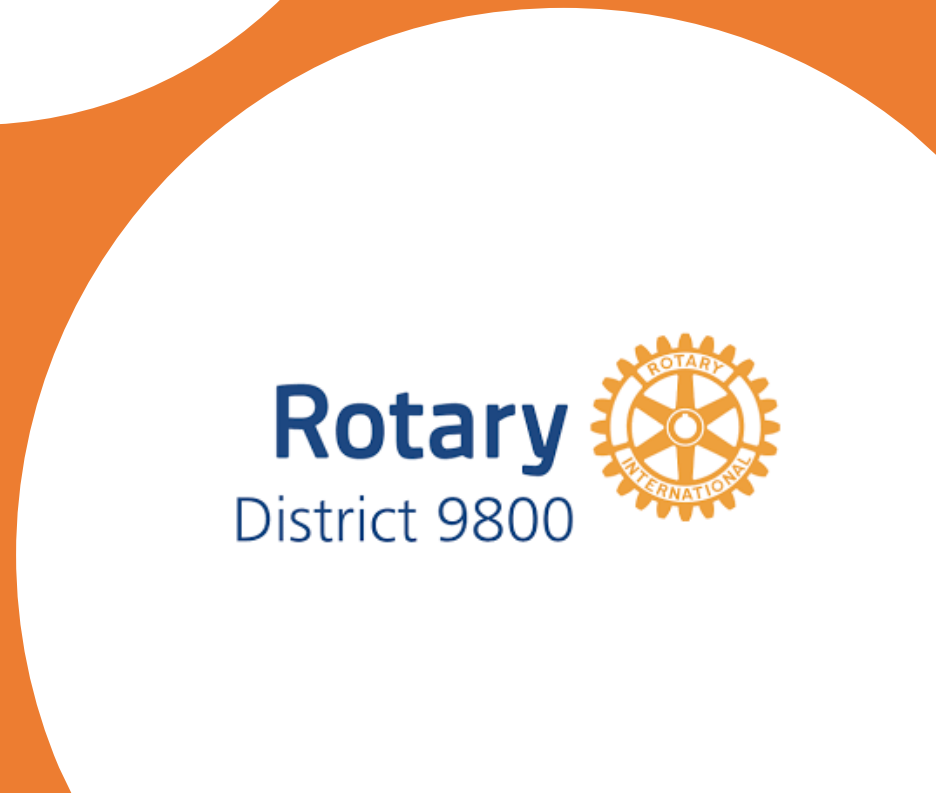




2026-2027




District 9800 Community Services Chair Sue Foley

- A Bendigo girl with three sisters and a brother and a family dedicated to helping the community through volunteerism.
- Member RC Melbourne South since 2007 – 3 times as President.
- Chair District 9800 Drought and Bushfire Response Committee
- Joined District 9800 Leadership Team July 2020
- Founder of the Rotary Melbourne Celtic Festival
- Past Chair of Linden New Art gallery
- Current board/committee member of:
 - The Animal Rehoming Service
 - The Murrumbeena Bowls Club
 - The Central Victorian Irish Association



I'd love to hear about your club community projects!

- **Understand your clubs focus for 26/27.**
 - **Assist and support your club.**
 - **Help publicise your work and encourage other clubs to engage where appropriate.**
 - **Share any networks which may be valuable for your club and project.**
 - **Ensure your project is recognised at District 9800.**
 - **Help you “tell your story” via Rotary and the wider community with Social Media support.**
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How to create a successful project.

BE CREATIVE

Don't be afraid to try something new.
Play to your strengths.

PARTICIPATION

You need a driver within the club, but you also need buy-in from all members.

COLLABORATE

Reach out to other Rotary Clubs, non-Rotary clubs, Businesses, councils and government for support and volunteers.

Source in-kind support.

APPLY FOR GRANTS

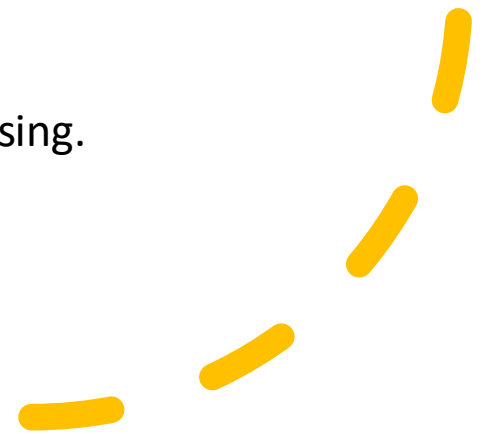
Time consuming but invaluable. Maybe consider creating a grant committee within your club. Understand the grants process within Rotary and actively apply.

PROMOTION

Make sure you build in media promotion and advertising.

Create visibility for your club and Rotary.

Use social media imaginatively.



The Melbourne Celtic Festival has been running since 2020 and has raised just on \$100,000 for RC Port Phillip projects and Australian Rotary Health as well as helping the Mission to Seafarers raised their own funds on the day for their welfare programs.



The aims of the Festival

- To create a community event which was accessible to all
- To promote Rotary and encourage understanding of our work
- Raise funds for Rotary programs
- Providing opportunities for volunteering
- Creating a professional event for musicians to perform in a unique environment with a focus on supporting emerging artists.
- Give visibility to the Mission to Seafarers – a unique historic building largely unknown to Victorians.
- Promote and celebrate Celtic culture and the contribution of our Celtic history past and present.

Surviving Covid Lockdown

Rotary in Harmony

Rotary District 9800

Rotary Opens Opportunities

Classical

3 pm, Sunday, 11th October 2020

Featuring

Merlyn Quaife AM accompanied by Cheryl Long
 Schubert's An die Musik: Love song medley arranged by Mark Jones
 Katie Kim accompanied by Ed Chan
 Romance No 2 in F Major Op 50, Ludwig Beethoven
 Kaitlin White: Piano
 Mirrors, 11: Une barque sur l'océan, Maurice Ravel (1875-1937)
 Hannah Rundell: Trumpet
 First movement of Trumpet Concerto, Joseph Haydn
 Raechel Suh: Cello, Prelude from Bach's Cello Suite No 2 in D Minor
 Michael Lapina: Tenor
 Plus further surprise performances

A free event of pure joy that will uplift your spirits



Bookings can be made through:
<https://www.trybooking.com/BLRVQ>

Rotary in Harmony

Christmas Carols

3.00 pm Sunday 13th December 2020

Free Event

Discretionary donations will support Australian Rotary Health's *Lift the Lid on Mental Illness* and *The G'Day Network* program. Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/BLRVQ>



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Rotary in Harmony Celtic

3.00 pm Sunday 22nd November 2020

Free Event

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LIFT THE LID on mental illness



Damien Leith



Bhan Tré



Patrick Evans



Maria Forde

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Rotary in Harmony JAZZ

3.00 pm Sunday 8th November 2020

Free Event

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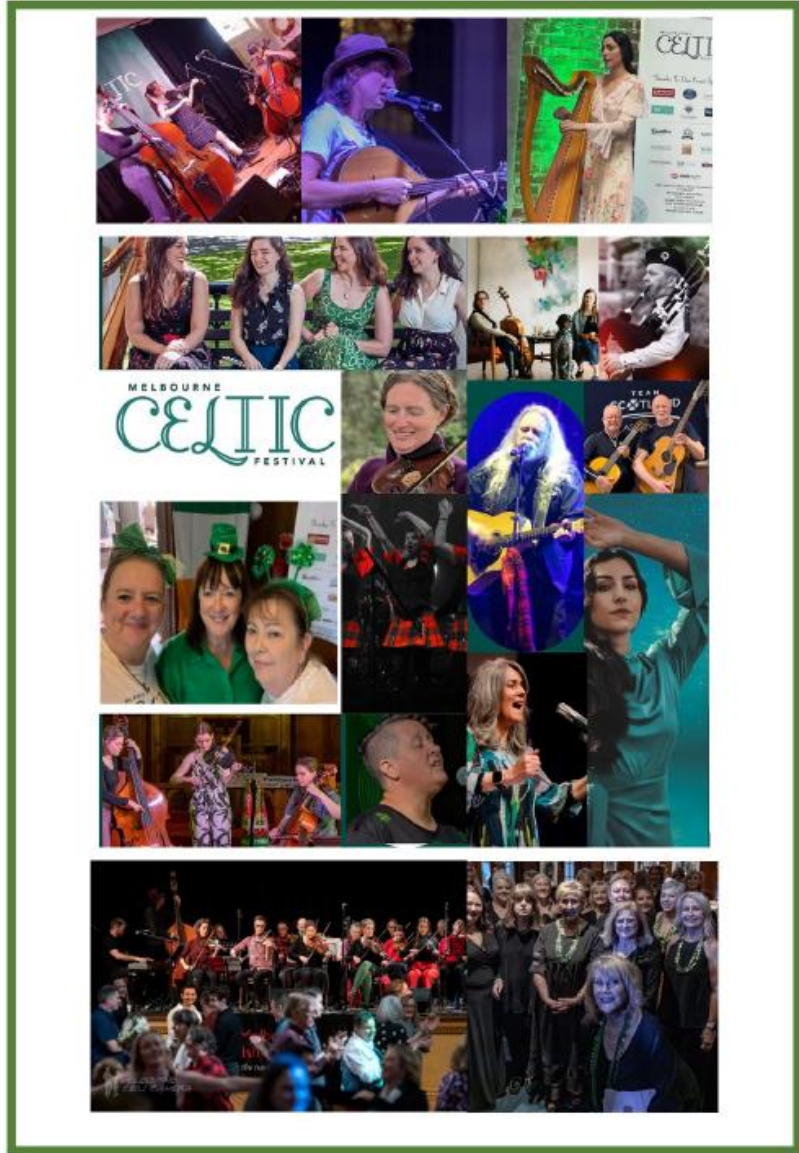


Congratulations



'Melbourne Celtic Festival'

Ron Payne, District Governor 2023-24
30th June 2024



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Caring for seafarers
in Victorian ports since 1857



Now let's
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collaborate!!

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