

Rotary brings together people like you and me; people from all walks of life who want to use their time and expertise for good. People whose sense of responsibility inspires them to give back to their communities. At Rotary, we connect for good - and form lifelong friendships.

**Did you know that Rotary has worked tirelessly since 1988 to fight Polio? Together with the Bill Gates Foundation since 2007, has donated US\$1.6 billion to bring the world ... this close to ending Polio.**

**MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

Flemington Rotary gives you an opportunity to work with others on important issues affecting our community, our nation, and the world. We also have a lot of fun — whether we're socializing or working together on service projects. Our members connect at fortnightly meetings and learn from business experts, political and civic leaders, and entrepreneurs, who help us stay informed on topics that are relevant to our community.

**CURRENT PROJECTS**

We operate 2 Opportunity Shops: 444 Racecourse Road, Flemington and 135 Railway Parade, Werribee which provide funding for our work.

We are strong in supporting local youth with Annual Scholarships to students at all local schools; Science scholarships for students in years 10/11; an annual Sports Scholarship to a talented local athlete, opportunities for debating and leadership programs, and career mentoring to students in years 10-12.

We fund two major scholarships for students entering VCE in the name of former Presidents Del King & Eugene Odachowski.

Our inaugural Festival of Arts & Ideas in 2018 brought together residents and artists from across our communities for a month of events.

We provide picture books for disadvantaged children through the Maternal & Child Health Nurses in Moonee Valley; support local sports clubs, The Venney, the Elderly Chinese residents, isolated and homeless people, those experiencing mental health issues and working with local multicultural community groups.

Our experienced BBQ team supports local schools and groups in their events.

We also support a number of international projects including East Timor, Sri Lanka, Cambodia and in Africa.

We meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays for breakfast, 7.15am at the Crown Street Stables Café, 40 Crown St, Flemington just off Racecourse Road. You are welcome to join us at any time, meet us and find out what Rotary is all about.

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**The fight to End Polio**

Rotary, the World Health Organization, UNICEF and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention launched the Global Polio Eradication Initiative in 1988. In 2007, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation joined Rotary in its commitment to ending polio.

Since 2013, the Gates Foundation has matched every \$1 Rotary commits to polio eradication 2-to-1, up to \$35 million per year. Rotary, with matching funds from the Gates Foundation, has contributed more than \$1.6 billion to end polio.

Since we started the fight against polio, we've reduced the number of polio cases by 99.9 percent and reached more than 2.5 billion children with the vaccine.

**TOP 5 REASONS TO ERADICATE POLIO**

- To improve lives.**  
16 million people are walking today who would have otherwise been paralyzed.
- To invest in the future.**  
If polio isn't eradicated, within 10 years, as many as 200,000 children could be paralyzed by it each year. A polio-free world will be a safer world for children everywhere.
- To improve child health.**  
Polio surveillance networks and vaccination campaigns also monitor children for other health problems like vitamin deficiency and measles, so they can be addressed sooner.
- To save money.**  
A polio-free world will save the global economy \$40-\$50 billion in health costs within the next 20 years.
- To make history.**  
Polio eradication would be one of history's greatest public health achievements, with polio following smallpox to become only the second human disease eliminated from the world.

[endpolio.org](http://endpolio.org) **Donate Now**

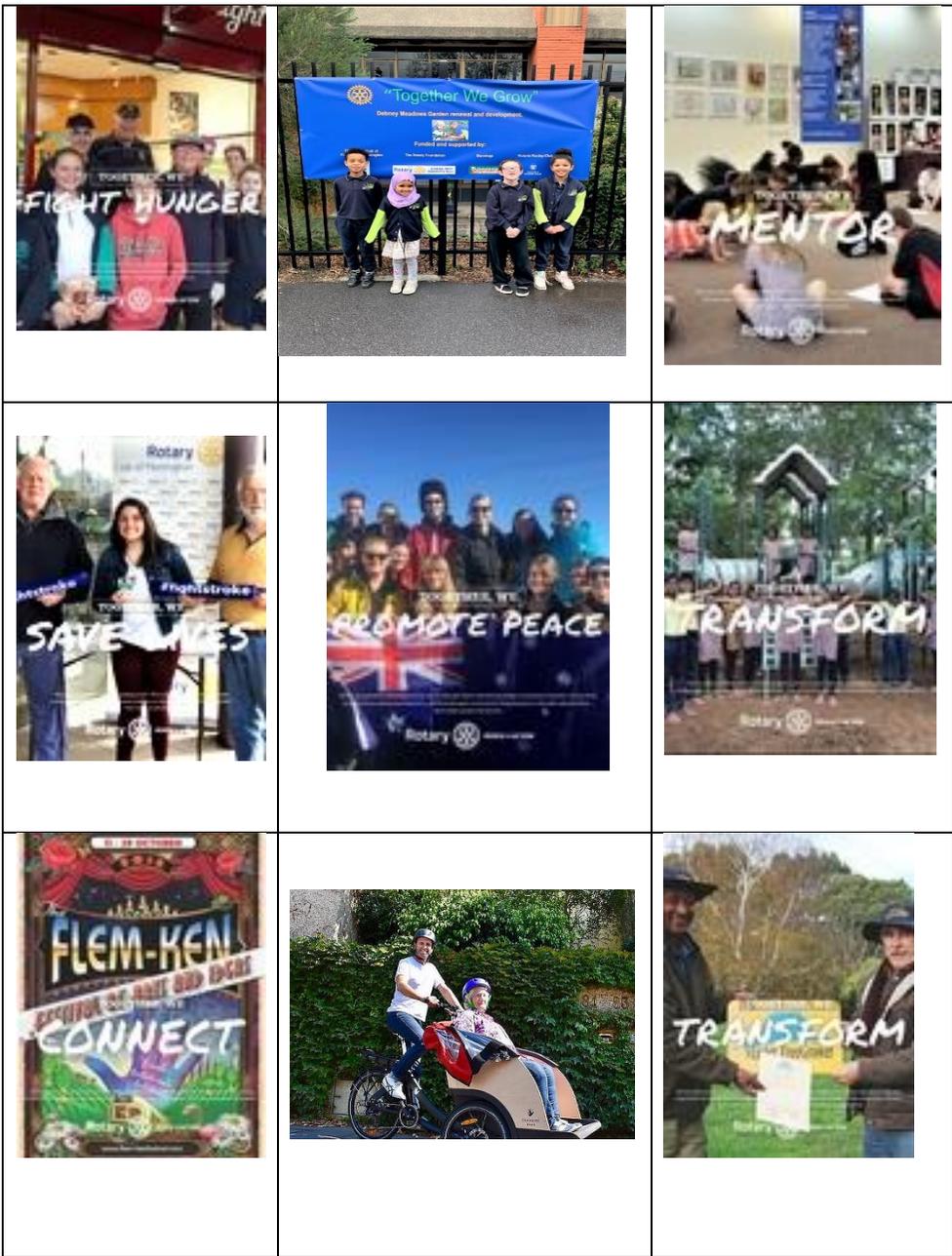
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There are fewer polio cases today than ever, but we will not stop until we reach zero.

Polio is still endemic in Afghanistan, Nigeria, and Pakistan. In 2018, there was a widespread outbreak in Papua New Guinea, and outbreaks in Somalia, Indonesia and Nigeria. With air travel, the danger is that the disease can spread easily to Australia.

We are also seeing Vaccine derived Polio where there are insufficient people immunised to provide 'herd' immunity.

It costs just \$3 for the vaccine to immunise a child against Polio – **please donate now.**



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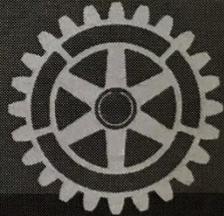
Our Op Shop at 444 Racecourse Road will collect  
whitegoods and furniture.

Call Sam on 0487 334 068 OR email [info@rotaryflemington.org.au](mailto:info@rotaryflemington.org.au)

Join community members to work on local projects and give back. Our current  
projects are the garden renewal at Debney Meadows PS,  
providing picture story books for local children, the  
Art Show in October and the Sausage Sizzle team.

We meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month  
7.30am at The Quest, 600 Epsom Road

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### THE 1000 STORIES PROJECT

Providing books for children 3 months to 5 years  
from disadvantaged and refugee backgrounds  
in the Ascot Vale, Flemington & Kensington area,  
through Maternal & Child Health Nurse visits.



For many of these children, books in the home are rare, and results in  
them starting school without the recommended  
**1,000 Books before school** or 5,000-word vocabulary  
identified as a necessary learning base.

Can you help us with good condition used books?

Labeled books may be dropped off at one of our Op Shops  
444 Racecourse Road Flemington or  
135 Rialley Avenue Werribee or call for pick up

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