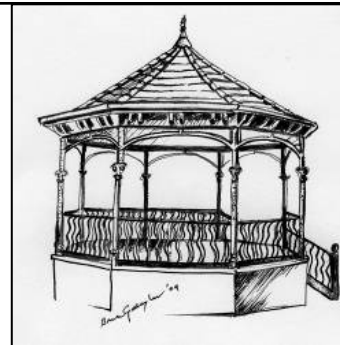




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## Meeting

Mondays 6:00pm for 6:30pm  
Basscare Centre,  
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*Unless otherwise stated in Diary*

## Register for Meeting

Guests and Club Members can  
Register on the following links  
[Register for Meeting](#)  
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## Apologies

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*Advise Mal of a long absence*

## The Rotary Radio Show

Fridays 6pm to 8pm

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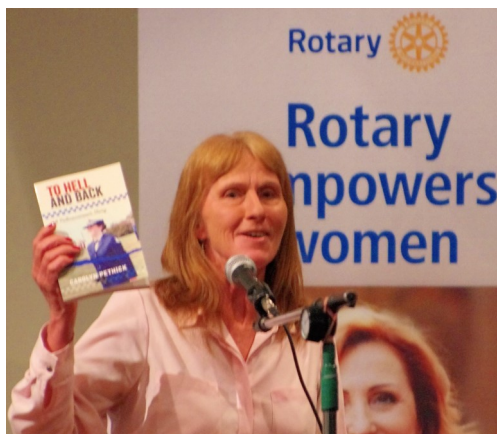
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## A Policewoman's Story

Last Monday Carolyn Pethick spoke about some of her experiences as a policewoman joining Victoria Police in the early 1980s as a 21 year old. In the early days of her career there were relatively few women in the force and Carolyn was allocated on several occasions to sections of the Police that had previously been all male. This sometimes resulting in her encountering a Police culture in parts of the force which was very much a 'boys club' and not accepting of the contribution that could be made a policewoman purely on the basis of merit. Carolyn told a number of anecdotes of her experiences as a policewoman, particularly at that early stage of her career, which were quite shocking by modern standards. There were instances of blatant sexual discrimination, bullying and harassment that was part of a male dominated culture.

Carolyn has written a book, *To Hell and Back - A Policewoman's Story* which is the story about her experiences and struggle to say and do the right thing, to follow procedure, no matter what the eventual cost to herself and her career.



However, Carolyn emphasised that although her book shows some of the horrific conditions policewomen had to work through during the early years, she said some of the greatest times of her life were whilst working in the Victorian Police Force over her 30 year career.

Carolyn left the force for 6 year to look after her sick daughter and on re-joining had to go through the same training and career level of a constable as if she were a raw recruit. The Force currently comprises about 40 percent woman and the modern conditions of employment are much more considerate of the family needs of women.

*Carolyn Pethick*

## President's Message

"To Hell and Back", is a very stimulating topic for our speaker last Monday night, Carolyn Pethick, to address. Carolyn took us through her story while as a policewoman in the Victorian Police. Carolyn recounted many stories which demonstrated the pioneering role she has played in raising gender equality issues within the Victorian Police. These issues needed to be addressed if the force was to come in-line with more modern community standards. She also indicated her love of the Police Force and Policing and often recommends it as a great and challenging career for women.

## Speaker and Activities Program

Monday April 10

**"You be the Judge"** interactive educational session with Chris Gill as facilitator from the Victorian Sentencing Advisory Council. **Please note the earlier start of 5:00 for 5:30pm.**

Monday April 17

Easter Monday - no meeting

Monday April 24

Speaker: Nataša Kampmark, **"Australian Studies at European Universities"**

Chair: Bill Granger

Sunday April 30

**30th Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Canterbury Celebration**

Monday April 31

No meeting

## Sunday Market 7am – 1pm

April 9 - Oubada El-Ali, Michael Chong, Gerry Cross

April 16 - Graham Bishop, Ander Pederson, Greg Vero

April 23 - Doug Hawley, Lyn Steel/Bill Granger, Val Cuniffe/Patrick Cuniffe

April 30 - Brian Bloomer, Steve Wylie, Chris James/Kathleen Stapleton

**Contact Tony Simpson for all roster changes and requests, Home 9417 3995, Mob 0488 380 899**

**Please be on time as if you are late, our Club pays \$50 penalty for each half hour or part thereof.**



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## **President's Message - Continued**

### **The Port Fairy Weekend**

On May 5-7, our Club will have its weekend away at Port Fairy. It is really important that you let Alan Stevens know if you are coming or not as soon as possible. Fifteen rooms have been reserved at Seacombe House and these will be allocated as reservations come in. However, if not all rooms are going to be required, we need to let Seacombe House know as soon as possible so they have a chance to take bookings from other people.

We have had several visits to Port Fairy over the years, most times in the winter like this year. It has always been great time and a highlight of the Rotary year. An optional program has been organised so that a variety of activities are offered. Please make an effort to come as you won't be disappointed. Not all members of our Club have been on one of our weekends away and it would be great if we had several first timers on the weekend at Port Fairy.

### **The Celebration of the Thirtieth Anniversary of the Club**

The other event that requires early bookings is our 30th Anniversary Celebration that is coming up on Sunday Afternoon, April 30 at Box Hill Golf Club, from 1:30pm to 4:30pm. We are inviting Past Members, Friends of Rotary, fellow Rotarians and others who have had an involvement with our Club in some way. It is quite important that we also get a good attendance by our current members. It will be a wonderful afternoon in a beautiful setting with few speeches and plenty of opportunity to catch up with past members and to reflect upon the special projects and events that our Club has participated in over the last 30 years. Please pencil in the date and time in your diary. Also please let me know anyone else you think would welcome an invitation to the Celebration. I am also looking for any memorabilia of our Club that we could show on the afternoon - photographs, videos, posters, banners, etc.

### **The Rotary Foundation Centenary Celebration Dinner**

I am also looking for someone to accompany Averil and I to the Rotary Foundation 100th Year Celebratory Dinner on Wednesday 31st May at 6:30pm in Docklands. Cost is \$165 per person. We are promised Inspiring Speakers, Uplifting Entertainment and a Culinary Experience.

Next Monday evening our meeting will be **starting 1 hour earlier** so that we can participate in a special program, "You be the Judge", that will be presented by Chris Gill of the Victorian Sentencing Advisory Council. How often have you heard someone say, or maybe you have said it yourself, "Why is the sentence given for that crime so light when they committed such a terrible crime." This is your chance to learn some of the issues involved in a participatory session which should be very informative, educational and enjoyable.

Doug

## **The Next Meeting Facilitator - Chris Gill**



Chris Gill from the [Victorian Sentencing Advisory Council](#) is the facilitator of the 'You be the Judge' education session on sentencing law. Chris has a background in education, media communications and community engagement to enhance well-being and social participation.

How do judges choose the punishment for criminals? Have you ever seen a news report about a judge sentencing an offender and thought, "Give me a go, I could do a better job myself"? Now you can! The Sentencing Advisory Council's, interactive and entertaining 'You be the Judge' presentation puts participants in the role of the judge. Following a real-life case study, the informative 1.5 hour session reveals what laws and principles judges must follow when sentencing. You will hear about a real crime, then sentence the offender. You can then compare your sentence to that imposed by the real judge. Discussion is encouraged.

**Please note the earlier start of 5:00pm for 5:30pm**

## **Port Fairy Social Weekend**

A social weekend of good food and friendship at Port Fairy from 5-7 May. Activities include walking, boat trip, cheese tasting, tours, golf, etc. There is a booking fee of \$25 per person which covers the cost of welcome snacks and BBQ dinner. Please pay at the time of booking with Alan Stevens. Accommodation at [Seacombe House](#) is \$130 per room per night.

