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A Message from the Pres.



Guess the language

Ni hao everyone,

I hope everyone was able to stay cool during the hot days this week, remember to keep hydrated and slow down a bit in extreme weather.

All the best to all our members and friends with your recoveries, we are all thinking of you.

Thank you to Jo and everyone that was able to make it to the Social Tuesday walk around the Geelong Botanic Gardens. So sorry I wasn't able to make it due to a week's fulltime work that Shirley and I shared and my babysitting duties are now on a Tuesday afternoon.

I am asking **all members** to please read the emails that Telsa has sent out this week and **all members** to give serious consideration to filling these positions. We are heading into a new and exciting time with Rotary Community Groups.

This week Bayside will be interviewing our prospective Rotary Exchange Student for 2025.

With a few members out of action or on holiday we will need to recruit some of our friends to help with our 2 BBQ's this month. I am away this weekend and as of Saturday morning, no one has registered for this Fridays BBQ. **Please**, if you are available or know someone that could help, register ASAP so Daryll and Andrea know how many spots need to be filled.

Hope to see you all on Tuesday night for our meeting and to hear everyone's thoughts.

Zaici ganxie ni,
Ian.

P.S.-: Bayside has kindly been invited by John Oswald to Torquay Rotary Clubs online meeting on **Monday 4th March** with David Abbey, son of Royce and Jean Abbey. David will be speaking about the Royce Abbey Award of which Jo White was a very worthy recipient at our District Governor Visit dinner.

David will also speak about The Royce and Jean Abbey Scholarship, which both Bayside and Torquay are involved in bringing a teacher from PNG to Australia.

I would appreciate it if all members could log on to the meeting to listen to David and show our support for the project and thank John for the invitation.

"Login details will be passed on to all members as soon as we receive them".

Thank you for all your support,

THANK YOU TO OUR
SUPPORTERS

DIZZY TOYS



10 TEN SOUTH



Social Tuesday in the Gardens

The weather was perfect for a stroll through the Geelong Botanic Gardens on Tuesday.

Lunch first at the Tea House, then with map in hand we went on a discovery wander through



our Gardens that were established in 1850 and are the fourth oldest botanic garden in Australia. The 19th century explorer Daniel Bunce was the first curator of Geelong Botanic Gardens; a life-size bollard of him and a Victorian lady, stands just by the entrance today.

The woman next to him, I learnt from the information board nearby, has a guilty look on her face and a hand hidden behind her back, as she has been picking flowers illicitly, which was an ongoing problem for the curator in the early days, but hopefully not today.



The fascinating leaves of the 150-year-old maidenhair tree (Ginkgo biloba), one of the Earth's oldest tree species, and you can see where it got its name from, originating millions of years ago in China, and which live for hundreds of years, stands very proudly in the Temperate Garden

The Geelong Cabman's Shelter added to the historical side of the Gardens, Originally was in Malop St Geelong, servicing the cabmen with their horse drawn cabs, but became redundant when the trams came to Geelong in 1912. It was left derelict until the Friends of the Garden received a council grant in 1996 and restored it, saving a little of Geelong's history.

Another interesting building was the first Geelong Customs House used until 1845 at the waterfront, then it was loaned to the Postal Department and was used as Geelong's first telegraph office. The first message received in 1854 was regarding the goldfield riots in Ballarat.

A nice relaxing day, thank you to all that could attend.



CONGRATULATION TELSA STUBNA




For receiving her 5 year service award to Days for Girls.

I cannot imagine how many personal packs have been made over that 5years period, and how many young woman's lives have been changed.



Fabulous effort to team leader Telsa, and her wonderful team.

Also great to see the next batch of the Cancer Comfort Cushions being made for SJOG hospital, that the ladies are also sewing at their Monday workshop, to maybe give a little extra comfort when it's needed. Photo shows Jan Berry, Bayside and Liz Sykes RC of East Geelong making CCC for woman they probably will never meet. 



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

27th Feb
IMPORTANT BUSINESS NIGHT
ALL MEMBERS NEED TO ATTEND PLEASE.

1st March
Bunnings BBQ
Please register on clubrunner

4th Joint meeting with Torquay RC

5th March Board Meeting

9th March
Bunnings BBQ
Please register on clubrunner

12th board reports plus

19th Clean Up Australia Day
Contact Aileen
Details ASAP

26th Guest Speaker evening
With Jane Myers

HAPPY 119TH BIRTHDAY ROTARY INTERNATIONAL and what a better way to celebrate than to have a community project and take a visit to **FEED ME GEELONG**.



Jo joined a number of volunteers from many service club that work tirelessly supplying food to people in need. Nice to catch up with familiar faces from other clubs and seeing what can be done with produce that is not sellable. Some volunteers are collecting food from stores around Geelong, other are sorting good from bad, but nothing is wasted. Some produce go into the shop, some to farmers for feeding livestock, and the last into compost. So well organised and I believe there will be a little café opening soon. The new premises in Westmoreland street, St Albans Park are larger than the old one in

Newtown and more convenient for people to call in. Very worthwhile couple of hours, and if you are in the area why not drop in, you will be very welcome.



**Bayside's Clean Up
Australia Day
Will be on Tuesday
March 19th**

**Meeting mid-morning
and enjoying lunch
together after the
clean-up.**

**Venue TBA
So watch this space
for more details but
please hold the date**

**Are you available ?
Contact our Green
Queen Aileen
On 0408 360 199**

A Message from Judy Beasley International Chair

Royce & Jean Abbey Scholarship – I have been corresponding with John Oswald (RC Torquay) about the application for the scholarship for the Lese Oalai Principal, Mary. John has been in contact with the School of Education at Deakin University. If rotary is happy to sponsor Mary, they could host Mary under the International Visiting Scholars Scheme for 3 months. John is having a zoom meeting tomorrow with the Associate Head of School (International Partnerships) to discuss this further. It sounds very promising, and I think the R & J Abbey Scholarship Committee could look favourably upon this partnership.

And to follow up on this joint project, we have been invited to join the Torquay Rotary Club online meeting on Monday 4th March Guest speaker is David Abbey, son of Royce & Jean Abbey, he will be speaking about the R & J Abby Scholarship.

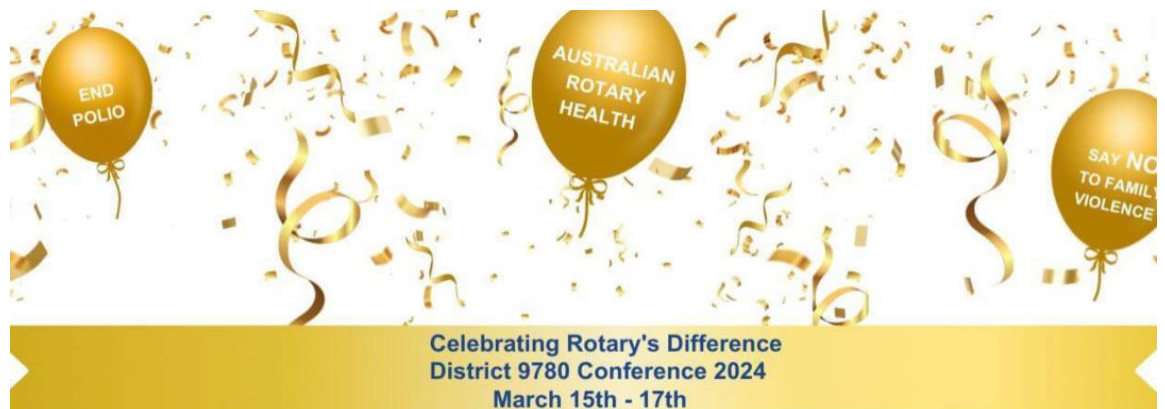
The information to get online will be sent ASAP

Dr. John Birrell Road Safety Practitioner of the Year Award 2024

I met with Terry Baker (RC Bellarine North) and Sean Drew (Senior Sergeant from Geelong Police) last Wednesday morning at the Geelong RSL. We discussed possible venues, the RSL being one. Sean is going to speak with someone he knows at the St. Mary's Football Club about their venue. The RSL are available on **Tuesday April 23rd**. Meal charge starts at \$50 for a 2 course meal. Any other ideas? Our Club will be hosting the Award in 2024.

Judy Beasley International Chair

DISTRICT CONFERENCE [click here to register](#)
ONLY 20 SLEEPS TO GO - *have you registered yet?*



**The Rotary
International President
Gordon McNally,
will be in Victoria in
June!**



Join us for lunch with Gordon & Heather

Rarely does the Australian Rotary family have the opportunity to meet the Rotary International President and hear him first hand. Please consider this invitation in context of a fantastic opportunity being afforded to all of us. Think about getting a group together and coming along to show some Aussie support from our Districts.

Where: RACV Cape Schanck Conference Centre

When: Sunday 2nd June, 12:00 pm

Cost: \$145.00 - 3 course meal,
including welcome drink, then drinks at bar prices

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1166596>

Book early to avoid disappointment, strictly limited spaces



Rotary



PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU ARE NOT AVAILABLE TO FILL YOUR JOB FOR THE NIGHT, PLEASE CONTACT & CHANGE WITH ANOTHER MEMBER.

FEBUARY MEETING ROSTER.

SECOND AND FOURTH TUESDAY MEETING AT THE NAVAL CLUB 90 SKENE ST NEWTOWN 6.45 MIX & MINGLE - MEETING 7.15 FOR 7.30 START ALL WELCOME

DATES	PROGRAM Mix & Mingle 6.45 meeting 7.15pm for 7.30	CHAIRPERSON	WELCOME/ CASHIER	ROOM DUTIES	SGT	SUPPER
27 th	IIINPORTANT BUSINESS NIGHT ALL MEMBERS PLEASE ATTEND	JUDY B	SHIRLEY	ANDREA P	DARYLL	JO
MARCH						
Fri 1 st and Sat 9 th	Bunnings BBQ, Yes, two in March– if you are available jump onto clubrunner and register today.	DARYLL & ANDREA				
Monday 4 th March	Online Joint meeting with Torquay RC Online Information will be sent asap	-	-	-	-	-
5 th March	Board dinner meeting 6:00 RSL Belmont	IAN & TELSA				
12 th March	Guest Speaker Dan Furlan will speak on his resent trip to Europe and the language course he was chosen to participate in. Also there will be information from the board	DARYL	SHIRLEY	JUDY B	RICK	AILEEN
15 th -17 th March	District Conference					
19 th March	Social Tuesday is Bayside's Clean Up Australia Day Plus join us for a Social lunch after. Further Information asap.					
26 th March	Guest speaker Jane Myer- who and where is Jane teaching now ?	JUDY E	SHIRLEY	DAN	PETER HYNES	ANDREA