



the return of our face to face meetings at St Albans Football Club! Grant application are also well underway and we hope to have some good news in the coming months.

We continue to have a diverse range of speakers and topics and it is encouraging to see our members show so much interest.

Let's keep things moving and continue to focus on supporting our Community!

Yours in Rotary Service,

Yannick Le Gall

President 2020-2021



Rotary of Club of Geelong East



Dear Members,

Club activities are definitely moving forward now that we are starting to see the light at the end of tunnel and surrender our face masks. Now with many restrictions lifted, we can get back to running Fundraising events. We also welcome

Special points of interest:

- Maternal & Child Health Month
- Embracing Working Together
- Turning Mental Health on its head
- Some more myths about vaccines
- Be Cyber Security savvy
- A peak into....
- Programme Updates



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WE'RE HERE TO HELP YOU DISCOVER MORE....about the Rotary of Geelong East

Take a visit and discover the benefits of joining a vibrant Rotary Club. Our friendly Rotary Club of Geelong East is ready to welcome you. Your job is to explore the many projects underway and be rewarded with the feeling that you too can help and support our community.

Go on, it's time you had a really good look around the many benefits of being a Rotarian and discovered the diverse range of activities and community based projects!



if people are not vaccinated, diseases that have become uncommon in some areas can quickly reappear.

In October 2019, the Pacific Island nations of Samoa, Tonga and Fiji were gripped by a measles outbreak due to low vaccination rates.

The highly infectious disease – which causes a rash and fever – killed more than 80 people, most of them babies and young children, and infected more than 5,600. UNICEF responded by urgently delivering close to 300,000 vaccines and medical supplies to protect children and families.

UNICEF has been working to vaccinate the world’s most vulnerable children and their families for more than 70 years. Every year, UNICEF procures more than 2 billion doses of life-saving vaccines and vaccinates half of the world’s children.

5. Myth: Vaccinated children cause outbreaks

Also false. Immunisation currently saves between 2 to 3 million lives every year. However, there are rare instances when a disease may spread despite the population being vaccinated. Some diseases change and evolve, which could impact the effectiveness of vaccines. The strain of bacteria or virus in the vaccine needs to be the same as the disease. That’s why we are encouraged to have yearly flu shots – the flu virus can change rapidly.

But what about vaccine-derived outbreaks? Oral polio vaccine contains a tiny bit of weakened poliovirus that enables it to bring about an immune response in children and protect them from infection. But on rare occasions, as the vaccine-virus cycles through children’s bodies over time, it can mutate into a harmful form of poliovirus that causes paralysis and

spread to those who are unvaccinated.

If all children in the area are adequately immunised, this virus has no one to infect and dies away. The lower the population immunity, the longer these viruses survive. This is what happened in both Yemen and Sudan in September 2020.

Outbreaks of vaccine-derived polio were attributed to increasingly low levels of immunity among children. Both countries are facing conflict and restricted access, making it difficult to reach remote areas with life-saving vaccines for long periods of time. UNICEF teams continue to work day in, day out to reach every child, no matter their situation.

If a population is fully immunised against polio, it will be protected against the spread of both wild and vaccine derived strains of poliovirus.

That’s why we must continue this vital work to reach every child with regular immunisations and ensure that children and

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**A BIG THANK YOU FROM SHELTERBOX.
 SOMETHING TO BE PROUD OF!**



Dear Rotary President,

I hope you and your members are keeping well.

It is with great pleasure that I enclose your SapphireLifetime Giving Award in recognition of your support for ShelterBox over the past years. A Sapphire Award recognises lifetime club giving of \$15,000 - \$24,999.

Enclosed is a copy the 2020 Rotary Impact Report, illustrating how your support has helped to change lives. Despite the challenges of the past 12 months, ShelterBox and its affiliates have adapted and innovated to ensure that nearly 40,000 families received assistance, following disaster and conflict. It is only due to the support of donors like you that this is possible.

I wish you good luck in the coming year. Please pass on my sincere thanks to your members for their generous support.

Yours in Rotary

Mike Greenslade
 CEO ShelterBox Australia

PS. We would love to come and tell you about all that is new with ShelterBox. Please contact kierny.deutrom@shelterbox.org.au to arrange a guest speaker. We can present in person or via Zoom.

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ShelterBox AUSTRALIA

Rotary Lifetime Giving Sapphire Award

This is presented to
ROTARY CLUB OF GEELONG EAST

in recognition of the significant financial contribution they have made to ShelterBox.

MIKE GREENSLADE
 CEO, ShelterBox Australia



EMBRACING WORKING TOGETHER!

DIVERSITAT CHAMPIONS!

A big thank you to our volunteers who worked with **Diversitat** to make their **Hope Garden Open Garden Day** on April 1st at



Arunga Ave, Norlane, a success. The tasks undertaken were initially to spread some mulch in the garden area then setting up tables, chairs and the BBQ. The community participants received talks on propagating of plants, garden techniques and a tour of the garden area itself. At the conclusion of the Hope Garden presentations, lunch was provided to all. Cooking of the sausages was undertaken by Graham Thomson with assistance from David & the serving of the cooked sausages, salads with associated

wraps were undertaken by Jenny Acopian & Janine Koch. Once lunch had been served and participants had left assisted in packing area up.

Working with BCYF

When first told of the idea of providing hands on help to BCYF, we wanted to help in an way that we could and believed this is an important initiative.

Our first mission was to put together Easter packs destined for the many Foster carers and Fostered children. Each pack included a Thank You card onto which our Rotary of Geelong East volunteers handwrote messages in support of the wonderful work done by the Foster parents.



Examples of handwritten messages



Thank You Card Design by Gary Newton



The Rotary of Geelong East attended the Give Where You Live event on the 18th March at the Geelong Arts Centre. The Club contributed a total of \$1200, an amount matched by by partners Gforce Employment Solutions Erdi Foundation and the Anthony Costa Foundation.

Our donation was distributed across two locally operating organisations: Geelong Youth Engagement and Strong Brother Strong Sister, who are changing young lives in the community.



PUZZLES & MENTAL HEALTH

On the 16th of March we heard the amazing story of **Catherine Eagleson**, who spoke openly about her experience with Mental Health and her ability to turn her life around using her ability to focus on problem solving.

Catherine Eagleson has been a member of the Rotary Club of Drysdale since 2006. She is also the current 9780 District Chair for Australian Rotary Health.

Catherine has lived with a mental illness for almost 20 years. Whilst it has been a struggle, over time, she has turned the negative into a positive, seeing her life skills as an opportunity to help her grow, reinvent herself, and make a difference by helping those in a similar situation. She has done this in a unique way, by promoting the benefits of solving puzzles.

Since launching her Clue Detective Puzzle Agency in 2004, Catherine has recognised the huge potential that puzzles have as an educational resource for schools and libraries, and a public relations tool for business.



CLUB ASSEMBLY



4th May Club Assembly

An opportunity to share ideas, discuss opportunities and club progress

May the 4th be with you!

St Albans FC

RSVP g.newton@iinet.net.au



\$30pp

Face2Face

Our Face to Face Club meetings are back at **St Albans FC!**



6 for 6:30 pm
Dinner provided at \$30 pp

203 St Albans Rd, Thomson VIC 3219

Face to Face meetings

- Guest Speakers
- Presentations
- Fellowship
- Friendly environment

RSVP dietary requirements



A VOCATIONAL EVENING WITH... GREG HOLT

By Warren Norton

The first Vocational / Youth meeting for this calendar year was held at East Fruit Market.

The Guest Speaker was the owner of the business, Greg Holt. Greg held members attention for 40 minutes and was then bombarded with questions from many, during the finger food dinner.

Greg talked about how he got into the business, his philosophy of employing young people, monitoring trends to ensure that his businesses keep up with and in some cases ahead of demand. He takes time out to listen to what customers are asking for and as a result, now has expanded the range within Geelong East Fruit Market, established Feast, a plant-based café that caters for all and most recently, East Side Wholefoods (bulk foods).

Members were treated to a range of plant based savory and sweet finger food.

It went quickly proving that people enjoyed what they ate.



Greg has supported the Rotary Club of Geelong East for some years, providing hampers for Dinner Auctions and raffles.

A great night, informative and entertaining!

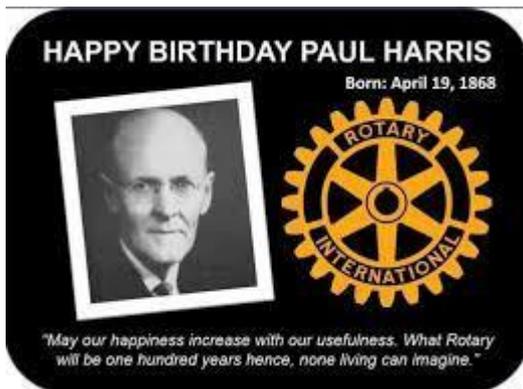


A visit from Phil & Judy



DG Phil Beasley and his wife Judy will be visiting our Club **27th April**

Phil will give a presentation on his focus for the year and Judy will give a presentation on our DG & Partner project - The Indigenous Literacy Foundation



20th April 2021

Grovedale Hotel

For more details contact
PP Graham Thomson



ITHF Programme

FREE

Click on a free YouTube link to find out more about the International Travel & Hosting Fellowship
<https://youtu.be/yQtcutPd8XQ>

Expiration Date: 00/00/00

Be CYBER SECURITY savvy

By Tony Alsop

Digital Cyber Threats – Guest Speaker, Howard Randall, 30th March 2021

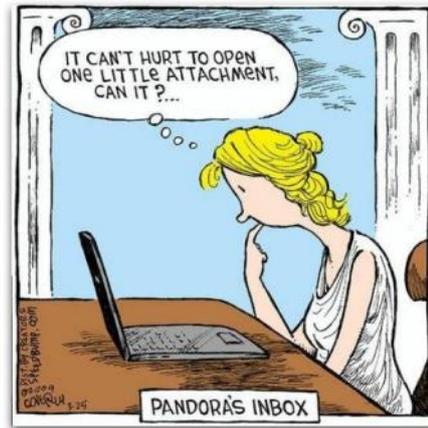
Howard, who met with us on zoom, is a business consultant from Quay Focus who specialises in cloud based computing systems in Microsoft 365 spoke about digital cyber threats (that’s the electronic digits – not the fingers and toes digits). He told us about the different types of cyber threats, how safe the cloud is, how vulnerable

we are, what the weakest links are and how to minimise our risk. Turns out the person behind the keyboard is the greatest risk but he gave us plenty of tips, the most important one was to keep all your digital devices (computers, tablets, phones, etc) up to date. The older your hardware and software is the greater the risk.

Howard has over 30 years in Rotary and is currently a Rotarian from RC Torquay and served in leadership roles in D9780.

Thank you Howard for spending your time and expertise with us.

PS - Don't be like Pandora – don't open that strange email in your inbox.



To the Presidents of Group 9 & 10.

The Rotary Club of Belmont in conjunction with BCYF have made the decision to defer our annual Business Charity Luncheon in support of Headspace Social Inclusion Program due to the challenges that Covid brings to holding such an event.

Our Club has again agreed to support this program and in place of the lunch, we will hold an Appeal. Our Appeal will run from 26th April to the 6th May.



We seek your support in promoting this appeal to your members. A further email will issue prior to the appeal date with further details and how to make a donation.

The annual cost of running the Social Inclusion Program is in excess of

\$ 100,000. Our aim is to seek funds to ensure the program continues for a further 12 months. This program receives no State or Federal funding and is funded purely from our funding raising and community support.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact Gerard Sell, Chairperson, Headspace Social Inclusion Appeal, Rotary Club of Belmont

A peak into ...

HOW WELL DO WE KNOW OUR CLUB MEMBERS

WALHALLA *and the* BLACKSMITH'S GREAT GRANDSON

By Keith Dawson (Rotary Member since 10th Oct 2006)

Many of you may be aware that, for many years, I have always been interested in my family history. This interest started with a privately published book, "Loutit Family Saga". A book about my paternal grandmother's Family (Loutitt or Loutit) and the family roots in the Orkney Isles visiting Viking and doomsday books. What better story for an 8-year-old to digest? This interest was also fostered by the fact both my father's parents had passed away 10 years before I was born.

Over the last 35 years I have been chasing the branches, twigs and leaves into my family tree (Dawson / Golland). The excitement level increased when I found a journal in the Macquarie Library in Sydney written by my Great Uncle on the "Canton" the ship that was carrying the "Dawson Family" from Lincolnshire to Sydney in 1835.

Now retirement has allowed me to document my years of research in a story about each of my uncles and aunties (My father was one of seven and

my mother one of five) so I have undertaken to put together about 15 to 20 pages about each of my uncles and aunties.

"I am the Great Grand-son of a Blacksmith not a Wordsmith".

I have an opening line whenever contacting my cousins to seek further information about their parents and explain what I am doing with this information. I like to use it to point out that they will get the facts but it will not be very polished and I take no offence if they care to edit the final Document.

Now just to explain this statement my Grandfather was the Manager of the Long Tunnel Gold Mine in Walhalla which by the way was one of the richest gold mines in Victoria. He married the Company's Chief Blacksmith David Loutit's daughter Margaret Edith Loutit.

Hence, I am the Great Grandson of a Blacksmith.

David was a pretty clever fellow when 1887 the company asked him to help to celebrate Queen Victoria Golden Anniversary, so he made the "long Tunnel Jubilee Gun".

I have been a member of the Walhalla Heritage and Development league for many years.

On four occasions, I have travelled to Walhalla for the dawn ANZAC day service with a hope of seeing the cannon being fired only once has this happen. But you can see the cannon in the Walhalla Museum.

I can recommend Walhalla as a place to spend your money in support of the town that have been affected by the covid lock downs. But Please do some research before getting there. <http://walhalla.org.au/index.htm>



David is the man with the leather apron behind the left-Hand side of the Sign

CLASSIFIEDS



Warrnambool Rotary invites you to participate in our

Charity Golf Day

Date: Friday 21st May 2021
Where: The Warrnambool Golf Club, Younger Street Warrnambool
Time: Shotgun start, 11am for a 11:30am tee off (Registration from 10.30am)
Cost: \$400 per team, or \$100 per person
Competition: 4 Ball Ambrose Medley
Includes: Continuous BBQ throughout the day, complimentary drinks on course and post-game. Many prizes available to win.

Registrations are through the Warrnambool Gold Club website <https://wgclnc.com.au/>

All proceeds raised go towards 2 Personal Water Craft Vessels for the Warrnambool Volunteer Coast Guard. This will allow close to shore capabilities which are currently unavailable.

What It Takes

Key features of good practice Workplace English Language and Literacy training projects

Implications for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander language, literacy and numeracy programs




BELLARINE NORTH ROTARY

Change of name for Drysdale Rotary Club

Please be aware that the Rotary Club of Drysdale is now named the **Rotary Club of Bellarine North**

RYLA

The District 9780 RYLA committee are on the search for some new committee members – if this is something that might interest you please send an expression of interest email to committee chair Rachel at rach.furnell@gmail.com



Australian National Bushfire Health and Wellbeing Study

The Australian National Bushfire Health and Wellbeing Survey

Invitation to Participate. Can you Help?

A team of researchers at the Australian National University are conducting a survey to understand the past and present impact of bushfires and smoke on health wellbeing, and lifestyle. We need to hear from as many Australians as possible, both with and without bushfire experience. Your participation will help identify how to support and protect the well-being of Australians when faced with future bushfires.

If you would consider helping or would like further information, see our website or Facebook. <https://psychology.anu.edu.au/research/projects/australian-national-bushfire-health-and-wellbeing-study-bushfirestudy>

R100 birthday party across D9780

You're invited to a District wide Birthday Party celebrating 100 years of Rotary in Australia on the actual day—Wednesday 21 April 2021.

DG Phil and DGE John would like you to join them on zoom on the evening of 21 April as follows:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/94411950997?pwd=TFI4OWhSNzRvamVFRlJlU2hTQTgxUT09>

Meeting ID: 944 1195 0997

Passcode: 510091

Please join us for this event to celebrate 100 years of Rotary in Australia

Channel 10 Malaria Broadcast

A recent news item on Channel 10 about malaria research being carried out by University of Queensland

[2021 03 14 Ten News Malaria Segment \(Library of Proteins\)](#)



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RAWCS

Rotarians Against Malaria (RAM) -

The Schools Video Competition is running again this year. This competition is open to all primary schools and involves students producing a short video on the effects and control of malaria. Examples of past winners are available on the RAM web-

site; www.ram.rawcs.com.au If anyone would like more information they contact either myself or Southern Region RAWCS secretary Virginia Turner vm.turner@bigpond.com

Malaria Awareness Day is on April 30th this year. More information can be found on the website <https://ram.rawcs.com.au/malaria-awareness-day/>



ROTARY IS TALKING TO LISTENERS

EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT

Since 2005, 'The Rotary and Community Service Radio Show' on 94.1FM 3WBC has gone to air between 6 and 8 pm every Friday. It also 'Live Streams' on www.3wbc.org.au

REVIEWS

GRAIN CROP SILO ART

Photos submitted by Keith Dawson

Whether in Rochester, VIC or Hopeton, VIC, you will be dazzled by the Grain Crop Silo Art. Silo art isn't just a beautiful addition to the local landscape. For many towns and communities it's a lifeline.

It is important for promoting tourism in Regional Australia.

Silo Art movement all began in Northam Western Australia.

Rating:



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Birthday & Anniversary Report

Sorted By Date

Member Birthdays

Name	Date
Fleet, Graeme	06 May
Bailey, Bill	12 May
Macvean, Don	13 May
Beretta, Sue	28 May
Dunlop, James	29 May

Spouse Birthdays

Name	Spouse Of	Date
Fleet, Graeme	Fleet, Lyn	06 May
Dunlop, James	Dunlop, Susan	29 May

Anniversaries

Name	Spouse Name	Years	Date
Thomson, Graham	Vicki	38 years 11 months	01 May 1982

Name	Spouse Name	Years	Date
Sykes, David	Sykes, Liz	46 years 0 months	19 Apr 1975
Sykes, Lizzie	Sykes, David	46 years 0 months	19 Apr 1975

Date Joined Rotary

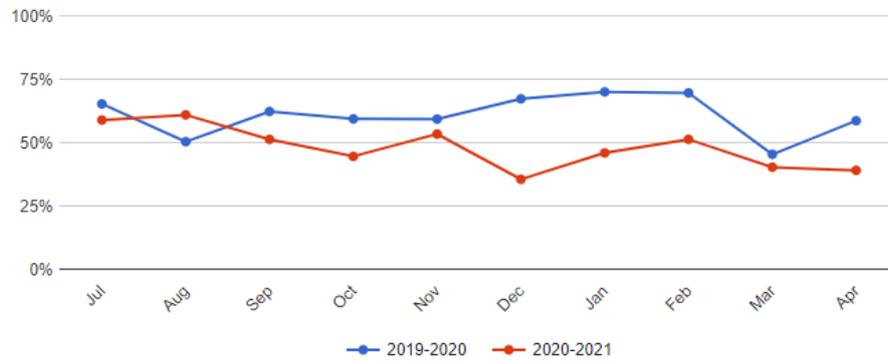
Name	Years	Date
Sykes, Lizzie	2 years 11 months	01 May 2018
Fletcher, Anna	24 years 11 months	07 May 1996
Acopian, Jennifer	21 years 11 months	08 May 1999
Dunlop, Susan	11 years 11 months	19 May 2009
Hill, Susan	12 years 11 months	20 May 2008

Name	Years	Date
Marshall, Alison	2 years 0 months	23 Apr 2019

Dashboard

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Attendance History Report



Statistics are based on today and past meetings, both open and closed without including makeups.

Last Meeting's
Attendance
Apr 06, 2021

41.46%

Recent Meetings

Apr 06, 2021	16 / 41	<div style="width: 41.46%;"></div>	41.46%
Mar 30, 2021	16 / 41	<div style="width: 39.02%;"></div>	39.02%
Mar 23, 2021	15 / 44	<div style="width: 36.36%;"></div>	36.36%
Mar 16, 2021	17 / 42	<div style="width: 40.48%;"></div>	40.48%
Mar 09, 2021	13 / 42	<div style="width: 30.95%;"></div>	30.95%
Mar 05, 2021	25 / 44	<div style="width: 59.09%;"></div>	59.09%
Feb 23, 2021	26 / 45	<div style="width: 57.78%;"></div>	57.78%
Feb 16, 2021	26 / 43	<div style="width: 60.47%;"></div>	60.47%

Statistics are based on today and past meetings, both open and closed including makeups.

Leaves of Absence

List any members that are on a leave of absence, which serves to exempt them from meeting attendance as per the Attendance Rules you define.

You can have multiple leaves of absence for a member, simply by defining the start and end date.

Note that a Leave of Absence overrides any other rule that may be set for that member type (e.g. exemption status).

Name ▼	Start Date ▼	End Date ▼	Reason ▼
Dawson, Keith	May 05, 2021	Sep 01, 2021	Leave of absence
Le Gall, Yannick	Apr 02, 2021	Apr 23, 2021	Holiday

Name ▲	Makeup Date ▼	Makeup Description ▼	Meeting Date ▼
Chug, Satbir	Feb 22, 2021	E Club One	Feb 02, 2021
Chug, Satbir	Feb 23, 2021	EClub One	Feb 09, 2021
Dunlop, Susan	Apr 06, 2021	I attended a virtual meeting with the RC Troy Michigan where there was an - ITHF International Travelling and Hosting Fellowship - panel presentation.	Apr 06, 2021
Sykes, David	Mar 23, 2021	AG visit to RC Bayside	Mar 23, 2021
Thomson, Graham	Feb 16, 2021	Board Meeting	Mar 05, 2021

DATE	MTG #	ACTIVITY	SPEAKER	VENUE	CHAIR/HOST	COMMENTS
Tue, 20 Apr 2021	2502	PAUL HARRIS B/DAY Peter Fickleton	Foundation	Grovedale Hotel	Tony Alsop	
Tue, 27 Apr 2021	2503	DG Phil Beasley & Judy Beasley	Phil Beasley	Newcomb FC	Yannick	
Tue, 4 May 2021	2504	CLUB ASSEMBLY	Members	St Albans	Yannick	STARWARS DAY
Tue, 11 May 2021		COMMITTEE MEETINGS WEEK				
Tue, 18 May 2021	2505	BE PREPARED (SCOUTS)	Tony Alsop	Face to Face	Gary	
Tue, 25 May 2021	2506	RSL RESEARCH	Christine Alsop	ZOOM	Tony Alsop	AFRICA DAY
Sun, 30 May 2021		DISTRICT ASSEMBLY - STAWELL, TBC				
Mon, 31 May 2021		CHRISTCHURCH MEALS 4:30 TO 6:30PM				
Tue, 1 Jun 2021	2507	MUMBAI CLUB	Satbir	ZOOM	Satbir	
Tue, 8 Jun 2021		COMMITTEE MEETINGS WEEK	Zoom or Director designated locations			
Tue, 15 Jun 2021	2508	MOVIE NIGHT	N/A	Pivotonian Cinema	Gary	
Tue, 22 Jun 2021	2509	SHIRAZ & MATISSE	Kris Adam	Face to Face		WINTER SOLTICE
Tue, 29 Jun 2021	2510	TBC	TBC	ZOOM		
Tue, 6 Jul 2021	2511	CHANGEOVER DINNER	Graham	Face to Face	Gary	

