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Meeting Responsibilities

Chair CRAWFORD, Michelle

Greeter/Zoom Host THORNTON, Roger

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NEXT MEETING

This meeting will be a face-to-face meeting at the RACV Club in the CBD.

The meeting will commence at 7:40am and conclude no later than 8:45.

Members can use this Humanitix link for all future face to face meetings. This link will be published in the bulletin every week going forward. https://events.humanitix.com/rotary-central-melbourne-breakfast-meeting

Online meetings are scheduled on the last Tuesday of each month. Members can use the following Zoom link to attend these meetings. For security reasons, the password for the Zoom meetings will be circulated in a separate email closer to the date of the next online meeting

GUEST SPEAKER 19th JULY



Dr Natasha Castree, Principal Public Health Medical Officer, Communicable Disease Prevention and Control, Victoria.

"Communicable Diseases in Public Health"

Within the Department of Health, the Public Health Division works to protect the health and safety of the community through a range of prevention and response work. The Communicable Diseases section is responsible for managing the risk to public health of over 70 different infectious diseases.

This talk will provide a brief overview of our work, with a focus on our response to a few key diseases of current importance and interest, such as Japanese Encephalitis and other mosquito-borne diseases, and Monkeypox, among others.

Natasha is currently undertaking specialty training in Public Health Medicine and working Public Health Registrar in the Communicable Diseases Section in the Victorian Department of Health. She previously worked within the COVID-

19 Response preceded by several years in General Practice, hospitals and the Air Force.

GARDEN DESIGNFEST

Feature garden: Verdicus, 7 Lowe Street, Tylden

Designers: Bruce Honey

Open: 19-20 November 2022



FROM THE LAST MEETING

RCM Breakfast Meeting Report - 12 July 2022

- 1. President Rohan Williams opened the meeting with the "welcome to country" ceremony and invited Chair Neville John to propose a toast to rotary.
- 2. Rohan welcomed members in attendance (17 in total), guest speaker Stuart Harrison and (for the last time as guest) Amir.
- 3. Rohan formally inducted Amir (representing the Tertiary Education sector) and Neville bestowed his Rotary member pin, formally welcoming Amir to the RCM fold. Amir will be allocated to the Youth Services Committee and his mentor will be Rhys Williams. Amir thanked Rohan, Neville and the Club for accepting him as a member; he pointed out that the principles of the organisation resonated deeply with him, will drive him and enhance his contributions
- 4. Neville then introduced Stuart Harrison to present to us "Being Open: The return to the city". Stuart duly acknowledged what always was and always will be the lands belonging to Kulin Nation, upon which we convened.

RMIT/University of Western Australia-trained, Stuart has been living in Melbourne since 1996. Having hosted two seasons of the TV series "Restoration Australia", Stuart described the notion of "open design" and "open construction" by showcasing several examples of work that invites people to

experience the once "closed" spaces at various locations dotted across the Melbourne CBD and its suburbs:

- a) Nature eco walk in St Kilda
- b) Crisis housing for women
- c) Melbourne Holocaust Museum
- d) Glenroy community hub
- e) Victorian family violence memorial
- f) La Mama theatre

These and many other examples and other references can be explored on the "Open House Melbourne" website (openhousemelbourne.org), in addition to numerous events planned for the weekend of 30 th /31 st July – the first since 2019 where in-person attendance will be available. Open House Melbourne was founded 17 years ago and is led by Fleur Watson, its executive director and chief curator.

Why is it important to be open? Because it helps shape perceptions about good design and promotes advocacy through exposure and experience: "bringing people in". Stuart reminded attendees about various events taking place on that weekend and listed on the OHM website.

5. Questions:

- a) Suvam Ganguli: what is the expected response from the public? SH: There is increased enthusiasm as evidenced by encouraging early ticketed event sales.
- b) Neil Salvano: (observation) He has an overwhelming sense of claustrophobia travelling through the RMIT precinct (around Queensberry & Swanston Streets), once upon a time. SH: There has been massive redevelopment during the last 20+ years supported by funding in excess of \$200MIL.
- c) Neville John: Which location is your favourite? SH: As a master work of urban design, Federation Square stands out.

6. Announcements:

- a) Ignacio Inchausti A plea to RCM members, colleagues, friends and other Rotarians to seek options for **billeting David Rosenberg** from Germany as our in-bound NGSE participant, who will be here from end-August to October 2022. We need to reciprocate in light of our out-bound participants who have already found host families. Please contact Alan Seale URGENTLY if you are able to act as hosts to David.
- b) Kevin Love: Reminded us about the up-coming tree-planting event at Phillip Island on 23rd July.
- c)Neville John **thanked all volunteers** who braved the first winter morning fog and a very, very crisp morning to volunteer at Collingwood Bunnings Sausage Sizzle on the weekend. Neville also thanks Neil Salvano for his tireless work as quartermaster, visiting various retailers to collect all the food and accessories required to make the SS a success.
- d) Suvam Gangulli provided a demo of the **replacement booking systems**: Humanitix (it attracted various queries and concerns, to be addressed separately).

PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) Rohan Williams reminded us about 1st Board Meeting of the year scheduled for 20th July; interested members are welcome to attend
- b) Rohan once again thanked our guest speaker, Stuart Harrison
- c) Rohan reminded us about our next face-to-face meeting on 19 th July, where Dr. Natasha Castree from the Victorian Department of Health will talk to us about "Communicable Diseases In Victoria".

MEETING CLOSED at 08:45.

DISTRICT AWARDS

The trumpet may have gone from our BULLETIN banner but we will still blow it occasionally.

Tucked away in the 'READ MORE' section of the recent District 9800 Newsletter were two items of direct interest for our club.



'RCM', North Melbourne and Wyndam clubs were the finalists, from seven nominations, for 2022 International Service Recognition.

To recap:

In West Bengal, over 2 million people have been infected with COVID, the number rising sharply after April 2021. Through our Sister Club, the RC Rabindra Sarobar in Kolkata, a need was identified for ventilators to assist those suffering from COVID in their region. By providing oxygen concentrators to regional health centres in West Bengal, quick and effective treatment could be delivered to those with COVID-related breathing difficulties. Oxygen concentrators were chosen as the staff training required was minimal and the cost achievable.

Responding to this situation RCM International team launched a campaign to raise the funds though our newsletter, Facebook and Instagram pages, raising over \$11,000. At the height of the pandemic, Rotary Central Melbourne was able to provide the RC of Rabindra Sarobar with funds to purchase 8 concentrators. Purchase was managed by our Sister Club.

The ability to access these machines has saved many lives that might otherwise been lost. The equipment is still in use in four health centres in West Bengal.



DG Wendy, Cecily, PDG Uttam

Warwick Cavell receives a Paul Harris Recogntion from District Governor Dale.

Citation:

"Warwick has had a substantial impact on District 9800 in his role as Learning and Development and Vocational Services Chairs as well as his enormous impact within the Rotary Club of Central Melbourne.

Warwick had a huge input into the MentorMatch project, resulting in the successful Government grant received to implement this project. In the L&D field Warwick has developed and run an Assistant Governor Facilitation Skills Workshop, Mental Health First Aid training and worked with Belonging Matters to introduce this to Clubs. Warwick has provided strategic planning for a number of Rotary Clubs and service projects



including Afri-Auscare, WERN, DIK, Fitzroy Learning Network and Australian Youth Affairs Coalition.

He is always happy to assist clubs and willingly runs planning sessions and workshops."

TREE PLANTING WORKING BEE - FUN AND EFFECTIVE

Posted by Kevin Love

We are again assisting the Phillip Island Landcare Group with a planting day on Saturday 23rd July.

The Phillip Island Landcare group was the recipient of the club trailer we donated a couple of years ago and have been putting it to good use. The club

logo is still proudly displayed and is seen by the community at open days, field days and moving around the area.

The planting day is being held on the same property that we planted out last year, so it is a chance to see progress and continue to revegetate an important site.

The day will finish with a BBQ provided by the Landcare group.

If you and your family are interested in attending, please contact Kevin Love, by email asap - kevinlove.rccms.gmail.com@clubrunner.email





RIMERN IS CALLING ALL WINE LOVERS!

Rotary Inner Melbourne Emergency Relief Network (**RIMERN**) needs a VAN, so what better way to raise funds amongst Rotarians and friends than to launch their own wine range, three VAN ROUGE & three VAN BLANC!

Great value, quality Australian wines with their own distinctive RIMERN label are now available for online order, delivered to your door anywhere in Australia except Northern Territory.

Since June 2021 RIMERN, the multi club project of Rotary Prahran, Albert Park, North Melbourne, Carlton, Balwyn, North Balwyn, Camberwell, Canterbury, Chadstone/East Malvern, Flemington/Kensington, Pascoe Value, Central Melbourne, Melbourne and Glenferrie (with more Clubs to join in 2022!) has been collecting donated furniture, appliances and homewares and supplying them to clients of their member welfare agencies who are setting up their secure homes.

More information and orders please click on https://prospectwines.com.au/product/rotary-inner-melbourne-emergency-relief-network/



MEET DAVID ROSERBERG



David is 18 years old and lives at home in Bischberg, Bayern, Germany. He is coming to Melbourne in late August for 6 weeks through the New Generations Service Exchange program of Rotary International, hosted by Rotary Central Melbourne. David's parents will be hosting Louise Keast a young Melbourme

soprano who is going on NGSE to Germany in August. David is looking forward to meeting us!

In his own words;

"I want to study the violin after my musical trip to Australia. A few years ago, I travelled already to Hamberg to play at the Rotary International Convention. I had so much fun there to make music along with friends"

"Over the last few years I had a lot of different jobs to earn moneys or collect experience. For example I was worker on a construction site. I also worked at a restaurant as a waiter. My favorite "job" is playing my violin at events like weddings or in general at a concert."

"Today, after living for more than two years in a pandemic, I really want to take this opportunity of playing the violin and performing along with other musicians. With this exchange I also want to learn about music in other countries and become a better violinist. Personally, this would be an absolutely exciting event and it would remember me back to my first musical event organized by the Rotary Club where I was treated with the most amazing support."

"I like to do sports very much like CrossFit, football, sailing or climbing."

A bit of CV stuff;

David is 18 years old, and has just finished secondary school, graduating with an IB equivalent. He has his German driver's license, and drinks alcohol rarely – only when offered! He is fully vaccinated and insured!

David is a member of the Junge Staatsphilharmonie Nuremberg and in 2019 was the state winner of the Jungend musiziert, a national music competition for young people. In 2021 he attended master classes in Austria - he comes from a very musical family!

Hosting arrangements;

At the moment, we have David staying with Roy Garrett for the last two weeks of his stay. Maria Groner of Travelers Aid, a non-Rotarian is willing to help out if necessary us for two weeks, but clearly we would prefer club members as hosts – especially those close to the CBD. It involves providing food and accommodation for a couple of weeks. His music program will be organized by others and his day to day expenses are to his account. Club members will likely look after weekends. Finally, from personal experience, hosting can be very rewarding – the guests are very grateful as are their families.

GALLERY













Ignacio Inchausti

Kevin Love

Suvam Ganguli