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Celebrating 58 Years of Service

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MEETING

Kew Golf Club

120 Belford Road Kew East

Thursday 12:30 pm

Meeting begins at 1pm

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THE FOUR WAY TEST

Is it the truth?

Is it fair to all concerned?

Will it build goodwill and better friendships?

Will it benefit all concerned?

LINKS

[Garden DesignFest](#)

[Facebook Rotary D9800](#)



President's Message



Today we welcome as our Guest Speaker, George Petrou, who is not only a renowned portrait artist, but a man of many talents and interests. In his approach to portrait

painting and in his writing, George's work is reflective of the ideals of service that underpin the objects of Rotary. We are grateful for the opportunity to learn more about his work and his approach to life. We also welcome George's friend George Meggaloudis.

Last Friday morning's Presidents' Breakfast Meeting, facilitated by Michael Stillwell in his role as Community Group Leader, provided a forum for clubs to discuss membership, and to outline current and ongoing activities and projects. Andrew Dalziel, June Crawford and I attended the meeting; this forum provided a very valuable opportunity to explore how cluster clubs can work collaboratively. The discussion around membership will continue to inform the work of our club's membership committee.

Please note in this week's Bulletin invitations to events such as the Rotary Emergency Services Community Awards Dinner, on Saturday September 6th, and the "Dates for your Diary", including the Film Night with the Rotary Club of Canterbury on August 25th.

Next week Michael Stillwell will be speaking about his recent trip to Paris for the excitement of Le Mans. Be sure to invite friends and family, and especially those with an interest in cars and motor racing!

Joan Scott

Dates for Your Diary

4 – 18 August

Opportunity to be in Darwin to be part of the project:-
To explore opportunities to develop economic empowerment for Indigenous communities.

Please talk with Jill and Jennie. There is still time to be involved including helping to procure items and prepare some items to assist those in Darwin.

Thursday 7 August

1pm RCK meeting –Speaker Michael Stillwell “A Le Mans Diary” looking back at my visit to Le Mans last month for the 24-Hour Motor Race.

Tuesday 12 August

5-30pm Board Meeting – Colin’s

Thursday 14 August

1pm RCK meeting –Speaker Adrian Davis
“Peace Poles and ROMAC”

Thursday 21 August

1pm RCK meeting –Fellowship

Monday 25 August

Film Night with the Rotary Club of Canterbury
The film is Mr Burton at Balwyn Cinema. More details to come.

Thursday 28 August

1pm RCK meeting –Speaker Julie Armstrong
“Hope in a Suitcase”

Thursday 4 September

1pm RCK meeting Speaker Dr Moh Dadafarin
‘Hearing and Dementia’

Saturday 6 September

Rotary District Emergency Services Awards Dinner

Tuesday 9 September

5-30pm Board Meeting

Thursday 11 September

1pm RCK meeting Speaker Justin Mac Lean
‘History of George’s’ - shop in Collin’s Str

Thursday 18 September

1pm RCK meeting
District Governor Visit

We are collecting

Bottle tops – red, yellow or black. Please start collecting. These are for one of RCKs projects. (We do not want blue or white). Please bring to Rotary each week

Dates for Your Diary con’d

Sunday 21 September

World Peace Day

Planning for a Peace Pole ceremony

International Day of Peace, also known as Peace Day, is commemorated every year on **September 21**. It is a United Nations holiday for the end of war and violence, and the promotion of world peace. It is also a day dedicated to those who promote peace in conflict zones by providing humanitarian aid. On the International Day of Peace, UN countries declare a ceasefire for the day, personally and politically.

Thursday 25 September

1pm RCK meeting Speaker Gerry Van Den Horst
‘Wood Working, bowls and pens’.

Donate Life Week

Pennie spoke about Donate Life Week. It was pleasing to know people in the room are organ donors.

Some facts

Croatia has the third highest rate of organ donation (opt out). Spain the highest rate (opt out) Australia has an opt in system.

There are around 1,800 Australians on the waitlist for a transplant and an additional 14,000 people on dialysis – many of whom could benefit from a kidney transplant. Pennie talked of a personal connection and how one person’s donations can assist seven people
Details on donate life week including how to join the register

<https://www.donatelife.gov.au/register-donor-today>

Gaie’s Thousand Dollar Cake

2 cups of Wholemeal SR Flour

1/2 cup of brown sugar.

1 grated apple

OR

1 grated carrot Or a combination.

OR

1 mashed banana

Throw in chopped apricots, walnuts, ginger etc

Mix all together with a cup of cold, strong tea. Make this a couple of hours before.

Bake in lined tin (I use a ring tin) at 175 to 180 for about 40 minutes or until cooked.

Enjoy.

Raffle

The raffle was won this week by George V.

Toast

The toast today was to Rotary International, the Rotary Club of Kew and Croatia. There are 60 – 70 Rotary clubs in Croatia with 1500 members. Zagreb had the first club in 1990.

Thought of the Day

The thought this week was contributed by Cam
“Nothing is impossible, the word itself says I’m possible”

Aubrey Hepburn

Almoner

Das continues to have regular contact with our members, and we thank him most sincerely for his continual care.

Footy Tipping Update

Congratulations to Barry, who picked all 9 winners last week. Pennie and Margaret are second with Colin a clear leader with only a few rounds to go. Congratulations Colin.

Darwin Project Can you help please

A Big Thank You to the members who have organised Spotlight Gift Cards. You may give these to Barb or bring them to Rotary next Thursday. For those who still wish to purchase, please use this link or search for 'Spotlight Gift Cards.

<https://www.spotlightstores.com/egift-cards/spotlight-egift-card/SPOT-eGC1>

Thank you to those who have offered to sew material handles. Barb has some calico and demin and stiffening for the straps. Please let her know if you want any of these items

For non-sewers, do you have any bags with unwanted webbing straps, eg old camera bags, that we can recycle?

Please bring them with you to next week's Rotary meeting.

Many Thanks
Jill, Jennie & Team
Indigenous Textiles Project

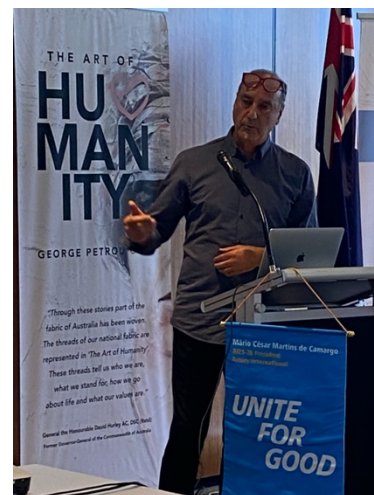
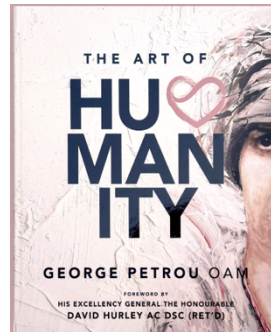
This Darwin visit is to scope the work with the Larrakia people

The following website will give you some insight.

<https://inourhands.com.au/>

Guest Speaker

We were delighted today to have as our guest speaker George Petrou OAM -a portrait artist. George spoke about his new book.



The book is divided into 6 sections

Female Trailblazers

Male Trailblazers, International Trailblazers, Military Trailblazers, Australians of the Year, Wonder Women of World War 1.

With very limited time we were only able to hear a little about a few of the wonderful people

Olive King

Themi Adams (Bishop Themi)

26 female doctors and surgeons who went to WWI and paid their own expenses. These people have never been recognised.

The room had pull up banners featuring some of those whose stories are told in the book.

Dr John Springthorpe

Amer Singh

Gen Sir Harry Chauvel

Dr Agnes Berrell

Bishop Themi

Olive King

Joice Nankivell Loch

To finish his talk George shared “What you leave behind is not engraved in stone monuments, but woven into the lives of others” Pericles (Greek politician, Statesman and General.)

Bank Account Details

When making payments directly to the Rotary Club of Kew Club, please use the following details:

Bendigo Bank BSB 633-000

Account 125381590

Please remember to include your name and reason for payment in the reference

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What's On at FTGS This Week

MONTHLY BOOK FAIR

FROM 10 AM TO 4 PM
AT FAIR TRADE & GIFT SHOP
650 HIGH STREET, KEW EAST, VIC 3102
1ST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH
(5 APR, 3 MAY, 7 JUN, 5 JUL, 2 AUG, 6 SEP,
4 OCT, 1 NOV AND 6 DEC)

Don't forget —
our Monthly Book Fair is
happening this Saturday!

Great book deals are waiting for
you in-store.

You're invited to a night of harmony and hope

Join us as we celebrate the Charter of two extraordinary new clubs: Rotaract Music Makers and the Rotary Club of Melbourne Manila.

Rotary
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JOIN US FOR THE

CHARTER NIGHT CELEBRATION

OF

THE ROTARY CLUB OF
MELBOURNE-MANILA

AND

THE ROTARACT CLUB OF
MUSIC MAKERS

This is more than just a formal occasion — it's a celebration of creativity, collaboration, and community across continents. Whether through the universal language of music or the powerful spirit of Rotary service, both clubs are uniting people with purpose and passion.

Come and witness the official induction of members, the presentation of charters, and inspiring **performances** that reflect the unique energy and vision these clubs bring to our global Rotary family. Together, we'll set the stage for lasting impact and lifelong connections.

Date: Sunday 17 August 2025 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Location: Deer Park Club, [780 Ballarat Road, Deer Park](#)
\$50 per head. Table bookings available. (Includes main course, dessert and entertainment)

Bookings at: <https://www.trybooking.com/DDQKTz>

Bookings close 10 August

Emergency Services Awards Dinner

Rotary
Districts of Victoria

Emergency Services
Community Awards

An evening of Recognition and Celebration

Vic RESCA recognises outstanding community service of both paid and volunteer members of Victorian Emergency Services and supports Emergency Services Foundation (ESF) research scholarships.

Patron: The Governor of Victoria
Her Excellency Professor the Honourable Margaret Gardner AC

2025 AWARDS DINNER

Saturday 6th September 2025
6.30 pm Hyatt Place Essendon Fields
\$100 per person

Book via QR code or website
<https://events.humanitix.com/2025-victorian-rotary-emergency-service-community-awards-vic-resca>

Rotarians, individuals, agency representatives, colleagues, nominators, and the family and friends of finalists, are all welcome.

BOOKINGS CLOSE Thursday 28th August - so get in quick!

The program includes

- Presentation by past ESF scholarship recipient
- Recognition of 'Finalists' from each Emergency Service agency
- Recognition of Major Winners for both Volunteer and Paid capacity

Ticket price includes

- 2-course meal and drink on arrival
- Unlimited soft drink, juices, still and sparkling water, tea and coffee
- Additional alcoholic drinks can be purchased at bar prices
- Complimentary on-site carparking
- Discounted accommodation (details on booking site)
- Children discounted pricing available (during booking)

To find out more about Vic RESCA go to: www.vic.rescawards.org.au/

<https://events.humanitix.com/2025-victorian-rotary-emergency-service-community-awards-vic-resca>

District Grants

A GUIDE TO DISTRICT GRANTS

District 9800 Grants are available to support Rotary projects anywhere within Australia and overseas.

TYPES OF GRANTS

1. **District Grants – Local Within Australia (DGL).** Are available for small community projects that may be delivered in the club's local community, or anywhere within Australia.
2. **School Scholarships – Year 11-12.** Available to support clubs that offer scholarships for deserving disadvantaged students embarking on Year 11 studies in 2025 (see separate Guidelines).
3. **District Grants – International (DGI).** Are for projects overseas, or projects in Australia that benefit either a country other than Australia or a person who is neither a citizen nor a resident of Australia.
4. **District Grants – International Scoping (DGS).** Are designed to fund an investigation into the potential for a project in a country other than Australia, where a potential Global Grant application is intended.

Barb has attended the grant session for 2025. Please talk to her and Joan about your suggestions and get a form from Barb to consolidate your ideas.

The Rotary Club of Kew acknowledges the ongoing support of the following businesses

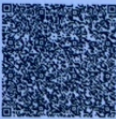


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Meeting Duty Roster

Date	Chair	Host	Meeting Equipment	Cashier-1	Cashier-2	Thought
07-Aug	Brook B	Crawford J	Tan M H	Dias C	Stewart P	Crozier B
14-Aug	Dias C	Levin R	Cohen J	Maddock G	Stillwell M	Maddock G
21-Aug	Turner-Atkins M	Verginis G	Devidas D	Norton P	Dalziel, A	Dalziel A
28-Aug	Vickers A	Wen K	Hoath R	Crawford J	Bourke M	McFarlane M
04-Sep	Dadafarin M	Brook B	Brown D	Wen K	Garling W	Payne F
11-Sep	Gale J	Garling W	Crozier B	Dadafarin M	Verginis G	Brook B
18-Sep	Scott J	Dalziel A	Payne F	Levin R	Turner-Atkins M	Crawford J
25-Sep	Cohen J	Dias C	Burns C	Crawford J	Perks E	Shepherd J
02-Oct	Verginis G	Hoath R	Tan MH	Dias C	Stewart P	Garling W
09-Oct	Payne F	Bourke M	Cohen J	Maddock G	Stillwell M	Stewart P
16-Oct	Burns C	Payne F	Devidas D	Norton P	Dalziel, A	Stillwell M
23-Oct	Zammit C	Crozier B	Hoath R	Crawford J	Bourke M	Cohen J
30-Oct	Levin R	Devidas D	Brown D	Wen K	Garling W	Wen K
06 Nov	Stewart P	Brown D	Crozier B	Dadafarin M	Verginis G	Verginis G
13-Nov	Stillwell M	Dadafarin M	Payne F	Levin R	Turner-Atkins M	Ibbotson P
20-Nov	McFarlane M	Cohen J	Burns C	Crawford J.	Perks E	Perks E
27-Nov	Crawford J	Norton P	Tan Mh	Dias C	Stewart P	Bourke M
04-Dec	Perks E	Dalziel, A	Cohen J	Maddock G	Stillwell M	Brown D
11-Dec	Tan MH	Turner-Atkins M	Devidas D	Norton P	Dalziel, A	Turner-Atkins M
18-Dec	Wen K	Perks E	Hoath R	Crawford J	Bourke M	Levin R