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Celebrating 57 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](#)

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President's Message



Good afternoon everyone. We have a special meeting today as we are welcoming our District Governor, Michael Lapina to the club.

We have number of other guests. Michael's son Alex, who I remember from the Presidential training, is the tech wizz for his father. We also welcome Gillian Crozier, Terry Sheehan, Barry Atkins and Ray Norton, and we are very pleased to see Russell Hoath and Elizabeth back from a long holiday.

Before we have lunch I just want to mention the Club Satisfaction Survey. I have printed out a few copies, so tell me if you need one, but only if you do not think you can do the survey online, as it is a waste of paper otherwise. And please send the surveys back as soon as possible, so they can be collated. Our planning day is in two weeks' time on October 31st, and we really want everyone to attend.

And a quick reminder about the fundraiser for the Sumba Eye Project on November 22nd.

Pam Norton

Dates for Your Diary

Thursday 24 October

1pm RCK Colin Burns Foundation
World End Polio Day
Rotary Hat Day – Lift a Lid on Mental Health \$10.00 if you wear a hat \$20.00 if you don't. Prizes in sections.

Thursday 31 October

1pm RCK Strategic Planning Day

Thursday 7 November

1pm RCK Speaker Mike McFarlane "Angel Flight"

Tuesday 12 November

5.30pm RCK Board Meeting – Colin's

Thursday 14 November

8am GDF Designers Bus Tour
1pm RCK Speaker Grant Hocking

Thursday 14 or Friday 15 November

GDF Captains items for set up to be collected (from Colin – our quartermaster)

Saturday 16 November

9.30am – 5pm Garden supervision

Sunday 17 November

9.30am – 5pm Garden supervision
Following GDF Celebratory drinks

Thursday 21 November

1pm RCK Meeting including AGM

Friday 22 November

Fundraiser for Sumba at Grace Park Hawthorn
Rotary Clubs of Kew and Glenferrie cost \$95 per head.
2 course meal, drinks at bar prices
<https://events.humanitix.com/sumba2024>

Thursday 28 November

1pm RCK Speaker Rose McVicar "Councils recycling"

Thursday 5 December

1pm RCK Meeting Celebrating Murray Chessell's 50 year at RCK

Saturday 7 December

12noon -6pm Collecting food for BCO at Kew Woolworths

Sunday 8 December

12noon -6pm Collecting food for BCO at Kew Woolworths

Dates for Your Diary con'd

Tuesday 10 December

5.30pm RCK Board Meeting Colin's
Board Dinner to follow (Japanese Cuisine)

Thursday 12 December

1pm RCK Meeting
2pm Drawing of GDF Raffle

Thursday 19 December

Final RCK meeting for 2024



16 – 18 May 2025

Morphetville SA Combined District Conference

Christmas Food Collection BCO

Roster assistance please.

We will again be collecting food at Woolworths Kew on 7 and 8 December 2024 12 noon – 6pm. Shifts are 2 hours (starting 12noon, 2pm and 4pm). Please email Barb barbbrook814@gmail.com if you can assist, indicating your preferred time and day.

Australia Day lunch at supported accommodation

Please let Barb know if you can serve lunch at one of the 4 supported accommodation locations. We are continuing to have a spit roast and salads from the same company.

October is



Toast to Rotary International

This week the toast was given by Michael Lapina and featured togetherness and the Magic of Rotary

Guest Speaker

What a wonderful meeting we had. Our special guest and speaker today was Michael Lapiña, the District Governor of District 9800. Michael is an operatic tenor and began his professional career in 1988 performing in musicals, touring extensively in Australia and Asia, and being engaged with many of Australia's leading opera houses to perform some of the most



coveted tenor roles in the operatic repertoire.

His Rotary career began in 2005 when he joined the Rotary Club of Central Melbourne Sunrise, a breakfast Club that suited Michael's corporate role as an Executive Coach & Project Director at the National Australia Bank that was situated across the road from where Rotary met.

Transferring his membership to the Rotary Club of Wyndham in 2018, he juggles his professional opera career with being a Music Tutor at Haileybury College, as well as his Rotary commitments, which has seen him hold several District Leadership roles, including Assistant Governor, Team Leader of the Group Vocational Exchange, Artistic Director of several District Conferences, and Artistic Consultant for the Next Generation Service Exchange sending aspiring young Opera professionals to Bayreuth, Germany annually. Recently, he has been invited to sing at the closing ceremony of the 2024 Rotary International Convention in Singapore.

Michael's passion and success stems from the support of his wife, Niña, and his three adult children, Mikey,

Guest Speaker con'd

Alex and Brianna – all of whom are Rotarians.

Michael spoke to us today on "Unlocking the Magic: A Year of Transformation." He spoke of the goals for the year, focusing on creating an irresistible membership experience through understanding our 'ikigai,' healing divides within our communities and clubs, and embracing youth as the 'Now.' We learnt about fostering trust in leadership, promoting mentorship, and playing the long game with strategic succession planning. We learnt how discovering how sharing unique skills and vocations can create a sense of belonging and empowerment, ensuring a transformative and impactful year for Rotary. Michael also referred to the survey which Pam has distributed and he asked members to take the time and fill it out carefully. Those analysing the data, need to acknowledge the person so that they know that they have been heard.

I think we will all come away from today remembering how Michael talked about the importance of belonging and that people will always remember the way they made you feel.

The Board was also delighted to have time after the Meeting with Michael

Thought of the Day

This thought was contributed by Joel Cohen although not read out. "If you are feeling pessimistic, remember that it's impossible for an optimist to be pleasantly surprised."

Raffle

Congratulations to Mark Bourke was this week's raffle winner

Garden DesignFest

Please purchase GDF Raffle tickets.

There are great prizes. Tickets at <https://www.raffletix.com.au/gardendesignfest2024>

Weekend Passes, Bus Tours and Individual Garden Tickets are available. Please assist with selling these tickets all available at www.gardendesignfest.com.au

We still have some roster gaps. Please see Barb if you can assist.



Boards have started to go up.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/816466960054473>
Please show you are interested or attending this event.
More likes will provide greater exposure to the general community.

Please also invite other people to like.

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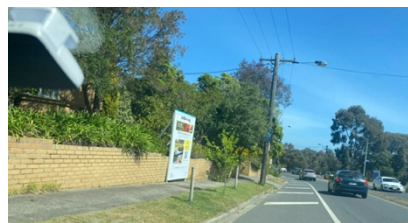
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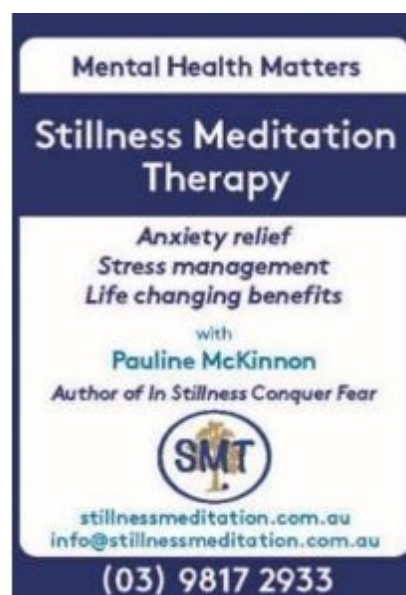
Not easy to take photos on a busy road if the lights are not stopped (but all are in areas many people will see).



Duty Roster

Date	Chair	Host	Meeting Equipment	Cashier-1	Cashier-2	Thought
24-Oct-24	Levin R	Devidas D	Hoath R	Wen K	Garling W	Wen K
31-Oct-24	Zammit C	Brown D	Cohen J	Dadafarin M	Verginis G	Verginis G
7-Nov-24	Stillwell M	Cohen J	Dalziel, A	Brook B	Stewart P	Ibbotson P
14 Nov 24	Scott J	Dadafarin M	Payne F	Vickers A	Turner-Atkins M	Williams M
21-Nov24	Ewart C	Scott J	Devidas D	Levin R	Stillwell M	Bourke M
28-Nov-24	Stewart P	Crawford J	Crozier B	Dias C	Perks E	Brown D
5-Dec-24	McFarlane M	Turner-Atkins M	Brown D	Ewart C	Bourke M	Crawford J
12-Dec-24	Hoath R	Perks E	Burns C	Crawford J	Scott J	Levin R

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