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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



Good afternoon everyone.

I would like to welcome our guest speaker, Laurette Coinet, who will tell us about Home Library Services. As someone who would rather curl up with a book than do just about anything else (especially housework) I really appreciate what a vital service this would be to people who can't get out or use computers.

Yesterday I received an email from Mah Hoon, thanking everyone for their good wishes. He is obviously very touched with how caring people in the club have been. It will be quite a few weeks before he is able to return to Rotary as he is doing rehab.

There is a notice in the Bulletin about a Golf Day being run by the Rotary Club of North Balwyn. I know there are a number of keen golfers in the club, so you might like to support this day.

Michael Lapina, our District Governor, has just announced the name of the 2027-28 DG. Her name is Claire Davison, currently the President of the Rotary Club of Richmond. She has a frighteningly impressive CV.

The DG for 2026-27 is Peter Shephard.

Tonight I am attending a Citizenship Ceremony, at the Hawthorn Arts Centre, as Rotary Presidents do, to represent the Rotary Club of Kew.

Once again a reminder about the Gala Dinner on April 10th. Of course there will be no lunch meeting on that day. Please try to get a table of friends together for the dinner. There will be dancing, as well as the auctions, so what more could you ask for? PLEASE bring some wine and /or interesting foodstuffs for the hamper next week if you have not already done so.

Pam Norton

Dates for Your Diary

Thursday 27 March

1pm RCK meeting Speaker Mikaela Stafracs,
Founder of "Women Can"

Thursday 3 April

1pm RCK meeting Speaker Sophie Willmot NYSF student

Monday 7 April

Rotarians for Bees Dinner

Box Hill Golf Club

Bookings

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1361392>

Thursday 10 April

(no lunchtime meeting)

6.30pm Gala Dinner – Kew Golf Club \$100.00 per person. Bookings <https://www.trybooking.com/CZHOC> or visa poster opposite Please let Margaret know if you have silent auction items. Please bring wine, good food and gardening things for me to put into hampers for the Gala Dinner Dance. Thank you to those who have already contributed.

Thursday 17 April

1pm RCK meeting Fellowship - Membership

Thursday 24 April

1pm RCK meeting Speaker Deb Williams ANZAC

Thursday ! May

1pm RCK meeting Speaker June Crawford
Member behind the Badge.

Thursday 8 May

1pm RCK meeting

Saturday 10 May

Art display by the Namajerra people
Hawthorn Town Hall – more details to follow entry free

Thursday 15 May

1pm RCK meeting

16 – 18 May 2025

Morphettville SA Combined District Conference
Further details and bookings

<https://www.rotaryimpactsummit.org/about>

Sunday 15 June

10am-4pm Antique Fair – Hawthorn Arts Centre

Thursday 26 June

Rotary Club of Kew Changeover (night)

Saturday 5 July

District Changeover (lunchtime) more details to follo



The Rotary Club of Kew invites you to

Kew Gala

Fundraiser 2025

THURSDAY
10
APR 2025
Doors open at 6.30pm
for a 7pm start

KEW GOLF CLUB
120 Belford Rd,
Kew East VIC 3102

\$100
Per Person

GET YOUR DANCING SHOES READY FOR A NIGHT TO REMEMBER

This event will raise funds to support the Spinal Research Institute and charitable works of the Rotary Club of Kew

FEATURING: Lots of fun, dinner, dancing, silent auction and raffle with funds raised to support the Spinal Research Institute (principal charity) and charitable works of the Rotary Club of Kew

WHAT'S INCLUDED: 2-course meal, drinks at bar prices

DRESS CODE: Semi-Formal/ After Five

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The Rotary Club of Kew invites you to

BOROONDARA

ANTIQU & COLLECTABLES FAIR

Unearth hidden treasures, seek valuations, and revel in the charm of antiques and collectables

WHEN	WHERE	ENTRY
June 15th 2025, 10 AM to 4 PM	Hawthorn Arts Centre 360 Burwood Rd, Hawthorn VIC 3122	ADULTS \$5 Children Free \$5 per valuation (no jewellery, stamps or coins)

Have your treasures valued by **David Freeman**, renowned, government-approved valuer, whose vast experience with art, antiques, china and collectables will help you understand the value of your family treasures.
David Freeman Valuations/ Amanda Addams Auctions/ Desirable Objects Gallery

BOOK TICKETS

[ROTARYCLUBOFKEW.ORG.AU/ACF](https://www.rotaryclubofkew.org.au/acf)

David Freeman



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Boroondara Antique and Collectables Fair 2025

Almoner

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

Membership

The club is always willing to talk to people who may be interested in knowing more about Rotary and, if they and we so wish, attend a meeting(s) and consider membership. As Membership Director I am very happy to catch up with anyone who falls into this category. One of our newer members has recently referred two potential members to me and I'll be meeting one party later this month. It made me think that if a newer member could refer potential members to me why couldn't other longer-term members do likewise? Therefore, if you know some-one, be they a friend, neighbour or acquaintance, who you think is suitable and might be interested in hearing more about Rotary and the activities of our club, please refer them to me. Be assured each referral will be treated discretely, all I require is their name and contact details and I'll do the rest. Typically, the process will begin with an initial chat over a coffee/tea and we'll see where the discussion takes us. At each stage you, the referrer, will be kept informed of developments.

Please give this matter serious consideration and contact me on the number below if you wish to discuss the matter further and/or refer a potential member to me for consideration.

Andrew Dalziel
0407 220 127

Kew High School Student Support – Work Experience Placement

Students in Years 11 and 12 at Kew High School, who are studying for the Vocational Major course (previously VCAL) are required to undertake 80 hours of placement for skill development on Thursdays during the period June 30 to July 7. Employers in areas including plumbers, electricians, hospitality, beauty, hairdressing are particularly sought. If any members of the club have contacts in these or other appropriate areas, please contact me and I will inform Elise Dunstan, who is the Community Development Manager at Kew High. (Elise handles all the paperwork to do with the placements.) As a large proportion of Kew High Students live out of the Kew area, there is no need to limit possible placement contacts to this area.

Joan Scott

Thought of the Day

The thoughts were contributed by Fred
"I never allow of any difficulties. The great secret of being useful and successful is to admit of no difficulties."

Sir George Gipps (1751-1847) Governor of Victoria.

Guest Speaker

Laurette Coinet spoke about the services available at



Kew Library, part of the Boroondara Library Service.

Home Library Service Laurette's role at the Kew library includes visiting people, as part of the Home

Library Service, delivering a range of books to housebound and vulnerable members of the community.

Books available include Talking Books for the vision impaired and books from the Large Print collection.

Library Collections

Apart from the large range of physical books, library members have access to digital resources, including Australian newspapers, online magazines, audio and e-books, newspapers, magazines etc. which can be accessed via computer, ipad and phone. (Best via computer or i-pad). Many of these resources can be accessed via the library "Libby" app.

Each Boroondara library branch also has a trolley containing "pre-loved" books, which are available at no charge. These include cookery books, magazines, children's books etc.

Online newspapers and magazines can also be accessed via the "Press Reader" section of the library website.

The library also has an extensive collection of historical photos, which can be downloaded and printed. The library

heritage team are working to digitise the collection.

Laurette invited club members to select items from a

selection of pre-loved books, and extended an invitation for people to visit the library and to ask for help with any particular needs.



Joan

Rotarians for Bees



Rotary
Canterbury & Castle Hill

WE'RE FOR BEES & OTHER POLLINATORS

Featured Speaker
Costa Georgiadis
ABC Gardening Show

YOUR GARDEN - OUR FUTURE
A SPECIAL EVENING CELEBRATING GARDENS, BEES, AND OUR SHARED ENVIRONMENT

Monday, 7th April 2025
6:30 PM for 7:00 PM Start

Box Hill Golf Club
202 Station St, Box Hill South

About Our Event!

Discover how your garden can make a difference in supporting essential pollinators and creating a more sustainable future. This engaging evening features distinguished speakers sharing their expertise and passion for creating a greener Melbourne.

Gourmet two-course dinner

Cost: \$70 per person
Drinks at bar prices
(Tables of 10 available)

[Click here to book](#)



Event Highlights

Speakers

- ▶ Costa Georgiadis
- ▶ Exclusive insights from Andrew Laidlaw, Landscape Architect of the Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne
- ▶ Special presentation by Fiona Chambers, CEO of the Wheen Bee Foundation
- ▶ Expert discussion on bee conservation with Aris Petratis, former President of Victorian Apiarist Association

Auction and Raffle

Led by Jonathan Shepherd from the Kew Rotary Club

- ▶ Exciting charity auction featuring unique experiences:
 - Guided Royal Botanic Gardens tours for five couples with afternoon tea
 - Premium Beechworth Honey hamper
 - A fully functioning beehive installed and maintained for 12 months in your garden

Contact John McCaskill
+61 (0) 414477444

Website
rotariansforbees.org

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1361392>

RI Theme for March – Water Sanitation and Hygiene



MARCH IS

WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE MONTH

Rotary
District 9800

"Clean water, the essence of life and a birthright for everyone, must become available to all people now."
Jean-Michel Cousteau

Other Rotary Clubs

Tools for Timor Leste

Dromana Rotary are collecting used power tools to send overseas. I'm happy to be a collection point for their project.

Any power tool that has a cable and still in working order, as many people now replace their tools with a battery version, we hope this is a good way to repurpose.

Drop of at 1/49 Hatfield St, Balwyn North.

Pennie

GOLF DAY



ENTRY FORM

On: Friday 9 May 2025
At: Kew Golf Club, 120 Belford Rd, East Kew

Proceeds will support the local community and families in need.

Great Prizes for: 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed Teams, and Fun prizes for Men & Women

- ❖ Longest Drive (on the 9th Fairway)
- ❖ Nearest the pin (on the 11th & 14th Greens)

Raffle

The winner of the Raffle today was June.

Bank Account Details

When making payments directly to the 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

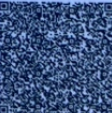


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Meeting Duty Roster

Date	Chair	Host	Meeting Equipment	Cashier-1	Cashier-2	Thought
27 Mar	Cohen J	Garling W	Devidas D	Dadafarin M	Verginis G	Scott J
03 Apr	Gale J	Dalziel A	Crozier B	Payne F	Perks E	Crawford J
17 Apr	Payne F	Bourke M	Brown D	Levin R	Stewart P	Garling W
24 Apr	Verginis G	Williams M	Tan M H	Dias C	Stillwell M	Stewart P
01-May	Burns C	Brook B	Payne F	Ewart C	Bourke M	Stillwell M
08-May	Zammit C	Crozier B	Crawford J	Maddock G	Scott J	Cohen J
15-May	Levin R	Devidas D	Hoath R	Wen K	Garling W	Wen K
22-May	Ewart C	Brown D	Cohen J	Dadafarin M	Verginis G	Verginis G
29-May	Stillwell M	Cohen J	Dalziel A	Payne F	Stewart P	Ibbotson P
05-Jun	McFarlane M	Dadafarin M	Payne F	Vickers A	Turner-Atkins M	Perks E
12-Jun	Crawford J	Scott J	Devidas D	Levin R	Stillwell M	Bourke M
19-Jun	Stewart P	Ibbotson P	Crozier B	Dias C	Perks E	Brown D