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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

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President's Message



Good afternoon everyone.

I would like to welcome a guest today, a friend of Gaie's, Maria Martini.

Our speaker is our own Colin Burns, who will speak on the topic "My Life in Mining".

As you know, the Antique Fair is finally over. We made a profit but I would have liked a bigger attendance. I have written a report, and it will be discussed at the next Board meeting. I will tell you the financial result next week.

However, as I said in my Report, the one positive to come out of this project, is the way club members supported it. I will mention Barb, Joan, Evelyne, Wendy, Gaie and Kim, but also, almost every club member supported by volunteering on the day, taking advertising material, and donating goods for our stall. I thank you all for exhibiting the strength of our club, and I am very grateful.

On Tuesday night, Joan and I went to the Balwyn Changeover dinner, which was not really a Changeover, as Ian Davidson is to be the President for another year. And on that subject, I told you last week that the next World President of Rotary, a man from Brazil, had withdrawn for personal reasons, and they were very quickly looking for a replacement. Luckily they found one, and the next World Rotary President is to be Francesco Arezzo, from the Rotary Club of Ragusa in Italy.

I received a lovely note from Jeanette Sheehan, Graeme's wife, thanking us for our messages of sympathy, and asking me to tell club members how much she and the family appreciated them.

I think the only other thing to say, is to remind everyone to please book your tickets for the Changeover dinner to be held on July 3rd. Payment details are in the Bulletin..

Pam Norton

Congratulations Pauline McKinnon OAM

Congratulations to Pauline McKinnon on the awarding of an OAM in the recent King's Birthday honours. Her citation reads "For service to community health through relaxation and meditation."

Pauline has been a speaker at Club luncheons and fairly recently attended a changeover. Her late husband Don was an energetic and highly regarded long term member of the Club being President in 1984-85.

Bulletin

Where possible, please submit information to barbrook814@gmail.com by Wednesday for inclusion. I am looking for people to assist with the Bulletin. If you would like to be on a roster to assist with the write up of our guest speaker, please let Barb know. Thank you to those who have already volunteered. A few more people would be great.

Dates for Your Diary

Bookings for the Changeover close 26 June at 6pm
www.trybooking.com/DBNXR

Thursday 26 June

1pm RCK meeting Speaker Keith Chessell
"How to recycle household rubbish"

Thursday 3 July

6.30pm Rotary Club of Kew Changeover night

Saturday 5 July

10am – 4pm Fair Trade and Gift Shop – Book Fair
District Changeover (lunchtime)
Peter Shephard will be our new District Governor.
Join the District for this event trybooking.com/DCATG to make a booking

Thursday 10 July

1pm RCK meeting Speaker Rev Natalie Dixon
Boroondara Community Outreach

Thursday 17 July

1pm RCK meeting Speaker Justin MacLean
Georges. The Shop in Collin's Street

Thursday 24 July

1pm RCK meeting – Fellowship

Thursday 31 July

1pm RCK meeting Speaker George Petro, Portrait Artist

Guest Speaker

We were delighted to have one of our members Colin



Burns as our speaker today. Colin spoke on "My Life in Mining". He told us how he was born in a mining town – Bendigo - the second biggest gold mining area in Australia. He studied

Metallurgy at the Bendigo School of Mines and he was awarded a scholarship from what is now RMIT which provided him with a job at the end of his studies. He had the opportunity to work in several areas in Australia, but chose Bougainville – a large copper mining area. The mining pit was so big that it caused a change in the weather.

Colin worked there for a year before marrying Sandra and they both lived in Bougainville for another year, before Colin's work took them to the Woodland Mine in Goulburn – a large copper and zinc area. During this time, he visited Canada and the US developing more skills in mining.

After 7 years Colin moved on and followed the CRA path to Broken Hill - large lead and silver mines. Mining has been occurring in Broken Hill for more than 150 years. During this time a friend started Processing Tailings so Colin moved back to Bendigo to work with him in his small company. They developed technology and during this time Colin visited the UK and South Africa.

All operations were in regional and farming areas and Colin developed expertise in environmental assessment and he started his own company. At this time he sat on committees for Planning Victoria.

Colin then worked at Fosterfield before taking up a position in WA where he managed projects in WA, SA and Victoria.

Colin talked of the big changes in mining- how mining companies built towns and sporting fields and were part of great communities, but now there are not mining communities with fly in fly out workers and how hard that type of life is also on families.

Almoner

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

Boroondara Antique and Collectables Fair

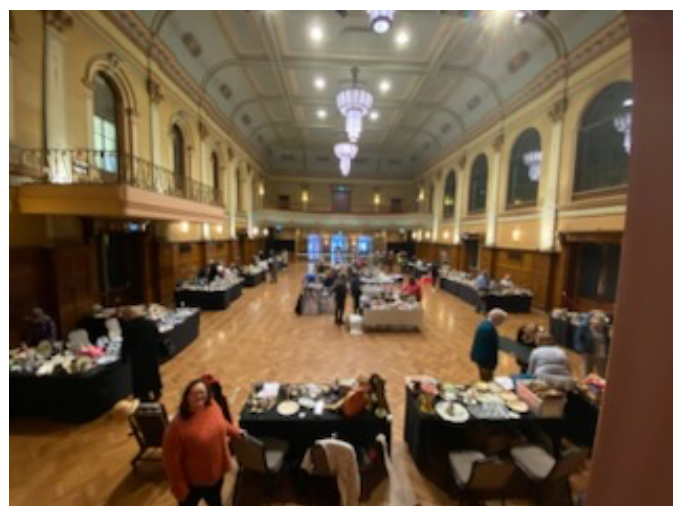
Thank you Pam and all Club members for all your work at this event.



Toast

The toast to today was to RCK, Rotary International and also specified Rotary Clubs in Greece.

Boroondara Antique and Collectables Fair



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

Raffle

The raffle was won this week by George

Breaking the Silence on Men's Health

Kew Rotary has been acknowledged for a successful community seminar for men's health. Kim and Michael attended from RCK.



Robert's Idle Observations

When I was a kid, bedtime was 9pm. I couldn't wait to be a grown up so I could go to bed at anytime I wanted. Turns out, it's 9pm.

Mental Health First Aid



ROTARY DISTRICT 9800
ARH COMMITTEE PRESENTS

MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID Australia

An Online Blended
Mental Health First Aid

Zoom Course
9.30am-12pm
on Saturday 16th and 23rd August 2025

Plus eLearning Modules to be completed prior to the TWO 3.5 hour online sessions

Available NOW at a discounted rate of \$210 per person, with 50% donated to Australian Rotary Health

Anyone can have a conversation that may save a life. Everyone should know how.

Learn how to provide initial support to another adult who may be experiencing a mental health problem or mental health crisis, until professional help is received or crises resolves

Why attend a Mental Health First Aid training Course?

- Intervene Early
- Offer Support
- Respond in a Crisis
- Reduce Stigma

Why be a certified Mental Health First Aider?
Over 40% of Australians aged 16-85 years experience a mental illness in their lifetime. Everyone in the community can play a role in early intervention to support a person developing a mental illness or experiencing a mental health crisis.



Facilitator
MHFA Co-founder & Rotarian
Betty Kitchener AM

Register TODAY - limited spaces available and open to the public.
Contact: Dr Suresh Marcandan (D9800 ARH Committee)
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Australian Rotary Health

June is Fellowship Month

JUNE IS



FELLOWSHIP MONTH

Rotary
District 9800



"The foundation upon which Rotary is built is friendship; on no less firm foundation could it have stood."
Paul P Harris 1935

Meeting Duty Roster

Date	Chair	Host	Meeting Equipment	Cashier-1	Cashier-2	Thought
26-Jun	Scott J	Turner-Atkins M	Brown D	Ewart C	Bourke M	Turner-Atkins M
10-Jul	Crozier B	Stewart P	Brown D	Wen K	Garling W	Gale J
17-Jul	Maddock G	Burns C	Crozier B	Dadafarin M	Verginis G	Hoath R
24-Jul	Dalziel A	Stillwell M	Payne F	Levin R	Turner-Atkins M	Burns C
31-Jul	Bourke M	Maddock G	Burns C	Devidas D	Perks E	Dias C
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

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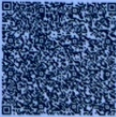


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