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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.

I have great pleasure in introducing today's speaker, Keith Chessell, who will tell us about how to dispose of packaging. This is a subject that I have frequently raised with members, not always successfully, so I am very much looking forward to your ideas.

Next Thursday is Changeover, and if you haven't bought a ticket, today is your last chance.

Obviously there is no lunch meeting next Thursday, so this is the last time I will be addressing the meeting as President.

We have had some ups and downs this year. We have had a lot of fun, a film night, gala dinner and two celebration lunches. We have raised money for some good causes and worked on worthwhile projects.

The downs are primarily the loss of 6 members this year. Graeme and Merv passed away, and Murray and Marilyn retired because of age.

Chris Ewart has recently resigned as they are moving to the beach I think, and just last week Carl Zammit resigned. Carl said he will continue to help at the shop. We have only gained one new member, June Crawford.

At the start of this year I said a number of times that I hoped everyone could at least bring one person for lunch to see if they were interested in joining. Virtually no-one did (except Gaie) and I am just as guilty, as I was not successful in getting anyone interested in joining Rotary. Or no-one who would take the final step.

Membership is the number one issue for Rotary clubs certainly in Australia and throughout much of the world, and it is the number one issue for us. I know Joan wants to make it a priority for her year and as a club we need to sit down and work out some ideas, and then carry them through.

It has been an honour to be President of the Rotary Club of Kew (except perhaps when I was tearing my hair out about the Antique Fair!!) and while it has certainly been a challenge, what is life without a challenge? And I want to thank you all for always being supportive and kind, and putting Service above Self in the best Rotary tradition.

I wish Joan all the very best for her year as President. I know she will be a great President.

Pam Norton

Dates for Your Diary

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

Thursday 18 September

1pm RCK meeting

District Governor Visit

Guest Speaker

Our speaker today was Keith Chessell, who has over 46



years of experience in the Food, Beverage and Confectionary industry.

In recent years his focus has been on sustainable packaging and working with the Australian Institute of Packaging, a not for profit organisation whose

members are mostly involved in the packaging industry.

Keith outlined the 5 Ps of packaging:

- Preserves and Protects
- Provides convenience
- Price effective
- Present information
- Promotes correct use after use

One of the main aims of the AIP is to ensure that businesses make packaging recyclable.

Keith talked about the various household bins and their uses, and gave examples of appropriate receptacles for different items, eg paper bread tags which can be placed in the recycling bin (in an envelope) or in the FOGO bin.

Members watched a video demonstrating the process of sorting and recycling items that have been collected

Guest Speaker con'd

from bins designated for recycling and taken to be processed at recycling centres. Often these deliveries are contaminated with rubbish; this considerably slows down the process of sorting and recycling. The overall message is that if everyone does a “little bit” in ensuring that rubbish does not enter and contaminate bins designated for recycled materials, it will make a big difference and more can be recycled. In 2024 a National Design Standard Working Group was established to develop a series of recommendations and considerations aimed at improving the recyclability and circularity of packaging in Australia.

The aims are to

- Improve packaging design standards
- Improve labelling
- Mandate minimum recycled content requirements
- Use levies to incentivise companies to change to more recyclable and reuseable packaging.

Joan

Thought of the Day

The thought of the day was given by Margaret
“Without inner peace, outer peace is impossible. We all wish for world peace, but world peace will never be achieved unless we first establish peace within our own minds.”

Geshe Velsang Gyatso

Peace Poles

Thanks Mike for the Peace pole photo. (It is planned that Kew will have some soon with the official opening in September when it is World Peace Day.



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

Raffle

The raffle was won this week by Colin

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

Camberwell Art Show



2025 Camberwell Art Show 2025

Matthew Petrucci - "SECRET RENDEZVOUS"

28th June – 6th July

60th Anniversary Gala Opening 27th June

Featuring many of Australia's top artists with a range of mediums, genre, styles and prices.

Advanced Technologies Centre
Swinburne University
427-451 Burwood Road Hawthorn 3122

Project of
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Club of Camberwell

Event tickets buy online at camberwellartshow.org.au

Rotary Club Fellowship Evenings

Book a Night ...Monday 30th June to Friday 4th July
\$22 includes Wine and Cheese

Tickets on line at
camberwellartshow.org.au/visitor-information/

Robert's Idle Observations

The invention of the shovel was groundbreaking.

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
- Respond in a Crisis
- Offer Support
- 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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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
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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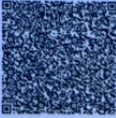


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