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Celebrating 60 Years

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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?



CREATE LASTING IMPACT

President's Message



I was pleased to be able to provide a report today on the Board Meeting held this week. There is a lot of activity happening in Committee groups and also with GDF (Garden Design Fest). Although the latter is not occurring until November Mark and Andrew, our Committee reps are working extremely hard on all

aspects with Pennie leading with garden procurement and other members assisting with advertising and sponsorship. You may not have been asked yet, it is a whole club activity and it hoped you have put aside the weekend of 21 – 22 November to supervise a garden. Thank you also for all the work that is occurring in committees.

I look forward to seeing many of you on Monday night at the film night – a social event with the Rotary club of Canterbury. Thank you Margaret for organising us.

There is still time to ask friends and family to join you at RCKs Trivia Night. Just a reminder for others to do it. (Tell your friends what table you are at and you will have a great social night whilst also supporting the SRI (Spinal Research Institute). Please also remember to bring items for the raffle.

Next week we are celebrating 21 years of Community Radio on 94.1 with the Rotary program on each Friday night at 6pm.

Have a wonderful week
Barb



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Links
[Garden DesignFest](#)
[Facebook](#)
Rotary D9800

www.rotaryclubofkew.org.au

Dates for Your Diary

Monday 17 August

10am RCK Coffee Fellowship - Via Verona
Film Night with the Rotary Club of Canterbury
Film - Holy Days 6pm Lido (675 Glenferrie Road)
Optional Dinner afterwards at the Glenferrie Hotel (324 Burwood Road).

Thursday 20 August

1pm RCK meeting Kew Golf Club
Celebrate 94.1 Radio 21 years speaker Ian Salek

Monday 24 August

10am RCK Coffee Fellowship - Via Verona

Thursday 27 August

1pm RCK meeting Kew Golf Club
D9800 Club vote for Re-Districting
Bring your mobile phone (camera activated) to help with our strategic planning. Your views are important.

Saturday 29 August

RCK Trivia Night

Book tickets individual or make up a table of 8 people
Trybooking <https://www.trybooking.com/DOERV>
or via QR code on poster
(Tell your friends what table you have booked on enabling them to add themselves to your table)



Monday 31 August

10am RCK Coffee Fellowship - Via Verona

Dates for Your Diary con'd

Thursday 3 September

1pm RCK meeting Kew Golf Club
Speaker Sarah Stancombe 'Introduction to change ringing'

Monday 7 September

10am RCK Coffee Fellowship - Via Verona

Thursday 10 September

1pm RCK meeting Kew Golf Club
Speaker Pauline McKinnon OAM - finalist Boroondara Citizen of the Year

Monday 14 September

10am RCK Coffee Fellowship - Via Verona
5.30pm Board Meeting- Hengameh's

Thursday 17 September

1pm RCK meeting Kew Golf Club
Speaker Michael Stillwell - Sweden

Sunday 20 September

Celebrate World Peace Day in Victoria Gardens, before a Polio Walk and then lunch at the Harp Hotel.
More details to follow

Monday 21 September

10am RCK Coffee Fellowship - Via Verona

Thursday 24 September

1pm RCK meeting Kew Golf Club
Speaker Teresa Molella Boroondara Citizen of the year

Monday 28 September

10am RCK Coffee Fellowship - Via Verona

Thursday 1 October

Visit to Donations in Kind (DIK) in place of our regular meeting location
From 10am for Service before our meeting and lunch

Dates for Your Diary Looking ahead

Garden DesignFest 2026

Saturday 21 & Sunday 22 November 2026

Rotary South Pacific Conference,

30 October – 1 November 2026

Early registration discount available until 31 August, Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre, \$325 - \$424 AUD see www.rotarysouthpacific.org

Rotary Multi District Summit 2027

16 – 18 April 2027 Warrnambool
(On to Conference Co-ordinator Joan)

Rotary International Convention 2027

26- 30 June 2027– Barcelona (originally scheduled for Dubai)

Toast

The toast today was to Rotary International, The Rotary Club of Kew and the Rotary Club of Flemington Kensington

Thoughts of the Day

The thoughts were contributed by Colin
As it is footy day quote from Captain Blood – Jack Dyer
“Bartlett’s older than he’s ever been”
“I want you to pair off in threes.”
“Fitzroy just copulated to the opposition.”
“Lou hasn’t got any enemies ... but his friends don’t like him.”

“If you want happiness for an hour, take a nap.
If you want happiness for a day, go fishing
If you want happiness for a year, inherit a fortune
If you want happiness for a lifetime, help somebody”
Chinese Proverb

Almoner

Das continues to have regular contact with our members, and we thank him most sincerely for his continual care.
Please let Das know if you are not well or having surgery or if you become aware of other members not well.

Raffle

The raffle was won by Wendy

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 payments

Footy Day

Thank you Colin for providing us with a fabulous quiz for Footy Day. Our sheet to fill in answers for 10 wide varying questions did not lead to high scores, but we all enjoyed the fun. Well done everyone on the creative dressing. (Apologies the photos were not taken till the quiz had started.)



August is

Please let Mike or Barb know of anyone you would like followed up re membership.



RCK visit to DIK

Tuesday saw Wendy and Barb visit DIK and what a morning we had as we supported several charities where we have had speakers or member involvement.



Karina from Dress for Success is seen with Colleen with her first trolley of clothes. She found day clothes, evening wear and shoes before moving to the gift section. Karina phoned a friend who bought a van to assist her.

Wendy and I located items to support our SRI Trivia Night and other

upcoming RCK occasions. We were also able to get knitting needles for Pub knitting – this group knit for charity, Sackville Grange and Girl Guides as some of them learn to knit. We have items for BCO for their Christmas hampers and Kadasig Aid and Development in the Philippines). All this before we reached the fabric! We have fabric for our Darwin project, fabric for the performing arts area of Scouting, and material for the View Club who make library bags for disadvantaged children.

Barb



Rotary Club of Darwin South -Fb post

A great evening. IPDG Greg Marlow told us of some of the highlights of his year as District Governor. He then presented Mike Hatfield with the Rotary International Avenues of Service Award, which comes with a Crystal and Pin. Congratulations Mike. Jennie Gale and Jill Forsyth from the RC Kew outlined some of their Empowering Community Growth projects.



A full-circle Rotary moment occurred when Jill mentioned that she had hosted Cristina Freitas, an Ambassadorial Scholar from East Timor, in 2008. Darwin South Rotary had also financially supported Cristina's family back in ET while she studied in Victoria.



Christina -Thank you, Rotary Club of Darwin South. Jill Forsyth and her family kindly welcomed and supported my children and me while I was studying in Melbourne. I am deeply grateful to both Jill's family and your club for your generosity and friendship. Your support made a lasting difference in our lives and will always be remembered with appreciation and respect. 🙏🙏

#EndPolio Rotary  

**You are warmly invited to the District 9800
POLIO PLUS SOCIETY AFTERNOON TEA**

Our Guest Speaker will be PDG Murray Verso who will speak on the
"Cultural History of Poliomyelitis".

All Rotarians and friends are welcome along with our Polio Plus Society members.

On: Saturday 5 September 2026
Starting at: 2.30pm
At: Camberwell Uniting Church Hall
314 Camberwell Road, Camberwell

Parking: Camberwell Road or
behind Petbarn in Butler Street

Cost: \$10

Dress Code: Smart casual

RSVP: By 1 September 2026

Questions?: To Jane Pennington
Email: Jane.Pennington@Rotary9800.org

Booking via Trybooking:
<https://www.trybooking.com/DNVBF>
or using the QR Code




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**Rotary Walk with Us
in 2026**
1-31 October

Here is your opportunity to
HAVE FUN, GET FIT
and help yourself
WHILE HELPING OTHERS

Rotary  
District 9800

Join others this October as we get active and raise funds for Rotary's number one global project. Everyone in the community can take part and help make history by supporting the effort to eradicate polio worldwide.

Register yourself to walk solo or form a team with your family, friends and club members and seek sponsorship for every step taken.

Rotary has been working towards this goal for more than 30 years with cases of polio reduced by 99.9%. This is the final push.

Each dollar raised will help us reach our fundraising goal of \$100,000 to vaccinate all children against polio. Each dollar becomes \$3 thanks to the Gates Foundation.

All donations are tax deductible and for Rotarians count towards your overall RI donation credits.



Register at: Rotary Walk With Us End Polio : Home
And be ready to start walking, running, cycling, swimming and fundraising on 1 October.

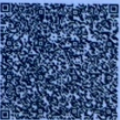
Register at <https://www.rotarywalkwithus.org/>

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Meeting Duty Roster

With the new roster, if you cannot complete your duty, you are asked to please find your replacement from your Avenue of Service Committee (AoS) and please let Bob know preferably by Tuesday, so that the meeting agenda is as accurate as possible

Those on the Thought are asked to please email it through to the Bulletin editor preferably before the meeting
Fred is thanked most sincerely for all his work on completing the roster

DATE	AoS	CHAIR	AoS	SETUP	AoS	CASHIER-1	AoS	CASHIER-2	AoS	HOST	AoS	THOUGHT
20-Aug	Yth	Colin Burns	Com	Sophie Torney	Com	Mike McFarlane	Yth	Jonathan Shepherd	Club	Evelyne Perks	Club	Das Devidas
27-Aug	Club	Das Devidas	Club	Wendy Garling	Com	Moh Dadafarin	Com	Kim Wen	Com	John Day	Int	Doug Brown
3-Sep	Int	Doug Brown	Yth	Alison Vickers	Com	Pam Norton	Club	Mah Hoon Tan	Yth	Fred Payne	Club	Evelyne Perks
10-Sep	Club	Evelyne Perks	Int	Andrew Dalziel	Int	Peter Stewart	Club	Margaret Turner	Club	Gaie Maddock		Barb Brook
17-Sep	Com	Jennie Gale	Club	Bob Crozier	Int	Robert Levin	Int	Mark Bourke	Int	George Verginis	Yth	Fred Payne
24-Sep	Yth	Fred Payne	Yth	Colin Burns	Com	Russell Hoath	Yth	Michael Stillwell	Com	Hengameh Amiry	Club	Gaie Maddock
1-Oct	Club	Gaie Maddock	Club	Das Devidas	Com	Sophie Torney	Com	Mike McFarlane	Yth	Joan Scott	Int	George Verginis
8-Oct	Int	George Verginis	Int	Doug Brown	Club	Wendy Garling	Com	Moh Dadafarin	Yth	Jonathan Shepherd	Com	Hengameh Amiry
15 Oct	Com	Hengameh Amiry	Club	Evelyne Perks	Yth	Allison Vickers	Com	Pam Norton	Com	Kim Wen	Com	Jennie Gale
22 Oct		Barb Brook	Club	Mah Hoon Tan	Int	Andrew Dalziel	Int	Peter Stewart		District Governor's		Visit
29 Oct	Int	Jill Forsyth	Yth	Fred Payne	Club	Bob Crozier	Int	Robert Levin	Club	Margaret Turner	Yth	Joan Scott
5 Nov	Yth	Joan Scott	Club	Gaie Maddock	Com	Cam Dias	Com	Russell Hoath	Int	Mark Bourke	Club	Joel Cohen