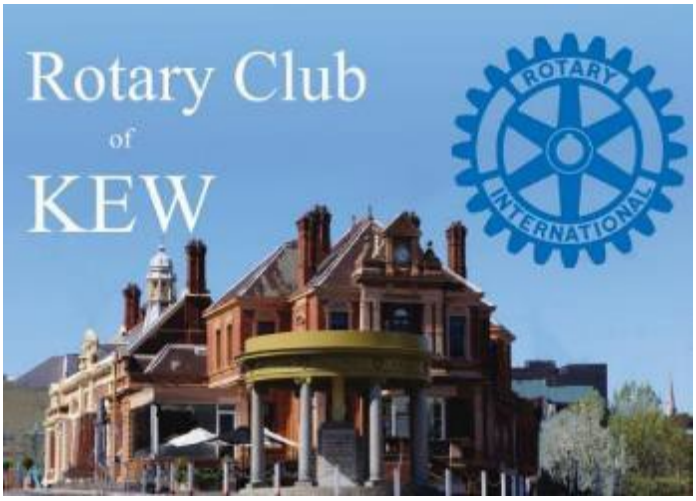


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RI District 9800

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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?

Rotary Club of Kew

CREATE LASTING IMPACT

Links

Garden DesignFest
Facebook
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President's Message



We were delighted to have our District Governor Graeme and his wife Sue join us for our meeting today. The Board was also privileged to meet with Graeme before our Club meeting. Thank you both for coming.

What a busy day last Saturday was for those that assisted at Bunnings Hawthorn. Thank you Joan, for the quick turn around from being offered the BBQ to conducting it. A great effort. Almost $2500 was raised for our Youth programs..

Just over 4 weeks till it is Garden DesignFest (GDF). The Committee has been working extremely hard on our major fundraiser with the support of a number of members and I know we thank them all. Please keep the weekend free and let me know how you can assist on the roster for the 9 garden we have been allocated. There is a GDF raffle. Further details are on page 3 including the link to purchase tickets online.

Our Club AGM is on 19 November. Nomination forms were available at today's meeting and can also be obtained from the Secretary.

The food collection for Boroondara Community Outreach (BCO) is coming up. Your assistance with a 2 hour shift would be appreciated.

Remember Saturday is World Polio Day

Have a wonderful week
Barb

Rotary Club of Kew CREATE LASTING IMPACT

Dates for Your Diary

Saturday 24 October
World Polio Day

Monday 26 October
10am RCK Coffee Fellowship - Via Verona

Thursday 29 October
1pm RCK meeting Kew Golf Club
Halloween, Cup Sweep & Fellowship

Rotary South Pacific Conference,
30 October – 1 November 2026
Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre,

Monday 2 November
10am RCK Coffee Fellowship - Via Verona

Thursday 5 November
1pm RCK meeting Kew Golf Club
Dress for the Cup. There will even be some races.
South Pacific Conference

Monday 9 November
10am RCK Coffee Fellowship - Via Verona

Wednesday 11 November
10am – 1pm Friends of Willsmere Billabong

Thursday 12 November
1pm RCK meeting Kew Golf Club
Acknowledging Remembrance Day and Fellowship

Monday 16 November
10am RCK Coffee Fellowship - Via Verona

Thursday 19 November
1pm RCK meeting Kew Golf Club RCK AGM

Saturday 21 & Sunday 22 November
Garden DesignFest

Monday 23 November
10am RCK Coffee Fellowship - Via Verona

Thursday 26 November
Speakers Justin Cavenagh "Living with Low Vision"

Saturday 28 November
Democracy Sausage Fundraiser at Kew East Uniting Church (Please see Margaret to assist on the roster)
Woolworths Food Collection for BCO

Sunday 29 November
Woolworths Food Collection for BCO

Monday 30 November
10am RCK Coffee Fellowship - Via Verona

Thursday 3 December
1pm RCK meeting Kew Golf Club
Speaker Dr Jenny Gowan AM
"Questions to ask about your medicines"

Saturday 5 December
Woolworths Food Collection for BCO

Sunday 6 December
Woolworths Food Collection for BCO

Monday 7 December
10am RCK Coffee Fellowship - Via Verona

Thursday 10 December RCK Christmas Lunch
12.30pm Kew Golf Club

Monday 14 December
10am RCK Coffee Fellowship - Via Verona

Thursday 17 December
Informal get together details to follow

Tuesday 26 January
Serving lunches at supported accommodation venues

Thursday 28 January
1pm RCK meeting location to be confirmed

Thursday 4 February
1pm RCK meeting Kew Golf Club
Speaker Beverley Pinder OAM

Thursday 11 February
1pm RCK meeting Kew Golf Club
Chinese New Year

Rotary Multi District Summit 2027
16 – 18 April 2027 Warrnambool

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

RCK 2027 Changeover
Thursday 1 July 6pm for 6.30pm Kew Golf Club

Guest Speaker

We were delighted to have our District Governor Graeme Hope and his wife Sue with us today.



Graeme shared with us the District priorities for the year linking his presentation to RI President Olayinka Babalola message to **'Create Lasting Impact'** Graeme included looking at opportunities to connect with the next generation to grow Rotary.

It was also pleasing for the Board to also have the opportunity to meet with Graeme prior to the Club Meeting.

Bunnings BBQ Saturday 17 October

Thanks to everyone who contributed to making the Bunnings BBQ such a successful fundraiser, with proceeds earmarked for Youth projects. This was organised at short notice, (due to another group' cancellation) and was enthusiastically supported by all who volunteered on the day, including members of the Youth Committee. Those cooking, serving and selling and supporting on the day were Jonathan Shepherd, Michael Stillwell, Doug Brown, Barb Brook, Wendy Garling, Hengameh Amiry, Alison Vickers, Colin Burns, John Day, and Colin Scott. Thanks to Alan Brook for his invaluable assistance in setting up the 'Square' to enable card purchases, and to President Barb for sharing her expertise in running a Bunnings BBQ! It was a steep learning curve for me! Thanks also to the team at Bunnings Hawthorn.

Joan Scott
Youth Chair







Toast

The toast today was to Rotary International, The Rotary Club of Kew and Rotary in Ontario

Garden DesignFest



Garden Volunteers

We need your help and hope that all RCK members will be able to assist. Please ensure Barb knows of your availability for the weekend. RCK has 9 gardens open 4 shifts (Saturday 9.30am-1.30pm Saturday 1.15pm – 5.15pm, Sunday 9.30am-1.15pm Sunday 1.15pm – 5.30pm). Thank you to those who have already let Barb know of their availability.

There are 18 Gardens being opened this year located in Kingsbury, Ivanhoe East, Ivanhoe, Northcote (2), Fairfield (2), Hawthorn, Camberwell, Glen Iris, Caulfield South, Mornington, Mount Martha, Merricks North, Merricks, McCrae, Rye, Blairgowrie.

the GDF raffle site is now live
https://www.raffletix.com.au?ref=6r6g2

Total prize pool = $7,400

1. $2,000 gift certificate for Artist Photographer – Family studio portrait session and finished photo
2. $1,800 Stihl - Battery operated gardening equipment
   All the right battery powered equipment for all your garden needs - Lawn mower (incl. battery and charger), Shredder (skin only, same battery as mower), Pruning set (incl. battery and charger), Battery lopping shears (incl. battery and charger)
3. $1,500 Natural Gold Nugget Pendant
4. $1,500 Lighting consultancy and installation work for garden landscape lighting
5. $600 Oil Painting - Michael Britter 'Princess Bridge' (Melbourne)

1 for $5	$5.00 per ticket
2 for $10	$5.00 per ticket
5 for $23	$4.60 per ticket
10 for $40	$4.00 per ticke

Plastic Bottle Tops

We continue to collect plastic bottle tops for our Darwin STEM project. At present we are only looking for **# 2** and **# 5** bottle tops as described below for the moulding (to make pens).

Bottle tops can be brought to Thursday meetings or dropped at the Fair Trade and Gift Shop.

Plastic Lid Recycling Breakdown
Number 2 (HDPE - High-Density Polyethylene): Commonly found on milk and water bottle caps. Because it is highly versatile and durable, it is shredded, melted, and injected into specialized **product moulds** to create everyday items like plastic bricks, park benches, and reusable tools. [1, 2, 3]
Number 5 (PP - Polypropylene): Commonly used for soft drink and juice bottle lids. It features a high heat tolerance and is often injection-moulded into auto parts, heavy-duty crates, and construction materials. [1, 2, 3] Jill

Working with Children Check (WWCC)

From October 19, anyone applying for or renewing their WWC Check must complete a mandatory online child safety training module.
The module takes about 45 minutes and is completed on the Service Victoria website as part of your application, not through individual organisations. Current WWC Check holders don't need to do anything until their next renewal. Please check your expiry date and allow extra time when renewing.
For more information, click here.
You can renew your card up to 6 months before its expiry date.

BCO Food Collection

Shop in the Store, Drop at the Door is back
We are assisting with this food collection at Kew Woolworths for the BCO hampers.
Saturday and Sunday 28 & 29 November (also doing Democracy Sausages Sizzle on the 28 at Kew East UC) and Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th December.
These are 2 hour shifts starting at 12 noon, 2pm and 4pm. Please let Barb know your availability (whilst Russell is still with family)

Coffee Mornings

Everyone is welcome to join Club members for Coffee at Via Verona (193 High Street Kew) on a Monday morning from 10am



Raffle

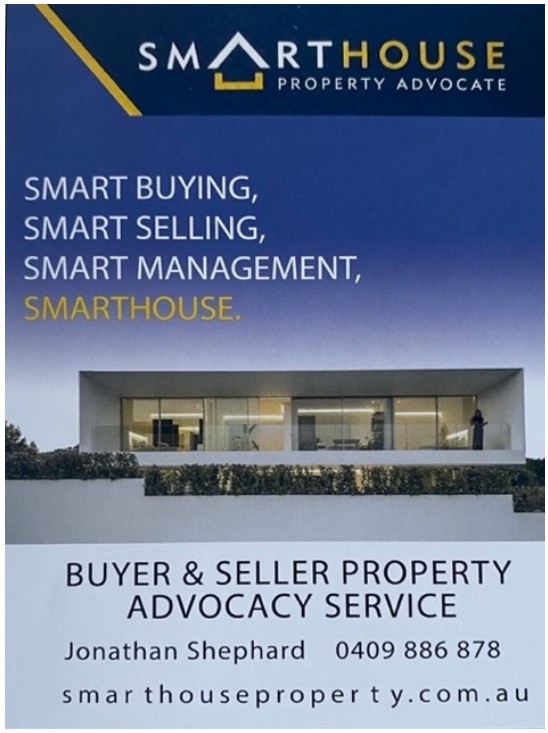
The raffle was won by Michael

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

The Rotary Club of Kew acknowledges the ongoing support of the following businesses





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
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
12 Nov	Yth	Jonathan Shepherd	Int	Jonathan Shepherd	Yth	Colin Burns	Com	Sophie Torney	Yth	Michael Stillwell	Yth	Jonathan Shepherd
19 Nov	Com	Kim Wen	Com	Hengameh Amiry	Club	Das Devidas	Club	Wendy Garling	Com	Mike McFarlane	Yth	June Crawford
26 Nov	Club	Mah Hoon Tan	Yth	Joan Scott	Club	Evelyne Perks	Yth	Allison Vickers	Com	Moh Dadafarin	Com	Kim Wen
3 Dec	Club	Margaret Turner	Club	Joel Cohen		John Day	Int	Andrew Dalziel	Com	Pam Norton	Club	Mah Hoon Tan
10 Dec	Int	Mark Bourke	Yth	George Verginis	Yth	Fred Payne	Club	Bob Crozier	Int	Peter Stewart	Club	Margaret Turner