





## The Rotary Club of Warrandyte Donvale (Inc) Club Bulletin

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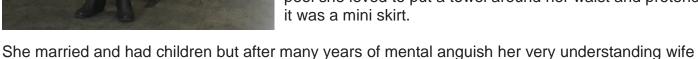
#### A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Guest Speaker: Greer MCGeary

Greer is the president of Seahorse Victoria which is the oldest Transgender group in Australia having been founded in 1991. Greer was the founding president and apart from a few years since then has remained president. She is very well known as she regularly appears on TV on Channel 31 which has programs about gender issues.

She was a member and past president of the Rotary Club of Melton many years ago.

Greer talked about how when she grew up as a male she had many times when she felt like a female but because of the social pressures of the time those feelings were buried. She loved sport, running in particular and swimming. She spoke about how when at the swimming pool she loved to put a towel around her waist and pretend it was a mini skirt.



urged her to seek help.

Greer now identifies as a female and although divorced has a good relationship with her wife and family – she has grandchildren and a great grandchild who is about to turn 2 years. She said she is very comfortable with how she is these days.

Greer talked a lot about the importance of social support for people with identity issues, and that is what Seahorse is all about. It is totally nonjudgmental and is the opportunity for those with gender identity issues to share information and be helped.

It was very interesting and we all gained a much greater understanding of the issues that people with gender identity issues face.

Following is from the Seahorse web site.







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Guests: It was great to see Judith Lightfoot and her granddaughter Nye Ann join us, and Colin Hall. Apologies: Gavin and Pippa Birch, Bob McKenzie, Steve Ennor and Tony Mooney.

#### **President's Report:**

President Kevin said that this meeting will be his last as our first president of the year and next meeting will be handing over the collar and badge to David George. Liz Guiver thanked Kevin for his months of presidency.

He reported that there will be a DGs meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> October to discuss how Rotary clubs can assist people who have been victims of the current floods. More as information is to hand.



#### Youth/Community:

Rob Edwards reported that he and Judy Hall visited the Warrandyte Primary School on Monday and met with Principal Nieta Manser. She gave us an extensive tour of the campus which is very large in area, and badly in need of updating as far as some classrooms and furniture, as well as many areas of the grounds.

The appearance of a school is an important factor for many parents when choosing a school for their children. There are many needs that our club might be able to assist the school with. Nieta will send through some more information for us to think about re projects.

#### **Christmas Cakes for Meals on Wheels:**

Louise reported that she will be organizing this again and next meeting we will write the Christmas cards to go with the cakes.

#### **Tunstall Market:**

Steve Latimer circulated the market roster for Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October.

It is noted that Steve will pick up the caravan and put in place but will have to depart the market at 7.30am due to another engagement.

So, as per usual, we will need people to do the early morning set up and pull down as Steve will not be available to do same. Roster has been emailed to club members and Montessori folks.







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#### Seahorse Victoria

Supporting the Transgender Community Since 1975

Seahorse Victoria Inc was formed in 1975 as a support and social group for the Victorian transgender community and is the longest running organization of its type in Australia.

While the internet is a valuable tool, nothing can replace what we believe is vital – everyday human contact. We meet at various locations several times a month and also hold fund raising events for the benefit of the transgender community. Members are also involved in legislative reform and work with government and community groups in all aspects of human rights for the Victorian transgender community.

Whatever your circumstance or the distance you are on your journey, Seahorse Victoria members have a wealth of experience and understanding. Everyone has something to share that can benefit others. We do not judge, discriminate or apply labels to members. We are all individuals and understand that everyone has different needs and life circumstances. Nobody can tell you "how to be transgender".

Membership to Seahorse Victoria is open to all people who identify themselves as transgender, regardless of where on this wide spectrum you fall. But before you can become a member we'll need to speak to you first, as we need to protect the privacy of our members.







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### **UP COMING PROGRAMME**

Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	No meeting
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	Tunstall Market
Tunstall Square	ALL HANDS ON DECK.
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	No meeting – Melbourne Cup day
Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Warrandyte Riverside Market  ALL HANDS ON DECK AGAIN!
RIVERSIDE MARKET	
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Club Meeting at the Hotel Grand, Warrandyte Guest Speaker: Warrandyte Migrant support Group — A presentation by this newly established group whose brief it will be to help settle migrants into the suburbs.  Chair: George Guiver Property: Tony Mooney Greeter: Liz Guiver
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Club Meeting – The Grand Hotel  7pm – 7.15pm 2021-22 Annual General Meeting  7.15 – Club Assembly – please forward items for discussion to Secretary David George before the evening.  Chair: David George Property: Steve Ennor Greeter: Marg George
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Club Meeting, The Grand Hotel 6.30 for 7pm Guest Speaker: Wil Cornillessen: District Conference 3-5 March - Canberra 2023







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Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November



Tunstall Market

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December



Warrandyte Riverside Market









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#### 26th October -

Yarra Valley Water CEO Pat McCafferty will speak to a Cluster meeting at the Beau Monde – organised by the Rotary Club of Doncaster. Contact Doncaster Rotary for more information

#### POLIO ANYWHERE IS A THREAT EVERYWHERE

Dear Members,

e are making great progress towards eradicating polio, however recent news reminds us that polio anywhere is a threat everywhere. Polio is being detected around the world in places where it hasn't been found in decades. In the United States, an unvaccinated man was paralyzed by polio. In the UK, poliovirus has been detected in sewage samples. In Malawi, a child contracted polio. And Mozambique announced its first polio outbreak of wild poliovirus in 30 years.

The time for urgent action is now. A new vaccine has been deployed to stop outbreaks.

Malawi, Mozambique, and nearby countries are conducting immunization campaigns to stop the spread of the virus. With our partners and advocates like you, we continue to encourage communities worldwide to provide vaccinations.

As we approach World Polio Day, 24 October, you can **help us make an impact** and stop the spread of polio. You can take action by:

#### **Donating to PolioPlus**

Creating a fundraiser for PolioPlus using <u>Raise</u> <u>for Rotary</u> (in Australian, Canadian, or U.S. dollars)

Creating a fundraiser on the <u>End Polio Now</u> <u>Facebook page</u>

Raising awareness by sharing content from the World Polio Day Toolkit, which you can find on our <u>World Polio Day webpage</u>

World Polio Day will help us provide the resources needed to protect children from the U.S. to Mozambique and around the world. Join us so that no child suffers the paralyzing effects of polio ever again.

Sincerely, The Rotary Foundation













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#### Rotary Club of Templestowe

7 September · 🕙

The Rotary Clubs of Doncaster, Manningham and Templestowe, and the City of Manningham are running the Future Vehicle Expo and Seminar.

Sunday October 23, 2022, from 10 to 4pm, Manningham Council Civic Centre MC2, Doncaster Road Doncaster-Car Park and Function Centre. https://futurevehicleexpo.com.au ?, Our aims are to:

- Promote the uptake of Electric Vehicles.
- Provide information to the Community about sustainable transport options.
- The role of Smart Technology in vehicles, where we are at with driverless cars, and how technology assists in improving safety and driving.
- Discuss the issues we have at present and goals to expand the use of new technologies in reducing greenhouse gases.

The Seminars will run from 11am to 4pm, with 3 sessions 11am to 12.15pm, 1pm to 2pm & 3pm to 4 pm. The seminar is free, but bookings must be made on https://www.trybooking.com/BTGXS

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#### For all District Conference details go to:

https://www.9810rotary.org.au/









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This is a once in 30-year event that should not be missed. If you haven't been to a Rotary International Convention, then this is your opportunity to hear and see from Rotarians from all corners of the world. If you have enjoyed Rotary International Conventions previously, then you know how fantastic they are and Melbourne will be fantastic! It is here on your doorstep with no international travel expenses. It will never be more affordable!

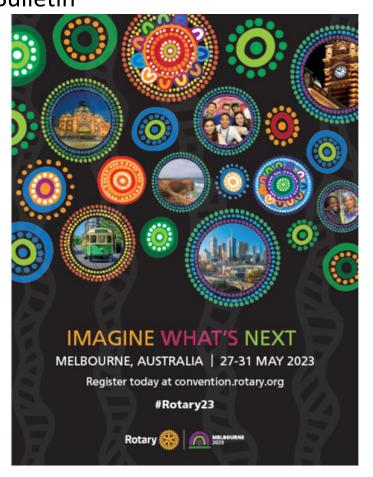
 Book now to get the best registration rate and importantly to secure your place at Signature and

Hospitality events, which have capacity limits to ensure a comfortable and rewarding experience.

- Imagine the opportunity to meet and mix with 25,000 people of action from around the globe.
- Imagine the possibilities flowing from inspirational speakers, breakouts with Rotary leaders and from opportunities at the House of Friendship
- Imagine the opportunity to attend and/or volunteer to be an Ambassador for Australasia and the Pacific Islands.

Volunteers are still required to assist in the running of the Convention.

 A vital part of the Convention is to have an engaged and friendly volunteer workforce. We as Rotarians volunteer our time,









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energy and skills all the time. It is part of our DNA and makes us who we are - we are a people organisation.

- It is an opportunity to witness Rotary at an International level and by volunteering, to be part of its success.
- It is an opportunity to volunteer and be an Ambassador for Rotary and our country.
- Giving up four hours for a single shift is not a big ask the more volunteers we have, the greater the load is shared.

This Convention is an opportunity to see what Rotarians around the world do, speak to people from different countries about common projects or new projects, and hear world class speakers from within Rotary and from leaders in their fields outside Rotary.

Register **now** for the best prices. Don't leave it to the last minute as the registration fees increase significantly as the Convention gets closer.