

PRESIDENT CAROL'S THOUGHTS & REPORTS

Greetings Rotarians and Friends

Last week - ROMAC

Welcome to you all as the days grow shorter and cooler. Last week we heard from Jill Oliver, Chair Southern Region of ROMAC who gave us a very interesting overview of the organisation, she was joined by Heather who is our District Chair. First and foremost, ROMAC is quite a rare not-forprofit humanitarian organisation being run entirely with volunteers – no paid staff, no leased offices and so, it has

minimal fixed costs. We can proudly state that every dollar donated goes to Giving Life and our small expenses are recovered from our investments.

ROMAC comprises a five-member Board, plus an Operations committee of eight, which includes the six Regional Chairs across Australia and New Zealand. The Regional committee then coordinates through District Chairs and their committees, which align and work closely with local Rotary Clubs.

The core of our organisation is life-giving surgery and our process begins with a referral of a child from overseas (or visiting Australia/New Zealand doctors) directly into the ROMAC database. From this single form, the Medical and Operation's Directors evaluate, in collaboration with specialist Regional Medical Consultants, whether the referred child meets the ROMAC guidelines and what Region may be able to provide the necessary surgery.

All in all, our team in Australia and New Zealand is nearing 200 totally voluntary individuals plus Rotarians and medical personnel who support ROMAC in the nations we serve. These are people who help with passport and visa applications, finding and communicating with our potential patients, organising medical checks, and ensuring they are on time to board their plane.

I believe this is a very worthwhile organisation, which we should considered supporting in our next year's Budget.

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These Celebrations are for the month of April from 1st April to 30th April 2022

Tom Barrett 6th Bill Ewing 11th Diane Clark 12th Colin Stokes 21st Petra Morton 25th Melanie Buchanan 27th

Birthdavs

Wedding Anniversaries Paul & Diane Clark 6th Pat & Petra Morton 10th Byron & Glenys Groves 11th Bill & Jill Cummins 15th Wayne & Cheryl Norris 20th Rob & Chris Davies 26th Tom & Lara Barrett 26th Colin & Kaye Stokes 26th Merv & Chris Williams 27th Rotary Anniversaries

Byron Groves 2/2007 Wayne Jenkins 10/2017



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

11th April 2022

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With the Mondays of the next two weeks (Easter and ANZAC Day) there will be <u>no</u> Bulletin and they will resume on 2nd May. However, there is a Bunnings BBQ on Easter Saturday, and at our last Monday meeting David Wheeler requested that our organisation lay a wreath at the local ANZAC Ceremony in Mornington, which was unanimously agreed to by anyone. If you wish to attend, please contact David Wheeler.

At our meeting on 2nd May we will have our Community and Membership Directors giving us an overview of the year so far and also a chance for general discussion from you our members. On the 9th May Jade Phelan CEO of the Bays will be coming to talk to us about The Bays Healthcare Group and update on the New Cancer Centre.

This week we will be hearing from Mark Patrick from Victoria Police about The Rotary/Victoria Police Mentoring Programme, that he was involved in, supported/mentored by Bernard Butler. This will be a very interesting talk and it would be great if you could all join us in person (if possible) at TMH. If you are an apology, please let Barry know so we can inform the hotel staff of expected numbers.

Yours in Rotary

President Carol

APRIL IS MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH MONTH

Mon 11 Apr	Club Meeting - at The Mornington Hotel @ 6.00 for 6.30pm and via Zoom Guest Speaker is Mark Patrick of Rotary & Victorian Police Mentoring program
Sat 16 Apr	Bunnings BBQ - see Roster on page 5
Mon 18 Apr	No meeting or Bulletin - Easter Monday Holiday
Mon 25 Apr	No meeting or Bulletin - Anzac Day Holiday
	MAY IS YOUTH SERVICE MONTH
Mon 2 May	Club Meeting - at The Mornington Hotel @ 6.00 for 6.30pm and via Zoom - TBA
Fri 6 May	Annual Community Golf Day @ Mount Martha Golf Course
Mon 9 May	Club Meeting - at The Mornington Hotel @ 6.00 for 6.30pm and via Zoom
	Guest Speaker is Jade Phelan—CEO of Bays Hospital
Mon 16 May	RCMM Committee meetings
Fri 20th May	Bunnings BBQ - see Roster on page 5
Mon 23 May	Club Meeting - at The Mornington Hotel @ 6.00 for 6.30pm and via Zoom - TBA
Tue 24 May	Lift the Lid on Mental Health Golf Day - see Flyer on page 6
Mon 30 May	Club Meeting - at The Mornington Hotel @ 6.00 for 6.30pm and via Zoom - TBA
	JUNE IS ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS MONTH
Mon 6 June	Club Meeting - at The Mornington Hotel @ 6.00 for 6.30pm and via Zoom - TBA
Mon 13 June	No meeting or Bulletin - Queen's Birthday Holiday
Fri 17th June	Bunnings BBQ - Roster to come
Mon 20 June	RCMM Committee meetings

Mon 27 June Changeover Dinner - to be confirmed



The Rotary Foundation and World Immunization Week 2022

Help Rotary raise awareness for polio eradication and the importance of vaccines during **World Immunization Week, 24-30 April**. Show your commitment by sharing some of these sample posts on social media. You can also paint your pinkie purple and post a picture online using the hashtags #EndPolio and #VaccinesWork.

<u>Because Vaccines work</u>, Rotary & partners have reduced polio cases by 99.9% worldwide since 1988. End Polio Now won't stop until we end the disease for good.

<u>In countries where polio is a threat</u>, kids' pinkies are marked with purple ink after they're immunized, helping health workers know which kids are protected.

<u>Vaccines Work</u> Through the science of immunization, Rotary & partners have saved an estimated 20 million children from becoming paralyzed by polio.

<u>Vaccines work</u> and are the best investment we can make in human health. When Rotary formed Polio Plus in 1985, polio paralyzed 1,000+ children every single day in 125 polio-endemic countries. Because Vaccines work, just 2 countries remain wild polio-endemic.

<u>Rotary</u> members have contributed more than \$2.2 billion dollars and countless volunteer hours to the fight to End Polio. Together with our partners we immunize over 400 million children every year

<u>COVID19</u> reminds us that disease outbreaks anywhere can be a threat everywhere. That's why Rotary's End Polio is more committed than ever to ending the threat of polio for every child, everywhere.

<u>Vaccines Work</u> and the progress made in the fight to End Polio is proof. End Polio infrastructure and expertise in vaccination campaigns, disease surveillance, social mobilization & outbreak response plays a critical role in responding to #COVID19.

As the first organization to envision a polio-free world through mass immunization of children, Rotary believes the decision to vaccinate is a humanitarian imperative.

During World Immunization Week, 24-30 April, let's advocate for polio eradication and the importance of vaccines to the health and well-being of our communities. Vaccines are one of the greatest advances of modern medicine. They're safe, effective, and save millions of lives each year. Our progress in the fight to end polio is proof that vaccines work.

The Global Polio Eradication Initiative estimates that the polio vaccine has saved more than 20 million children around the world from paralysis. We need to continue vaccinating children against polio, because as long as the poliovirus circulates anywhere, it is a threat everywhere.

<u>Donate</u> to PolioPlus to help Rotary and our partners deliver polio vaccines to vulnerable children. Or start an online fundraiser using <u>Raise for Rotary</u> and share it with your friends, colleagues, and family members. All contributions will be matched 2-to-1 by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Rotary districts can give <u>District Designated Funds (DDF)</u> to PolioPlus to help meet our goal of raising \$50 million each year to eradicate Polio.

You too can support The Rotary Foundation "Doing Good in the World" by:

- Renewing your Centurion Club membership. \$100 per year as you are able.

- New Centurion Club member forms are available from Roger Annear

Direct bank contribution to the RC Mt Martha Club A/c BSB 633-000, Account 126265388 Please note your name and also advise Roger by email when done.



40th Annual Rotary Club of Mount Martha Charity Golf Challenge

We are excited to announce that the 40th Annual Rotary Club of Mount Martha Charity Golf Challenge will be held this year on Friday 6th May 2022 at Mount Martha Golf Course.

If you play, then join us. Not a golfer but still want to help us support our community? You can be a sponsor of our Golf Challenge on May 6th.

We would be delighted to receive cash or in kind support which can be used as prizes & raffles on the day.

Funds raised go towards local organisations such as the Mt Martha CFA, Mornington Volunteer Marine Rescue, local community & youth initiatives as well as Rotary humanitarian initiatives.

for full details see the Flyer below





SAUSAGE SIZZLE ROSTERS

BUNNINGS BBQ'S

<u>8 to 11am</u>

<u>2pm to 5pm</u>

Saturday 16th April 2022 (Easter Saturday)

Rob Davies Byron Groves Bernard Butler Mary McIntyre Wayne Norris Peter Rawlings Anne Shaw Bill Ewing Bill Branthwaite Bruce Ranken

11am to 2pm

Bill Cummins Ray Martin Bill Branthwaite Carol Allen Barrie Sweeney

If you are unable to make your allotted shift, please find another Member to replace you and advise Bill Cummins (BBQ Convenor) and Byron Groves (Bulletin)

Friday 20th May 2022 - this is the 1st of many Friday BBQ's in 2022

Rob Davies Gordon Morriss Tom Goulding Merv Williams Peter Rawlings Tom Barrett Wayne Norris Ray Martin Byron Groves Barrie Sweeney Bill Ewing Roger Annear

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OUR COMMUNITY & CLUB SUPPORTERS, TO WHOM WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL



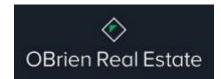






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VENUE:	Kingston Heath Golf Club, Kingston Road Cheltenham
DATE:	Tuesday 24 th May 2022. Registration 10.00 AM
COMPETITION: Ambrose. Golf Link Numbers for registered Club golfers.	
BENEFICIARY: Australian Rotary Health {ARH}	
INCLUDED:	18 holes' golf, Buffet Luncheon, Gourmet BBQ Dinner, Pull Cart
COST:	\$350.00 Includes \$100 Tax Deductable Receipt to ARH.
BOOKINGS:	https://events.humanitix.com/rotarygolf2022
OPPORTUNITIES: 3 hole in one prizes of a Mercedes-Benz Car, Sponsorship of a hole. Opportunity of playing on one of the golfing world's top courses, at an extremely competitive rate.	
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