



WHAT'S HAPPENING AND AROUND & ABOUT WITH PRESIDENT BILL

This week's Club Meeting - Monday 24th April 2023

The Guest Speaker tonight is Leigh Nisbet speaking on scam awareness. Mary McIntyre will Chair the meeting. It should be a great night with a knowledgeable Speaker.

Last weeks' Club Meeting—Monday 17th April 2023

Merv's Magical Moment

Merv highlighted the recent appointment of Jessica Mauboy as RAWCS Ambassador. He then mentioned how the Rotarians Against Malaria (RAM) programs seeks to address the 400,000 fatalities caused by the avoidable disease every year. Malaria affects 29M people, mainly in poor Africa and under developed Pacific rim countries. 19 Australian Districts have committed, with government to programs to control the spread of this terrible disease through improved netting, insecticides and other management tools. Locally in PNG, Indonesia and the Solomons, Malaria is a major health problem and we were advised that there will be a Global Congress aimed at remedying this during the Melbourne Conference, I understand on the two preceding days May 25/26. Food for thought for those attending.

Foundation and Centurion

Roger Annear reminded us that Rotary Foundation is still doing big things in the fight against Polio and as the year ends, he again asked members to contribute generously to Centurion as this plays a pivotal role in our Public/Private partnership with the Gates Foundation.

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle Matters

Colin Stokes and Wayen Jenkins, touched on the challenges with weather over Easter weekend and some changes that will be introduced as a result. The great news though was the \$2,184 proceeds from Easter Saturday - A NEW RECORD I understand. Congratulations and thanks to all who contributed.

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Guest Speaker - Malcolm Gordon

Malcolm Gordon grew up in Hastings New Zealand and spoke with passion about his love of the Mornington Peninsula and how he came to write his History of The Mornington Peninsula, a sequel to his first publication. The book was drafted by hand and was a culmination of 4 years in depth research.

As a young boy growing up in New Zealand he developed his relationship with nature and love of heritage. A retired Geography teacher, Malcolm and his wife Gill have lived in Mount Martha for over three decades. They have immersed themselves in the community and from here Malcolm's love of the unique heritage of the Mornington Peninsula began. Malcolm's History of the Mornington Peninsula is comprehensive and crammed with little known facts, gleaned from years of research, private conversations with local personalities and personal experiences.

His love of the Peninsula was evident as he drew our attention to some of the concerns we should have as population grows and some unique habitats are threatened.

His publication has been a great gift for me to present to new residents and we really enjoyed his presentation on how it was conceived and written.

Yours in Rotary - President Bill

24th April 2023

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These Celebrations are
for the week from
24th to 30th April 2023

Birthdays
Petra Morton 25th
Melanie Buchanan 27th

Wedding Anniversaries
Rob & Chris Davies 26th
Tom & Lara Barrett 26th
Colin & Kaye Stokes 26th
Merv & Chris Williams 27th

Rotary Anniversaries
Nil

APRIL IS MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH MONTH

Mon Apr 24 **RCMM Club Meeting** - Guest Speaker is Leigh Nesbit on scam awareness
Chair - Mary McIntyre

MAY IS YOUTH SERVICE MONTH

Mon May 1 **RCMM Committee Meetings**
 Mon May 8 **RCMM Club Meeting** - Guest Speaker is Mardi Shepherd, Chairperson District 9820 of Australian Rotary Health - Chair - Rob Marks
 Wed May 10 **RCMM Board Meeting**
 Sat May 13th **Shine on Recognition event** - see Flyer on page 5
 Mon May 15 **RCMM Club Meeting** - TBA
 Fri May 19 **Bunnings BBQ** - see Roster on page 3
 Mon May 22 **RCMM Club Meeting** - TBA
 Sat May 27 to Wed 31 **Rotary International Convention in Melbourne** - see Flyer on page 6
 Mon May 29 **RCMM Social Night (5th Monday)**

JUNE IS ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS MONTH

Mon 5 June **RCMM Committee Meetings**
 Mon 12 June **No Club Meeting - Public Holiday**
 Wed 14 June **RCMM Board Meeting**
 Fri 16 June **Bunnings BBQ** - see Roster on page 3
 Mon 19 June **RCMM Club Meeting** - TBA
 Mon 26 June **RCMM Club Meeting** - TBA
 Mon 26 June to Sat 1 July **RYLA**


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

Community Bank
Mount Martha

 **Bendigo Bank**


 **Rawlings Featherstone**
FINANCIAL SOLUTIONS


Warlimont & Nutt
PENINSULA REAL ESTATE
SINCE 1952


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HILLVIEW QUARRIES

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Flooring
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Cnr Bruce Street & Tyabb Road, Mornington **5975 2600**

SAUSAGE SIZZLE ROSTERS

BUNNINGS BBQ'S

8 to 11am

Rob Davies
 Merv Williams
 David Wheeler
 Wayne Jenkins

11am to 2pm

Friday 19th May 2023

Barrie Sweeney
 Peter Rawlings
 Wayne Norris
 Ray Martin
 Anne Shaw

2pm to 5pm

Byron Groves
 Tom Barrett
 Peter Warren
 Colin Stokes

Friday 16th June 2023

Rob Davies
 Gordon Morriss
 Tom Barrett
 Wayne Jenkins

Peter Rawlings
 Peter Warren
 Carol Allen
 Anne Shaw
 Ron Najim

Bill Cummins
 Roger Annear
 Phyllis Scales
 Colin Stokes

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

UPCOMING BUNNINGS BBQ'S

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Rotary Club of Mount Martha (RCMM) Environment Statement

RCMM acknowledges the importance of protecting and preserving the environment.
 RCMM is proactive in promoting environmentally sustainable projects.
 RCMM ensures that at all current and future Rotary projects and events, consideration will be given to:

- Reducing Waste
- Promoting Recycling
- Reducing the Environmental Impact

COMMUNITY BANK MOUNT MARTHA PRESENTATION NIGHT

A presentation evening was held by the Community Bank Mount Martha on Tuesday night. The bank distributed over \$250,000 to 20 community groups.

Our Rotary Club was the recipient of a grant for \$18,500 for our Dunns Road fitness equipment project and President Bill, Wayne Jenkins, Peter Rawlings and Anne Shaw were there representing the Club.

These grants will bring tangible outcomes for our communitytraditionally many of the projects would have been funded by Council but they would be part of a strategy, or a long list, or competing with the endless considerations of the municipal budget. So for Mount Martha this is such a bonus! The grants were assessed by a community committee.

So many of our community members volunteer, giving their time and energy to providing vital services and this is such a boost for the morale of these people, their clubs and organisations.

This model of banking delivers from the community to the community, it is a credit to all those who worked so hard to establish it and their ongoing passion and commitment.





Districts: 9700, 9790, 9800, 9810, 9820

**Rotary International Southern Districts
SHINE ON RECOGNITION EVENT 2022-23**

will be held on
Saturday, 13th May, 2023
from 1pm to 4pm

to recognise and celebrate the volunteer
community work of anyone with a disability

The Awards are in 2 categories: Youth 15 – 25 years and Adult.
There will be an Award and a gift of \$500 in each category.

**VENUE: The Templestowe Baptist Church Hall,
103-105 Anderson Creek Rd, Doncaster East, 3109**

Send Completed Forms & Documents Via Email to

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CLOSING DATE for Nominations: 17th March 2023



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IMAGINE WHAT'S NEXT

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA | 27-31 MAY 2023

Register today at convention.rotary.org

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The Rotary Foundation 2022 in review Polio Eradication

For polio eradication efforts, 2022 brought good news. Fewer genetic strains of the virus are circulating than ever before. Afghanistan and Pakistan are the only two countries where polio remains endemic. And support from political, medical, and community leaders in those areas have strengthened vaccination efforts during the past year. Global support for polio eradication also reached new heights, as was proven at the World Health Summit in October, when Rotary and international partners and donors pledged a combined US\$2.6 billion to eradicate the disease.

There were challenges in 2022 as well. The poliovirus appeared in places it hasn't been for a long time: Israel, the United Kingdom, and the United States, to name a few. Wild poliovirus cases were reported in Mozambique, related to the 2021 case in Malawi caused by wild poliovirus imported from Pakistan. News of these cases didn't slow our eradication efforts, however. If anything, it made us even more determined.

NOW IS OUR BEST CHANCE TO FINISH THE FIGHT AGAINST POLIO.

In 2023, we need everyone's help.

Being a Rotary Foundation Centurion Club Member means that you will help this cause to eradicate Polio across the world.

A \$100 per year commitment is all it takes to become a Rotary Centurion. See PP Roger Annear for information.