

Coming events to lock in:

- **BREAKFAST March 23**
- **February World Understanding Month; March Literacy Month**
- **TUESDAY MORNING 23 March OUR BUSINESS BREAKFAST**

February is: World Understanding Month	Feb 23	Mar 2	Mar 9	Mar 16
Speaker	Ambulance Victoria	Glen Eira Library Services	Denis Roberts	Ben Hirsh
Topic	Saving Lives	Reading and Literacy	Nuclear Power Stations	The Australian Honour's System and it's Predecessor
Chair	M Sherlock	Garry Fabian	I Marks	Geoff Sussman
Toast to Club	M Preston	K Faiman	G Oscar	L Blode
Toast to Australia	J Nirens	J Mishima	J Leske	I Marks
Meeting	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	BOARD Breakfast 5.45pm
Cashier	J Hill	L Blode	G Asher	A Nelson

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Rotary Club of Glen Eira

23 February 2010 – World Understanding Month

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Meets at: London Tavern, **414 Hawthorn Road, Caulfield**

We Meet at 6.30pm for 6.45pm each Tuesday evening



ONE MONTH to go till Breakfast

**Tonight
Ambulance
Victoria
SAVING
LIVES**



**21st Annual Business
Person's Breakfast
23rd March 2010
with David Smorgon**



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Club Members enjoyed listening to the Governor of Victoria Dr David de Kretser in an all in all Cluster Club Meeting.

LAST WEEK and THIS WEEK

AMBULANCE VICTORIA The beginnings (1880 - 1890) and BEYOND 2000

Melbourne's first ambulance, a horse drawn cart started operations from stables in the city in **1899**. This basic transport facility is a far cry from the sophisticated vehicles and equipment we take for granted today but it was a significant advancement on earlier patient transport services.

1880 Melburnians had no transport facility to call on when they fell victim to sickness or injury. Social classes were strictly divided in the community of 250,000 people. Medical attention was readily available to those who could afford to pay. For the poor, the unemployed and the working class the situation was pitiful.

1883 Ambulance began in Melbourne with a public meeting deciding to form a branch of St John Ambulance Association. Its aims were to teach first aid and home nursing to as many people as possible. It was common to see sick or injured being carried through the streets on a wooden door unscrewed from the patient's house. Or patients were bundled into a Hansom cab or any other available transport to get them to hospital.

1887 Sufficient funds were raised for St Johns to purchase six Ashford Litters. These were placed at police stations.

1899 The first horse drawn ambulance began operation. Again thanks to the fund raising of an association of ladies of St John. The first Melbourne Ambulance Station was a stable complex off Bourke St, at the rear of the Windsor Hotel.

2001 Metropolitan Ambulance Service celebrated their 100 year anniversary with a street parade. Also started the First Responder Program, where firefighters from the Metropolitan Fire Brigade co-respond to life threatening emergencies.

2002 In a major upgrade to our fleet, commenced changing vehicles across to Mercedes Benz Sprinters, increasing safety, efficiency and visibility.

2003 Two paramedics tragically killed in a road accident while responding to a case in Melbourne's outer east.

OUR Club participated in Breakfast preparations. No Geoff Asher, wasn't cooking the scrambled eggs but rosters were made and duties given. We are hoping that each member will bring invitees with 10 per average overall our ideal scenario. The Breakfast continues a wonderful tradition at our Club. We are looking at filling the Glen Eira Town Hall venue and remember \$45 per ticket. We are looking at pre-payment as preferred option. The flyers are ready and available with handouts for anyone wishing to distribute. Door Prize and main prizes on the day are at the ready.



THE GLEN EIRA ROTARY NEWS

Great news from New Jersey, USA, where our club's former Ambassadorial Scholar Scott Doty and beautiful wife Ashley have a new baby girl, Alejaya.



Rotarian News also brings you pictures from our recent Site visit at Temple Beth Israel as well as our recent sausage sizzle at Caulfield racecourse on Orr Stakes Day. Thanks to Jeff Nirens for the photographs as they are a wonderful pictorial of some of our activities.



This is ***NOT*** the Editor. Yet again our members have been not quite as honest as they should have been. An intellectual Glen Eira Rotarian has been masquerading as the former Pick A Box politician from Lalor. Nice rug too!



Rotarians are encouraged to use **THE GEN** as a means of sharing information about Rotary coming events and news. Your item can be emailed to heubergd@anz.com Preferred deadline Friday 5pm..