

Coming events to lock in:

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December is World Understanding Month	February 15	February 22	March 1	March 8
Speaker	Sandy Brouvalis	Gary Fink	Dr Bill Anderson	Mark Ruttner
Topic	Mentoring local business	Cloud Computers	To be confirmed	Valuing your property
Chair	K Langfelder	S Binstock	G Fabian	Jeff Nirens
Toast to Club	J Strong	K Langfelder	D Heuberger	M Preston
Toast to Australia	G Oscar	I Marks	Y Stynes	A Nelson
Meeting	Board			
Cashier	D Heuberger	A Nelson	M Sherlock	S Binstock

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Rotary Club of Glen Eira

February 8 Week 33- 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



Last Weeks Meeting

What a fantastic meeting we had last week! Met some new faces, such as Fiona, a former Rotary Member from Tullamarine, and Yoshikos' guests from Japan.

We were treated to a fascinating insight to Lawn Bowls by Keith Faiman. Never realised that this elegant game has turned into something where science and psychology now play an important roll. It seems, like most things in life, that the winning the game is now far more important than playing.

We finished the evening with Yoshiko guest, putting on a fantastic display of Japanese Folk Dancing. It was so relaxing to watch, the movements so precise yet gentle.

This week we have Sandy Brouvalis, a former chemical engineer working in the oil and gas industry before commencing career in management consulting.

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DG Weekly Message

Rotary banners - have you seen these displayed at your Club or are they hidden away?

All Rotarians are aware of the small club banners that exist in Rotary Clubs around the world. Your club's banner may reflect a picture or symbol of your local city, town or community. These banners are small and colourful representations of our clubs identity. Some clubs display often

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them proudly, others hide them away never to be seen again!

Rotary is indeed full of change in many areas at the moment. This year all aspects of our policies, practices and procedures are being looked at to see if they can be modernised and improved. We are bringing ourselves up to date.

Change in Rotary is happening at all levels. Rotary International does recognise that there are some things that we do that will not change and are held dear by our membership, they are indeed sacrosanct. They are our core values or put another way, our DNA. These are fellowship, service, integrity, diversity and leadership. These are the words of RI President Ray Klinginsmith and form our RI Strategic plan. RIP Ray also states that persistent progress is another prestigious part of Rotary's DNA.

Now, let's get back to our club banners. When a club member goes interstate or overseas, they take a banner or two from their own club as a symbol of friendship and goodwill, to the club in which they do a make-up. They receive a banner in return to bring back home to present to their club. When a visitor comes to your club here in D9800, there is also often a banner exchange. This is an old custom, and in many ways highlights visually, the internationality of Rotary. When these are displayed at clubs, they represent a visit/memory from one of your members to another club and also show that a Rotarian, from one of over 34,000 Rotary Clubs around the world has been to your club.

Let's display these banners in our Rotary Clubs. Let's find out where they are, dust them off, clean them up, give them an iron, and find a way of displaying these in our meetings. Let's respect the fact that one of our members collected these on one of their travels or that a Rotarian took the time and effort to present it to us at one of our club meetings. These colourful banners all hold a story of our organisation and of International friendship & goodwill. If your club's banner is old fashioned and looks like something from the fifties, then it's time to design a new one. You might also need to buy or build something that will nicely display these banners. Most of our club meeting venues will not welcome hooks or any other interference to their walls or fixtures.

Too proudly show off these banners at our meetings is a tradition to be encouraged and will brighten up any Rotary meeting or event.

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 lblode@logon.com.au **Preferred deadline Friday 5pm..**

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Sandy has worked with small and medium sized businesses for more than 11 years in consulting and organisational development roles assisting businesses to develop their strategies, teams and processes.

These businesses have covered many industry sectors including construction, manufacturing and business services.

In April 2010, Sandy took on the part-time role of Coordinator of the Mentor Partners Program run by the Glen Eira and Kingston City Councils. She continues to consult to small businesses.

Ed.

In a letter posted on the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation website today, Bill Gates praises Rotary International for its central role in the fight to eradicate polio, and refers to Rotary as a "key partner" in the global effort to rid the world of the crippling disease.

The annual letter from Gates, co chair of the Gates Foundation, focuses on education and polio, and notes that the eradication effort has benefited immensely from Rotary's support. Rotary launched PolioPlus -- a program to immunize the world's children against polio -- in 1985 and became a spearheading partner in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative three years later, along with the World Health Organization, the U.S. Centres for Disease Control and Prevention, and UNICEF.

Gates also mentions that he will be taking three trips focused on polio this year, including additional trips to India and Nigeria.

The Gates Foundation has awarded US\$355 million in challenge grants to Rotary for use in the global effort to eradicate polio. Rotary has responded with Rotary's US\$200 Million..



Three wise Rotarians Can Guess who they are

John Leske, David Heugberger Jan Jill