

Coming events to lock in:

Thursday 2 June - Fiddler on the Roof—see Ian Marks

Wednesday 8 June—Business Persons Breakfast

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April is Rotary Health Research month	May 24	May 31	June 8 (Wed, 7:15am)	June 14
Speaker	Miwa Stynes	Sharmila Acharya	Governor of Victoria Alex Chernov	Geoff Miles
Topic	Living with Autism	“The Life of an Ambassadoria I Scholar”	What ever he wants	The Smith Family
Chair	Yoshiko Stynes	Lord Nelson	Jan Hill	Alan Samuel
Toast to Club	Alan Samuel	Jan Hill		
Toast to Australia	Yoshiko Stynes	John Strong		
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Rotary Club of Glen Eira

May 24 Week 47- Rotary Health Research Month

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

We Meet at 6.30pm for 6.45pm each Tuesday evening



This weeks speaker—Miwa Stynes— Living with Autism.

Autism is a disorder of neural development characterized by impaired social interaction and communication, and by restricted and repetitive behavior.

Commonly called Autism, today it is known as Autism Spectrum Disorder. The way people think about autism has changed in recent years. It is best described as a group of disorders with a similar pattern of behaviour in three key areas - communication, social interaction and imaginative thought.

The currently favoured term is Autism Spectrum Disorder, with the word 'spectrum' used because no two people with an Autism Spectrum Disorder are exactly alike.

As the term suggests, there is no one diagnosis or label. Rather there are several labels that place people at different points on the spectrum. At one end of the spectrum diagnostic labels such as "Asperger Syndrome", "High Functioning Autism" and "PDD-NOS" are used. At the other end of the spectrum you will find labels such as "Autism", "Classic Autism" and "Kanner Autism".

This should be an enlightening presentation on a sensitive topic.

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Sergeant-At-Arms makes their presence felt.

Anyone who has attended a Rotary convention is familiar with the sergeants-at-arms. Since the first convention in 1910, these men and women in yellow vests have guided Rotarians and their families.

During this year's convention, 21-25 May, the sergeants-at-arms -- this year known as Rotary guides -- will sport a new look, designed to keep them cool in the often-steamy weather of New Orleans, Louisiana, USA. Instead of the usual yellow vests, the guides will be wearing yellow sashes. The hundreds of volunteers who assist them will sport red ones, in a nod to the red vests they've traditionally worn.

Sergeants-at-arms have a long and distinguished history in Rotary. The organization's first constitution established the position as an elected officer of the association. Werner Hencke, of St. Louis, Missouri, was the first to serve in the role. He was charged with maintaining order at meetings, including the convention, which functioned as Rotary's legislative body in its early years.

At the 1921 convention in Edinburgh, Scotland, when delegates elected George Harris sergeant-at-arms for the upcoming year, General Secretary Chesley Perry presented him with a shillelagh that had been given to Rotary by the Rotary Club of Belfast. Harris (no relation to Paul) quipped: "I only want to say one thing. I am a little fellow, but I promise you now that I will use that mace to keep people straight, and I am going to have a great big fellow to assist me so that I will keep straight."

Each year, the wooden club was passed down, and for several decades, the chief sergeant-at-arms carried it at conventions as a ceremonial symbol of the position. There is no record, however, that it was ever used for "keeping people straight." The shillelagh is now part of the Rotary History and Archives collection.

As the result of changes to the constitution passed at the 1922 convention, sergeants-at-arms now serve as officers of the convention,

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..**

Fiddler on the Roof – Tradition... Tradition

The Club has purchased tickets for this CLOC production for Thursday 2 June, at the National Theatre, 20 Carlisle St, St Kilda. Our own Geoff Sussmann is a member of the cast, and he has promised us a fabulous production with a stunning set.

Tickets are \$50 each and we have plenty yet to sell, so speak to your family, friends, neighbours – in fact, anyone who may be interested. Please contact Ian Marks for tickets on 9569 3751 or e-mail ianmarks@ozemail.com.au

An advertisement for the Rotary Club of Glen Eira's Business Person's Breakfast. The background is dark blue. At the top left is the Rotary Club of Glen Eira logo, which features a stylized building and the text 'rotaryclubofgleneira.org.au'. To the right of the logo, the text 'rotary club of gleneira' is written in a large, white, serif font, with 'presents our 22nd annual' written below it in a smaller, white, sans-serif font. Below this, the text 'BUSINESS PERSON'S BREAKFAST' is written in a large, white, sans-serif font. In the center, there is a photograph of a man in a suit and tie, identified as the Guest Speaker. To the right of the photograph, the text 'Guest Speaker The Honourable Alex Chernov, AO, QC Governor of Victoria' is written in a white, serif font. Below the photograph, the text 'at Glen Eira Town Hall' is written in a white, sans-serif font. At the bottom, the text 'Cnr Glen Eira & Hawthorn Rds, Caulfield on Wednesday 8th June 7.15 am to 8.45 am' is written in a white, sans-serif font. At the bottom left, there is a small logo for 'AUSTRALIAN ROTARY' and a small text box that says 'TICKETS to the Business Person's Breakfast are available for \$50 per person from Ticket Manager Max Sherlock on 9528 6718 or Club President Jan Hill on 9427 1920. Proceeds to Australian Rotary Health & other Rotary projects.' At the bottom right, there is a small logo for 'GLEN EIRA CITY COUNCIL' and a small text box that says 'This project has been made possible through a grant from the Glen Eira City Council. Visit www.rotarygleneira.org.au for more information'.