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## WORLD PRESIDENT 2015-16 ANNOUNCED

**K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran of the Rotary Club of Colombo has been selected as Rotary International President 2015-16. He is CEO of a multinational tea packaging company.**

*Congratulations to our new members!*

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP MONTH

**Tuesday 20th August**

Guest speaker Geoff Asher  
BOARD MEETING

**Saturday 24th August**

Working Bee at St Mary's,  
Caulfield

**Tuesday 27th August**

Guest speaker Lucy Liu

#### SEPTEMBER IS YOUTH MONTH

**Tuesday 3rd September**

Guest speaker John  
Shrine of Remembrance

**Saturday 7th September**

Fundraising Sausage Sizzle

**Tuesday 10th September**

Guest speaker

Jonathan Barnett

"9/11 - a decade on"

**Tuesday 17th September**

Youth of the Year Award  
Night

**Tuesday 24th September**

Guest speaker

Dr Jillian Kavanagh

**Tuesday 1st October**

Guest speaker Helen Stitt

**Saturday 5th October**

Fundraising Sausage Sizzle

As his country's national PolioPlus Chair, Ravi headed a task force consisting of the Government, UNICEF and Rotary and worked closely with UNICEF to successfully negotiate a ceasefire with the northern militants during National Immunization Days.

A Rotarian since 1974, Ravi is a member of the Rotary Club of Colombo. He has served RI as District Governor, International Assembly Group Discussion Leader and committee member.

He Chairs the schools Reawakening project sponsored by Rotary clubs and districts in Sri Lanka, which entails rebuilding 25 Tsunami devastated schools to benefit 11,000 children.

Ravi and his wife Vanathy have two children.

**Last week, President Alan Samuel inducted our first new members for a while.**

**Congratulations to Joan Luscak and Jack Dimand for becoming members of the Rotary Club of Glen Eira!**



## LONDON TAVERN UPS OUR PRICES - NEW VENUE NEEDED?

The London Tavern has been the weekly home of the Rotary Club of Glen Eira for a number of years now. We have enjoyed the venue with our own private room each Tuesday night, friendly service, and apart from odd dodgy roast, we have a good rapport with the venue and its management.

Our President was notified last week that the Tavern will need to start charging a venue hire fee of \$150 per

meeting. This would mean an added cost of about \$10 per person each Tuesday night.

At last week's club meeting, the members unanimously agreed this was not an option. President Alan is in discussions with the Tavern but we are also now investigating an alternative venue that meets all of our needs. Whilst it would be a shame to leave, we need to put our members first.

DATE	GUEST SPEAKER	CASHIER	TOAST TO AUSTRALIA	TOAST TO OUR CLUB	CHAIRMAN
20th August	Geoff Asher "Building Bridges"	Marion Lau	Jack Dimand	Jan Hill	John Strong
27th August	Lucy Liu "5000 Years of Chinese Culture"	John Leske	Adrian Nelson	Mark Preston	Basil Ornellas
3rd September	John "Shrine of Remembrance"	Joan Luscak	Max Sherlock	John Strong	

Remember the new tasks of setting up and packing up our regalia: the member Toasting Australia does the set up and the member Toasting the Club packs up.

## What's happening around our club at the moment?

### St Mary's Church

This Saturday 24th August from 9.30am to approx 4.30pm is the day to build the fence around the playground, and BBQ lunch will be provided. Please advise Max Sherlock if you can help for all or part of the day. We are installing 31 sections of fence and 2 gates!

August is Membership Month

### Agata's scarf

We have all now met our latest exchange student Agata Kmiecik from Poland. She looks to be a delightful addition to our club this year. However the board will need to consider a serious breach of ethics as poor Agata was presented with an Essendon Bombers scarf upon her arrival (seen below at Camp Getaway). We couldn't wish that on anyone!



### 9/11 Night

Make sure you book online for the 10th September with Prof Jonathan Barnett. We have three or four other clubs committed to joining us. Bookings can be made via our website or alternatively call President Alan. It'll be a great night to invite friends along. Don't miss out!!

## Vocational Corner



We are constantly looking for new members with vocations we don't currently have, such as a lawyer. Here is a potential member in action:

**LAWYER:** What was the first thing your husband said to you that morning?

**WITNESS:** He said, 'Where am I, Cathy?'

**LAWYER:** And why did that upset you?

**WITNESS:** My name is Susan!

## Rotary Project of the Week - Vic Police Uniforms



With the introduction of new police uniforms in Victoria, the old ones being put to good use. After all the official police badges have been removed from the shirts, the Donations in Kind store in West Footscray will ship them to developing countries.

The uniform trousers have already been sent away by DIK. Many clubs in our District are participating, such as the Rotary Club of Richmond which is having a working bee next Sunday to unpick and remove the badges. It is estimated that each shirt takes approximately 5 minutes to unpick.

## Rotary Glen Eira Online:

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