

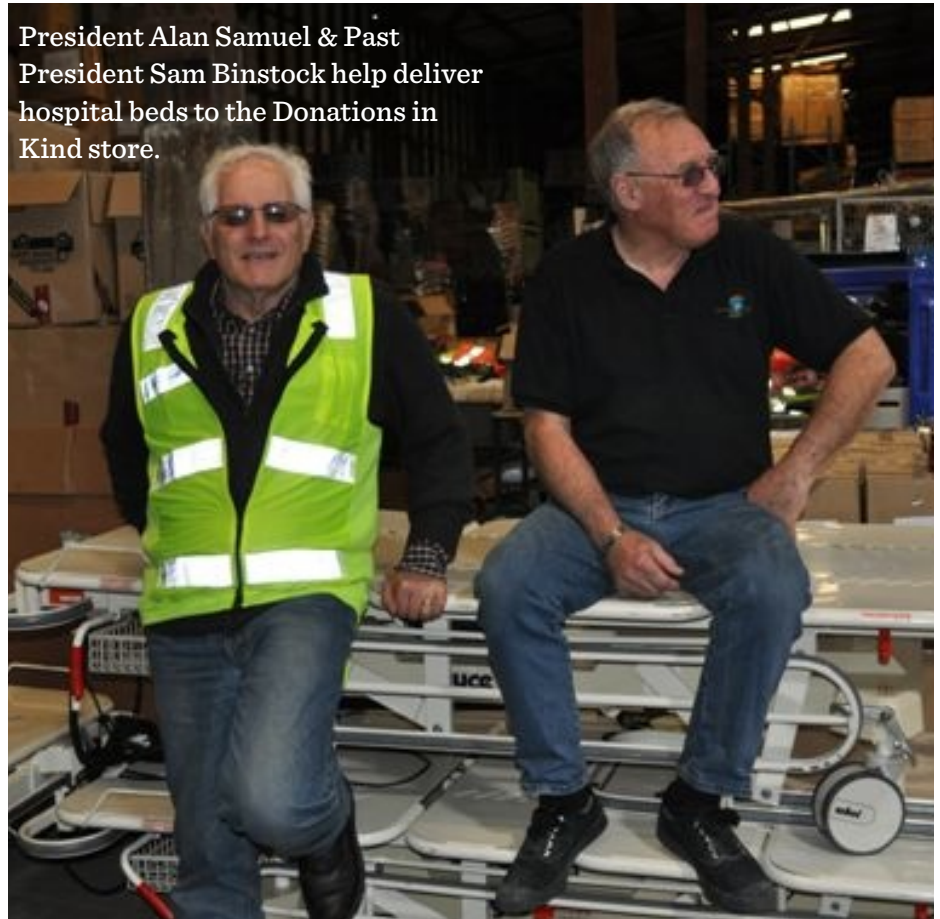
24th September 2013

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ROTARY  
CLUB OF  
GLEN EIRA

President Alan Samuel & Past President Sam Binstock help deliver hospital beds to the Donations in Kind store.



## 100,000 VOLUNTEER HOURS AT D.I.K.

Rotary's Donations In Kind (D.I.K.) Warehouse in West Footscray this year celebrated 100,000 Volunteer Hours.

This Tuesday, Rotarians from our club get their hands dirty, assisting with sorting, packing and unpacking items donated to the Donations In Kind Store in West Footscray.

Since 2000, this warehouse has shipped nearly 400 containers, with goods valued at nearly \$40 million around the world to people in need. In the last 12 months alone, 11 containers have been shipped to Timor Leste with items including medical supplies, school furniture, clothing and maternity kits. A focus this year has been medical equipment and supplies. St

Vincent's Hospital donated 140 electric beds and other equipment, and a number of our own club members volunteered to help with this.

Clubs have formed partnerships with local schools - in our case schools like Wesley College and Shelford Girls Grammar - to collect reusable material. DIK has researched project opportunities, and at present, there is a high need for school tables and desks in Timor Leste. Also currently, Victorian Police uniforms are being donated, picked and sorted to be sent to Ethiopia and Uganda.

The building has been redeveloped recently to create a meeting venue and showroom. This enables clubs to hold meetings there, including Membership Meetings to show people the work Rotarians do.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Tuesday 24th September**

Working Bee at DIK (Daytime)

Guest speaker Dr Jillian Kavanagh

**OCTOBER IS VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH**

**Tuesday 1st October**

Guest speaker Helen Stitt

**Saturday 5th October**

Fundraising Sausage Sizzle

**Tuesday 8th October**

Guest speaker Kim Maloney

**Tuesday 15th October**

Guest speaker Sue Glasser

**Tuesday 22nd October**

Guest speaker Mark Cowan-Aston

**Wednesday 30th October**

Meeting to set up Breakfast

**Thursday 31st October**

Business Person's Breakfast

Guest speaker Chin Tan

Set your diaries for  
Thursday 31st October



# 2013

Bookings are open for our **24th Annual Business Person's Breakfast**, once again at Glen Eira Town Hall. Go to our website [rotarygleneira.org.au](http://rotarygleneira.org.au) and book online. Our special guest speaker, **Mr Chin Tan** is Chairman of the Multicultural Commission.



DATE	GUEST SPEAKER	CASHIER	TOAST TO AUSTRALIA	TOAST TO OUR CLUB	CHAIRMAN
24th September	<b>Dr Jillian Kavanagh</b> "The Men's Shed"	Jack Dimand	Geoff Asher	Basil Ornellas	Geoff Sussmann
1st October	<b>Helen Stitt</b> "Harley Tarrant Motoring Pioneer"	Debbie Panakos	Joan Luscak	Max Sherlock	Geoff Asher
8th October	<b>Kim Maloney</b> "Strategic Planning"	Marion Lau	Jan Hill	Keith Faiman	Garry Fabian

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND OUR CLUB?

### Courtney Murtagh visit

Remember Geoff Asher & Emanuel Tumino tell their story of Youth Exchange Safari and coming across Courtney Murtagh in a remote outback town?

Courtney is in Melbourne this week and will be visiting our club. She will be around Grand Final week - can you imagine what it would be like for her walking outside the MCG with a crowd of 100,000?

### Police Shirt Picking

Our Club has found itself with 9 cartons of old Victorian Police shirts (30 shirts per box) and are required to depick the

police badges from them. The shirts then go to DIK to be sent over to African countries such as Uganda and Ethiopia to be worn by their local police.

See President Alan if you are able to take a box and depick some badges whilst sitting in front of the TV one night. Pickers are provided and all badges must be returned!

### District Conference 2014

Bookings are open for this year's Rotary District 9800 Conference to be held at Jupiter's Casino on the Gold Coast. See: <http://www.rotary9800conference.org>.



## ROTARY PROJECT OF THE WEEK

### Oyster Festival

Last week, Rotarian Frank Koehler of the Rotary Club of Lexington Park was shot dead in the tragic event at Washington Navy Yard.

The Club's President in 2005-06, Frank served as "King Oyster" in the club's annual St Mary's County Oyster Festival.



The Festival is held at the local showgrounds and oysters are served up raw, scalded, grilled on the barbie, on bread, on the half shell, stewed, nude, cooked in savoury sauces, even in desserts. There is a big cook-off and the U.S. National Oyster Shucking Championship.

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