

1st October 2013

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ROTARY  
CLUB OF  
GLEN EIRA



Courtney presented to Australia's first Rotary Club, the Rotary Club of Melbourne at the Windsor Hotel. Is this the same girl who has a part-time job cattle mustering?

## COURTNEY'S VISIT TO MELBOURNE

It's a long way from Maxwelton to Melbourne's Windsor Hotel.

At last week's meeting, our club met Courtney Murtagh, outgoing exchange student from Central Queensland going to Brazil next year. Apart from a visit once past the border into NSW, this was Courtney's first time outside Queensland. She is currently staying with District 9780 near Geelong until Thursday when she returns home.

And what a week it was! She visited many clubs whilst in District 9800, including the Rotary Club of Flemington and their Op Shop, where she bought a \$3 dress that she subsequently wore to the Rotary Club of Melbourne at the Windsor Hotel, where she looked a million dollars. As the sole teenager in Maxwelton (population of 5)

who has minimal interaction with her other schoolmates through the School of the Air, Courtney wowed the large Melbourne Rotary crowd last Wednesday lunchtime.

At our club on Tuesday, of course we surprised her with the presentation of an iPad for her exchange ahead. On Friday she was at the Grand Final Parade, then on Saturday, the biggest surprise of all - tickets to the AFL Grand Final itself to watch with 100,006 others at the home of sport.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**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

**NOVEMBER IS ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH**

Set your diaries for  
Thursday 31st October



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Go to our website [rotarygleneira.org.au](http://rotarygleneira.org.au) and book online for our **24th Annual Business Person's Breakfast**, once again at Glen Eira Town Hall. Discounts for tables of 10. 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
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
15th October	<b>Sue Glasser</b> "Organising Your Office"	Keith Faiman	Debbie Panakos	Geoff Sussmann	Larry Blode

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND OUR CLUB?

### Police Shirts to Africa

Nine boxes of Police Shirts were dropped off at last week's meeting for our members to unpick the Victorian Police Badges. Once finished, they will go to the DIK Store where they will then be sent to police in Ethiopia and Uganda as their new uniforms.

Thank you to everyone who has been able to help out.

### 2014 Rotary International Convention Sydney

You can register early & save for next June's Convention: [riconvention.org](http://riconvention.org).

### Business of the Year

It's now time to nominate the 2013 Business of the Year which will be presented at our Breakfast. Contact President Alan with your nominations.

### Donations in Kind

Members last week headed to the Donations in Kind store in West Footscray to help sort and pack items. Exchange student Courtney accompanied us and she was delighted to see the Maroon sports shirts in Queensland colours that we were sending overseas to those in need.

## ROTARY PROJECT OF THE WEEK

### Passport to Rotary

When Misha Garafalo, a former youth exchange student to Sweden, became president of the Rotary Club of Shorewood, Illinois this year, she decided that each member would receive a "Passport To Rotary." The "visa" on the inside had to be signed by her and the member as an understanding of their commitment to care.

Subsequent stamps would be provided to help them engage Rotary through specific activities and projects within the club, community, district, and beyond.

At the end of her term, she will personally award Rotarians who have filled their passports with service and, hopefully, memories of how they changed lives.



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