

8th April 2014

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ROTARY
CLUB OF
GLEN EIRA



The first patients arrive at the Africa Mercy for treatment in Sierra Leone. Patients took a five hour drive from upcountry to the ship in two mini vans.

MERCY SHIPS TRANSFORMS LIVES

Did you know that in Africa, nearly 50% of people have no access to a hospital or doctor? Every year 6.6 million vulnerable children die under 5 from preventable diseases.

On Tuesday 13th May, our guest speaker will be Tom Hartley, of Mercy Ships. Mercy Ships is a global charity that has operated hospital ships in developing nations since 1978, bringing hope and healing to the forgotten poor by mobilising people and resources worldwide, serving all people without regard for race or religion.

The hospital ship - Africa Mercy - provides first-rate medical professionals, state-of-the-art medical and surgical facilities and health-care training to communities in West Africa that lack those critical services.

Highly skilled surgeons onboard the ships perform thousands of operations each year to correct disability, disfigurement and blindness. Medical and dental teams travel the country and establish clinics to provide vaccination programs, dental treatment, HIV/AIDS education, and basic health care for those with no access to these facilities. Local community health workers receive training in hygiene, nutrition and disease prevention

Mercy Ships is currently serving in Pointe Noire, Republic of the Congo, to improve the country's health care delivery system.

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL IS MAGAZINE MONTH

Tuesday 8th April

Guest speaker Don Garden

Tuesday 15th April

First day of Pesach - no meeting

Tuesday 22nd April

Guest speaker Vin Elder

Friday 24th April

ANZAC Service at Caulfield Hospital

Saturday 26th April

Fundraising Sausage Sizzle at

Woolworths Glen Huntly

Sunday 27th April

Pack Mother's Day Hampers

Tuesday 29th April

Guest speaker Danny Elbaum

MAY IS AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH MONTH

Friday 2nd May

RC Swan Hill 75th Anniversary

Tuesday 6th May

Guest speaker Suzi Bamford

Tuesday 13th May

Guest speaker Tom Hartley

Mercy Ships - the Surgery Ship

Tuesday 20th May

Guest speaker Agata Kmiecik

Tuesday 27th May

Guest speaker Jason Henderson

 Go to rotarygleneira.org.au and click on our Weekly Meeting of 13th May to watch a video about the work of Mercy Ships. Mark your diaries now for the 13th.

APRIL FOOL'S DAY

Our April Fool's Day article, suggesting that Rotary and Lions will merge on the 1st April 2016, seemed to fool more people than we thought! There is no scrap of truth in it!!



DATE	GUEST SPEAKER	CASHIER	TOAST TO AUSTRALIA	TOAST TO OUR CLUB	CHAIRMAN
8th April	Guest speaker Don Garden "Royal Historical Society of Victoria"	Garry Fabian	Max Sherlock	John Leske	John Strong
15th April	1st Day of Pesach NO MEETING				
22nd April	Speaker Vin Elder "ANZAC Day"	Jan Hill	Geoff Sussman	Adrian Nelson	John Leske

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND OUR CLUB?

APRIL IS ROTARY MAGAZINE MONTH

Club Website Members Only Section

Our new website is the first stop for all news relating to our club. Could all members send through to Adrian Nelson their preferred e-mail and a password to login to the section. All the important information, including contact details, duties, and latest news is all there.

Sports Committee

Our Club's new Sports Committee met for the first time last week, identifying our Sports Scholarships and our October Sports Award Night as the two key projects for now. If you know a business that would like to sponsor a scholarship in their name (\$500), let us know.

Swan Hill Rotary Birthday

If you are planning to attend the event in Swan Hill, accommodation needs to be booked! Please let Jan Hill know if you are coming and of the dates required for accommodation.

ANZAC Service

Mark your diaries to attend the Caulfield Hospital ANZAC Service on Thursday 24th April at 2pm.

Rotary World Convention

There is still time to book for the Rotary International Convention in Sydney this year. The event starts 1st June. If you've never been to a World Convention, it won't be this close for a while!

ROTARY PROJECT OF THE WEEK

DreamCricket

DreamCricket was initiated by the Movement Disorder Foundation in concert with the Rotary Clubs of the Southern Highlands and the Bradman Foundation. It is a program of adapted cricket activities for boys and girls between the ages of 8 - 12 with a wide range of disabilities. The program has grown to encompass schools and children throughout Australia and internationally. An exhibition of Dream Cricket will be held during the Great Aussie BBQ at the 2014 Rotary International Convention in Sydney.



Eat Pray Love

Members and friends of our club loved our annual visit to Albert Park to hear from our past member Father Ray McInnes at his church, St Silas. Christians and non-Christians alike enjoyed Ray's hospitality and the subsequent visit to the local Yum Cha restaurant for laughs, stories and a good feed.

The church is named after Silas, a leading member of the Early Christian community (1st century AD) who was one of the first missionaries.



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