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ROTARY  
CLUB OF  
GLEN EIRA



Violence Free Families works for the reduction of all types of family violence. They believe that every person has the right to live in his or her family free of fear and intimidation.

## ELIMINATING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

What an amazing Sunday morning: 168 volunteers showed kindness; 168 volunteers made an IMPACT; 600 women who will be in crisis refuge over Mother's Day because they're fleeing extreme violence at home.

Last Sunday, members of the Rotary Club of Glen Eira assisted Impact for Women, an organisation designed to make a difference to women & children in crisis, specifically helping with crisis accommodation as they flee extreme violence at home. Our members packed Mothers Day hampers for these women to help make a difference at a difficult time.

We are not the only Club in our District helping to make a change for the better.

Violence Free Families was created as part of the community service outreach of the neighbouring Rotary Club of Brighton,, with the support of LifeWorks Relationship Counselling and Education Services.

In 1995, the Brighton Rotary Club became keenly aware of the alarming extent of family violence in the community. As an all-male club, it adopted the slogan:

"Men taking responsibility for men's behaviour".

Since then the club has:

- established a non-profit company to deliver and support men's behaviour change programs and the safety of participant's partners and children
- with LifeWorks, Australian Rotary Health and Monash University, sponsored research into the issue
- raised over \$500,000 to support these initiatives, and
- been joined in this work by its whole Rotary district of 69 clubs.
- in 2009, it formed **Violence Free Families** to focus on the prevention of family violence.
- commenced, with Monash University, a new long term research study.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**APRIL IS MAGAZINE MONTH**  
Tuesday 29th April  
Guest speaker Danny Elbaum

**MAY IS AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH MONTH**

Friday 2nd May  
RC Swan Hill 75th Anniversary

Sunday 4th May  
Caulfield Bears Family Night

Tuesday 6th May  
Guest speaker Suzi Bamford

Tuesday 13th May  
Guest speaker Tom Hartley

Mercy Ships - the Surgery Ship

Sunday 18th May  
District 9800 Assembly

Tuesday 20th May  
Guest speaker Agata Kmiecik

Board Meeting

Tuesday 27th May  
Guest speaker Jason Henderson

Lost Melbourne

**JUNE IS FELLOWSHIP MONTH**  
Sunday 1st - Wednesday 4th June

Rotary International Convention in Sydney

Tuesday 3rd June  
Guest speaker Honorary Consul General of Denmark Jan Revnholt

ENGAGE ROTARY CHANGE LIVES



DATE	GUEST SPEAKER	CASHIER	TOAST TO AUSTRALIA	TOAST TO OUR CLUB	CHAIRMAN
29th April	<b>Speaker Danny Elbaum</b> "Hatzolah First Response"	Marion Lau	Geoff Asher	Basil Ornellas	Mark Preston
6th May	<b>Speaker Suzi Bamford</b> "Fundraising Skills"	John Leske	Sam Binstock	Mark Preston	Adrian Nelson
13th May	<b>Speaker Tom Hartley</b> "Mercy Ships - the Hospital Ship"	Joan Luscak	Garry Fabian	Max Sherlock	Basil Ornellas

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND OUR CLUB?

### APRIL IS ROTARY MAGAZINE MONTH

#### Join our sports partner club at their Family Night

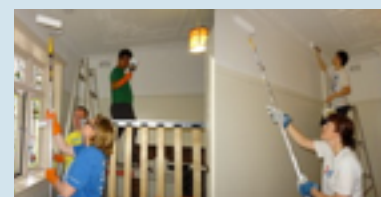
This Sunday, the Caulfield Bears Junior Football Club have their monthly family night. Join us after 5 for casual pizza and drinks at bar prices, where we will present our first scholarships to the club. Wear a Rotary shirt if you have one.



## ROTARY PROJECT OF THE WEEK

### Elsie Refuge Extreme Makeover

The Rotary Club of Sydney Darling Harbour organised a magnificent volunteering opportunity to provide an extreme home makeover for one of the Elsie Refuge for Women and Children houses. Elsie Refuge was Australia's first women's refuge for victims of domestic violence. It was established in 1974 by a courageous group of women who struggled to provide these important services to the community.



The makeover provided by the Darlings coincided this year with white ribbon day which is Australia's campaign to stop violence against women.

### Rotary Glen Eira Online

**Website:**  
rotarygleneira.org.au  
**Facebook:**  
facebook.com/rotarygleneira  
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twitter.com/rotarygleneira  
**YouTube:**  
youtube.com/rotarygleneira

### Rotary Illuminated!

The 2014 District Training Assembly - Rotary Illuminated is being held at Melton's Tabcorp Park on 18th May. All Rotarians are invited to attend, and in particular club office bearers and new members. Registrations via President Alan or Secretary Jan.

### Royal Children's Hospital

Past President Geoff Asher is on track for his annual Royal Children's Hospital fundraiser. If he can get through the next few weeks without a touch of alcohol hitting his lips, our members will be forking out \$50 each for the hospital. Last year he raised over \$500, despite a questionable cross-dressing incident in Sydney.

### A thought from the editor

When Miley Cyrus gets naked and licks a hammer, it's "art" and "music" ... but when I do it, I'm "drunk" and "have to leave Bunnings".

### ANZAC Service last week

President Alan read the Act of Remembrance at Caulfield Hospital for their annual ANZAC Commemoration. This was our club's first invitation to be involved as a community partner.

The original "Glen Eira" mansion (built in 1865) was purchased by the Department of Defence in 1915 and used to treat injured and disabled soldiers from WWI. The hospital was renamed Caulfield Hospital in 1959. We are delighted to be involved.



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