

From the President Alick Osborne

It's beginning to feel a lot like Christmas! Especially if you have had your arms in amongst the pine needles!! Thanks to everyone who has helped on the Christmas trees so far. Chris, Bernard, Sandi, Janet, Frank, Mark, Walter and Richard have all been involved helping us to raise funds for future projects. Once again Carnegie Smart hire has provided trailers and security fences. And Chadstone Motors have allowed us to store the trees at their location.

We have more trees to deliver this coming weekend. There will be a pickup run on Friday 14th and drops offs to customers on Saturday 15th with a 7:30 am start at Chadstone Motors.

And remember we need a couple of people to run the BBQ with Malvern Probus members – also on Saturday 15th.

I caught the end of a very interesting presentation by Rob Hayes at our last meeting. He had clearly focussed everyone's attention judging by the many questions at the end.

Many of you would know of the ABC radio program Sunday Extra and the segment "The year that made me". Each week a person is interviewed about a significant year in their life or career. This week Fiona Simson who is the current President of the National Farmers Federation. She is a farmer from the Liverpool Plains region in NSW and became involved in "agri-politics" after a stint in local government and being active in the campaigns to limit the impact of mining in key agricultural areas.

Fiona nominated 1982 as "the year that made me". 1982 was the year she spent in Denmark as a Rotary Youth Exchange student.

Of course this year Rotary and the NFF partnered in a major drought appeal. I'm guessing the inspiration for the NFF working with Rotary had its genesis back in that year.

Here is a link to the show.

<https://www.abc.net.au/radionational/programs/sundayextra/2018-12-09/10586880>

Wednesday 12th December



***** Please note we have a **new venue** for the Christmas Party. *****

We are returning once again to **That Greek Tavern RSVP to Sandi!**

Address: 1438 Malvern Road, Glen Iris

Date: Wednesday 12th December 2018

Time: 6:30pm

Cost: \$30 per head - *please bring cash with you to pay Sandi.*

BYO wine and champagne *only* with a \$6 corkage fee per bottle (reduced from \$8).

Christmas Trees!

Friday 14 & Saturday 15 December.

We will need a few people to help deliver trees again this Saturday – please let Richard know if you can lend a hand.

Bunnings BBQ

15th December

Our final BBQ for the year and we are sharing the work with Malvern Probus. We'll need a couple of people from our club to help out. Please contact Chris if you are available.

Update on the Family Fun Day on Sunday 24th March

As you may have guessed our Family Fun Day will have a French theme in 2019. Chris Don has done some great work to not only get council approval for us to run "A taste of France" in Central Park, but also to secure some significant

funding. Chris will be providing more details shortly. Any creative ideas on stalls, potential partners and activities would be welcome.

Chris Don a des nouvelles passionnantes concernant notre événement majeur de collecte de fonds en mars. Notre journée de plaisir en famille célébrera la France. La cuisine française, les voitures et la culture seront exposés. Le conseil est favorable - et a accepté de fournir un financement. Plus de détails à suivre...

Some pictures from our adventures with Christmas Trees.





Dates for your diary – 2019

Could all of our intrepid travellers and volunteers please note these dates and plan accordingly!

Family Fun Day

Sunday 24th March

The Market

Saturday 9th February
Saturday 11th May
Saturday 10th August
Saturday 9th November

Bunnings BBQ's

Sunday 24th February
Saturday 16th March
Sunday 7th April
Saturday 4th May
Saturday 22nd June
Saturday 20th July
Saturday 24th August
Sunday 22nd September
Saturday 19th October
Sunday 24th November
Saturday 21st December

Other BBQ's and Events

First RCEM Meeting for 2019 at the George Pepperell Gazebo (TH King Oval Glen Iris) – Wednesday 16th January.

Victorian Multi District Conference – 16-17 February.

Australian Henley Regatta – Sunday 23rd February

Clean Up Australia Day – Sunday 3rd March

Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA) – 27-28 April.

MS Walk & Fun Run – Sunday 2nd June.

National Tree Planting Day – Sunday 28th July.

Christmas Tree Deliveries – Saturday 7th and 14th December.

There's something for everyone in that batch!

If there are any other dates we should have reserved please let Tania, Sandi and Alick know.

Multi District Conference Melbourne 16th – 17th February 2019

The Multi District Conference will bring together 1500 Rotarians, 700 young people between the ages of 18-30 in a Youth Forum and Interactors /Earlyactors in a separate Forum.

A Showcase occupying over 3,000 sq. metres showing Rotarians and the public of Melbourne -

"What Rotary Does!"



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TO GO IN A DRAW TO WIN FREE REGISTRATION FOR 2 PEOPLE PLUS ACCOMMODATION FOR 2 NIGHTS (UP TO \$500)

February 16 -17th 2019
Melbourne Convention Centre



CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Up to November 30th

Normal \$175

Concession \$125

(New Rotarian (joined after Jan 2017), Rotaractor, YEX student)

after November \$225 Gala Dinner \$110



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Friday February 15th 2019
MELBOURNE CONVENTION CENTRE

THE ROAD TO HARMONY



MC Brittany Arthur

MC of the 2018 Rotary International Convention, Toronto. Member of the Rotary International Joint Committee for Young Leaders and Alumni Engagement. Former Ambassadorial Scholar from District 9810 to Germany. International business development consultant in Germany, Japan & Australia.



Ian H.S. Riseley OAM

will report on the Peace Conferences that took place during his year as Rotary International President



Dr Edna Adan Ismail

Humanitarian / Former politician in Somaliland. Activist against female genital mutilation. Founder of the Edna Adan Maternity Hospital



A/Prof Tilman Ruff AM

Founder of International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons. Nobel Peace Prize winner



Bryn Styles

Chair Rotary Peace Centres Committee, Chair, Rotary Cadre of Technical Advisers 2018-19, Past Rotary Foundation Trustee



Steve Killelea AM,

Founder & Executive Chairman Institute for Economics and Peace



Tony Stuart

Chief Executive Officer of UNICEF Australia Involved in the Rotary Australia Centenary Project involving immunising children in the South Pacific