

## From the President Alick Osborne

Welcoming a new member to our club is always a special occasion and we are certainly delighted to welcome Kathryn O'Connor to Rotary Chadstone East Malvern.



Kathryn was sponsored by Paul Rake and Louise Matthews will be her mentor. She will be part of the Community team for the balance of this Rotary year. Kathryn's vocation is Medical Administration.

Kathryn has already been involved in a number of RCEM events including the Taste of France giving us a great opportunity to get to know her. I am sure she will be an engaged and committed member of our club. Welcome Kathryn!

Our meeting didn't go entirely to plan as unfortunately Dr. Steve Carbone was not able to make it due to a mix up in the diaries. We did give Trevor a bit of stick over this – but it was not his fault. Prevention United, the organisation Steve works for called to apologise and so did Steve. We will work to bring them back at a suitable time.

**\*\*\* Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May \*\*\***  
**Australian Army - 22<sup>nd</sup> Engineers Regiment.**

No meeting on Wednesday – instead we will be out and about on Tuesday night.



Major Trevor Simpson-Bull is organising a visit to the Australian Army 22 Engineers Regiment Oakleigh Depot.

Target: Oakleigh Army Barracks 1318 North Road Oakleigh Victoria.

Operation: Manoeuvres will commence at 1800 hours and conclude at 2030 hours.

Rendezvous: CO Major Simpson-Bull will advise the rendezvous point to authorised personnel prior to the commencement of the mission.

Authorised personnel must carry **photo identification** on the mission, and must advise Private Dixon of their availability for the mission not later than noon on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May.

As a result of the tactical night-time operations on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May there will be no meeting on the Wednesday evening.

Commanding Officer: Major Simpson-Bull.

Please let Richard Dixon know if you are attending.

**Meeting Attendance!**  
**Please contact Richard Dixon if you can't attend a meeting!**

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### District Assembly

District Assembly was held on Sunday and attended by a number of members including Tania, Tracey, Paul, Frank, Sandi, Mark and Ros. Sandi

was giving a brief presentation on BusyFeet. Looking forward to hearing all about it!

## Malvern Rotary 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Malvern Rotary turned 60 and celebrated in style with a High Tea at The Gables in East Malvern on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May.

Malvern Rotary was chartered in 1959 following sponsorship from Prahran Rotary. Some sixteen years later Malvern Rotary sponsored Chadstone Rotary which in turn became Rotary Chadstone East Malvern.

I invited RCEM Charter Member Bill Hall (Pres. 1979-80) and his wife Elaine to join me at the celebrations.

Bill and Elaine caught up with a number of good friends including Jill Leeton whose husband first introduced Bill to Rotary.



(We also discovered a mutual connection as it turns out Bill and Elaine know Kirsty's parents!)



## Board Meeting – 22<sup>nd</sup> May

An update from the latest Board meeting.

### Fiji

Amongst our business was a request to provide \$1,000 to support veterinary students from Charles Sturt University who will travel to Fiji to de-sex and vaccinate village and feral dogs.

The project aims to reduce the risk of adverse human health issues that can be caused by these dogs. The money will be used to provide a solar powered cold storage box for storing vaccines and other essential perishables.

One of the vet students is Claire McMorrow who is in her final year of vet science. Not only has Claire helped us out at RCEM events, but I'm sure she would make an excellent panellist at a future Transition from School to Career (hint hint). We are very happy to be helping Claire and the team of students from Charles Sturt. Safe travels.

### Cambodia

International provided an update on the project planning including the potential to participate with other clubs working in Cambodia, notably RC Upper Northern Beaches in Sydney in applying for a global grant to provide clean drinking water in villages very close to La'ak.



## Progress Pikinini

We have applied for a Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS) Project between RCEM and Progress Pikinini to extend the good work done by Tracey's charity in Vanuatu. The application has now been approved by RAWCS.

Alick Osborne is the Project Manager and Tawanda Whata the Deputy Project Manager for RCEM. Tracey Farnsworth is the representative from Progress Pikinini.

## Foundation

RCEM had already approved a \$5,000 contribution to the Rotary Foundation which was paid recently.

The Board discussed an additional contribution, which we are in a position to do as a result of our successful fundraising efforts. The additional contribution would be sufficient to cover the \$100 we say we will contribute to recognise our guest speakers. The final amount will be considered and approved at the next Board meeting which will be a joint meeting of the 2018-19 Board and the 2019-20 Board.

## Caroline Adrian

Caroline has advised the Board that she will not be continuing her membership of RCEM beyond the end of this Rotary year. Caroline has been an active member serving as head of the Youth Committee and at many of our events.

I am particularly grateful to Caroline for her work this year organising the Transition from School to Career, and helping as a judge at MUNA.

Caroline will continue to be involved with RCEM as a friend of Rotary and we will have an opportunity to farewell her properly before too long.

## Chris Don – Leave of Absence

Chris has requested, and the Board has approved a twelve month leave of absence from the end of May. Chris will remain a member of RCEM during this period but he has a conflict that will preclude him from attending meetings on Wednesday evenings, hence the formal request for a leave of absence.

Chris may also be squeezing in some travel after earning a break with the tireless work he has done in Fundraising for our Club (to highlight but one contribution).

## Upcoming Events

**MS BBQ – Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Early!**

**Changeover Dinner – Wed 26<sup>th</sup> June**

## Entertainment Guides

The good people at Entertainment Guides keep coming up with ways to promote their wares. If you haven't ordered your new guide please see George Borrow!



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## Project Cambodia Dinner



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