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ROTARY'S NEW THEME FOR 20/2

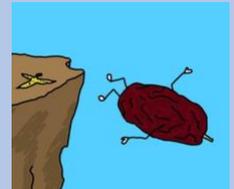
Rotary, providing us with the opportunity to make a difference

Hello everyone,
What a fabulous evening we had this week at our guest speaker night. Speaker seeker Telsa, organised Gary Newton, polio survivor, board member & vice president of polio Australia, and Rotarian from Geelong East Rotary Club, who was diagnosed with polio in the 1950s at only 15 months old, Gary spoke about the time he was diagnosed and being away from his parents as he was in isolation. He told of the similarity of the polio epidemic in the 50's and today with covid, regarding the fear and understanding of the virus. And explain, it is as a virus that attacks children but the long-term effect on survivors is heart breaking and support, they receive today is practically non-existent. We heard about Sir Clem Renouf, the 1978-79 Rotary International President who helped propel Rotary toward its top goal of eradicating polio worldwide, he died at age 99 in July 2020. Sir Clem was a member of the Rotary Club of Nambour, Queensland, Australia, for 70 years. He had a dream of eradicating polio and elevating its consequences, and with only two countries left Pakistan and Afghanistan his dream of eradication is nearly a reality.

Thank you, Gary, for joining us and sharing your story, we all learnt so much more about polio and why we support the End Polio Now campaign, plus why we all need to find out more and support the Polio Australia Organisation.

I am sure everyone enjoyed the presentation as much as I did.

Have a wonderful week everyone
Stay safe & keep smiling
Jo



**SOME EXTRA DATES
TO SAVE.**

Tuesday June 8th
Membership night.
Who will you bring
along?

Thursday June 17th
A Joint Dinner Night
with Corio Bay Rotary
Club.
With some fun thrown
into the mix. This will
replace our 15th June
Social Tuesday.
Please remember, for
catering purposes
call Jo to confirm you
will be attending
0419155183



Meeting Dates for your Diary

June 1st Board Meeting on Zoom

June 8th Membership Evening Guest event 7 for 7.30 start. Waurn Ponds Library. Detail's opposite

Thursday June 17TH Social Evening with Rotary Club of Corio Bay, Join us for dinner and some fun at the Croatian Club 93 Separation street Bell Park 6 for 6.30pm rsvp to Jo 0419155183 before Tuesday 15th please

June 22nd Project & Planning Night on Zoom 7.15 for 7.30

June Friday 25th Changeover Celebration Night

July 6th Board Meeting Zoom 7.15 for 7.30

Always feel free to invite friends or family to hear any of our speakers, and to see what Rotary is all about

A COUPLE OF BRIGHT IDEAS COMING FROM THE TEAM

- The two Peter's H & K have been talking about DRONES for so long. Finally, things seem to be happening. A coffee and chat with Drone man Gary Robinson, and Linda Carr from Geelong Central RC, and the idea has the possibility of becoming a reality. A Geelong expo all about Drones, Why, Why not? Consider who uses drones now, so many different industries as well as the social side of owning a drone. Bottom line, it's a fundraiser, and people are interested in them.
- A Buddy Bench for the new Palliative Care Garden at the McKellar Centre is on the cards. Shirley M has been trying to place a new bench around the waterfront for quite sometime now. But seems council don't need any more seating areas for the public. So, plan B, an upgrade on the gardens at McKellar for patient and their family to spend quiet time together. Can't think of a better place to place the new bench.



JUNE IS FELLOWSHIP MONTH AND A PERFECT TIME TO SHOWCASE ROTARY AND SHARE THE WORD

LET'S SHOWCASE ROTARY
at
WAURN PONDS LIBRARY
TUESDAY 8TH JUNE
7PM FOR 7.30 START

Members, invite your guests to join us and discover why we believe in Service Above Self. And to hear from our Guest Speakers
Luke Elliott
Road Trauma Support Services
Jan Mc Gowen
Christ Church Meals Program
Shirley Marendaz
End Trachoma 2020

Wine & nibbles on arrival, plus join us for sweet treats and tea / coffee after.





IT'S NEARLY HERE,
OUR SEVENTH AREA
OF FOCUS

And you are invited to
the Australia/New
Zealand Zoom launch
of this new Area on
Friday 4th June – the
day before World
Environment Day – at
6pm AEST/UTC+10.

Register for this
launch
at: <https://www.esraganzpi.org/environment-aof/>

During the launch,
there will be a
showcase of
Environmental
projects already
underway in New
Zealand, around
Australia (in most
States) and the South
Pacific.



**FIRST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH
IS OUR BUNNINGS BBQ DAY.
ALWAYS VOLUNTEER ON CLUBRUNNER.**

This is a fun part of membership, but an important part as well, as this gives us those all-important dollars to help where and when help is needed, thank you to all for volunteering and helping out at the BBQ.

BREASTS, BOOBS, OR THE GIRLS, *have I got your attention?*

WHAT EVER YOU CALL THEM, IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO CARE FOR THEM.

That's why we are reaching out to all for our indigenous woman of the NT and supporting the mobile **PINK MAMMOGRAM BUS**.

Sandra McElligott, Woman Health Educator, and our very own Jane Myers, have asked for our help to support this program.



WHAT DO THEY NEED? SOX!

Why sox I hear you say, well this is a two-part initiative. The woman come in to have a mammogram and while they are waiting and because diabetes is such an issue for our indigenous people, it's a perfect time to have a foot check and massage, and then what could be nicer than to be given a lovely new pair of sox after that foot massage,

we all know how good that feels don't we!

We are planning a "Ladies Night Out" fundraiser in the month of June to raise funds for the 250 pairs of SOX that we need.

Watch this space for more information about where and when.

Staying Safe in Covid Times



The need for social contact, that sense of belonging are needs that we all have. Further to that, is our collective strong desire as Rotarians to help and assist those in need, but we must not do this at the risk of becoming infected or infecting others.

Please follow the advice from the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services, available through this link:

<https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/staying-safe-covid-19>

OUR MEMBER JUDY EYLES HAS CERTAINLY BEEN GETTING OUT AND ABOUT.

Thank you, Judy, for sending in some great shots of your travels.

Judy started with a flight from Melbourne to Perth to catch up with her cousin Richard and that beautiful city.



Then on a train to discover many parts of Australia from Perth in WA to Sydney NSW.

What a great way to see Australia, on a train, and I'm sure she will have many stories to tell on her return.



It took me a while to see it, but, Check out the beautiful artwork on the side of the dam



A stop in the Blue Mountains NSW

