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## A Message from the Pres



Thank you to all Board members for their input and robust discussion at the Board meeting on Tuesday. We have a busy few weeks ahead on the BBQ front, our Bunnings BBQ last Friday has seen the implementation of multiple people assisting in split shifts, allowing all positions to be filled.

The friend in Me Day Family Fun Day to be held at the Geelong Showgrounds on the 15/02 will see our BBQ trailer in attendance, alongside members from East Geelong Rotary Club who have volunteered to assist in manning the BBQ on this day. Thank you to Ian, Andrea and Telsa who will also assist on this day.

Please keep in mind the BBQ's for the City of Greater Geelong at the Lara Pool (16/02) and the Kardinia Pool (23/03). Presently we require 2 more people for both days. These 2 BBQ's are just cook and serve, so no money collection required. Both are potentially good money generators for the club with the possibility for ongoing events, for future years.

Thank you to Telsa for filling in for me at the Regional Presidents meeting to be held in Geelong on the 05/02

Ian and I will be attending the Bunnings recognition of volunteers evening on the 05/03 from 5.00 to 7.00 pm.

The District Conference will be held on the Surf Coast the weekend of 21-23 March 2025, a good opportunity being so close, Ian and Telsa will be setting up displays.

Clubs have been requested to submit a video or Power point with an approximate duration of 1 minute, outlining club activities this Rotary year. Jo has kindly volunteered to complete this task, thanks Jo.

Just a call out to all members and their partners who are currently unwell, letting them know that they are in our thoughts.

Stay Safe  
Rick



Bayside have delivered the second large box of Reading Glasses this year to the Leopold Lions club for their reading glasses project , here is a little information about this program

Jo

#### LIONS RECYCLE FOR SIGHT AUSTRALIA

*Lions Recycle for Sight Australia is part of the Lions Clubs International Worldwide Eyeglass Recycling Program, headquartered in Queensland and operating throughout Australia and overseas.*

*Over the 26 years the Australian program has operated, the program, it has delivered over 7 million pair of refurbished quality spectacles to men, women and children in need in Africa, Europe, Middle East, Indian Sub-continent, East Asia, and the Far East, China, the countries of the Pacific Rim and Southern Asia and Oceania. In the past 10 years several members of our Marine Branch have been able to use their oceangoing yachts to reach and test villagers, in the remotest areas for eyesight and deliver spectacles to them.*

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### Report from Youth Chair – Andrea Patterson



RYLA – Applicants are being sorted. If you know anyone who might be suitable , approach them and explain the program. If they are interested, please let me know.

Andreapatterson87@gmail.com

Date: April 6 th – 11<sup>th</sup> 2025 - Kangarooie , Princetown. - Ages 18 – 25 years

Applications close March 7 th 2025.



ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE

THE OPPORTUNITY OF A LIFETIME

#### WHO CAN APPLY?

To be eligible to depart in 2026 students must:

- Be in year 9, 10 or 11 in 2025.
- Be born between 01/07/2008 and 31/12/2010.
- Be outgoing, self-confident, friendly, adaptable, adventurous, willing to learn a foreign language and have above-average school grades.

#### WHAT IS ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE?

Rotary Youth Exchange Australia provides the opportunity of a lifetime for Australian high school students to live & study abroad. Students spend approximately 12 months living in their host country where they attend school and stay with local host families. In your host country, you will experience different foods, study different subjects, enjoy a new culture and most likely learn a new language.

Applications close March 7 th 2025.



THANK YOU TO  
OUR SUPPORTERS



## District 9780 Conference

This year's District Conference will be held at 13<sup>th</sup> Beach Gold Club on Friday March 21<sup>st</sup> and Saturday March 22<sup>nd</sup> with the Sunday at the Sands Resort on Sunday March 23<sup>rd</sup>. It would be great to see Bayside Geelong Rotarians attending, seeing it is so close to home and supporting DG Lesley Shedden from RC Torquay. There will be a number of very interesting speakers including Rosie Batty and Dr. Michael Carr-Gregg. Ian will be setting up a Donate Life table and Telsa will have her Days for Girls table in the House of Friendship on the Saturday. - **from Judy Beasley**

Being so close to home,  
it's a perfect place and time to go to 9780 District Conference  
simply click on the link below to register Can we do 100% club attendance ?



Registration is now open for District Conference 2025 on the Surf Coast. DG Lesley and the Rotary Club of Torquay are putting together a wonderful array of speakers, experiences and opportunities for you to enjoy!

Click this link to visit the conference website [www.rotary9780conference.com.au](http://www.rotary9780conference.com.au)

Places for Conference are strictly limited, so book now to secure your spot!

**Click this link to Register Now** <https://events.humanitix.com/rotary-district-9780-conference-2025-36r27nsh>

## ANOTHER INTERESTING SPEAKER FOR DISTRICT CONFERENCE Keynote speaker Rosie Batty



Rosie Batty knows pain no woman should have to suffer. Her son was killed by his father in a violent incident in February 2014, a horrendous event that shocked not only the nation, but the world. Greg Anderson murdered his 11-year-old son Luke and was then shot by police at the Tyabb cricket ground.



ROTARY  
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## REPORT FROM FOUNDATION CHAIR JUDY BEASLEY

Invoices were sent out to all club members re their centurion contributions during the month of November, being Foundation month. Rotarians can either contribute to the Rotary Foundation or to the Polio Plus Society. Thank you to those Rotarians who have already made their contributions.

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# Thank You!

From the BBQ Trailer team to **David Patterson** for donating 2 boxes of disposable gloves to the BBQ trailer.

And from Telsa and the Days for Girls Team a big thank you to **Peter Smolderen** from Against the Grain Joinery in Bannockburn, for making a new storage cupboard to leave at St Bernards for their materials and sewing needs. Peter said, "It was time to give back" I am sure Telsa will be very happy to reclaim some space at home. Thank you to Peter and David



This month Bayside supported BlazeAid with a \$2000 donation  
read how BlazAid got started

BlazeAid was established in 2009 by Kevin and Rhonda Butler after the Black Saturday bushfires. They had approximately 3 kilometres of fencing burnt on their property, allowing hundreds of sheep to get out onto the roads, causing a traffic hazard and impeding fire trucks and other emergency service vehicles from continuing their response to the fires.

The repairs to their fences were expected to have taken the Butlers around 3 to 4 months, however, Kevin put an advert in the local paper requesting assistance. He had a wonderful response from the community, with around 25 volunteers coming to help, and the fences were rebuilt within a week. It was Rhonda's idea to pay the favour forward, saying, "We have had help, now let's give our neighbours a hand too." To read more about this special program

[Click here](#)

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## REPORT FROM THE SPEAKER SEEKER - Jo

Over the next few month we will be hearing from  
25<sup>th</sup> Feb - Felicia Bell from Geelong Food Share.

11 March – Sally Dell – End Trachoma

18<sup>th</sup> March Lucy Loko and John Oswald regarding the progress in PNG.

25<sup>th</sup> March – Changeover, details TBC

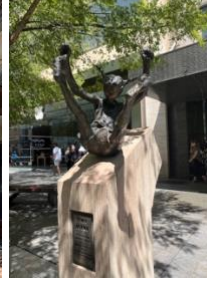
15<sup>th</sup> April Kelly Taylor - Crime stoppers

Date TBC -Micheal Donohue Commander at Coast Guard Queenscliff

Date TBC GYE will be joining us with some of the last recruits from the Kokoda trail.



## Who is getting out and about



Judy E is having a Great Southern Experience and then off to QLD for a few weeks Thank you for some the pics Judy. *Did you buy the pearls?*



### Youth Exchange report from Andrea

I went to an Art exhibition in Collingwood with Lyn Corby last night. Mainly because one of the exhibitors lives in Mussomeli where Mietta is enjoying her exchange. His name is Danny McCubbin , artist and chef. He runs "The Good Kitchen" restaurant which uses food from places that would be normally thrown out. He was excited to meet Lyn and will catch up with Mietta when he returns to Sicily. his artwork is the chair!

To read more about Danny McCubbin and the Good Kitchen [Click here](#)



I am excited to advise that we have a new dog team for Bayside Geelong Club to sponsor.

Sallyann and 'Herbie' have attended Montpellier Primary School for the past 2 years and will continue delivering sessions this year.

## BBQ AT THE CLUB

February Social Tuesday will be a special night at the Navy Club.

When: 18<sup>th</sup> Feb

Time : 7 for 7:15

Where: On the new BBQ area at the Navy club, 90 Skene St Newtown



BYO Please : Members Surname beginning with A to H inclusive can you please bring a salad to share

BYO Please : Members Surname beginning with I to W can you please bring a dessert to share.

AS always, the bar will be open for your drink of choice.

Also, very happy to say our DG Lesley will be joining us for dinner

This is a family night, so all are very welcome.

But we need to know numbers for this BBQ so book your seat at the table with Jo 0419155183 – [jowhite@exemail.com.au](mailto:jowhite@exemail.com.au)

**Before Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>**



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Friend in Me



**Family  
FUN  
Day  
2025**

**The  
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Maks**

**Transformers**

**Dinos &  
Animal  
Farm**

**Food  
Trucks  
& More!**

**Saturday, February 15  
Geelong Racecourse 11am-3pm**

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**please read carefully as there maybe changes to the regular dates and times in this month's calendar**  
**PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU ARE NOT AVAILABLE TO FILL YOUR JOB FOR THE NIGHT,**  
**PLEASE CONTACT & CHANGE WITH ANOTHER MEMBER.**

**MEETING ROSTER. February 2025**

**First Tuesday board meets at the Belmont RSL 6pm**

**Second and fourth Tuesday meeting at the navy club 90 Skene st Newtown  
meeting 7:00 for 7.30 start. all welcome**

**Third Tuesday is Social Tuesday partners and friends welcome to join us.**

<b>DATES</b>	<b>PROGRAM Mix &amp; Mingle 6.45 meeting 7.15pm for 7.30</b>	<b>CHAIRPERSON</b>	<b>WELCOME/ CASHIER</b>	<b>ROOM DUTIES</b>	<b>SUPPER</b>	<b>Door Prize</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> FEB</b>	<b>BOARD MEETING RSL 18:00</b>	<b>RICK &amp; TELSA</b>				
<b>11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>GUEST SPEAKER Rod Morrison A History lesson re the Fyansford Paper Mill</b>	<b>PETER H</b>	<b>DAN</b>	<b>TELSA</b>	<b>BRIAN</b>	<b>AILEEN</b>
<b>18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>SOCIAL TUESDAY BBQ in the new area at the with DG Lesley Sheldon joining us</b>	<b>JO</b>				
<b>25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>GUEST SPEAKER Felicia Bell Geelong Food Share</b>	<b>JUDY B</b>	<b>TELSA</b>	<b>ANDREW</b>	<b>ANDREA</b>	<b>PETER K</b>

**BBQ Date for your Diary**

- **Friend In Me Family Fun Day** Geelong Racecourse Feb 15, 2025, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
- **Lara Pool Sausage Sizzle** Feb 16<sup>th</sup> 10:30 – 2:30 Corner of Forest and Banks Rd Lara
- **Kardinia Pool Sausage Sizzle Attempt #2** Kardinia Pool Feb 23, 2025, 10:30 am – 2:30 pm
- **Bunnings BBQ** March 7<sup>th</sup> Waurm Ponds 8:00 - 12:00 and 12:00 – 4:00

**All BBQ times dates and locations are on clubrunner for your convenience.**