

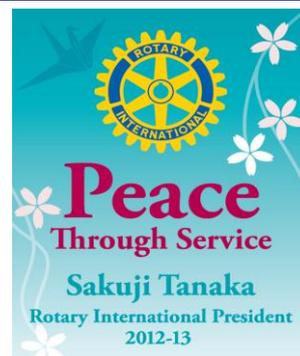


# ROTARY CLUB of CLAYTON Inc.

District 9810 Victoria, Australia

## Weekly Bulletin 2012-2013

Meets every Monday from 6:30pm at L'unico Restaurant  
319 Clayton Road, Clayton (Melways 79C2)  
(No meeting on public holidays)



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### Upcoming Club Program

Date	Speaker	Chairperson	Desk	Visitors
16 <sup>th</sup> July	"Child Wise" – Scott Jacobs	Ralph Zuccaro	Ed Allchin	Georges Ah-Tye
23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Movie Night at Pinewood to see "The Way"	Glenys Pattison		
30 <sup>th</sup> July	"Swags for Homeless" – Lisa Clark	Ed Allchin	Georges Ah-Tye	John Barnes

### Presidents Report

Hi Members & Friends,

I have just returned home after dropping off our Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) candidate Alexandria Scott. I joined a number of Rotarians and parents who had arrived to participate in the final session of the week and then take the RYLarians home. The camp where this years RYLA was held from Monday 9th to Saturday 14th was just past Bacchus Marsh.

We all enjoyed lunch together and then were invited to join the RYLAians at their final session where all attendees received their certificates. We look forward to having Alex along to our meeting very soon to tell us of her experiences of the week, Alex is very grateful of our sponsorship. Thanks also to Bill for picking Alex up and dropping her off at Deakin to catch the bus to the camp on the Monday early morning.

As discussed last week our Back to the 70's Trivia Night planning is up and running and we need help in a number of areas. Items for both prizes on the night and items to be included in a number of hampers we hope to have as raffle items. Bronwyn has offered to prepare the hampers for the night so all contributions will be gratefully received. We also need newspapers collected for one of the games on the night.

Also we need all members to promote the night, it will be a lot of fun and a great opportunity for us who were there to dust off our 70's gear and dress to impress on the night. Please send out the flyer and parking map to all your friends and families, the more who attend the better the night will be.

As advised last week, we have been granted a BBQ at the Masters Store at Warrigal Road near Centre Road on Saturday 6th October. We are currently confirming all requirements and will draught up a roster closer to the day. Many thanks to Jim for the introduction to Masters, well done and to Bronwyn for following up.

## Rotary Four Way Test

"Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the Truth?
2. Is it Fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?"

The Golf committee have met during the week and preparations for the Annual Golf Day at Spring Valley on Monday 10th September are underway.

After tonight's meeting we have a board meeting with our guest Assistant Governor David Bremner in preparation for District Governors visit on 20th August.

Many thanks  
Lesley



Alexandria Scott receiving her certificate and book at the end of RYLA

## Last Meeting & Notes

### Last Meeting (09/07):

This week our guest speakers were Sabina Sopov & Sophie Coleman who spoke about and presented "Schools A Gift".

School's A Gift was founded by Georgina Fenton and Sophie Coleman in 2010 and the team also consists of Sabina Sopov & Yolanda Jennings. The team has raised approx \$40,000 since December 2011 for this great cause.

School's A Gift is a not-for-profit organisation with the goal of increasing school enrolment and attendance in deprived areas of the developing world, with an emphasis on providing equal educational opportunities for girls and boys. School's A Gift is currently focussed on supporting schools in a remote region of Ethiopia.



school's a gift

There are millions of children living in the rural areas of Ethiopia who are currently denied the right to attend school due to poverty. For these children, school is a gift. With high adult illiteracy rates, school provides these children with their only opportunity to learn to read and write. It empowers them with the only opportunity to change their life and their community. Research has shown that girls' education is an integral part to almost every aspect of development: improved income, child and maternal health, HIV/AIDS prevention, empowerment of women and prevention of violence against women. When a girl receives an education she is more likely to have healthier children who receive an education of their own.

## THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

1. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
2. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
3. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
4. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

School's A Gift raises funds for education based projects that will assist children to access primary and secondary level education and reduce the number of school drop outs. The current projects of School's A Gift include the construction of school buildings; the purchase of essential school supplies and furnishings; and plans to provide scholarships to girls to assist them complete secondary school.

Both Sophie and Sabina presented the club with the two current projects which are the Beklo Manekya Secondary School and Eshet Amba Elementary School and the work that went on behind the scenes to get it all started.

The plan for the Beklo Manekya Secondary School is to construct a second school block which will accommodate around an extra 500 students and bring it into line with accepted government standards (which is a minimum of two blocks of four classrooms). Currently the Beklo Manekya Secondary School is made up of one block of four classrooms. Approximately 500 students are completing Grades 9 and 10 in a shift system which means they attend class either in the morning or afternoon. There are approximately 1000 young people in the local area that are refused enrolment each year. With the next closest secondary school inaccessible to these people, they are currently denied an education beyond grade 8.

With the Eshet Amba Elementary School the plan is to construct a concrete block of four classrooms which will dramatically improve the learning environment for the children. Almost 1,300 children attend Eshet Amba, completing grades between one to eight. The school consists of ten dark, overcrowded and deteriorating mud classrooms, many lacking desks and chairs. Most children don't have enough clothing given the harsh weather conditions and some have walked up to two hours to reach the school. Almost all of these children come from families of subsistence farmers. These families struggle to provide their children with food and clothing, let alone books and pens.

Our club has offered to go in partnership with School's A Gift to support with the passing of the funds on to Ethiopia and this will be performed through a RAWCS (Rotary Australia World Community Service) Project. We will be doing this jointly hopefully with the Rotary Club of Addis Ababa in Ethiopia.

[www.schoolsagift.org](http://www.schoolsagift.org)

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### Meeting Notes:

- Lesley Zuccaro gave an update on the Trivia Night being held on the 17<sup>th</sup> August with the Rotaract Club of Monash. Special thankyou was given to Sarah Heathcote for putting the flyer together. The flyer has now been sent off to the Monash Hospital for their magazine and District 9810 newsletter "Whats on". Members have been asked to start looking for Raffle Prizes and any old newspapers. TryBooking has been setup and now is running. If you need help with the purchase of tickets you can contact Michael Ellinger.
- Lesley Zuccaro gave an update on the Monash Medical Centre clothing request and what has been done by the club to date. Dianne Sides dropped of a bunch of clothes to the hospital this week.
- Lesley Zuccaro informed the club that our RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) candidate, Alexandria Scott was dropped off by Bill Sides at Deakin University to catch the bus to the camp. She will be picked up Lesley next week. Hopefully we will see Alexandria back at the club soon giving us a talk on her experiences at the RYLA camp.
- Ralph Zuccaro presented the club with the new updated President and Sergeant collars which have been updated and now show all the names of the past people who have held both positions.
- Warren Fricke gave an update on the progress of the Annual Golf Day which is being held at Spring Valley Golf Club on the 10<sup>th</sup> September. There is a Golf committee meeting planned on the 10<sup>th</sup> July. The plan is to set up an information pack and pass it to the members to use as a guide when promoting the Golf Day.

## Special Announcements

**25<sup>th</sup> July – Richard Simmons Birthday.**

**27<sup>th</sup> July – Dianne Sides Birthday.**

- There will be a board meeting next week as AG David Bremner will be visiting the club.
- Lesley Zuccaro informed the club that the request for the Volunteers Grant has now been sent off. The money if granted will be used to purchase a new BBQ trailer.
- The club has been given the chance to hold a BBQ at the new Masters store in Oakleigh on the 6<sup>th</sup> October. For more information contact Bronwen Lamond or Jim Cochrane.
- Glenys Pattison informed the club that the Taskforce Community Agency is holding an Art Exhibition at the Kingston art & culture centre from the 6<sup>th</sup> July to the 24<sup>th</sup> July. The artists of Taskforce Community Agency aspire to showcase an intimate knowledge of their perspectives of hope, recovery and the challenges of living with drug dependence, mental health issues, homelessness and in some cases incarceration.
- Dianne Sides informed the club that we received a letter of thanks and from Maggie Lynch for giving her the Paul Harris Fellowship and to show her appreciation inside the letter was cheque for \$250.
- Bill Sides informed the club that we received an e-mail from Colin Bostock complementing on the information put in the bulletin last week on the Community Bank which is being sought after for Clayton.

**Apologies** = Reddy Kandadi, Georges Ah-Tye, Tom Portelli, John Goldspinks & John Drosis.

**Make Ups** = None.

**Leave of Absence** = Jon Breisch.

**Visitors** = Sabina Sopov & Sophie Coleman (Schools A Gift), Leo Sheppet, Catherine Sheppet & Michael Willis (RC of MASH).

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## Think Foundation Thoughts

### July

*This week's Foundation Thought is about ...*

**Peace.** Through the Rotary Peace Centers program, The Rotary Foundation and Rotarians can increase their effectiveness in promoting greater tolerance and cooperation among peoples, leading to world understanding and peace. Archbishop Emeritus and Nobel Peace Prize laureate Desmond Tutu has said: —Rotary Peace Fellows believe, and I believe, it is possible to have a world without war. It is possible to have a world without hunger.

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## Important Club Dates

**Monday 23/07/12** – Movie Night at Pinewood to see “The Way”. Cost is \$13 per person.

**Friday 17/08/12** – **Joint** Trivia Night with Monash Rotaract at Clayton Town Hall. The theme is “Back to the 70’s”.

**Monday 10/09/12** – 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Day at Spring Valley Golf Club.

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## About RAWCS

Rotary Australia World Community Service Ltd (RAWCS) is the Australian arm of Rotary International that assists Rotary Clubs with the development and management of international community service projects.

Whether it's projects to help rebuild in the aftermath of disaster, programs to bring education to countries where illiteracy stifles development or bringing health care and medical aid to those who can least access it, RAWCS so often has a hand in helping the world stand on its feet.

RAWCS supports Rotary Clubs in sending teams of volunteers to developing countries to provide assistance upon the development of much needed facilities, especially within the health and education areas.

Advice, assistance and training in building, construction and commercial operations (for example, assistance in obtaining microfinance) are also provided by RAWCS to support developing communities in establishing themselves.

### **Who's Behind It?**

RAWCS is an Australian based program, run by people like you and me. Everyday people volunteer their time as Rotarians and Friends of Rotary to make each RAWCS project happen. The contributions of everyday people just like you, along with fundraising and donations from Rotarians, corporate partners and other members of the public, enable these projects to go ahead.

### **What Has RAWCS Achieved?**

They include programs and projects that have:

- established medical, dental and general health facilities across second and third world countries
- brought clean water to villages
- helped street children into homes and education
- protected thousands against malaria
- provided shelter for those left homeless after tragedies
- transported medical equipment to remote regions
- provided microfinance to poverty-struck communities
- established care homes for the elderly
- brought literacy programs to villages
- provided AIDS education programs
- established vocational education training programs
- Constructed staff accommodation to bring volunteers and professionals into remote regions needing assistance
- helped provide critical post-natal care for mothers and babies

### **Funding**

RAWCS projects and programs are funded largely by local Rotary Clubs and Rotary International, with the help of generous public, corporate and government support.

The Rotary Foundation Grants program has often provided "matching grants" to Rotary Clubs for individual programs, contributing additional funding to that raised by the individual Rotary Club. Additional AusAID subsidies have also enhanced the effectiveness of local Rotary clubs' efforts on such world community service projects.

RAWCS Overseas Aid Fund is a Deductible Gift Recipient so is able to offer tax deductible donations to support organisations with worthy projects in Australia and overseas.

Our Overseas Aid Fund holds the following registrations which will enable it to accept tax deductible donations and grants from all sources in Australia including business corporations and not-for-profit organisations.

- Deductible Gift Recipient
- Tax Concession Charity
- Income Tax Exempt Fund

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## District 9810 News

### Rotary Success Conference

21st-22nd July 2012 in Canberra

*Article by PDG Noel Trevaskis  
Rotary Coordinator*

RI Director Stuart Heal and RI Director Elect John Boag are the Convenors of the Rotary Success Conference to be held in Canberra on the weekend of July 21st-22nd. Noel Trevaskis is the Coordinator for the conference and Bob Greeney is Chairman of the organising committee.

The Rotary Success conference will be about helping Rotary Clubs to be bigger, bolder, strong successful clubs. Some of the topics that will be discussed are membership recruitment, membership retention, PR & Media, membership diversity, leadership, Club visioning, Rotary Foundation Future Vision. It will be a conference where all Rotarians will gain knowledge and ideas from the weekend; it will be about "Rotary Success".

The format of this conference will be different to the two previous conferences as there will be less plenary sessions and more breakout groups and more opportunities for all attendees to be involved in issues that really interest them. For those people wanting to organise travel plans to travel to Canberra for the conference it will start at 8.30am on the Saturday and will conclude at 12.15pm on the Sunday.

We have been able to keep the cost of the conference at \$100 per person which includes morning teas, afternoon teas and the dinner on Saturday night. On Friday night people will be able to attend "Friendship Dinners" hosted by Rotary Clubs in Canberra and Queanbeyan; payment for these dinners will be independent of the conference and attendees will need to pay the host club on the Friday night. Numbers for the "Friendship Dinners" are limited, if you want to attend one of the Friendship Dinners register early. The dinners give everyone an opportunity to talk to other Rotarians from across Australia and New Zealand and develop friendships.

I would encourage you to register as early as possible. The conference will be in the same venue as the two previous conferences the Hellenic Club in Woden.

Registrations will be available through the Rotary Down Under website from mid February.

There is a wide variety of accommodation available in Canberra; many suitable hotels and motels listed on the web can be found by using Google to search for "Canberra Accommodation". Conference attendees are encouraged to book their accommodation as early as possible as Canberra accommodation can be busy in July. There will be regular information on the Rotary Success Conference in Rotary on the Move over the next few months.

For more information email the Chairman of the organising committee Bob Greeney; [greeneyb@iimetro.com.au](mailto:greeneyb@iimetro.com.au)

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## Rotaract Club of Monash

### Club Meeting Details:

The Club meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the Month at 7:30pm  
Mulgrave Neighbourhood House  
36 – 42 Mackie Road, Mulgrave  
(Melways 80C3)



## Upcoming Rotaract Events:

Joint Trivia Night with the Rotary Club of Clayton  
17<sup>th</sup> August 2012 at the Clayton Hall  
Cost \$15  
7:00 pm.

## Rotaract Roster:

Date	Rotarian to Visit
18 <sup>th</sup> July	Reddy Kandadi
1 <sup>st</sup> August	Bronwen Lamond

*If you cannot attend on the night you are rostered, please organise a replacement to take your place.*

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## Upcoming Events in Monash

### Art 2012: Clayton Clarinda Arts Inc.

Thursday 26, Friday 27 & Saturday 28 July, 10am – 4pm  
Clayton Community Centre, Arts Room Cooke St, Clayton

Come and browse to your 'Arts Delight', choose from this fabulous selection on framed and unframed paintings for sale at most reasonable prices. All work by local artists. Ideal for investment or as gifts. Bring your family and friends.

**FREE, No Bookings Required**

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### Winter Concert Series 2012

The Winter Concert Series rolls around again this year so make sure you brave the cold and join us for live music in four different locations across Monash over the next four months.

Bring along your friends and family to enjoy a Sunday afternoon of free entertainment and light refreshments.

Bookings are essential. To book contact 9518 3636.

#### Italian Music Cafe

- Monash Civic Centre
- 293 Springvale Road, Glen Waverley
- Sunday, **19 August**
- 2pm - 4pm (Doors open 1:45pm)



Visit the 'Italian Music Cafe', two local professional artists will take to the stage and help you escape the Winter. Il Gruppo Culturale Italiano directed by Maestro Roberto De Sanctis transports the audience through its songs and music into the colour, warmth and energy of sunny Italy.

Followed by Antonio Scalzo, fresh from the Flavours of Monash Stage at the Oakleigh Music Festival, Antonio will engage the audience with his charm and musical talent.

Bookings open Monday **13 August from 10am and close Friday 17 August at 5pm.**

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## Upcoming Events in Kingston

### Learn how to build your own raingarden

**Saturday, 21 July 2012**  
**10:00 AM - 12:00 NOON**

Raingardens are a creative, low cost way to treat household stormwater and create a cleaner, healthier Port Phillip Bay. The team from Melbourne Water will take you through how you can build and maintain your very own raingarden

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WEB: [http://www.kingston.vic.gov.au/Page/Page.asp?Page\\_Id=1764&h=1](http://www.kingston.vic.gov.au/Page/Page.asp?Page_Id=1764&h=1)

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## Where other Clubs Meet

A Rotarian can attend the weekly meeting of any Rotary club around the world. This is a "make-up" and counts as attendance credit when you are not able to attend a meeting of your own club.

Details for all District 9810 clubs can be obtained in the district directory or website [www.9810rotary.org.au](http://www.9810rotary.org.au) Details for clubs around the world are available in the RI Directory (held by the club secretary) and on the RI website ([www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org))

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## Reminders

Please ensure that the club is aware if you will be missing a meeting. Contact **Bronwen Lamond** on **0439 339 645** by **4 pm** on the **day of the meeting**, if you are not going to be present.

Contributions for inclusion into the Bulletin should be passed to [michaele@netspace.net.au](mailto:michaele@netspace.net.au) by Thursday evening of each week.

**Please remember if you cannot perform your rostered job, it is your duty to find a replacement to take your place.**

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## Joke of the Week

It's the AFL Grand Final and a man makes his way to his seat right at the halfway line. He sits down, noticing that the seat next to him is empty.

He leans over and asks his neighbor if someone will be sitting there.

"No," says the neighbor. "The seat is empty."

"This is incredible," said the man.

"Who in their right mind would have a seat like this for the Grand Final and not use it?"

The neighbor says, "Well, actually, the seat belongs to me. I was supposed to come with my wife, but she passed away. This is the first Grand Final we haven't been to together since we got married."

"Oh, I'm so sorry to hear that. That's terrible ... but couldn't you find someone else, a friend or relative, or even a neighbor to take the seat?"

The man shakes his head. "No," he says. "They're all at the funeral."

## Rotary International News

### Rotarian Action Group expands maternal health project in Nigeria

By Vanessa N. Glavinskas  
Rotary International News -- 6 July 2012

In Nigeria, one out of every 18 women dies as a result of childbirth. The country has the second-highest maternal mortality rate in the world.

That's why the Rotarian Action Group for Population Growth and Sustainable Development targeted the northern Nigerian states of Kaduna and Kano with a pilot program aimed at reducing maternal mortality by preventing and treating obstetric fistula, a serious birth injury. From 2005 until 2010, the project, partly supported by a grant from The Rotary Foundation, reduced maternal death by 60 percent in participating hospitals, reached 1 million women of childbearing age, and repaired obstetric fistulas for 1,500 Nigerian women.

"We have to empower women, and women cannot be empowered if they can't make their own choices in antenatal care and child spacing," says Dr. Robert Zinser, CEO of the Rotarian Action Group for Population Growth and Sustainable Development and member of the Rotary Club of Ludwigshafen-Rheinschanze, Germany.

Zinser has been to Nigeria nearly 20 times to work on maternal and child health projects, including the northern Nigeria pilot focused on the prevention and treatment of fistulas. An obstetric fistula is a birth injury that can cause stillbirth and, in the mother, chronic incontinence, infection, nerve damage, or death. The primary cause is labor that goes on for too long, often for days. Because 70 percent of Nigerian women deliver at home, often without access to proper medical care, long labors that would be prevented in the developed world are more common.

According to the World Health Organization, "prevention is the key," Zinser says. "We insisted on a comprehensive approach of better antenatal care" that includes training, equipment, quality, hygiene, and benchmarking.

The project also included surgery to repair damage from fistula. Many women with the injury don't know it can be repaired, so Rotarians created a series of radio programs that explained the condition, its causes, and the available treatment.

"People listened, and village women found out their fistulas could be repaired at the Rotary center. We repaired 1,500 fistulas, 500 more than our goal," Zinser says.

The action group is now preparing to replicate the project in the states of Abuja and Onoda, with plans to eventually establish the model in other central and southern Nigeria states.

Zinser is adamant that the project can be implemented in other areas with high maternal mortality. "We must save the mother's so that the mothers can save the world," he says.



Former fistula patients in Nigeria. Photo courtesy of the Rotarian Action Group for Population Growth and Sustainable Development

# Are you ready for



## FRIDAY NIGHT FEVER



Do you get feverish when people ask you questions?  
**Burning** with desire to test your general knowledge?

Then you're in luck cause **Monash Rotaract Club** in partnership with **Clayton Rotary Club** invite you to their annual

**Proudly Supporting  
Monash Children's**

Ward 41N is in need of a humidifier to treat young patients with respiratory illness. This piece of equipment is vital to help young children in our community receive the best care.

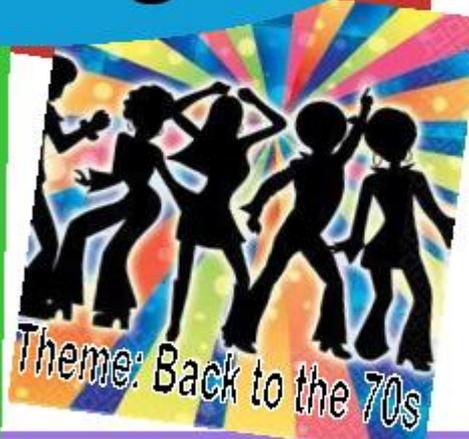
## Trivia Night

**Friday 17th August 2012**

**7:00pm**

**Where: Clayton Hall,  
264-268 Clayton Rd,  
Clayton VIC**

**BYO drinks & nibbles  
Tables- Max 10 people  
Tickets: \$15 per person**



**Book tickets online at**

**[trybooking.com/28718](http://trybooking.com/28718)**

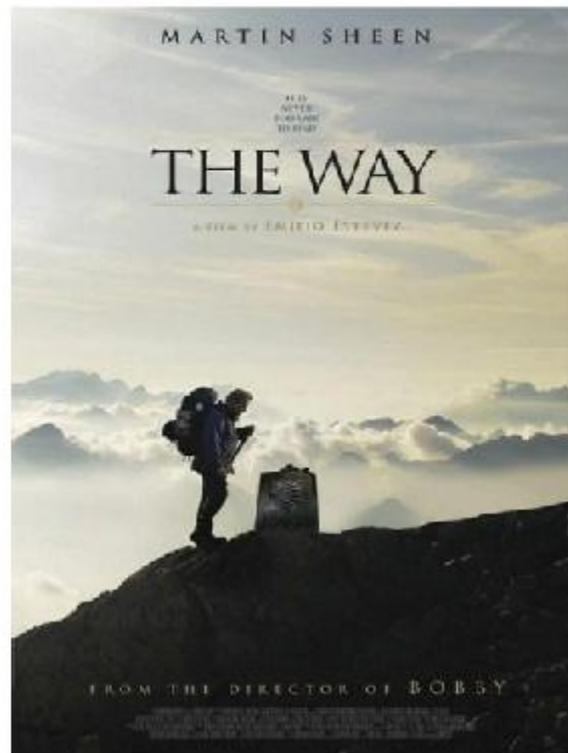
payment can be made online or at the door

**Enquiries**

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**Monash  
Children's**  
*Southern Health*





**THE ROTARY CLUB OF CLAYTON  
PRESENTS  
A NIGHT AT THE MOVIES**

**WHERE:** PINWOOD CINEMA  
BLACKBURN ROAD  
MOUNT WAVERLEY

**WHEN:** MONDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2012

**TIME:** BE THERE AT 6.15 PM FOR TEA FOR A 7:00 PM MOVIE  
START

**PRICE:** \$13 PER HEAD (GREAT VALUE!!)  
SUPPER PROVIDED & DOOR PRIZE

**RSVP:** TO GLENYS PATTISON BY WEDNESDAY 18<sup>th</sup> JULY, 2012  
GLENYS 0402 620 096



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