



# ROTARY CLUB of CLAYTON Inc.

District 9810 Victoria, Australia

## Weekly Bulletin 2018-2019

Meets every Monday from 6:30pm at The Clayton Hotel  
319 Clayton Road, Clayton (Melways 79C2)  
(No meeting on public holidays)



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### Upcoming Club Program

Date	Speaker	Chairperson
8 <sup>th</sup> October	Club Planning	Jon Breisch
15 <sup>th</sup> October	Sustainable Communities (Tree Planting Project - Pat Armstrong)	Jon Breisch
22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Board Meeting	Jon Breisch
29 <sup>th</sup> October	No Meeting - Moved to the 1 <sup>st</sup> November to celebrate the Armistice Centenary at the Oakleigh RSL Cluster Dinner	
5 <sup>th</sup> November	Melbourne Cup Eve - No Meeting	
12 <sup>th</sup> November	AGM and Luang Prabang Library - Gaye Barnes	Jon Breisch
19 <sup>th</sup> November	Speaker (TBA)	Jon Breisch
26 <sup>th</sup> November	Board Meeting	Jon Breisch
3 <sup>rd</sup> December	RI Convention & Global Grant Reports - John Barnes	John Barnes
10 <sup>th</sup> December	Dixon House/Anglicare - Vaughan Smith	Jon Breisch
17 <sup>th</sup> December	Planning & Reports - All Members	Committee Chairs
24 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Eve - No Meeting	

### Presidents Report

To all,

I hope that we all have had a great week, with the pleasant autumn weather, after all these BBQ's we are have completed.

I and all the club members are putting our thoughts down towards a project where we get the most bang for our bucks.

Thought of the Week

" All the wealth in the world cannot help one Indian village, if the people are not taught to help themselves. Our work should be mainly education, both moral and intellectual.

## 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?"

Educate the people, so that they may learn to be self-sufficient, frugal. If the poor cannot come for education, education should reach the poor."  
Swami Vivekananda

Yours in Rotary,  
Jon

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## Last Meeting & Notes

### Last Meeting (1<sup>st</sup> October):

**Apologies** = John Goldspink, Glenys Pattison, Sam Oddo, Bill Sides, Dianne Sides and Val Manuelpillai.

**Make Ups** = None.

**Leave of Absence** = None.

**Visitors** = None.

This week we had a general discussion amongst the members in attendance on future planning for the club. Various ideas and suggestions were put forward which were then discussed openly and brainstormed.

From the suggestions agreed to at the meeting a committee has been set up to move forward and scope these ideas further which will then be brought back to the members for agreement.

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### Meeting Notes:

- Jon Breisch informed the club that we have been sent Blue Ribbons from the Victoria Police Blue Ribbon Foundation. The Victoria Police Blue Ribbon Foundation perpetuates the memory of members of the Victoria Police who have died in the line of duty through the support of worthwhile community projects within Victoria. We aim to encourage the public of Victoria to remember the sacrifice of officers who have fallen in the line of duty and to show all serving members of Victoria Police that their work and commitment is valued by a caring community. The Blue Ribbons were shared amongst the members with the donations from the copper pot going towards this cause.
- John Barnes gave an update on the Bunnings BBQ which was held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> November. \$1500 net was made on the day. It was a very busy day with many times the stock ran out during the day which had to be replenished. Big thanks go to our members who turned up and the Wurringga Scout Group who also supported. This was one our best BBQ's in a long time.
- Warren Fricke reminded the members of the joint get together with the other clubs in the Monash Cluster on the 1<sup>st</sup> November to attend the Centenary of Armistice Dinner. (6 for 6.30pm) at the Oakleigh-Carnegie RSL at 95 Drummond Street, Oakleigh (see attached flyer for more details).
- Lesley Zuccaro spoke about the upcoming World Cup of Golf Car Parking at the Metropolitan Golf Course which is being run by the RC of Huntingdale from the Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2018 inclusive. We will need to guarantee to be able to provide 6 staff on each of the days of operation from start times until approx. 1400 at which time staffing levels can be reduced to 3 until finish times (dependent upon demand). In return the Rotary Club of Huntingdale will donate \$3,000 to your club after the conclusion of the event. We will also provide breakfast each morning for volunteers (Bacon and egg sandwich) along with cold drinks throughout the day. The club has committed to support the event. For more information please contact Lesley.
- Ralph Zuccaro has asked for support from the club members to help with the parking of cars at Six Acres over the weekend of 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> October during the Shed Fest. If our club supports, Six Acres will make a cash donation to our club. Ralph will be sending out a roster to all members and those who can help have been asked to advise what day and time suits them.
- We had a reminder of the Multi District Conference to be held at the Melbourne Convention Centre on the weekend of 15-17 February 2019. If you are interested in

## 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.

attending please let John Barnes know. For further information, click the link: <http://www.rotaryconference.org.au/>

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## Foundation Facts

### THE ROTARY FOUNDATION WEEKLY MESSAGES (By Rotarians for Rotarians)

#### WHAT IS A PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY MEMBER?

The Paul Harris Society recognizes individuals who contribute US\$1,000 or more each Rotary year to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus Fund, or an approved global grant. Paul Harris Society contributions count toward Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member (Annual Fund contributions only), Paul Harris Fellow, Multiple Paul Harris Fellow, and Major Donor recognition. Recognition consists of a chevron style pin provided by your District Paul Harris Society Coordinator. A US\$1,000 gift in your name to The Rotary Foundation can create a legacy of helping many people live better lives around the world.

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## Upcoming Dates

**Sunday 14/10/18** – Oakleigh Market (Rostered on are Bill Sides at 6:00 am and Val Manuepillai at 9:30 am).

**Thursday 18/10/18** – Foodbank Collection.

**Thursday 01/11/18** – Centenary of Armistice Dinner. (6 for 6.30pm) at the Oakleigh-Carnegie RSL at 95 Drummond Street, Oakleigh (see attached flyer for more details).

**Sunday 11/11/18** – Oakleigh Market (Rostered on are Michael Ellinger at 6:00 am and Jon Breisch at 9:30 am).

**Thursday 15/11/18** – Foodbank Collection.

**Thursday 22/11/18 to Sunday 25/11/18** – World Cup of Golf Car Parking at the Metropolitan Golf Course.

**Thursday 06/12/18** – Foodbank Collection.

**Friday 15/02/19 to Sunday 17/02/19** – 2019 Victorian Multi District Conference at the Melbourne Convention Centre. For more details and bookings click [here](#)

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## Club Positions for 2018/19

President	Jon Breisch	Board
Immediate Past President	Warren Fricke	Board
Secretary	Michael Ellinger	Board
Treasurer	Warren Fricke	Board
President Elect	TBA	Board
Membership and Public Relations	Glenys Pattison	Board
Community Chair	Dianne Sides	
International Chair	Sha Rijal	
Youth Services Chair	Bill Sides	
Vocational Chair	Lesley Zuccaro	
Foundation	Val Manuepillai	Board
Club Protection Officer	Tom Portelli	
Sergeant	Sam Oddo	
Bulletin	Michael Ellinger	
Program	Warren Fricke	
Fund Raising	Jim and Jean Cochrane	

## Club Vision

Clayton Rotary is an energetic, fun-loving, forward-thinking Rotary Club that wishes to continue to grow strategically and provide all its members with opportunities to serve while undertaking worthwhile and sustainable projects locally, nationally and globally.

## District 9810 News

### Rotary Clubs of Mordialloc & Cheltenham

**Saturday 27th October 2018**



## BIRTHING KIT ASSEMBLY DAY

**SATURDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2018  
12:30PM**

Mordialloc & Cheltenham Rotary Clubs are proud to host their second Birthing Kit Assembly Day in support of Birthing Kits Foundation Australia (BKFA).

**Last year we assembled 600 kits  
– this year we invite you to join  
us to assemble 1600 kits.**

Kay Gordon 0447 437 950 / Colleen Rooth 0428 832 061

No woman  
should die while  
giving life

Over 300,000 women die annually from pregnancy or childbirth-related complications. The majority of these are in developing countries. BKFA is an organisation dedicated to improving the conditions for women all over the world by providing clean Birthing Kits. Its simple contents provide the resources to reduce infection and fatalities.

Come along; give your time to this great cause, make new friends and leave that afternoon with a warm fuzzy feeling.  
**Everyone is welcome.**

Venue:  
**SANDBELT HOTEL**  
630 South Road  
Moorabbin

Mordialloc  
Rotary



Cheltenham  
Rotary

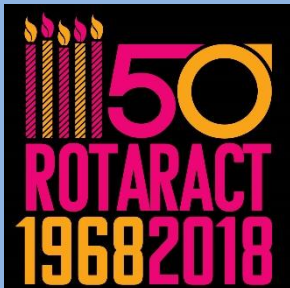


For full details [click here](#)



## Special Announcements

8<sup>th</sup> October -Sam Oddo Birthday



## Rotaract Club of Monash



### Club Meeting Details:

The Club meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the Month at 7:30pm for a 7:45pm start (Optional social dinner at 6:30, please order your meal by 7pm to ensure you can be there for the start of the meeting) at Waverley RSL (Upstairs in the Sunset Room) 161 Coleman Parade, Glen Waverley.

### Upcoming Rotaract Events:

### Rotaract Roster:

Date	Rotarian to Visit
17 <sup>th</sup> October	Michael Ellinger
7 <sup>th</sup> November	Dianne Sides

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

## 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))

## Reminders

**Club Fees are now due and should be passed on to Warren Fricke**

Please ensure that the club is aware if you will be missing a meeting. Contact **Michael Ellinger 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 [info@claytonrotaryclub.org.au](mailto:info@claytonrotaryclub.org.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.**

Visit our new Facebook page at [@ClaytonRotaryClub9810](https://www.facebook.com/ClaytonRotaryClub9810) or click 

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## Joke of the Week

During my physical examination, my doctor asked me about my physical activity level. I described a typical day this way:

"Well, yesterday afternoon, I took a five hour walk about 7 km through some pretty rough terrain.

I waded along the edge of a lake. I pushed my way through brambles. I got sand in my shoes and my eyes.

I avoided standing on a snake. I climbed several rocky hills. I took a few 'leaks' behind some big trees.

The mental stress of it all left me shattered.

At the end of it all I drank eight beers"

Inspired by the story, the doctor said, "You must be one hell of an outdoors man!"

"No," I replied, "I'm just a crap golfer"

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## Rotary International News

### Teaching to save babies

**Two Rotarian pediatricians – one in Ethiopia and the other in California – connected to save babies' lives with the help of a vocational training team**

*By Arnold R. Grahl*

Karin Davies had just finished teaching a group of Ethiopian health care providers a life-saving technique for newborn babies when a third-year obstetric resident came rushing up.

"It really works," he said. The night before, he had delivered an infant who was born limp and not breathing. After several unsuccessful attempts to stimulate the baby's breathing, he used a technique, known as positive pressure ventilation, that he had learned only the day before. Within minutes, the baby was screaming.



"We saw the power of vocational training right before our eyes," recalls Davies, a retired pediatrician who led four vocational training team trips to Gondar, Ethiopia, between February 2015 and June 2017. The team, funded by a \$107,000 Rotary Foundation global

Website - <http://www.claytonrotaryclub.org.au/index.htm>

grant, trained 73 health care providers who now teach classes for midwives, nurses, and medical students on resuscitation techniques and post-recitation care for newborns.

The training team project was designed with the help of members of the Rotary Club of Gondar Fasiledes, in particular 2013-14 Club President Abiyot Tegegne, to address a critical shortage of hospital personnel trained in lifesaving skills. In Ethiopia in 2012, only 10 percent of births were attended by someone trained in newborn resuscitation.

Davies, a member of the Rotary Club of Del Mar, California, marshaled resources and connected key players to establish a curriculum for neonatal care at the University of Gondar's College of Medicine and Health Sciences which is helping reduce Ethiopia's infant mortality rate.

Davies was five years old in 1952 when her father helped establish a college in Jimma, Ethiopia, as part of the Point Four Program, a forerunner to USAID. The family spent two years in Ethiopia. Sitting at the kitchen table of her home in San Diego, Davies sifts through old photos and recalls what it was like to grow up there. She recounts how her mother, a nurse, was pressed into service as the primary health care provider for the college's seven faculty members and their families, its 80 students, and eventually the entire community.

"No one else was there to do it," Davies says. "My mother would go out and take care of the surrounding villagers when they asked for help, and I would go with her. That is how I developed my interest in medicine."

In 2012, after her parents had died, Davies and her two brothers took a trip back to Jimma. To their amazement, the small college they remembered had become a major university with 30,000 students. That trip got Davies thinking about how she might lend her medical expertise to the country that helped shape her.

"I felt such a huge connection to Ethiopia and the people there, and I wanted to do something to honor my parents' memory," she says.

At a breakfast with a group of friends, all retired female physicians, Davies shared her idea with Pat Bromberger, a neonatologist who had just returned from three months in Ghana volunteering in a neonatal intensive care unit (NICU).

"Let's do it," Bromberger said.

Davies began calling anyone she knew who had any experience in international relief work. Her neighbor Carole Leland had worked in Ethiopia as a leadership development trainer with USAID, and the people she knew there recommended they talk to Zemene Tigabu, then chair of pediatrics and now clinical director at the College of Medicine and Health Sciences.

"Karin followed up on every contact that I gave her until she found someone who could help," Leland says. "You can tell she really cares deeply about the country, and her commitment is so strong."

Davies and Bromberger flew to Gondar, a city of about 200,000 in northern Ethiopia, at their own expense and spent a week doing a community assessment, meeting with Tigabu and other faculty members in the departments of pediatrics, obstetrics, nursing, and midwifery. The women had initially planned to teach Ethiopian midwives a set of simple steps promoted by the American Academy of Pediatrics called Helping Babies Breathe. But Tigabu told them that what he really needed was a full university-level training program for nursing and midwifery students. Nothing like it existed anywhere in the country.

They also learned that Tigabu had attended Jimma University, and so felt a connection to Davies' family – and that he was a Rotarian. A new plan began to take form.

The Rotary Club of Del Mar meets in the parish hall of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, which overlooks California's scenic Highway 101 as it winds past a beach famous for its surfing. "It's a small club but very, very active," Davies says. "Everyone is so supportive."

Davies spent months researching maternal health projects in Africa before proposing the global grant project. Peggy Martin, who was then international service chair for the Del Mar club, was impressed.

"I realized immediately this was something Rotary could do something about," says Martin. Training local people to train others ensured sustainability, she adds.

Martin agreed to steer the project through the grant approval process, while Stephen Brown, a member of the nearby Rotary Club of La Jolla Golden Triangle who was then a Rotary Foundation trustee, lent his expertise to help secure matching funds from clubs and districts. "When I saw Karin and Pat's credentials and experience, and the connection Karin had with Ethiopia, I felt this project had a very high probability of being successful and having a meaningful impact," says Brown.

In April 2018, almost a year after the fourth training team trip, the team members gathered at Davies' invitation for an informal reunion. They had grown close over the two years they had worked together, the result of sharing typical travel misfortunes such as lost luggage and rooms without showers, as well as of their shared respect and admiration for what Davies had set in motion.



"I've done some medical missions before that were really wonderful, but they didn't move me the same way Ethiopia did," said respiratory therapist Kathy Johnson.

Emilie Jean, another respiratory therapist and the youngest member of the team, talked about an experience that illustrated the challenges the team faced. She was setting up a CPAP, a device that combines room air with oxygen from a tank, when physicians brought a baby who was struggling to breathe into the nursery. At first, the baby responded well. But then the tank ran out of oxygen.

After that, Jean recalls, the infant stopped breathing. "We were never able to get the baby back up," she says. "The lack of resources was frustrating."

But in the face of such difficult conditions, the hospital staff impressed the team. Davies recalls going on rounds with the doctors and nurses. "We listened to them as they went to each baby," she says. Although the Gondar NICU is not well-equipped in comparison with Western hospitals, she says, "they are doing the very best they can with what they have."

Davies recalls visiting a nursery where babies were being kept warm with space heaters, even as several incubators in the room were not being used. Team member Elisa Imonti, an NICU nurse whom Davies describes as "probably the best biomedical engineer around," discovered that the units weren't broken, as had been assumed, but simply needed to be programmed. Imonti taught the staff to do that – and then discovered eight more units in storage.



“On our next visit, they had set up a full neonatal intensive care nursery with all of these isolettes,” says Davies. “They took what they had learned and ran with it.”

Davies feels confident the program will carry on beyond its first grant, which was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Del Mar and the Rotary Club of Gondar Fasiledes. Four Rotary clubs and two districts contributed \$62,000 to the project, which received \$45,250 from the Foundation to cover training, equipment, supplies, and travel costs. A second \$42,000 grant to expand the reach of the program was recently approved.

The project surpassed all of its goals. The team trained 73 instructors, more than double the initial goal of 32 – and those newly trained instructors, instead of teaching the planned 12 classes over the course of the project, ended up teaching 30, in which more than 800 nurses and midwives learned the lifesaving techniques.

Members of the Rotary Club of Gondar Fasiledes provided logistical support and served as liaisons to hospital staff. Fary Moini, a member of the La Jolla Golden Triangle club and part of the vocational training team, says that Tegegne, the former club president, in particular went out of his way to meet the team’s needs.

“Abiyot was phenomenal,” Moini says. “Every step of the way, every time we needed him, he was there. A lot of the team’s success is because of him.”

Tegegne ran a tourism company before civil unrest in his country forced him to reinvent himself as a purveyor of bottled water. He was excited, he says, when he heard the team would be tackling infant mortality, and formed a committee in his club to handle its end of the program.

“We have seen many improvements from the project,” says Tegegne, whose daughter spent time in the Gondar NICU after being born prematurely in 2014. “The facility was very poor. Now everything is upgraded. My second boy was born 10 months ago, and it’s like a different hospital.”

Four times a year, Davies and other team members take part in a Skype conference with Rotarians and hospital administrators in Ethiopia. Kassahun Belachew, now chair of the pediatrics department, has taken over as course coordinator. During the final training team trip, Moini persuaded the three-person team in charge of the university tech center to help out with the Skype calls. Now, for about two hours, they have the best bandwidth available in northern Ethiopia.

“I think one of the most rewarding things is the relationships we have developed,” says Davies. “The Ethiopians are so committed and supportive. We are all friends on Facebook. We stay connected on a personal level, not just a professional one.”

Through Skype, Davies and the team are also working with Belachew, Tegegne, and others on a second global grant, which will provide financial support for the instructors to teach neonatal skills in regional health centers throughout the North Gondar region.

Davies says this project has strengthened her connection to Rotary.

“I’ve found my people,” she says. “Rotary allows ordinary people to do extraordinary things.”



**Wedding Bush  
Festival**

**Saturday October 13  
9.30am-noon**

- **Guided tours**
- **Free native plant**
- **Free sausage sizzle**

 **Osborne Ave, Clayton South**  
Presented by Friends of the Grange and the  
City of Kingston. Enquiries 0403 587 611

**The Grange Heathland Reserve**  
Native bushland in Clayton South

THE COMBINED ROTARY CLUBS  
OF MONASH

CENTENARY OF  
ARMISTICE DAY  
DINNER

HONOURING THEIR SACRIFICE ON  
REMEMBRANCE DAY



PLEASE JOIN US

GUEST SPEAKERS:

**DR ROSALIE TRIOLO**, MONASH UNIVERSITY  
'THE WAR IS OVER: ARMISTICE AND AFTERMATH FOR VICTORIA'S  
TEACHER-SOLDIERS'

**MR MICHAEL HEADBERRY**, DIRECTOR SALUTING JOHN MONASH  
COUNCIL (VICTORIA)  
'GENERAL SIR JOHN MONASH - THE MAN, HIS VALUES AND  
LEADERSHIP QUALITIES'

**WHEN: THURSDAY, 1 NOVEMBER 2018**  
**AT 6PM (FOR 6.30PM START)**

**WHERE: OAKLEIGH-CARNEGIE RSL,**  
**95-97 DRUMMOND STREET, OAKLEIGH**

**COST: \$25 PER PERSON TWO-COURSE MEAL WITH DRINKS AT  
BAR PRICES (PARTNERS WELCOME)**


ALLOCATION OF 14 SEATS PER MONASH ROTARY CLUB

**RSVP: consolidated club RSVP no later than 18 October to**  
**Anne Mooney on 0427 856 377 or damooney@bigpond.com.au**

All profits from the evening, including raffle proceeds, will be donated to  
Rotary Australia's support to the 2018 Drought Relief Fund



# Remembrance Day.



**You are Invited to attend the  
Clayton RSL Service at the**

# RSL Memorial & Remembrance Space



**Carinish Road near Kanooka Grove.**

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

Assembly time 10-30am



### Registration

Open July 1st 2018  
EarlyBird closes November 30th 2018

### Provisional Program

Friday February 15th  
Evening Club Dinners  
Daytime Various tours of Melbourne as well as golf and other activities

Saturday February 16th 9:30 – 4:30  
Evening Gala Dinner

Sunday February 17th Conference closes 1:30 PM

### Provisional Registration Costs

First Time Conference attendees	\$125
EarlyBird Conference attendees	\$175
Normal (after Nov 30)	\$225

(note Gala Dinner is at a separate cost)

### Further Information

2019mdvictoriarotaryconference@gmail.com



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## 2019 Victorian Multi-District Conference

15 -17 February 2019  
Melbourne Convention Centre

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