

CLUB NEWSLETTER



Service to the communities of Bulleen, Lower Templestowe and Templestowe

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Vice President's Message



Rhys Coulson – Principal – Templestowe Heights Primary School

Last week we heard from Templestowe Heights Primary School Principal Rhys Coulson. Rhys told us of the many initiatives that have been introduced at the school and how successful each has been. In his introduction of Rhys, Peter Gurry (former principal of the school back in the mid 70's) told us of the strong link between the school and the formation of our club. To highlight the point Peter name the many members of our club who had a close association with the school.

The preparations for our major fundraiser Finns Family Festival are well under way with Kathy and her team. As mentioned last week the camels are back and Janis and Diane Fisher are requesting items to be sold on the

Cake and Crafts stalls. It is a major event for our club and requires the full support from all members and partners.

Don't forget the BBQ at Bunnings in Eltham on Friday 10th November, I am sure Kathy will welcome your support.

John Henderson spoke last week promoting the 'Centurion Club' so please see John regarding your interest in becoming a member.

Neele our exchange student will be away this week on holiday with the Bastians in Coffs Harbour. It is her birthday on Wednesday, so we took the opportunity of singing 'Happy Birthday' to her last week.

This week Janis will be back, and we have our 'Spring Carnival Night' with our dress to impress theme. I am sure Graham Kane and his team have organized a fun night with lots of entertainment.

Yours in Rotary

Trevor



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Interesting conversations coming up...

8th November – Club Meeting – Spring Racing Festival Night



Members, partners & friends

Manningham Club 1 Thompsons Road, Bulleen

6:30pm for 7:00pm

Prizes for winner of sweepstakes on the Melbourne Cup will be presented. There may also be a chance that you will hold the winning ticket in the draw for a place in `The Oaks & Acorns` stakes.

Dress up!

There will be an award to winning filly in `Fashions On the Field` contest. Best dressed Colt, displaying finest sartorial splendour, will also be rewarded.

Book now for an evening of frivolity and fun!

Readers of our newsletter who would like to join us for the night, please call **0499 496 316** to book to join us.

Guest Speaker	(no speaker)	Registration	Marilyn Fraser-Ryan Peter Gurry
Vote of thanks		Setup, meet & greet	James Cunningham
Chair	Graham Kane	Emergency	Trevor Dawson

**We share our roster, if you aren't able *please* organise someone to swap with you
Please note – the team rostered for this meeting has been requested by our Fellowship Committee**



Friday November 10, 2017 - daytime

Our opportunity – Bunnings Eltham 2nd Friday of the month

Cnr Bridge Street & Silver Street Eltham

We can make this a regular event in our fundraising within our broader community.

Champion for the event: Kathy Monley, please contact Kathy if you can help this new initiative. We need 3 people for each of 3 shifts

15th November – Club Milestone – our Annual General Meeting



Manningham Club 1 Thompsons Road, Bulleen

All members have been advised with the agenda circulated – the AGM for our club will be held on Wednesday November 15 as a component of our club meeting.

15th November – Club Meeting – My Family, My Country – Neele Huebner

 <p>Members, partners & friends</p>		<p>Manningham Club 1 Thompsons Road, Bulleen 6:30pm for 7:00pm</p> <p>Join us as we hear from Neele both her experiences in our country and as she brings her family, and her native Germany to us.</p> <p>The objective of our Youth Exchange program is to develop peace, goodwill and understanding, and our youth ambassadors are at the forefront of this initiative.</p> <p>Readers of our newsletter who would like to join us for the night, please call 0499 496 316 to book to join us.</p>	
Guest Speaker	Neele Huebner	Registration	Stephen Fisher Tony Monley
Vote of thanks	Graeme Cobb	Setup, meet & greet	Brian Negus
Chair	Kathy Monley	Emergency	Clim Pacheco
<p>If you're rostered, and are not able to join us, <i>please arrange a swap</i> with another member</p>			

How would you find out more about how we put back into our community?

Janis McFarland | Mobile: 0499 496 316 Brian Tyedin | Mobile: 0419 364 197

Together we can do more Rotary: Making a Difference

15th November

Community project – Manningham Business Excellence Awards

	<p>Manningham Function Centre, 699 Doncaster Road, Doncaster Cost \$88.00 per person</p> <p>6:00 pm to 10:30 p.m.</p> <p>Now in its 5th year, the Manningham Business Excellence Awards continues to provide a platform for businesses of all shapes and sizes to showcase themselves and highlight their excellence.</p> <p>Bookings essential: www.manninghambea.com.au</p>
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22nd November – Club Meeting – Let’s Sing – LAARFS Choir

		<p>Manningham Club 1 Thompsons Road, Bulleen</p> <p>6:30pm for 7:00pm</p> <p>The Laughing, All Abilities Really Friendly Singers is an initiative of our District, under the directorship and initiative of Leon Moore – member of the Rotary Club of Doncaster.</p> <p>For a peek of the treat that awaits us – have a look at this YouTube clip</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6e_rf2ag8OY</p>	
		Guest Speaker	Leon Moore
Vote of thanks	Erik Rubens	Setup, meet & greet	Brian Tyedin
Chair	Michael Mimmo	Emergency	James Angelevski
<p>We share our roster, if you aren't able <i>please</i> organise someone to swap with you</p> <p>Please note – the team rostered for this meeting has been requested by our Fellowship Committee</p>			

29th November – Club Forum – Our direction and our progress

		<p>Manningham Club 1 Thompsons Road, Bulleen</p> <p>6:30pm for 7:00pm</p> <p>This is a point at which we check our progress against our plans, and take the opportunity to provide feedback, suggestions and comments on our progress, serving our community.</p> <p>In preparation for the evening you may wish to review the different events and activities that have featured this financial year, and your newsletter is a resource to help you. Here is the link to our web site where all editions published this year have been uploaded:</p> <p>https://templestowerotary.org.au/news-test/</p>	
		Guest Speaker	Our Directors
Vote of thanks		Setup, meet & greet	Trevor Dawson
Chair	Janis McFarland	Emergency	John Bennie

We have experienced ...

1st November – Club Meeting – Templestowe Heights Primary – Rhys Coulson
Stephen Fisher



Templestowe Heights PRIMARY SCHOOL

It was a pleasure to be in the audience of our weekly meeting on the 1st November 2017 to witness the enthusiasm, passion and dedication of Templestowe Primary School's Principal, Rhys Coulson. Using simple language, he spoke of the school's reputation and product quality when he joined as a first time Principal in 2015. It was not the school of choice, there were many opportunities for improvement and the NAPLAN ranking was at the undesirable end of the reputation scale.

With a vision, leadership and stakeholder engagement (students, parents and staff) Rhys has, and continues to lead the school community on 'Our Journey of System Leader' which is how he explained its motto. Using principles of change management, he cleared the decks, introduced new programs (3Rs), listened to the student voices, established consistency and introduced a peer observation model. The school has and continues to improve and grow in the programs it offers, the quality of student it graduates and the number of enrolments it attracts. The student population for 2017 is 350, which is expected to grow to 400 in 2019 with the proportional increase in grades from 15 to 17.

It was a pleasure to hear and learn from Rhys' experiences.

Which came first...

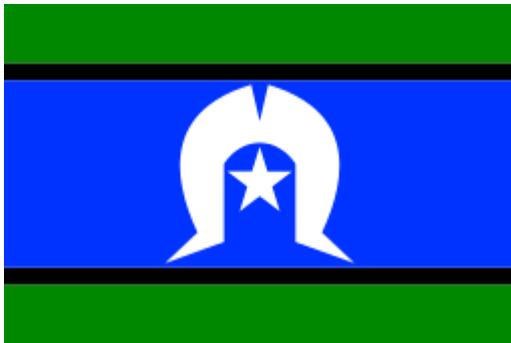
Despite initial reluctance from staff and consistent requests from students – The school has chooks that deliver fresh eggs for cooking and produce chickens for life education lessons.

This week our birthday wishes are shared...

Neele Heubner November 8
Joan Diepeveen November 9



Do you know your flags?...



Which region on our planet does this flag represent?

Here's a hint, it flies outside the offices of the City of Manningham, at 699 Doncaster Road, Doncaster.

Two bonus questions:

Who designed the flag?
What is the symbolism of the items on the flag?



From the Editor's Desk...

There are many parts that come together to produce our weekly newsletter. This week is an excellent example, with a key message from our Vice President, Trevor Dawson and a meeting report contributed by Stephen Fisher. On the back page you'll see where everyone has contributed with the service hours to our community.

Please drop us a line and tell us what you would like to see more of (or less of) – it helps us to build a newsletter that is valuable to you, our readers.

Diane Fisher | dianefisher@thebalanceapproach.com.au | or contact by phone 0417 508 414.

Breathe..

For producer Jonathan Cavendish, the new film "[Breathe](#)" was not just another project. It was a chance to honour his amazing parents.

The film tells the true story of Jonathan's father, Robin Cavendish, who, in the 1950s, was stricken with polio at age 28 but went on to live a rich life of adventure and advocacy despite being paralysed and requiring a respirator. A British film producer with some great successes to his credit ("Bridget Jones's Diary," "Elizabeth: The Golden Age"), Cavendish decided that the story of his parents would make a good movie.

In 1958, after he contracted polio, Robin Cavendish was first told by doctors that, in his paralysed state, he would live perhaps three months. Then he was told that he would spend whatever time he had in a hospital bed. Instead, he left the hospital to live at home, helped develop a wheelchair with a respirator so he could leave the house, travelled with his wife, Diana, and son, and lived for 36 more years.

"My father's mantra was quality of life," explains Jonathan Cavendish. "What he sought for himself and for others was quality of life. He could have stayed in the hospital, but he didn't think that was as good a life as he could manage. He would rather be two minutes away from death and living a full life."

To tackle this project, Cavendish chose his collaborators wisely. He reached out to William Nicholson, who had written the screenplays for "Gladiator" and "Nell," and the film adaptation of his play "Shadowlands."

Cavendish took the script to his friend and colleague Andy Serkis, the actor noted for his work in motion-capture performance (Gollum in the "Lord of the Rings" films, Caesar in the recent "Planet of the Apes" films), with whom Cavendish had formed the Imaginarium Studios, which specializes in motion-capture filmmaking.

Cavendish knew that Serkis was interested in directing. And Serkis had a personal connection to disability issues; his mother worked with disabled children, and his sister has multiple sclerosis. Serkis read the script and suggested that one important element of the story was being underplayed: The Cavendishes were truly pioneers. Perhaps because he had lived the story, Cavendish hadn't realized the extent to which his parents achieved a series of breakthroughs for people with severe disability.

Once the film was finished, Cavendish had to face the one viewer he cared most about: his mother Diana, now in her eighties. Fortunately, she quite liked the film, and her only criticism was of a hat actress Claire Foy, who plays Diana, wears in one scene. The real Diana noted that she would not have worn a hat like that. She was otherwise very moved and touched.

The story in full is on the [Rotary International web site](#). Look out for Breathe when it is released in Australia.

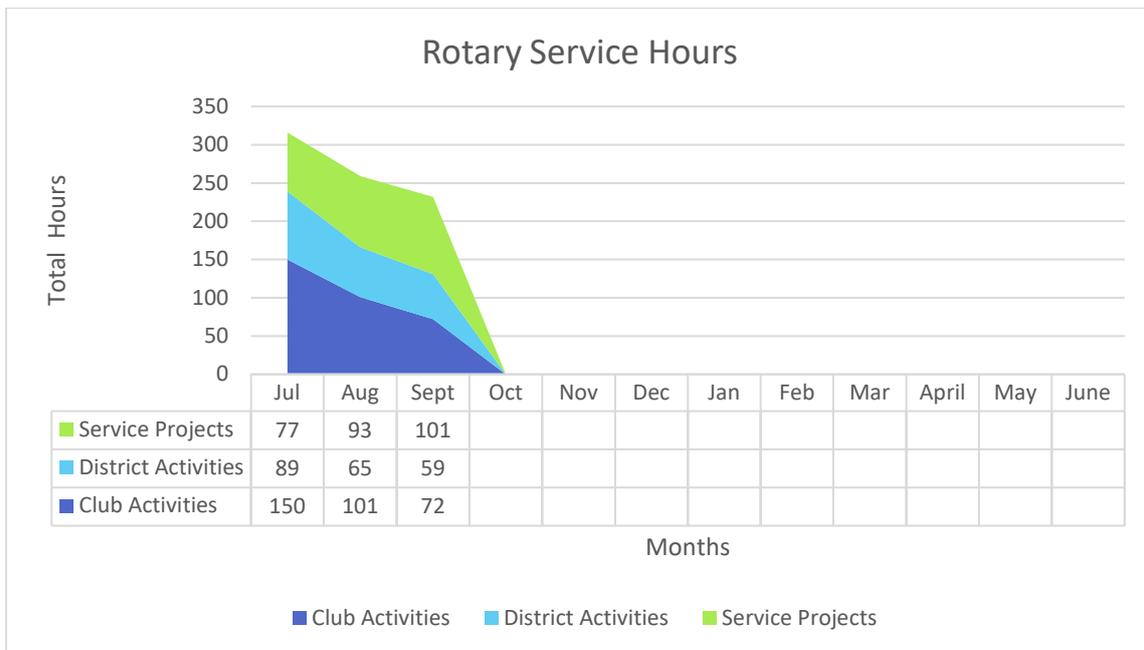


Our Service hours

This year, we are asked to record the service hours that we contribute to our community.

Here is a snap shot, to the end of September (and we have friend of our club, and members contributing updated records each week).

So here's the call out – if you have service hours that you haven't advised, please send a note to Diane Fisher (dfisher9@bigpond.net.au) of your service hours.



The recording of our service to the community has prompted some discussions, some in support, and some in support of the concept that we donate our volunteer time.

Adding to the discussion is the global discussion on 'fourth sector'. The fourth sector is briefly described as the 'for benefit' (rather than for profit) organisations, of which Rotary International is a key player – and potentially a leading organisation. But that's the point, 'potentially'. There is a dearth of data on the fourth sector, hence the request to record our hours. This is a small but simple step towards building a picture of the economic benefit, that each community derives from the efforts of volunteers and the organisations each volunteer choses to support.

For those who would like a little more information – here is a link to an article which provides more detail on the fourth sector: <https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2017/09/fourth-sector-chance-to-build-new-economic-model/>

In Australia the nominated value of a volunteer hour is \$41.00 (\$40.97 actually) – this is calculated by average adult weekly earnings (\$1,516.00), divided by average hours worked per week (37 hours). So the economic benefit of 323 hours.....**a little over \$13,000.00**, and there are hours we haven't captured yet, and this is just the first quarter of the year!