

President's Message



We were treated to a firsthand experience of the National Immunisation Day in India in January 2018 when club members Stephen and Diane Fisher shared their involvement in this program with us.

They went to Moradabad where District 9810 has helped previously with the immunisation program and with the provision of fresh water and toilets as part of polio eradication. Polio Plus is about preventing polio through immunisation and also other preventative methods including sanitation, clean drinking water, education,

surveillance and clean ups. India, miraculously, is now polio free but the activities of the Polio Plus Program are still vitally important to maintain this polio free status.

This week our club will be represented at the Manningham Business Excellence Awards 2018 launch with guest speaker David Parkin. This is a great initiative which has been in place for six years and is supported by all of the Rotary Clubs in our council area.

Also this week we will be hearing from our exchange student from Germany, Neele Huebner, who will provide us with an overview of her time in Australia, what she has learned and what impact her experiences has had on her life.

Then the following week we will be joining our friends at the Rotary Club of Warrandyte/Donvale on Tuesday 22nd May, for a shared meeting and to thank the club for sharing with us, our Youth Exchange Program for the 2017/2018 year. This meeting will replace our usual meeting on Wednesday 23 May.

Yours in Rotary "Making a Difference"

Janis



Upcoming conversations, please join us...

Tuesday May 15, 2018 – Breakfast with David Parkin

	<h3>Launch of the Manningham Business Excellence Awards</h3>
	<p>7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.</p>
	<p>Manningham Function Centre, 699 Doncaster Road, Doncaster</p>
	<p>\$45.00 per person</p>
	<p>Bookings essential:</p>
	<p>https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=350767&</p>

16 May, 2018 – Making a Difference – and looking to Be the Inspiration

 		<p>Clarendon Room at the Manningham Club 1 Thompsons Road, Bulleen 6:30pm for 7:00pm</p> <p>A key event in our club's program where the leadership of our club will outline the plans for the 2018/2019.</p>	
<p>Guest Speaker</p>	<p>Dan Hession Keith Anderson Bruce Evans</p>	<p>Registration</p>	<p>Peter Gurry John Henderson</p>
<p>Vote of thanks</p>		<p>Setup, meet & greet</p>	<p>Clim Pacheco</p>
<p>Chair</p>	<p>Janis McFarland</p>	<p>Emergency</p>	<p>Rod Simkiss</p>

Thursday 17 May, 2018 – City of Manningham – Citizenship Ceremony

	<p>Civic Offices, 699 Doncaster Road, Doncaster 6:45pm for 7:00pm – 8:30 p.m.</p> <p>Becoming a citizen of this nation is a very special moment in the lives of the people who have undertaken this step.</p> <p>We are looking for two members to represent our club at this event. You'll see the pictures and comments from Brian Negus who represented our club at the last ceremony.</p> <p>Please contact Brian, if you can be our representative at this very special evening.</p>
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Sunday May 20, 2018 – District Assembly – Information, connections and networks

 	<h3>Deakin University – Burwood Campus</h3> <p>9:00 a.m. start – entrance at 221 Burwood Highway, Burwood.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Officers and Committee Chairs will outline strategies, plans, and activities for 2018-19 in engaging and interactive sessions. • Key Club Officer workshop sessions will provide the latest tips and techniques. • An informative new (er) members session is being offered. • A special combined session for Presidents-Nominee and Presidents-Elect will be held. <p>This IS a diary date for every member – the most informative morning in the planning calendar.</p>
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22 May, 2018 – TUESDAY – Shared meeting with Rotary Club of Warrandyte-Donvale

	<p>Natalie's Restaurant</p> <p>669 Maroondah Highway, Mitcham Melways 49 D9</p> <p>6:30pm for 7:00pm</p> <p>Our theme this year has been Rotary: Making a Difference. It is hard to imagine a more permanent way to make a difference than to spend a year immersed in the culture of another nation.</p> <p>Please join us for this conversation when Neele highlights her year in Australia</p>
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29 May, 2018 – TUESDAY – Business Breakfast – invitation from Bendigo Community Bank

	<p>David Robertson – Head of Economic & Market Research – Bendigo and Adelaide Bank</p> <p>David Robertson is one of Australia's leading <i>and most entertaining</i> financial market commentators, and he's coming back to Manningham to give us the low down on the current and future state of our economy.</p> <p>David will share his insights on interest rates, house prices, business confidence and how international politics will impact the Australian economy. Informed, respected and incredibly witty - David speaks in real terms and will leave you with invaluable insights.</p> <p>This event is free, but numbers are limited and RSVP essential:</p> <p>RSVP to Carly Kluge to carly.kluge@mcel.net.au by 23 May.</p>
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Entertainment Books? \$70.00 for a 12-month edition – with value many, many times the purchase price. Books are available at Generations Dental 815 Doncaster Road, Doncaster – directly opposite ALDI. Feel invited to call in and purchase a copy.

30 May, 2018 – Pride of Workmanship Awards



Winners of the 2017 Pride of Workmanship Awards

Clarendon Room at the Manningham Club
1 Thompsons Road, Bulleen
6:30pm for 7:00pm

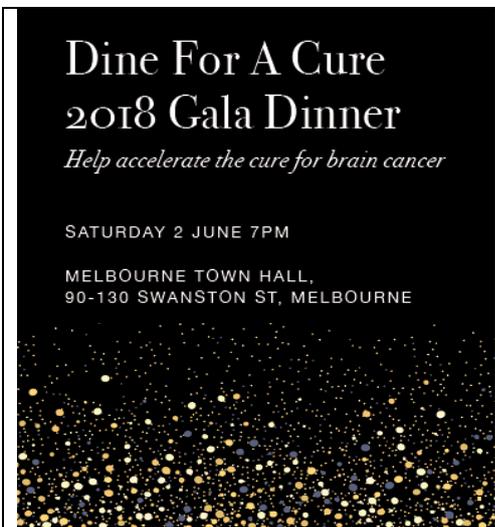
Each year the Rotary Club of Templestowe hosts the Pride of Workmanship Awards. This is your opportunity to nominate employees who have gone beyond the call of duty or gone “the extra mile” and done an outstanding job at their work.

Awards will be presented by Cr Andrew Conlon, Mayor of the City of Manningham. The dinner includes a presentation address which will be given by Ian Goldsmith, Chairman of Manningham Community Enterprises Ltd, which owns and operates the Doncaster and Templestowe branches of the Bendigo Community® Bank.

[Click here to download the nomination form.](#) From our website.

Guest Speaker	Ian Goldsmith Chairman – Manningham Community Enterprises Ltd.	Registration	David Shrimpton Rosina Cincotta
Vote of thanks	Janis McFarland	Setup, meet & greet	Kathy Monley
Chair	James Cunningham	Emergency	Bruce Evans

SATURDAY 2nd June, 2018 – Dine for a Cure 2018 Gala Dinner



Dine For A Cure are our partners in the Ann Henderson PhD Scholarship.

For our scholar, Tom Ware this is his final year for his scholarship and he will be a speaker at the Dine For A Cure 2018 Gala Dinner at the Melbourne Town Hall.

The dinner supports The Cure Brain Cancer Foundation funding Brain Cancer research.

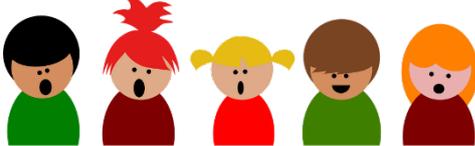
Entertainment will be Kate Ceberano
Ticket Price \$200.

Event Champion – John Henderson

SATURDAY 2nd June, 2018 – District Changeover

 <p>ROTARY: MAKING A DIFFERENCE</p>  <p>BE THE INSPIRATION</p>	<p>Southern Golf Club Lower Dandenong Road, Keysborough</p> <p>6:30 p.m. for 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>\$62.00 per person plus drinks at bar prices.</p> <p>Dress: After five/Jacket & tie</p> <p>Please join us as we celebrate Rotary: Making a Difference in our clubs and communities, and focus on how we will Be the Inspiration in the year ahead.</p> <p>https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=364764</p>
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6 June, 2018 – 6th Primary Schools Public Speaking Competition

	<p>Templestowe Valley Primary School 15 Birch Avenue, Lower Templestowe</p> <p>6:30 p.m. for a 7:00 p.m. start</p> <p>Primary Schools' Speech Contest is for Grade 5 and 6 students from seven of the primary schools in the City of Manningham</p> <p>Supper served after the competition</p> <p>For information contact: Janis: 0404 014 806</p>
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13 June, 2018 – Peter Ellis – Templestowe Secondary College

 <p>Photo source: LinkedIn</p>	<p>Clarendon Room at the Manningham Club 1 Thompsons Road, Bulleen</p> <p>6:30pm for 7:00pm</p> <p>Templestowe College is a learning community of over 1200 people who are focused on meeting our vision of "to co-create high quality learning experiences within an inclusive and supportive community".</p> <p>The College is also a member of a federation of schools who are working with a similar philosophy to enable over 4000 young people to experience true student centred learning.</p>		
<p>Guest Speaker</p>	<p>Peter Ellis – Principal, Templestowe Secondary College</p>	<p>Registration</p>	<p>Graeme Cobb Rod Simkiss</p>
<p>Vote of thanks</p>	<p>Janis McFarland</p>	<p>Setup, meet & greet</p>	<p>James Angeleveski</p>
<p>Chair</p>	<p>Dan Hessian</p>	<p>Emergency</p>	<p>Keith Anderson</p>



The key goals for our forward planning...

As the next Rotary year approaches, we can begin to look at the key goals and the planning that these will take to achieve.

RI President Barry Rassin in his address in January, proposed three key goals:

- Maintain the emphasis on polio eradication
 - Polio eradication remains the first priority – to bring to completion the goal that was set in 1988 – to eradicate polio from the globe. This will be, the second disease to be eradicated from humanity, and it will be Rotary’s gift to the children of the world.
- Move Rotary International from an organisation of reaction to action
 - There is value in deciding upon a course of action and an objective and initiating that action. Often the efforts of our clubs can be bundled into being the support entity for another organisation, and often we are the thought and action leaders of the activity.
- Take a hard look at the environmental issues that affect health and welfare around the world and focus our efforts to address these issues, for the betterment of all on our globe.
 - Started last century, when the theme was focussed on saving planet earth, this year we have again focussed the attention with the initiative to plant at least one tree for every member in our organisation – a gift of over a million trees for our planet. These environmental issues are very much the focus of the efforts for next year. It was perhaps most eloquently put by the French President Emmanuel Macron “There is no Plan et B”

Our District Assembly is on Sunday May 20, and this is an opportunity to identify the resources, programs and project partners for enable our club to create a plan to meet the three keys goals that have been set for the 18/19 Rotary year.

Rotary International – Vision Statement

“Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.”



Conversations... Were you part of our conversation:

About polio immunisation?

Janis McFarland

We were treated to a fabulous presentation on Wednesday May 9 from club members Stephen and Diane Fisher, who volunteered their time and spent a week in Moradabad, Uttar Pradesh in India.

They were part of a group of Rotarians from Districts 9810 and 9820 who went to help with the Polio Plus National Immunisation Program.

This program consists of four main approaches:

1. First and second immunisations for children under 5 years
2. National immunisation days
3. Active surveillance of risk areas including country borders
4. Targeted mop ups in high risk areas



The importance of this program cannot be understated. In 2002 there were 1,900 new polio cases in the world – 1,600 of these were in India. By 2011 there were no cases of polio reported as a result of 1 billion doses of polio vaccine having been given. The country took it on and did it. India is now polio free but faces risks as they border Afghanistan and Pakistan – two countries that are still experiencing new cases of the wild polio virus.

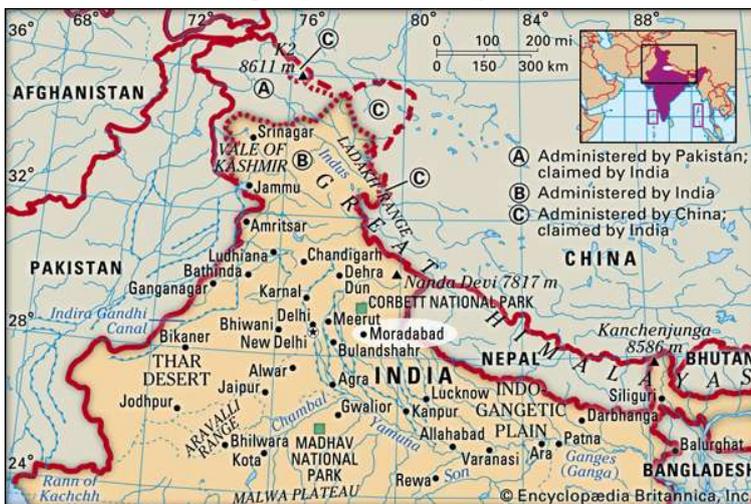
The one week program starts with a National Immunisation Day, advertised nationally, where families are encouraged to bring their children to a booths set up throughout the country. This starts with a street parade and afterwards, people stop by and bring their children for immunisation. After this day the groups scatter and attend villages where they walk around with the village chief and visit every house door to door, to immunise children who didn't make it to the booth. When in doubt, the child is given another immunisation. The streets are not set out on a grid and curve around the village, so chalk marks are left on walls to indicate where the immunisation groups have already been. In Moradabad there is a population of 523,428 children under 5

years and 1,700 teams worked to immunise these children.

In the afternoons the groups worked on the 'plus' part of Polio Plus, visiting toilet cubicles, hand washing stations, libraries for literacy training, computers and internet, medical clinics and medical camps and also ran a Days for Girls program for young women in the villages. As a largely Islamic community, males were strictly banned from this session. There were also meetings in the evenings to attend.

They said in India you experience "respectful chaos". While it was an exciting experience it was no holiday, and they worked very hard for the week

up to 16 hours a day! However, it was a very special experience and they will probably attend another one in the future.





Wishing you a very happy birthday...

Andrew McFarland May 16

Neuro-logic

How your brain is keeping you from changing your mind

Joe Queenen

(sourced from RI web site – for full story, click [here](#))

A few years ago, when I was suffering from severe back pain, I consulted a local chiropractor, a practitioner of a medical technique I do not actually believe in. After several predictably fruitless visits, she asked me to lie on a long, vibrating bed that would help me relax by putting my body in harmony with the vibrations of the planet.

“That won’t work with me,” I told her, gathering up my things. “I’m from Philadelphia.”

As an alumnus of the Quaker City working class, I held on to my disdain for all things esoteric and mystical and Eastern – yoga, tai chi, transcendental meditation, chutney – for many years until my back pain got so severe that I finally broke down and saw an acupuncturist. I would never have dreamed of doing this were it not for the intervention of a friend, a man as conservative and straitlaced as they come, who handed me Dr. Lee’s card, recommending him most highly.

“Wait a minute,” I objected. “Guys like you don’t believe in stuff like acupuncture.”

“If your back hurts enough, you’ll believe in anything,” he replied.

The treatment worked; for me, it was a miraculous cure. I am not exaggerating by saying that acupuncture saved my life. This got me to thinking about how hard it is to get a person to change his mind about something unless some sort of personal crisis erupts. Click [here](#) for the balance of this article on the Rotary International web site.

To keep the conversations going, we need help...

Thank you to the readers who have sent their comments. We encourage both feedback and contributions to this newsletter.

We have a need for a newsletter co-ordinator for the editions June 6 – July 4 inclusive. Your editor will be travelling through Canada en route to the International Convention in Toronto during that time. If you can help with any one edition in that time, please contact me.

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