

The Bulletin

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Youth Exchange Students with Host Family Siblings at afternoon tea hosted by Bob and Freda Donaldson from Dromana Rotary on Sunday 21st August



L to R: Lachie and Zoe McGrath (Host Family 2), Mady Lace (Host Family 3), our exchange student **Emilie Finstad** from Norway, Aviaja and Isaac Young (Host Family 1) and Peter Clavin, who together with Aviaja, is an outgoing exchange student. Aviaja will go to Norway in January and Peter to Germany.

Emilie is being jointly hosted for the year by Rosebud-Rye and Dromana Rotary and has commenced at Rosebud Secondary College and attended her first camp where she met all the exchange students being hosted by District 9820 Rotary clubs.



Brian Allen in demonstration mode whilst describing activities during his recent trip to Cambodia for the signing of the agreement between Rotary Clubs and the local school ---see Bulletin 5 for details.

Brian presented a certificate of appreciation from the Cambodian Club in recognition of our support and involvement in the project.



John Renowden, pictured left with District Governor, **Lynne Westland**, spoke to us on 16th August about Australian Rotary Health. John highlighted 7th October 2016 as Hat Day, an initiative of Australian Rotary Health, one of the largest not-for-profit funders of mental health research in Australia.

100% of the money raised during this year's Hat Day campaign goes directly to research helping the one in five Australians affected by depression, anxiety, schizophrenia and many other illnesses.

Australian Rotary Health (ARH) which is a registered charity, conceived by Mornington Rotarian Ian Scott, is one of the largest independent funders of mental health research within Australia. ARH also provides funding into a broad range of general health areas, provide scholarships for rural medical and nursing students, as well as Indigenous health students. They also provide funding into areas of health that do not readily attract funding, and promote findings to the community. Australian Rotary Health is a project of the Rotary Districts of Australia and is supported by Rotary Clubs. It has a broad vision to improve the health and wellbeing of all Australians. Funding is provided to four focus areas, mental health research, general health research, indigenous health and rural and nursing scholarships.

For more information, go to Rotary District 9820 website -----there you will also see details related to the successful packing and sending of the container of hospital equipment to Bangladesh—this is a project that Rosebud-Rye Rotary members was involved with through helping sort and select equipment at Peninsula Health and through donating to the cost of sending the container.



It was great to see **Betty and Ernie Jennings** at the meeting on 23rd August. They are pictured with **Sue Smeaton**, who made a presentation about Angel Gowns. The love wrapped around the creation of angel gowns was detailed by Sue and a range of gowns was on display at the meeting.

Angel Gowns of Australia was formed two and a half years ago, based on a similar organisation in America. Wedding dresses are donated and made by volunteers into beautiful gowns in which to wrap deceased babies and, on request, older children. Sue said there are 500 groups nationally and 350 members, mostly women.

A not for profit organisation, it receives no funding, so relies on fundraising and donations, including one from Rosebud-Rye Rotary last year.

Gowns are made for boys, girls and gender neutral babies and ethnic groups are catered for. The garments are distributed to hospitals and funeral homes free of charge, though gaining access to the hospitals can be a challenge.

Sue said thousands of gowns had already been made, with as much care given to wrapping preemies as full term babies. The fronts of the gowns are embellished, with poem cards and pendants attached, and bonnets and drawstring bags are also available. People can come with special requests and have a free gown within 48 hours. The tulle from the wedding gown is used to make tutus for sick children in hospital and at Ronald McDonald House.

Zoe Sterling

The Wellness Pavilion continues to be our major project with \$50K donated and \$50 K pledged over 3 years.

Recent announcements from State Government will hopefully boost support for the fund-raising effort for the Pavilion as well as hopefully provide a source of sponsorship.

For details see:

Media release: <http://www.premier.vic.gov.au/halving-the-rate-of-suicide-in-victoria/>

Victoria's 10 year Mental Health Plan: www.mentalhealthplan.vic.gov.au.

Victoria's Suicide Prevention Framework 2016-25:

<https://www2.health.vic.gov.au/about/publications/policiesandguidelines/victorian-suicide-prevention-framework-2016-2025>

Assistance with transport required please

Upcoming dates for Emilie's camps are as follows.

Second camp. Friday 14th October-Sunday 16th October

Forest Edge Christian Youth Camp Neerim East

Third Camp. Friday 9th December- Sunday 11th Dec

Forest Edge Camp

Can members please check their diaries to see if they can volunteer for either Friday drop-off or Sunday pick up for either camp. Please notify Neil if you can do one of the runs.

Weekly roster: If you are unable to fulfill your allocated role, please arrange a replacement and notify Libby

Duty	30 August	6 September	13 September	20 September	27 September
Cashier	Social evening at 6pm Rosebud RSL, Eastbourne Road, Rosebud	Gun Davenport	Gun Davenport	Darren McGrath	Darren McGrath
Guest Liaison		Judy Phelan	Claire Burns	Brian Allen	Barry Osborne
Toast		Brian Allen	Darren McGrath	Jimbo Patten	Heather Barton
Joke		Jimbo Patten	Brian Allen	Gun Davenport	Libby Wilson
Meeting Chair		Mandy Clarke	Libby Wilson	Club Meeting followed by Board Meeting	Lee Stanford
Guest Speaker		Ben Hodgetts	DG Lynne Westland		Margo Foster
Subject		First Aid to Remote Communities	District 9820		Bush Telegraph-bringing Rural Voices to the Media
Joker's Wild		Heather Barton	Pat Sansonetti	Pat Sansonetti	Heather Barton

Apologies and visitors. Please email the secretary or call 59866505 by noon on the day of the meeting

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We meet at 6 for 6.30pm each Tuesday at the Rosebud Country Club, 207 Boneo Road, Rosebud.

Melways 170 C6 Alternative venues are used about once per month.

Please check our website for changes to our meeting venue.