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Join us for our Club Meetings

We meet 'face to face' on 1st, 2nd, and 4th Wednesdays (at Club Rooms, 6pm for 6.30 start)

On 3rd Wednesday of each month, we meet using the following link (7pm start)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89755912487?pwd=RHo0VUhFenM1aVVqdHRRZE9saU1GZz09>

Meeting ID: 897 5591 2487, Passcode: 079136

Social Night, with partners and guests on the 5th Wednesdays



Thanks to Ross Kilburn for this latest update....

Peninsula Trail Update: From Meeting with Council Team – Frid 17 Nov 2023

Council Update: The Strategic Implementation Plan is going to the Council Meeting on December 5, and likely to be available for public review and comment early in the new year.

Council has had several draft strategies out for comment over the last few weeks that relate to The Peninsula Trail e.g. Pedestrian Access, Economic and Tourism Development and Mornington Civic Reserve Refresh.

Construction of the Somerville to Baxter link is held up due to a recently introduced Metro Trains requirement for a 1.8m separation fence for the full length. Council has appealed to Ministers for a more common-sense approach e.g. a fence only where there is no other separation e.g. vegetation. They are appealing for an urgent answer so a tender can go out immediately after Christmas. If they fail a section may not be built initially (ironically likely to be a section the community is calling for)

Club Updates on Australian Centenary Projects

Safety Beach Table(s?) finally underway.

Mornington RC has three projects with live Community Capital Infrastructure Applications:

- 1. Beautification of the corner of Watts & Yuiles Roads – Victrack permission being sought. Council Grant funding of \$10k in hand.
- 2. Planting of 500 Trees along the Eastern Green Link – the old railway line easement between the Highway and Esplanade.
- 3. Design and implementation of a plan for facilities and beautification of the Tanti Creek Bushland Reserve – in the vicinity of Mornington Station – a long term \$1m plus project.

Other Clubs – unknown

Advocacy

Work continues with local MP's on the quest for funding.

Work also underway on how we engage the community when the draft and final implementation plans are released.- for an example see <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=6542678068854>

More Information <https://www.facebook.com/thepeninsulatrail>

Rosebud Secondary College Update & Nepean Ward Councillor



We were pleased that both Principal Lisa Holt, and the BEAM (*Belonging, Engagement and Meaning*) Mentoring Program Coordinator Bridget Verway were able to bring us up to date at our 7th February meeting. Lisa's presentation took us through her 'lightbulb moment' when she

met Dr Tim McDonald at a Conference and was instantly convinced that his approach would help re-engage the students – and how Tim and Simone Pogorzelski have been working with the leadership team to begin the transition to evidence based teaching, reducing classroom disruptions and laying the foundations for improved literacy. RSC's classroom behaviour work was featured on ABC's 7.30 Report and in The Age Good Weekend. *For BEAM feedback, please see below.*

We also welcomed Cr Sarah Race who invited questions, and addressed what was developing as a 'thorny issue' for the Council – the letting of The Briars for the Harry Potter 'Forbidden Forest Experience' in April in a sensitive area, generating considerable revenue for Council. Due to community backlash, the event has now been relocated to another area of The Briars.

Out and About....

Kananook Duck Derby Thanks to our 'creative team' (Sandra and her family members and Gael) who made our outstanding Corporate entry in Rotary Peninsula 2.0's Duck Derby, held on Saturday 10th February. Our theme highlighted the issue of homelessness on the Peninsula. Although *R U Homie Esq* was not a winner, it was a great day – and a good time was had by all.

Pictured: The starting 'gate'. Sandra with Peninsula 2.0 President.



Peninsula Film Festival – 2 & 3 February, 2024



Thanks also to everyone who answered the call and contributed to raising our profile through the 2024 Peninsula Film Festival; these included: an acknowledgement of the Club's sponsorship was spread across the weekend, including a half-page advertisement in the program, showing of our Club video preceded the Award session on the Saturday night, and our logo on the many locally viewed billboards. Club.

Paul Mercurio, representing the Victorian Minister for the Arts, pointed out that it is the biggest outdoor film festival in Victoria – and applauded the founders Steve and Meg for its encouragement of young and emerging film makers in their endeavours.

Those who attended on Friday night saw 'Here be Dragons' with a mixed reaction; thanks to Libby for representing us and saying a few words at the end of the movie.

All hands on deck for Saturday.....Neil did a sterling job serving the 'VIP's' their gourmand feasts, followed by replenishing the toilet paper in the porta loos.... an experience that has now led him forever known – by those in the know – as 'Kenny'.

Pictured left: Pictured with Philip is Eren Besiroglu, from Melbourne who won the Best Documentary film. Our award of \$200 was included in a prize with a double pass to Peninsula Hot Springs and the Eagle.

Eren's film was: Myrteza Blue.... A poignant short film worth watching! [Myrteza Blue on Vimeo](#)



Searching, searching, searching for how we might play a role in helping the homeless continues to be an area of focus for our Club, and on 14th February, **Phil Endersbee OAM**, shared with us his knowledge and many volunteer and philanthropic experiences of the various approaches that he has personally been involved in for the last 20 years or so. Phil's presentation was thoughtful, relevant and we all learned from his experience.

He also introduced us to a new initiative - 'Your Locker' - a spacious, secure locker for people to use. Each locker contains two USB charging ports and is PIN operated. In open discussion, it was agreed that this could be helpful especially if placed in a secure location, and for people living in cars or other accommodation for storage.



We're invited... 'Climate Change - Our Home, Our Future' is aimed at sharing information from experts about climate change, and importantly, sharing information about what we, as a local community, can do about it.

The free event is aimed at being a positive forum, providing both information and also practical actions we can all undertake to combat climate change.

We understand the weight of concern surrounding climate change, and its impact on mental health, especially on younger people.

Guest speakers include:

David Karoly - Melbourne University Professor and International Climate Change Expert, Angie Bone - Associate Professor of Planetary Health at Monash University, Sam Lundberg - MP resident tackling climate change locally, and The Repower Mornington Peninsula Group.

- AND -

Another date for your diary... Rosebud Rock 'n Rods Festival - Eastbourne PS - Sunday 24th March (10-4)

Step up all of our expert hamburger makers, it looks like we're on again (hopefully we can get our Food Van there). Always busy - always fun - and great camaraderie!

Proceeds from the event to go Rosebud Hospital.



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Report from Coordinator for the Rosebud Secondary College's BEAM (Belonging, Engagement and Meaning) School-based Mentoring Program (Club Meeting 7 February, 2024).

Research shows that having the connection with a supportive interested adult brings engagement and meaning to a teenager's life, both at school and within the community.

It is acknowledged that it is difficult to measure the outcomes from this project which, for some students, may not become evident for many years to come. However, the following positive outcomes observed (by classroom teachers and others) to date were reported (from just 1 hour per week) :

- Sense of expectation and happiness on seeing mentor each week
- Attendance at the sessions excellent
- Student independence to turn up to the session is greatly improved
- Student engagement in the program is positive
- Mentors have expressed a sense of purpose and appreciate being involved
- Classroom teachers have noticed positive engagement transferring to class in many instances.

Thinking about...



February is a special month for the Rotary community, designated as Peace and Conflict Prevention/ Resolution Month. During this time, Rotarians across the world celebrate their commitment to promoting peace and resolving conflicts.

Conflict and violence are unfortunately all too common in our world, leading to displacement and suffering for millions of people, particularly women and children. The Rotary family is dedicated to addressing the root causes of conflict, such as poverty, lack of education, and unequal distribution of resources, and works tirelessly to build peace and prevent conflicts from escalating.

Does this sum up what we do?

Help others



Even when you know they can't help you back..❤️

Is this how we demonstrate our values?



Here's a challenge to change our habit....



'Meet and Greet' is everyone's business.....reach out to others!

Why not try sitting with someone different when next we meet face to face?

Warm wishes

Heather

Dates for your Diary (@ 19/2/2024 E&OE)

Upcoming meetings	
Wed 21 st Feb – via Zoom	 <p>Ross Purcell, the Commodore of the Rosebud Yacht Club (located opposite 6th Avenue) will bring us up to date with What the Club does, and their forward plans. See you on zoom!</p>
Wed 28 th February – F2F	 <p>Charlotte and Anthony from Honey & Sol's Cafe in Rye Let's learn about their experiences, meet some local traders and help them to learn more about Rotary!</p>
Wed 6 th March F2F	We will (at last) be able to welcome Glenn Kruithoff, the Board Chair of Rye Community House , who will no doubt be able to share his enthusiasm for sharing his talents in community organisations across Victoria, and we will learn more about the future directions of Rye CH.
Wed 13 th March F2F	Jackie Galloway OAM, CEO of the Peninsula Community Legal Centre (an independent not for profit organisation). Jackie is a community leader in the Victorian legal sector, helping people facing challenging situations, access policies and services with a focus on access to justice. For over 20 years, Jackie has advised government, major departments, agencies and organisations on policy, rights and reform to make Australia's processes and systems more fair and equitable. Helping Victorians get access to justice, prioritising those who need it most. We'll need to forgive that she is an avid Richmond footy fan, cricket tragic and will even watch a Rugby League game.
Wed 20 th March – Zoom & RCRR Ent Board Mtg	TBA
Wed 27 th March	We'll be welcoming Jo, the Italian man more on this later!

Rotary's 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"

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