

The Bulletin



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District Governor



Colin Byron

Club President



Adele Mee



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Club members currently meet face to face 1st, 2nd and 3rd Wednesday of the month,
with dial in capacity for all meetings available on the following link:

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

Meeting ID: 897 5591 2487, Passcode: 079136

The 4th Wednesday is a face to face Board meeting. Any 5th Wednesday is a Social night.

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"

The March monthly theme is
WATER AND SANITATION

President's Message – Adele

Certificate from Rosebud Police –

Barry presented to RCRR a Certificate of Appreciation from the Rosebud Police Station for our Club Contribution and Support for more than 12 years. Barry and his team have prepared a BBQ meal for the police officers (about 110 POs) before they go on duty every New Year's Eve.



Certificate from Seawinds Community Hub –

Heather presented a Certificate of Appreciation to RCRR, thanking us for our generosity in supporting the programs which support vulnerable people on the Southern Peninsula.

The SC Hubs name is changing from 1st July to Capel Sound Community Hub.



Rotary Food Van Sale – Barry and Gael have composed a for-sale notice and description of the food van and it has now been sent to Michael Ellinger for inclusion in the monthly Highlights.

Australian Rotary Health \$7,500 - Annual funding for ARH health research scholarship (\$5,000 for research grant, fellowships & PHD scholarships plus \$2,500 to Indigenous scholarships). Approved by the Club Inc. Board.

Great Speakers again this past month –

Our two new members gave the Club some valuable background as to what brought them to the Peninsula and why they have joined Rotary.

- **Kasia** provided some insight into her business and her move to Australia and what that has meant.
- Then the following week, **Chris** told us more about his business history and his varied travels.

We all enjoyed learning a little more about their lives, work past and present and also what has drawn them to Rotary.

Next, our District 9815 ClubRunner guru - **David Button** did a great presentation and worked his magic on why it would be advantageous for us to learn more on how to use this system and why. He left us with a sandbox in which to trial the system.

Finally, **Carol Allen** from Mt Eliza RC visited RCRR and spoke on “How to change your life with 4 words”, which focussed on Aged Care in China and relocation of playgrounds to South Africa through Rotary.

Rotary Rye Foreshore Market There was an excellent turnout of Stall holders and foot traffic for the market this month, Saturday 1st March. The weather was perfect so everyone was happy. Sandra did a fabulous job as usual organising the market day along with Mandy, Neil and Adele working their magic to help things run smoothly.



Club Business Discussion & Info Meeting – Wednesday 5th March. During the meeting we will be doing a little creative work on our costumes for the D9815 Conference, as well as reporting on and discussing other items.

Rosebud Market BBQ – Saturday 8th March roster has been organised.

Rock n Rods - Sunday 23rd March. This annual event will be held at Eastbourne Primary School. RCRR has again been invited to collect entrance money, all of which will be donated to support the ***Rosebud Hospital***.

PELDs – President Elect Learning & Development Seminar – 14th-16th March.

RCRR President Elect Sandra, Paul as a Presenter, Gael as incoming District Secretary for 2025-26 and Adele as a helper, will all be attending the Seminar to hear news from DGE Peter Behm and his team.

District 9815 Conference in Bendigo – 28th-30th March. A fun, fellowship and a wealth of Information weekend. There are 14 members from RCRR attending. We will be inspired and invigorated.

Libby Wilson and Carol Allen (RC Mt Eliza) are also organising an Australian Rotary Health stand in the showcase area, where Clubs and Programs take the opportunity to show what is happening at Clubs, across the District and around the world.

Container Deposit Scheme Trial - Just a reminder, that if you have any plastic 10c bottles, don't put them in your bin, drop them to the Rotary Warehouse and support our Club with our environmental work against landfill.

A table of 10 Club members is looking forward to sharing the International Women's Day breakfast, at Mornington Racecourse on **the 5th March**.

Cheers President Adele

March is Water and Sanitation month

Clean water, sanitation, and hygiene education are basic necessities for a healthy environment and a productive life. When people have access to clean water and sanitation, waterborne diseases decrease, children stay healthier and attend school more regularly and mothers can spend less time carrying water and more time helping their families.

Through water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) programs, Rotary's people of action mobilize resources, form partnerships, and invest in infrastructure and training that yield long-term change.

WASH Global Grant Projects: Since 2013, The Rotary Foundation has invested in more than \$130 million in over 2000 projects worldwide. Through this investment, our volunteers of action have improved access to safely managed and basic WASH services to communities, schools and healthcare facilities, while protecting and conserving water resources.

The Rotary Foundation has invested \$148 million in water, sanitation, hygiene and water resource management interventions globally
\$24 is all it takes to provide one person with safe water

Some examples of projects across the globe:

- 1. Making Lebanese schools healthier** - All 24 of Lebanon's Rotary clubs came together — overcoming religious, cultural, and political divisions — to form partnerships with the government, World Vision, UNICEF, and the Red Cross. Together the groups developed a program that delivers clean water to every public school in the country.
- 2. Access to toilets in the Philippines** - Rotary clubs and partners built 222 toilets, six rainwater collectors, seven communal handwashing stations, and 20 biosand filters. The project provided more than 1,000 people with access to proper toilet facilities and almost 600 people with a regular supply of clean water.
- 3. Water for a Papua New Guinea community** - Rotary clubs partnered with local organizations to install a rainwater harvesting and distribution center for 4,000 people in Papua New Guinea. They also delivered training programs for women in the community and students in 35 schools.

What could we consider doing as a Club in contributing to this theme?

As you can see from these examples, the thing about any Rotary projects is we don't have to think them up or do them in isolation:

- We held a very successful lunch back in 2022 for the purchase of Sky Hydrant Water Sanitation pumps for the Philippines through Disaster Aid. We could find out what alternative projects Disaster Aid have in this area of service currently.
- Join with other Rotary Clubs in their WASH projects. The Rotary Club of Melbourne has some excellent initiatives, which can be further explored at <https://rotaryclubofmelbourne.org.au/content/1516/water-and-sanitation>
- Become involved in the **WASH in Schools Target Challenge**. For more information go to: <https://my.rotary.org/en/wash-schools-target-challenge>

Coming events for March and April to keep us all up to speed. 😊

Wednesday 5th Mar – **Club Business meeting**, including RCRR Board meeting report, Director updates and Conference dress up presentation. Bring an apron or smock and some imagination.

International Women's Day breakfast - 6:45 am – 9am at Mornington Racecourse

Saturday 8th Mar – **Rosebud Heart of the Community Market** stall to support Rosebud Primary School.

Wednesday 12th Mar – **Guest speaker – Julie Armstrong**, "Hope in a Suitcase". Delayed from last month.

Wednesday 19th Mar – Guest speaker – Youth night - Sandra and the Rotaractors and MUNA

Wednesday 26th Mar – RCRR Inc Board meeting. Members are welcome to come and listen to Board decision making.

Saturday 2nd Apr – Rosebud Heart of the Community Market stall to support Rosebud Primary School.

Wednesday 9th Apr – Guest speaker – Jacqui Allen, Rosebud Hospital.

Wednesday 16th Apr – Guest speaker. TBA. Suggestions to Gael please.

Wednesday 23rd Apr – RCRR Inc Board meeting. Members are welcome to come and listen to Board decision making.

Wednesday 30th Apr – Social night.

Thought for the Day:

When people ask you “How do you find time for Rotary?”



And to finish - Jokes with one from our President. Guess which one? 😊

I DON'T MEAN TO BRAG, BUT I PUT TOGETHER A PUZZLE IN 1 DAY AND THE BOX SAID 2-4 YEARS.

