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The Rotary Club of Warrandyte Donvale (Inc) Club Bulletin

Date: 19th June 2022



A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT



At last week's meeting we had a special night joining with the Warrandyte Historical Society. We started out at the little museum across the road from the Hotel – and what a little treasure trove the museum is. We were joined by Val Polley (pictured above) who is a font of all knowledge when it comes to the history of the area. What she doesn't know isn't worth knowing. We were met by secretary Di Phillips, along with volunteers Don and Michelle Hughes and their dog Zeus (well known to Warrandytians) and Colleen and Edward Sceberas.

The museum is in four sections – the first being the **Gold Room** – with all the history of Warrandyte and the search for gold. This came about when, after two earlier unsuccessful attempts, Louis Michel, in company with William Habberlin, succeeded in discovering gold at the end of June 1851, on the banks of Anderson's Creek in the then newly created Colony of Victoria. Gold had earlier been discovered in the Bathurst area of New South Wales, and this had led to many of Melbourne's population leaving the colony to seek their fortune on the new gold fields. In an endeavour to stop



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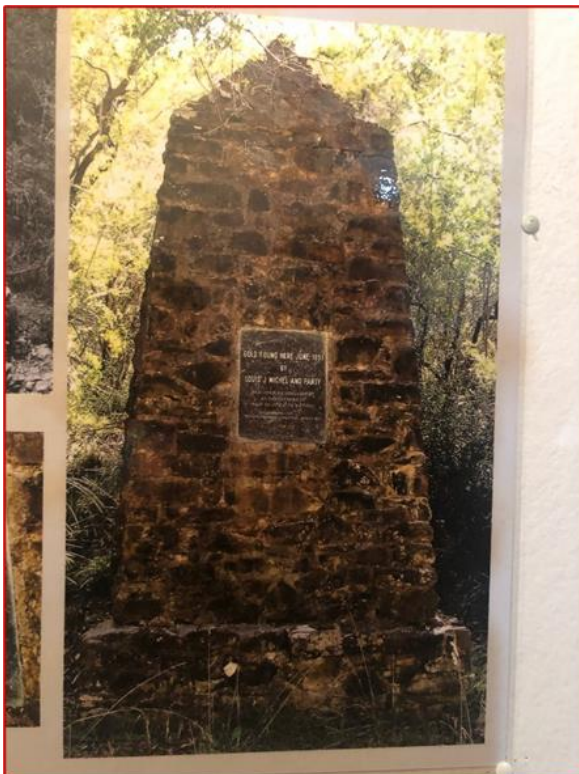
people leaving Melbourne, the Mayor and citizens of the City formed a Gold Committee, that offered a 200 guinea reward for payable gold found within 100 miles of Melbourne. So that's how the Warrandyte "gold rush began".

Too much history to relate here – you must go down and have a good look for yourselves. Suffice it to say Warrandyte was dotted with tiny shacks and humble abodes during this time as people flocked to the area to discover their riches. Being so close to the city of Melbourne meant that Warrandyte quickly developed. Many of the old stone buildings, built from Warrandyte stone, quarried from around the Husseys Lane area, sadly have been knocked down but some still remain including the modest weatherboard home to the museum which was once a post office.

The second room is the **Art Room** which pays homage to the artists who settled in the area including the well known Clara Southern who was part of the Heidelberg School, which was centred around Heide. The museum has some prints of some of these artists' paintings and various artefacts which are interesting.

The rest of the museum is a treasure trove of artefacts and interesting information about the local history.

Our club has contributed to the upgrading of a cairn pictured here, which commemorates the site where gold was first discovered. The Cairn is in a bit of a state of disrepair so it will be repaired by a local stone mason. After the talk by Val we reconvened in the Federation Room at the Grand to enjoy a meal and more chat about the history of the area and the work of the Historical Society. It was a great evening and another connection made with the local community.





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UPCOMING PROGRAMME

<p>Tuesday 21st June</p>  	<p>CLUB CHANGEOVER NIGHT <i>RSVPs to Rob Edwards before end of Sunday 19th details below</i> Cost \$40 Cashier: Steve Ennor Dress Code: Semi Formal Please go to the bar downstairs for your drinks before coming upstairs to the Riverview Room to pay for your meal.</p>
<p>Saturday 25th June</p>	<p><i>District Changeover – see details below.</i></p>
<p>Sunday 26th June</p> 	<p><i>Tunstall Market</i> <i>Roster circulating by email</i></p>
<p>Tuesday 28th June</p>	<p><i>No Meeting</i></p>
<p>Saturday 2nd July</p> 	<p><i>Warrandyte Riverside Market</i></p>
<p>Tuesday 5th July</p>	<p>CURRY NIGHT AT THE HALLS With artists JULIAN BRUERE AND MARY HYDE – all welcome – bring a curry or something to go with curry.</p>
<p>Tuesday 12th July</p>	<p><i>Club Meeting at the Grand Hotel Warrandyte</i> FINAL REPORTS FROM ALL 2021-22 COMMITTEE CHAIRS</p>
<p>Tuesday 19th July</p>	<p><i>Club Meeting</i></p>
<p>Tuesday 26th July</p>	<p>“THE RIVER KEEPER” The new Yarra Riverkeeper Charlotte Sterrett, a local Warrandytian will come and talk to us about her work along the Yarra River. Local people will be invited to join us. Details soon.</p>



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**OUTGOING PRESIDENT Judy Hall and
INCOMING PRESIDENTS Kevin Hall, David George and Don Kinnear**

Invite you to our

CLUB CHANGEOVER NIGHT

Tuesday 21st June

6.30 for 7pm

\$40 per head, 2 course meal, drinks at bar prices

Riverview Room— THE GRAND HOTEL WARRANDYTE

Dress Code: Semi formal

Please go to the bar for drinks before coming upstairs to the Riverview Room which is a the opposite end to the Federation Room. Access via lift or stairs at the east end of the hotel.

RSVP: TUESDAY 14TH JUNE. PLEASE INDICATE DIETARY REQUIREMENTS IF ANY.

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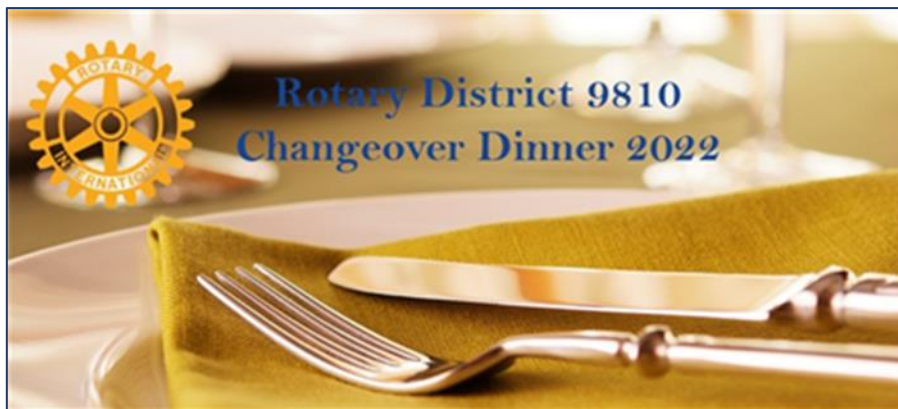




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District Governor Dr Daryl Moran and Jenny

together with

District Governor Elect Ken Miller

Request the pleasure of the company of
All District 9810 Rotarians,
Partners, Rotaractors and Friends
at the 2022 District Changeover Dinner

DRESS TO IMPRESS - COME AND JOIN IN THE FUN!

Venue: Southern Golf Club, Lower Dandenong Road, Keysborough

Saturday 25th June 2022

6:30pm for 6:50 pm start

Online bookings only <https://www.trybooking.com/BZFMM>
Bookings Must close 12 noon, Monday 13th June, 2022

Enquiries:

Tina McInerney 0418 331 459
tinamcinerney@netspace.net.au

Cost: \$69.50/person
Drinks: At bar prices

Please wear your Rotary name badge and PHF with ribbon



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Rotary International Convention in Melbourne 2023 27-31 May 2023!



It is with great excitement that Rotary Club of Melbourne announces Melbourne as the host city for the 2023 Rotary International Convention, attracting over 20,000 delegates and the largest Conference secured this century for Victoria. Thirty years since Melbourne hosted the same international event.

President Robert Fisher announced: "This is fantastic news for Rotary in our part of the world. Huge congratulations are due to Hugh Bucknall, the Melbourne Convention Bureau, the D9800 Bid Team, many of our own members and countless others who put their collective shoulder to the wheel and demonstrated to Rotary International the kind of magnificent Convention we would stage in Melbourne!"

This is a Big Deal!

Melbourne is a Big Events City! The global spotlight will be on Melbourne and how we present ourselves to the world.



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The Convention will take place in late May 2023 using superb venues; Rod Laver Arena and the Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre. All activities and events are within the "Heart and Soul" of Melbourne. This is now a Multi-District project initiated by RC Melbourne and D9800. A vital part of hosting is to have an engaged and energised volunteer team to assist all visitors during the Convention.