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The Rotary Club of Warrandyte Donvale (Inc)
Club Bulletin

Date: 27th November, 2022



A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Another pleasant Rotary meeting at The Grand with quite a few apologies.

We enjoyed the company of Past District Governor Shia Smart, who was our guest speaker and she gave a detailed presentation about the upcoming District Conference in Canberra 3rd – 5th March next year. The conference will be held at the Realm Hotel, 18 National Circuit, Barton.

Early bird booking closes on the 30th November which will enable \$50.00 per person to be saved. For all the information about the conference go to <https://www.9810rotary.org.au/> , it would appear at this stage we have three members booked and two about to proceed. Always a good conference in Canberra and good opportunity for a short break.

I have received an email inviting members to participate in the Zone 8 Regionalisation Pilot Information/Update session. This will be available on three dates to suit everyone as a webinar and I will forward the email to all members.

Tunstall Square market this Sunday, and on Dec.4th there are still many opportunities to participate, please fill in the emailed roster that Steve Latimer has sent out.

There is no meeting next Tuesday but we will back in action again on December 6th, the year is rapidly coming to a close.

President David

NOTE:





**CHANGE OF DATE FOR OUR CHRISTMAS FUNCTION –
NOW ON 6TH DECEMBER.**



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UP COMING PROGRAMME

<p>Sunday 27th November</p>		<p><i>Tunstall Market</i></p>
<p>Tuesday 29th November</p>		<p><i>NO Meeting</i></p>
<p>Saturday 3rd December</p>		<p><i>Warrandyte Riverside Market</i></p>
<p>Tuesday 6th December</p>		<p><i>CLUB XMAS PARTY -at the HALLS... SEE BELOW</i></p>
<p>Tuesday 13th December</p>	<p><i>Club Meeting at the Grand Hotel 6.30 for 7pm</i> Continuation of discussion about issues raised in our club assembly.</p> <p>Chair: David George Property: Ian Thomlinson Greeter: Judy Hall</p>	
<p>Tuesday 20th December</p>		<p><i>Pre-Christmas Breakfast Meeting</i> <i>Details when to hand</i></p>



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WARRANDYTE DONVALE ROTARY CLUB CHRISTMAS FUNCTION

Tuesday 6th December, 6.30 for 7pm

at

THE HALL RESIDENCE

Bring a suitable plate (Contact Judy to coordinate)

BYO drinks and good cheer

RSVP Judy or Kevin by 1st December

Huge market this morning with, contrary to the photo, plenty of customers for egg and bacon rolls a sausages.

The weather was great and there was a good variety of stalls – the work was well divided.

Great work everyone!



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Rotary Club of Taveuni Island

Rotary International District 9920
Club Id : 57167 TIN: 60-67414-0-8

DREKETI SCHOOL UPDATE - 25 NOV 2022

Bula and Greetings from the Garden Island - Taveuni
and cyclone season is almost upon us!

In the last few weeks we have made such great progress.

We received excellent news regarding the survey team's report that has been presented to the Education Ministers Department. They have recommended **OUR** selected site at the end of the rugby field as being suitable to build a new school. YAY!

Not so good news is the PM has called a general election for Fiji (14th Dec) and then Christmas and possibly a few cyclones. By February when we return to Fiji from Melbourne, everything should have settled down and I can start making plans to begin building.

Back to the good news, On Sunday evening 20 November, Helene and I had a meeting with the Minister for Education Mrs Premila Kumar. All aspects of the Dreketi school rebuild were fully discussed and Mrs Kumar's final comment was she would be recommending approval of the project to the Education department Permanent Secretary. Yay again!

We also discussed our soon to start laptop computer project for Fiji schools. Mrs Kumar was very enthused about it. (More news on the laptop project soon!)

We also discussed the solar project for all off-grid Fiji schools. A project initiated by lit's Time Foundation <https://iitime.org> yet another fantastic project for Fiji schools and the children.

Earlier in October we had a Zoom meeting with the members of Leongatha Rotary which was hugely successful. What an amazing club. Two days after the meeting we received a call to say \$7,500 would be added to the \$2,500 pledged some months before. Vinaka Vakalevu to the members of Leongatha.

Finally the biggest surprise and a huge thank you to International Chair Peter Batten from the Rotary Club of Chelsea where we were members for over 20 years. Their contribution will get us over the line for the fundraising. Someone at Chelsea still loves us or remembers us. Many many thanks !

Cheers from Matei, Taveuni
The Garden Island of Fiji
Peter & Helene Brown



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For all District Conference details go to:

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Conference 2023
District 9810
 Canberra

3rd - 5th March 2023
Realm Hotel
18 National Circuit
Barton ACT
Australia 2600



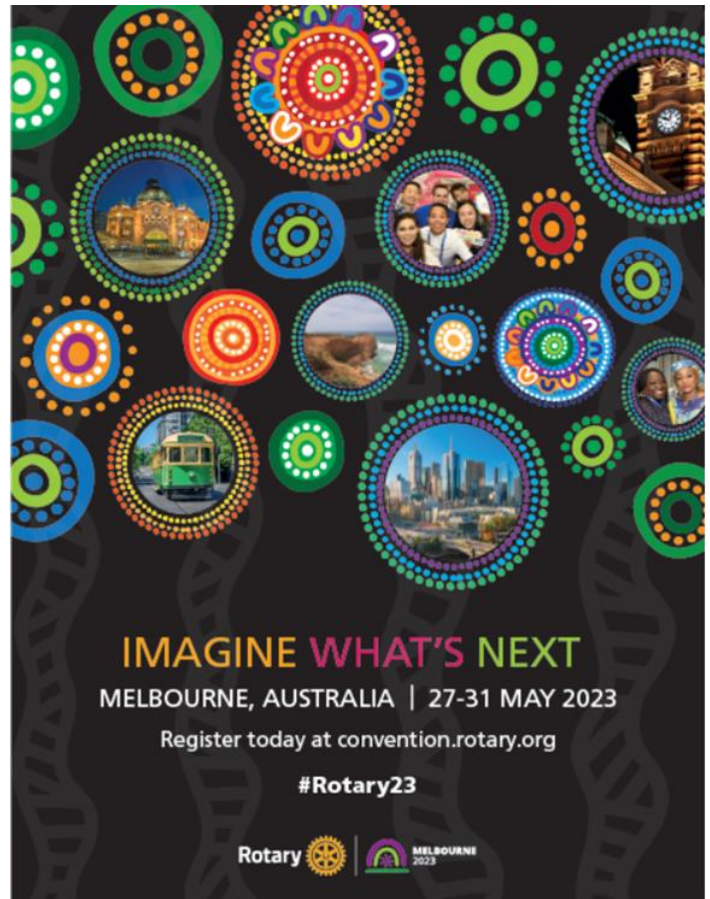
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This is a once in 30-year event that should not be missed. If you haven't been to a Rotary International Convention, then this is your opportunity to hear and see from Rotarians from all corners of the world. If you have enjoyed Rotary International Conventions previously, then you know how fantastic they are and Melbourne will be fantastic! It is here on your doorstep with no international travel expenses. It will never be more affordable!

- Book now to get the best registration rate and importantly to secure your place at Signature and Hospitality events, which have capacity limits to ensure a comfortable and rewarding experience.
- Imagine the opportunity to meet and mix with 25,000 people of action from around the globe.
- Imagine the possibilities flowing from inspirational speakers, break-outs with Rotary leaders and from opportunities at the House of Friendship
- Imagine the opportunity to attend and/or volunteer to be an Ambassador for Australasia and the Pacific Islands.



Volunteers are still required to assist in the running of the Convention.



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- A vital part of the Convention is to have an engaged and friendly volunteer workforce. We as Rotarians volunteer our time, energy and skills all the time. It is part of our DNA and makes us who we are - we are a people organisation.
- It is an opportunity to witness Rotary at an International level and by volunteering, to be part of its success.
- It is an opportunity to volunteer and be an Ambassador for Rotary and our country.
- Giving up four hours for a single shift is not a big ask - the more volunteers we have, the greater the load is shared.

This Convention is an opportunity to see what Rotarians around the world do, speak to people from different countries about common projects or new projects, and hear world class speakers from within Rotary and from leaders in their fields outside Rotary.

Register **now** for the best prices. Don't leave it to the last minute as the registration fees increase significantly as the Convention gets closer.