

Rotary



15th August 2026

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THE ROTARY CLUB OF WARRANDYTE DONVALE

Club Catch Ups:

1st & 3rd Tuesdays 6:3-8:30pm

At Now and Not Yet Café

Warrandyte

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Coming Up: -

Club Catch Up: Tues. 18th Aug: RYLA Students Present.

Tunstall Market Sunday 30th August

Club Catch Up: Tuesday 1st Sept

Warrandyte Market: Saturday 5th Aug.



Congratulations to Sandrajane Corrie Vincent – one of our recent new members, on her **Community Excellence Award** at the recent **Manningham Community Awards**.

See details further on.

COMMUNITY : ENVIRONMENT : SUSTAINABILITY : PURPOSE



Report from the last Club Catch Up – Tuesday 4th August

We were a small group last Tuesday who gathered at Now and Not Yet on a horrible night congratulations to all those who did turn up! We enjoyed a friendly informal gathering all the same and a very interesting night. Derek served up a very nice lasagne to warm us on a cold night.

We had apologies from Marg and David George and Colin Hall.

We were delighted to greet guests Roseanne Gay – well known to us all as an Art Show volunteer, W R Market helper and member of the Warrandyte Lions Club. Roseanne brought her friend Wendy along, and we welcomed our guest speakers Jane Jordan and Craig Ralph from Eastern Palliative Care.

REPORTS:

President Olive: mentioned our very successful Changeover Night with more than 50 guests including mayor Jim Grievas, Carli Lange, MP Gabriel Ng and an apology from Nicole Werner. We had 7 new members from various other community groups with which we are closely aligned, join the club – WMIAA, Netball & Cricket Clubs, Park Orchards Community Pantry, Help Charitable Trust, and Natalie Reinhart and Katie Taubert who joined as Companion Club members. The amazing cake by Rekha was a big hit. We should have several other potential new members who will be inducted at our next Catch-Up next week. We will have the three RYLA participants who we sponsored giving their presentations about the RYLA experience.

Olive mentioned the Park Orchards Community Pantry which the club is now officially auspicing will assist with a review of our Op Shop food pantry governance.

The WAVA (Warrandyte Volunteer Alliance) committee is meeting regularly and in the process of designing a logo (by Jock McNiesh) and heading up a volunteer campaign.

Youth: Olive mentioned that **EarlyAct** is up and running at Anderson Creek Primary School with four groups – community, environment, international and intraschool.

RYPEN (Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment) – will be held again this year and we will likely be sponsoring 5 students from the Netball Club and Warrandyte High School at this valuable program.

Rob Edwards: reported that the last Warrandyte Riverside Market was a huge one with the fine weather bringing out large crowds who were present right until closing time at 1pm. There are hundreds of stall holders on the wait list for this popular market!

Judy Hall: gave a brief report on the previous Tunstall Market which was very quiet due to poor weather forecast, with the absence of food stalls which were present the market before. The Scouts are working on ways to attract people to this market including more extensive advertising on social media so “watch this space”.



GUEST SPEAKERS:

Jane Jordon spoke first and told us that she and Craig were volunteers for Eastern Palliative Care. Jane has been a volunteer for around 3 years and got into it via a friend. Jane sees her role as providing upward of 3 hours a week of family respite for her clients, and their families. This might take the form of an outing for the client, or just sitting with them while the carer has a sleep or an outing – just to get a break from the caring role. She is also involved in being a puppy walker and has used her dogs in the caring setting. She is also involved in fund raising for EPC and guest speaking to groups such as ours. Jane has a nursing background but has been retired for some years. Jane lives in Healesville.

Craig Ralph lives in Warrandyte and is also a volunteers with EPC. He worked in Financial Planning running his own business, and he has now involved with providing assistance with financial matters for EPC including providing financial planning services to clients if they need this. Craig has been involved with establishing a special bereivement project for 5-12 year olds. Craig’s chief role as a volunteer has been to take mainly single men on outings of their choice.

About Eastern Palliative Care

Eastern Palliative Care Ltd (EPC) is the specialist community based palliative care service for the Eastern Region of Melbourne. Our services are provided in the local government areas of Boroondara, Manningham, Maroondah, Whitehorse, Monash, Knox and Yarra Ranges.

We support people with a terminal / life-limiting illness in their last year of life who have complex symptoms whether they be physical, psychosocial, emotional or spiritual. EPC is fully accredited through The Australian Council on Health Care Standards (ACHS) ensuring quality, safety and performance at all levels of service delivery.

Established in 1998 in response to a Department of Health tender process, EPC was formed by St. Vincent's Hospital (Melbourne) Ltd, Order of Malta Hospice Home Care (Vic) Ltd and Melbourne Eastern Palliative Care Association. Outer East Palliative Care Service Inc joined once the Association was formed and in 2010 Melbourne Eastern Palliative Care Association Inc ceased to exist.

On December 16, 2024, Eastern Palliative Care Association Incorporated became Eastern Palliative Care Ltd.

EPC PURPOSE:

Our clients live with the best quality of life, before dying in their place of choice

Our clients, their families and carers are supported according to their needs and choices.

Our resources are managed wisely and sustainably to provide value for the community.

EPC ROLES:

- Nursing, medical, allied health & bereavement support.
- Is delivered in the place a person considers home.
- Support is available 24 hours per day every week
- Normalises the process of dying, for our community
- Neither hastens nor postpones death.
- Ensures the right people have access to our services at the right time.

WHAT IS PALLIATIVE CARE:

Recognises special needs of a person with a terminal/life limiting illness.

Focuses on improving quality of life of clients by assisting to manage symptoms, help to make changes that will make life easier and more comfortable.

Supports the person have control of their treatment options and offers support for carer, family and friends.

Involves trained professionals providing a variety of care – doctors, nurses, palliative support clinicians (social workers/counsellors/psychologists), bereavement counsellors. It also involves specially trained volunteers.

Provided in the person's own home including residential aged and disability care facilities, depending on where the person is living and where they choose to have their care provided at the end of life. (it also includes homeless people in their place of choice).

Palliative Care complements the range of medical treatment and services currently available.



We are absolutely delighted to congratulate one of our newest Rotary members Sandrajane Vincent-Corry on receiving the Community Excellence Award at last night's Manningham Business Awards. This honour recognises her tireless work and compassionate leadership of the **Park Orchards Community Pantry** where she supports and coordinates a dedicated team of twenty local volunteers. The Pantry exists to share rescued food freely within the local community, reducing food waste while strengthening connections and local food resilience. What began as a simple neighbourhood food-swap of excess homegrown produce and preserves has grown into a valued and trusted part of the local landscape. Today the Pantry FB group connects almost 600 members with over 300 households using the Pantry regularly. Each week Sandrajane and the team rescue and share over 500kg of food and deliver care packs to those who need them - supporting wellbeing, sustainability and community resilience across Park Orchards and surrounds. Congratulations Sandrajane, your steadfast leadership, kindness and commitment inspire us all and we are so proud to have you as part of our Rotary family.

WHAT'S COMING UP

Tuesday 18th August	<i>Club Catch Up – Now and Not Yet Café – Yarra Street, Warrandyte 6.30 for 7pm start</i> <i>Guest Speakers: Elim Cheung, Patrick McAlry and Lachlan McAlry were sponsored by our club to attend the recent RYLA camp (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards). They will talk about their experience at this wonderful Rotary camp which takes place over a week in the school holidays. All welcome.</i> <i>RSVP to Olive please.</i> CHAIR: David George		
Tuesday 25 th August	NO Meeting		
Sunday 30 th August			
Tuesday 1st September	<i>Club Catch Up – Now and Not Yet Café – Yarra Street, Warrandyte 6.30 for 7pm start</i>		
Saturday 5 th Sept.			
Tuesday 8 th Sept	No Meeting		
Tuesday 15 Sept.	<i>Club Catch Up – Now and Not Yet Café – Yarra Street, Warrandyte 6.30 for 7pm start</i>		
Tuesday 22 nd Sept	No Meeting		
Sunday 27 th Sept			
Tuesday 29 th Sept	No Meeting		

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