

Rotary



6th September 2026

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THE ROTARY CLUB OF WARRANDYTE DONVALE

Op

Club Catch Ups:

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

At Now and Not Yet Café

Warrandyte

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Coming Up: -

Tunstall Market Sunday 30th August

Art Show 2027 Meeting: 2-4pm

Club Catch Up: Tuesday 1st Sept

Warrandyte Market: Saturday 5th Aug.



Op Shop manager Bryn, Sandrajane Vincent-Corry, Kate Gosnell and David Corry with a newly installed fridge for the Pantry, donated by Hops and Vine.

COMMUNITY : ENVIRONMENT : SUSTAINABILITY : PURPOSE



Park Orchards Pantry meets RCWD Op Shop Food Bank.

One of our new members, Sandrajane Vincent-Corry, coordinates the Park Orchards Pantry – a community run project aiming to reduce food waste, encourage community members to share excess produce and to help vulnerable people who may be experiencing economic challenges. Our club has partnered with P.O. Pantry and to date they have been helpful in updating our Op Shop food bank processes.

A new addition came about by accident – the wonderful owner of **Hops and Vine** the wine bar just below the Op Shop, was installing a new fridge and offered his still very serviceable 3 door fridge to the Op Shop. It was installed last week and the coordinators are thrilled!

They have updated the food storage area outside the Op Shop to make it more homely

and welcoming. Club members and volunteers collect unsold, in date, but perfectly good food from various supermarkets and leave it outside the shop for folks to help themselves. Signage has been improved to give those using the service some guidelines.



REPORT FROM LAST CLUB CATCH UP



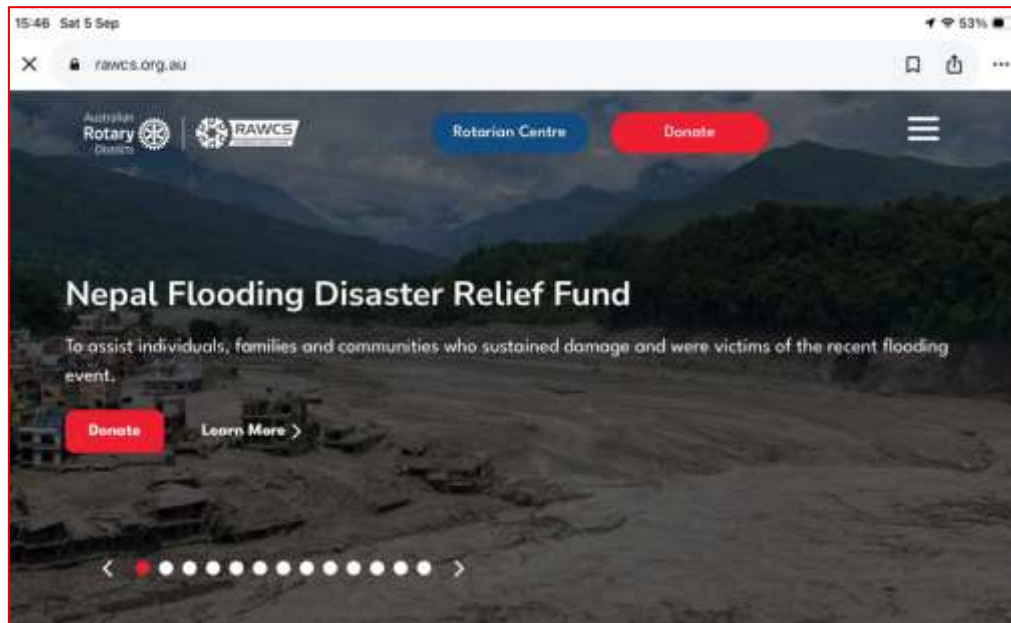
Once again, we were a small group to meet last week. We had apologies from Don Kinnear, Tony Mooney, Marg and David George.

We welcomed guest Tony Cull and new member Grant Purdy who was our guest speaker with his Man Behind the Badge talk.

President Olive started the meeting off with an email from David George which gave us an update on Marg's health which at the present time is not so good. She has been moved from Box Hill Hospital to Wantirna Rehab Hospital, and Marg has thanked the **club for the flowers which she appreciated**. Understandably Marg and David are absenting themselves from Rotary activities at the present time. We all wish Marg well and hope she gains better health in the next few weeks.

NEPAL FLOOD DISASTER: The club will donate all of the week's takings to the Nepal Flood Disaster Fund, one of which is being administered by RAWCS (Rotary Australia World Service).

Details below if anyone wishes to make a personal donation to this awful disaster which will affect so many people and for a long period of time. Much money will be needed to replace infrastructure that has been destroyed. **Remember most funds going to Rotary projects goes directly to the cause (i.e. very little is used for administration because Rotarians are volunteers!). GO TO - RAWCS.ORG.AU**



Park Orchards Pantry and the Op Shop – P.O. Pantry has partnered with the Op Shop food bank. This has been a win/win – the POP needed an auspice which we are providing and it has recently been through rigorous processes to abide by council regulations. They are now helping our OP Shop to revise and update its food handling and food storage facilities. The new 3 door fridge which the manager of Hops and

Vine donated to us after buying a new one for his wine bar is a wonderful addition. Nothing wrong with the one he gave us – he was just upgrading.

WAVA (Warrandyte Volunteer Alliance) – they have met recently and an article will be in the next Warrandyte Diary with logos and details about this initiative.

Leave absence – Olive and Reg will be on holidays for a month from 14th September. On 20th October there will be another induction of 3 new members – Bec Brown and Marni Jakins from Templestowe Scouts and Helen Andrews (Osborne Peninsula Landcare Group).

Tunstall Market: was held the Sunday previous and was a slow start with cool overcast weather and a lot of stall absences. Paul and Anuj are working on ways to attract more stalls and visitors via social media. The scouts are doing well with their set up and cooking skills are improving!

Warrandyte Riverside Market: Saturday – windy and maybe a bit rainy. We had 4 people to help with set up West End and Central (Colin, David, Olive and Reg).



Spare a thought for the intrepid WRM helpers last Saturday during the rainy early morning set up for stall holders. Olive, Reg, David and Frank.

Art Show: Judy reported that an art show meeting was held that afternoon with a good roll up of volunteers to help on the committee including Denise Keele Bedford, Sarai Meyerink, Tori Swedosh, Marianne Mooney, Roseanne Gay and members Olive, Reg, Colin, Rekha, Rob and Judy. This was very encouraging – Judy paid tribute to Terry Edwards who has stepped down from the committee after many years of valuable service to our art shows to date. The Art Show will be held from 19th -21st March 2027 in conjunction with the Warrandyte Festival which next year will have some entertainment on the Sunday as well as Friday/Saturday.

Derek - mentioned that **NaNY will hold its 12th birthday** on **Sunday 6th** at 4pm so all welcome to come along and celebrate with Derek and the staff.

Healthy Men Forum



Dan Repacholi MP

Special Envoy for Men's Health



Ged Kearney MP

*Assistant Minister for Social Services
Assistant Minister for the
Prevention of Family Violence*



Gabriel Ng MP

Federal Member for Menzies

**Come down for a chat about men's physical and
mental health and wellbeing,
with local community organisations and experts.**



6pm, 22 September



**Blackburn North Bowls Club
93 Springfield Rd, Blackburn North**

RSVPs essential:

**Register via QR Code or
call 7066 6590**



Gabriel Ng ^{MP}
MEMBER FOR MENZIES

WHAT'S COMING UP

Tuesday 8 th Sept	No Catch up
Tuesday 15 Sept.	Club Catch Up – Now and Not Yet Café – Yarra Street, Warrandyte 6.30 for 7pm start
Tuesday 22 nd Sept	No Catch up
Sunday 27 th Sept	
Tuesday 29 th Sept	No Catch up
Saturday 3 rd October	
Tues. 6th October	Club Catch Up – Now and Not Yet Café – Yarra Street, Warrandyte 6.30 for 7pm start
Tuesday 13 th October	No Catch up
Tuesday 20 th October	Club Catch Up – Now and Not Yet Café – Yarra Street, Warrandyte 6.30 for 7pm start
Sunday 25th October	
Tuesday 27 th Oct	No Catch Up
Tuesday 3 rd Nov	No Catch up – Melbourne Cup Day
Saturday 7 th Nov.	



Birrarung Riverfest

27 September to 18 October 2026

Birrarung Riverfest is a celebration of the Yarra, Birrarung - the river that brings life, wildlife and connection to us all. The festival invites people to enjoy the many ways we can care for our river together, with 70+ events that bring thousands out for walks, talks, paddles, art, music, storytelling, wildlife spotting and tree planting.

This year, Warrandyte is excited to host a **platypus presentation** event, giving our community a chance to learn about one of Birrarung's most loved creatures.

This event is proudly delivered and brought to you thanks to a wonderful local partnership - **Rotary Club of Warrandyte Donvale, Melbourne Water, and North Warrandyte Osborne Peninsula Landcare Group.**

Learn about Platypus

Join Dr Jessica Thomas, Zoos Victoria's Platypus Keeper and leading platypus expert, for a fascinating journey into the world of platypus.

Discover how they navigate underwater, build hidden nesting burrows, and take part in the courtship ritual known as the "platypus love donut". Learn how to become a Platypus Protector during this vulnerable stage, along with practical tips for spotting platypus along the Birrarung.

Event details

Date: Sunday 4 October 9-11am

Location: St Stephen's Anglican Church Hall, Warrandyte

Registration: This is a free event, and to secure a spot, register here:

<https://events.humanitix.com/discover-the-platypus-of-the-birrarung>



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