



Rotary International President Ian Riseley OAM

48th Angus Mitchell Oration



Rotary International President, Ian H S Riseley, OAM will deliver the 48th Angus Mitchell Oration on Wednesday 14 March 2018.

Rotarians and their Guests are invited to join the Rotary Club of Melbourne Member's luncheon on the occasion of the Club's 48th Angus Mitchell Oration.

Ian who, as President is based at Rotary International Headquarters in Evanston USA, is specifically visiting Melbourne to honour Sir Angus Mitchell, the first Australian to be President of Rotary International (RI). Ian is only the 5th Australian (and 3rd Victorian) to be RI President and we are greatly honoured that he has agreed to be this year's Orator.

Ian is a chartered accountant and principal of Ian Riseley and Co., a firm he established in 1976 having worked in large accounting firms and corporations.

Rotary making a Difference... "We know that we can do more together than we could ever hope to do alone."



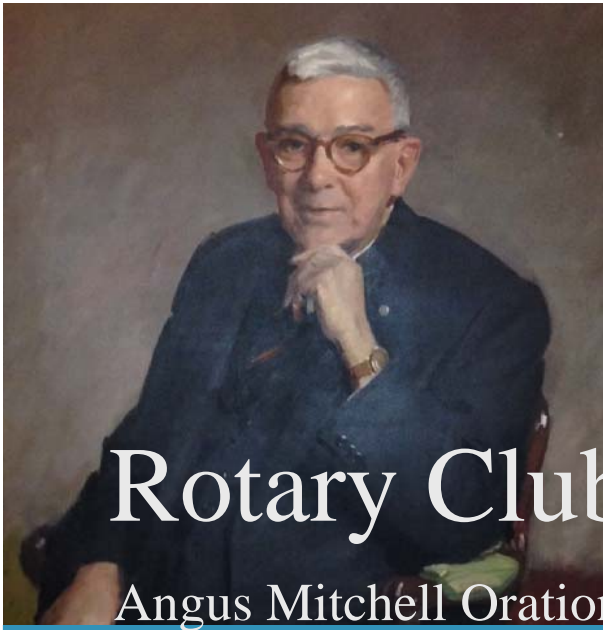
Riseley, a member of the Rotary Club of Sandringham since 1978, has been active in various school boards, a member of the Community Advisory Group for the City of Sandringham, and involved in Sea Scouts and sporting groups, as well as honorary auditor or adviser for a number of charitable organisations.

In a distinguished career, he has been Treasurer and Director of RI, Rotary Foundation Trustee for 4 years as well as a member and Chair of numerous RI and Foundation committees.

Riseley's honours include the AusAID Peacebuilder Award from the Australian government in recognition of his work in East Timor, the Medal of the Order of Australia for services to the Australian community, the Distinguished Service Award and the Regional Service Award for a Polio-Free World from The Rotary Foundation.

Ian and his wife Juliet live on seven hectares at Moorooduc, where they practice their personal philosophy of sustainable and organic living. They have two children and four grandchildren.

Date Wed. 14th March 2018
Time 12.40pm for 12.50pm start
Venue 1st Floor Dining Rooms, Sofitel Hotel
Cost \$45 two course lunch
Bookings via trybooking [click below](https://www.trybooking.com/350276)
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Rotary Club of Melbourne

Angus Mitchell Oration

“ Let us reaffirm our faith in a common purpose, a common conviction and a common devotion. Let us be determined to seek to understand the minds of other people and to weigh their interests alongside our own. Let us make a decision not to be just members of a Rotary club, but Rotarians in the fullest sense.” ”

The Rotary Club of Melbourne was chartered on 21 April 1921 as the first Rotary Club in Australia. The Club now has over 250 members and is proud to have many women as very active members in the club.

Within the charter membership of the Club were many of Melbourne's leading business and professional men, including Sir John Monash, the great engineer and leading general from World War I and John Latham, later Sir John Latham, Chief Justice of the High Court of Australia.

The Club is proud to have had one of its most distinguished members become the first Australian to be elected as the President of Rotary International.

Sir Angus Mitchell was a truly great Rotarian and is credited with the reestablishment of Rotary in Japan after the end of World War II.

Angus Mitchell was inducted into the Rotary Club of Melbourne in December 1927. He was President of the Club in 1931-32 and was elected District Governor in 1934-35 and again in 1937-38. In 1948-49 he became the first Australian to be elected to the office of President of Rotary International. He was created a Knight Bachelor by Her Majesty the Queen in 1956. Two years later he was the first member of the Rotary Club of Melbourne to be named a Paul Harris Fellow. Sir Angus Mitchell died on 18 August 1961.

In his honour and as part of the Club's fiftieth birthday celebrations in 1971, the Board of Directors initiated the Angus Mitchell Oration. The Oration has been delivered at the nearest meeting to the birthday of Rotary which was established by Paul Harris on the 23 February 1905 in Chicago USA. The inaugural Oration was delivered by the Rev. I. B. M. Parsons and has been delivered since by many eminent Australians.

The Oration has been delivered by:

1971 Rev. I B. M. Parsons
1972 Rev. D. M. Henbury
1973 Past RI VP Doug Stewart
1974 Mr. Kenneth H. Gifford QC
1975 Rev. Dr. Davis McCaughey
1976 Dr Herman Sanger
1977 Professor Harold Hunt
1978 RI Pres. Elect Clem Renouf
1979 P.D.G. Frank Newman
1980 H.E. The Gov-General Sir Zelman Cowen
1981 P.P. Sir John Reid
1982 Dr Owen Parnaby
1983 Rev. H.J. Butterley
1984 Rabbi John Levi
1985 P.P. Professor Harold Ford
1986 Bishop Peter Hollingworth
1987 Sir Gustav Nossal
1988 H. E. The Governor Dr. Davis McCaughey
1989 RI Pres Royce Abbey
1990 Prof David G. Penington
1991 Comm Bramwell Tillsley Sal. Army
1992 Rabbi John Levi
1993 Mr. Justice John Phillips
1994 P.P. David Wittner
1995 Dr. P. G. Law
1996 Rev. Kevin Green
1997 Monsignor Gerry Cudmore
1998 Mr. Nobby Clark
1999 H.E. The Governor Sir James Gobbo
2000 Rev. Tim Costello
2001 The Rt. Hon. Sir Ninian Stephen
2002 H.E. The Gov General Dr Peter Hollingworth
2003 Dr. Barry Jones
2004 Gen. Peter Cosgrove
2005 Ms Elizabeth Proust
2006 P.P. John Kendall & P.P. David Wittner
2007 Mr. Justice Michael Kirby
2008 H. E. The Gov General Mj Gen Michael Jeffery
2009 Ms Louise Adler
2010 Mr Bill Kelty
2011 Mr Graeme Samuel AC
2012 Mr Don Argus AC
2013 Professor Roz Hansen
2014 Professor Peter Shergold AC
2015 Laureate Professor Peter C Doherty AC
2016 Mr John Bertrand AM
2017 Mr Simon McKeon AO



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