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THIS WEEK'S SPEAKER

RICK & ED TUDOR, DIRECTORS, MELBOURNE INDIGENOUS TRANSITION SCHOOL

Liz Tudor first worked in Gunbalanya in Western Arnhem Land as a veterinarian in 1973. In 2004, she established, with her husband Rick, an annual dog health program – now in its thirteenth year – which visits Gunbalanya and its outstations as well as communities in the Victoria Daly region.

Over this time, Liz and Rick have made personal connections in Gunbalanya and other Top End remote communities in many ways: through dog health, through partnership programs established by Rick at Trinity Grammar School, through personal connection with parents and their children.

As Headmaster of Trinity Grammar School Kew, Rick established an Indigenous scholarship program that has seen 23 Indigenous scholars progress through secondary education at Trinity. Over the years, Liz and Rick have been approached by many other families from remote communities seeking educational opportunities for their children in Melbourne.

In response, Liz and Rick have tried many models: large independent schooling, home schooling, specialist Indigenous schooling. They have experienced the pain of turning families away, and of children who have tried but failed to make it into the mainstream classroom.

Through this experience, Liz, Rick and the MITS Board have developed a new model, which recognises that many Indigenous students in remote communities have innate ability and strong desire to be educated in Melbourne's best schools, but need academic and social support to meet the challenges of transition.

RICK TUDOR:

Rick Tudor retired in December 2014 as the Headmaster of Trinity Grammar School, Kew, a position he held for fifteen years. He is currently a board member of The King David School, Ivanhoe Girls' Grammar School, Trinity College University of Melbourne, the Melbourne Anglican Foundation, the Anglican Diocesan Schools Commission, St Paul's Cathedral Chapter and the ConocoPhillips Science Experience.

He has extensive experience in education, both as an administrator and a teacher. He has also been involved in the Association of Heads of Independent Schools and the Council of the Centre for Strategic Education and the Anglican Coordinating Committee on Education. Rick was previously on the Council and Deputy Chair of St. Margaret's School, Berwick.

He has also contributed beyond the educational community through his role on the Board of Anglicare Victoria, and as a member of the Ethics Committee at the Royal Women's Hospital. Other leadership roles have included Victorian representation on the Australian Anglican Schools Network, Chair of the Indigenous Education Focus Group of the Centre for Strategic Education and Chair of the Victorian Branch and member of the National Executive of the Association of Heads of Independent Schools of Australia.

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EDWARD TUDOR:

Edward is Executive Director of the Melbourne Indigenous Transition School. He comes to the role with strong experience in corporate governance, project management and commercial legal advice. Edward was a solicitor with law firm King & Wood, Mallesons from February 2011 until October 2014.

He graduated from the University of Melbourne in 2010 with a combined Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws (Hons) and was one of KWM Australia's first secondees to its Beijing office. Whilst studying Arts, Edward majored in French and completed minor subjects in Indigenous Studies. Edward served as a board member of the Old Scotch Collegians' Association for five years and was the founding President of the Old Scotch Music and Drama Club

ROTARIAN JOHN MITCHELL INDIGENOUS SCHOLARSHIP

John devoted passion, patience and endless time to supporting Neville White and others in their work in the community. He was particularly passionate about education.

The Melbourne Indigenous Transition School (MITS) was founded in 2015 and aims to help students from remote communities make the transition to Melbourne schools. The program is for children of about year seven age and the boys and girls go to Melbourne schools on completion of one year at MITS.

The website <https://www.mits.vic.edu.au> about provides further information and those of us who have had contact with the school are very impressed by what they are doing.

We feel it would be appropriate to pay tribute to John Mitchell's devoted work for indigenous people by awarding a scholarship for one pupil to MITS. The cost of this would be a commitment of \$20,000 per year and the commitment would be made for three years. Melbourne Rotary is prepared to commit a total of \$7,500 to the "John Mitchell Scholarship". In excess of \$7,000 per year has been pledged by a number of Rotarians. So we need further pledges totalling some \$5,500.

This letter is to invite you to pledge any amount you would be comfortable with. We will have a representative from MITS speaking at our Wednesday lunch on 22nd November where we will officially launch the scholarship. You can do so by sending an email to Ted Garland at ehcg@ozemail.com.au or to Peter Duncan at peterjbduncan@gmail.com.

Donations to MITS will be tax deductible. It would be of great help to us if your pledge could be communicated before the end of October as we hope to announce the scholarship in November.

Rob McGuirk -- Rotary Club of Melbourne

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

29 Nov: Sir John Reid Community Service Award
06 Dec: Snr Sgt Marilyn ROSS, Victoria Police
13 Dec: Christmas Festive meeting (final meeting of 2017)
17 Jan: Dr Kathleen McGuire (first meeting of 2018)

LAST WEEK'S SPEAKER

RT. HON. ROBERT DOYLE AC, LORD MAYOR OF MELBOURNE

A sobering fact was the detail around affordable housing. The fact that older women are at particular risk of homelessness and the threat posed by more frequent heatwaves.

The Project called "Vital Signs" was a perfect format for Council to assess themselves, whether planning services or infrastructure. Robert described how we were lucky in Melbourne because we had forefathers who made infrastructure decisions that benefit us to this day. Robert Hoddle (Streets), Charles La Trobe (Gardens), Robert Risson (Trams).

Melbourne is ranked in the top 15 "Global Elite" cities of the world. Also, Robert conveyed that the day and night time economy is outstripping the Nation having grown by \$20 billion since Robert became Lord Mayor. Today, Melbourne is worth \$92 billion.

Victoria appears to outperform the nation on all economic fronts with a city that is 38 Square Kms. Planning for growth is in the forefront of all decision making and the ABS is predicting a Greater Melbourne population of close to 8 million by 2050.

There are 20,000 residential dwellings currently under construction, a further 31,000 have already been approved and an additional 25,000 are in the pipeline.

Melbourne's hotel sector is experiencing high occupancy rates at 86%, thanks to a 12% increase in International overnight visitors.

The "start up" sector in Melbourne of new business has grown by more than 750% in central Melbourne in the past 3 years. Some of the big technical based businesses that have opened here include: Facebook, LinkedIn, Datacom and Electronic Arts.

Next 5-10 years: \$42 billion worth of projects are set to commence within 2 km of Melbourne's CBD.

Robert described the huge urban renewal projects with planning already underway on 750 hectares from fisherman's Bend to Arden-Maccauley. Melbourne has delivered the largest infrastructure investment in the history of the Melbourne City Council.

He finished an excellent speech by quoting: "Being the World's most liveable city for 7 years in a row, is not a mere accolade but a "commodity"!"

OUR LIFE HONORARY MEMBER

KEVIN O'FLAHERTY

Kevin has been an active member and supporter of committees and groups of the Club since his induction. He is or has been an active member of many Club fellowship and service committees including:

- Membership Development Committee from 1993 to 2000 then 2003/2004;
- Promote Victoria Committee from 1996 to 1998;
- Operation Livewire Committee from 1999 to 2002;
- Program Committee for 2002/2003;
- Website Committee for 2005/2006;
- Healthy Hearts Committee from 2005 to 2008;
- Fundraising Committee for 2010/2011;
- Carlton "Blue Boys" group from 2012 to 2015;
- e-Communications Committee for 2014/2015;
- International Fellowship Committee from 2000 to 2017; and
- Arts Committee from 2005 to 2017.

In addition, he was the Chairman of the Let's Go! Committee from 2005 to 2012.

Kevin was the founding Chairman of the 0808 Committee in 2010 and remained Chairman until 2013. He remains a member of the 0808 Committee. During this time he was Chairman of the sub-committee organising the Annual 0808 Ceremony at the Shrine of Remembrance for 2015/2016 as well as the sub-committee for the Annual presentation of the Monash Medal for 2015/2016. Kevin was a driving force behind the creation of the Monash Medal. He designed the medal and was responsible for its production.

At Board level, he was Co-Director, International Service for 1995/1996 and Director Club Procedure for 1996/1997.

Kevin was a member of the Toorak 3 Group from 1992 to 2012, and was its Captain from 2004 to 2006. Following the merger of the Toorak 3 Group with the Toorak 1 Group, he joined the Toorak 1 Group for 2016/2017.

In recent years Kevin has spent a significant time researching the life and times of General Sir John Monash so he could write the libretto for the "Peace" Cantata. David Kram, also of the Rotary Club of Melbourne, composed the music. The world premiere performance took place at Hamer Concert Hall, Melbourne, on 9 September 2017.

Recently, Kevin and Mary moved to Kirra Beach on the Gold Coast but Kevin maintained his contact with the Club by electronic communication and the occasional visit. His health has been failing so the occasional visit became almost impossible.

Kevin is being made an Honorary Life Member due to his lengthy and committed service to the Club, and the Australian community, especially through his work on the 0808 Committee and commemorating the legacy of General Sir John Monash.
Mary Barry, President 2017-2018

CLUB EVENTS & REMINDERS

FUND RAISING FESTIVE WINE SEASON UPDATE

You will not only receive some very high quality premium wine for this year's festive season. You are also making a significant contribution to our work with communities and people in the Melbourne area.

Full details of each of the Yarra Valley wines are included in the attached flyer and order form:

[Wine_Flyer_2017_\(f\)_2.pdf](#)

Don't miss this opportunity to access these highly awarded wines at competitive prices and support our fundraising. If you do not have a lot of wine storage space, even an order for a box of 6 will help.

Delivery will occur in the week-commencing 4 December. The "Wine Team" wish to thank you and value your support.

EVENING MEETING

The final Evening Meeting for the Rotary Club of Melbourne will be held on 6 December. Please save the date and details will be provided at a later time.

DISTRICT WINE APPRECIATION EVENT

Our Members and friends are invited to attend the Rotary Wine Appreciation Fellowship Annual Event hosted by the Rotary Club of Keilor. This is to be held on Sunday, 3 December and our Reg Smith is leading a party of interested folk and is happy to arrange shared travel arrangements. Please contact Reg Smith: reg.smith@bigpond.com.

DISTRICT 9800 CONFERENCE 2018 NEWS

WARRNAMBOOL 16-18 MARCH

Click here: [2018_Conference_Promo_1.pdf](#) for full details and access to the registration page at: <http://www.rotaryconference.org.au>

We have secured a group booking at the Quality Suites Deep Blue resort which is less than two kilometres from the Conference site. For your Conference accommodation as part of this group, you can complete the attached RCM On-to-Conference Registration Form and send it to On-to-Conference Coordinator, Reg Smith by mail or email (addresses are in the registration form).

RCM On-to-Conference Experience

Until recently, the Western district was one of the world's best kept secrets. This year's On-to-Conference (OTC) will help you explore some of the highlights of this wonderful region, which is virtually on our own doorstep. The OTC Tour commences immediately following the Club's meeting on Wednesday, 14 March at which RI President, Ian Riseley will be Special Guest and Speaker.

First stop will be at the Werribee Mansion for afternoon tea and meeting with Trevor Huggard, 92nd Lord Mayor of Melbourne in 1986–1987 and key authority in the preservation of this great Mansion.

The journey to Warrnambool will be through Geelong, Noorat, and Dunkeld, with a wide range of options for you to explore as we approach Warrnambool. Read about the journey in detail in the attached program:

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To secure your place on this Annual highlight in the Club's program, we strongly recommend that you register immediately, by completing the attached Registration Form: [RCM_OTC_2018_Registration_Form.docx](#) More information will be made available as the District Conference gets closer.

Please give Reg Smith a call if you would like to discuss the On to Conference Program in more detail.

MEMBER NEWS

“APPRENTICE” VOLUNTEER NEEDED

The competition raises between \$2500 and \$3000 for the Club's charitable activities and is well supported by club members, families and friends of Rotary.

The competition runs on software supplied by a commercial firm, Footy Tipping Software, which is quick and efficient and takes most of the work out of running competitions like this one.

The role of the organizer is to set up the competition each year, enlist the tippers and recruit new tippers. This all done by email, of course. Occasionally, some of our tippers require a bit of assistance early in the season to become familiar with the online sequences for lodging tips.

Setting up the competition involves agreeing the rules with Footy Tipping Software, developing the prize profile and loading up the software for the year. None of this is too onerous but some basic computer skills would be helpful. And the previous year's template is always in place.

Payments are handled by Jo in the Rotary Office with the organizer reconciling payments received with entries, and where necessary, following up late payers.

We have always had a number of kind friends who donate non-cash prizes. The organizer arranges these.

There are, of course, non-cash benefits for Rotary. Many members look forward to it and enjoy the challenge. And the friends of rotary are conscious of assisting in our charitable activities.

It is not an onerous task and a wonderful opportunity for that person that can access a computer on a regular basis in the footy season to contribute to the Club's activities.

Anyone who wishes to talk further with me can call on 0418571303. Many thanks, Ted Exell, Health & Ageing Committee"

LAST WEEK'S GUESTS & GREETINGS

Happy Birthday this week to: George Koczkar (TODAY), Gerald Ashman, Peter Clemenger, Philip Liu, Rosemary Nixon, Richard Skinner, Stephanie Woollard.

GUESTS AT LAST MEETING

Guests of the Club: Robert Doyle (Speaker), Mandi Wendt (Inductees), Greg Harbour, Greg McCluskey.

Visiting Australian Rotarians: Ian Salek (Canterbury), Nicole Lake (Melbourne Park), Yidan Xi (Gold Coast).

Guests of Members: Chris Holtby (John Allen), William Wei, Michelle Li (Yidan Xi), Celina Yu, Goran Stankovic (Ian Evans), Jonathan Tribe (Peter Payne), Helen Evans (Chris Wang).

On Duty Next Week: JM, SMc, BB, DYF, RS, Rob Helme (Wine), Bill Pickett (Photos)