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THIS WEEK'S SPEAKER

2017-18 VOCATIONAL SERVICE AWARD

Previous Vocational Service Awards were given to:

2008: Prof. Jeffrey Rosenfeld 2009: Prof. Glyn Davis 2010: Dr Neville White

2011: Mr Bryan Lipmann AM 2012: Ms Stephanie Alexander OAM

2013: Dr Mukesh C Haikerwal AO, AC 2014: Ms Deborah Cheetham

2015: Mr Nigel Dick AM 2016: Mr Gareth T A Andrews 2017: Dr Catherine Crock AM

Dr Bronwyn King started her medical career working on the lung cancer unit at the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre in Melbourne. The devastating impact of tobacco on her patients left a deep impression. Years later, Bronwyn discovered her unwitting investment in tobacco companies through her super fund and felt obliged to try to bridge the gap between the health and finance sectors.

Tobacco-free finance policies have since been implemented by more than 40 Australian superannuation funds as well as Sovereign Wealth funds, banks, insurers and fund managers in ten countries, including BNP Paribas, AXA and Australian Super. More than AU\$12 Billion away from investment in tobacco

A former elite swimmer who represented Australia and for ten years worked as Team Doctor for the Australian Swimming Team, Bronwyn is also actively involved in a range of community initiatives. She is the Tobacco Control Ambassador for Cancer Council Australia, an Australia Day Ambassador, an Ambassador for Big Brothers Big Sisters Australia and a fellow of Leadership Victoria's Williamson Community Leadership Program.

In 2013 she received the President's Award for Tobacco Control from the Thoracic Society of Australia and New Zealand.

In 2014 she was listed as one of the Westpac/Australian Financial Review 100 Women on Influence.

In 2015 Bronwyn was awarded the VicHealth Award for Preventing Tobacco Use.

In 2016 she received the Dr Bob Elphick medal for tobacco control from the Australian Council on Smoking and Health.

In 2017 she was made the Inaugural Distinguished Fellow in a joint initiative between Kings' College London and the University of Melbourne, she became a Diplomat of the Global Charter of the World Association of Public Health Federations, was made a 2017 VicHealth Champion and delivered a TEDx Sydney presentation.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

28 Feb: Amanda Elliott, Chair VRC

07 Mar: Fiona McLeod, President Law Council

of Australia

14 Mar: Angus Mitchell Oration, RI President lan Riseley

21 Mar: Claire Spencer, CEO Arts Centre

LAST WEEK'S SPEAKER

ASS. PROF. YASO NADARAJAH

Through the development of trust with the local people, she has enabled a ground up approach to be created through discussion and engagement, and gaining an understanding of traditional knowledge. This has been positive with the community's willingness to explore new approaches to their own community development.

Successful projects have been established in agriculture and small ecoenterprises. RMIT engineering

students have assisted the Papuan community in building turmeric processing machines and assisting with water supply systems. Momentum has been created in these isolated communities for a sustainable development strategy, but Yaso detailed that continued assistance is essential in maintaining and developing a more sustainable future for their communities.

CLUB EVENTS & REMINDERS

REMINDER: BOOK YOUR TICKETS

Not only are guests invited from many diverse organisations including the Health and Community sector, Government agencies and public companies, but the Club invites senior students from a host of schools both Government and Private in Melbourne and country Victoria.

The students and teacher are often sponsored by the host Rotary Club in their district which provides a really good way of introducing Rotary International to young people. The students and teacher tickets are just \$50. For information about this school program, please contact Dorothy Gilmour, gilmour.dorothy@gmail.com

Bookings are open and tickets may be purchased at: rotaryiwdbreakfast.org.au

See the attached Flyer for booking information. WIR_Breakfast_A4_flyer_2018.pdf

ROTARY PARK TREE DEDICATION 14 MARCH

Our Rotary Park was created from part of the Domain Parklands created in 1841. These Parklands were later renamed in 1873 by William Guilfoyle and treasured by Melbourne as our Botanic Gardens.

Situated on the corner of Anderson Street and Domain Road, South Yarra; Rotary Park was allocated to the Rotary Club of Melbourne in 1934 during the Victorian Centenary Celebrations. The first tree dedication was made to the founder of Rotary, Paul Harris on his visit to Melbourne in 1935. It is listed as Tree Number 30 on our records. At that time, a tree was also dedicated to Mrs Jean Harris, not only for her support to her husband, but possibly as a reward for the "long voyage Down Under"!

Since that first dedication in 1935, out of a total of 43 tree dedications, 25 Rotary International Presidents have been honoured. Our own Honorary Member Royce Abbey has two trees as a mark of respect for his dedication to Rotary International and our Club.

It was recently that Ian Ferguson (Committee Chair) led a successful mission to the National Trust in securiing Heritage listing and official recognition of Rotary Park.

ANGUS MITCHELL ORATION by RIPRESIDENT IAN RISELEY

Continuing the tradition of exemplary Australian leaders as orators honouring the memory of Australia's, and RCM's first RI President, Angus Mitchell.

This is a must attend for all Rotarians, an opportunity to hear from the Rotarian in the highest office of Rotary. Don't miss it. Read the attached Flyer for details of lan Riseley and Angus Mitchell. Angus_Mitchell_Oration_2018_lan_Riseley_2.pdf

MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

ROTARY LANGUAGE LESSON

3-H: Health, Hunger & Humanity and WCSRN: World Community Service Resource Network. See the attached list for a world of Rotary shortcuts. Acronyms_used_in_Rotary.pdf

PHIL ENDERSBEE PRESENTATION TO ABC

Phil hopes that the following points are what he hopes the ABC Interview will provide in their podcast:

1. "That Launch Housing were the first to introduce a Not-For-Profit real estate

- business into Australia where that business specifically serves the most disadvantaged in our community viz homeless, victims of domestic violence, refugees etc.
- That our available housing stock is not sufficient via public housing for those at risk so we are now opening up the opportunity for private housing viz apartments, units & houses, to also enter this space and to do so such that the landlords are not significantly financially disadvantaged.
- 3. The ATO / Federal Government have now weighed in such that for those who do hand over their property to be managed by Launch Housing can claim the difference between the actual rent and the market rent as a tax deductible donation.
- 4. In addition to Point 3 I am now working with the State Revenue Office such that those private properties that are managed by Launch Housing and do meet the criteria of Affordable Housing will be granted Land Tax Free status. The advantage of receiving this status is that the Rates for these properties and many of the utility providers will either waive or significantly reduce their tariffs.
- To date we now have 250 private properties covered by Launch Housing and with the sort of promotion that hopefully we will get from the ABC we hope to increase these numbers.
- 6. In closing it is so important that the potential tenants (those with young children in particular) have the opportunity to move into some of our more comfortable suburbs with some of our better public schools and better public transport rather than be on the 13th floor of a block of Council flats on Hoddle Street/ Punt Road."

This sort of model is a win for all and just builds better communities.

MANDI WENDT - NEW MEMBER RI COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE
The role of the Committee is to provide guidance and advice to the RI Board of
Directors on ways to effectively communicate the mission, program, and activities
of Rotary to Rotarians, Clubs, Districts and the general public. It will advise the
Board on all RI communication tools, including printed publications, electronic
communication, and audio-visual materials for Rotarians and the general public.
The committee is comprised of experienced Rotarians from around the world and
meets annually at Rotary Headquarters in Evanston, USA.
Rotary Club of Melbourne is looking forward to working with Mandi to ensure our
Club is as effective in communicating our mission, projects and events to the
general public and our Members.

GROUP NEWS

MALVERN GROUP MEMORIAL LUNCH

A perfect day was spent at Quin and Lina Scalzo's Portsea home for 20 Members and partners of the Malvern Group. It was lovely to spend time with John and Frances Reynolds and share in the bonhomie of warm-hearted friendship and "convivialis" whilst feasting on beautiful food and wines. Thank you Malvern Group!

LAST WEEK'S GUESTS & GREETINGS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

The latest Tweets from *Rotary International* (@Rotary) say: "Rotary unites more than a million great minds around a shared purpose. And together, there's no limit to the good we can do." It is also time to share congratulations and celebrate Rotary International's Birthday on Friday, 23 February. Happy Birthday RI!

Happy Birthday this week to: Marion Macleod, Medcalf Robert, Jeremy Oates (ALL 3 TODAY!!!), Susan Barton, Grahme Bond.

GUESTS AT LAST MEETING

Guests of the Club: Yaso Nadarajah (Speaker), Flavia Minikus

Visiting Australian Rotarians: Neville John (Hawthorn), Bruce Duffy (Western Endeavour, WA)

Guests of Members: Elena Hur, Yidan Xi, Peter Hanlon (lan Evans), Darren Savickas (Robert Fisher), Clifton Warren, lan Harrison (Cheryl Lacey), Brenda Connell (Mev Connell), Margaret Ross (lan Ross), Kerralie Shaw (John Shaw), Jan de Kretser (David de Kretser), Janet Wang (Chris Wang), David Knight (David Beanland).

On Duty this week MM, JM, SMc, MMc, JO, TBA (Wine), lan Ross (Photos)

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