

The Bulletin

Phillip Island and San Remo
District 9820



Week 1 : September 2015



September is...
Basic Education
& Literacy
Month



District Governor:
Merv Williams

President: Keith Gregory
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Meeting every **MONDAY** at 6.30pm. Visitors Welcome. RSL, Thompson Ave, Cowes.

President's Report

Guest speaker Carol Blair

We had a very entertaining, interesting and useful night hearing from Carol Blair speaking on her involvement in a reading program in Indigenous schools. It was entertaining from the way Carol presented her talk to us in that it had both humour and candour. It was interesting because she spoke about our aboriginal Australians in a way many attending did not previously know. It was useful in that there were lessons for all of us to better understand the need to respect their culture, traditions and needs. Carol's work is to be applauded not only by our Club but by all Australians to bring about change in the education of Aboriginal children. It was obvious that this will take a long time and require more people like Carol to achieve these goals. It was obvious that Carol enjoys her work and rightfully receives positive feedback from the aboriginal children families and teachers with whom she works. The questions that flowed after her talk indicated that we were enthralled and appreciated the responses, which were given in a

knowledgeable and enthusiastic manner.

Overall I believe you would all agree that we had one of the most enjoyable evenings that we have had for some time.

Our forward program

Meeting with Kooweerup-Lang Lang

As indicated we have been invited to a joint meeting with KooWeeRup-Lang Lang Rotary Club on Wednesday 21st October 6.30pm for 7.00pm at the Gurdies Winery. This is the week after the Grand Prix. Normally we meet on Monday 19th Oct as a thankyou night to volunteers who help us at the parking. We could however do this on the following Monday, 26th October. I would like everyone to give this your consideration and let me know what you wish to do on Monday next so that we can let KooWeeRup know. This of course will be a partner's night.

Grand Prix 16 to 18 October

We have received the contract from the Australian Grand Prix Corporation for our parking at this year's race. This will be reviewed by the Board next week so it is very likely we will be involved again This means we need everyone to be involved as well as other volunteers so ensure you note in

your diary Friday 16th Oct – Sun 18th Oct.

Ted has advised the following staffing arrangements;
On Friday 16th Oct; small numbers, estimated 2 people in tent doing helmets in morning and same in afternoon, Office people x 2 and 2 runners – six bodies in the' paddock: 2 parkers and 2 ticket sellers. 10 – 12 people in all with a couple of people at 7am. Generally there is only a couple of hundred bikes on Friday. Saturday and Sunday 9 - 10 am, through till 7pm.
Saturday double the above numbers. Sunday same and will need 4 ticket sellers and 4 parkers.
Will need minimum of 3 doing helmets, 1 doing general, 3-4 helmet runners, 2x office people, and 2x ticket writers.

Vocational Visit Gippsland's Dutson waste facility

This is scheduled for Friday 18th September, Depart San Remo 0800, arrive back in San Remo around 5.00pm. There are one or two places left so let Ian McPhee know of your interest. Cost \$40 per head.

DIK (Donations in Kind) OPEN DAY

Saturday 24th Oct 10.00am in Melb. Please let Peter Kelly know of your interest in attending.

NEXT MEETING: Monday 7th Sept. Bistro Meeting

Speaker: General Business and Fellowship

Apologies & Guests: Please advise John Tennant on ph: 0418 919 009 by 3pm.

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The 2015 BIG Ride

The Australian Chapter of the **International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians (IFMR)**, of which Carron Bourke is a member, is preparing for the 2015 BIG RIDE. If you have a motorbike (with a good padded seat) you too could join this hardy group of Rotarians in fellowship on two (or three) wheels.

Starting November 2nd 2015 the ride is to take place over approx. 10 days, incorporating some coastal, some mountainous, and some outback experiences – total distance approx. 2800 kms all on bitumen, and all good riding. (*Ed; that is what the brochure says, but it is noted weather is not mentioned*).

The IFMR 2015 Big Ride travels from Cobar in New South Wales to Griffith in New South Wales. Starting on Monday 2nd of November, it will be a **long way round** type ride incorporating as many of the motorcycling roads recommended in the Hema Atlas as possible. It will be all bitumen (hard top) roads, with daily travel distances of no more than 400km or approximately 4 hours of riding.

Riders will be charged \$20 per bike, and all money raised will be donated to the **Royal Flying Doctor Service**.



Extension Rides will be listed if you want to find some company to ride with you to get to the start, and when you leave from the finish, you may wish to organise a group extension ride. One such extension will be from Griffith to Shepparton to Apollo Bay to Mount Gambier to Adelaide, for anyone returning towards Adelaide.

Each day will start with a rendezvous at the local post office at 9:30am. Riders will be expected to be fuelled up and ready to go at the start location at the start time.

Prior to heading off there will be a daily ride briefing – there may be occasions when due to road conditions, weather or other unforeseen circumstances that the route may have to be changed. Any route changes or other items of interest will be updated daily on the IFMR website:-

<http://www.ifmraustralia.org/>

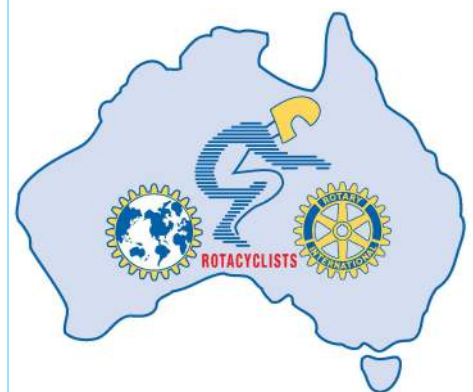
Rotarian David Brown will be the contact for all enquires during the ride, and he will be kept informed of any changes to the route – phone 0415 498 773

The ride is not restricted to Rotarians, and non-Rotarians are encouraged to join us. Riders can join and leave the ride group during the day in order to visit people or sites along the way. It is expected that riders will join the ride for all or part of the ride which ever suits them. There will be no restriction on how often or when riders can join and leave the ride, provided we know what you are planning and report in when you re-join the group or arrive at the daily destination.

Local Rotary Clubs and other organisations will be involved with the Big 'Long' Ride and there

will be opportunities to attend some Rotary Club meetings. The schedule will be planned for a group lunch point and a group outing every night in order to allow for a lot of fellowship time. Meal costs are the responsibility of each individual.

Register your interest if you are planning to come along or thinking about it. Contact IFMR-Australia Secretary: Peter Brown email: pmj.brown@yahoo.com.au



Please pass this information to any Rotary members that may be motorcyclists as the Fellowship welcomes new riders.

Play Golf For A Cause

Here's Your Chance To Play At **Australia's #1 Rated Golf Course:** Supporting Australian Rotary Health To Research

Monday 5th of October 2015

We are happy to give you and your guests the opportunity to play at **Royal Melbourne Golf Club**. This is an opportunity for you to invite Friends, Colleagues or maybe your Top Clients to participate in our Ambrose Event. And maybe even win a BMW! Who Knows? What a way to spend a Monday. And just as a bonus we will be playing just before a Major Tournament.

[Click here for more details](#)

Domestic Violence in Australia

Domestic violence affects people of all genders, sexualities, ages, socio-economic backgrounds and cultures. However the overwhelming majority of people who experience violence are women.

Domestic or family violence is an abuse of power within a close relationship, or after separation. It involves one person dominating and controlling another causing intimidation and fear. It is not necessarily physical and can include:

- Sexual abuse
- Emotional or psychological abuse
- Verbal abuse
- Spiritual abuse
- Stalking and intimidation
- Social and geographical isolation
- Financial abuse
- Cruelty to pets; or
- Damage to property

Often the terms 'family violence' and 'domestic violence' are used interchangeably. 'Domestic violence'

is most commonly used to describe violence perpetrated by an intimate partner. 'Family violence' is sometimes thought of as the broader term, covering intimate, family and other relationships of mutual obligation and support.

Family violence is often experienced as a pattern of abuse that escalates over time.

Horrorifying facts published in the August issue of the Australian Medical Association (Vic) Magazine state:

- 1 woman dies at the hands of a current or former partner almost every week in Australia.
- 1 in 3 women have experiences physical violence, since the age of 15
- 1 in 5 woman have experiences sexual violence.
- 1 in 4 women have experiences abuse by a current or former partner.
- Women in Australia are 3 times more likely than men to experience violence at the hands of a partner.
- Almost half of the women who

experience violence by an ex-partner, said children had seen or heard the violence.

- Young women (18-24yrs) experience significantly higher rates of physical and sexual violence than women in older age groups.
- 90% of Australian women with an intellectual disability have been subjected to sexual abuse.
- Indigenous women experience disproportionately high levels of family violence.

Source: Our Watch – a national body established by the Federal and Victorian Governments to address the issue of preventing violence against women and children by motivating community action. www.Ourwatch.org.au/Understanding-Violence/Facts-and-figures

Thanks go to Graeme Hudson for this provoking information.

**STOP
VIOLENCE
AGAINST
WOMEN**



The Rotary Club of Maryborough has launched a landmark campaign aimed at tackling family violence.

"Family violence has no socio-economic distinction. It involves boiler suits to business suits, battlers to billionaires and anything in between, from the North Shore of Sydney to the Adelaide Hills and Maryborough too" said the president of the Rotary Club of Maryborough, Garry Higgins.

"We've developed a Support, Advice, Facilitation and Early Intervention (SAFE) model, which involves Rotary working with local, state and national organisations on strategies to assist victims, offenders, their families and the general community. It's the lynchpin that brings everyone in the community together to contribute their specialised skills and services."



A key component of the campaign is the #SayNO2familyviolence social media message that also headlines the posters and brochures being used to create awareness about the project and its aims.

The project is largely Rotary funded and is underpinned by an excellent network of service providers.

The Central Goldfields Shire is the lead agency for family violence in the region and Go Goldfields general manager Sharon Fraser is strongly supportive of Rotary's initiative.

"This is an innovative and collaborative approach to tackling a highly concerning issue," Sharon said. "That Maryborough Rotary has elected to take up the challenge is heartening."

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Rotary has also enlisted the help of the local police and they've sponsored one officer in a pilot project to attend a course on working with men involved in family violence. They are also providing vocational scholarships to two people to benchmark the world's best practice and learn about successful strategies undertaken in overseas communities.

They've got the local footy club on board – an imperative in cultural and behavioural influence – who have volunteered to get involved in the campaign. Garry concedes that turning the tide will take commitment and time.

“But it's a start and we can help change things by getting the message out through peer pressure and leading by example that violence is unacceptable. We want people to be able to live and work in a healthy and safe environment and enjoy our town.

Source: http://rotaryaustralia.org.au/news/8564?frm_id=4



Welcome New Members

Rotarians join and stay with their clubs primarily because they seek opportunities for community service, fellowship, and friendship. Many of the non-Rotarians you know are looking for the same things. **Invite them** to help with your service projects, attend a networking night, or participate in a club get-together and help them see for themselves how Rotary connects leaders to make a positive change.



Source: Rotary International website

Here are some potential candidates to consider for membership:

- > Friends and family members
- > Business acquaintances and Professional colleagues
- > Younger community leaders who are already connected to Rotary through Rotaract, RYLA, peace fellowships, Youth Exchange, and other programs.

Rotary Invocation: For good food and good fellowship and the opportunity of service through Rotary, we give thanks.

The Toast: “To Australia, Rotary and the Queen” *Or* “To Australia and Rotary”

MEETING DUTIES

Cashiers:

Graeme Hudson & Snow Lacco

Set Up/Dismantle:

David Brewster & Tony Cistillo

7th September: Bistro Meeting

To Be Advised

14th September: Dinner Meeting

To Be Advised

21st September: Bistro Meeting

To Be Advised

28th September: Dinner Meeting

To Be Advised

Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.

Helen Keller



Newhaven Breakfast Club – Duty Roster

8 th September	Graeme Hudson	Stevie O’Riely
15 th September	John Tennant	Stevie O’Riely

Term Four Dates: 5th October – 18th December.

Please make a note in your diary of the days you are on duty as you will not necessarily be reminded the evening prior.

If you are unable to complete your duty please find a replacement or phone Kirsty 0459 494 666. Many thanks.

Rogues Gallery

