Beaumaris Rotary

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ROTARY CLUB OF BEAUMARIS Bi-WEEKLY BULLETIN

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Presidents Message

We had a great day at Bunnings and sold more than a thousand sausages. Congratulations to Tim and the team we were blessed with great weather and a busy Bunnings pre-Christmas day.

We had sausages left over and these went to the Bayside church freezer for distribution later. No need for waste.

There has been lots of talk about fund raising and Rotary projects and our seasonal activities seem a little frenetic, thank you to all those busy members who seem irrepressible.

Would everyone please focus more on membership development. Bring a friend to a VGC dinner or ONYX, invite a friend to assist with a sausage sizzle or another project.

Regards, Peter

Friday 19th December

Shirley Mirams is organising a Friday night at **Onyx** low-key Xmas social drinks 0n 19th Dec (night after Rotary's Xmas Dinner).from 4:30 onwards> As peter suggests: bring a friend!!

ONYX will have plates of dips, cheese/fruit platters and their "famous" hot chips! Drinks at bar prices.

Cost will be dependent on who will be there on the 19th.

Please **RSVP to Shirley**, either on 0418308712

End of Year Activities

Thursday 18th December
Club Christmas Break Up Dinner

Final Club Fundraiser
December 13th
Wine raffle tick sales at Seaview

Saturday December 20th
Wine raffle final ticket sales and Draw @ the Concourse

Friday 19th December
Social Drinks break up from 4:30 at ONYX on Reserve Road

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LINK TO CLUB CALENDAR

Club meets Thursday at Victoria Golf Club, 6:30 for 7:00 unless otherwise advised.

RCOB HAPPY HOUR occurs every Friday between 4-6 at ONYX on Reserve Road Cheltenham — Members and Friends welcome

Meeting 4th December —Guest Speaker District Governor

Generational changes, new formats and styles of Rotary

Peter Behm's presentation was clear and concise. Peter talked about reinvigorating our styles of meeting, the growth of new style clubs, particularly cause based ones; how different generations want different things from meetings, under 50s want productivity and networking, over 50s want entertainment and camaraderie. Peter explained some of the District help which is available.

Peter's presentation was very relevant to discussions we are having at the Club at the moment. To quote the Governor: "People today want to volunteer rather than join" - something we could all ponder. Trish Smyth

Bunnings BBQ was a great success in terms of $$ raised due to good weather and the time of year. Well done to all that participated and made it happen, especially Gail & Tim, Raj & the Muries,

Meeting 27th November—Rotarian behind the Badge—David Lea

Chair Charmaine did an impromptu Chairing role this week and gave us a quick quiz and rundown of the meetings agenda - which included our one and only David Lea as speaker.

David packed a lot into his life story, focusing on family origins from his great, great, great... Paternal grandfather - who fought in the *American War of Independence* (on the British side) from Britain in the 18th Century before emigrating to Australia on the *First Fleet in 1788*—in addition to is Maternal grandparents who emigrated to Australia in the *1850's gold rush* from Sweden.

A lovely story of his grandmother and his family history as a young child living and schooling in numerous parts of Australia as well as the UK & PNG. Very colourful young life and education. Many of us know some of his working life in his talks over the years about his time in the corporate world (BP) and government work (particularly his role in the Longford Gas incident).

Read Davids notes of his story for a first hand account of a remarkable life. Thanks David for sharing. CMM LINK TO FILE

David, doing his informative and long family history, his career talk with a PP presentation in late November.

Shirley Mirams gave us a Heads Up on next year Robinson Bros show in Mid 2026. New venue (Nunawading) and format (virtual band backdrop) on Roy Orbison and others singing in what looks like a great show. Shirley & Ken checking out the new venue and booking arrangements and provide an update in the New Year.

Club News & Events—Concourse Christmas Carnival—Rotary in the Community BBQ and more

Another wash-out threatened this annual event but luckily the rain gods held off and our *Concourse Christmas Carnival* participation avoided a soaking until after we packed up.

Thanks to Raj, Marilyn, Tim, Glenda and all members who helped out on the day (we seemed to have half the Club there at some stages) - also to several of the traders who organised the annual event, particularly Trevor (I Found it) and Trent (Ginger Fox) and the businesses that gave us good discounts on the sausages (Hagens) and bread (Bakers Delight) for the day.

Concourse Traders managed to get a Grant from Bayside City Council to cover the cost of staging the event (blow Up Castle, etc) as well as the newish Beaumaris Concourse Hotel who provided Anton Robins band (at no charge) - a big thankyou to Council and traders for putting on a terrific annual show for Christmas. The crowds (and there was a lot of them) certainly enjoyed it particularly the hundreds of schoolkids and parents who attended. CMM

How Raj gets all this stuff in his van is a miracle (thanks to Wilson's for storing all the Clubs stuff) and once at the Concourse the team is set up ready to go in under 45 mins. Santa arrives in style and Geoff from NHW sets up stall next to us serving candy floss. James & Glenda, collecting the money we put to good use in our community.

Christmas Carnival Cont...

Santa sings with the Choir ; Linda taking orders from customers and Gail & Charmaine delivering them— The BCH band plays on, Local MP Tim Wilson visits us and talks to members, the popular (with kids) soapy pool gets a workout

President Peter and Tim preparing the snags, Peter with Hagens Manager Peter and James & Raj wrap up our team effort in raising around $1100 for our efforts— being very visibly seen in our key home turf—the Concourse

BayCISS Pantry

Chris M & D'A shopped and delivers a $1000 of groceries' for Bayside Community Information & Support Services—supporting those on welfare out of their Hampton East and Moorabbin premises. A number of Bayside Clubs got together & each did a shop for this Christmas.

Club News & Events— —Rotarians In Action. WAG, BAG & BSC… read on...

WAG Finale

Our Christmas Wine Appreciation Group (WAG) get together was held at the home of Cathy and Gavin Christy. They featured Spanish wines partnered with Spanish food.

We soldiered on with out our group leader Mary C and toasted her in her absence.

Megan & James

Beaumaris Secondary College (BSC)

Judah Searle receiving the "Beaumaris Rotary Award." from **PP Denise** on behalf of the Club.

The citation read out before he received it was:

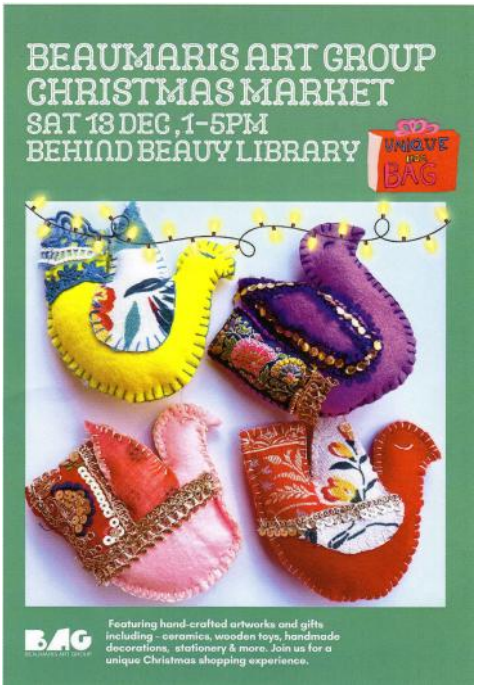
"The Beaumaris Rotary Award recognises a student who demonstrates outstanding citizenship, commitment to service and a genuine desire to make a positive impact in the community. This award celebrates a young person who embodies the values of leadership, integrity and compassion, and who contributes meaningfully both within the school and beyond."

Beaumaris Art Group (BAG)

Chris D'A & Marilyn represented the Club at the recent.y renovated and rejuvenated BAG on Reserve Road (behind the Library) and awarded three prizes to young members of the BAG.

Marilyn presented one of the prizes to Janine Uy (pictured), we are unable to publish pictures of the younger artists but two of their pictures are featured

News & Events—what else is on this month



Thankyou from Bayside Community Care

Rotary Club of Beaumaris Christmas Dinner

Thursday 18th December at 6.30pm

At Victoria Golf Club

Please come and join us
To finish off the year in style!

We are having a 2-course dinner
(main course & dessert)
All drinks are at members cost from the club bar

Dinner Cost: $80 per person

Each person please bring a $10 wrapped Christmas Fare Present for Santa to distribute

Please RSVP to Roy Seager
by Wednesday 10th December
roy.seager@gmail.com
Please notify us of any special dietary requirements.

Payment required in advance to:
RCOB General Account – BSB 633 000
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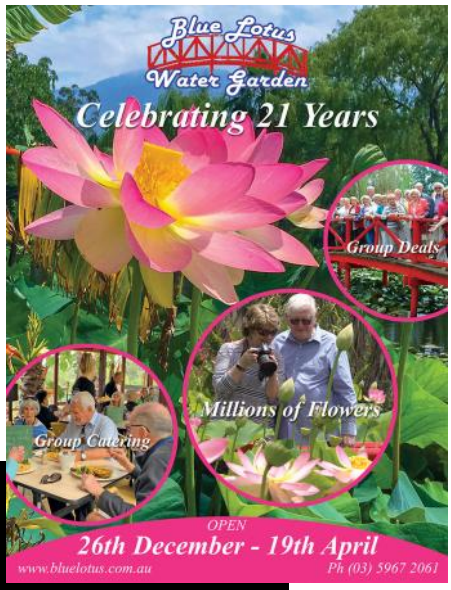
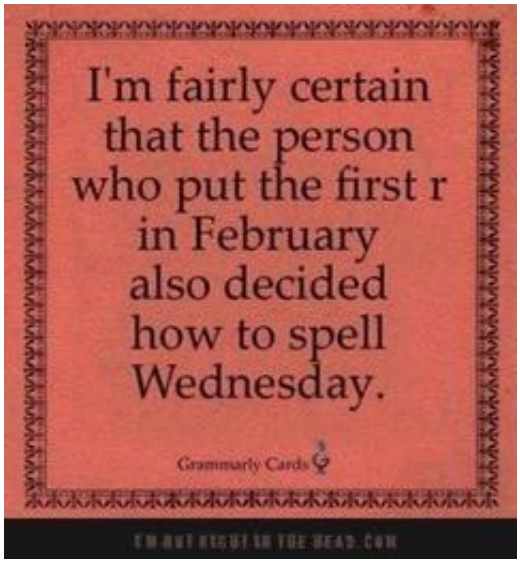
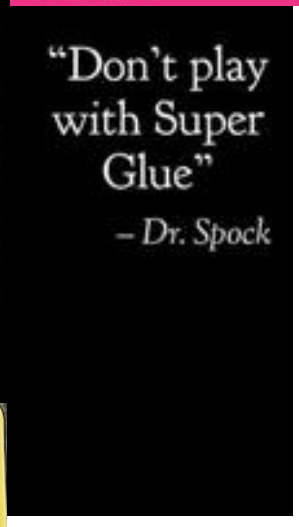
Beauty, Wit & Wisdom…..

Being twenty in the seventies was much more fun than being seventy in the twenties.







WINE Events in 3193...End of Year Cheers

- **XMAS Wine Raffle is OPEN** so get your tickets sold as best you can and return to Glenda before 20th DECEMBER
- **Wine Raffle SEAVIEW SHOPS 13th December**
- **Club Xmas Dinner December 18th @ VGC**
- **Wine Raffle DRAWN at CONCOURSE IGA 20th December**

Yes, its WINE RAFFLE time with a pre Christmas draw. Raj & Glenda are coordination this years raffle, with FOUR Prizes (total of 72 bottles) which we're hoping to have collected for the first street fundraising events as outlined by Glenda previously.

1st event will be at SEAVIEW shops on 13th December followed by the CONCOURSE on 20th December plus an event at U3A

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Club & Rotary Links

Club Program

The forward club program has been uploaded onto the Club Calendar and is available by clicking on the image below or use the QR code below #: The Calendar is best viewed in Agenda mode.

Beaumaris Rotary Calendar

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Strategic Plan 2025-2026

Board and Committees 2025/26

President Peter

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Rotary District 9815

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