Beaumaris Rotary

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ROTARY CLUB OF BEAUMARIS Bi-WEEKLY BULLETIN

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## Presidents Message

The past two weeks have reflected both the heart and the future of our Club.
We were delighted to welcome Fiona and Juliana from Team Sports 4 All, whose work in inclusive sport aligns beautifully with Rotary's commitment to opportunity and community. Thank you for such an inspiring presentation.
Our recent Club Forum was equally significant. In his District role, Ken Mirams a shared valuable perspective: across our District of 1,865 Rotarians, 20 of 76 clubs have fewer than 15 members, three have just six, and while 33 clubs have grown, 27 have declined. His clear message — we are a strong and healthy club — was encouraging. With an average attendance of 27 and established projects such as Dog Day, Afternoon Tea and Reading at the Primary School, we already have much to celebrate.
Importantly, members contributed thoughtful ideas about our future: improving how we market ourselves (perhaps even creating a club video), strengthening visibility in the community, aligning with local organisations, exploring joint meetings with Bayside clubs, and refining our meeting format to balance speakers, fellowship and committee work. There was strong support for maintaining our identity, focusing on positives, and re-engaging long-term members through more interactive and meaningful fellowship opportunities.
Last Sunday's busy and joyful barbecue at Southern Autistic School was Rotary in Action — visible, welcoming and hands-on.
The message from the forum was clear: we are a good club — and we can be even better. With clear actions and shared energy, our future is very much in our hands. Peter

### This Weeks Speaker and Club headlines

- Principal of Beaumaris Secondary College @ VGC
- The Charity Golf Day at Royal Melbourne. **Golf** Committee will be looking for assistance on the day
- The Concourse Car Show has been postponed until Spring. Club considering using all the events we support on the Concourse as a Signature Project helping raise Rotary's awareness levels in our Community.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

5th March @ VGC
Principal Bourdon of
Beaumaris Secondary College

12 March
Hobart Conference
No meeting at VGC

19th March
Stuart Ingram
Destination HQ

26th March @ VGC
Murray Wilson
(DG Elect) on Bail Justice
Also a short
Special General Meeting

26th April
Dog Day at Green Point
Details to come

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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 now at Beaumaris Bowls Club every Friday between 4:30-6 Members and Friends welcome with live music and bare foot bowls

# TS4A Speaker Fiona Gathercole gave us an update on Team Sports 4 All and we handed over a nice big Cheque

## Fiona Gathercole provide an update on TeamSports4All (TS4A)

TS4A believe that every child should have the opportunity to play team sport, whatever their financial situation. They connect financially disadvantaged kids with their local community, fund their registrations, uniform and equipment, and support them for as long as they want to play.

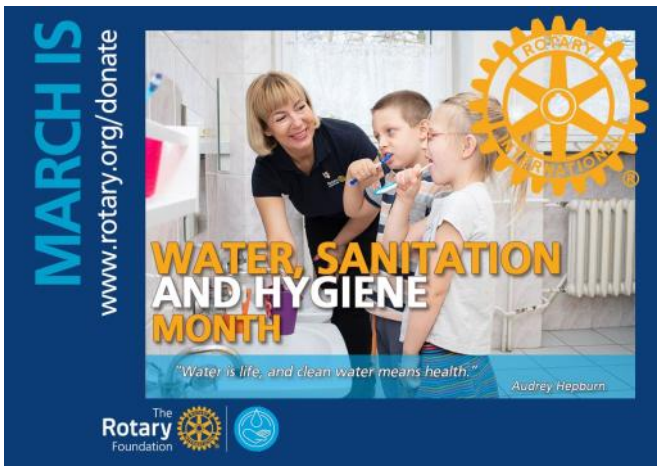
1 in 7 Australian kids need help and even apparently affluent suburbs have disadvantaged families.

It costs $500 to register a child in sport for 1 year and once on board TS4A continues support until age 18. Referrals come from community groups and schools who work with disadvantaged families refer the children aged 5-18 that are in most need. Then TS4A meet with the families to work out what's best for them. They then connect them with the sporting clubs and pay for their registration and any uniform they need to take part.TS4A then stay in touch with them through monthly phone calls, to check in and ensure they're on track.

**Club presented Team Sports 4 All representatives, Fiona Gathercole and Juliana Hamilton-Alvarez, with a cheque for $5,000, James Glenwright added $500 from the sale of his port and Trish Smyth added $250 from the Monday Mah-jong Group. Well done all of you—that's supports another 11 or so needy Kids onto this great program.**

**Top sports chosen by the kids: Basketball – 22%, Soccer – 13%, AFL – 9%, Gymnastics – 7%**

**Reasons for referrals - Family violence – 44%, Mental health – 20%, Out of home care – 20%, Substance abuse 4%, Asylum seeker – 4%**




**Camelo from the Concourses Two Monkeys Café giving Rotary a Plug.. Good One**

# Club activities in February—Golf Day @ VGC, BBQ @ Southern Autistic School in Bentleigh East.

## Cheltenham Football/Netball Club Event

Club members **Cathy, Glenda, Liz Glenda & Lynda** represented our volunteers for this event. Waiting on how much was raised but a good day had by all accounts. COMMUNITY Golf Day, hosted by the Cheltenham Football Netball Club, and took place at the prestigious Victoria Golf Club bringing people together for a day of great golf, good company, and a shared purpose.

Funds raised will go to **Matt's Place Community Meals Program.** Cheltenham FNC is proud to be a charity partner, with every swing helping to support our local community.

**Our Lady golf volunteers and a friendly tenant at a VGC 'fox hole' watching their game, cool as a cucumber says Glenda**

Many members will recall Jenni Braithwaite visiting us from ***Leighton-Linslade RC*** in the UK last year and previous years. Trish Yates forwarded this recent picture below of Jenni at her English Club sending her best wishes—Thanks Trish and Jenni fore keeping in touch across the world of Rotary

## Southern Autistic School BBQ

Another successful and entertaining event for the School in East Bentleigh in which Club volunteers provided BBQ food (over 300 sausages provided) for visitors and family of children at the school. Fantastic day for them all. Parents Association President **Rochelle & Principle Scott** will be speaking to us in June. Thanks to all the 18 members who showed up to help set, cook and pack up across the day **CMM**

# SAVE THE DATE for 18 May
# OUR MAJOR FUNDRAISER for 2026

## 2026 THE BAYSIDE CHARITY GOLF DAY

## THE ROYAL MELBOURNE GOLF CLUB

## MONDAY 18 May 2026

With the generosity of the Royal Melbourne Golf Club, we are pleased to advise that entries are open for the 2026 Bayside Charity Golf Day at Royal Melbourne to be held on Monday 18 May 2026. As you no doubt aware Royal Melbourne has just hosted 2025 Australian Open and this event allows you to test your skill on some of the holes used in the Open.

Our 2026 Charity Golf Day offers TWO 18 hole events on the West Course. (East course event unavailable this year due to course maintenance).

The shot gun events have one starting at 7:30am and another 12:30pm. These are Stableford competitions, and the cost is $460 per player which includes breakfast and lunch in the Royal Melbourne Golf Club Dining Room for morning players, and lunch and post-game snacks for afternoon players. Lunch is at 11:30am for afternoon players and 12:30pm for those playing in the morning.

The day is open to all golfers, including those who do not have an official GolfLink handicap.

For those players a handicap maximum of 18 will apply on the day. In addition to being able to play at Royal Melbourne, one of the top ten Golf courses in the world (http://www.royalmelbourne.com.au) we also offer Quality prizes to successful players in each competition and for the Nearest the Pin, and Straightest Drive competitions.

The best lady player with an official Golf Australia handicap, will be awarded the Lesley Falloon Perpetual Trophy.

The PM players on the West Course, will compete for The Bayside Mayoral Trophy team competition for the best aggregate stableford score.

Places are very limited. Bookings are in groups of four. If the event is cancelled or postponed players will be offered a refund or an opportunity to roll over their booking, should an alternative date be arranged.

Do not miss this excellent opportunity.

Please enter your registration details by following this link to

book https://www.trybooking.com/DHWHN or use the QR below.

Enquiries to info@thebaysidecharitygolfday.com or to Graham Ludecke 0414 444 956.

We look forward to receiving your entry and we know that you will have a great round of golf.

Yours sincerely

**The Committee for The Bayside Charity Golf Day.**

## ROBERTSON BROTHERS EVENT

## ROY ORBISON, EVERLY BROTHERS AND MORE

## FRIDAY, 17 th JULY, 2026

**7.30 pm**

**THE ROUND THEATRE, NUNAWADING**

**379-399 Whitehorse Road, Nunawading.**

**Just behind the Civic Centre.**

**The Robertson Brothers are joining with the internationally acclaimed Dean Bourne (the World's greatest Roy Orbison tribute artist) and the Variety Show team, for a 2-hour audio-visual spectacular. This year's concert will showcase the hits by The Beatles, The Hollies and Simon & Garfunkel along with The Everly Brothers and Roy Orbison.**

**This is a very different show to the ones we have seen in the past. It will showcase the soaring harmonies of Phil and Don Everly and the haunting voice of Roy Orbison, brought to life with the powerful accompaniment of the Variety Show Digital Band and Orchestra.**

**Unfortunately, Frankston Arts Centre wouldn't give the Brothers a date this year as another Roy Orbison tribute artist had already secured a 2026 date.**

**However, The Round Theatre in Nunawading is a fabulous, very plush and comfortable venue. It is an approx. 45 minute drive (similar to driving to Frankston) straight up Warrigal Road, North Road/Wellington Road, Springvale Road and it is just on the left as you turn into Whitehorse Road. There are 400+ free car-parking spaces (including disabled parks), only a few metres from the front door. Food and drinks are available inside the huge foyer.**

**At this stage, I have been able to put on hold, 20 tickets. Cost: $74.95**

**PLEASE RSVP TO SHIRLEY MIRAMS – 0418308712 or kmirams@bigpond.com.**

## Rotary elevator pitch Number 2

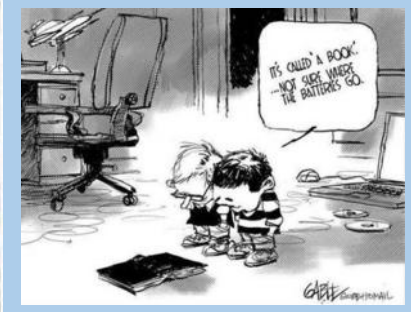
**60-second version (for a curious follow-up on our last edition)**

*"Rotary brings together people from different backgrounds who want to do something meaningful with their time and skills. Our Beaumaris club supports local community projects, partners with charities, and contributes to global initiatives like disaster relief and youth programs. There's no pressure — you get involved at the level that suits your life — but the payoff is strong friendships, personal growth, and the satisfaction of seeing real impact."*

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

**THE SHEEP WILL SPEND ITS ENTIRE LIFE FEARING THE WOLF, ONLY TO BE EATEN BY THE SHEPHERD.**

African Proverb



# 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

## Key Club Documents

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**Constitution of the Rotary Club of Beaumaris Inc.**

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**Strategic Plan 2025-2026**

## Board and Committees 2025/26

President Peter

## Rotary Links

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Rotary District 9815

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