Beaumaris Rotary

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ROTARY CLUB OF BEAUMARIS Bi-WEEKLY BULLETIN

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Presidents Message:

As I start my year I want to revisit our recent Changeover Dinner to acknowledge & thank Ken & Shirley who did an amazing job of incorporating Al in the farewell skit for Peter which was a lot of fun and well received.

For those who were not in attendance, the incoming Board is as follows:

Past President Peter - On to Conference

President Elect - Paul de Bruin

Secretary - Cathy Christy

Treasurer - Lynda Doutch

Community Chair - Marilyn Murie

International Chair - Mark Perelaer

Youth Chair - Denise Grocke

Fundraising Co-Chairs – Chris Mara & Raj Subramanian

Other important roles will be undertaken by:

Speaker Program - Gail Parsons

Attendance Officer - Trish Yates

We will be making a few changes to our regular meetings

New format will be two speakers per month, one social/ fellowship event & very importantly as a Club night at VGC on a regular basis

The Club night is to be a workshop where all Members can participate in the running of the Club. We will discuss the Charities we support, the Strategic Plan, areas of Service you wish to be involved with & more. Please think of this night as an "Open Mike" without the singing!!! If you want to have your say this is your opportunity to be heard.

Create lasting Impact is the new theme for 2026-27

Glenda

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Meetings

Thursday 2 July
VGC Club Meeting
Pres. Glenda
26/27 Year

Thursday 9 July
New Member Talk
Cathy Christie

Thursday 16 July
Fellowship Event
"*Jewel by the Sea*"
Black Rock House
7:30 for 8pm—$25pp
See Gail for details

Thursday 23rd
Angela Costigan
Pets for the Homeless

Thursday 30th July
Mayor of Bayside
Cr Debbie Taylor-Haynes

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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
Beaumaris Bowls Club
Friday 4:30 –6.00pm
All welcome

Meeting June 18th—Guest Speaker Stephen Grey - The MCG & Sports Museum +'new' member Steve Macdonald

Chair Ken

A year ago our speaker, **Stephen Grey**., saw an advertisement advertising for tour guides for the **MCG**. Stephen had taken the tour many times with Rotary exchange students and others and thought he would enjoy the role. The prerequisites where MCG membership, customer service, verbal skills and presentation.

An extensive period of training and learning the history of the MCG, touring with experienced guides followed—finally being assessed leading a tour, he was accepted,

There are some **300 volunteer MCG and Sports Museum guides**. They are not paid but receive a yearly MCG lunch. However, if they volunteer for than 28 days in a year, they get two tickets to the **AFL grand final**. A serious motivation!

About **180,000** visitors take the tour each year. They include school tours,

corporate, cruise ship excursions and walk ups. Each tour lasts about an hour or so. Normally there are four tours daily but during the '**Ashes**' test the "Barmy Army" all wanted a tour and **1200** people per day where visiting! The most enthusiastic visitors come from **India** with their sole focus being cricket an where their great national heroes **Tendulkar an Kohli** had stood.

After 12 months service as a guide they are allowed to wear a special ***striped blazer***, which Stephen wore on the night, only its second outing. Well done Stephen and thanks for sharing history and stories of the **G.**

A big Beaumaris Rotary welcome to Steve Macdonald, a familiar face for many of us from his previous roles in District (Asst. Govn) and the RC of Rowville/Lysterfield

Club Changeover @ VGC Pictorial of new

Before handing over the reins to **Glenda**, President **Peter** provided a concise summary of the Clubs achievements over the last **Rotary Year** and thanked members and those outgoing Board members for their contributions to serve and build on the Clubs past **40 years of community service**.

The Board recognised a number of members with **Paul Harris Fellows** and 'sapphire's' to their existing PHF as well known work horses in the Club who's contributions are substantial and ongoing - well done and thanks from all of us.

Chris M & Trish

Incoming and outgoing Presidents Glenda & Peter

Raj

Ken

Chris D

Marilyn

Megan

Denise

Judy

Shirley

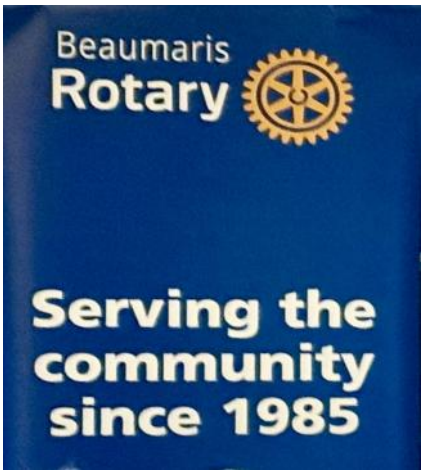
James

Richard

Roy

David

Changeover night Continued….New Board Members

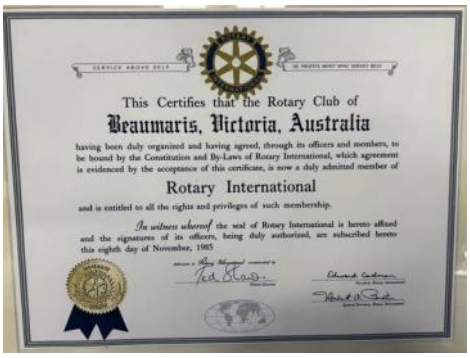


As Glenda noted in her message to members we enjoyed (at PP Peter's expense) an entertaining *'skit'* for PP Peter who was pictured and caricatured (using Ai) with some of his favourite tunes from earlier and current times at great cost to management.

Thanks Shirley and Ken for orchestrating and to Tim, Glenda and Paul for their efforts in restructuring said Peter

There are a few videos of the Skit if Peter would like to add to his collection. CMM

A reconstructed Charter ® of our original Club Charter in 1985 which went MIA (in action)



This Certifies that the Rotary Club of
Beaumaris, Victoria, Australia
having been duly organized and having agreed, through its officers and members, to be bound by the Constitution and By-Laws of Rotary International, which agreement is evidenced by the acceptance of this certificate, is now a duly admitted member of
Rotary International
and is entitled to all the rights and privileges of such membership.
In witness whereof the seal of Rotary International is hereto affixed and the signatures of its officers, being duly authorized, are subscribed hereto this eighth day of November, 1985

Farewell to the Presidency for Peter and hello Glenda

RC Beaumaris Incoming Board for 26/27

L/R; Paul (Pres. Elect) Glenda (President) Cathy, Lynda,Mark, Marilyn, Raj, Peter (past Pres.) Chris & Denise

Rotary District 9815 | RYPEN

RYPEN 2026 is returning to District 9815 for the first time in over seven years!

RYPEN (Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment) is a 3-day camp for 14 to 17 year-olds (in Years 9 to 11), focused on building confidence, discovering their potential, and growing personally. RYPEN 2026 will be held at the Briars Outdoor Ed Camp, Mount Martha, from 18 – 20 September 2026.

Now is the perfect time for your club to connect with local schools and youth groups and begin identifying students who would benefit from this experience.

Applications are now open! Prospective participants can apply by going to: https://linktr.ee/rypen9815

Sponsoring RYPEN participants is a great opportunity to strengthen the club's relationship with local schools while supporting young people in our community to grow and thrive. Sponsoring a RYPEN participant or leader will be $495 (inclusive of GST).

The RYPEN Team has been planning and working hard for months, and we can't wait to see RYPEN return. Our program will be led by Program Facilitators, Christine Tolotchkov and Hannah Flower, two former RYPEN participants, and supported by Rotarians, Barry Rogers and Robert Cook. We've also recruited and started training a team of RYPEN Mentors who will be supporting the participants onsite.

You can find out more about RYPEN by going to: https://rotary9815.org.au/page/rypen or emailing us at rypen@rotary9815.org.au.

The RYPEN Team

INTERNATIONAL—

Our Club recently contributed to a project In Thailand at the Thai Child Development Foundation in partnership with The Rotary club of Dingley to provide a cover for a walkway for disabled students in wheel chairs.
The acknowledgment we have received for our support says it all.

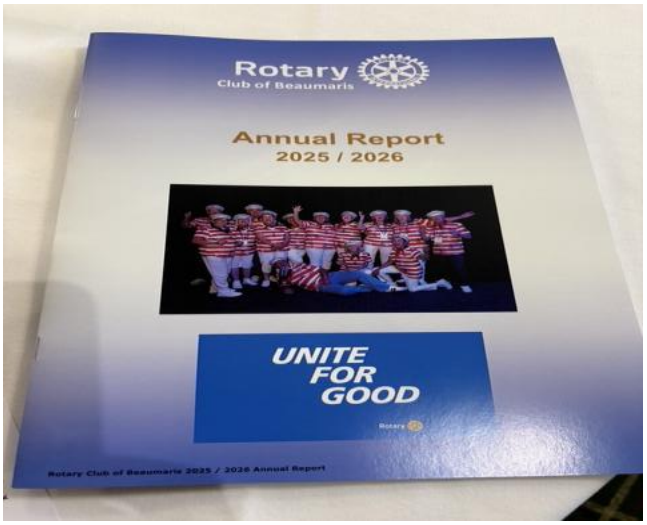
"On behalf of all the children and the team of Thai Child Development Foundation (TCDF), we would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation for your generous donation of AUD 2,000 towards the roof for the wheelchair-accessible pathway at our school for students with special needs in Thailand.

Because of your contribution, children with disabilities will be able to move more freely and comfortably, protected from the elements and supported in their daily routines.

Thank you once again for your generosity and trust. We hope to start construction in July but are dependent on the local labour availability and the weather. We will keep you updated as the project progresses and to share the positive impact you are helping to create.

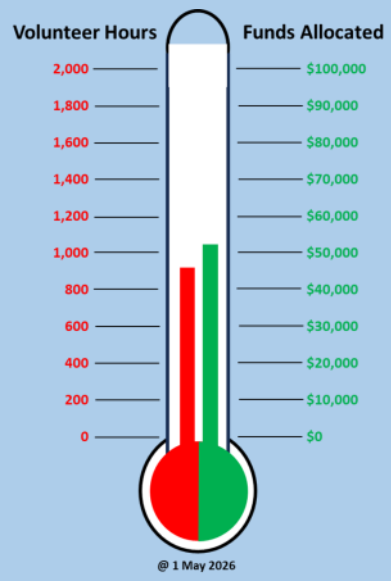
Warmest regards,
Thai Child Development Foundation

Richard Potter: International Chair



Serving Our Community + Wit & Wisdom

This is what we do each serving our community



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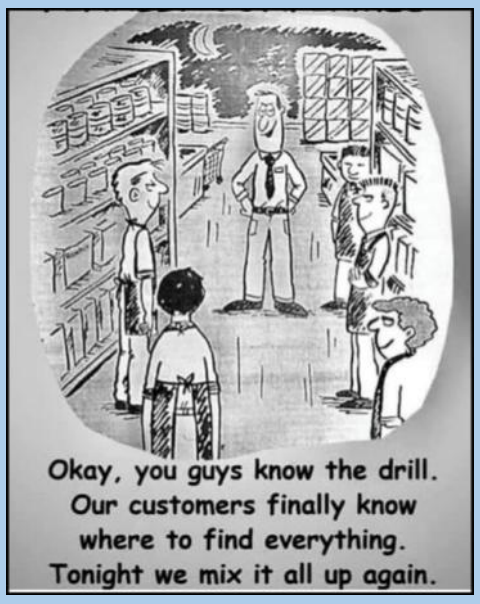
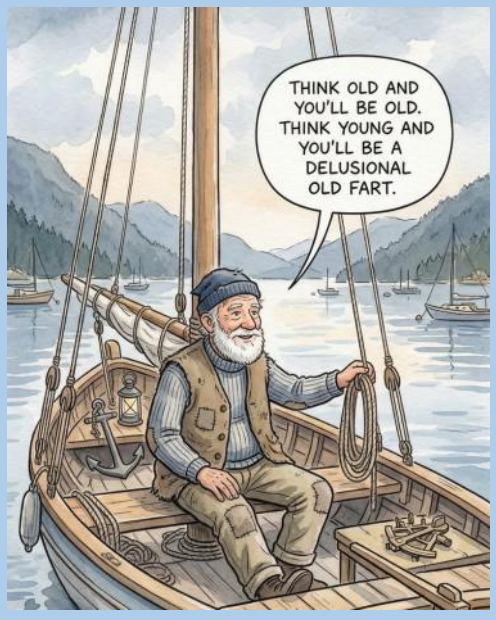
These succulents and their winter flowers are gorgeous in their hanging baskets as are other winter flowers in these Orchids. If you've got something beautiful in your garden send me a picture to share. CMM



Cathy & Gavin hosted another WAG event recently organised by Megan on a bi-monthly basis—a French theme this this months lovely dinner—Thanks wine lovers.



Fellowship Event 16th July—'Jewel by the Sea'

A GOOD Fellow Rotarians

"The Friends of Black Rock House invite you to celebrate the 170th Anniversary of Black Rock House and join them at the sixth season of the play "Jewel By The Sea" presented in intimate cabaret style in Tamar's Tea Room at Black Rock House.

A creative interpretation based on historical records portraying Charles Hotson Ebden's time during the planning, building and life at Black Rock House, 1854-1861.

BYO drinks, nibblies, cups and plates, and then settle into our cozy cabaret setting. Relax at antique tables and chairs while you enjoy the performance.

Arrive from 7:30pm for an 8pm start on Thursday 16 July at Black Rock House, Ebden Ave, Black Rock".

This performance is exclusive to Beaumaris Rotary Club Members and Guests only.
Price for the play is $25 per person and can be paid into the following account.
Rotary Club of Beaumaris BSB 633-000 Account No. 12144 3964. Ref Name & Black Rock Play

ALSO

For those who wish to have an early Dinner beforehand a reservation has been made at Black Olive in Black Rock for a 5.30-5.45pm arrival (menu & details outlined below). Food & drinks at restaurant prices.

https://www.blackoliveonblackrock.com/

Please advise me if you would like to attend this outstanding production and also if you would like to dine beforehand at Black Olive.
Many thanks.

Yours in Fellowship

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Rotary South Pacific's 2026 Conference

Rotary South Pacific's 2026 Conference will unite leaders from across Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific for two transformative days of insight, fellowship and strategic focus on People, Planet and Peace – shaping the region's impact and direction for the years ahead.

Rotary South Pacific is coming together in Melbourne, 30 October – 1 November 2026, for two powerful days that will strengthen leadership, deepen connection and inspire action across our region.

Under the bold theme People. Planet. Peace. this conference, convened by Rotary International Director Jennifer Scott AM and chaired by PDG Tony Monley OAM, is not simply a gathering – it is where Rotary's future direction across Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific will be energised.

You will hear directly from Rotary International President Elect Larry Lunsford, offering global insight into Rotary's next chapter. Past Rotary International President and Rotary Foundation Trustee Gordon McInally will highlight how strategic giving translates into measurable humanitarian impact worldwide.

The Planet theme will be led by Bridget Teirney, exploring environmental stewardship as an expression of community care and long-term resilience. The Peace stream features Associate Professor Sebastian Kaempf, Director of the Rotary Peace Centre at the University of Queensland, addressing how Rotary can strengthen social cohesion and build positive peace in a complex digital age.

Guiding us across two dynamic days will be our Masters of Ceremony, PDG Stephen O'Connell OAM and PDG Jenn Wong, bringing energy, clarity and connection to every session.

Beyond the keynote stage, Melbourne 2026 offers meaningful fellowship, the vibrant House of Friendship, the End Polio Now Walk, governor cohort dinners, Rotaractor gatherings and a dedicated Fellowship Dinner for Rotarians who simply wish to reconnect.

Located at the Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre, the conference offers seamless convenience, with preferential accommodation rates available at Novotel Melbourne South Wharf (10% discount using Client Code SCP4537877 and Access Code RO443AU516 via all.accor.com).

Early Bird registration is now open. Be in the room. Be part of the conversations that matter. Register at https://events.humanitix.com/rotary-south-pacific-conference-2026-melbourne-australia

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.

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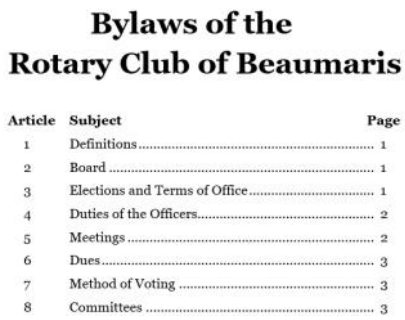
Key Club Documents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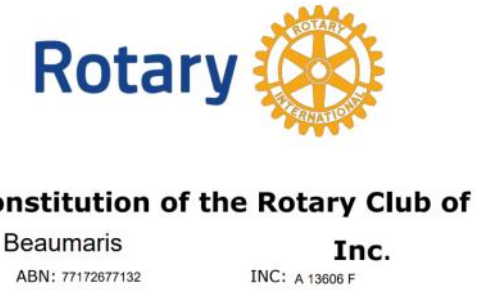
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Strategic Plan 2025-2026

Board and Committees 2025/26

President Peter

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