

Pascoe Vale Tales

Rotary Club of Pascoe Vale Bulletin

23rd September 2021

“We acknowledge that we are on the traditional land of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation and we pay our respects to their forebears past and present.”

Serve to Change Lives!

THIS WEEKS CELEBRATIONS:

Birthdays: Steve Papas

Anniversaries: Nil

THIS WEEK:

Meeting Via ZOOM -7pm

- **Speaker: District Governor Anne Reid.**
- Bruce Browning is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Rotary Club of Pascoe Vale: meeting Time: 7pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8544108470?pwd=cFZvV3R6UjhFMG1BNHlMa3dnUIJGUT09>

Meeting ID: 854 410 8470

Passcode: 3hqfJC

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 23rd September 2021 -**D.G. Anne Reid**
- 10th October 2021 -**Lift The Lid Walk**
- 21st October 2021 – **St John’s CPR Training**
- 18th -20th March 2022 -**District Conference**



CLUB NEWS

- **PRESIDENT GRANT:**

This week's guest will be the District Governor, Anne Reid. Please make an extra effort to attend this special meeting. Anne will be discussing her goals and objectives for this year. She will also be reviewing the goals and objectives we have set for ourselves. In part, these are made up by our club survey and our citation goals. I will be sending everyone a copy of both documents. Please make yourself familiar with their contents, as I'm sure they will be discussed on Thursday.

- **ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINIBILTY CHAIR -HEATHER HARRIS**

ESRAGANZOceania September 2021 Zoom Meeting report

A total of 75 joined the meeting from all over Australia and New Zealand.

The guest speaker was Karin Traeger who apart from being a runner, plogger and veterinarian, is the CEO of the **Yarra Riverkeepers Association**. <https://yarrariver.org.au/contact-us/>
Andrew Kelly is the Vice-President.

She gave a compelling presentation about the impact of polystyrene upon the environment and specifically upon Melbourne's major waterway.

- Polystyrene is hard to recycle, and is predominantly sent to landfill. This is partly because of the poor market value in recycling this type of plastic as well as the decision of overseas countries to refuse our waste. In the environment, polystyrene breaks into micro-plastics, is ingested by animals and fish and thus finally into the human food cycle.
- A disturbing statistic she gave was that **at least 800 million** pieces of plastic flow the bay every year. Community audits shows that the major polluters of polystyrene waste are construction sites and shopping centres.

- After the talk we broke up into virtual Breakout Rooms to discuss how Rotary can contribute to reducing plastic waste and litter.

Many useful suggestions were proffered including -

- Plogging sessions. PV Rotary is not the only club doing this when not in lockdown.
- Rotary forming partnerships with a local river group and working together.
- Promoting recycled products. A Victorian company REPLAS are making a lot of community infrastructure such as bollards, seating, fencing etc, from recycled plastic.
- Promoting recycling Planet Ark has a great website which shows where the recycling depots are and what materials they will accept. <https://recyclingnearyou.com.au/council/MelbourneVIC>
- Having a Clean Up Australia type of activity and get the community engaged. Schools are a particular place which should be targeted.
- Litter drain installation to arrest rubbish, track its origin and lobby council and businesses to manage their waste better, before it enters the local waterways.
- Recommend that all Rotary members access the ESRAAG website as it is full of ideas and information for all of us. <https://www.esraganzpi.org>
- I think it would be great to have Karin or Andrew to come and speak with us once we are able to meet face to face again. Also a speaker from REPLAS would be very interesting and useful.
- Next meeting will be 19th October 2021

- **From PP Chris's desk:**

- **From:** [Sarah Carmody](#) Coordinator of The Stars Foundation
:Subject: RE: Rotary Club of Pascoe Vale - Carlton AFLW gear

- I haven't been able to thank you enough for the Carlton AFLW gear!! We had our own football competition for the first time this year as a Stars team against other school and lucky we could provide the girls with some football boots and gear. It was such a big surprise and they absolutely loved it! We have a few Carlton fans too and lot of the girls wore their new gear with their head up high. Thank you so much!!!! Very much appreciated!



DISTRICT NEWS:

District 9790 Rotarians can support from all over our District.
Moreland Rotary presents



LIFT THE LID WALK

FOR MENTAL
HEALTH 2021

DATE LOCATION

Sunday 10 October 2021
A Walk & Talk in your neighbourhood

ENTRY JUST \$30
*INCLUDES YOUR
WALK T-SHIRT
KIDS UNDER 15
WALK FREE

Join Moreland Rotary from your location
Registration raises much needed funds for
Mental Health Research
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and the chance to go into a prize draw

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<https://www.liftthelidwalk.com.au/moreland>

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Club Messages/Cards

If you know of any Current, Honorary/Past Member or family or friends of our Rotary Club who could benefit from a card or message please get in touch with Vera D'Aprano who will arrange for an appropriate card to be sent on behalf of our Club.

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**“I want to make
sure you’re okay”**

