

# The Pascoe Post

Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Pascoe Vale – April 27, 2023

The Club meets at the Pascoe Vale RSL each Thursday night at 6.30pm. We have some great speakers. Visitors\* - Please join us for dinner – our shout!

Contact the editor for more details

Pascoe Vale  
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## Update from Kenya!

It's over - and this wonderful group of volunteers has their volunteering experience over just like that! The 12 days went so fast for them!

We thank them all so very, very much for their hard work.

Tomorrow they head off on a well-deserved 5-night 6-day safari to 3 magnificent safari parks. Let's hope they get to see the BIG 5.

Find out more about the Umoja Orphanage at [Umoja Home](#)



## Upcoming Events

27 <sup>th</sup> April	Regular Meeting
29 <sup>th</sup> April	Hearing and Vision tests
11 <sup>th</sup> May	Fiona Demark, Inspirational Speaker and Resilience Coach
18 <sup>th</sup> May	Anthony, Greenchip Recycling
25 <sup>th</sup> May	Sisters and Mistrs
27-31 May 2023	Rotary International Convention -Melbourne.

## Presidential Decree 27<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Hi Rotarians, Friends of Rotary, and Kind Sponsors! I do hope you & your families & friends are all well.

Firstly, our deepest condolences to Damian Nippard & family, on the passing of Damian's brother Mick. You are in our thoughts at this sad time.

Good to be back from Bali where we & the family had a great time!

As Always,  
Yours in Rotary Service,  
Prez Bruno.

## ZOOM meeting details

(available every week)  
Click on the link to join our meetings, everyone is welcome.

<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/83416704008?pwd=ZjdMMDgvaKpjUoVHSjU3RjZPdkwxZz09>

Meeting ID: 834 1670 4008  
Passcode: 796649



## THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATIONS:

### Birthdays:

Non

### Anniversaries:

None

In July 2022, WHO and UNICEF, [reported the largest sustained decline in childhood vaccinations](#) in approximately 30 years. An estimated 12.5 million children in the world are totally unvaccinated.

Vaccination is one of the best tools we have to improve people's health and well-being. Global vaccination programs for preventable diseases, such as polio, need to continue to protect vulnerable children and prevent outbreaks.

More details at [Home | End Polio](#)

## Condolences



The club extends its deepest sympathy to club member Damian Nippard, on the passing of his brother, Mick.

The funeral will be held at 11.45 am this Saturday, at the Joyce Chapel, Fawkner Cemetery

## Anzac Day BBQ.



On Tuesday we ran the BBQ at Bunnings. We started at 1 pm, what a hectic start/day it was. We had the pleasure of 5 local police officers helping us on the day, and what a great help they were.

I would like to thank Bob, Grady, Chris and Lois for their help on the day.

We sold 480 sausages in 4 hours. Thanks everyone. Steve Papas





### Register for a free 3-day House of Friendship pass for the Rotary International Convention

Enjoy a 3-day pass, free of charge, to the House of Friendship, where you'll be able to connect with thousands of fellow Rotary members from around the world and have access to hundreds of Rotary project booths, vendors, food, and entertainment at the 2023 Rotary International Convention in Melbourne, Australia. That's right! A complimentary pass valid Monday-Wednesday, 29-31 May, for the House of Friendship\*. No additional purchase is required. Here's how you can redeem this special offer:

- Option 1 – Fill out this brief [Qualtrics survey](#) with your information by 26 April 2023. Your pass will be ready for you to pick up at the convention center's registration desk (MCEC Exhibition Centre doors 1 and 2).
- Option 2 – Visit the registration desk (MCEC Exhibition Centre doors 1 and 2) at the convention center to fill out a brief form and receive your pass on site

## RYPEN

### Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment 2023

On Friday 30th of March, a group of students aged between 14-17 all took the leap by arriving at Kinglake Forest Adventure Campsite to take part in our weekend. We were excited to be back helping young people discover more about themselves and develop important soft skills.



Eddy Mil, the student PVR sponsored, with his certificate



## Thank you for our lights!



Yesterday I bought a world map, gave my wife a dart and said "throw this and wherever it lands is where I'm taking you on holiday."  
  
Turns out we're spending three weeks behind the fridge.  
  
@dad\_joking

### Students in Po Treay Primary School receive your lights

This month, we saw 355 more lights distributed in the Siem Reap region of Cambodia, to Po Treay Primary School! Cambodia has one of the lowest electrification rates in Southeast Asia, with around 6 million people lacking access to electricity, and schools like this one are affected.

Cambodia Rural Student Trust (CRST) were our field partners on the ground who delivered these lights to the students. We feel particularly proud to work with this NGO, as it is run entirely by students who are from rural areas and are sponsored by CRST to attend the best high school and university in Siem Reap.

More on the Solarbuddy program at



### District Assembly

Last Sunday, Bob, Chris, Heather, Pat and Grant attended the 9790 District Assembly, at the Benalla P-12 College. There were one hundred and sixty Rotarians from forty-eight club at the assembly. Topics covered included domestic violence, child protection training, including the 11 child safe standards, training for next years office bearers, and the announcement of next years conference location – Shepparton!



### Still looking for volunteers!

Rotary Inner Melbourne Emergency Relief Network (RIMERN) has assisted 250 families to furnish their new home since its inception, with almost 7600 items delivered. What an achievement! The value of donations is almost \$230,000 so far, another amazing figure.

However it doesn't just happen by accident. Behind these statistics is a team of volunteers who work hard in all areas to make the final furnishing of a new home a possibility. From those who go to the warehouse to sort, clean, pack and stack waiting goods, to the crew picking up donated goods and bringing them back to the warehouse, to the team who process every donation offer, then book it onto the collection spreadsheet, to the computer setup, to the Support Orders person who accompanies the recipient and their caseworker to choose their goods.

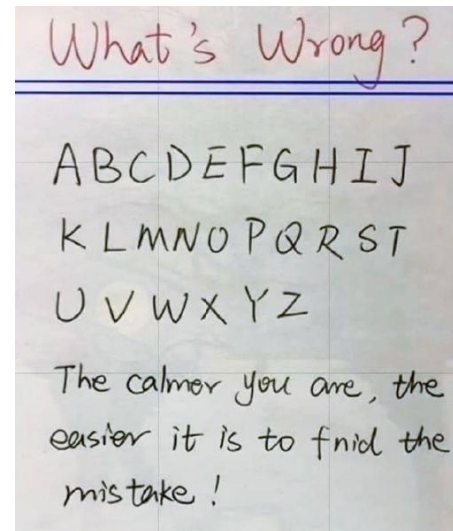
It's a lot to do and there are not enough people to cover the workload, leaving a willing few to do it all. They are becoming very weary and desperately need more hands on deck. Volunteers don't have to be Rotarians, there may be a Rotarian's friend or relative out there who can give an hour or two a week. In fact WERN report that 50% of their volunteers are non-Rotarians. Contact Susie Cole [susiecole@rotaryprahran.org.au](mailto:susiecole@rotaryprahran.org.au) or Ros McMaster [ros.mcmaster@rimern.org.au](mailto:ros.mcmaster@rimern.org.au) or simply email [admin@rimern.org.au](mailto:admin@rimern.org.au)

Please ask around and see if we can give a little of our time to this worthy community cause. I strongly urge everyone to check out RIMERN's Facebook page and sign up for the newsletter by going online to [rimern.org.au](http://rimern.org.au). A little bird has whispered there may be a wine tasting coming up at the warehouse in the not too distant future.

### NEW Club Polos



The new club polo shirts have arrived and they look great. See Grant or Peter if you haven't picked yours up yet.







### 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 Lia Wolfe (P.P. Pat's daughter) who will arrange for an appropriate card to be sent on behalf of our Club.

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