

The Pascoe Post

Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Pascoe Vale – February 08, 2024

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
Rotary



Greetings fellow Rotarians

Melbourne continues to be reassuringly non-conformist with its weather. Brief glimpses of summer between clouds and rain....

Big congratulations to our BBQ team on Australia Day at Bunnings. A massive effort and grateful thanks to all who contributed on the day.

Thank you to those who came to the Calabria Club social outing last Friday. Not a huge turn-up but quality over quantity!! As usual, superb Italian tucker including pizzas, served by gracious hostesses. Thank you, Gerard, for arranging this for our Club.

Heard a great presentation from Robyn Angus last meeting regarding the Cambodian operation she is involved in and the planned visit there next January 2025, which is available to all Rotarians wishing to visit the scheme. Very reasonable price and a most worthy project. Put it in your diary.

Stay safe and well

Heather Harris PHF, President, Pascoe Vale Rotary Club

The graphic features a blue banner at the top left with the Rotary logo and the text "The Rotarian Minute 100 Rotarian Quotes #25". Below this is a yellow and green background with a quill pen and an inkwell. The quote "Rotary is not only a simple organization, it is also a philosophy of life." is written in white text on the green background. At the bottom right, it says "Paul HARRIS Founder of Rotary".

ZOOM details have changed!
See below for updates

This Week

Our Exchange student, Phoebe, will give us a summary of her stay in France

Cambodia & District 9790 - Partners in Education Project

This project seeks to support education for students in Siem Reap, Cambodia through the provision of educational resources with the co-operation of Cambodia Rural Students Trust (CRST).

A Rotary Volunteer Team will travel in January 2025 to provide community needs such as bicycles, solar lighting and desks to support education for students in Siem Reap.

RAWCS Project number:
39 of 2023-24



Upcoming Events

<u>2024</u>	
8 th February	Exchange Student Report - Phoebe
15 th February	Membership Drive, Anna Deamicis
22 nd February	Foundation – PDG David Andrews
23 rd February	Rotary’s Birthday
March 2024	Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Month
30 th March	Rotary World Bipolar Day
April 2024	2024 District Conference Shepparton, 19 th , 20 th & 21 st
2 nd May	Police Awards

Last Week

Last week we had the pleasure of a presentation by Robyn Angus from Ivanhoe Rotary regarding their project in Cambodia. The project is working as a District Team to raise funds to support community led projects with the Rotaract Club of Siem Reap. A great project that a number of our members will be volunteering their services & traveling to Cambodia for the project.



THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATIONS:

Birthdays:

Elsa Valastro

Anniversaries:

None



NEW COURSES AVAILABLE

BASIC CAR MAINTENANCE

Held over six hours this one day hands on course is facilitated by a knowledgeable Instructor.

09:30AM-4:PM
Sunday 18 February 2024

Pascoe Vale North Primary School
Corner of Kent road and Derby Street, Pascoe Vale North

Click on the link to see the new timetable

<https://imstilllearning.org/>





ALARE - REPORT

OCTOBER 2023

By social worker Aisha



Alare has not forgotten his song of wanting to go to visit his mother. He has been singing the same song for long now. This time round, he says when he goes home, he won't come back to Umoja ever again. He says they have beautiful house which is fully furnished. (even though he's never seen his mother since abandoning him and she's never come to Umoja.) He added that when they go home, they won't be sent to complete any chore and their mother will be doing everything for them. They will be eating nice food as chips and chicken, piecer, pilau among other foods. They won't be consuming ugali as his mother is very rich. He says all this blindly but just imagine and think his home is much better than Umoja. I am sure he pursues things on his own way but when he will see the reality, he won't like it at all although I also don't know the state of his mother, but I don't see her to be having a good life. We will do our investigations before any home visit happens. Its only that the mother doesn't want responsibilities of the children, but I am sure if she has a mother's heart, she can take care of both children no matter what state she is.



The manager of Umoja and myself will look hard for his mother and see if she can cut the home sick of her son by taking custody of Alare at least some of the school holidays so that the child can be able to compare between Umoja and begin somehow to bond with her twins. Because when he keeps thinking that he was brought here, and his parents (his father is dead), are well off may make him have the thoughts of running away when he is older. So, if he gets the reality then he will have better understanding of the way things are, living the life his mother does. Let's hope we



can make reconnection in some form happen for our little Alare and Alexis.

Basic Woodworking 101

Newlands Senior Citizens Centre
49-53 Murray Road, North Coburg

Who is this course for?

This course is for I'm Still Learning Basic Home Maintenance past participants

What's involved

You will be building and taking home an entry way shelf and we will show you how to hang it up on your wall. The course involves one, three hour 'Basic Woodworking 101' session.

Course requirements

Please wear closed shoes.

We supply everything except the hooks - bring them along - you'll need 4.

Cost

\$87.50 paid upon booking.
Terms and conditions apply.

Learn:

The safe use of a:

- drop saw
- hand saw
- Countersink drill bit
- Measure and cut your project
- Assemble project with battery operated drill
- Basic joinery techniques
- Clamping

Dates: Saturdays

- 2nd March
- 13th April
- 11th May
- 8th June
- 6th July
- 31st August
- 28th September
- 26th October

Time: 9am-12noon

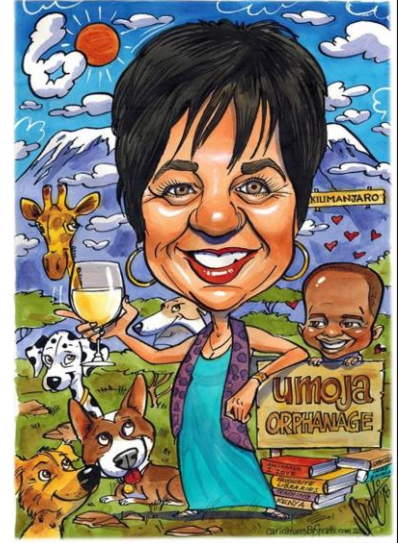




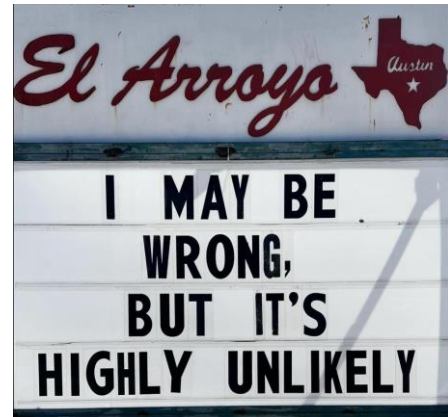
Alare is doing well academically. Out of the four combined exams, he managed to get two exceeds and the remaining two he scored meeting expectation. This is a good performance in this system. He has been promoted to grade three come next year.



They were given a holiday homework to do while they are at home for the long holiday vacation. He started immediately in doing it. I like Alare as he is usually very serious with his work. Provided he knows what he is supposed to do, you won't see him playing. He will concentrate with his work until when he is done. He did all the questions which he was sure that he can answer them correctly and said he will continue with the tough ones with the assistance of the other children as days goes. He also participated in a school choir during graduation. He was very happy when performing and kept on smiling the while time. Before the day, he kept on reminding me that he wanted to be shaved in style and a Nike mark should be indicated on his head and should also be visible for other children to see. He said that all the children will be on that style that day so he was begging not to be shaved the whole hairs on his head. He has been doing good for the whole month.



Message from the editor





Join us online!

DETAILS HAVE UPDATED FOR 2024

Please use this link

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84414016743?pwd=ckp0T1BNTjUvdTJNK2RVdU
hjQ25RUT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84414016743?pwd=ckp0T1BNTjUvdTJNK2RVdUhjQ25RUT09)

Meeting ID: 844 1401 6743

Passcode: 970776

Click on the link to join our meetings, everyone is welcome.

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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