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# THE PASCOE POST

"Savoring the flavors of Cambodia, one smile at a time. Cheers to friendship, delicious food, and unforgettable moments with fellow Rotarians!"

-FROM THE TEAM OF ROBYN,ALEX,STUART & LISA

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Fellow Rotarians,  
 Keep Tues Feb 11 th free to go hear the Strathmore club RYLA candidate speak at Windy Hill about her experiences with RYLA. Let Bruce know if you will be eating so he can book. I've put this on the WhatsApp as well.  
 My youngest grand-daughter started primary school last week so I've lost my Monday Right-Hand Girl. Where did that last 4 years go? However am sure her shoes will be ably filled by her toddler brother Jack every Monday - starting tomorrow. Wish me luck.  
 I've also put the list for who's got a room booked at Atura Hotel Albury up on WhatsApp for the April 11-13 th District Conference. There is one more double spare due to a cancellation. All info on WhatsApp.  
 With heat waves in Victoria and massive flooding in parts of Queensland, we are living in turbulent times. Climate change is well upon us.

Stay well and cool. Be kind.

**Heather Harris PHF**  
**President**  
**PVRC**



## Quote of the week

"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others."

-Mahatma Gandhi



## CLUB MESSAGES AND CARDS



If you know of any current, honorary/past members of family or friends of the Rotary club who would benefit from a card or message, please get in touch with Faye C who will arrange for an appropriate card to be sent of behalf of our club.



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# LAST WEEKS MEETING

Do you have a favourite humorous tale or joke?  
Well Oscar ,Chris & Bob had a good tale & Bruno won for the best laugh



*Oscar had a great humour tale that Bruno can't help laughing out loud. Well laughter is the best medicine...*

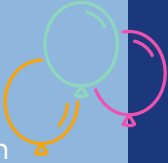


**LAST WEEKS MEETING  
WAS ANOTHER  
WONDERFUL  
NIGHT**

## BIRTHDAYS

### February

Robyn Waters  
Jerry B Paglinawan  
Ursula Jackson  
Elsa Valastro  
Sue Harrison  
Damian Nippard



A very happy birthday to you all!



## ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to **Jerry & Chona** on their anniversary!



## Funny Bones

Summertime Edition!

**I always avoid the beach.**

*It's full of sand and responsibilities!*

**Summer:**

*when your skin achieves that perfect lobster red.*

**What do you call a snowman in summer?**

*A puddle.*





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.....HEREWITH MORE PHOTOS AS CONTINUATION OF LAST WEEK ISSUE

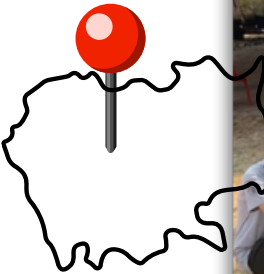
# SENDING LOVE FROM CAMBODIA



More Greetings from Cambodia!



Rotary



From Robyn, Alex, Stuart and Lisa.

The team of Rotary volunteers are working to repair bicycles for students, planting 400 trees & supporting teachers.

We are guided by Rotaract students, including iur sponsored student, Kimsiev

Thank you for your support so far.





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## CELEBRATING 80 YEARS OF PLATYPUS BREEDING SUCCESS!

Dear Friend of the Platypus,

In early 1944 the news that the first breeding of the platypus in captivity had taken place at Healesville Sanctuary caused a great sensation. We Breed the Platypus, written by Sanctuary Director David Fleay - the person responsible for the successful outcome - described the story of Corrie and proud parents Jack and Jill. This 52-page illustrated booklet was a huge best-seller at the time, treasured in thousands of Australian households.

To mark the 80th anniversary of this famous event a special facsimile edition of We Breed the Platypus has been printed. Copies can be purchased for the fantastic price of only \$15.95 (including P&P) by contacting David's daughter, Rosemary Thomson at [dewrang@yahoo.com](mailto:dewrang@yahoo.com) (or by writing to her at: Rose Cottage, 2704 Natural Bridge via Nerang QLD 4211).

Hope this is of interest to you.  
Best wishes, Geoff



spotify link:  
<https://open.spotify.com/track/4CydWVGCxvAVJ6hzMSr1Cps?si=aedfd4d189e84f42&nd=1&dlsi=f65fe902d6414d6c>



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### DID YOU KNOW?

End Trachoma: Rotary has been instrumental in the fight against trachoma, a blinding eye disease, working towards its elimination in Australia and other countries

## UPCOMING EVENTS FEBRUARY-MARCH & APRIL 2025

**THURSDAY 06FEB** **PVRC MEETING**

- Mandy Gosetti - Speaker & will be discussing of possible project for PVRC

**THURSDAY 13MAR** **PVRC MEETING**

- Club Meeting-To Confirm RYLA speaker

**THURSDAY 20MAR** **PVRC MEETING**

- Club Meeting & Open for events & reports & Speakers

**MONDAY 24TH MARCH** **BBQ DAY**

- ROTARY CLUB OF HEIDELBERG 2025 CHARITY GOLF CHALLENGE AT THE ROSANNA GOLF CLUB 54 CLEVELAND AVE. LOWER PLENTY

**SUNDAY 30TH MARCH** **BBQ DAY**

- BARBEQUE DAY

**FRIDAY 11,12&13 APRIL** **DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2025**

- District Conference in Albury NSW



## CHECK LIST

1. General Preparation:
2. Plan and budget for any upcoming events or holidays.
3. Review your insurance policies and coverage.
4. Organize and declutter living spaces.
5. Update any subscriptions or memberships for autumn activities.

With this checklist, you'll be well-prepared to enjoy the new season!



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## DISTRICT NEWS

### "JOIN MERRI CREEK BIRDWATCH: LEARN, EXPLORE, AND ENJOY NATURE'S BEAUTY"

Our next Merri Creek [BirdWatch](#) surveys are coming up soon - on Sunday 16 February and Sunday 23 February from 8:45 – 10:30am.

There are ten sites to choose from. Meeting points are listed below, and there is more information (including [maps](#) of the survey routes) on the [FoMC website](#). Choose a site near you to learn more about your local birds, or explore a different part of the Merri. Beginner-birders are welcome to our surveys, as well as experienced birders.

Bring binoculars if you have them, and closed-in footwear, sun hat or raingear if necessary, and drinking water. No dogs, please. Keep an eye out for snakes, especially if walking through grass near water.

No need to register beforehand, unless you are going to the galgi ngarrk survey (see below). Note Parks Victoria require a Working With Children Check for volunteers on Parks Vic-managed land, including galgi ngarrk and bababi marning.

Please don't attend if you're feeling unwell and have any cold or flu-like symptoms.

At all times, children must be under the direct supervision of their parent or guardian.

#### SURVEY MEETING POINTS:

16 February

**Galada Tamboore:** Meet in Hatty Court, Campbellfield.

**galgi ngarrk (Craigieburn Grasslands):** Meet at the O'Herns Road gate off Hume Highway, Somerton. Note this survey will finish around 12 noon. Please contact the survey leader to register beforehand, and receive important information about galgi ngarrk and any last-minute changes: Bridget Gardner: 0417 519 251 or [bridget@hpcsolutions.com.au](mailto:bridget@hpcsolutions.com.au)

**bababi djinanang (Jukes Rd Grasslands):** Meet at the eastern end of Jukes Rd, Fawkner.

**Edwardes Lake:** Meet at the barbecues near playground off Griffiths Street, Reservoir.

**CERES to Moreland Road:** Meet by the Merri Path at rear of CERES near Blyth Street, East Brunswick.

**Kirkdale & Merri Parks:** Meet at the end of Victoria Street, East Brunswick, at barbecue shelter.

**Clifton Hill:** Meet at the Rotunda, Hall Reserve, Clifton Hill (opposite 30 The Esplanade).

23 February

**Coburg Lake Reserve:** Meet in Lake Grove car park near Harry Atkinson Centre, Coburg.

**East Coburg (Egan Reserve-Harding St-Strettle Reserve):** Meet at the steps at eastern end of The Grove, East Coburg.

**bababi marning (Cooper St Grasslands):** Meet in Cooper St service lane, just west of St George Chaldean Catholic Centre, Cooper St, Campbellfield.



**ANN MCGREGOR**

**FRIENDS OF MERRI CREEK BIRDWATCH CO-ORDINATOR**



## UPCOMING EVENTS



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