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

SPEAKER LAST WEEK

ROTARIANS AGAINST MALARIA: Dr Bruce Anderson aided by Hannah Jones led the



extensive rundown on Malaria, its causes, effects and prevention. Bruce brought to the meeting his own extensive preparation with science degrees and work in the field of the development of hepatitis A virus vaccines. Onetime past D.G. and Strathmore President, shortly he will take on the role of National Manager of Rotarians Against Malaria (RAM).

Opening his address, Bruce underlined the reality that RAM is only one of the many extensive works of Rotary Australia World Community Service Ltd. (RAWCS). In the battlefield against malaria there has been great progress. However, with the corona virus, the malaria infection rate has rapidly increased especially for children under 5 years.

Bruce's primary rule is "Don't get bitten"! Mosquitoes carry many common diseases and, even with drier farming areas and increasing urbanization in recent times, in the tropical zones mosquitoes continue to thrive. Added to that, the human resistance that develops over the years hampers the fight against malaria. Hence the ongoing urgency of newer drugs; not an easy process. According to the World Malaria Report, there were **241 million cases of malaria globally in 2020** and 627 000 malaria deaths.

1995 saw the founding of RAM which now has a number of partnerships with other local and international organisations, all working towards the same cause. The main objects of RAM Bruce outlined were:

- the prevention of death and morbidity due to malaria
- aiming at zero indigenous malaria and prevention of the transmission of malaria
- building strong national committees in countries as Vanuatu, East and West Timor, the Solomons and Papua.
- Providing long-lasting insecticide nets (3 years), indoor residual insecticides, education (draining swamps etc.) and instant diagnosis to avoid persons wandering around with the infection.



The field is extensive as also the financial costing. Currently, donations to RAM are well short of the finance necessary to achieve its aims. Bruce's call-out is loud. Donations fund RAM's activity. Despite the backing of Global grants, Covid has hit RAM's income. Based on all of the above, Bruce's call was clear. On this visit to the club by RAM the club made a \$500 donation.

RAM will have a 2-day conference immediately before the Rotary International Convention in Melbourne, May 2023.

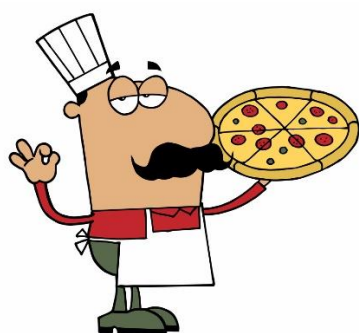
COMING MEETING

May 4: CLUB FORUM

Chair Peter Byrne

THE ROTARY FAMILY

VISITORS LAST WEEK: The many visitors last week included members' partners and Rotary Club of Strathmore members.



Chris Shields 8/5



TEXAS BOUND are **Jane and Tim Weir**: The Scottish-named town of Houston is the base for the Rotary International Convention 2022 and Jane and Tim will be there in coming weeks.

While representing Preston in the town, hopefully those words from Apollo 13 will not have to be rebroadcast – *"Houston, we have a problem here"*!

CLUB NEWS

I.T. VOLUNTEERS/TRAINERS wanted at Bridge Darebin. Please review Sec. Geoff's mail out.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2023, Deniliquin, NSW, 17-19 March, 2023. Centre Point Motel all ready and booked.



RIMERN (Rotary Inner Melbourne Emergency Relief Network) are aiming to raise funds to buy their own Van to do deliveries and Pick- ups. For sale: "Van Rouge, & Van Blanc"! Guaranteed to be a nice drop! To purchase go to

<https://prospectwines.com.au/product/rotary-inner-melbourne-emergency-relief-network/>



Join the Rotary Club of Glenferrie on **Tuesday, May 24**, for a day of golf, including lunch and a gala dinner, or sponsor a hole and receive widespread exposure for your generous support. Kingston Heath Golf Course is one of Australia's premier golf courses.

This is an experience not to be missed. Major sponsor, Silver Star Motors is offering **A CHANCE TO WIN 3 Mercedes-Benz cars**. All you need is a hole in one!

ANZAC DAY GUNFIRE BREAKFAST:

President Chris thanked all the members and partners who gave a hand with the continuing tradition of the Gunfire Breakfast at All Nations Park, Northcote. Introduced by the late Paul Josephson it is an early start at 4am but the spirits were high.

Appreciative donations thrown in the bowl by the public amounted to \$531. Leftovers were not wasted – eager recipient was the East Reservoir Neighbourhood House.

**SERVICE
ABOVE SELF**

40FT CONTAINERS BOUND FOR TONGA AND TIMOR TO BE FILLED WITH A VARIETY OF GOODS.

Geoff is looking for volunteers on some or all of the Tuesdays and Thursdays **27/4** through to **12/5**.

Dates are slightly complicated due to the arrival of the containers at the **Donations In Kind Store**.

IT'S THAT TIME OF THE ROTARY YEAR AGAIN

– preparing the annual reports for the Changeover Bulletin.

May 20 is the current deadline for Committee Chairs to have in their concise reports with photos. More info from President Chris.



ROTARY YOUTH DRIVER AWARENESS Programme: After Covid shutdowns of the programme the day has now been scheduled for Tuesday, May 10th. Time Weir of the Vocational Committee has it in hand at Broadmeadows for 120 students mainly in year 12.

Tim remarked how the students came to evaluate the meaning and value of the day, a factor that impresses the organizers.

Still in need of a few volunteer overseers, please contact Tim.

NEXT BUNNINGS BARBIE: May 14.

CLUB HOSTING NIGHT - ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION being held in Melbourne 27-31 May 2023. This club Hosting Night is for Rotarians and Partners from overseas attending the Conference. The club is discussing an evening of welcome displaying the indigenous aspect of Australian history and culture. The night would be programmed at the centre in Bell Street opposite RSL.



GUNFIRE BREAKFAST 2022

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**NOW
FOR
BREKKIE!**

Children First Foundation's Events Committee invites you to the "SPARKLING LUNCH 2022" – Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club, Fri. May 20 11.45 for 12pm start and finishing at 2.30pm. \$98 per person. Book with Geoff.

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Info to Ruth McCall or Lisa Defazio.

The account details for the **Rotary Club of Preston:**
Bendigo Bank BSB 633 000, A/c 154 200 034

For member donations - the account details for
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