



# Rotary Nunawading



November 2023

## *President Ian's Message*

*Hello everyone ,*

At our meeting on Wednesday 8 November the guest speaker is the Mayor of Whitehorse, Councillor Mark Lane.

We are fortunate to have Mark speak as his one-year term as Mayor ends on 13 November 2023.

My hope is that this visit becomes the first of an annual visit by the Whitehorse Council the mayor of the day.



By way of example, Rotary Melbourne has an annual visit from the Mayor of Melbourne this is always a prestigious occasion, as is the annual visit by the State Governor.

November is Rotary Foundation Month, and all club President's received the following letter co-signed by RI President Gordon McInally and Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair Bassin.

I want to share this letter with club members.

*Dear Ian,*

*Its Rotary Foundation Month! As Club Presidents, you are key leaders in motivating your club members to making personal contributions and participating in Foundation grants to keep our Foundation strong.*

*With Foundation giving on our minds, it's great to see that Presidents of 18% of Rotary Clubs and 2% of Rotaract Clubs have already made a personal gift. Did you know that last year, Presidents of 40% of Rotary Clubs and 4% of Rotaract Clubs made personal gifts? We are confident that with your help we can strive towards 100% giving by Rotary and Rotaract Club Presidents.*

*.....continued overleaf*

***November is Rotary Foundation Month***

When speaking about our Foundation, mentioning our own personal gifts is one way to help increase the number of donors who also give. While individual giving preferences and cultural norms vary in our global organization, as leaders, we share responsibility for growing the resources that transform ideas and fellowship into sustainable, high-impact grants.

Soon many of us will be celebrating holidays. In many parts of the world, the end of the calendar year is a major time for making charitable contributions. Please consider enhancing your next Foundation speech or presentation with mention of your personal gift. Make sure to remind your members that giving is easy and that they can donate online, sign up for recurring giving with Rotary Direct, or give by mail.

Together we as leaders can motivate our members to follow our lead in giving than ever before.

Thank you for your leadership, service, and dedication to Doing Good in the World.

Sincerely,

*R. Gordon R. McInally*

Rotary International President, 2023-24  
Rotary Club of South Queensferry  
West Lothian, Scotland

*Barry Rassin*

Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair, 2023-24  
Rotary Club of East Nassau  
Nassau, Bahamas

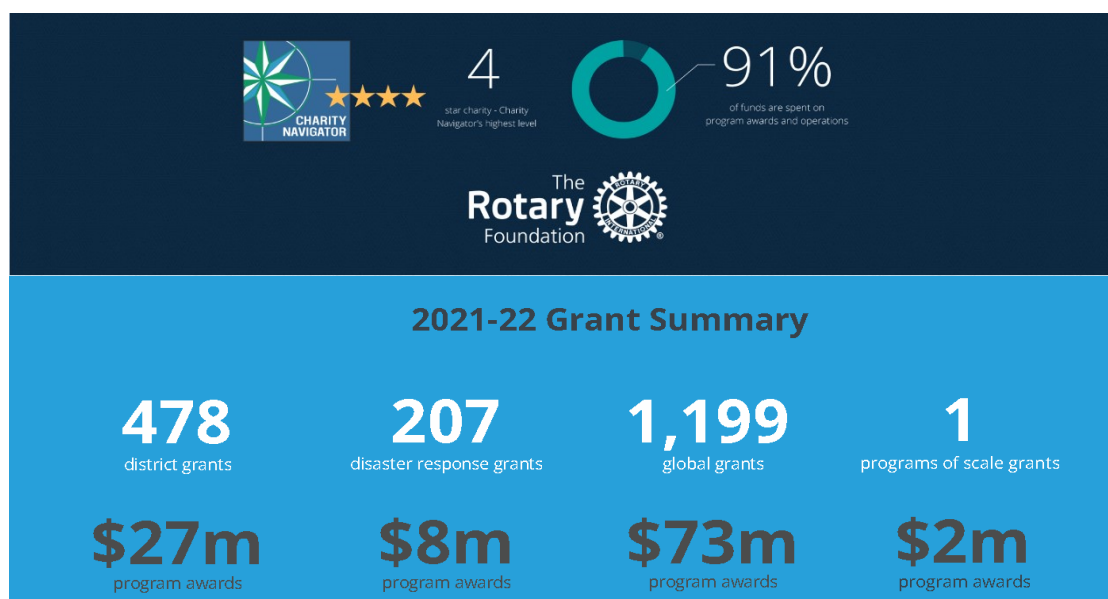
The Annual General Meeting [AGM] of our club is on the 22 November. As our club is incorporated, the legislation in most Australian states requires that we hold an AGM annually.

Cheers

*Ian*



**Ian Evans**  
President  
Rotary Club Of Nunawading



Learn more about Foundation and /or Donate at

<https://www.rotary.org/en/about-rotary/rotary-foundation>

## Showcasing Rotary Nunawading @ Whitehorse Business Awards

### The 2023 Whitehorse Business Group Excellence in Business Awards

were held Friday evening 27 October. Seven of our members, District Governor and two members from Eastern Emergency Relief Network [EERN] formed a table of 10 at the newly opened venue, The Round located behind the Whitehorse Council offices. In addition, Ben S, Susan S and Michael Sukkar were also present on other tables. The club had 10 members in attendance.

I was invited to present the Sole Trader category Awards as well as the Community Group category Awards. This turned out to be a wonderful surprise, as EERN won 2 of the 3 awards in the categories, Innovation and Sustainability. The other category, Excellence was won by the Rebecca Jane Foundation. It was a great pleasure to present the 2 awards, to an

Bob D was one of 15 judges to be thanked for their participation and , I accepted a nice sparkling wine on his behalf.

*Photos below sent by Pres Ian and a couple from WBG facebook page.*



## Showcasing Rotary Nunawading @ Spring Festival and SES



### Site visit to State Emergency Service Operations Centre

on Wednesday 25 October was attended by 15 of our members following our meal Bucatini.

We were given an excellent power Point Presentation by the senior officer in charge which went for nearly an hour including questions from club members. This was followed a look at their equipment including vehicles, the \$2000 plus camera our club donated and a walk through of their workshop.

They have 88 members; all are volunteers, and the centre is managed 24/ 7.

## Thank you from Team SPEED - Parkmore PS students



CJ05 - Emily, Jacob & Sebastian  
Project: SPEED

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Dear Nunawading Rotary Club,

On behalf of our whole school community and our Future Problem-Solving team 'SPEED', we would like to thank you for your generous contribution to support the student's participation in the 2023 Australian National Finals.

As the youngest team entry this year and the only State school entry from Victoria, we are all extremely proud of the students' efforts and project.

Our students took on the problem of soft plastic and developed a range of strategies to make a difference for their futures and our whole communities futures.

I would like to proudly share with you the competition results. Team SPEED won the Australian Silver Medal overall and have been asked to continue to pursue their project.

The team are very enthusiastic to continue their efforts and currently can report they have reduced the amount of soft plastic in lunchboxes by 90% so far from the start of their project through their Wrapper free October Competition, presentations, brochures and plastic free pledge.

They will continue their efforts, and any future ideas or supports you can offer would be gratefully appreciated. Please check out the link to their promo video [https://fb.watch/n\\_Hcu7WIZ/](https://fb.watch/n_Hcu7WIZ/).

Again, on behalf of Parkmore Primary School and team SPEED

A huge thank you.

Click [HERE](#) to read  
enlargement of letter

## CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

Proudly presented to :

*Nunawading Rotary*

We greatly appreciate your generous donation towards our campaign against soft plastic.



**Team SPEED**

**Soft Plastic Environmental Earth  
Defence**

## **Blackburn Lake Sanctuary**

### **Twilight Working Bee**

**Thursday Nov 16<sup>th</sup> from 6 - 8pm**

#### **An Invitation**

Join us for our Annual Twilight Working Bee.

Afterwards celebrate a successful year of Volunteer work in the Sanctuary with a light supper. Bring a plate and / or favourite drink to share. We'll have tea and coffee and of course sausage rolls and party pies.

Meet at the Visitor Centre, bring gloves if you have some, we have some for your use. Wear appropriate clothing, enclosed footwear and preferably long pants and sleeves. Tools provided. All welcome.



## **Clean Up event Blackburn**

### **Nunawading bike path on 19 November**

**between 10am and midday**

Email from John Elrington, RC Box Hill Central

*Could you please advise your colleagues Ian and Peter that our Club's ES committee is organising a Clean up Australia type activity along the Nuna-Blackburn bike path which runs along the south side of the rail line. I have registered this event with Clean Up Australia, so we will get a CUA pack with gloves, rubbish and recycle bags and a few other bits and pieces.*

*The event will take place on Sunday 19 November between 10am and midday, although we should be finished before midday. If we get enough participants, I would like to have everyone meet at the top (northern end) of Oliver Avenue, Blackburn, split into two groups, one of which will work eastwards from Blackburn Library and the other will work westwards from Nunawading Station, to meet back at Oliver Avenue. I would obviously confirm the meeting point and other details before the event.*

*The last time we did this (about 2? years ago), we had really good support and participation from RC Nunawading, so anyone who is interested and available would be very welcome to take part. Perhaps Peter could let me know the names and contact details of any volunteers from your Club?*

**Please let Peter Koens know if you plan to attend.**



# Christmas Party

**Wednesday 6 December 2023**

**6.30 pm for 7.00pm Start**

**at The Knox Club**

**Cost: \$ 43.00 pp for 3 Course Meal 50/50 servings**

**Final Bookings and Special Dietary Requirements required by the  
Tuesday 26 November to meet Knox Club requirements**

**Please see the Club event of Clubrunner and register your attendance or call or  
email Harvey to make a booking**

**Join us for a fun night of Club fellowship and Christmas Cheer!**

## **Menu**

**Entree: Shrimp Cocktail / Mixed Arancini with Salad and Aioli**

**Mains: Ham & Turkey with Cranberry Sauce and gravy/ Roast Pork  
with crackle and apple sauce and gravy**

**Dessert: Plum pudding and Custard / Pavlova with cream and berries**

**The Knox Club: 480 Boronia Road Wantirna South 3152**

*Of shoes and ships.....*

**CELEBRATE**  
this month's  
**BIRTHDAYS &  
ANNIVERSARIES**  
@  
**NOVEMBER**



**13TH MARCH 2024**  
6:45AM FOR A 7:00AM START

**INTERNATIONAL  
WOMEN'S DAY  
BREAKFAST**  
THE 8TH YEAR

Fully catered breakfast event held in the Box Hill Town Hall, celebrating women in the City of Whitehorse, featuring 3 high-profile, inspirational speakers.

All proceeds go to charity.

For tickets, scan the QR code or navigate to [qrco.de/IWD2024](http://qrco.de/IWD2024)

SCAN ME

Rotary Clubs of Whitehorse International Women's Day Women in Rotary Presented by Your Local Rotary Clubs

## DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2024

**Rotary District 9810**

**Mind Matters**

District Conference March 22-24, 2024  
Warrnambool, Vic

Info at the  
conference website at  
[WARRNAMBOOL](http://WARRNAMBOOL)  
For bookings Click  
[HERE](#)

### CLUB MEETINGS

We meet on  
Wednesdays at  
6:00pm for 6:30pm dinner at

**Visitors welcome**



*Bucatini*

**RESTAURANT AND BAR**

454 Whitehorse Road  
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**President:** Ian Evans

**Pres. Elect:** Rob Jackson

**Sec. :** Janette Etherington

**Bulletin Editor :**

[Lesley Arnolda](#)



## Forthcoming Events

		NOV	DEC
1 Nov	Wed	RCN Meeting Bucatini	Melbourne Cup Partners Night
4 Nov	Sat	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
11 Nov	Sat	REMEMBRANCE DAY	
12 Nov	Sun	Whitehorse Farmer's Market	
14 Nov	Tue	Club LUNCH	
19 Nov	Sun	Clean Up Event Blackburn	
2 Dec	Sat	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
6 Dec	Wed	Club Christmas Party	
10 Dec	Sun	Farmer's Market Bacon and Egg stall	
17 Dec	Sun	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	

## REMEMBRANCE DAY 2023




**Anzac Portal**  
 anzacportal.dva.gov.au

*Honouring Australian service personnel who have died or suffered in wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations.*

At 11 am on 11 November 1918, an armistice signed 6 hours earlier between a German delegation and Allied representatives brought an end to fighting in World War I. Many still in the forward areas greeted the news with subdued relief and sorrow for the friends who'd lost their lives..... [Read more](#)

Poster text above from

<https://anzacportal.dva.gov.au/resources/remembrance-day-posters-2023>