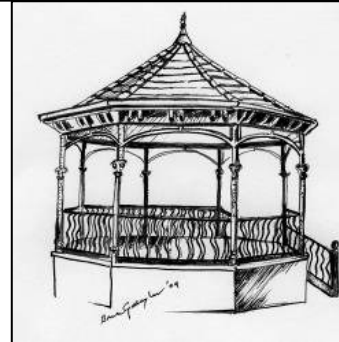


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Meeting

Mondays 6:00pm for 6:30pm
Bass Centre,
2 Rochester Rd, Canterbury
Unless otherwise stated in Diary

Register for Meeting

Guests and Club Members can
Register on the following links

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Apologies

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**prior to 10AM Monday*

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Advise Graham of a long absence

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President's Message

The CEO of Scriptwise, Norhawa Bee Mohamed Ismail, was our guest speaker this week. [ScriptWise](#) is a non-profit organisation formed to raise public awareness of prescription medication addiction. We heard about how the misuse of pain killers, sleeping tablets and sedatives (benzodiazepines and opioids) is a serious but under-recognised issue in our community. One in ten people on these prescription medications develop some kind of dependency. It really struck home when we heard of Georgia, a District 9800 Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) participant and Masters student at the University of Melbourne, who died as a result of prescription medication overdose at the age of 31. In Victoria four out of five drug overdose deaths are due to prescription medications. We also heard about Heath Ledger who died from an unwitting overdose and how his father is supporting Scriptwise. It was a sad topic, but we all faced the sobering reality that our society has a serious problem.



Bee Ismail

Karen Overall, the Principal of [Belmore School](#), told us how her school of 45 students with physical disabilities prepares these young people for an, as independent life as is possible, in our community. The school is very staff intensive with some activities requiring two staff for each student. Their teachers require special training, that isn't always available through the Department of Education. Consequently, the Rotary Club of Canterbury's annual staff scholarship to the school is very much appreciated. Michael Chong presented Karen with a large cheque for this year's contribution. In thanking the Club, Karen reminded us how the school bus we contributed is used multiple times each week to enable the students to get out into the community for a wealth of enriching experiences. Our Club has had a wonderful relationship with this school for many years.



Michael Chong presenting the cheque to Karen Overall

Speaker and Activities Program

Monday June 22

Speaker: Helen Schiele

"From War to Peace - A Walk of Harmony"

Monday June 29

Changeover Dinner - 6:30 for 7:00pm until 10:30pm

MCC Kew Sports Club, 397 Barkers Road, Kew

Sunday Market 7am – 1pm

June 21 - Brian Bloomer, Roger Taylor, Russell Hoath

June 28 - Edward Gwee, Alan Stevens, Max Holland

July 5 - Andrew Mastrowicz, Dean Barnett, Ian Coopes

July 12 - Gerry Cross, John McCaskill, Val Cuniffe

Contact Tony Simpson for all roster changes and requests, Home 9417 3995, Mob 0488 380 899

Please be on time as if you are late, our Club pays \$50 penalty for each half hour or part thereof



President's Message - Continued

The Club's Bike Riders Group

A group of our Club members do an extraordinary activity every week. Max Holland showed us photographs and reports from each of the bike rides our cycling group undertake since August last year. They travel on the trains to various locations, then ride to a lovely cafe for morning tea. A longer ride to a lunch stop, where they usually share a nice drop of red and then return home. Each trip is tracked by satellite navigation, with this record added to the report in our Yammer social network. As a most impressive climax to his talk to the Club, Max dropped the files of all the routes they had covered over the last year onto Google Earth. It zoomed in on the globe to show where they had been. Just the number of bike tracks that exist in Melbourne is incredible, let alone that our Rotarians and the friends who join them, had ridden to almost every part of our city in under a year. What a fantastic way to keep fit and to see our Melbourne in a way very few would ever experience in their lifetime.



Through his presentation, Max also showed our members the potential of Yammer, to not only store the business records of our Club, but to be somewhere that any member can publish reports about Rotary activities. There could be no better way to record and retain a history of our Club activities. If you are a Club member and don't currently subscribe to the Yammer cycling group, you are missing out on some very interesting information about our city and what our cyclists get up to each week. If you ever have a spare Tuesday, Max and his crew would love to have you join them.

Community Services Committee

Those members involved with Community Service projects in the year ahead met after our normal meeting. Director, Michael Chong, is keen to delegate responsibility to committee members to run the multitude of projects we have planned. We don't seem to have enough active members to meet the demands of this important area of our Club's good work. Michael is looking for more members to become involved in community services. This is a great opportunity for people thinking of joining our Club.

Club Board Meeting

Both the outgoing Board and the incoming Club Board meet to approve the annual Club Budget next Monday night at 8:30pm. Considerable work has been undertaken by a lot of people to get things to this point. Our Club manages over \$100,000 each year and makes every dollar count. Inspired by a document produced by member, Roger Taylor, the Board is likely to also endorse two policy documents regarding financial management and how we select and prioritize service projects. It has become a bit of a tradition in our Club for the incoming Club President to chair this combined board meeting. The first of many for our Nora Ley.

Beechworth Food and Wine Festival

Here is a date you definitely must keep free. Saturday, 14th November, our Club is going up to the food and wine festival in Beechworth. The old hands know how fantastic these social weekends always are. So it's really important that all those who haven't done this before give it a go. No excuses. Write it in your diary!

La Trobe University Orthoptics Interviews

Doug Hawley says it is like herding cats to try to fix a date to interview the final year orthoptics students from La Trobe University who have applied to join us for the Eye and Ear Medical Mission to the Philippines this October. We have many very fine applications for the four positions. Our club covers all except spending money for the successful students and they receive the experience of their careers in the Province of Masbate. With limited medical services in the province and no ability for the local inhabitants to pay, our students experience medical situations they will never get to see in Australia. You might have to bring out a smelly fish to get us all together, Doug !

National Youth Science Forum Interviews

Brett Riley has scheduled interviews for our many applicants from year 11 students for the National Youth Science Forum. Sue Clifford and Helen Hartnett will be on the selection team from 4:30pm next Monday, to choose the two candidates most likely to succeed at the second-round district interviews next month. We have some outstanding applications again this year.

Changeover Dinner

The date is fast approaching for our annual celebration dinner. We hope that as many members and those who have been involved with the Club this year and in the past, will join us at the MCC Sports Club in Kew. We have a great deal of fun at these functions and certainly don't take ourselves too seriously. Wear a hat and come along. Ticket sales close on Wednesday, 24th June, which is only a few days away. There can be no ticket sales at the venue. Tickets are only \$50 this year and cover two drinks, a two-course meal, tea & coffee and some wonderful entertainment.

'From War to Peace - A Walk of Harmony'

Join us next Monday for a heart warming story of Gallipoli, as we hear from Helen Schiele. Until then, enjoy your weekend.

Peter



The Rotary Club of Canterbury

Invites you, your partner and friends to the

Changeover Dinner

Celebrate a very successful year for our club.

A night of fine food, warm fellowship, dancing, and laughter.

Join us to send off President Peter May and Judy and to

Welcome President Nora Ley and the new Board.

MCC Kew Sports Club

397 Barkers Road, Kew

Monday, 29 June 2015

6:30 for 7:00 pm until 10:30pm

Buffet Style Dinner with 2 drinks included

Tickets \$50 each

Door Prizes

Be entertained by Beverley Sheehan and

'Swing Shift'

THEME – Crazy Hat

Wear your wackiest hat, if you dare!

Join your fellow Rotarians and friends for a great night out

This is a ticketed event, with no sales after 24 June 2015

Purchase your tickets online at <http://www.trybooking.com/HVJX>

