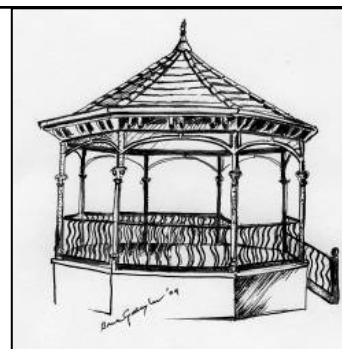




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Meeting

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

Register for Meeting

Guests and Club Members can
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**prior to 10AM Monday*

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Advise Gerry of a long absence

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President's Message

Last Monday night we were privileged to have District Governor Neville John to be the guest speaker at our meeting. Neville informed us of what was happening in the Rotary world at Club, District and internationally. He talked about the 100 year anniversary of the Rotary Foundation and some of the wonderful projects that it has funded over the years. In particular, he told us about the latest status of Rotary's signature project to rid the world of Polio. While there had been no new cases of Polio this calendar year, there have recently been some new cases reported in Nigeria. This is disappointing and is due to the difficulties experienced in undertaking vaccinations in areas of Nigeria under Boko Haram control. Rotary has mounted a vaccination campaign in the area and it is hoped that the spread of the disease has been contained.

Neville also talked about the increased flexibility that Rotary International has developed for both new categories of membership and the operation of Rotary Clubs and their meetings. Rotary at all levels is very keen to increase membership. To assist achieving this objective, our District membership team is keen to showcase what Rotary is doing both in the local community and internationally. With some notice, they have offered to provide professional displays which outline Rotary's achievements at any public event that our Club may do. Please give some thought to this as it is a good resource that would assist us in any membership drive.

Neville challenged our Club to be stronger at the end of this Rotary year than we were at its start. He emphasised that he saw his role as that of supporting and assisting us where possible to achieve this objective.



Club President Doug Hawley thanking District Governor Neville John for his talk

Speaker and Activities Program

Monday September 12	Speaker: Tim Smith MP, Legislative Assembly Member for Kew, Chair: Kyle Wightman
Monday September 19	Speaker: Mark Dorrity, <i>"The Meltdown Man"</i> , Chair: Nora Ley
Sunday September 25	'Guess Who's Coming to Lunch' Social Activity
Monday September 26	Speaker: Penny Underwood, <i>"Community Services for Women"</i> , Chair: Michael Chong

Sunday Market 7am – 1pm

September 11 - Doug Hawley, Chris James/Kathleen Stapleton, Sue Osborne/Annette Brownscombe

September 18 - David Zrna, Anne Josefsberg, TBA

September 25 - Gerry Cross, Cathie Macmillan, Sarah Walters

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.



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President's Message - Continued

On aspect of Neville's visit to our Club was that we had more people come to the meeting than anticipated. This is a great result and I thank you all for making the effort. A little issue which, however, came up due to the extra attendance was that it created some catering headaches in ensuring everyone received a meal. Can you please remember that if you are bringing some guests or you are returning from holidays or it is likely that the Club may not anticipate your attendance, please let the Club know that you will be present so that we can ensure that a meal is catered for you. It is more important these days that this happens than in the past as the meals are now prepared offsite rather than at the Canterbury Centre and so it is much more difficult for the Centre to cater for increased numbers.

2017 District Conference at Shepparton

District Governor Neville John spoke about the 2017 District Conference and the theme of Social Cohesion. It is not too early to start thinking about coming to the District Conference which will be held in Shepparton from March 30 to April 1 2017. Click on this [District 9800 Conference link](#) for more details. These Conferences are always quite inspirational and fun. Outstanding speakers talk about their extraordinary experiences, some of which are in working with Rotary in some outstanding way. Last Rotary year we had a very good attendance by members at the District Conference held in Bendigo and, as a result, we all had a great time of fellowship together. It would be great if we could replicate this again in 2017. One of the ways that we can ensure that the visit to Shepparton is a success is to make early bookings of accommodation and restaurants. Please lock-in the dates so that you can attend. Past President Nora Ley would be delighted to hear from you even if you are only considering it at this stage.

Doug

The Next Speaker - Tim Smith MP

Tim Smith was elected as the State Member for Kew in November 2014 and is the Shadow Parliamentary Secretary to the Leader of the Opposition. He was born 1983 and was raised in Camberwell and now resides in Kew. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in History and Politics and a Masters in International Politics from the University of Melbourne.

Tim has worked as a political advisor in both Australia and the United Kingdom. In 2009 he was elected as Mayor of the City of Stonnington and subsequently was employed as a consultant at PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) and earned a promotion to the Office of the Executive Board of PwC Australia, based in Melbourne.

Tim has been a member of the Rotary Club of Canterbury and will talk to us about his reflections on being a young MP in the Victorian State Parliament.



Guess Who's Coming to Lunch?

On the last Sunday of September there will be a 'Guess Who's Coming to Lunch' social gathering for partners and friends. Please join with your fellow Rotary Club members for a wonderful gastronomic experience.

Date: Sunday 25th September
Time: Meet at Helen Harnett's at 12:00 for a glass of bubbly and be informed of your lunch venue address
Venue: You will find out on the day
Cost: \$25.00 per head BYO

If you are on Camberwell Sunday Market duty, the lunch will be at 1:30 and you will be informed of your venue by phone or text. We would like extra host families, if you can help please let Helen Harnett know - the hosts do not have to prepare any food but just provide the venue and the tea and coffee.

This will be a great fun day and a chance to catch up with old friends and make new ones in our wonderful Rotary family.

First BusyFeet Boroondara was a Huge Success

The children arrived with smiles and seemed keen to start their new activity. They looked for their name tags and met up with the carers we had matched them with.

I expected only one or two children to dance at the first session, but most started dancing and with big smiles on their faces. One little boy sat in a beanbag and covered his ears for some of the session. He wouldn't join in, but we had paired him with a someone from our Rotary Club and soon enough both the boy and the volunteer danced from their beanbags with pom poms.

Our dance teacher, Ciska is wonderful and she did a great job. She chose music that the children could relate well to.

Everyone had an absolute ball and smiles on everyone's faces the children, the volunteers, the BusyFeet Boroondara team and the parents, told the story. It was a great success and I can't wait until next Wednesday.

Thank you Michael Chong for all your hard work and thank you to the volunteers from our Club - you were great. Looking forward to having all the volunteers from our Club paired up with children so you can experience this activity for yourselves.

Jenni Nankervis