

# ROTARY CLUB of OCH Inc.

District 9815 Victoria, Australia

## Weekly Bulletin 2024-2025

Meets every Monday from 6:30pm at The Clayton Hotel  
319 Clayton Road, Clayton (Melways 79C2)  
(No meeting on public holidays)



17th March 2025

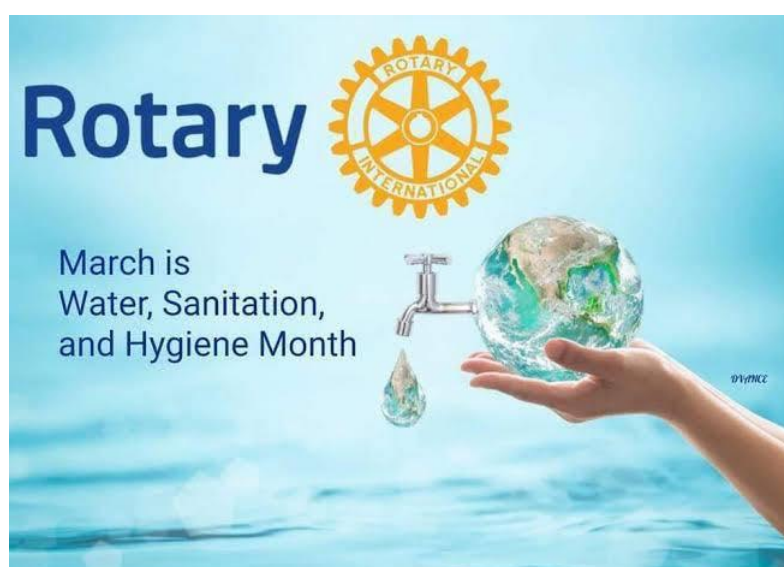
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### Upcoming Club Program

| Date                   | Speaker   | Chairperson    |
|------------------------|---|----------------|
| 17 <sup>th</sup> March | Board Meeting (Via Zoom)  | Felicity Smith |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> March | General Meeting at the <b><u>South Oakleigh Bowling Club</u></b> . Guest Speaker is Colleen D'Offay – “Donations in Kind” | Martha Bodon   |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> March | General Meeting at the Clayton Hotel. Guest Speaker is Mon Jones – “Myths around what funerals are all about”             | Felicity Smith |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> April  | General Meeting at the Clayton Hotel.   | Felicity Smith |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> April | Board Meeting (Via Zoom)  | Felicity Smith |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> April | No Club Meeting – Easter Monday   |                |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> April | General Meeting at the Clayton Hotel.   | Felicity Smith |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> May    | General Meeting at the Clayton Hotel. Guest Speaker is Kate Joseph – “Opal Health Care”                                   | Greg Telley    |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> May   | General Meeting at the Clayton Hotel.   | Felicity Smith |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> May   | Board Meeting (Via Zoom)  | Felicity Smith |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> May   | General Meeting at the Clayton Hotel.   | Felicity Smith |



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## President's Report

Dear Members,

### Monday's Meeting

This week is our Board Meeting with a lot to discuss. Including the market, our sponsorships, support projects and other matters.

### Next Week's Meeting

We have a Guest Speaker from DIK.

Ralph has informed us that we would be in the small room but there is also the problem that parking is again an issue in front of the Hotel. Haughton Rd from the Link Rd to Clayton Rd is blocked with one lane only from Clayton Rd. Parking is a problem. ***With that in mind we will be meeting at the South Oakleigh Bowling Club for the 24th March.***

The Board will discuss the ongoing issue of parking for the next three weeks and consider our options.

### Other Matters

The Market Group is continuing to meet on Wednesday night to continue the work on bringing the Market online. Patrick from Ozee Markets visited the Market last Sunday (9/03/2025). Which was good for him and us to see how the market operates in real time. Patrick is meeting with David Whiting, Sam & myself tomorrow to discuss further our progression. There is a lot of work happening to achieve this and David Whiting, Byron Kyriakides have done a lot of the heavy lifting. Thank you.

At the end of this month the District Conference will be in Bendigo and should be a great event. I am looking forward to it.

Felicity Smith OAM JP  
President 2024-2025  
Rotary – People of Action, making a difference and connecting the world

## Last Meeting & Notes

### Last Meeting (10<sup>th</sup> March):

**Apologies** = None.  
**Make Ups** = None.  
**Leave of Absence** = David Park.  
**Visitors** = None.

This week there was no meeting as it was the Labour Day Holiday.

## Oakleigh Rotary Sunday Market – Information & Roster



# Rotary Four Way Test

"Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the Truth?
2. Is it Fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?"

## MARKET ROSTER

| Rotary Market Roster - version 6-Mar-25   |                | Market Roster: Shift 1; 6 am to 10 am: Shift 2; 9.45 am to 1.45 pm (Market Close 2 PM) (there is a 15 minute handover) |                |                |                  |                                |                  |                  |                          |             |
|---|----------------|--|----------------|----------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| If you are unable to do your shift you can change you roster mutually with another member - please advise Michael : 0447 911 728, Copy David W & Doug |                |  |                |                |                  |                                |                  |                  |                          |             |
| NOTE; Leader ( in Blue) responsible for cordination & management of the Market for the Day (does not have to be present for whole day)                |                |  |                |                |                  |                                |                  |                  |                          |             |
|   |                | FIRST SHIFT 6AM to 10AM  |                |                |                  | SECOND SHIFT 09:45AM to 2:00PM |                  |                  |                          |             |
| Date  | Notes          | Leader   | SET-UP/Monitor | SET-UP/Monitor | SET-UP/main gate | Main gate                      | CASH/PACKUP      | CASH/PACKUP      | CASH/PACKUP              | CASH/PACKUP |
| 23/03/2025  |                | Doug Bowden  | SOBC 1         | Rotaract       | RCMW             | RCMW                           | Richard Simmons  | Bron Lamond      | Steve Hill               |             |
| 30/03/2025  | District Conf  | David Whiting  | Arthur Athan   | Terry Elms     | Scouts           | Scouts                         | Marcus R         | Byron Kyriakides | Martha Bodon (for Robyn) |             |
| 6/04/2025   |                | Doug Bowden  | Martha Bodon   | Peter Webb     | Scouts           | Scouts                         | Michael Ellinger | Richard Simmons  | Jon Breisch              |             |
| 13/04/2025  |                | John Bethune (for Lesley)  | Ralph Zuccaro  | GeorgeCarydias | Scouts           | Scouts                         | David Park       | Howard Smith     | Felicity Smith           |             |
| 20/04/2025  | Easter Sunday  | Doug, Terry, Martha  |                | Rotaract       | RCMW             | RCMW                           | Marcus R         | Barry Cronan     | John Barnes              |             |
| 27/04/2025  |                | David Whiting  | John Jarvis    | Cess Hodges    | RCMW             | RCMW                           | Sam Oddo         | Bron Lamond      | Steve Hill               |             |
| 4/05/2025   |                | John Bethune   | Arthur Athan   | GeorgeCarydias | Scouts           | Scouts                         | Vivienne B       | Byron Kyriakides | Robyn McNab              |             |
| 11/05/2025  | Mothers Day    | Doug Bowden  | Martha Bodon   | Peter Webb     | Scouts           | Scouts                         | Michael Ellinger | Richard Simmons  | Jon Breisch              |             |
| 18/05/2025  |                | Lesley Zuccaro   | Ralph Zuccaro  | Terry Elms     | RCMW             | RCMW                           | David Park       | Howard Smith     | Felicity Smith           |             |
| 25/05/2025  |                | John Bethune   | SOBC 2         | Rotaract       | RCMW             | RCMW                           | Marcus R         | Vivienne B       | Richard Simmons          |             |
| 1/06/2025   |                | Greg Telley  | Arthur Athan   | Terry Elms     | Scouts           | Scouts                         | Sam Oddo         | Bron Lamond      | John Barnes              |             |
| 8/06/2025   | Kings B'day WE | David Whiting  | John Jarvis    | GeorgeCarydias | Scouts           | Scouts                         | Barry Cronan     | Byron Kyriakides | Robyn McNab              |             |
| 15/06/2025  |                | Doug Bowden  | Martha Bodon   | Peter Webb     | RCMW             | RCMW                           | Michael Ellinger | Steve Hill       | Jon Breisch              |             |
| 22/06/2025  |                | Lesley Zuccaro   | Ralph Zuccaro  | Cess Hodges    | RCMW             | RCMW                           | David Park       | Howard Smith     | Felicity Smith           |             |
| 29/06/2025  |                | David Whiting  | Arthur Athan   | GeorgeCarydias | Scouts           | Scouts                         | Marcus R         | Barry Cronan     | John Barnes              |             |
| 6/07/2025   |                | John Bethune   | John Jarvis    | Cess Hodges    | Scouts           | Scouts                         | Sam Oddo         | Bron Lamond      | Steve Hill               |             |
| 13/07/2025  |                | Greg Telley  | SOBC 3         | Rotaract       | Scouts           | Scouts                         | Vivienne B       | Byron Kyriakides | Robyn McNab              |             |
| 20/07/2025  |                | Doug Bowden  | Martha Bodon   | Peter Webb     | RCMW             | RCMW                           | Michael Ellinger | Steve Hill       | Jon Breisch              |             |

Rotary Oakleigh Clayton Huntingdale

Contact us

- SMS
- Phone - Enquire/Book
- Save Contact

Stall Applications

- Stallholder Price list
- Market Plot Map
- Stallholder Info
- Stallholder Form
- Stallholder T&C
- Market Video



**Rotary Market - Sundays between 8am - 1pm**

Join in the fun at the the  
Oakleigh Rotary Sunday Market

A great place for produce, plants, flowers, crafts, bric-a-brac & more

Hanover Street Carpark - Market - Corner Hanover Street and Atherton Road Oakleigh  
For enquiries, please call the Market Manager on 0466 546 059

Rotary Oakleigh Clayton Huntingdale

## The Object of Rotary

1. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
2. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
3. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
4. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

## Oakleigh Cricket Club Sponsors Update

Hello all,

After a very long lead up to the finals, I am very proud to inform you all that all four of our VSDCA Senior teams have made the finals in their respective grades.

The First X1 finished on top of the ladder and will play Caulfield next Saturday and Sunday at home. By finishing on top, the Firsts are guaranteed safe passage through to the next round of finals, even if they happen to lose. We will be hell bent on winning however to retain the top seeded position and home ground hosting rights for the following finals.

The Second X1 were in a must win game on Saturday to force their way into the finals. In a fighting display they managed to beat Ormond, and will now play the ladder leader Werribee, at Werribee next Saturday and Sunday. The seconds must win this final in order to advance

The Third X1 defeated Mt Waverley on Sunday to finish the season on top of the ladder. They will now play Mt Waverley in a semi final at Scammell Reserve on Saturday and Sunday.

The Fourth X1 finished the season in second place on the ladder and earned a home semi final. However, because the Thirds are playing at home the Fourths will be playing Bayswater at Bayswater.

The Sunday X1 Development team unfortunately lost their elimination final yesterday. After a challenging start to the season the team finished the home and away season in a barnstorming manner and became a crowd favourite on Frogbox which telecast all our home games from our home base at Oakleigh.

Last night the club held The Sam Blackburn Medal Count for the Most Valuable Player as voted by the players in each of the four VSDCA teams.

Rob Howes won his second Sam Blackburn medal in a very close and exciting count. Rob made more than 500 runs in the Third X1 and is a very worthy winner of this prestigious award.

There are exciting times ahead over the next few weeks as we endeavour to win some more premierships, the players will be trying their best, and we wish them all the best of luck. Please support the teams in person at the games, at training, via our frogbox telecast, or via Oakleigh Cricket Club PlayHQ on game days.

I look forward to seeing you all over the coming weeks, and thank you all for your magnificent support.

Regards Peter

## South Oakleigh College – Breakfast Club & Walkathon Event Invitations

As members would be aware we sponsor the Leadership Program & the Breakfast Club at South Oakleigh College.

In appreciation the College have invited Rotary to two activities;

- **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> of April – Celebratory Breakfast Club event - commencing 8 AM for breakfast** – including chat with SRC Presidents about how our donations work.
- **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> of April** – the school walkathon for the Monash children's hospital school - an invitation to attend. No need to do the barbecue this year. **But arrive by 1PM** to get a sausage, see the students return and talk with school captains, prefects & teachers about school events.

**If you are interested in attending either of these events please advise;**  
[secretary@rotaryoch.org.au](mailto:secretary@rotaryoch.org.au) ; [steven.jos.hill@gmail.com](mailto:steven.jos.hill@gmail.com) & [david\\_whiting@bigpond.com](mailto:david_whiting@bigpond.com) by **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March**



## Club Vision

OCH Rotary is an energetic, fun-loving, forward-thinking Rotary Club that wishes to continue to grow strategically and provide all its members with opportunities to serve while undertaking worthwhile and sustainable projects locally, nationally and globally.

## National Storage (371 -375 Warrigal Rd Cheltenham)

With removal of District Storage & good work by Cess, with input from a small subcommittee on a Saturday morning, we have now downsized into to a new storage unit at National Storage.

Storage Unit R 302 - a 5 sqm unit – ground floor in the front section of the building  
Access Code - No change from previous National Storage access code  
Rent - A significant reduction in Monthly rent  
Rotary Lock – Same lock as on previous unit – do you have a key?

So that we can update our register of members who have keys to the unit, please email [cesshodes@gmail.com](mailto:cesshodes@gmail.com) & [david\\_whiting@bigpond.com](mailto:david_whiting@bigpond.com) if you currently hold a key, thank you.

## Upcoming Dates

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2025** – Oakleigh Rotary Sunday Market

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2025** – Oakleigh Rotary Sunday Market

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2025** – Oakleigh Rotary Sunday Market

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2025** – Oakleigh Rotary Sunday Market

## Club Positions for 2024/25

|                           |                         |         |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------|
| President                 | Felicity Smith          | (Board) |
| Vice President            | Bronwen Lamond          | (Board) |
| Past President            | Lesley Zuccaro          | (Board) |
| President Elect           | Steve Hill              | (Board) |
| Secretary                 | Doug Bowden             | (Board) |
| Treasurer                 | George Carydias         | (Board) |
| Community                 | Vivienne Blennerhassett | (Board) |
| International             | David Park              | (Board) |
| New Generations           | Steve Hill              |         |
| Vocational                | Steve Hill              |         |
| Foundation                | Ralph Zuccaro           | (Board) |
| Data / Tech               | Byron Kyriakides        | (Board) |
| Club Protection Officer   | John Jarvis             |         |
| Membership / Club Service | Robyn McNab             |         |
| PR / Fundraising          | David Whiting           |         |
| Market Manager            | TBA                     |         |
| Programme                 | Jon Breisch             | (Board) |
| Bulletin                  | Michael Ellinger        | (Board) |
| Rotaract                  | Cess Hodges             |         |
| On to Conference          | Tom Buzza               |         |
| Sergeant at Arms          | Howard Smith            |         |

## District 9815 News

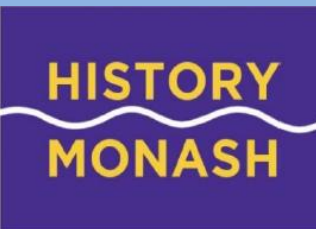
### District Governor for 2027- 2028 Announcement

Dear D9815 Rotarians,

You will recall that on the 18th December 2024 we called for District 9815 Governor nominations.

The joint nominating committee met on Saturday 1st March 2025 to conduct interviews.

## Quick Links



It is with great pleasure that we announce the D9815 Nominating Committee nomination for District Governor Nominee Designate (DGND) to fill the role of District Governor for D9815 in 2027-2028 is **Murray Wilson** from the Rotary Club of Rowville- Lysterfield.

Murray's Rotary journey started as a Charter Member of the Rotary Club of Rowville - Lysterfield in 2004. He has been the Club President twice, in 2006-2007 and 2021-2022. He has been Club Vice President, Foundation Chair and has served on the Club Board for 16 of the 20 years.

He has also held various District Roles including District Conference Committee Member (Secretary), D9810 Rotary Against Malaria Supervisor and most recently as the inaugural Rotary Community Leader (RCL) for Community Group 3 comprising 13 District Clubs.

In terms of the Rotary International Bylaws -Article 12.030- Nominating Committee process, this nomination is subject to a 14 day challenge period. This challenge period will therefore end on Sunday 16th March 2025.

Best regards,  
Colin Byron

## Volunteer Youth Forms

"All members - following up on working with children checks – it is imperative that all members who may come in contact – even incidental - with children (those under 18) have a working with children's card (WWC) – most members have one but for those that do not could you apply for one ASAP and advise Michael once its received. It costs nothing to apply for a card as a volunteer – you can apply using this link [Working with Children Check \(service.vic.gov.au\)](http://Working with Children Check (service.vic.gov.au))

Now for the additional requirement of a Form 3 – as explained by the District Youth Chair – Ken Mirams – this is an additional requirement imposed by both the Victorian Government, Rotary International and for insurance purposes. The Form 3 is an extra check particularly for those situations where you may at any time be in a one-on-one situation with a child (anyone under 18), in those cases you must have both the WWC card and a completed Form 3.

Trust that this clarifies – incidental contact with children (not one on one) a WWC check is sufficient – in situations where you will or may be one on one then a Form 3 must be completed. Of course, logistically it makes planning a lot easier if we all have both the WWC card and a Form 3"

Upon completion, please send the form to me.

Regards:  
Doug Bowden  
Secretary (2024-25)  
Rotary Club Oakleigh Clayton Huntingdale Inc

## Rotaract Club of Monash



### Club Meeting Details:

The Club meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the Month at 7:30pm for a 7:45pm start at the Clayton Hotel, 319 Clayton Road, Clayton. Send them a message at [info@monashrotaract.org.au](mailto:info@monashrotaract.org.au) if you would like to join them and not miss out.

## Special Announcements

19<sup>th</sup> March – David Whiting Birthday

22<sup>nd</sup> March – Jackie Gleeson Birthday

# MEET *the* TEAM

2024-25



Lucy Shao  
Co-President



Jess Lim  
Co-President



Jennifer Clarke  
Vice-President



Netania Lim  
Secretary



Kiara Hickman  
Treasurer



Philip Liberatore  
Immediate Past  
President



Darcy Hammill  
Director



Ramy Moneer  
Director



## Upcoming Rotaract Events:



[Click on image for details](#)

## Where other Clubs Meet

A Rotarian can attend the weekly meeting of any Rotary club around the world. This is a “make-up” and counts as attendance credit when you are not able to attend a meeting of your own club.

Details for all District 9815 clubs can be obtained on the website [www.rotary9815.org.au](http://www.rotary9815.org.au)  
Details for clubs around the world are available on the RI website ([www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org))


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## Reminders

Please ensure that the club is aware if you will be missing a meeting. Contact **Barry Cronan** at [Cron20@bigpond.com](mailto:Cron20@bigpond.com) or mob: 0421 417 428 the **day before the meeting**, if you are not going to be present.

Contributions for inclusion into the Bulletin should be passed to [editor@rotaryoch.org.au](mailto:editor@rotaryoch.org.au) by Friday evening of each week.

**Please remember if you cannot perform your rostered job, it is your duty to find a replacement to take your place.**

Visit our new Facebook page at [@Rotaryoch9810](https://www.facebook.com/Rotaryoch9810) or click 

For any updates and changes which need to be made to the membership database please send them to [editor@rotaryoch.org.au](mailto:editor@rotaryoch.org.au)

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## Joke of the Week

Two magistrates were rolling home from a reunion when they realised, they were drunk and singing loudly in the street.

They decided that according to the law they would have to be charged with being drunk and disorderly.

They would have to appear in court next day.

The first appeared before his friend, pleaded guilty and was fined \$50. They swapped places and the fine was \$100.

“Hey,” protested the magistrate standing in the dock. “You were only fined \$50.”

“Yes,” said the magistrate on the bench. “But this offence is becoming too prevalent.

You are the second rowdy drunk to appear before this court this morning.’

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## Rotary International News

### The next global leaders

*By Rotary International*

#### Young trailblazers find inspiration at Rotaract UN Days

The first Rotaract UN Days brought about 200 young people to the United Nations Office at Geneva for four days of inspiring discussions about human rights, health, economic development, peace, and science — and of course some fun (they're Rotaractors, after all).

We asked three participants in the 30 October-2 November gathering to tell us about the experience, their takeaways, and what it was like to enter the halls of the historic Palais des Nations.

#### DAY ONE: Arrival and welcome

Landing in Geneva feels surreal. Over the past year, I've traveled to events in Dubai, Mexico, and Chicago. But Geneva's been on my bucket list for as long as I can remember. Even better, I quickly run into my friend Christina from my Rotary district. What are the odds? Even better still, it's her birthday. We head into the city center to do some sightseeing and sample Switzerland's legendary chocolate. Let me tell you, it did not disappoint. We head back for the welcome cocktail



ceremony and after running into more old friends, we celebrate Christina's birthday at a rooftop bar with a gorgeous view of the city. — Zayne Sinclair

In 2020, I was deputy secretary general for the National Youth Model United Nations in Sri Lanka. I made a promise to myself: One day, I would walk through the halls of the United Nations Office in Geneva. But little did I know that Rotary would bring this dream to life. I'm so excited to see inside the iconic Palais des Nations. — Haneekah Rahil

As an environmentalist, I'm very interested in working with the UN in Nairobi, where I'm from and the home to the United Nations Environment Programme, which partners with Rotary on clean water projects. So, I have dreamed of visiting the United Nations Office at Geneva for a long time. — Lamech Opiyo



Haneekah Rahil and her Rotary friends Shahd Elshazly & Noël Kutz

Courtesy of Haneekah Rahil

To read the full article [click here](#)

**Rotary**  
Mount Waverley



# TRIVIA NIGHT!



**PRIZES & LOTS OF LAUGHS!**

**WHEN :** 6:30 PM - 11PM (7PM START)  
SATURDAY 5TH APRIL 2025

**WHERE :** MOUNT WAVERLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE  
47 MILLER CRESENT, MOUNT WAVERLEY  
(NEAR MOUNT WAVERLEY TRAIN STATION)

**\$25 PER PERSON (8-10 PEOPLE PER TABLE)**

**BYO FOOD, DRINKS & ALCOHOL**

**BOOKINGS:** LORETTA CREW 0412 811 323

**CONTACT@MOUNTWAVERLEYROTARY.ORG.AU**

**PAYMENT:** BSB: 633 000 ACCOUNT: 148 024 664 **REF:** NAME



Drinks at member prices

BYO Supper and Snacks

Table size 8-10 people

# Trivia Night

*Friday 16th May*

**6:30 PM**  
**TICKETS \$20**

**Book early before they sell out!**  
[sobc.org.au/collections/quiz-nights](https://sobc.org.au/collections/quiz-nights)



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