



The Weekly Bulletin of the

# Rotary Club of Essendon North

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## This Week: Field trip to DIK

Rotary Donations In Kind is a major recycling operation, run by volunteers, that gives suitable goods to people in need, for free.

The West Footscray Store is part of the National Rotary Donations In Kind Store network, which is Rotary Australia's largest ongoing project and the West Footscray Store is the largest in Victoria.

A Donations In Kind (DIK) project is often the most practical and cost effective way to help people in developing countries and it also provides excellent opportunities to help local communities.

It provides Rotarians, the Public and Corporate Sector with the chance to make a meaningful difference in the lives of people who need our help.

It provides Rotarians with opportunities to use all of their resources; their intellect, skills and contacts, their labour and their ability to raise funds.

There is an opportunity for everyone no matter where they are located or the time available, to get involved and make a difference.

*Fifteen members are coming to DIK on Wednesday night. Meet at the Motel at 6 pm where we will car pool and leave no later than 6.15 pm. The tour of the facility will be from 7 to 8 pm.*

*Afterwards, we will go to Pacino's Restaurant at 300 Epsom Road Flemington where we have a booking. Great food, well priced and very quick service.*

*If you wish to go direct to DIK, please advise David and he will email a map.*

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

Happy birthday to Di Pennisi: August 3<sup>rd</sup> and the editor August 27<sup>th</sup>.

## From the Oval Office

*David Ursic, IL Presidente.*

Greetings Fellow Rotarians.

What a lovely weekend both Sue and I have just had with Ingrid. I took Ingrid home to Bendigo with me on Thursday as it was the Exchange Student Orientation Weekend at Camp Getaway in Axedale.

We spoke non-stop all the way home about what she would like to see, eat and do in Australia. One thing she wanted to do was try a number of different cuisines so we decided to oblige. That night we treated her to a delightful dinner at the Indian Tavern Restaurant in Pall Mall. She wanted a spicy meal and she got it! She really enjoyed it even though her cheeks were "glowing red" afterwards.

Friday she saw a little of Bendigo and the local sights and photographed a number of kangaroos near our home. She was smiling from ear to ear.

That night we took her to Camp Getaway and on arrival were greeted by a number of young exchange students from around the globe. Both Sue and I knew that there would be little if no sleeping in those dorms over the weekend!!

Sunday both Sue and I attended the lunch and seminar as Rosa was unavailable. It was great to catch up with a number of Rotary leaders and Club representatives in a relaxed atmosphere. All 15 Exchange Students introduced themselves and gave a brief talk on their



hopes and aspirations which was very enlightening.

The day reinforced in my mind that the Exchange Student Program is a flagship program for Rotary and one which is important in the building of friendships from around the world.

For those Club members who have already had Ingrid "out and about", I thank you. For those who have not yet had the opportunity, she awaits your invitation.

Have a great week.

## Letter of Thanks From RC Richmond

Dear President David

I congratulate you and your Club for the friendly and welcoming atmosphere afforded to me and Barbara Woodberry at our Timor Picture Storybook presentation to your members and friends last Wednesday.

Thank you for your donation of \$250 towards this project; we look forward to receiving news of sponsorship after consideration from your Board. Currently we have 2 titles to complete the 42 in the program – Richmond has included sponsorship for one book in our Project Plans for 2014-2015.

On behalf of President Les Frampton and the Members of the Rotary Club of Richmond I extend our best wishes to your members and I look forward to working with you and your International Service Chair Rosa during 2014-2015.

Yours in Rotary Service,

PP Trevor Pang, International Service Chair 2014-2015

Rotary Club of Richmond

## News from Ingrid

*Ingrid Olsson: Exchange Student*

This weekend I went with Mike and his wife Pam and grandson Dane to their beach house in Portarlington. We came up to the house on Friday night and had a good dinner at the golf club.

On the Saturday we took the car around the coast in Bellarine Peninsula and some of the things I got to see was Queenscliff, Point Lonsdale and the beginning of the seaside near Ocean Grove. I thought it was



so beautiful and amazing and I could see all the way to Melbourne even though we were on the other side of the Bay! We also visited

a winery and had lunch at Jack Rabbit.

On the Sunday I got to meet Mike and Pam's other grandchildren too and I went to watch one of them play Footy. I had a lovely weekend and was so glad that the rain disappeared and the sun came out!

**Rotary Club of  
Essendon North  
Presents...**

# TriviaNight

**Raising money for Men's Shed Strathmore**  
**\$40 per ticket**  
**Includes finger food**  
**Drinks at Bar Prices**  
**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September**  
**7:00 pm for 7:30 pm Start**  
**Bookings via Barry Coleman (0427 852 062)**  
**Or the Venue Fredricks (9379 3247)**  
**980 Mt Alexander Rd Essendon**  
**enquiries@fredricksrestaurant.com.au**

## Coming Soon...

- 20<sup>th</sup> August: Senior Constable Courtney Nichols "Safety Presentation, Moonee Ponds Police", Chair: Barry Harvey
- 20<sup>th</sup> August: Board Meeting following Club Meeting
- 27<sup>th</sup> August: Scot Mullen (Principal) Essendon North Primary School, Chair: Himanshu Kaushik
- 3<sup>rd</sup> September: Aldo, Christmas Tree Suppliers, Chair: David Ursic
- 6<sup>th</sup> September: RCEN Trivia Night

Club Duties Roster: August

- Attendance/Cashier: John Boundy, Sergeant: Daryl Broadbent

Ingrid's Best Friend:

- 13th August: Judy Whelan

If you are unable to fulfil your role, please organise a replacement.

 **Bendigo Bank**

We gratefully acknowledge sponsorship by the Strathmore Community Branch of the Bendigo Bank.

Rotary Club of Essendon North meets every Wednesday at 6.00pm for 6.30pm at Fredricks, Mt. Alexander Road, Essendon. [www.home.vicnet.net.au/~rcessnth/](http://www.home.vicnet.net.au/~rcessnth/)

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