

The Weekly Bulletin of the

Rotary Club of Essendon North

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This Week:

Aldo & Rob Iuele: Christmas Tree Supplier

Chair: David Ursic

From the Oval Office

David Ursic, IL Presidente

Dear Fellow Members.

Greetings from Port Douglas where both Sue and I have been for four days.

Beautiful weather and such a relaxing place to be. Apologies for not contributing to last week's bulletin however I was away in remote outback NSW with friends doing boys things (if you know what I mean). This Saturday night sees the first of our Fundraising nights for the Men's Shed project being the Trivia Night.

Numbers presently look reasonable but I am a little disappointed with the response to what should be a good night. I implore members to make a last minute effort to come along in order to "fill the house". This month, Ingrid is being hosted by Coral Thompson. She is looking forward to receiving Coral's famous hospitality as Coral has hosted many exchange students in years gone by. Thanks for your help Coral. I remind members to extend the hand of friendship to Ingrid and invite her home when possible.

Attendance figures at the dinner meetings for the last two weeks has been poor (even embarrassing) to say the least. Please remember our Program Organiser spends a lot of time getting quality speakers to address us weekly. It is a reflection on the Club if members don't make an effort to attend however please remember to let me know by email if you cannot make it.

Have a good week and see you all Wednesday.

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

TriviaNight



Barry Coleman: Director Fundraising

Dear Rotarians,

With the Bombers heading towards another premiership and the 1st step this Saturday night we have had to defer our Trivia Night Fundraiser to a date to be fixed. (Most likely October 14.)

Even though it has been deferred please continue to sell your raffle tickets. Also bring along your bottles of wine this Wednesday night that you planned to donate as well as other promised items.

Please apologise and explain to all that you had arranged to attend and keep them motivated to come on the date to be fixed.

With thanks, Barry C.

(It is amazing the number of Bomber and North Melb supporters that were included in the tables promised.)



DG Murray Verso and Irene invite Rotarians, partners and guests to attend the 2015 District 9800 Conference.

Experience great speakers, first class entertainment, networking and fellowship with old and new friends that will illuminate Rotary.

Registration for the 2015 District 9800 Conference is now open.

The Conference Committee have been hard at work for the past 12 months organising speakers, Informative sessions, entertainment and optional breakout sessions.

Accommodation at discount rates is available, but in short supply.

Groups Tasmania has prepared pre and post Conference Tours so that you may enjoy the company of other Rotarians before and after the Conference. A great way to meet other like-minded people from neighbouring Rotary Clubs, and a wonderful opportunity to create some friendships that may blossom not only for your stay in Hobart, but continuing on when you return to Melbourne. Day tours are also available for you and/or your partner.

Several surprise activities are planned and will be announced in future Conference Newsletters.

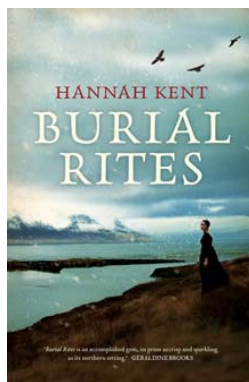
See more at:

<http://www.rotary9800conference.org.au/news/8372/murray-verso-and-irene-welcome-you#sthash.ZyhRp5Sg.dpufxxx>

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Happy birthday to Pam Barnes: 1st September, Kay Coleman: 9th September, the editor August 27th. Happy anniversary to Mike and Pam Barnes: 5th September and to Barry and Cheryl Harvey 9th September

Exchange Story: No 2



Hannah Kent was born in Adelaide in 1985. As a teenager she travelled to Iceland on a Rotary Exchange, where she first heard the story of Agnes Magnúsdóttir. Hannah is the co-founder and deputy editor of Australian literary journal *Kill Your Darlings*, and is completing her PhD at Flinders University. In 2011 she won the inaugural Writing Australia Unpublished Manuscript Award. *Burial Rites* is her first novel.

Based on a true story, *Burial Rites* is a deeply moving novel about personal freedom: who we are seen to be versus who we believe ourselves to be, and the ways in which we will risk everything for love. In beautiful, cut-glass prose, Hannah Kent portrays Iceland's formidable landscape, where every day is a battle for survival, and asks, how can one woman hope to endure when her life depends upon the stories told by others?

A cracking read it was shortlisted for the Guardian First Book Award 2013.

Coming Soon...

- TBA: RCEN Trivia Night
- 10th September: Bashar Bagdadi, "The Middle East, Syria, Jordan and Peace", Chair: David Mott
- 17th September: Craig Tan, "Living Architecture", Chair: Sam Pennisi

Club Duties Roster: September

- Attendance/Cashier: TBA, Sergeant: Geoff Woodhead

Ingrid's Best Friend:

- 3rd September: Terry Daffey
- 10th September: Sam Pennisi

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



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/
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