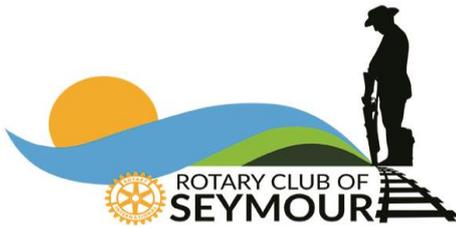




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Our Invocation:

For good food, good fellowship, and the opportunity to serve through Rotary, we give thanks.

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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PRESIDENT: Mariam Baker  [.facebook.com/RotarySeymour](https://www.facebook.com/RotarySeymour)

SECRETARY: Sue Goette  Secretary: Sue - 0402 256 497

TREASURER: Ruth Byers

OUR UPCOMING PROGRAM

Meeting date	15 October	22 October	29 October
Venue	Go Tafe	Tallarook CFA followed by Xenia's Farm	Go Tafe
Time	6.30pm for 7pm	6.30pm for 7pm (6pm at Tallarook CFA)	6.30pm for 7pm
Chairman	David Freeman	Ron Halicki	Jane Challis
Cashiers	Hugh Lawrence & Fiona McCarthy		Ruth Byers & Peter Holland
Greeter	Jane Challis		Rita Collins
Invocation	Peter Holland		Catriona Jarman
Toast	Sharon Anderson-Warne		Ralph Baker
Program	Rosie Panelli Goulburn Options CEO Rosie Panelli will be along to talk about recent developments at Goulburn Options.	Vocation Visit We will be visiting Tallarook CFA for a walkthrough of the station and a demo of their new fire engine. Followed by dinner at Xenia's place in Tallarook.	Membership Evening Tonight we have the opportunity to show potential members about Rotary and what it has to offer them.
Regalia & Room Set Up	Fred & Don		Mark & Tony W

If you are unable to fulfill your task please arrange someone else to do so. **Please confirm your attendance, along with guests, to Ralph Baker on 0402 468 258 or email mariam.baker@bigpond.com by 4pm THURSDAY prior to meeting.**

WHAT'S ON?

- 20th October** Tastes Of The Goulburn & Christmas Raffle Launch
- 21st October** Ladies Day Out
- 22nd October** Vocation Visit to Tallarook Fire Brigade
- 29th October** Lunch On The River
- 2nd, 3rd, 6th November** Shake The Can
- 10th-11th November** Seymour's 175th Anniversary
- 26th November** Lunch On The River
- November** Christmas Raffle Continues



37 members and guests packed out the Shearer's room at GoTafe on a warm spring evening. **Sergeant-at-arms PP Greg Byers** got tonight's proceedings underway right on time on what was to be a busy evening.. Greg handed over to **President Mariam** without delay, to begin the official part of the evening.

Mariam thanked everyone for attending, and welcomed guests for this evening, **District Governor Malcolm Kerr** and wife **Jill**, **Assistant Governor Elizabeth McCormick**, **Ewan McDonald** and partner **Annie**, **Sarah Munro**, **Jill Keefe** and **Chris Chadwick**. Mariam also welcomed **Marlene Campbell** back, after her long absence.

Mariam called for tonight's invocation, performed by **Hugh Lawrence**, and the toast, by **Paulette Andrews**. Paulette toasted our Rotary Club due to the great job we do with our various projects (and because we caught her unaware!)

Mariam began by thanking everyone for their efforts in helping at the show gates over the weekend. The show was a huge success, and in no small part due to Rotary's great help in manning the gates over the two days. Mariam especially thanked **Ruth, John, and Greg**, who made a huge effort to make everything come together smoothly. This was followed by **Bryan Tehan** getting up and announcing that due to our excellent work, the A&P society will be giving the club a bonus! Well done everyone!

Tonight being a busy night, Mariam got down to business, with two Paul Harris Fellows and a member induction to take place. The first Paul Harris Fellow of the evening was presented to **Tony Lee**. Tony was born in Perth and joined the army at the age of 19. He found his place in the Catering Corps, moving around the country before finally finishing his career in 1995 while at Puckapunyal. He continued as a catering contractor in Pucka as well as working in security on base. Tony was married to Sheralee, and they had three children together. Sadly, Tony lost Sheralee in 2008, but remained in Seymour, continuing to throw himself selflessly into volunteering. Tony has volunteered as a driver for Community Accessibility, as well as being a life member of the Seymour Cricket Club for his playing and service to the club. Tony is also the current president of the Seymour Branch of the RSL, in his third term in the position. Tony has been tireless in his work for Rotary since joining as a member five years ago, serving on the board twice, as Vocation Director, and as Service Projects Director, as well as volunteering with any jobs that needed doing around the club. Tony has also overseen the Christmas Raffle over the past 3 years, as well as helping run the monthly Lunches On The River. Tony thanked everyone in the club for the recognition and expressed how much he enjoys the club and what we all do together.

After Tony was presented with his Paul Harris Fellow by **Mariam** and **DG Malcolm Kerr**, it was time for Mariam to present this evening's second Paul Harris Fellow. The second recipient was **Marlene Campbell**. Marlene was born in Bendigo and moved to Mount Waverley with her family in 1958. She attended school there, and was even captain of her school volleyball team! She began working life at Melbourne University, as a junior secretary, working with, amongst other people, Dr. John Lovering, who was high up in the Apollo moon missions. Marlene also met her husband, Don Campbell, while at Melbourne University, and they were married in 1971. Marlene worked until 1976, before retiring to start a family. She has two daughters, Sarah and Emily. Marlene moved to Flowerdale in 1979, and it was while the girls were at school where Marlene's volunteering took off, helping with Reading at the school, as well as helping out on excursions and sports events. Marlene and her family moved from Flowerdale into Seymour in 1989 where Marlene got back into the workforce. She joined the Seymour Shire in the Home Care Department, where she took on the role of caring for disabled children in their homes. Marlene continued working for the amalgamated Mitchell Shire until 2001, where she moved to Community Accessibility, as the co-ordinator of the Lower Hume transport division. Marlene sadly lost her soul-mate and husband Don in 2010, but together they got to welcome their first grandson, Liam, to the world. Marlene now has 4 grandchildren, with Jake (Squish) born just a few weeks ago. Marlene joined the Rotary Club of Seymour in early 2012 after having her interest drawn by seeing a Rotary On The Move magazine some months earlier. Marlene has served on the board in various roles, as Youth Services Chair, and as Public Image Chair, as well as taking on the huge task of Bulletin Editor from 2014-16 (thank you for your inspiration!), as well as updating the club on Family Of Rotary matters over the past 3 years. Marlene also launched the club's first International Women's Day event in 2017, which was a huge success, and plans are well in place to hold the event again next year. Marlene has never shied away from helping out with anything that needs doing, and has exemplified the four-way Rotary test throughout her time in Rotary. Marlene was also presented her Paul Harris Fellow by **DG Malcolm Kerr**. Marlene expressed her shock and gratitude of receiving a Paul Harris Fellow, as she had no idea she was one of the two inductees until Mariam started to present it!

Tonight's action-packed evening continued, with an induction. Mariam had the pleasure of inducting **Ewan McDonald** to our club. **Ewan** became our second new member of the year so far, after **Chris Bender's** induction earlier in the year. Ewan has spent a large portion of his life living and being involved with Seymour, growing up here and spending various stints of his life here. Ewan has been **John Keefe's** neighbour for many years, and is recently retired from the police force. John picked Ewan out as a good fit for our club, with Ewan agreeing to come along after his retirement. Ewan will be part of the Service Projects Committee where his mentor will be John Keefe, and his classification is Police Officer - Retired. Welcome to the club Ewan!

With the excitement of the three presentations behind us, it was finally time for Mariam to hand tonight's meeting over to chairman for the evening, **Sue Goette**.

Sue thanked Mariam for her excellent presentations, and took the opportunity to again welcome **District Governor Malcolm Kerr** and **Jill Kerr** to the club, before calling for reports.

Sue Goette, now with her secretary hat on, announced that she had received an email from Phil Lusher inviting Rotarians to an evening with the part owner and organiser of The Everest.

Membership Director Jane Challis reminded members that our first membership evening is on October 29, and again encouraged members to think of potential guests to bring along for the evening, and to get the completed membership forms or contact details back to her as soon as possible so she can follow up contacting these people.

Service Projects Chair PP John Keeffe, reminding members how busy October and November are for the club, announced that the club will be hosting a Barbeque for the GoTafe open day on Saturday. John needed at least 4 volunteers to spread their time out between 9:30-2pm to assist with the barbeque. John also reminded members of the Tastes Of The Goulburn barbeque and Christmas raffle launch, coming up on October 20. John will be bringing a roster around at next week's meeting to fill positions for this. Our busiest time is from 10am to about 3pm, so the more volunteers for this, the merrier.

Tony Lee pointed out the pamphlets on the tables, from the Mitchell Shire. They would like feedback on budget ideas from the community, and Tony will hand these back to the shire as soon as he could.

PP Gary Doherty spoke some months ago about entering a car rally. He has been accepted to enter the rally, but needs to raise about \$4,000 to confirm his entry. The rally is in October 2019, and all funds raised will go to the Cancer Council.

New Generations Director Fiona McCarthy, on a non-youth note, reminded Rotarians about our ongoing assistance to Pinchapoo, Fiona will be bringing the box along again next week, and would like to fill another box to send to Pinchapoo before too long.

Emilja Fihlman got up and introduced herself to some of the members she hadn't met yet. She also updated us on what she did over the school holidays. She visited Bendigo twice over the holidays and also went to Echuca. She met another Finnish exchange student over the holidays and also spent time with Kimberley, Yea's inbound exchange student.



After some fun, fellowship, and food, it was time for tonight's special guest, **District Governor Malcolm Kerr**, to step to the lectern. Sue introduced Malcolm, who moved to Cobram in 1991. He was an Assistant Principal, and his wife Jill hails from the Hay region of New South Wales. He has been a Rotarian for 15 years in the Rotary Club of Cobram.

Malcolm began by explaining that amongst all the other duties being a District Governor entails, one of his jobs is to attend a meeting of every club in District 9790 throughout the year. So far, he has visited 40 of the clubs in the district, with his aim to visit every club before Christmas, which he will just about achieve. He has noticed how different every club is in how they conduct their meetings, some are still very formal affairs, with some even singing Advance Australia Fair to begin meetings, while some are not as fellowship-based as others, which interests Malcolm a lot. We are the first club of the 40 that he has visited that has done 3 presentations on the night he attended, so we are unique!

Malcolm touched on this year's 'Be The Inspiration' theme, and what it means to him. He was in San Diego when the theme was announced. There were a set of bongos on every seat in the place, and everyone ended up playing them to a decent standard in unison. Malcolm thought about the 5 W's then he thought of 'Be The Inspiration', that is, who, what, why, when, and where. He could think of three of these straight away, but struggled with two of them. The who was the first one. Who is Malcolm inspiring? He concluded that the who, to him, are the Rotary Clubs within the district he can inspire to grow, and the non-rotarians he can inspire to become active in Rotary. He also realised that he can inspire himself, to make an influence on those around him.

The other one he struggled with was the 'what'. He related the 'what' back to the four way test, how can we inspire through the four way test and the five values of Rotary? Malcolm can see the inspiration through this in our club, and believes we are doing a great job in inspiring our community and each other.

Malcolm declared that his jobs to inspire won't end on June 30, it will continue long after this, as there is no reason to stop being an inspiration to himself and others, and he will continue to use the four-way test as a basis to continue being an inspiration.

Malcolm concluded by touching on the multi-district conference. The House of Friendship will be combined between the four districts to provide members with ideas from an even larger area than normal, to take back to their clubs and talk about the projects they saw.

After Malcolm's speech, Sue invited Jill Kerr forward to make a short presentation on her project, Rural Aid. Jill is well aware of the plight that farmers often face due to adverse weather conditions, having grown up in rural New South Wales. Rural Aid are behind the 'buy a bale' campaign, in which Australians 'buy' a bale of hay to be delivered to drought-stricken farmers. Rural Aid not only provides material support, but also provides financial support, as well as supporting farmers and their families with emotional and mental health. Jill showed us a picture of a farm in New South Wales, two years apart, which has transformed from a lush green field to a dustbowl. In response, **Mariam** announced the club will donate \$500 to Rural Aid's Buy A Bale campaign.

Sue then handed back to **President Mariam** who thanked everyone for coming along tonight, and looked forward to seeing everyone next week where our guest will be Rosie Panelli, CEO of Goulburn Options.

SPIN THE WHEEL

Tonight's lucky ticket holder was **Ian Chadwick!** Ian spun the wheel, as it came to a slow it was clear he'd be close to the jackpot... it landed on the line!! On his second go, Ian won a huge \$5! So close!



SERGEANT'S SE\$SION

Sergeant Greg, under time pressure, promised to keep this week's session brief!

Greg began by fining anyone who received a presentation tonight, **Tony, Marlene, Ewan**, pay up! Next up was **Ruth**, in trouble for her fantasy of being a traffic cop, jumping in front of a car before dragging the non-compliant driver out by the ear and making her pay for her tickets! (maybe a second career beckons Ruth!)



Rita was fined for her insult to Greg, after Greg asked her if he looked fat in the green shirt, Rita replied with 'no, but it's lucky they make bigger sizes!'

Gary was pinged for being caught on national TV drunk, topless, and dancing on top of a Jayco Caravan at Bathurst last weekend. Next up was **John**, who Greg was worried over-exerted himself directing the horse people at the show, and, on the theme, fined **David Freeman** for his association with horses.

Fiona was dobbed in, as she entered 4 of her products in competitions, and won all 4 of them, **Rita** was fined for losing her theatre tickets, and then being let in for free anyway. **Tony** got dobbed in for forgetting his appointment with the gasman last week, and **Sharon** was fined for no dinner badge!

As today was National Bad Shirt Day, everyone who was wearing a bad shirt had to pay up (there were lots!).

The floor was then opened for crossfines, and there were a few. **Tony** got **Catriona** for the complaints received about the bottle of wine on the table at the Dog Gate. **Ruth** fined **Xenia** for her graceful reverse park right over two parking spaces, and **Gary** fined **Mary** for similar parking offences!

ROTARY CLUB OF SEYMOUR MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE 2018/19

President: Mariam Baker
Secretary: Sue Goette
Immediate Past President: Ron Halicki

President Elect: John Keeffe
Treasurer: Ruth Byers

CLUB ADMINISTRATION:

Director - Ralph Baker
Bulletin Editor - Harley Bird
Sergeant-at-arms - Greg Byers/Corporal - Rita Collins
Attendance - Ralph Baker
Program - Sharon Anderson-Warne & Alison Hall
Family Of Rotary - Ian Chadwick & Rita Collins
Catering - Mariam Baker & Ralph Baker
Youth Protection Officer - Fiona McCarthy
Club Historians - Mary Greenshields, Bryan Tehan & Don Wilson

VOCATION:

Director - Paulette Andrews
Committee - Gary Doherty, Jacqui Brauman

NEW GENERATIONS:

Director - Fiona McCarthy
Committee - Kathy Mills, Viv Beaumont

MEMBERSHIP:

Director - Jane Challis
Committee - Mark Dossor, Ruth Byers

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Director - Catriona Jarman
Committee - Greg Byers, Tony Lee, Alan Walton,
Chris Bender

INTERNATIONAL & FOUNDATION:**Director - David Freeman**

Committee - Hugh Lawrence, Don Wilson

PUBLIC IMAGE:**Director - Xenia Williamson**

Committee - Dylan West, Marlene Campbell

SERVICE PROJECTS:**Director - John Keeffe**Committee - Harley Bird, Peter Holland,
Fred Sartori, Ron Halicki, Tony Woodhouse, Alison Hall,
Dave Palmer, Dean Saitta, Heath Munari,
Ewan McDonald**Radio** - Catriona Jarman & Xenia Williamson**Website** - Ruth Byers**Club Photographer** - Xenia Williamson**Facebook** - Mariam Baker, Ruth Byers,
Catriona Jarman, Xenia Williamson,
Harley Bird, Dylan West**OTHER DUTIES/RESPONSIBILITIES****Rotary Park:** Tony Lee, **Property / Shed:** Fred Sartori,**Conference Coordinator:** Ruth Byers,**Bowelscan:** Alan Walton, **Trivia Night:** Greg & Ruth Byers, **Battery Collection:** Ron Halicki,**Ladies Day Out:** Ruth Byers, **Lunch on the River:** Tony Lee.**SPECIAL PROJECTS / HELPERS:** Jim Peart, Bruce Hall, Fiona Stevens, Ray Brown and Garnett Bailey**Honorary Members:** Alison Ridley, Doug Killeen and Cathy Gorbault-Lawrence**District Governor:** Malcolm Kerr – Rotary Club of Cobram.**Assistant Governor:** Elizabeth McCormick – Rotary Club of Southern Mitchell.**World President:** Barry Rassin – Rotary Club of East Nassau – Bahamas.