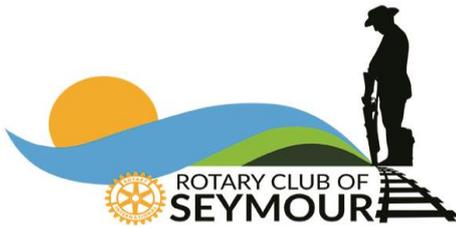




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Our Invocation:

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

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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OUR UPCOMING PROGRAM

Meeting date	20 August	27 August	3 September
Venue	Go Tafe	Go Tafe	Go Tafe
Time	6.30pm for 7pm	6.30pm for 7pm (6pm at Sartori's Panel Works)	6.30pm for 7pm
Chairman	Ralph Baker	Vivian Beaumont	Ian Chadwick
Cashiers	David Freeman & Dylan West	Ruth Byers & Peter Holland	Dylan West & Xenia Williamson
Greeter	Xenia Williamson	Paulette Andrews	Ralph Baker
Invocation	Paulette Andrews	Ian Chadwick	Jane Challis
Toast	Kathy Mills	Fred Sartori	Bryan Tehan
Program	EndTrachoma Melissa Hebbard from the Rotary Club of Milawa Oxley will be speaking about the fight to end Trachoma in Australia and what Rotary is doing to support it.	VOCATION VISIT Our first vocation visit for the year will be to Sartori's Panel Works. Commencing from 6pm at 19 Emily St before heading back to GoTafe.	Rural English for All David Anderson from Yea will be speaking about the Rotary Club of Kota Kinabalu Pearl's project to bridge the gap between urban and rural schools in South East Asia.
Regalia & Room Set Up	Greg & Alan	Fred & Ron	Tony Lee & Dylan

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.**

ROTARY CLUB OF SEYMOUR
PRESENTS

TRIVIA NIGHT

SAT, AUGUST 25
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WHAT'S ON?

21st August	Mock Interviews
25th August	Trivia Night
27th August	Vocation Visit - Sartori's Panels
16th September	Adopt A Road
5th-6th October	Seymour Show Gates
21st October	Tastes Of The Goulburn &

There's still time to book your tickets and tables for the Trivia Night! Our big night will be held on Saturday, August 25. Keep spreading the word and help ensure this year's night is the biggest yet!

Finally, a sense of spring was in the air this evening, with Rotarians again converging on GoTafe for our weekly meeting. Thirty-two Rotarians and guests were present this evening, with tonight's guest speakers here to talk to us about the District 9790 ROTEX club.

Sergeant Greg brought the meeting to order, and invited **President Mariam Baker** to the stage to introduce our guests, and kick off proceedings.

Mariam welcomed all, and extended a special welcome to the Rotary Club of Southern Mitchell's **Gordon Hastie**, who this year is also the district 9790 Youth Service Chair, and also to our two guest speakers, **Nicola Gates** and **Rachael Feldtmann**.

Mariam asked **Fiona McCarthy** to provide tonight's invocation, while **PP Ruth Byers** delivered the toast. **Ruth** toasted the International Rotary Club of St. Petersburg, Russia, as it is close to Finland. The club was founded in 2004, meets at 7pm at the Hotel Angleterre, and has a membership currently in the high teens.

Mariam then announced that next week's meeting will be a joint meeting with the Rotary Club of Southern Mitchell. She encouraged everyone to come along and enjoy some fellowship with a wider range of people than usual, it will be a good night!

Tonight's chairman **Paulette Andrews** was then invited to the stage to direct tonight's proceedings. **Paulette** called for reports, and with things running smoothly, secretary **Sue Goette** had nothing to report on this week.

PP Ruth Byers spoke again on the trivia night, again thanking those who had volunteered for collecting prize donations for the night. Prizes are looking encouraging, with more still rolling in, and **Ruth** also announced that **John** was going around tonight gathering names for the roster for the setting up, running of, and clean-up of the night (a roster was sent to members yesterday [Wednesday] detailing this). If anyone else has some spare time on Saturday afternoon or evening, or Sunday morning, please advise **John** or **Ruth**.

New Generations Chair Fiona McCarthy announced that next Tuesday's Mock Interviews are just about ready to go. There will be a total of 8 interviewers, interviewing around 80 students at Seymour College in different fields and vocations. On an unrelated note, **Fiona** also announced that she had fresh eggs and preserves at the front of the room, and those that would like the purchase them may do so. All money that Fiona made from the sales would be going to RAWCS' Farmers' Drought Relief program.

Membership Director Jane Challis reminded us that the club and district directories were still available. Jane also reminded us that those who would like a new or replacement club shirt are to speak to her to organise them. They are currently at a cheap \$33! Finally, Jane announced that the Rotary Down Under magazines are continuing to be distributed to waiting rooms around the area, and to keep them coming in.

Vocation Chair Paulette Andrews was pleased by the fact that she had already received two nominations for the Pride Of Workmanship awards. She reminded us that it was already time to put our thinking caps on and coming up with names of people who would be deserving of the accolade.



After some fun and fellowship, it was time for tonight's special guests. Two young ladies from District 9790's ROTEX club, Nicola Gates and Rachael Feldtmann, spoke to us about what ROTEX's role is and how they help past, current and future Rotary Exchange students get the best of themselves throughout their entire Rotary Exchange experience.

Rachael was a 2012 Rotary Exchange student, spending her year in Sweden, and sponsored by the Rotary Club of Riddells Creek. Nicola spent her Rotary Exchange year in 2013 in Switzerland, and was sponsored by the Wodonga West Rotary club.

Nicola and Rachael explained that the ROTEX movement in District 9790 is rather new, and is formed by alumni of the Rotary Exchange programs from each year since 2011. There are presently 13 members, all between the ages of 16 and 23 (just to make us all feel old, even me!). They meet monthly, rather than the usual Rotary weekly or fortnightly meetings. This is in the understanding that young people are often juggling university or high school studies, as well as working to make ends meet, and therefore may be more time poor than their Rotary counterparts. Their meetings take place via video call. The club also communicates with other ROTEX clubs globally. The ROTEX club was designed for past students to establish a common bond with one another, and to be used as a possible bridge into becoming a Rotarian in the future. The maximum age to be a ROTEXian is 30, this is to give members enough time to settle down into their life and careers before making a transition into a more committed connection with Rotary itself.

Nicola also explained that there is often an expectation for Exchange Students to be able to just slip back into their old everyday life as if it was before they spent their year on exchange. This is not always possible, however, and there is often a disconnect between them and their old friends at school, as usually the exchange students come back with a much greater level of maturity and awareness of the world that Youth Exchange brings. There is also a sometimes unrealistic expectation of joining a Rotary club straight after returning from exchange, and this is where ROTEX fits in, to build that bridge between being involved with Rotary only through Youth Exchange, and becoming a member of a Rotary Club.

Nicola talked about how ROTEX works with the District Youth Exchange Committee. ROTEX attends the weekend at Dookie each May, and provide a supporting role to the committee. They provide insights as past Exchange Students, and chaperone events such as the Youth Exchange Safari which is for inbound students, taking students to many different places throughout the country, and the 'Playing It Forward' Fiji program, which is an alternative to schoolies', and sees students travel to a traditional Fijian village and living as the locals do over there.

At the interview day in Dookie each May, ROTEX has a big presence. They provide personal experiences and information to potential future Youth Exchange Students, and make presentations on the day about the entire Youth Exchange Program and how Rotary as a whole works. They also help organise the country fair, which showcases the best things about potential outbound countries to exchange applicants. This helps stimulate the kids' imaginations and interest about particular countries.

ROTEX alumni also organise a weekend in Melbourne for all the exchange students who have just returned from their year of Exchange. This gives those students a chance to talk frankly and share their experiences and travels with one another, between people that all understand what it's like to be on Youth Exchange. They also get to 'host' the current inbound students on the weekend of District Conferences, which is a huge honour to them.

Finally, Nicola and Rachael concluded by reiterating ROTEX's two main aims - to be the 'go to' for information and knowledge about Youth Exchange to like-minded people, and to help past Rotary Youth Exchange students maintain their contact with Rotary, in the hope that they will one day become Rotarians themselves, and keep Rotary continually regenerating.

SPIN THE WHEEL

This week's lucky winner was our special guest from Southern Mitchell, **Gordon Hastie**.

Gordon stepped up to the plate, picking up a mammoth \$5!!

Next week's jackpot will be over \$500, why not have a punt at winning some spending money for the Trivia Night?!





SERGEANT'S SE\$SION

Greg opened tonight's session by touching on the recent spate of accidents around Seymour lately, one of those happened to be **Tony Lee**, backing into a post. **Fred** was also partially to blame however, putting the post in Tony's way!

Tonight's guest Gordon was fined for stating that only 11 of his 12 oysters at a restaurant 'worked', and on a food note, **Rita** was caught enjoying her food so much she wore it! Finally, **Fiona** was fined for mothballing (or was that burning) the Collingwood jumper presented to Emilja last week.

The floor was then opened for crossfines, and **Greg** was again targeted. **Kathy** had collected prizes for Trivia Night, and had gone to Greg's shop to give them to him. Not only did Greg have his back at 4pm sign up, forcing Kathy to wait for him, he emerged from his ute with a block of chocolate, and didn't even offer her any! **Jane** was next to pin Greg for his 'I don't wear rags' comment to Jane's offer of the lovely green club shirts. Finally, **Vivian** thanked Greg for his humanitarian gesture of providing Emilja with a Collingwood jacket in this cold climate.



ROTARY CLUB OF SEYMOUR MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE 2018/19

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Immediate Past President: Ron Halicki

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Sergeant-at-arms - Greg Byers/Corporal - Rita Collins
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Program - Sharon Anderson-Warne & Alison Hall
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Catering - Mariam Baker & Ralph Baker
Youth Protection Officer - Fiona McCarthy
Club Historians - Mary Greenshields, Bryan Tehan & Don Wilson

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Committee - Gary Doherty, Jacqui Brauman

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COMMUNITY SERVICE:**Director - Catriona Jarman**

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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 Gourbault-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.