



**Fitzroy**

**District 9800**

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**Bulletin July 2023**

**Maternal and Child Health Month**

**President**

**Sue's Report**

Welcome home travellers, hospital stayers and welcome to the new Rotary year. A big thank you to all those who kept Rotary going during May and June. Thank you Peter Hille for organising the Monday Rotary meetings, Annie for publishing the June Bulletin. Also a huge thanks you to Annie, Peter and Peter Don and Ann Cook for their hard work at the Richmond Housing Estate Challenge Cup in torrential rain and to all Fitzroy Rotarians for their ongoing support.

Fitzroy Rotary has a lot to look forward to in the months ahead, Guest speakers and Christmas in July. I will at last be overseas for a short period in July so travelling after lock downs continues.

### **The Heritage Cluster Function**

The Heritage Cluster Hospitality Night held at the esteemed Ensoign Club was enjoyed by all who attended. Many considered it one of the highlights of the RI Convention. It was nice to meet visitors from far away in a much more intimate setting. Co-Facilitator Annalise Jennings and her special guest, Uncle Roy Chevathan [Deputy Mayor- Napranum Aboriginal Community in FNG] really enjoyed themselves. The food and drinks were excellent, as was the entertainment. An experienced pianist and a child prodigy filling the bill were delightful.

Kenneth Park's presentation was excellent; Marvellous Melbourne was a great subject for all the International Visitors.

### **Fitzroy Rotary Foundation Raffle 2023**

Thanks to Jonathon for organizing the Foundation raffle, which was drawn on June 19 at our Rotary meeting. The total raised was over \$3000. We thank all those who participated.

### **Amanda Hampson (author)**

At the June 19 meeting our speaker was the author, Amanda Hampson. She spoke of her past writing history and how she researches the themes of her novels. She also spoke of her recent move to Melbourne from Sydney and that she is now a resident of Fitzroy and thoroughly enjoying it. She went on to discuss her most recent book, "The Tea Ladies," and provided us with the background to the novel. She was an excellent speaker. She sold a number of her books on the night and donated \$10 from each sale to Rotary, which was very generous of her.

### **Richmond Flats BBQ**

On Saturday June 24 we did a BBQ for Geeks' soccer group. It was located at the Richmond flats where a new soccer sporting facility has been recently completed. The games were for the younger soccer players. Abdul, who was organizing the day, supplied all the sausages and made sure we were well set up. There were many players and their families in attendance. We were kept very busy as the cold weather helped to encourage the need for a warm sausage. All went well until we were nearly finished when the rain teemed down and the wind gusted causing the event to be suddenly concluded. Thanks to Ann Cook, Peter Don, Peter Hille and myself for braving the cold, and laughing off the fact that we all ended up saturated but felt pleased we had fed so many hungry and grateful young ones and their parents.

### **Sacred Heart P.S. visit**

In appreciation of our donation, our club members were invited to morning tea at the school (see previous newsletter). On 14 June 2023, Sue, Ann Cook, Denise and I attended a music recital and morning tea at the school. A delightful event. We were asked whether the school children could assist Rotary. How splendid is that? We were told the kids were great at handing around food.



Above is a photo of the Rotary Convention in Melbourne and the other photo is of Sacred Heart Primary School students performing at the morning tea for Fitzroy Rotary.

**July Birthdays:**

- 19<sup>th</sup> July Rhonda Millman
- 26<sup>th</sup> July Devi Sundram

**Reminders:**

- Changeover Lunch on August 20th
- Everyone who volunteers for Rotary must have a current Working with Children permit

**Future dates in 2023**

- Fitzroy Rotary Changeover Lunch August 20th

**Club Program and Calendar**

**July 2023**

**Maternal and Child Health Month**

- 3 Jul Meeting Speaker: Chris McGeachen (Geeks) “Community Policing in Fitzroy”
- 10 Jul “Christmas in July” Fundraiser organized by Beverley
- 24 Jul Fellowship meeting

**August 2023**

**Membership and Extension Month**

- 7 Aug Meeting: Speakers from Sacred heart Primary School.

20 Aug Topic: "Community Engagement"  
Changeover Lunch Collingwood Hotel

**September 2023**

**Basic Education and Literacy Month**

4 Sept Meeting tbc.

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