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#### ROTARY'S MOTTO IS "SERVICE ABOVE SELF"

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST: The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service.

SECOND: High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society.

THIRD: The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life.

FOURTH: The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

#### **INDUCTIONS**

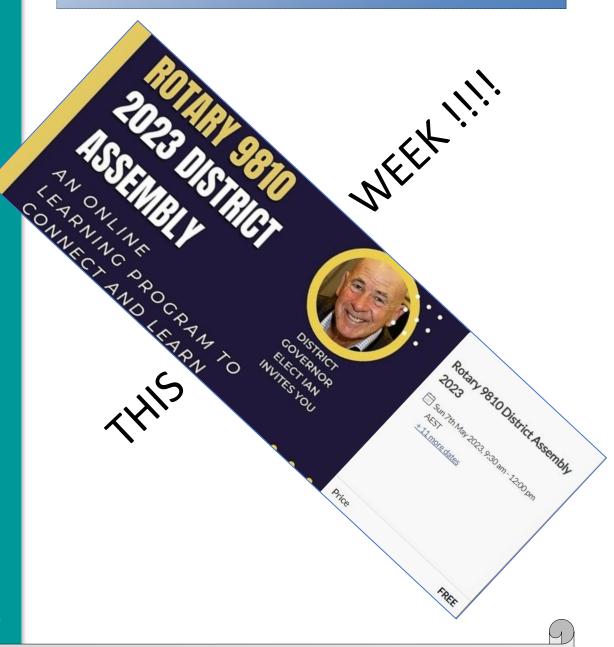
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#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Greg Caughey21 MaySimon Pearson21 MayHelen Washington23 MaySandy Antonuccio26 MayBrian Lowe30 May

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

None



The Weekly Newsletter of the ROTARY CLUB OF <u>CHELSEA</u> (INC) <u>DISTRICT 9810</u> Charter granted 12/10/<u>1954</u> ABN 19057 610 183

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Normally, our Club meets weekly at the <u>Chelsea RSL</u> Thames Promenade. Chelsea Tuesday Evenings 6.15pm for 6.45pm start however some meetings are occasionally held online.

Club Bank Details: Bendigo Bank BSB 633 000 Accounts: 1424 861 33 (Admin.) 1497 181 24 (Fundraising)

#### Guests, family, and friends are very welcome to come to our meetings.

PLEASE book them in by contacting Kevin Harrison 0407 772 225 Meetings are held at the Chelsea RSL unless otherwise stated.

# No Rotary Meeting this week due to Volunteers' Night celebrations.

We are delighted to have organised (with the generous help of the City of Kingston) a night to celebrate Volunteering and invite all of the volunteer groups in our local area to come together to recognise the efforts of serving the Community. Volunteering has recently been estimated to contribute a dollar value of AUS\$290,000,000,000 but that's only half the story.

In 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic had a profound impact on volunteering. A study conducted by the ANU Centre for Social Research and Methods found that the proportion of adult Australians engaging in formal voluntary work, which is done through an organisation or group, fell from 36.0 per cent in late 2019 to 24.2 per cent in April 2021.4 Further, only slightly more than half (56.4 per cent) of those who stopped volunteering in 2020 resumed in the 12 months leading up to April 2021, despite the easing of lockdowns and social distancing restrictions in many jurisdictions at that time. A similar decline is found by the General Social Survey, which found that the rate of formal volunteering decreased from 29.5 per cent in 2019 to 24.8 per cent in 2020. The Household Impacts of COVID-19 Surveys found further decreases month-on-month, reaching 20.6 per cent in March 2021.

#### Key characteristics of formal volunteering

- Based on GSS 2019 data, men and women now volunteer at similar rates, 30.7% and 28.5 % respectively (aged 15 years and over).
- In 2020, 23.1% of men and 26.3% of women volunteered formally.
- People aged 40-54 years are more likely to volunteer (30.5%) than other age groups. Volunteering rates for other age groups are: 15-24 (19.4%), 25-39 (20.9%), 55-69 (24.9%), and 70 years and over (28.0%).
- The most common types of organisations for which people volunteered were those relating to sport and physical recreation (30.7% of volunteers), religious groups (23.1%) and education and training (18.8%). This was largely unchanged between 2019 and 2020, though the proportion of people involved in community/ethnic groups increased from 11.6% to 15.7%.
- 66.4% of people volunteered for one organisation only, 23.0% for two and 10.4% for three or more.
- In 2019, nearly all formal volunteering (98.3%) involved volunteering in person, in the office or the field, but 8.5% of people said they volunteered over the internet and 9.5% over the phone. In 2020, 96.6% of volunteers undertook some in person volunteering, 17.3% volunteered over the internet and 13.9% over the phone.

#### Disability

In 2020, 26.0% of people with disability volunteered for an organisation, compared to 24.3% of people without disability. People with disability make up more than one quarter (29.1%) of all people volunteering for an organisation. Between 2019 and 2020, the number of people with disability who volunteered in Australia remained steady, despite an overall decrease in the rate volunteering. In relation to informal volunteering, 29.6% of people with disability undertook informal volunteering in the four weeks prior to the survey, compared to 33.1% of people without disability. People with disability make up over one in four (27.6%) of all people volunteering informally.

#### **Cultural and linguistic diversity**

People from culturally and linguistically diverse communities are more likely to volunteer informally in their community rather than formally through an organisation. In 2020, 25.7% of people whose main language is English volunteered formally (through an organisation), compared to 18.2% of people whose main language is a language other than English. In relation to informal volunteering, 32.0% of people whose main language is English volunteer informally, compared to 32.7% of people whose main language is another language.

A report on giving and volunteering in culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) and First Nations communities in Australia by the Cultural and Indigenous Research Centre Australia (CIRCA) found that both communities are deeply involved in volunteering and sharing for cultural maintenance and community wellbeing.

#### The report states that:

'CALD participants described volunteering as an inseparable element of their culture that needed to be passed onto the next generation and shared with other Australian communities.'

Similarly, for First Nations participants 'sharing, giving and helping others are integral to Indigenous culture and play a key role in maintaining culture and traditions.'

#### Age

People volunteer across the lifecycle. Based on 2020 GSS data, people aged 40-54 were more likely to have participated in unpaid voluntary work through an organisation (30.5%) than any other age group. People aged 25-39 has the highest rate of informal volunteering (38.9%). The proportion of people volunteering formally declined across all age groups in 2020. However, this decline was most significant for the 15-24 years age group, among which the formal volunteering rate fell from 28.8% in 2019 to 19.4% in 2020. The rate of informal volunteering also decreased significantly among people aged 15-24 years (from 36.5% to 27.2%) but remained relatively steady among other age groups.

Older people are more likely to volunteer in welfare, community, and health settings. The proportion of volunteers over 65 years of age is 17% (16.6%). However, 30% of those who did voluntary work for welfare or community organisations are aged 65 years and over, 19% for health organisations, and 27% for both types of organisations.

#### **Labour force status**

Almost a third (29.8%) of part-time employees' volunteer. They are the most likely segment of the labour force to volunteer, followed by people who are unemployed (26.3%)

#### Level of education

Volunteering is associated with higher levels of post-secondary education. The rate of both formal (31.4%) and informal (38.4%) volunteering is highest among people with a bachelor's degree or above. Research data also demonstrates that volunteering can support a pathway to paid employment. For example, in a 2018 SEEK survey, 85% of recruiters thought volunteering was just as credible as paid work if it was relevant to the role or industry.

#### Level of satisfaction with volunteering

In 2011, the National Survey of Volunteering Issues found that the level of satisfaction among volunteers was:

- Very satisfied 47%
- Satisfied 45%
- Unsatisfied 5%
- Very unsatisfied 3%
- Not sure 1%.

In the 2016 State of Volunteering report, 93% of survey participants responded that they had seen positive changes because of their volunteering efforts.

#### Nature of volunteering activity

Most reported volunteering is undertaken in fundraising/sales roles followed by management/operations and coaching/refereeing.

#### Type of volunteering activity, 2014

Type of voluntary activity spent most time on in last 12 months	<b>Proportion of persons</b>
Fundraising/sales	23%
Management/committee work/coordination	12%
Coaching/refereeing/judging	14%
Food preparation/serving	14%
Teaching/instruction/providing information	15%
Administration/recruitment/information management	12%
Befriending/supportive listening/counselling/mentoring	10%
Repairing/maintenance/gardening	9%
Other	21%

#### Reasons for volunteering

People reported multiple motivations for volunteering with the most often cited being to help others, for personal satisfaction and to do something worthwhile. One in five people (20.8%) reported undertaking volunteering to learn new skills or gain work experience. Despite other changes in volunteering activity during 2020, motivations to volunteering remained consistent with previous years.

#### Reasons for being a volunteer, 2020

Reasons	Persons	Females	Males
Personal satisfaction/To do something worthwhile	66.2	64.7	68.1
Help others/Community	74.2	76.4	71.6
Personal/Family Involvement	37.0	36.3	36.6
Social contact	33.7	34.1	34.0
To be active	30.8	27.6	34.4
Use skills/Experience	36.6	35.5	38.2
To learn new skills/Gain work experience	18.9	21.6	15.6
Religious beliefs	20.3	18.9	22.2
Just happened	9.0	8.8	9.1
Felt obliged	9.5	7.9	11.6
Other	1.4	0.9	2.6

The main reason people first became involved in volunteering is that they knew someone who was involved or that they were asked.

#### How first became involved in voluntary work, 2020

How first became involved	Proportion of persons
Knew someone involved/was asked	43.7
Self-involvement in organisation	37.0
Saw advertisement/found out about it myself	9.3

Family history may be a predictor of future participation, with 70% of all volunteers having parents who also undertook voluntary work. In addition, most volunteers reported as being personally involved in a volunteering organisation or endeavour as a child.

#### Childhood activities, 2014

Activities participated in as a child	Proportion of persons
Organised team sport	83.2
Youth group	50.1
Arts/culture related activities	58.8
Did some kind of volunteer work	43.9
Raised money door-to-door or in public place for a cause or organisation	41.8
Active in student government	14.0
Active in a religious organisation	34.4

Source: https://www.volunteeringaustralia.org/wp-content/uploads/VA-Key-Volunteering-Statistics-2022-Update.pdf

#### **Food and Essentials Drive**

Please remember this list of Pantry items needed for the Church of Christ:

Toilet Paper	Canned Tomatoes	Soap
Weetbix	Sweet Biscuits	Milk
Cornflakes	Deodorant	Canned Tuna
Coffee	Shampoo	Canned Fruit
Teabags	Conditioner	Clothes Washing Detergent

## **Important Dates for your calendar**

- Volunteers' night Tuesday 9th May (No Rotary Meeting)
- Winter Warmers Packing day Sunday 21st May
- Fellowship night Tuesday 23rd May Casseroles at the Lowes'
- Art Show- Friday 9th June Monday 12th June

Stay safe. Keep well.

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#### **HELP NEEDED**

Winter Warmers are a fantastic group of volunteers who help many families in need. They are looking for volunteers from Rotary to help pack boxes of goods for families who are doing it tough.

**Date:** Sunday 21st May **Place:** St Aidens Carrum

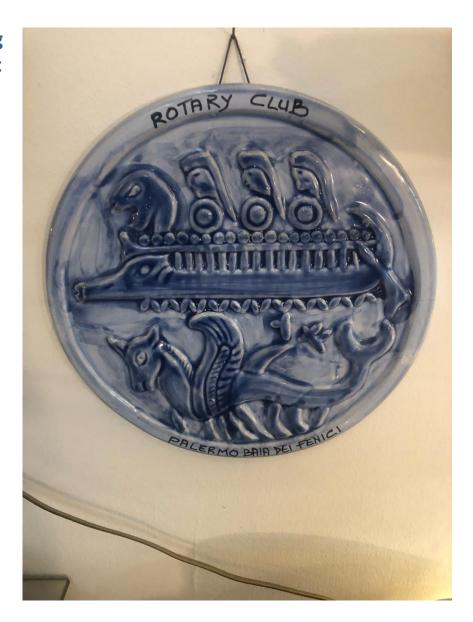
**Time:** 9-2 (more hands will take less time)
Tea and coffee provided, bring your own lunch.

Please let Maree know if you can help, even for some of the time, using the email link at the top of this **newsletter**.

Winter Warmer Hampers are provided to vulnerable families in the Carrum/Seaford area through schools and kindergartens – this may expand as funds permit.

The aim of the program is to provide some physical and emotional support by demonstrating that the local community cares. All goods are new and include items such as blankets, gloves, socks, beanies, baby clothes, food and grocery vouchers. The content of the packs is adjusted to suit the specific family members.

Thanks to Sandy for sending through this from his recent trip overseas...





# 2023 Volunteer Appreciation Evening

#### Dear Colleagues

On behalf of your Volunteer Committee, we would like to extend an invitation to you and your members to join us in celebrating another year of volunteering in the community.

Venue: Chelsea Activity Hub, 3-5 Showers Avenue, Chelsea

Date: Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Details: Arrival 6.00pm

Official welcome 6.30pm Main meal and desert (no cost) Tea and coffee available

Soft drink, Beer and Wine at a minimum price

Guest Speakers: The City of Kingston Woman of the year

"Adrianne Fleming (OAM)"

Raffle: This year we are requesting that all groups provide one item to

be raffled on the evening (value no more than \$10). Please advise on acceptance of this invitation.

RSVP: NO LATER THAN MONDAY 1st MAY 2023

Contact Name: Kevin Harrison: 0407 772 225

Email: kevin@tyrepowerchelsea.com.au

Please Note: Numbers are strictly limited, so get in quick!!!

Dress Code: Smart Casual



### **Congratulations to King Charles III on his Coronation!**

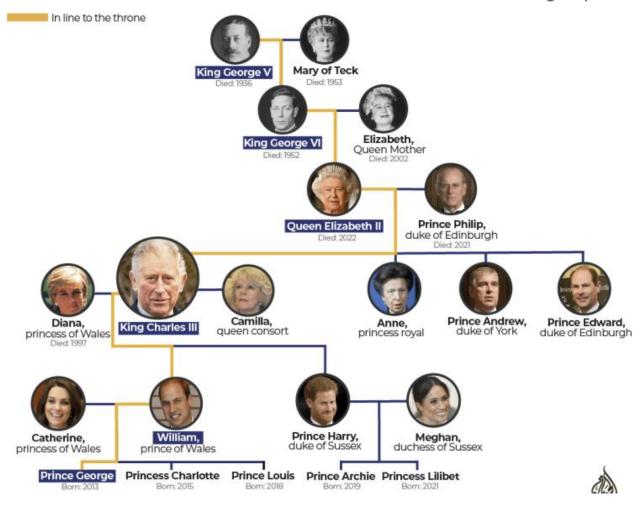


and just for further reference...

#### **BRITISH ROYAL FAMILY**

# Succession to the British throne

King Charles took to the throne following the death of Queen Elizabeth II in 2022. Succession to the British throne determines who will become the next king or queen.



# Weekly Program



Upcoming events May 2023

2<sup>nd</sup> General Meeting - Board Meeting Prior - 5.30pm

Mtg 3296

May TBA

Venue: Longbeach RSL, 4 Thames Ave, Chelsea, 3196

Oth Volunteers' night

May Dinner at the Chelsea hub to celebrate volunteer's week.

Venue: Chelsea Hub, 3 - 5 Showers Ave, Chelsea, 3196

16th General Meeting

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Venue: Longbeach RSL, 4 Thames Ave, Chelsea, 3196

 $23^{\mathrm{rd}}$  Fellowship Night - Liz & Brians 6.00pm onwards

May

Venue: Liz and Brian Lowe's, 4 Foy Lane, Chelsea. 3196

30<sup>th</sup> General Meeting

May TBA

Venue: Longbeach RSL, 4 Thames Ave, Chelsea, 3196