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Weekly Event Notice for 12th October 2026

Rotary Club of Heidelberg

A Banyule community group of volunteers

Our focus is those less fortunate in our community as well as aid relief for devastations such as bushfires and floods. We are a part of a worldwide network of more than 1.2 million people who tackle persistent problems in communities, while building friendships and meaningful connections.

We get together a couple of times each month to develop projects over a coffee or light lunch.



PEACEBUILDING AND
CONFLICT PREVENTION



DISEASE PREVENTION
AND TREATMENT



WATER, SANITATION,
AND HYGIENE



MATERNAL AND
CHILD HEALTH



BASIC EDUCATION
AND LITERACY



COMMUNITY ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT



ENVIRONMENT

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THIS WEEK: Coffee Catchup at Sycamore Tree Cafe

LAST WEEK: Luncheon at RSL with Councillor Mary O'Keane

**STOP POLIO
NOW!
COMMUNITY
AWARENESS
PROJECT
SATURDAY
17TH OCTOBER
BURGUNDY
STREET**

**PROBUS
Heidelberg
Warringal
Turns 35
this month**

ZOOM – ZOOM – First and third Monday each month commencing 1.00 till 2.00PM

Rotary Club of Heidelberg is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting

To Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85091004607?pwd=d0BdHaRfY8hc5PF1c33qMQwFHODoi.1>

Meeting chat link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/jc/85091004607>

Meeting ID: 850 9100 4607

Passcode: 659151

We look forward to your company - Welcome



**Our 2026 Christmas Party
Monday 14th December
The Train Yard Restaurant
186 Burgundy Street
Heidelberg
(opp. Sycamore Tree Café)
Lock in the date!**

WHAT'S ON - - - Rotary Club of Heidelberg Related Projects & Events

OCTOBER

- 11 SUNDAY** Lift the Lid Walk – Nation-wide Rotary Health Walk
- 12 Coffee Catchup** 10.30am - Sycamore Tree
- 13 Board (Tuesday)** 6.30pm Bowlen Dunstan
- 17 Saturday** - Burgundy Street Bagpipes for Polio Banner Event
- 19 RSL** 12.30 for 1.00pm – Physiotherapist Bradley Murphy
- 19 Heidelberg Warringal PROBUS** 35 Year Anniversary
- 23 Wednesday** 7 – 10pm BANSIC Quiz Night– RCH Table ???
- 24 SATURDAY** – Bunnings Fairfield BBQ (Darebin Road) with RC Ivanhoe - Cambodia Project fundraising
- 24 PLUS** End Polio Relay/World Polio Day
- 26 RIMERN** Project, 10am till 3pm – 32 Lincoln Street, East Brunswick
- 26 Also Coffee Catchup** 10.30am - Sycamore Tree

NOVEMBER

- 2** NO RSL meeting
- 3** Melbourne Cup Holliday
- 5** D9790 AGM – Sec Nancy attending
- 9** Coffee Catchup 10.30am – Sycamore Tree
- 16 RSL** 12.30 for 1.00pm – Billy Kerrigan from Farm Raiser
- 25 RIMERN** Project, 10am till 3pm - 32 Lincoln Street, East Brunswick

DECEMBER

- 2 RSL** 12.30 for 1.00pm – TBA
- 9** Coffee Catchup 10.30am – Sycamore Tree
- 14 Christmas Party** – The Train Yard Restaurant, Burgundy Street Heidelberg (opp. The Sycamore Tree) 6.00 till 9.30pm

- * RSL = RSL on Bell – 180 Bell Street, Heidelberg Heights
- * OE = The Old England Hotel - 459 Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg
- * Sycamore Tree Coffee Shop = 185 Burgundy Street, Heidelberg
- * Bowlen Dunstan and Associates – 38 Beetham Parade, Rosanna
- * Rotary Club of Ivanhoe - Uniting Church Hall, Seddon Street, Ivanhoe
- * Rotary Club of Preston – Darebin RSL – 402 Bell Street, Preston

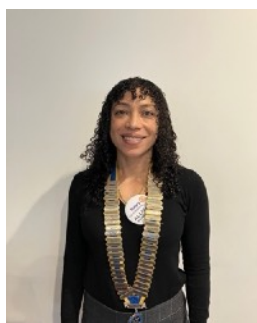
JANUARY 2027

- 26 AUSTRALIA DAY (TUESDAY)**

FEBRUARY

APOLOGY - Please confirm your attendance or apology to Ken before 9.30AM Monday

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PRESIDENTS POST AND PROJECTS



Hello members and guests,



Last Monday the 5th of October Meeting at the RSL with Cr Mary O'Kane

We would like to thank Mary for coming and speaking to the Rotary Club of Heidelberg this past Monday.

Mary brought insight and plans for the Heidelberg West Community Service Hub. The goal is to create a “modern, multipurpose facility” in the West Heidelberg community. Three new housing developments are being created in West Heidelberg and this community center will be located near these new housing units. The goal is to help service the existing community as well as these new developments.

This Community Service Hub will replace Shop 48 where several community support organizations currently have offices. The Community Service Hub will be home to:

- The Olympic Neighborhood House (www.oae.vic.edu.au)
- The BANSIC Food Hub (www.bansic.org.au)
- Himilo (www.himilo.org.au)
- Barrbunin Beek Aboriginal Gathering Place (www.barrbuninbeek.org)
- And others

These organizations all serve different parts of our community from housing needs to homeless care, to health care to food insecurity. Hosting them all in the same building will improve their abilities to work together to help those in need.

The government of Victoria has plans to continue to develop this area and build more housing. West Heidelberg will continue to grow and expand into a medium to high density area.

The Heidelberg West Community Service Hub will be multimillion dollar project uniting funds from the Australian government, the Victorian government and the Banyule council.

This is gift to the people of West Heidelberg that will hopefully last for several generations.

Please have a look at the website www.banyule.vic.gov.au/About-us/Advocacy-priorities/Heidelberg-West-Community-Services-Hub to get additional information.

Victorian Seniors Festival 2026

October 1-31st

Throughout October, the festival will bring together thousands of free and low-cost events for older Victorians right across the state.

Check out the online calendar at: www.seniorsonline.vic.gov.au/festival

Free public transport October 3rd-11th

Polio Plus 2026: It's time to Eradicate Polio - October 17th in Heidelberg

The Rotary Club of Heidelberg will have our Polio Fund Drive on Saturday the 17th of October.

Please come and support our Polio Fund Drive - Bagpipe busking with Richard Luke. Saturday from 10am, we will be collecting funds whilst supporting Richard as he serenades the people in Burgundy Street. We need volunteers to carry the Polio Baton, collect money (cash and by eftpos machine), move equipment and bring positive energy to remind people about the possibility of ending this terrible disease.

Olivia Newton John – Olivia's Walk for Wellness Held Last Sunday the 4th of October

This was the final Olivia's Walk for Wellness. Our very own Gordon Chan did the first Cancer awareness walk with Olivia Newton John on the Great Wall of China. The "Great Walk to Beijing" was held in 2008. Australians raised over \$5 million dollars to help build the Olivia Newton-John Cancer and Wellness Research Centre at the Austin.

Gordon, Geoff and I represented the The Rotary Club of Heidelberg and walked one of the last 2 km walks at Olivia's Walk for Wellness. Gordon and Geoff meet with friends and family from previous members of our club.



LIFT THE LID WALK for WELLNESS October 11th

Location: The Stage, Coburg Lake Reserve

Sunday Oct. 11th, 10am (4km or 8km) - Cost: \$30

Please sign up online at <https://www.liftthelidwalk.com.au/moreland>

1956 Olympic Commemorate Project – Sunday October 29th with John Bell

To be announced

District 9790 Annual General Meeting - Thursday November 5, 2026

Our Club will be represented by our Club Secretary Nancy Situ.

Malahang Festival Sunday November 29th

Malahang Reserve Heidelberg West

John Bell and the 1956 Olympic Commemoration Committee will have a stall documenting the event and the oral histories.

The Rotary Club of Heidelberg Christmas Party

Monday evening 14th December 2026

Venue: The Train Yard

[184 Burgundy Street](#)

[Heidelberg](#)

(opp. The Sycamore Tree Cafe)

Time: 6.30 till 9.00PM

Cost: TBD

Event: Christmas spirit - dress accordingly



Conceptual Thinking:

Why is it unwise to share your secrets with a clock?
Well, time will tell.



