



**Kiwaniis**  
GEELONG

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P.O. Box 429, Geelong, Vic 3220



February 2023

## What's Coming Up

### Club Meeting's

Tue Feb 21<sup>st</sup>

Tue Mar 8 & Tue Mar 22<sup>nd</sup>

At St Lords Hotel

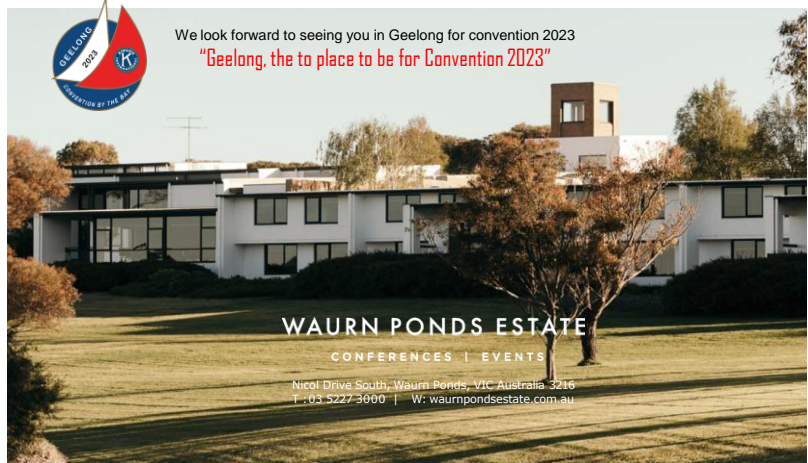
Fyans Street, Newtown



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Kiwaniis Convention 2023  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> Aug – Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Aug



We look forward to seeing you in Geelong for convention 2023

"Geelong, the to place to be for Convention 2023"

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Nicol Drive South, Waurn Ponds, VIC Australia 3216  
T : 03 5227 3000 | W: waurnpondsestate.com.au

#### ACCOMMODATION

(To be booked direct with the venue) T : 03 5227 3000 | Email: waurnpondsestate@deakin.edu.au

When booking , Quote "Kiwaniis Convention 2023"

#### Daily Room Block

Waurn Ponds Estate	Thu 24/08/2023	Fri 25/08/2023	Sat 26/08/2023
Standard Room (room does not include breakfast)	\$215.00	\$215.00	\$215.00
Buffet Breakfast (per person)	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
Suite (Suites have been allocated)	2	2	2
Accessible Room	\$215.00	\$215.00	\$215.00
Buffet Breakfast (1 per Accessible Room)	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00



**Standard Room**  
Room type feature a king size bed which can be split into two single beds on request, a modern ensuite, desk, tea and coffee making facilities with either pool, garden or Estate views.



**Accessible Room**  
The Estate offers three accessible rooms; two of these have a king size bed which can be split into two single beds. The third has a queen size bed which cannot be split. They all feature garden views.



The following dates are booked for BBQ's at Bunnings WP in 2023. This is now our main fund raising work so all members are encouraged to help.

Sat 11<sup>th</sup> February / Sat 4<sup>th</sup> March

Fri 24<sup>th</sup> March / Sun 16<sup>th</sup> April

Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> June / Sat 19<sup>th</sup> August

Fri 1<sup>st</sup> September / Sun 5<sup>th</sup> November



*Doll , Teddy &  
Craft Show*

Our next Doll , Teddy and Craft show will be held at the Masonic Hall, Regent Street, Belmont, Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2023. Your help will be required on the day.

## Working together with Noah's Ark for a long time.

History shows that some 50 years ago one of the earliest projects of the Kiwanis Club of Geelong was working with the Noah's Ark Toy Library when it first came to Geelong. Some of our original members set to work constructing shelves and cupboards to store the toys that Noah's Ark provided to families with children suffering from various physical and intellectual difficulties. Ongoing assistance has been provided over the passing years with the supply of funds, equipment, children's furnisher and hands on maintenance work.

More recently the club has for many donated funds for food and the hire of a Fun Train for the group's annual family Christmas Party.



Bob and Carmen Chapman are seen together with other volunteers at the 2022 Christmas party in Eastern Gardens.

## Australia Day

**Members Bob Chapman, Graeme Munro, George Welsh, Peter Phillips, Greg Puls, Chrissie Puls, and Spencer Harding** toiled in line marking on Wed 25<sup>th</sup> and controlling traffic and parking on Australia Day at Rippleside Park helping the Australia Day Committee and Lions. The project was a club fund raiser.

*The following Email has been received from Colin Anderson of Lions*

*A Thank you, Graeme and your great team of Kiwanis have been a fantastic help to our overworked volunteers from the Australia Day committee and the ever hard working Geelong Corio Bay Lions. They are into their 60th year of support for my committee. To Bunning Waurrn Ponds we are grateful for their support of this event and the community. Please pass on my heartfelt thank to all.*



Chrissie looks all lost and alone measuring up the line marking.

Where were her helpers?



Just a note of thanks for your efforts contributing to a successful Children's Fun Day on Australia Day.

The assistance provided on Wednesday in getting the paint and on the mark out and then backed up with you and your member's assistance on the car parking is appreciated.

Car Parking is a stressful role for all involved as many visitors do not appreciate the limitation we have with car parking and many just do not follow directions.

The Kiwanis member's support has been fantastic.

I and my fellow committee members of the Australia Day Committee are very grateful for all the assistance given.

Colin Anderson

President Australia Day Committee



At the club meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> Jan 2023 guest speakers Caroline and Rob and Caroline Lytski spoke of the current actions at Foundation 61 and progress of their new woman’s facilities.

Foundation 61 provides a live-in community on the outskirts of Geelong, offering hope and direction for people dealing with life controlling issues. These issues are often, but not exclusively, associated with the use of drugs and alcohol.

It was agreed that Kiwanis Geelong will provide a number of special care-packs asap. Graeme Munro will purchase various hygiene items for the initial 20 packs.

They provide an individually focused rehabilitation program for people with life controlling issues. The residential program includes full board in a safe and secure residence with onsite staff offering 24 hour support.

President Bob with Rob Lytski with certificate of appreciation.

### Upcoming Birthdays

- February, 26<sup>th</sup>, Graeme Munro
- March 1st, Greg Puls
- March 14, Anna Porter
- March 19<sup>th</sup>, Martha Kardos

### Picking on the Old Folks

The older I get, the earlier it gets late.



I can remember being able to get up without making sound effects.



When I ask for directions, please don't use words like 'east' or 'internet'



When you ask me what I'm doing today and I say "nothing," it does not mean I'm free. It means I am doing nothing.



Having fun is like getting life insurance; the older you get the more it costs.



An ugly old man asked a fairy to make him desirable to women; she turned him into a credit card.



They say age 60 is the new 40, but then 9:00 pm is the new midnight.

### Signature Project

The club has submitted an entry in the Kiwanis International 'Signature Project' competition for 2023. The subjects of our submission are the annual High School Encouragement Awards. The project has now been running for 23 years and over that period of time the club has raised and expended in excess of \$113,000 to encourage a student from each of 12 local schools to continue their studies.

Sarah Collard received the award at Oberon High sent the following Thank you;

*'Thank you for Encouragement award I am so grateful to have been selected as the Oberon High School Kiwanis Encouragement Award recipient. This means so much to me and I really appreciate it as it can help me access the materials, I need to work to my full potential'.*

The competition submission was prepared by Graham Mould with various detail information supplied by Spencer H, & Graeme M, and with encouragement from President Bob C.

Many of the key aims of Kiwanis International are covered by the purpose of the project in supporting the children of the world. Having won 2021 award at the Asia-Pacific level with our SPC Food Run we hope this 2023 submission will be successful at the International level.

Graham Mould.