

Rotary
 Rotary Club of Seymour
Connecting with our community

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President: **Ruth Byers** Secretary: **Bill Dwyer** Treasurer: **Peter Holland**

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Coming Meetings

Unless otherwise noted, we meet at 6.30pm for 7pm

DATE / VENUE	8 June No Meeting	15 June Royal Hotel	22 June Royal Hotel
GUEST SPEAKER/ EVENT	King's Birthday Public Holiday	RYPEN Presentation	Victorian Treaty Speakers: Uncle Charles Pakana/Ruth Yeatman
CHAIRPERSON		Fiona McCarthy	Alison Hall
TOAST		Bonnie Williams	TBA
CASHIER / RAFFLE		Craig Hoath	TBA
GREETER		Leanne Chapman	Paulette Andrews

If you cannot perform your duties, please arrange someone else to do so and advise.

President Ruth and Alison Hall.

All Members: Please respond to meeting invitations to allow for easier catering.

SAVE THESE DATES

21	June	Rotary Market	Mark Dossor
28	June	Club Changeover Luncheon	Catriona Jarman, Alison Hall, Jane Challis and Fiona McCarthy.

President Ruth Byers, Chair for the night, commenced the meeting by welcoming all in attendance. Formal apologies were received from Cathy Goubault-Lawrence, Peter and Ann Holland, Liam Jones, Tony Lee, Janina Taylor and Alan Walton.

TOAST TO THE ROTARY CLUB OF BERLIN – IAN CHADWICK



The Brandenburg Gate is a monument in Berlin that has become a symbol of peace, unity and German reunification.

The Rotary Club of Berlin's 56 members share a passion for community service and friendship. Under the guidance of President Randy Von Der Tann, they meet on the first and third Monday of the month. The Club follows a set calendar of activities: Jan. – Vocation; Feb. - Peace Building; March – Hygiene; April – Environment; May – Youth; July – Child Health; Aug. – Membership; Sept. – Education; November – Foundation; Dec. – Disease Prevention. A major project for the Club is helping people with disabilities

to make their own music. In January each year members take their bongos to the USA to play at Rotary's International Assembly.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – RUTH BYERS

President Ruth welcomed Rotary members to the evening's Club Assembly and later presided over the Club forum.

President Ruth has requested that the following ShelterBox information be included in the Bulletin:

Due to the support of Rotary Clubs, over 54,000 families received ShelterBox assistance in 2025. Throughout last year, ShelterBox worked in 17 countries – Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Syria, Cameroon, Grenada, Chad, Ethiopia, Lebanon, Malawi, Mozambique, Pakistan, the Philippines, Somalia, Gaza, Ukraine, US and Yemen. ShelterBox is currently raising funds to provide aid in the event of a disaster in the Pacific through the launch of its "Pacific Preparedness Appeal". A 2025 Rotary Impact Report is available for review. (Ed.)





FROM CLUB MEMBERS

- **Jane Challis** reported that the “Telegraph” had recently printed articles relating to our ‘Shake the Can’ and support for school leaders’ activities. She also stated that the Rotary Club of Seymour had been featured on a flyer (amongst 25 other community groups) in the library during the Shire’s Volunteer Expo 18th – 25th May. Rotarians have the opportunity to further reflect on their Club involvement; interested members can meet with Jane and a Shire representative at the library at 11 am on Tuesday 2nd June. A power point presentation highlighting the Club will be displayed on the soundshell during the “Lights on the Goulburn” festival at Goulburn Park on 20th June.
- **Fiona McCarthy** stated that there are now eleven students participating in the Junior Community Awards. She has had the opportunity to collect and recycle cans from the Seymour Racing Club, the proceeds of which will be donated towards Foundation. An amount of firewood has been given to the Club following involvement with meal preparation at the Highlands Hall; the profits from its sale will go towards the sporting grants.

SERGEANT’S SESSION – GREG BYERS

Sergeant Greg Byers fined the following Rotarians for their misdemeanors:

- **Alison H** and **Alison R** for more talking rather than walking whilst exercising in the morning
- **Mat** for the cancellation of Adopt-a-Road in the absence of rain
- **Jane** for leaving both himself and Ruth out of the “Telegraph’s” front page photo
- **Dave F** for giving him the “warm and fuzzies” by waving at him in the bus
- **Gary** following his return from Alaska
- **Chris** for the current lack of rail service to and from Seymour
- **Chaddy’s** forgetfulness by not taking a drink up to the microphone for the toast
- **President Ruth** for failing to wear her dinner badge
- **Fiona** for featuring on the front page of the newspaper



Behind the microphone



..... on the night were Fiona McCarthy, President Ruth, Bonnie Williams, Ian Chadwick, Mark Dossor, Greg Byers, Kathy Mills, Paulette Andrews and Dave Palmer.

RAFFLE WINNERS



Alison Ridley:
Wine



Bill Dwyer:
Chocolates



Alison Hall:
Joker – 5 Hearts

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*President Ruth Byers and President Elect Dr Bill Dwyer
invite you to join us at our
Annual Changeover Luncheon
Partners and Guests are welcome to attend*

Date: Sunday 28th June, 2026

Venue: Seymour Bowls Club, Lesley Street, Seymour

Time: 11:45 am for 12 Noon

Dress: Neat Casual

*Cost: \$35.00 per person for a 2 course luncheon;
Drinks available at bar prices*

*RSVP: Catriona Jarman by Sunday 14th June, 2026
M: 0419 372 481 or Email: catj@live.com.au*

Please provide dietary requirements at the time of booking.

*Prepayment may be made via direct transfer:
Name of Account: Rotary Club of Seymour Inc.
BSB: 063 545
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