At last week's meeting I mentioned the possibility of a walk along the new section of railway between Heidelberg and Rosanna. Leigh Wallace has been hard at work, liaising with the Level Crossing Removal Authority. As a result we have been offered the opportunity of the walking tour next Friday the 27th April. The tour will be conducted in three groups of a maximum of 20 people commencing at 4 PM at Heidelberg. The tour would be conducted by an engineer and a representative of their communications team. Presumably the walk would take around one hour.

As many of you would be aware these works have been going on for a considerable period and it is anticipated that the trains will be running again the following week. This presents a rare opportunity to walk along the tracks and to inspect those works first-hand. This could be very exciting for your young grandchildren.

We anticipate heading out for dinner in Rosanna afterwards.

We have also invited the Rotary Clubs of Ivanhoe and Rosanna to join us. This will be a lot of fun and a great fellowship opportunity, so please join us. We shall be handing around a clipboard on Monday.

I appreciate that this is short notice, but it is a matter of fitting in with the Authority on a date close to the completion of the works.

President Tony
Guest Speaker Professor Paul Mulvaney

On Monday we were indeed fortunate to have as our guest speaker, Professor Paul Mulvaney, Director, ARC Centre of Excellence in Exciton Science, School of Chemistry, University of Melbourne.

His presentation “Our Future World and Our Future Energy” was enlightening and in some respects alarming, because it demonstrated that decisions made about future sourcing of energy and its use are critical to the very survival of the world as we know it.

- “Energy is the biggest problem in the world today, apart perhaps from the size of the human population (Malthusian Catastrophe).”

Summary from Paul’s presentation

- Fossil fuels have served humans well for over a century. But, they are a finite resource with around 50 years left at current population levels.
- They are harmful to people living nearby and a large build-up of CO2 is linked to higher global temperatures.
- We have 50 years to find a better energy source for humans. It’s not a long time!!

For Australia, a mix of solar and wind combined with advanced battery storage looks to be the best choice at present.

But saving energy is just as important as finding new energy sources.

Use the following link to access all the slides from the presentation.


Thank you Paul for making your valuable time available to give such an engrossing presentation to our Club, and to Max Chester for facilitating it.

Support for Bushfire affected farmers

Last month the Club donated $1,525 to provide 50 bales of hay and ten $50 hampers to support farmers in Western Victoria. This donation was made via Rural Aid Ltd.

(Rural Aid was founded in 2015 to provide a holistic support program to rural Australia. The starting point for the charity was the success of the Buy a Bale campaign, which to date has received over $4.5 million in donations and distributed this through fodder, hampers and more. We understand the needs of our primary producers and aim to lend a helping hand when times are tough).

Visiting Rotarian from East Geelong, Heather Campbell, wins a drinkable bottle of wine (from Wirra Wirra Winery) but misses the jackpot.
Rotary Club of Broadmeadows

13th ANNUAL

PAUL HARRIS BIRTHDAY
CELEBRATION DINNER

Thursday 26th April 2018
Essendon FC Social Club,
Napier Street, Essendon
6.30 for 7.00 pm $45 pp

Guest Speaker: The Honourable Justice Irene Lawson

County Court Judge Irene Lawson, the daughter of a Broadmeadows truck driver was the only girl in her school year to go to university.

“My life in the law started serendipitously. I was in the foundation year of a new Senior Secondary College located in Broadmeadows. Legal Studies was offered as a subject for the first time and I thought it may interest me. This was during the Whitlam years and was at a time of great social change. Legal Aid was introduced as national scheme and I wanted to find out more about the legal system. I loved the subject and it was the start of a long, interesting and varied career.”

Judge Lawson was appointed to the County Court Victoria in March 2002. The County Court is the major trial court in the state. Currently she sits in the criminal trial division.

She was admitted in 1980 and has worked as both a solicitor and a barrister, practising in civil and criminal law. In 1999 she became an Accredited Specialist in Personal Injury Law of the Law Institute of Victoria. Prior to her appointment she was a Partner at Slater & Gordon where she specialised in civil litigation primarily medical negligence litigation.

Her past Directorship roles include the University of Melbourne Council (2001-2012), he Global Learning Village Advisory Board (Broadmeadows) (2003-2012), Melbourne University Law School Foundation and she has been a member of a number of community based organisations including the Brunswick Baths and the Gap Neighbourhood Community House, Alice Springs.

She was a member of the Victorian Forensic Institute of Medicine (2013-2017). She has had a varied legal career. We look forward to hearing Irene’s story of growing up in Broadmeadows and being one of those ‘Big Winners from Broadie’.

Bookings by April 20th:

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Rotary Club Of Greensborough

Charity Golf Evening

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Friday
April 27, 2018

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