



# Rotary Club of Sale

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Rotary District 9820

**This week:** 6.00pm for 6.15pm at the Greyhounds Club: Our Guest Speakers tonight will be Daniel Smolenaars, Managing Director of plumbing firm Tequa and his CEO Trent Fairweather, speaking on the evolution of their company and its projects.

**Last week:** Last week a member of our own club, Danny O'Brien MP, spoke to us about a study tour he made of Danish and British offshore wind farms.

Since 1999, there have been a growing number of offshore wind farms in the countries Danny visited, and there are currently 120 of them in the North Sea. He visited the Orsted Grimsby facility which provides operations and maintenance through a German company, crew transfer ships and helicopters, employing 600.

Copenhagen harbour has a line of wind turbines, each 120m to tip of blade. Denmark exports power generated to Norway which in turn uses excess wind power to electrolysis for hydrogen. Danny told us that Denmark, which is one-fifth the size of Victoria, has 4200 on-shore wind turbines.

In the UK, the Humber is the "UK Energy Estuary" and by 2040 Equinor CCS wants to convert natural gas to hydrogen. Meanwhile, at the DRAX Humber power station they import 3000 tonnes per day of wood pellets to use as biomass.

Danny also spoke briefly about the windfarms planned for the Gippsland region, the 7-year investigations, and the Feasibility Licences being sought by 35 to 40 applicants (with perhaps 4 to 6 approvals). Advantages include job creation, economic development and port development, but against this can be weighed the ugly transmission lines being mooted for the Giffard and Rosedale corridor as well as marine disruption.

There is great concern that benefits will be lost to Gippsland due to the current State government's insistence that Hastings will be the important "steaming port" servicing the construction of Gippsland offshore wind farms. Hastings would involve ships in 12 hours of the expensive "steaming time", as opposed to 6 hours out of Barry Beach.

President Sandra gave members more information on the Giant Book Sale of ex-library books to be held on 18-20 August at the Port of Sale. Volunteers are required, including for boxing up left over books on the Monday morning following the sale.

The raffle was won by Trevor.



The signage on the Longford road for the library book sale is up (thanks to Colin)

**District Conference 2024, the last for District 9820, will be held at Warrnambool on 24th – 26 Feb.**

<b>Fri 18 Aug –</b>	Giant Library Book Sale, downstairs at Port of Sale building
<b>Sun 20 Aug</b>	Friday 9am – 5.30pm, weekend 10am – 4pm each day
<b>Mon 21 Aug</b>	Packing up unsold books in morning
<b>Sat 19 Aug</b>	Model United Nations Assembly – Nossal High School Berwick
<b>Sat 2 Sept</b>	Community Open Day, Gippsland New Energy Conference, Port of Sale
<b>Sat 30 Sept</b>	Bunnings fundraising barbecue
<b>Fri 3 Nov –</b>	Sale Agricultural Show – staffing Gate & Rotary information tent
<b>Sat 4 Nov</b>	




On Saturday, 5 Rotarians weeded, dug up lilies and ivy, and spread mulch at the Cemetery Working bee. The billabong area is looking very much improved from when we started last year.

*Trevor Watt, Laurie Jeremiah and John Cartledge spread mulch.*

The Rotary Club of Casey has sent us the following invitation:-

On **Saturday July 29<sup>th</sup>** from 9am to 3.30pm our Rotary Club is running an **Antique & Collectible Fair** at the Pakenham Cultural Centre’s great hall on Lakeside Boulevard. It would be wonderful if you could support our club while at the same time having an enjoyable Saturday “winter’s” day out. There will be a great collection of dealers from all over Victoria and the hall itself is completely full with these dealers. To top the day off there is also a great cafe on site.

Entry is just \$5 and every penny raised on the day will go to charity. Thank you and hope you can make it.. we would really appreciate it..... *Contact person Paul Rubens tel: 0409 324 180*



Fifty-four years ago, Herman James, a North Carolina mountain man, was drafted by the US Army. On his first day in basic training, the Army issued him a comb. That afternoon the Army barber sheared off all his hair. On his second day, the Army issued Herman a toothbrush. That afternoon the Army dentist yanked seven of his teeth. On the third day, the Army issued him a jock strap. The Army has been looking for Herman for 54 years.

**Meeting bookings contact Adrian: Mob. 0408 517 062** (Text or call)  
 Email [arijs47@gmail.com](mailto:arijs47@gmail.com)

Any queries re program for meetings, contact Sandra or Mike.  
 Please send Bulletin contributions to Sue before Monday each week.



### Current Members of the Rotary Club of Sale Inc.

Rotarian	Spouse / Partner
Colin Adams <sup>PP PHF</sup>	Clare
Lisa Burgess <sup>PHF</sup>	
Gerard Callinan	Jenny O'Neill
John Cartledge <sup>PP PHF</sup>	Liana
John Castle	Pam
Philip Davis <sup>PP PHF</sup>	Elizabeth
Graeme Dyer <sup>OAM PP PHF</sup>	
Rod Exton <sup>PP PHF</sup>	Gillian
Sue Hopkins <sup>PP PHF</sup>	
Sandra Houghton <sup>PHF PE</sup>	
Laurie Jeremiah	Helen
Raj Mani <sup>PP</sup>	Tracey
Keith Miller <sup>PHF</sup>	Gwen
Robert McKimm <sup>Pres</sup>	Kathy
Kerry McMillan <sup>PHF</sup>	Don
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Don Ripper <sup>PP PDG PHF</sup>	Jude
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