

THE VICTORIA SPARK



Next Meetings

Monday 19 May 2025 - Rotary Victoria Park Board meeting – To be confirmed

Thursday 5 June 2025 - Joint breakfast meeting with Welshpool Rotary – 7.00am for 7.25am start, Belmont Sports & Recreation Club, 400 Abernethy Road, Cloverdale.

Sunday 13 July 2025 – Rotary Club of Welshpool Handover – 3 course lunch \$75.00, further details to be provided on venue. Victoria Park members welcome to attend.

Club News

At the Welshpool Rotary Club meeting on Thursday 3rd April, an inspiring presentation was given by Grace Pearson. Grace is head girl at Ursula Frane College and was sponsored by the Rotary Clubs of Victoria Park and Welshpool to attend the National Youth Science Forum. Her enthusiasm was infectious and it was clearly evident that she thoroughly enjoyed the experience.



Anzac Day – Members of Victoria Park Rotary were on hand to cook and distribute around 250 sausage sizzles following the Anzac Day ceremony at Memorial Park. Thanks also to Charoen, Kevin, Anne Marie and family for assistance.

Vic Park Market – The market on **Sunday 27 April 2025** was a special Artisan and Makers Market to celebrate Arts Season in the Town of Victoria Park. It turned out to be a larger market than usual with 54 stalls. A children's art activity was also conducted. Artisan and Makers stalls received a 50% discount on their stall fee.



Rotary Vic Park will also investigate having designated themed events throughout the year targeting areas such as Health, Pets and Gardening/Environment. The club will look towards submitting Place Grants to the Town to assist.

Place Grants may also be submitted for providing additional entertainment options at the market.

We are also seeking **volunteers** that may be able to assist with the set up and pack up of the market, or run activities during the market. Activities during the market will contribute to a vibrant event. If you can help, please call Wilf on 0403 121 543.

Upcoming Events

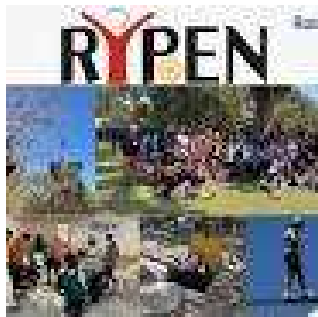
Vic Park Market – Sunday 4 May, Sunday 11 May, Sunday 18 May, Sunday 25

May. Venue: John Macmillan Park, Sussex Street, East Victoria Park – 8am – 12 pm.

Note: Sunday 25 May – The Town of Victoria Park will be at the market to distribute native plants and trees to residents as part of their Urban Forrest at Home initiative. This means the market may be larger than usual and may operate for an additional 2 hours until 2pm.

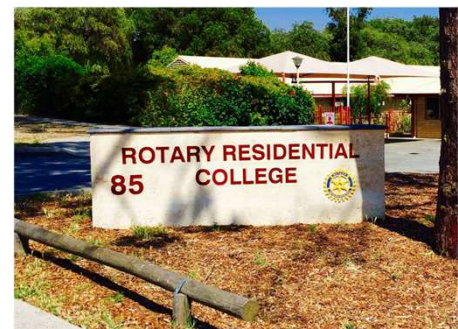
Vic Park Soup – Monday 19 May, Broken Hill Hotel – 6.30pm to 8.30pm.

Youth



On Friday 2 May, 4 students from Kent Street will travel to the Serpentine to attend RYPEN, sponsored by the Rotary Clubs of Victoria Park and Welshpool. They will be picked up and transported back to Perth on Sunday 4 April. Transport provided by Rotary Club members.

As revealed in the March Newsletter, Vic Park Rotary will donate \$2,000 to the Rotary Residential College for a small vehicle to transport students. In recognition of this donation, the vehicle will have signage acknowledging our support.



Vocational

A grant application was not able to be submitted in time to the Town of Victoria Park's Business Grants 2025. However, it is the intention of Vic Park Rotary to proceed with Business Networking events. More information to come.

Business Awards – Rotary Vic Park has agreed to submit an application to be a Silver sponsor for the 2025 Victoria Park Business Awards. Proposed category is Excellences in Professional Services.

Community

Vic Park Soup – is a micro-granting dinner for creative projects that benefit the Vic Park community.

Victoria Park Residents, enthusiasts and supporters pay \$10 for a bowl of soup and a vote. Over dinner, they listen to four-minute pitches from up to four people working on projects that help the local community. Each diner can cast a vote.

The winning project goes home with all the cash raised at the door and have the opportunity to return to future Vic Park Soup dinners to update participants about their projects.

Rotary Vic Park assist by providing ingredients and bread rolls for the event. The next Vic Park Soup will be held at the Broken Hill Hotel, **Monday 19 May 2025, 6.30pm to 8.30pm.**



International

Vic Park Rotary will once again contribute to the Rotary Foundation. The final amount will be decided at the May Board meeting.

A Rotary Foundation Grants webinar is also being held on Thursday 15 May 2025. A Rotary member will join this webinar so that Rotary Vic Park will be eligible to submit a grant application in 2025-26 should an acceptable project be identified.

Humour

Teacher: "Kids, what does the chicken give you?" Student: "Meat!" Teacher: "Very good! Now what does the pig give you?" Student: "Bacon!" Teacher: "Great! And what does the fat cow give you?" Student: "Homework!"

What happens to a frog's car when it breaks down? It gets toad away.

Q: What did the duck say when he bought lipstick? A: "Put it on my bill."

And.....Last but not least, please give Wilf a ring on 0403 121 543 if you can help us with events or the Market, or know someone who can.