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WEEKLY BULLETIN



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District Governor, Dist. 9810 –

RUSSELL GURNEY & Shelley
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President,

RAY HOLLIS & Enid
Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully

Benefactor,

IVAN GIGOVIC,
Vale: August 2003
Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully



Pictured above Kristian Dauncey with PP Christine Anderson

KNOXBROOKE ENTERPRISES

Started more than fifty years ago by the Rotary Clubs of Fern Tree Gully and Belgrave, current CEO Kristian took great pride in telling us how far Knoxbrooke Enterprises has come since then. What started off as a school for "Retarded" or "Spastic" children (Yuk! - what dreadful terms we did use in those days), is today a thriving school and industry for disabled and/or autistic children.

What an inspiring presentation—made our members proud to think our club was instrumental in getting it off the ground.

Thank you Kristian; please keep us updated on the planned changes

Enid Hughes
Bulletin Editor

UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Thursday 18th Oct [6.30 for 7.00]	Friday 19th Oct 6.30 pm	Thursday 25th Oct [6.30 for 7.00]	Sunday 28th Oct	Thursday 1st Nov [6.30 for 7.00]	Thursday 8th Nov [6.30 for 7.00]
Venue:	FTG Bowling Club	Fairhills High School	FTG Bowling Club	Wantirna	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club
Program:	Vocational Services (Hat Day too)	QuizzaMe	Committee Meetings Group B	Trash n Treasure	Member Behind the Badge	DG's Club Visit
Speaker:	Greg King	Fundraiser	N/A	Fundraiser	Rod Brown	Russell & Shelley G
Vote of Thanks	Fran M		N/A		N/A	Rob H
Rotary Toast	Gary B	Interact	Graeme A	Club	Graham F	John F
Cashier:	Graeme A	&	Fran M	Funds	Rob H	Paul McA
Scribe:	Mike S	RC FTG	No Scribe		John F	Christine A
Rotary Knowledge			Paul W			
Topic:			RYPEN			
Sergeant-At-Arms:	Rod B		Rod B		Paul W	Paul W
Partners' Night	No		No		No	Yes

<i>Birthdays:</i>	None
<i>Wedding Anniversaries:</i>	None
<i>Induction to RC of Fern Tree Gully</i>	None



"RAY'S RAMBLINGS"

On Saturday morning Graeme A, Enid and I went to the Multi District Conference launch. Next year's conference promises to be something totally different from past conferences. It is to be held at the Melbourne Convention Exhibition Centre on Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th February 2019. Organised jointly by 4 of the 5 Victorian Districts it will be a celebration of all branches of Rotary. Interact/Earlyact will have their own conference from 10am to 4pm on Saturday and this will be supported by a Youth Forum which will operate from 9am to 3pm on Saturday. Both will have a number of excellent speakers.

The Conference itself will run on Saturday and Sunday from 9am to 5pm. Plenary sessions will take place on Saturday morning and a number of breakout sessions will be held in the afternoon. There will also be a separate breakout session for each District.

More sessions on Sunday morning finishing at 12noon and this will be followed on Sunday afternoon by a hands on session demonstrating what Rotary do. This session will be open to the public to come and see us in action.

Speakers include, Grant Hackett, Christine Nixon and Brittany Arthur who was MC at the International Conference in Toronto and is excellent.

A Gala Dinner will also be held on Saturday night with entertainment by the Baker Boys. Jonathon Usher, Magician Extraordinaire will entertain throughout the conference.

By the time you read this Christine Anderson and I, along with Kristian Dauncey, CEO of Knoxbrooke Incorporated, will have done the Rotary hour on Community Radio 88.3 FM.

More about this venture at a later date.

That is all for this week.

Yours in Rotary

Ray Hollis

President 2018-19

"THE WEEK THAT WAS"

Thursday, 11th October, 2018

The meeting opened with the toast to Rotary by Paul Wilson and with President Ray welcoming all members, guests and guest speaker Kristian Dauncey, CEO of Knoxbrooke

President Ray announced:

- QuizzaMe numbers are low at present, encouraged members and friends to register. Prizes are still required.
- We will rattle a tin for Lift the Lid at Bunnings on Friday

CHAIRMAN'S REPORTS:

Secretary: Graeme Aspinall

Apologies: John Flemming, Paul McAloney, Rob Hurst, Garry Braddock, Mike Spark and Alan Tierney

Reports:

International - Enid Hughes

Money donation has been forwarded onto Fiji (direct) Our bank accounts have now been set up for future transfers. The school is now in the process of purchasing their computers.

Community – Christine Anderson

Steve Barrington has withdrawn from our community radio segment next Tuesday. Christine is now stressed in seeking a replacement at such short notice. However, our guest speaker Kristian Dauncey has offered to replace Steve.

Rod Brown conducted the fines session using humorous questions for each member.

Rod's wife, Lois, drew the raffle ticket winning a bottle of wine.

Guest Speaker Kristian Dauncey CEO of Knoxbrooke

Kristian opened with some background history of Knoxbrooke having been established by the Rotary Clubs of Fern Tree Gully and Belgrave to help families with children with disabilities fifty years ago.

Currently 250 children and young adults are being supported with 150 being employed throughout their business enterprises.

Their Yarra View Nursery at Mt Evelyn covers an area of 12 acres is now very successful selling in excess of 1.5 million plants, has a workforce of 110 people 85 living with disability. 70% is retail sector and 30% commercial. One contract recently completed was to supply over 100,000 plants for the Mernda Rail Extension.

Knoxbrooke has restructured its services into a number of areas:

- Knoxbrooke Achieve – is located at FTGully providing confidence building for individuals in trial work experiences for opportunities to obtain a real job.
- Tyson House is located up in the National Park UFTGully giving exposure to household duties. The only demonstration house in Victoria.

- Knoxbrooke 365 NDIS Services—various support programs including respite for carers.
 - Knoxbrooke Extras— Low support needs.
 - Knoxbrooke Day Centre is an NDIS Provider for those with profound disabilities, least likely to gain employment. Skills of support workers in this area has increased over recent years having to detail their hours given to support a record of every penny spent is required for NDIS payments.
- Support is offered Mon – Fri, 9am -3pm, 44 weeks /year on a one to one basis.

They are planning to sell the current Knoxbrooke facility and are moving to a new base camp system located throughout the community.

Christine expressed a vote of thanks for our speaker and presented a small gift.

Meeting closed 8.45pm

Scribe
Graeme Aspinall



DON'T FORGET HAT DAY

Next Thursday's meeting is our club's Hat Day (in support of Australian Rotary Health—Lift the Lid). This year the theme is "Vocation". So wear a hat that aligns with your own vocation or "borrow" someone else's.



DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Saturday, 13th Oct was the official launch of the Multi-District conference taking place between 15th and 17th of February 2019. There is still an early bird discount if you register before the end of November. Go to www.rotaryconference.com.au to register. President Ray, as our on to conference chair, will give us more details at the next meeting.



Another fun and fellowship afternoon at the Royal Hotel—eating, drinking and listening to the New Melbourne Jazz Band - a favourite of ours.

"You will never know if you don't have a go"

When I was approached some months back for our club to participate in a community radio programme you all know the answer. Given any opportunity to share what a dynamic club we are, radio was the perfect opportunity.

Ray and I, together with Kristian Dauncey from Knoxbrooke yesterday had an hour to talk about our club's projects. Kristian also took the opportunity to tell the wonderful success story of Knoxbrooke.

All in all we thoroughly enjoyed the experience, and hopefully we got our message out there. (Well, a little bit as the hour just flew!)

Our next show will be Feb or March next year, and I would encourage any of our members to participate and assist me in sharing our club's great success stories.

Christine Anderson





HIGHLIGHTS

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BE THE INSPIRATION



October 2018

Welcome to the October edition of Highlights, right in the middle of Rotary's Economic and Community Development month.

It's great to see so many of our Clubs carrying out great work in their local community and raising our profile. The multitude of projects, large and small, are an inspiration.

The 2019 Victorian Multi-District Conference was officially launched last Saturday. It will be a source of inspiration and an amazing gathering of the family of Rotary on show to the Melbourne public.

Note that there are two weeks remaining to take advantage of the early bird prize offer. The odds are pretty good, so register soon to secure your place for the various events, including the Gala Dinner, themed "A Touch of Red." <http://www.rotaryconference.org.au/>

Note that partners are welcome to attend the Gala dinner, only, if accompanying a fully registered attendee. As there are only around 800 dinner places remaining, this will be based on first in, best dressed.

In response to requests for an associated golf event, we need to urgently establish expressions of interest before we can book the course. Please contact Bob McArthur 0400 121 469 for more information.

If your Club has a great project that you'd like showcased at the Conference, please contact Sue Cornelissen to discuss options and to reserve a space at the "What Rotary Does" Expo that will be open to the public.

Please note these important dates and events for your diary:

Oct 24 - World Polio Day ... a great opportunity to engage with the community as RI President Barry Rassin suggests ...

Oct 26 - Vocational Service Seminar Be inspired by Chair, Greg King.

Oct 29 - Building Your Membership, and Planning Workshop - aimed specifically at Clubs with less than 25 members, although everyone is welcome ... lead by PDG Jenny and PDG Malcolm

Let's all "Be the Inspiration" to someone in our network, or our community, to invite them to a local activity to see Rotarians in action. They will be inspired when they see first-hand why we do what we do!

See you around the District.

Inspiring regards,

Russell Gurney
Governor 2018-19

IMPORTANT DATES TO DIARISE.....

Date: 2018	Program.	Speaker
October	is Economic and Community Development month	
18-Oct	Vocational Services	Greg King
19-Oct	QuizzaMe	Fairhills HS
25-Oct	Committee Meetings	GROUP B
26-Oct	Vocational Service Seminar	
November	is Rotary Foundation month	
29-Oct	BOARD MEETING	Graeme A's home
1-Nov	MEMBER BEHIND THE BADGE	Rod Brown
8-Nov	DG's Club Visit	Russell & Shelley Gurney
9-Nov	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
9-Nov	Presidents Elect Pre-PELDS workshop	
15-Nov	Caltoria Brewery	Lien Jenkins
16-Nov	International Service Seminar	
22-Nov	Committee Meetings	GROUP A
23-Nov	President's Quarterly Meeting / AGM	
24-Nov	Ferntree Gully Traders Fair	
29-Nov	BBQ - at the club	Fellowship
December	is Disease Prevention and Treatment Month	
3-Dec	BOARD MEETING	
6-Dec	MEMBER BEHIND THE BADGE	Graham Faulkner
13-Dec	FTG Bowling Club / RC FTG	Ken Miller
13-Dec	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
20-Dec	Christmas Break-Up—Glengowan Clubrooms	
27-Dec	Christmas Break - No Meeting	

Legend:	
	Partners' Night
	Fundraising Event
	District Event
	Fellowship Event
	Community Event

