

# Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully Inc.

INCORPORATED REG. NO. A0023463V  
DISTRICT 9810 VICTORIA AUSTRALIA

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## WEEKLY BULLETIN

**Note the later start time – 7.00 pm**

Date & Time:	Thursday 24th September [Kick off at 7.00]	Thursday 1st October [Kick off at 7.00]	Thursday 8th October [Kick off at 7.00]	Thursday 15th October [Kick off at 7.00]
Venue:				
Program:	* Rotary Foundation	District Governor's Visit	CLUB ASSEMBLY & HAT DAY "Lift the Lid"	VOLUNTEER FOR KNOX
Speaker:	Mark Anderson	Alma Reynolds	N/A	Sally Dusting-Laird
Partners' Night	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

\*Tonight, PDG Shia Smart will present to the Club the Platinum Citation awarded by Rotary International.

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

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT



### SEPTEMBER IS BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY MONTH

Last weekend I logged onto the Zone 8 Virtual Conference. Zone in the Rotary world covers Australia, New Zealand and South Pacific countries.

This was an excellent opportunity for Rotarians to increase their knowledge of Rotary and hear from eminent Rotarians. These included the current RI President, Holger Knaack, Past RI President Ian Risely, past and future RI Directors Stuart Heal and Jessie Harman who gave presentations on the future challenges that Rotary is facing. The programme also included video presentations on what clubs have been achieving throughout Australia and New Zealand.

Being a virtual event, it gave Rotarians the opportunity to participate. In normal times one would have to attend an International Conference to hear these speakers at any one event. I think this could be the way of the future.

In April – May 2021, District 9810 is Rotary in Australia with a Baton Relay. involve their local community. I would some thought to what our Club can Let's devote some time at our meeting ideas.



celebrating 100 years of Clubs are requested to like us to start giving achieve for this event. on 8th October for some

STAY SAFE

Graeme Aspinall

President 2020/2021



# THE WEEK THAT WAS

Thursday 17th September, 2020

Speaker – Peter Dalwood – “Club Runner Program”



Now that Rotary is no longer printing a District Directory, you will find everything you need to know about your Rotary District on the **CLUB RUNNER WEBSITE**

Peter Dalwood gave an informative demonstration of how to find your way around the website to assist those Rotarians that aren't so "Tech Savvy"

## DATES TO DIARISE

Event	
1-Oct	District Governor's Visit
8-Oct	Hat Day Lift the Lid for Australian Rotary Health
15-Oct	Volunteer for Knox - Sally Dusting-Laird
22-Oct	Stroke Safe Talk - Kevin English
29-Oct	East Gippsland Rotary Fire Aid - Peter Sindrey
6-Nov	CLUB ASSEMBLY
12-Nov	Melbourne Cup - Oaks Day
19-Nov	Living with CKD – Gary Braddock

District event
Club event

## Covid Funnies

Ran out of toilet paper. Started using lettuce. Today was the tip of the iceberg ... tomorrow romaines to be seen.

What's the best way to avoid touching your face? Hold a wine glass in each hand!

What's the difference between Corona Virus and Romeo & Juliet? One's the *Corona Virus*. The other is the *Verona Crisis*.

Finland just closed its borders. Now athletes will be unable to cross the Finish line.

Did you hear the joke about the Corona Virus? Not gonna tell you! Don't want you spreading it around!

## NATIONAL TREE DAY

Rotary now has a new area of focus - "Sustainability"

If all members picked up a tree or tree (they are Free) and planted them in their gardens this could be the start of our Sustainability program. Details on the Knox Council web site under Knox Tree Planting Day 2020. Trees are available from the Knox Environment Society. The Nursery behind FTG Library. You just have to register online as it is a click and collect pick up. See details below:

# Knox National Tree Day

at Knox Environment Society (KES) Nursery

[REGISTER NOW](#)

When (multiple sessions)

## Date

## Status

[Available](#)

Wed, 28 Oct 2020 from 1PM to 5PM

[Available](#)

Sat, 31 Oct 2020 from 9AM to 1PM

Tickets

Knox National Tree Day plant pick-up

\$0

[REGISTER NOW](#)

- [Email a Friend](#)
- Share

Details

In lieu of the traditional National Tree Day event that was cancelled due to the COVID-19 restrictions, Knox City Council, in conjunction with the Knox Environment Society (KES) invites you to plant a tree in your backyard on Sunday 1 November and share your experience with us by either sending a photo or video of your planting.

KES has a special nursery where they propagate and sell indigenous and native plants. We encourage you to collect a free plant from their nursery and use it for your backyard planting.

Registrations for plant collection are essential.

**Event Link:** <https://www.stickytickets.com.au/znbwl> [REGISTER NOW](#)

Where

**Knox Environment Society (KES) Nursery** 1010 Burwood Highway Ferntree Gully VIC 3155 Australia

[\(view / directions on google maps\)](#)

Organiser [KES](#)

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[ASK THE ORGANISER](#)

## **GREAT AUNT ETHEL'S GREAT AND GLORIOUS SWANSONG.....**

*Think toothpaste is only good for cleaning your choppers – think again !*

*Here a few other uses for this hum drum household item :*

- 1    That dear little mighty monster drawn on your walls with marker? Never fear – bring toothpaste near !   Add a dollop to a microfibre cloth, and rub the marker – it should disappear into the never never !**
- 2    Some of Grandma's precious silver that she left you somewhat tarnished from being shoved into that bottom drawer no one ever opens ?   Out with that cloth and the chopper paste again – rub over, rinse under clean warm water and voila !   Shiny again, just as Grandma hoped you would keep it.....and ready again to go where none will fear to tread!**
- 3    Ugly soap scum on those shower walls ?   Not a favourite job is it ?   Well, put it off NO LONGER – grab that trusty microfibre cloth again, add toothpaste, and rub on that grot!   Rinse well and see the sparkle return (until next time.....)**
- 4    Plastic containers can accumulate odours, no matter how often you thoroughly wash them.   Ok – add the paste to that cloth, rub around the container, rinse well and the odour?????   Gone to wherever bad smells go!**
- 5    Another recreational experiment by mighty monster ?   Crayon on your furniture?   Well, just produce the cavalry – your cloth and the tube – rub on the spoilt article and it should disappear (the crayon, not the furniture!)   Along with mighty monster if you lock him in a cupboard until his parents come to pick him or her up !**
- 6    Grubby little finger marks all over your favourite CDs or DVDs?   No worries – roll up your sleeves, add a dob of paste onto that cloth and rub over the disc.   Rinse well and dry with a COTTON cloth – AND PUT THE BLOODY THINGS WHERE THEY CAN'T GET THEM !**
- 7    Been chopping onions and no matter how hard you try just can't get rid of that smell on your hands.   Again, toothpaste will come to the rescue – rub it on your hands for a while then rinse.   Gone into cyberspace.....(the smell that is)**
- 8    Amazing how when cleaning your teeth or hands, the paste in your mouth and/or the grotty soap will ALWAYS land on the taps.   Easy – clean and buff the taps with more toothpaste (fresh from the tube please, not USED!)**
- 9    And finally, toothpaste is great for buffing your kitchen sink and bringing it back to that brilliant, shiny product you paid an arm and a leg for at Bunnings – in those long, lost, forgotten days of yore when personal shopping was considered a dreadful bore and which we all now all only dream of !**



*GAE hopes you have found these little tips and those of the last few weeks of some help and something to keep you occupied instead of twiddling your thumbs, or starting a fight, or trying to see how many doughnuts you can consume in one hour, or playing 10 empty – previously full – bottles of mother's ruin - sitting on the bin !*

*Signing off and wishing you all well – stay safe and, critically, stay SANE !*