




# Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully Inc.

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## WEEKLY BULLETIN

Date & Time:	Thursday 28th January [Kick off at 6.30]	Thursday 4th February [Kick off at 6.30]	Thursday 11th February [Kick off at 6.30]	Thursday 18th February [Kick off at 6.30]
Venue:				
Program:	W-CLASS TRAM PROJECT RC OF DIAMOND CREEK	SCHIZOPHRENIA JOURNEY	REDUCE, REUSE, RE-PURPOSE	<b>NO MEETING</b>
Speaker:	PDG Rob Lloyd & Roger Knight	Kevin Walker	Patricia Armstrong	-
Partners' Night	Yes	Yes	Yes	-

<i><b>Birthdays:</b></i>	Graeme Aspinall – 1 <sup>st</sup> February
<i><b>Anniversaries:</b></i>	None
<i><b>Induction to RC of Fern Tree Gully</b></i>	None

*There is no President's Message this week*

# THE WEEK THAT WAS

Thursday 21st January, 2021

Our first meeting for 2021 commenced on Zoom a little after 6.30 pm with a few stragglers joining the meeting.

## **President Graeme announced:**

- Bowls Club is now open for business
- Venue same, but will have to sign in or use QR Code
- Menu same
- Speakers have been booked until the end of February
- Zoom meetings to continue until the end of February
- Need to enquire about using Zoom at the Bowls Club – Paul W & Allan to follow up with District classes on offer of how to go about this
- Future meetings – Club Assembly to be held at Bowls Club, aim for 4<sup>th</sup> March as the first 'face to face' meeting (Club Assembly)
- Masterclass for Membership – was to happen in January, is now in second week in February
- 18th February – NO MEETING.

## **Community Projects – Christine**

**CFA Bush Fire Awareness** afternoon Quarry Reserve Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Feb at 5.00 pm. RC FTG is doing a free sausage sizzle for residents.

John Flemming to book the Knox Motor Group BBQ (pick up 20<sup>th</sup> and return 22<sup>nd</sup>)

Our annual donation to FTG CFA to be held off until later this Rotary Year.

**Foothills Community Care Christine** has been in touch with Steve Barrington to offer our club's support -waiting to hear back from Steve.

## **Mountain District Learning Centre**

Christine to contact Janet Claringbold for the receipts for last year's donation for students to be submitted to District for the grant we received.

This year there is no District grant available Club members unanimously voted that the club will donate \$1,000 to MDLC email has been sent to advise.

## **R100 Project**

Prior to contacting Knox Council Christine is setting up a meeting with Dobson Ward Councillor Meagan Baker to discuss her views on a suitable project at the Quarry Reserve, prior to submitting it to council. When the final submission has been accepted by council, grant applications will be sought from Alan Tudge, Knox Council, Bendigo Bank and Rotary District 9810.

The proposed date for the unveiling of the project will be possible Sept Oct 2021.

## **Upper Ferntree Gully Market**

An Idea was discussed of the possibility of having a stall at the market maybe once a month for community project funding- Christine and Allan to find out more details.

# PHILLIP ISLAND & SAN REMO ADVERTISER



*Celebrating the news of a \$57,400 grant from the state government is PICAL centre manager Greg Thompson, with volunteer Mark Kennedy, Irene Naitoro – PICAL Pantry Coordinator, Nerida Stubbles and Fran Mandergheddes - Pantry Volunteers and Rick Coleman, PICAL Horticulturalist. The money will be used to run PICAL's food relief program in 2021.*

## **Huge boost for PICAL Pantry**

January 20, 2021

**After re-locating to Phillip Island, Fran has not wasted any time in getting involved in the local community. Here she is on the FRONT page of the local newspaper, helping out and celebrating a \$57,400 grant received from the State Government for their food pantry.**

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The grant, announced last week will be used to run its food relief program, which has doubled since the start of the Covid pandemic. The cost per month just to supply the food is over \$3500.

PICAL manager Greg Thompson said securing the money was a relief, as over the past year PICAL had grown to become the largest emergency food outlet in South Gippsland.

“We battled our way through 2020 – it was a very strange year. On New Year’s Day we got a phone call and swung into action taking food to Bairnsdale and Sale for the bushfires evacuation.

“The minute we stopped that, we went straight into Covid.”

**WELL DONE – Phillip Island Community And Learning Centre  
(and Fran)**