

# Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully Inc.

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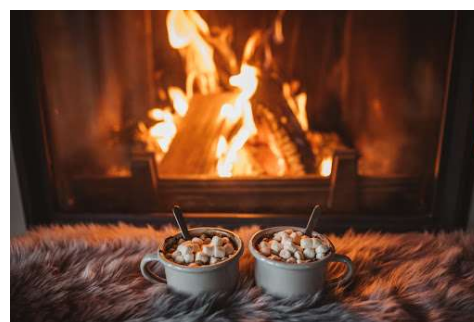
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## WEEKLY BULLETIN

Date & Time:	Thursday 4th June [Kick off at 6.30]	Thursday 11th June [Kick off at 6.30]	Thursday 18th June [Kick off at 6.30]	Thursday 25th June [Kick off at 6.30]
Venue:				
Program:	<b>BOARD &amp; COMMITTEE MEETING</b>	Destiny Rescue	<b>FELLOWSHIP</b>	"Murder Mystery"
Speaker:		Allison Troth	"Two Truths and a Lie"	
Partners' Night	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

*Winter has  
arrived,  
brrrrrrhh!!!*



<b><i>Birthdays:</i></b>	None
<b><i>Anniversaries:</i></b>	6 <sup>th</sup> June 1963 – The Charter of the RC of FTG was presented
<b><i>Induction to RC of Fern Tree Gully</i></b>	None

## ALLANS AIR SPACE



### ROTARY CONNECTS THE WORLD

### JUNE IS ROTARY FELLOWSHIP MONTH

Hello Everyone

I hope you all enjoyed last week's guest speaker Les Marton, telling us "The Concorde" story, a very informative and interesting topic and very well presented, and for those of you that stayed on after our meeting, was great as it gave us more fellowship time together.

Our world is gradually opening up and the possibility of having a dinner at local restaurant is now possible. A suggestion has been the Vietnamese restaurant in Mountain Gate. We will discuss this possibility at our meeting.

We have also been offered a fellowship film evening just for our club members at Trish Carr and Les Marton's theatre "Stage Works" this will also be discussed at our meeting.

Graeme, John, Christine and I went on a tour of the William Angliss Hospital on Monday. Plenty of opportunity for discussion if this is our 100-Year Centenary Project. Details at this week's meeting.

Thursday this week is our open club board meeting and also the opportunity for Graeme, incoming president to present his board for next year. I would like to encourage all partners to also attend as we have many opportunities for discussion.

I would like to show our appreciation to our District Team especially Tony Monley for the District Assembly held over the past week. It was very successfully Zoomed, with more participant's than ever being able to attend all the sessions, giving everyone far more opportunity for personal growth and specifically their designated club role.

**Don't forget your Annual Reports to be sent to me by June 18<sup>th</sup>.** Our fellowship meeting also 18<sup>th</sup> June is "Two Truths and a Lie" just to give you all time to start thinking, also the admission fee for this meeting is going to be a piece of warm clothing that will be donated to the Hills Op Shop, to be distributed to the Homeless. Christine will collect from your door step on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June.

Our Guest Speaker on June 11<sup>th</sup> is Allison Troth from Destiny Rescue. I encourage everyone to attend as this will pull on your heart strings, talking about rescuing the young from a horrific life of forced slavery.

Until Thursday

Stay safe and keep warm

**Allan Tierney**

**President 2019/2020**

# THE WEEK THAT WAS

Our Zoom meeting commenced at 6.30 pm with “visitors”: Les Marton (speaker) and Trish Carr – Rotary Club of Box Hill/Burwood.

## **Community Report:** Christine

Zoom Meeting was held on Monday for the 100 years celebrations. Rowville/Lysterfield club is interested in joining with us. Wm Angliss Hospital has offered to give us a tour of the hospital next Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June at 2 pm. Anyone who wishes to join the tour to let Allan know by tomorrow (Friday). Mike interested, Fran if she is not working and Kay is an apology.

## **Program:**

Changeover plans – Graeme A is waiting for the 22<sup>nd</sup> June to find out options available. He has a venue in mind. Tentative dates are the first Thursday in July as a Zoom meeting or if we can get a venue a Sunday in early July. Alternatively, we do changeover and have a more formal meeting down the track. The last 2 meetings in June will be Fellowship – Two Truths and a Lie and final week will be a Murder Mystery on Zoom.

Graeme has two speakers and will send info to Rob H to follow up.

**Other** – Everyone to decide whether they would like a digital or hard copy of Rotary Down Under, need to know next week.

## **Guest Speaker: Les Marton**

Les is a Rotarian and a PP of the Rotary Club of Mitcham. He first became aware of the Concorde at 10 years of age.

- 1953 Supersonic transport started
- 1954 after study it was recommended to shelve the project
- 1954 broke the single sound barrier – were promoting 3 times sound barrier
- 1960 came up with design for Concorde. English design – needed a partner
- 1969 prototypes made and ready to test flight – cost £1.3 billion.

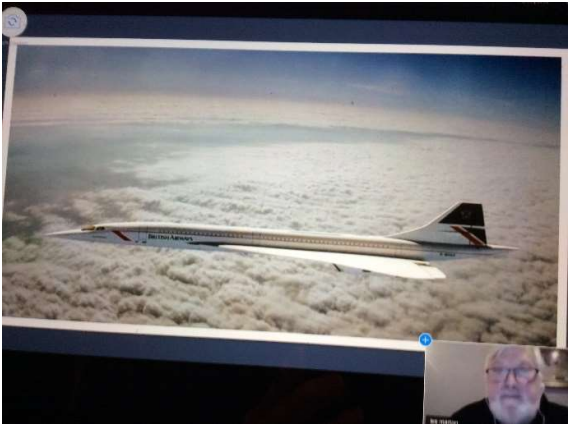
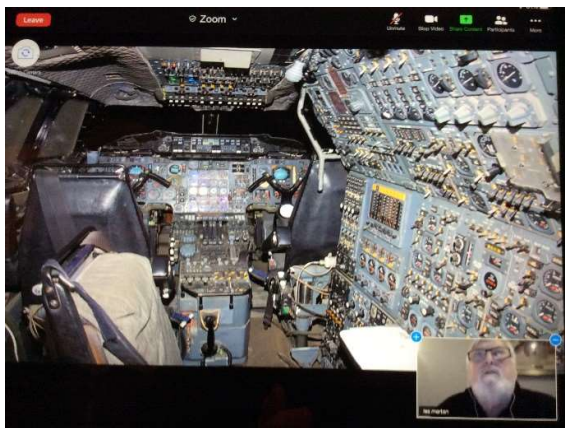
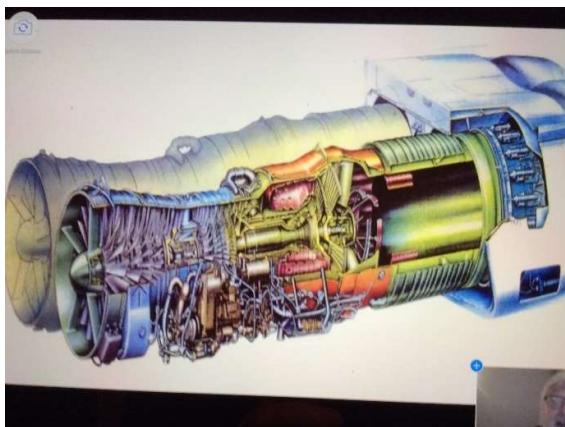
Les described the Concorde as a fighter plane but carrying 100 people

- 1969 no fighter plane could outrun the Concorde – fastest plane in the world cruises at 60,000 ft and is up in 6 minutes
- All first class – no economy
- No-one bought the aircraft – Boeing ran a scare campaign  
Only 20 were made
- 1976 – 21<sup>st</sup> January the first commercial flight
- Used 96,000 litres – London to New York
- Carried 2 million passengers
- 1986 – 8<sup>th</sup> November round the world flight
- 1976 – 2003 the Concorde was in service – one fatal accident in 2000 – 90 second flight 104 died (4 on the ground)
- Price of ticket \$9,000 – equal to \$72,000 in today's money



The Concorde was well ahead of its time. Les then answered many questions. John Fleming gave a vote of thanks and Les stayed online after the meeting was closed and continued to answer many more questions on this fascinating topic.





### Some Airline Humour

Getting on a plane, I told the ticket lady, "Send one of my bags to New York, send one to Los Angeles, send one to Miami."  
 She said, "We can't do that!"  
 I told her, "You did it last week!"

An American pilot is flying a small plane across Australia. He crashes in the Outback and is knocked unconscious. When he comes to, he's in a hospital with a nurse standing over him. Still groggy and pretty much out of it, he asks, "Did you bring me here to die?" And the nurse responds, "Nah, ya got here yesta die."

A United Airlines 747 captain tries to make light banter with Sydney, Australia, Approach Control

Captain: "Good morning, Sydney, this is United XXX, we're 50 miles out and have your island in sight "

Approach: "Roger, United ... you're cleared to circle the island twice, then it's okay to land."