

# Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully Inc.

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## WEEKLY BULLETIN

Date & Time:	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> July [6.00 for 6.30]	Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> July [6.00 for 6.30]	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> July [6.00 for 6.30]	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> July [6.00 for 6.30]
Venue:	FTG Bowls Club	FTG Bowls Club	FTG Bowls Club	FTG Bowls Club
&Program:	Guest Speaker	Guest Speaker	TBA	TBA
Speaker:	Ian Armstrong	Amy Yuen		
	Eastern Emergency Relief Network	Life Balance		
Vote Of Thanks	Graeme A	Christine A		
Scribe:	Mike S	Graeme A		



### IMAGINE ROTARY 2022-23: Imagine Rotary

RI President-elect Jennifer Jones imagines a Rotary where members act to make their dreams become reality and they make the most of their club experiences. She urges members to engage more with each other and use these connections to build partnerships that change the world.



## **FRAN'S FANFARE!**

“Lovely to have 2 Bayswater club members with us last Thursday. They gave us their perspective on the state of their club, plus details of their projects. For a very small number of member’s they certainly have very worthwhile and ambitious projects, so well done and more power to them! It’s always very enlightening to hear about other club activities and to acknowledge their efforts and dedication to our great organisation- small numbers or many. It just shows whatever our colleagues and we undertake it’s never in vain.

What’s the adage? - “try try and try again - and never give up trying.”

What a motto to embrace!

Hoping to see you all in person this Thursday when we will welcome our first speaker for this Rotary year.

As usual I know our welcome will be warm, our attention constant and our appreciation justly expressed.

Just remember in the words of the inimitable Freddy - “we are the champions” - of honesty, empathy and a helping hand wherever we see the need.

Blessings to all.



## **Meeting Minutes Thursday July 7<sup>th</sup> 2022**

The meeting opened at 6.30pm and President Fran welcomed those in attendance, particularly Glen and Ron from the Bayswater Rotary Club. Apologies for the meeting were- Rob Hurst, Paul McAloney and Gary Braddock. Fran gave members the welcome news that Gary had received the new kidney that he had been waiting for so long for and that his recovery was going well. Fran commented on the Club's changeover evening and said that she was so pleased with how the night went. She said that the visitors had enjoyed the evening and said that the Mayor in particular was in stitches with Paul Mc's comedy act.

Referring to RDU Fran asked how many members saw opportunities for the Club, perhaps partnering with other clubs for projects. She also emphasised how through the magazine how information could be shared. Fran said that she intended to attend a meeting of the Rotary Club of San Remo and Philip Island simply to see how it operated and see if we could benefit from its operation. She also said that the 21 July meeting would be a show and tell meeting where members could give a short resume of their history.

The matter of a speaker for 21 July and confirmation of the date of the District Governor's attendance was also raised with both matters requiring clarification.

### **Reports**

Community service-Christine said that there is a Traders Association meeting to be conducted on Wednesday next at 5.30 pm and that members were welcome to attend. She also referred to the fact that the Club had been one of the few to receive a Projects award.

Christine spoke of the upcoming Stringybark Festival and indicated that the intention was to make wind chimes from spoons and forks. She asked members to procure them and said that Graham Harrison had offered to drill them so that they could be strung. Christine said that the Community team was meeting with Rosie Massey on Friday 15 July to discuss the Salvation Army outside kitchen.

Fran said that she wanted the Club to engage with the community and that we should ask it what it wanted. To that end she said that we should go ahead with our previously planned cocktail party and query the community.

It was also reported that Knox Historical Society had asked the Club to conduct a sausage sizzle at its proposed craft market and had agreed to the Club having a stall.

Graeme Aspinall referred to the sausage sizzle set for Friday 8 July and indicated that everything was set. He also said that our Past President Sandy Yeats is the new President Elect at the Rotary Club of Lakes Entrance and that he will be the last President of the District prior to its amalgamation.

Youth- Paul Wilson reported on the aborted RYLA program (due to Covid infection) and that he, Christine and Sam were meeting with Fairhills Secondary College to discuss a Rotaract group at the school.

Mike Spark said that he would initiate action for the year's Centurians next week.

Brian Mandergeddes reported that he had received receipts from Rotary International for the Club's payments for Polio Plus and Foundation. He said that he had not completed the accounts at this stage but that they would be ready for Tuesday.

Rosie Massey spoke of the Salvation Army mini market for food relief and that she required volunteers to help on Tuesdays from 9.00am to 11.00am and Wednesdays 9.00am to 12.00 noon

Ron Bridges reported on his Club's (Bayswater) activities but said that given its low membership it sought to get involved with other Clubs in projects. He referred to both the Collier Reserve tree planting and its long standing art show that were proceeding.

Fran outlined a number of areas and bodies where she sought to explore possible Club involvement. They included- Youth in Search, Starlight Foundation, elder abuse, Friends with Dignity and referred to a book, She's Not Your Rehab.

Fran also referred to an Alan Tudge initiative relating to youth suicide and indicated that she would get someone to look into it.

Brian reported that the Club had now received a cash machine allowing it to process card payments.

The meeting closed at 7.20pm.

John Flemming



*Thanks to everyone who helped out at our regular Bunnings Sausage Sizzle last Friday. The day started with wet and cold conditions and sales were slow but as the day went on weather improved the sales improved.*

*Our profit for the day was just short of \$600 a good outcome given the conditions.*

*The big news is that Bunnings will increase the price of a sausage and bread with onions to \$3.50. Based on what we sold on Friday that will be an additional \$300 profit.*

*Let's hope the customers don't reject the \$1.00 increase.*

**Next Sausage Sizzle Friday August 12th**

### Foothills Slice & Soup Roster

27<sup>th</sup> July Hedgehog

10<sup>th</sup> August – Easy Curry Carrot Soup



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