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Club of Fern Tree Gully



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President
2023 - 2024
Gary Braddock

District Governor
2023 - 2024
Ian Ballantyne
Bentleigh Moorabbin Central
Rotary Club

Meeting Details:
Weekly Thursday Evenings
6.00pm for 6,30pm

Venue:
Ferntree Gully Bowls Club Glenfern Rd
Ferntree Gully

Diary Dates

27th July Club Meeting
28th July Dist Presidents Meeting -
Zoom
28th July Knox Nocturnals #2
3rd August DG Visits our Club
10th August Club Meeting
11th Aug Bunnings Sausage S
11th Aug Knox Nocturnals #3
14th Aug Cluster Pres Meeting
18th August Club Meeting

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**CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD**



Presidents Message

Hello all

I hope that this greeting finds you all well and in good spirits. It was good to retain the ashes. Commiserations to the Poms. Also a great result for the Matildas, and wish them luck for Thursday.

Hi to all of those who are travelling and trust that you are enjoying yourselves , and staying out of trouble – within reason. Hi to Mike and Wendy , we hope that you are still recovering well Mike , likewise to you also Ann.

I attended a service awards afternoon on Saturday at the C.F.A (FTG).

As usual , they put on a very nice spread afterwards.

The event was attended by a number of dignitaries including Ms Mary Doyle – Federal member for Aston.

Captain Seamus Smith thanked the club for attending and looks forward to working together again this year.

D.G Ian Ballantine will be joining us on his first official visit to our club on Thursday 3rd August.

Can we please have as many members as possible attend this meeting along with their partners.

In the meantime , lets keep doing what Rotarians do best.

Kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see – (Mark Twain)

Regards

Gary

The Week That Was (Thursday 20th of July 2023)

Meeting opened at 6:30 PM with Members Present being:

President Gary Braddock, Christine Anderson, Graeme Aspinall, Allan Tierney, Robert Hurst, Martin Howard, John Flemming and visiting Assistant Governor Mike Finke.

On zoom: Fran and Brian Mandergheddes, and Rosemary Massey.

On the Wallaby: Graham Harrison, Paul Wilson, and Robert Dawson

On sick leave: Mike Spark.

Following the President's opening remarks he called for reports: -

Treasurers report: Received an Invoice from District for the Rotary Down Under (RDU) magazine, otherwise nothing much else to report.

Community Service: Christine Anderson has been extremely busy this past week, the previous Friday evening was the inaugural gathering of Knox Nocturnal participants, and apparently everything went swimmingly and according to plan, with 18 children in attendance.

However, it is intended to enlarge the catchment area to include not only Ferntree Gully but to anyone living in Knox, the program is designed for 12 to 18-year-olds.

A meeting took place at the Ferntree Gully CFA on Wednesday evening 19 July, to plan next year's Anzac Day service. Christine explained that at this year's service there were a number of exposed power leads utilised in the microphones and speaker systems, which would have been very dangerous had it been raining.

It was agreed at the meeting to make an application to the Bendigo bank for funding to obtain safer cabling for the speaker systems.

The next meeting for the Anzac Day Dawn Service planning committee will be early December this year.

She advised members that an application has been made to the Stringy Bark Festival committee for the club's participation on the day. Apparently, the theme will be "Seed Pod People" (whoever they are !!)

Rosie Massey advised the members that the '24/7 Open Pantry' program being run by the local Salvation Army is operating successfully, so much so that it has to be topped up by something like 70% of products on a daily basis. Running very low on items like toilet paper, and canned foods, spaghetti and tuna etc.

In order to assist Rosie with the program it was agreed to provide \$100 to help out, which is to come from the \$500 budget allowed for community service.

International service: Martin Howard advised members that he was looking to fund a contribution to Timor-Leste in order to help out with the recent disaster that took place there. Also wants to provide Further funding to Kenya for the Bare Earth Program.

District conference: Graeme Aspinall gave a report on the upcoming District Conference to be held in Warrnambool next year. It appears that there is fairly limited seating available at some of the venues so it might be a case of first in best dressed. The conference registration fee will be \$275, and the committee is offering an early registration discount of \$50 for the first 100 Rotarians to register.

He also advised members that the Bunnings Sausage Sizzle last Friday raised some \$743, and that the next Bunnings sausage sizzle will be on Friday 11 August.

Asst. District Gov Mike Finke reminded members that our new District Governor, Ian Ballantyne, will be conducting his official visit to our club on 3 August. Apparently, we will be one of the first clubs that he visits in his year as District Governor.

Scribes comment: It is obvious that we haven't had any speakers at the most recent club meetings, it's probably fortunate that I haven't been able to arrange anyone because it would be rather embarrassing to invite a speaker along with only a handful of members in attendance

7 AREAS OF FOCUS



PEACEBUILDING AND
CONFLICT PREVENTION



DISEASE PREVENTION
AND TREATMENT



WATER, SANITATION,
AND HYGIENE



MATERNAL AND
CHILD HEALTH



BASIC EDUCATION
AND LITERACY



COMMUNITY ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT



ENVIRONMENT

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President	Gary Braddock
Secretary	Graeme Harrison
Treasurer	Brian Mandergeddes
Community	Christine Anderson
Youth	Paul Wilson
International	Martin Howard
Fundraising	Graeme Aspnall

SERVICE ABOVE SELF

THE OBJECTS OF ROTARY

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

First The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service.

Second High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society.

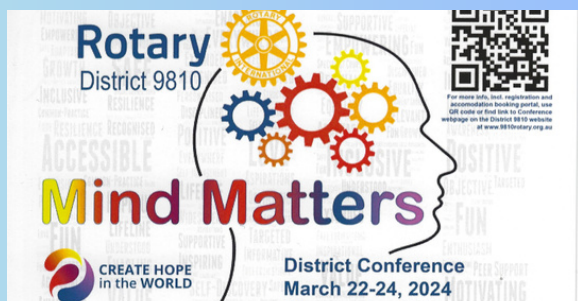
Third The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life.

Fourth The advancement of the international understanding goodwill, through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

THE FOUR WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the **truth**?
2. Is it **fair** to all concerned?
3. will it build **goodwill** and **better friendships**?
4. will it be **beneficial** to all concerned?



Agenda

Friday (Rotary Day):

- 8:00am: Golf Competition & Lunch (register via Trybooking)
- 9:00am: Lawn Bowls Competition & Lunch (register via Trybooking)
- 9:00am Sightseeing Tours (book direct with Warrnambool Tours - see flyer below)
- 10:30am: Flagstaff Hill Maritime Village Tour, Penguin Protector Session & Brunch (register via Trybooking)
- 2:00pm: Registration & Help Desk open until 4pm
- 4:30pm: Pre-Dinner Cocktail Party (register via Trybooking)
- Club Dinners

Saturday (Conference Day 1):

- 8:30am: Registration & Help Desk open until 4pm
- 8:30am: Rotary Expo open until 4pm
- 9:00am: Conference Day 1 commences
 - morning tea and lunch included
- 7:00pm: Gala Dinner (Theme: 'Masquerade')

Sunday (Conference Day 2):

- 8:30am: Registration & Help Desk open until 11am
- 8:30am: Rotary Expo open until 12am
- 8:45am: In Memorium
- 9:00am: Conference Day 2 commences
 - morning tea and lunch included
- 1:30pm: Conference concludes
- 2:30pm: End Polio Now Walk (register via Trybooking)

Pricing:

Early Bird offer - Conference plus Gala Dinner \$225 pp (maximum of 100)

Full Registration - Conference plus Gala Dinner \$275 pp (maximum of 250)

(note Gala Dinner limited to 350 people)

Conference only Registration - \$145 pp (available immediately)

Note: There is no Gala Dinner only graph text

Foothills Slice & Soup Roster

Delivery: Wednesdays 2.30 - 3.00pm

9 / 8 / 2023	23 / 8 / 2023
Soup	Slice
Easy Tomato Soup	Mum's Raspberry Shortcake Slice

Paul And Jill's outback trek in the Simpson Desert to view the sunrise



Graeme And Sue at a Rotary lookout in Esperance WA

