



Rotary 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

18th Oct Community Kitchen BBQ
19th Oct Club Meeting Guest Speaker
24th Oct World Polio Day
26th Oct Club Meeting Guest Speaker
2nd Nov Club Forum
9th Nov Club Meeting Guest Speaker
10th Nov Bunnings BBQ
25th Nov CFA Open Day BBQ

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Presidents Message

Hi all

Once again , I hope that this finds you all well.

Hi to Mike , hope that you are progressing well .

Hi also to Wendy .

Also hi to Anne and likewise we all hope that you are going well.

I'm sure that you would all agree that it is a horrible time in the world at the moment ,, and hope that there is a peaceful resolution very soon.

I can't see one in the short term.

Thank God that we live down under.

We had another sausage sizzle on Friday and Graeme will let us know what the result was.

Thanks to all members and partners who helped Christine at the Stringybark festival on Sunday. Christine will no doubt report on this at our next meeting.

Harro has sent everyone the update on Zone 8 regionalisation as well as the preamble on the voting process.

We will need to devote some time to this soon as we have until October 29th to fill in our preferences.

That's in from me.

Stay well.

Yours in Rotary

Gary



**CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD**

The week That Was

President Gary opened the meeting at 6.30pm. He welcomed members and visitors then recorded Rob Hurst, Mike Spark and Fran Mandergeddes as apologies. Gary then introduced Angela Lindsay to speak on dialysis and the Dialysis and Transplant Association of Victoria.

Angela said that she had spent thirty-five years as a dialysis nurse and went on to explain that dialysis was a system used to clean the blood of persons whose kidneys were not able to do so. Angela pointed to a diagram of the path that the blood took through the dialysis machine in the course of the cleaning and return of the blood to the patient. She said that access to the bloodstream was normally gained through the persons non dominant arm and showed the meeting the attachments to the patient and machine used in the process.

She emphasised that dialysis was not a but together with medication, but gave a patient generally a five year remission. There are side effects such as tiredness and cramps associated with dialysis and added that if a person was very unwell or aged, dialysis often did not work. She added that diabetics often had to turn to dialysis.

There were a number of questions put to Angela about the process.

Angela then turned to speaking of the Dialysis & Transplant Association of Victoria and explained that it was a body dedicated to supporting those with chronic renal disease. She said that the Association offered scholarships for year 7-12 students with kidney transplants, tertiary scholarships to encourage nurse to work in the renal area (they must do so for at least two years), provide assistance, particularly accommodation for patients who have to come to the city for treatment

Gary thanked Angela for her presentation which members very much appreciated.

Reports-Graeme Harrison said that a letter had been received from Boronia Rotary Club inviting members to a trivia night on 28 October and one from the District concerning zoning. He said that he would send it to all members.

Treasurer Brian reported on the interest paid on the Club's accounts and that he had transferred funds from the term deposit to the Benevolent Fund. He also advised that the Club had received a payment for its help for the RUOK day with Foothills.

Christine reported on Knox Nocturnals and said that it was functioning very successfully and that a January school program was in the process of being arranged. She said that costs would be covered by the grant and that the program would help to keep the thirty-five strong group connected.

Christine also reported that she had attended a Boronia Rotary Club meeting and had shown photos of the Knox Nocturnal nights.

Christine also reported on a Ferntree Gully Traders meeting she had attended and advised of the actions being taken by the traders leading up to Christmas with a market on 2 December and an elf to be moved from shop to shop with sweets as a reward for children who found the whereabouts of the elf. She also reminded members of our commitment to cook sausages and onions for Foothills on Wednesday 18 October for Foothills .

Christine then discussed the requirements for our involvement with the Stringybark festival and arrangements for setting up our stall.

Youth chairman Paul reported that he had received a positive response from Ferntree Gully North Primary School to have a fund raising Walk a Thon early next year as a fund raiser for Wheelchairs For Kids. Paul said that he was extremely pleased with the outcome of his approach to the school .

Graeme A reminded members of the Bunnings sausage sizzle roster for Friday .

Rosie reported that she had received a food donation from the Rotary Club of Rowville-Lysterfield.

President Gary closed the meeting at 7.30pm

Club Board 2023 - 2024

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?



Bunnings BBQ's



Many thanks to the members who were able to give their time for the Sausage Sizzle last Friday. Your support enabled the Club have a profit of \$733.

Our next sizzle will be on Friday November 10th



The Annual General Meeting of the Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully Inc will be held at 7.00pm on November 16th 2023.



Foothills Slice & Soup Roster

Delivery: Wednesdays 2.30 - 3.00pm

1 / 11 / 2023

15 / 11 / 2023

Soup

Slice

Kay's Klever Pumpkin Soup

Fruit Slice

Club Program

Date	Speaker	TOPIC	Vote of Thanks	Scribe
Oct 19th	Ann Grant	Shelter Bags	Christine A	Brian M
Oct 26th	Tom Mason	Internet Scams	Graeme A	Paul W
Nov 2nd	Knox SES	Alan Richmond		
Nov 25th		CFA Open Day - BBQ		

FOUNDATION MOMENTS

Quick insights into your charity — The Rotary Foundation

WHAT IS POLIOPLUS?

Ending polio is Rotary's main humanitarian goal, and PolioPlus is the program that supports these efforts.

It was launched in 1985 with help from Dr. Albert Sabin, the developer of the oral polio vaccine, as a worldwide program to protect children from the paralysing consequences of polio. Rotary later became a founding member of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative.

Since then, the incidence of wild polio cases has decreased by 99.9% and the wild poliovirus remains endemic in just two countries, Afghanistan and Pakistan.

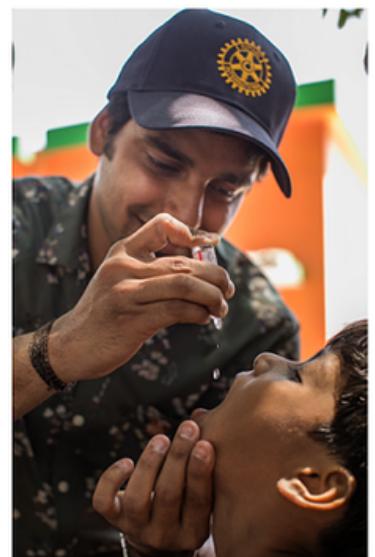
The processes Rotary helped build to fight polio have also been used to protect communities from COVID19 and other diseases. This illustrates the Plus in PolioPlus.

But polio anywhere is a threat to children everywhere. Only global eradication will ensure that no child suffers its devastating effects ever again.



Learn more about Rotary's efforts to eradicate this disease at endpolio.org.

< Visit my.rotary.org/donate





What a privilege to take part in this wonderful community event on Sunday a one of a kind in Victoria.

Stringybark Festival | Knox - Knox City Council Stringybark Festival a free community event that has been running for over 30 years, and celebrating all things home-grown, sustainable, playful, educational and creative in Knox.

Our "SEED POD CREATURES" were a great hit with those young and old.

Many thanks to all our club members who have collected these seed pods including gum nuts, bottle brush, banksia, pinecones etc and many more pods including cuttle fish over many months. See we have made you all a bit healthier by getting out in your gardens, parks and beaches, whilst exercising.

This event for our community would not have happened if not for all members volunteering and supporting yesterday, along with our other helpers Kay McAloney, Jill Wilson, Julie (friend of Rosie) my granddaughter and her friend and a Knox Nocturnals participant who also wanted to stay and assist, the younger children.

Despite a chilly slow start to the festival, it soon picked up by lunch time, then boy was it busy. The rain held off till we were packing up, how lucky we were all day.

Take a glance at the Seed Pod Creatures created by our younger generation, What imagination they have!!!!

