



# Rotary

## Club of Fern Tree Gully



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Co- Presidents  
2024- 2025

Christine Anderson  
Graeme Aspinall

District Governor  
2024 - 2025  
Colin Byron

Greater Dandenong / Endeavour  
Hills Rotary Club

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

Venue:

Ferntree Gully Bowls Club Glenfern Rd  
Ferntree Gully

### Diary Dates

29th Aug Bunnings BBQ Evening  
5th Sept Club Meeting Guest Speaker  
12th Sept Team Meetings  
19th Sept Club Meeting Guest Speaker  
26th Sept Ambulance Museum Visit  
3rd Oct Club Meeting Guest Speaker  
10th Oct Team Meetings  
17th Oct Club Meeting Guest Speaker

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## Presidents Message



Another very interesting guest speaker at last weeks meeting. Julie Kelly “Underneath my Umbrella” a wonderful initiative from a Knox resident for the recovery process of those that have or are being affected by domestic violence, it takes courage to start a community group such as Julie has done. Lovely to see some of our partners join us for the evening. Read all about Underneath my Umbrella in our scribe’s report. We would like to work closely with Julie with support from our club moving forward. A big shout out thank you to our Rotarian Martin Howard for finding us very interesting guest speakers from our local community groups.

We believe Brian is making a good recovery after his spell in hospital last week. We wish him a healthy recovery.

Our Knox Nocturnals Steering Committee are all hard at work. We are no longer under the umbrella of Empowering Communities, and now known as the Rotary Clubs of Knox, all relevant documentation is being updated so we are ready to resume in term 4 ( Oct).

We are looking for volunteers especially in Catering ( serving food ) and Bus Drivers, ( minibuses.) If any one is interested or know of someone who could assist, please contact Christine or Graeme.

# Club Board 2024 - 2025

President	Graeme Aspinall
	Christine Anderson
Secretary	Graeme Harrison
Treasurer	Brian Mandergeddes
Community	Christine Anderson
Youth	Paul Wilson
Fundraising	Graeme Aspinall



**Future Dates**  
September 13th  
October 11th  
November 8th  
December 13th

## 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?



**Sunday 1st September**  
**9am till 2pm**

 Rotary Club of Lilydale

 **Craft & Produce MARKET**

Yarra Ranges Council Carpark Lilydale -  
Entry via **HARDY ST** - plenty of parking  
Gold Coin Donation at entry.

 GLENGOLLAN VILLAGE



**Raffle**  
FOR GLENGOLLAN VILLAGE

1st PRIZE - \$1,000 Harvey Norman Voucher  
2nd PRIZE - \$500 Coles Myer voucher  
3rd PRIZE - \$300 Priceline voucher  
4th PRIZE - \$200 Bunnings voucher

Scan to purchase tickets 

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## “underneath my umbrella”



Our speaker last week, Julie Kelly, the founder of underneath my umbrella, set up this “not-for-profit” program in 2019 as a result of domestic violence she had experienced.

The program is aimed at offering support to women and their children who are experiencing family violence.

The name stems from what you would do if you were caught in a bad storm, you would put up your umbrella for protection if you had one.

The program is designed to make women who are suffering domestic violence to be aware that there is protection available for them and their children when they need it.

Like an umbrella, you need it when you need it!! Once women in desperate situations are aware of the program it is rather like an umbrella, it can be carried in their bag, in their car. It may not be utilised every day, but it can be easily accessed when needed.

The original idea was to make it available to women in Knox and surrounding areas, however the program has attracted attention in other areas and appears to be spreading considerably wider than was originally conceived.

As a way of raising funds to run the program, Julie established “Artslink”, where visual amateur artists are encouraged to gather in a convivial social setting and inspire each other when applying their artistic talents to their work.

The results of their labour are then assembled to form an exhibition which travels around the district and is displayed at various community events and village festivals, such as the Ferntree Gully village and Knox Festival.

Visitors to the exhibit are encouraged to donate ‘10 cents’ to do so. Julie has called this “The 10 cents Project” as a way of gaining financial support.

Julie has also been attending classes to further her knowledge in running a small business with the intent of expanding this program, possibly statewide.

Her passion to help women and children caught up in domestic violence situations, and going through what she went through, was very evident in her talk to us. We all wish her well in her endeavours.

Scribe Robert Hurst



## Club Speaker Program

Date	Speaker	Topic	Vote of Thanks	Scribe
September 5th	Don Campbell	VCC Emergencies Ministry	AT	MH
September 19th	Marg Hurst & Kay McAloney	Kimberly Cruising on a Super Yacht		
October 3rd	Jordon Carter Martin Howard	RYLA Experience His Story		
October 17th	Julie Trutsch	Elder Rights Advocacy		

## Foothills Slice & soup Roster for 2024

28.8.2024	11.9.2024	25.9.2024
Soup	Slice	Soup
Kay's Klever Pumpkin Soup	Fruit Slice	Easy Tomato Soup



*On Thursday August 29th Bunnings will be holding their annual Fathers Day Family Night.*

*Our Club has been asked to run the free BBQ and Christine is organising an activity for the children.*

*There will be no meeting at the Bowls Club that night*

*Set Up 5.00pm*