



# Rotary

## Club of Fern Tree Gully



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## Weekly Bulletin

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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

29th Feb Club Meeting  
7th Mar Club Forum  
8th Mar Bunnings Sausage Sizzle  
14th Mar Club Meeting Guest Speaker  
21st Mar Fellowship Night  
28th Mar Club Meeting  
4th April Club Forum  
7th April Vintage Bikes BBQ

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**CREATE HOPE  
in the WORLD**



## Presidents Message

Hello all

I hope that everyone is well.

We have a big weekend coming up , with Knox Nocturnals on Friday evening and the Knox festival on Saturday.

At the last board meeting , we discussed changing the format of our weekly meeting.

It was proposed that rather than each chair giving their report at the weekly meeting , that we should consider that they should be sent to Graeme for inclusion in to the weekly bulletin.

This should avoid repetition , and give each member the opportunity to read at their leisure , and to be able to ask questions of each chair at the weekly meeting.

It will also give guest speakers more time with their chosen subject as well as more time for questions.

We also discussed re introducing segments such as the Member behind the Badge , Rotary knowledge etc.

It will also give us the opportunity to discuss new projects / ventures as well as brain storming how to increase our membership.

It is very important that we remain the stand out club in our group. I attended the Presidents meeting on Friday evening.

A number of presentations were given , most of which we have already heard.

Also discussed was regionalisation and the progress so far. As you are aware , the community groups have now been established.

An invitation to attend an establishment meeting via zoom will be sent out shortly.

Club Presidents as well as Presidents elect are encouraged to join this meeting.

Finally , don't forget that this weeks meeting will be a visit to the Salvation Army , 37 Wattletree road F.T.G

That it from me

Yours in Rotary

Gary

# 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



Our next Bunnings Sausage sizzle will be on Friday March 8th. As I will be away on the Bike Ride for Medical Research. I will ensure that drinks, sauces and napkins will be purchased leaving only the sausages and onions will need to be purchased. John will purchase the bread.

## 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?



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#### PRESENT SCORESBY 2024



#### Victoria's 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Motorcycle Only Swap Meet.

Veteran, Vintage, Classic & Modern Parts & Machines!

**Sunday 7<sup>TH</sup> April 2024**

At The National Steam Centre,

1200 Ferntree Gully Rd. Scoresby (Melways 72D9, just off the Eastlink)

#### NEW

**Display your Classic, Vintage or Veteran Motorcycle**

(For vehicles over 25 years old. Pedestrian entry costs still apply)

Motorcycle and Car parking available

Food and drinks on site

Booking not required

No Bric-a-brac, No dogs

No on-site camping

**Swap site \$20 Entry 6am**

**General Public Entry \$10 per person**

**Gates open 7am-12pm**

**Further enquiries** – Brian Tyler 0411 556 755, Peter Growse 0488 112 425

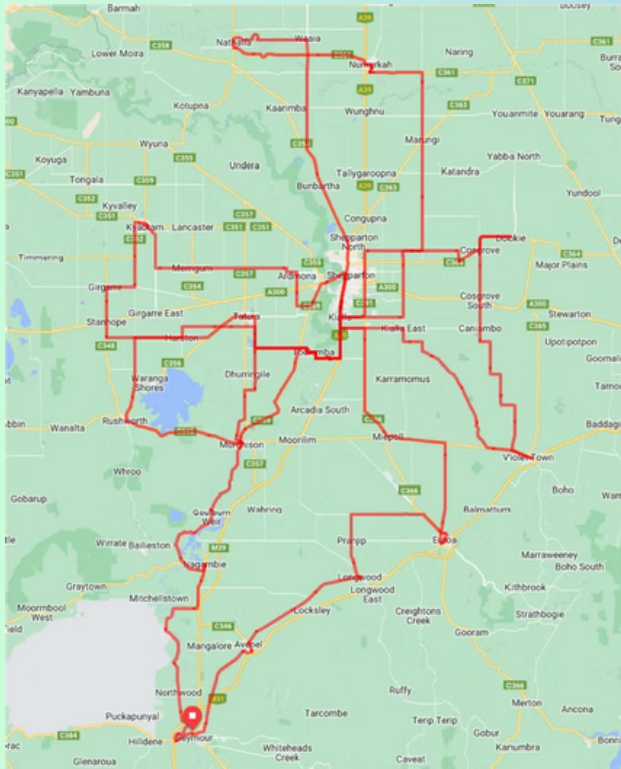
Jeni Finlay 0418 326 420, Lindsay Wheeler 0477 057 732,

Alan Scoble 0418 376 099

*Our next major fundraiser is the above event which will require a full club effort. An early morning start at 6.30am as the gates open at 7.00am through to 12.00pm. More details will be give in a couple of weeks.*



RIDE FOR MEDICAL RESEARCH  
Seymour to Seymour – “The Fruit Bowl Roll” Tour  
Sunday 3rd to Friday 8th March 2024



Riding out each day from our base in Shepparton, we will spend six days exploring North Central Victorian. You can go as far as you like, within the limits of the daily route, but generally around 100km most days.

Day 1: Seymour–Murchison–Shepparton - 71km  
Day 2: Congupna–Dookie–Violet Town Loop - 115km  
Day 3: Murchison–Rushworth–Toolamba Loop - 104km  
Day 4: Waaia–Nathalia–Numurka Loop - 116km  
Day 5: Tatura–Kyabram–Mooroopna Loop - 109km  
Day 6: Shepparton–Euroa–Avenel–Seymour - 84km  
(Distances subject to change due to road/traffic conditions.)

Have great fun as you ride the "Fruit Bowl Roll" through the Shepparton region, with its wonderful and diverse countryside, towns and cultural highlights.

## Proposed Fellowship Night

FROM MEMPHIS WITH LOVE – Fri March 15 – The Concert Lounge @ Croydon Bowling Club.  
The Concert Lounge - Croydon Bowling Club  
212 Mt Dandenong Rd, Croydon VIC 3136  
Get ready for an unforgettable musical journey as we bring the soulful sounds of the Memphis pioneers to life in a spectacular live show! Join us for an electrifying evening filled with the iconic tunes including Suspicious Minds, In The Ghetto, Natural Woman, Respect, Folsom Prison Blues, Oh Pretty Woman, and many more that shaped the evolution of Pop, Rock & Soul.

Featuring the talented Lizzy Fallaw & Des Anthonisz with The BoomBabies band, the show pays homage to legendary artists such as Elvis Presley, Aretha Franklin, B.B. King, and Tina Turner capturing the essence of the Memphis sound that left such an indelible mark on music history.

Discover the magic and rich cultural heritage of the Memphis artists and be transported back in time to experience the spirit of the city that birthed these musical legends! From heartfelt ballads to energetic rhythms, experience the magic of Memphis like never before. Don't miss this unique opportunity to witness a live tribute to the pioneers who paved the way for generations to come. Get your tickets now and be part of a night filled with soul-stirring melodies and the infectious energy of Memphis music!

Open for meals & bar at 6.30pm – show at 8.30pm

Cost for Show only \$40 per head (\$1 p/h going to the Club)

Pay for your own meal and drinks.

ROTARY HISTORY

### The first four Rotarians

On 23 February 1905, Paul P. Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, and Hiram E. Shorey gathered in Loehr's office for what would become known as the first Rotary club meeting.

Harris' desire for camaraderie among business associates brought together these four men and eventually led to an international organization of service and fellowship.

Each of the first four Rotarians, and Harry L. Ruggles, who is often called the "fifth Rotarian," brought different professional perspectives to the organization.

The first four Rotarians. From left: Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, Hiram E. Shorey, Paul P. Harris.

Fern Tree Gully Rotary Club

Meeting 22th Feb2024 @ FTG Bowling Club

Members Attending - Gary B, Graeme A, Brian M, Graeme H, Christine A, Alan T, John F, Martin H  
Fran M, Paul W, Rob D,

Apologies – Mike S, Rob H, Kevin W

Partners – Jill W, Joan M

Guest - Marilyn Lambert - Manager for Outer East Food share Inc

President Gary did the Toast to Rotary & Aust

Marilyn then started her presentation for the evening by giving a brief background history of her involvement in Food share and similar programmes in Knox, Yarra Ranges & Maroondah. This is the result of 70 % of food wasted is actually edible.

Currently Food share pick up 400 kgs 7 days a week from Costco with whom they have a contract plus other Companies who also donate

This is then supplied to 23 agencies in the above regions e.g. Foot Hills , Salvos who deal directly with the community in need

At present operate with 1 refrigerated van and are currently looking at funding a second van due to travel distances travelled weekly

Their other issue is lack of volunteer drivers as only downtime is at Christmas, NewYear & Easter.

Nothing goes to waste in the chain as what is not seen fit for human consumption is passed down to farms for pig and other animal foods.

A number of questions were asked as to why the reason for waste occurrence.

Poor /Lack of cooking skills

Use by / Best buy dates on products. Marilyn distributed a product date Guidelines which are quite extensive and must be adhered to as well as State Government pamphlet on this subject.

Fran M proposed, the vote of thanks to Marilyn for a most interesting topic.

Graeme reminded members that he will not be able to organise the next Sausage Sizzle @ Bunnings and asked for volunteers to take over.

Christine A, advised that we are having a stall at Knox Festival on 2nd March which will require member's assistance in preparation as well putting up / taking down the Gazebo.

Meeting Closed 7. 30 PM

Brian M

## *Knox Festival*



*The Knox Festival will be held on Saturday March 2nd at the Wally Tew Reserve, Ferntree Gully 10.00am - 5.00pm. Christine will be seeking assistance from club members at our meeting on Thursday evening. As in past years young children will have the opportunity to decorate Australian animal figures.*



## Club Speaker Program

Date	Speaker	Topic	Vote of Thanks	Scribe
Feb 29th	Rosie	Salvation Army FTG Visit	GB	RM
March 7th		Club Forum		
March 14th	Gavin McIntyre	ROMAC		
March 21st	Business Visir	Hard Road Brewing		
March 28th		No Guest Speaker		
April 11th	Peter Behm	District Gov Nominee 2023-26		
April 25th		Anzac Day Morning Service		



*" Seven of our members represented the Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully at the Volunteers Foothills Community Care Barefoot Bowls Thank you evening . An amazing number of volunteers in one venue approx 250 from our local area, that give so much of their time to this incredible organisation. A wonderful happy evening."*