



Fellowship and Camaraderie—an essential part of Rotary
Paul Wilson (centre) talks with Yvonne Mason.
Pictured on the left, Beth Vize and Fred Mason

Fellowship, and Camaraderie
Service to the Community
Support of Each Other
Reach Within to Embrace Humanity



Rotary's early emblem was a simple wagon wheel (in motion with dust). It was designed in 1905 by Montague M. Bear, a member of the Rotary Club of Chicago who was an engraver. He designed the emblem to represent both civilization and movement. Most of the early Rotary clubs adopted the wheel in one form or another.

The present emblem, 24 cogs and six spokes, was adopted in 1924. A keyway was added to signify usefulness. An official description of the emblem was adopted at the 1929 International Convention.

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WEEKLY BULLETIN



President, Rotary International - **KALYAN BANERJEE**, & Binota, Rotary Club of Vapi, India
District Governor, Dist. 9810 – **JULIET RISELEY** & Ian, Rotary Club of Hampton
President, Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully – **ENID HUGHES**
Benefactor, Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully – **IVAN GIGOVIC**, Vale: August 2003

ROTARY GRACE:

**For good food, fellowship and the opportunity of service through Rotary.
We thank Thee O Lord.**

A ROTARY TOAST:

Rotarians and friends please join me in a toast—"Rotary and Australia".



THE ROTARY CLUB OF FERN TREE GULLY INC., 2010-2011



The Board

PRESIDENT	-	Enid Hughes
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SECRETARY	-	John Flemming
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NEW GENERATIONS	-	Julie Goodchild

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THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do :-

- Is it the **TRUTH**?
- Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

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ISABELA IN THE SNOW

Well, Zak may be out there wind surfing in Sweden but on this side of the world Isabela is learning to snowboard. She's also enjoying the experience of four-wheel driving (both courtesy of Mark Goodchild) and, horror of horrors, has been cozened into barracking for GEELONG! (Well, those who barrack for Collingwood or North Melbourne certainly think it's horrendous).



Go Girl!

For those who are not so interested in sport—Isabela is doing very well in school too, both academically and in making new friends.

Community Kitchen Roster

21st September	Paul Wilson
5th October	TBA
19th October	Paul McAloney
2nd November	TBA
16th November	Ian McFarlane
30th November	John Flemming
14th December	Paul Wilson

UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Monday 19th Sept [6:00 for 6:30]	Monday 26th Sept [6:30 for 7:00]	Monday 3rd Oct [6:30 for 7:00]	Monday 10th Oct [6:30 for 7:00]
Venue:	Knox Tavern	Knox Tavern	Knox Tavern	Knox Tavern
Program:	"Our Club" - "Our Future"	Power to the People	Committee Meeting	Victorian Jazz Archive
Speaker:	Ken Wall & Mal. Chiverton	Phil Walters	Merv L	Barry Mitchell
Committee Subject	N/A	N/A	Vocations	N/A
Chairman:	-	Bob H	Ian McF	Mike S
Cashiers:	Fran M & Helen L	Merv L & Paul McA	Julie G & Bob H	Graham F & Ian McF
Grace & Toast:	Ian McF	Julie G	Fred M	Bob H
Rotary Knowl- edge	-	Paul W - Main- tenance Ser- vices	Phil W - En- ergy Safety Reg.	Ian McF - Q/A - Food
Sergeant-At- Arms:	-	Helen L	Helen L	Helen L
Scribe:	-	Rob D	Mike S	Phil W



Birthdays:	None
Wedding Anniversaries:	None
Induction to R.C. of F.F.G	None

MINUTES OF MEETING: Monday, 12th September, 2011

Meeting opened at 7.05 p.m.

President Enid opened the meeting by welcoming our Exchange Student, Isabella, advising members that Isabella had recently been learning to snowboard. She also showed members a scarf she had received which had been crocheted by Ganya, the girl from Cambodia whose family we had recently adopted.

Chairman: Ian McFarlane called for reports.

Secretary: John Flemming read the incoming mail:

- Letter from Cambodia which had accompanied the scarf;
- Invitation to a reception at Knox Civic Centre
- Australian Rotary Health regarding Hat Day
- Special meeting required to change the By-laws
- Newsletter from Chisholm Institute
- District: re Mental Health Workshops

Apologies: Merv Lincoln, Rob Dawson, Helen Lingard, Fred Mason

Make-ups: Enid Hughes (1)

Treasurer: Paul Wilson—No Report

Community: Ian McFarlane –

- Still looking into doing Sausage Sizzles at shopping centres.
- Breathalyser project still pending

Vocational: Merv Lincoln—On annual leave—no report.

New Generations: Julie Goodchild—No report

International: Paul McAloney

- Advised there would be another Book Sale next week and requested members to bring their unwanted books.

Fellowship: Fran Mandergeddes

- Healesville Railway Festival, 26th September, 2001. Fran called for those that are interested in attending.

TIPS.....HINTS.....JOKES.....

THE OLD JEWISH MAN

Ahhhh.... The Wisdom of Ages



A female CNN journalist heard about a very old Jewish man who had been going to the Wailing Wall in Jerusalem to pray, twice a day, every day, for a long, long time.

To check it out, she went to the Wall, and there he was, walking slowly up to the holy site.

She watched him pray, and after about 45 minutes, when he turned to leave, using a cane and moving very slowly, she approached him for an interview.

"Pardon me Sir, I'm Rebecca Smith from CNN. What's your name?"

"Morris Feinberg," he replied

"Sir, how long have you been coming to the Wailing Wall to pray?"

"For about 60 years."

"60 years! That's amazing! What do you pray for?"

"I pray for peace between the Christians, Jews and the Muslims."

"I pray for all the wars and all the hatred to stop."

"I pray for all our children to grow up safely as responsible adults, and to love their fellow man."

"And how do you feel Sir, after doing this for 60 years?"

"It's like talking to a f*#@%g brick wall."

Steps to Success

- *Become genuinely interested in other people*
- *See the good in everything and everybody*
- *Be an encourager, always looking for the opportunity to praise and uplift others*
- *Always value and respect the contribution of others. Make them feel important*
- *Do something special for a friend or stranger...every day*
- *Smile and others will smile with you*
- *Forgive, forget and move on*
- *Develop a "no excuse, can do" attitude*



Every time I hear the dirty word 'exercise', I wash my mouth out with chocolate.



Sign over a Gynecologist's Office:
"Dr. Jones, at your cervix."

On a Septic Tank Truck:
"Yesterday's Meals on Wheels"

On an Electrician's truck:
"Let us remove your shorts."

In a Vets waiting room:
"Be back in 5 minutes. Sit! Stay!"

YOUTH EXCHANGE HISTORY & CHALLENGE

Further to last week's article, listed below are the Youth Exchange Students that our club has sponsored over the past twenty-four years.

As mentioned last week, District 9810 are considering issuing invitations to all who can be contacted to join us at the District Conference next April. Each club has been requested to contact their own ex-students. We might not have a lot of luck with getting our in-bound students to come but we're hoping we can get the outbound ones interested.

Any information on the current whereabouts of any of the above would be greatly appreciated—Please advise President Enid

1988.01	SMITH Jodie	7190	USA
1989.01	EVANS Nicki	5130	USA
1991.01	STOCKINGER Karin	5020	USA
1993.01	HALE Megan	2620	JAPAN
1995.04	GAZE Steven	9930	NEW ZEALAND
2002.01	SMITH Tegan	1440	DENMARK
2003.01	HENSLER Emma	1400	FINLAND
2004.01	ORANGE Celeste	1890	GERMANY
2006.01	JOHNSTON, Cailin	1910	AUSTRIA
2007.01	MARNOCK, Danielle	1980	SWITZERLAND
2008.01	COLLINS, John	1770	FRANCE
2009-01	AHRENS, Alice	1520	FRANCE
2011-01	JOHNSON, Zak	2400	SWEDEN

FELLOWSHIP OUTING - NEXT SUNDAY

In an effort to find something different for us to enjoy socially together, as well as our old, tried and true favourites, there will be a fellowship outing next Sunday, **25 September**, to the Healesville Railway Heritage Festival.

It runs from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. and entry is \$5 p.p., with children under 12 being free.

As well as regional produce and beverages, there will be historic railmotor rides, wool spinning, vintage bus rides, a labyrinth, classic cars and trucks, steam road engines, a blacksmith and much more, including a children's playground.

I propose that we all make our own way there, as our interests are all diverse anyway, although of course if you want to car pool with others, you can please yourselves.

I am then suggesting that those who want to, meet up at a pub or something like it, and enjoy a few drinks together or even a meal before heading off back to the big smoke !

It would be handy for me to have numbers asap, so that I can try to book us in somewhere if there are going to be a few of us. So, please let me know in particular if you want to meet up after the festival, as suggested. **FRAN M**

Other Reports:

- Graeme Aspinall commented on last week's Cluster Meeting (New Generations Seminar) saying he thought it had been very good. He also mentioned the Breakfast Meeting on 20th October with guest speaker Tom Hafey.
- Melbourne Marathon: Graeme asked club members to support this by acting as Marshalls.

Sergeant at Arms: Paul Wilson ripped our dollars off us with some Irish Jokes.

Skill: Ian McFarlane drew the Queen of Spades

COMMITTEE MEETING: Julie Goodchild—New Generations

Julie said she thought last week's seminar was very good with the speakers talking about the different aspects of New Generations.

MUNA Debates—Recommended that members go and watch these debates as they are an experience not to be forgotten.

RYPEN is a programme that is in a little trouble at the moment; they are struggling because they need sponsors and are also short of candidates. Another reason it is struggling is that the weekend is too close to that of *Camp Awakening*.

ROTARAC: Growing with new clubs being chartered in Monash and the Yarra Ranges.

Julie suggested that our club should start an **INTERAC** club through one of the local schools, ie Mater Christi, St Joseph's College and/or Fairhills High School. After discussion it was agreed that Julie should investigate and report back to the club.

President Enid reminded everyone that next week's meeting would be a Workshop rather than the normal meeting. Starting time will be 6.00 pm for 6.30 pm.

Meeting closed at 8.35 pm

Board Meeting followed

Scribe: Paul McAloney



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi Everyone:

The beautiful weather we've been enjoying lately lured me out into the garden today. However, having topped up the water in the fish-pond, pulled three weeds and fed the birds I called it a day and came inside to finish off the Bulletin. You might gather from this that gardening is not really my top hobby; you'd be right. The days of getting great enjoyment from pottering among the plants is now behind me. I can bend down easily enough—it's getting up again that's the problem!

Both Ken Wall and Malcolm Chiverton have been in touch, advising they're looking forward to conducting the "*Our Club—Our Future*" workshop. I'm looking forward to it too. After the New Generations seminar and last week's Committee meeting I'm expecting some dynamic dialogue interspersed with creative ideas and constructive comments, baked with a little inspired visioning and poured out with a lot of laughter mingled with a great deal of enthusiasm! (How about that then???)

The Board and I are working very hard to ensure the club continues to run smoothly but we all know we need to expand our membership if we're to remain viable. In this regard I'm very appreciative of the help that I've received from club members and also that of various people in District 9810. Hopefully, Monday's workshop will assist still further in achieving our goals and ideals.

Thank you everyone for your support; I really do appreciate it.

Enid Hughes
President

CLUB NOTICES:

Please note: the **Annual General Meeting** of the Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully Inc. will be held on Monday, 17th October, 2011. All members are invited to attend.

Notice is given of a **Special General Meeting** to approve *Amendments to our Rules and By laws*. This meeting will be held in conjunction with our Annual General Meeting.

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26 August 2011

Enid Hughes
President
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Dear Enid

Would you please pass on the thanks of Australian Rotary Health for your club's support of our initial Hat Day for mental health research. Between us, we confounded the experts who said that the first year of a national fundraising program could not return a profit.

We would now like to move to phase two, and increase the awareness and involvement of the community in Hat Day. As we are all touched directly or indirectly by mental ill-health, the community needs to be given the opportunity to be part of this project. Our slogan for promoting Hat Day will be "**Help us Defeat Mental Illness**".

Clubs are now realising that the PR gained by promoting Hat Day has the potential to help with membership recruitment as well as making Rotary more relevant to the community.

Our focus date for Hat Day is **Friday 18th May 2012**, but clubs are already planning to fit their Hat Day in with other activities and projects.

We are excited about the potential of Hat Day has for increased mental health research – we are learning more about the brain and its problems every day. Let's keep the impetus going and work towards defeating mental illness!

Please let us know of your Hat Day plans and if you need any help in promoting it.

Yours sincerely

Dick White
Hat Day Chairman



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