



#### Meet Kate Campbell

Kate has just been selected as FTG's outbound student and will be departing for Denmark next January. Kate travelled in from Healesville to attend an orientation morning in Bayswater on Sunday morning. Her father came a lot further—he travelled in from Mansfield. Now that's what you call a supportive family!

Kate is looking forward very much to meeting our inbound student, Caroline who is also from Denmark. They should have some interesting stories to exchange.

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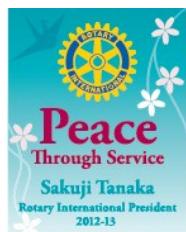
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## WEEKLY BULLETIN

ROTARY CLUB OF FERN TREE GULLY  
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2013

President, Rotary International - SAKUJI TANAKA & Kyoko,  
Rotary Club of Yashio, Saitama, Japan  
District Governor, Dist. 9810 – BRIAN MARTIN & Sue,  
Rotary Club of Box Hill Central

President, Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully – GRAEME ASPINALL  
Benefactor, Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully – IVAN GIGOVIC, Vale: August 2003





**THE ROTARY CLUB OF  
FERN TREE GULLY INC.,  
2012-2013**



**The Board**

<b>PRESIDENT</b>	-	<b>Graeme Aspinall</b>
<b>PRESIDENT ELECT</b>	-	<b>Mike Spark</b>
<b>SECRETARY</b>	-	<b>John Flemming</b>
<b>TREASURER</b>	-	<b>Enid Hughes</b>
<b>PAST PRESIDENT</b>	-	<b>Enid Hughes</b>
<b>COMMUNITY</b>	-	<b>Julie Goodchild</b>
<b>VOCATIONAL</b>	-	<b>Phil Walters</b>
<b>INTERNATIONAL</b>	-	<b>Paul McAloney</b>
<b>NEW GENERATIONS</b>	-	<b>Greg Downes</b>

**Office Bearers**

<b>FOUNDATION</b>	-	<b>Robert Dawson</b>
<b>MEMBERSHIP &amp; MARKETING</b>		<b>Graeme Aspinall</b>
<b>FELLOWSHIP</b>	-	<b>Fran Mandergeddes/Helen Lingard</b>
<b>PROGRAM</b>	-	<b>Mike Spark</b>
<b>BULLETIN EDITOR</b>	-	<b>Enid Hughes</b>
<b>Aus. Rotary Health</b>	-	<b>Graham Faulkner</b>

**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?



**PAST PRESIDENTS :**

1963-64	<b>HALL</b> Frank	1989-90	<b>FREGON</b> John
1964-65	<b>THOMSON</b> Ken	1990-91	<b>VIZE</b> Stuart
1965-66	<b>CLARKE</b> * Harold	1991-92	<b>ADAMS</b> Brian
1966-67	<b>MARTIN</b> Laurie	1992-93	<b>WYLIE</b> * Peter
1967-68	<b>ELDRIDGE</b> Jeff	1993-94	<b>ASPINALL</b> Graeme
1968-69	<b>RUSSELL</b> Harry	1994-95	<b>MOORE</b> Robert
1969-70	<b>CHAPPILL</b> Geoff	1995-96	<b>WILLINGHAM</b> Ed
1970-71	<b>COOK</b> Duncan	1996-97	<b>EDMUND</b> Hilton
1971-72	<b>CASTRICUM</b> * John and <b>MILLER</b> Ken	1997-98	<b>SPARK</b> Mike
1972-73	<b>LANGFORD</b> * Greg	1998-99	<b>FLEMMING</b> John
1973-74	<b>de JONGE</b> Lawrence	1999-2000	<b>OGLE</b> Tony
1974-75	<b>CRANE</b> * Reeve	2000-01	<b>YEATS</b> Sandy
1975-76	<b>BROWN</b> John	2001-02	<b>HALL</b> Marilyn (First Woman President).
1976-77	<b>FOSTER</b> Ken	2002-03	<b>McALONEY</b> Paul
1977-78	<b>CALLAHAN</b> * Jack	2003-04	<b>DAWSON</b> Rob
1978-79	<b>MILLER</b> Ken	2004-05	<b>MANDERGEDDES</b> Fran
1979-80	<b>RICHARDS</b> John	2005-06	<b>WALTERS</b> Phil
1980-81	<b>BEASLEY</b> * Royce	2006-07	<b>GOODCHILD</b> Julie
1981-82	<b>SHORTER</b> Barry	2007-08	<b>ASPINALL</b> Graeme
1982-83	<b>BOSCOTT</b> Bob	2008-09	<b>FAULKNER</b> Graham
1983-84	<b>BARUDAY</b> George and <b>DASBOROUGH</b> Don	2009-10	<b>LINCOLN</b> Merv.
1984-85	<b>MITCHELL</b> * Ron	2010-11	<b>LINCOLN</b> Merv
1985-86	<b>HURST</b> Robert	2011-12	<b>HUGHES</b> Enid
1986-87	<b>GLADWIN</b> Bill		* Have "Passed on to meet Paul HARRIS".
1987-88	<b>ELLIOTT</b> John		
1988-89	<b>GUINEY</b> * David		

# Community Kitchen Roster - 2012

Guide Hall  
Underwood Rd

Ferntree Gully (Next to train station car park)  
Rotary roster - every second Wednesday, 5.30pm

DATE	ROTARIAN
8 <sup>th</sup> August	Paul Wilson
22 <sup>nd</sup> August	Enid Hughes
5 <sup>th</sup> September	John Fleming
19 <sup>th</sup> September	TBA
3 <sup>rd</sup> October	TBA
17 <sup>th</sup> October	TBA

Dinner provided

Contact Ian McFarlane for more information. 0428 500 815 or 9754 1878



## CLUB NOTICES

Please Note that **Virginia Rutledge** and **Rahul Mediratta** have both been nominated as members of the Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully. If any current member has any objection to these nominations please advise the Secretary, John Flemming as soon as possible.



## UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Monday 6th August [6:30 for 7:00]	Monday 13th August [6:30 for 7:00] Knox Tavern	Monday 20th August [6:30 for 7:00]	Monday 30th July [6:30 for 7:00]
<b>Venue:</b>	Knox Tavern	Knox Tavern	Knox Tavern	Knox Tavern
<b>Program:</b>	Committee Meeting	Rotary's range of Youth programs from the participant's point of view,	Marketing Strategies	Aged Care
<b>Speaker:</b>	TBA	Andy Spark	Alex Makin RC of Ringwood	Marion Halket
<b>Committee Subject</b>	TBA	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Chairman:</b>	Mike S	Enid H	Bob H	Julie G
<b>Cashiers:</b>	Ian McF Stuart V	Angela L & Fran M	Rob D & Greg D	Fred M & Greg D
<b>Grace &amp; Toast:</b>	Bob H	John F	Fran M	Enid H
<b>Rotary Knowledge</b>	Graeme A	TBA	TBA	Fran M
<b>Sergeant-At-Arms:</b>	Rob D	Mike S	Mike S	Rob D
<b>Scribe:</b>	Bob H	John F	Enid H	Mike S



<b><i>Birthdays:</i></b>	None
<b><i>Wedding Anniversaries:</i></b>	9th—Wendy & Mike Spark
<b><i>Induction to R.C. of F.T.G</i></b>	8th—Paul Wilson—'05 8th—Greg Downes—11

## MINUTES OF MEETING: Monday, 30th July, 2012

The meeting opened at 7.05 pm with President Graeme welcoming all members and Virginia Rutledge and Rahul Mediratta (both potential new members).

**Chairman:** Julie Goodchild

### CHAIRMAN'S REPORTS:

**Secretary:** John Flemming

- Distributed the incoming mail;
- Announced Paul McAloney has requested leave of absence for the rest of the year as he is attending courses on retirement.

**Apologies:** Greg Downes, Paul McAloney, Graham Faulkner, Bob Hurst, Angela Locke, Phil Walters.

**Make-Ups:** Julie G (1)

**Treasurer:** Enid Hughes

No Report

**Vocational:** Phil Walters

Absent—no report

**Community:** Julie Goodchild

No Report

**International:** Paul McAloney

Absent—no report

**New Generations:** Greg Downes (Absent)

Caroline's first week—already attended her first footy game.

**Club Service:** Mike Spark

No Report

**Fellowship:** Fran Mandergeddes

- Sunday, 19th August—Napoleon Exhibition, took numbers of attendees
- Cass Bench was in respite / palliative care at Eastern Health. Not in good shape but keeping her spirits up.
- Helen is sad about having to leave the club and has requested we keep in touch as she'd like to continue assisting with fundraising etc.

**Sergeant-at-Arms:** Rob Dawson

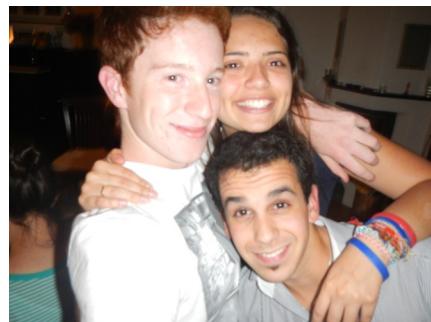
Tough times conductor!

**Skill:** Rob Dawson drew 7 of Spades

I had planned during the holidays to make a few trips to see friends around Germany including Franzi Dueffort who was an exchange student in Australia a few years ago. She stayed at my house for around six months and I really wanted to go and visit her! I also planned to go and visit Lachy Wiadrowski who is also currently on exchange in Germany, in Hannover. But things don't always go as planned. One morning my second host family said to me "oh in two days you will be moving host families, it's all happened a little fast hasn't it? Oh and one more thing, in three days you will be going to France with your new host family for two weeks." What a shock! So, I met my host family and slept one night in my new house which was really nice, they seemed really friendly which was really good and then the next morning we left. We went just south of Hamburg to visit some family of my host parents and to pick up my host sister, we spent a night there. Then it was off to France and it took another two days driving to get there which was nice and relaxed. On the way we passed through Paris and a few other little towns and interesting villages. Before we arrived I really had no idea where we were going but it turns out that we were staying in a little fishing village called Saint- Guenole. We were staying in a little two bedroom house which my host family rented which was quite near most things in the area which was nice. There were four bikes which we could use to ride around the area which was really handy. In the two weeks all we did was relax at the beach, do a couple day trips to other nearby cities and a lot of bike riding! Although it was a little strange going to France for two weeks with people who I had only just met it was really nice! There are some nice photos on my host dad's camera but I haven't been able to get them yet and I didn't really want to delay sending my update any longer but when I get them I will be sure to send a few!

And now I am about to go to Sylt which is an island which is around 2 hours by bus and train from where I live to go and meet with an Australian friend who is also an exchange student from Sydney. Everyone is trying to do as much as they can in the last few days of the holidays because on Monday... school starts again!

Cheers! Damien



## REPORT FROM DAMIEN, IN GERMANY

Hi everyone, sorry my reports are a little late but I have been in France and I have changed host families and been very busy because at the moment it is summer holidays but I thought I would just include a little bit of an update on what I have been up to. It's been a while since my last update and I hope you'll all be glad to hear that I have been very busy over the last couple of weeks. The last 6 weeks have been the summer holidays here in Germany... or what they call "summer". Here is an example of what the Germans call summer, this week's weather reports are the following:

17 and raining  
20 with thunderstorms  
22 with thunderstorms  
20 and raining  
20 and thunderstorms

Beautiful weather for... staying indoors and maybe reading a book? As exchange students we never let the weather get us down! We always tough it out and have a good time no matter how much mother nature is trying to wash us all away! But let's track back a little bit to the start of the school holidays.

Within the first few weeks there was a weeklong festival in Kiel which is about an hour and fifteen minutes away from where I live by train. In this festival there was a huge amount of different foods, bands and many other stalls and events. The food ranged from trucks full of lollies to traditional German sausages. There were many local bands playing and also many different rides and things to do. All of this sounds like a lot of fun right? But we need to add in another factor... the rain. There was a group of about 15-20 of us in Kiel for the festival one night with not only exchange students but German friends as well. The picture that I have sent with a few of us in the rain was actually quite early, by the time it was time to go home everyone was completely soaked through!

The next two weeks of the holidays was quite relaxing as I suppose holidays should be. I spent a lot of this time with friends in Flensburg and we made a few day trips to Kiel, Hamburg and several other places to meet friends. The one thing that is a little sad about being an exchange student from Australia is that we are sent off to our host countries in January, but the people from the other countries are all usually here in July or August. During the holidays about 50 exchange students from my district flew back home and after traveling Europe with them for three weeks on Euro Tour... it was hard to say goodbye to my very close friends. But there are new exchange students coming soon, which is so strange because now I am what they call an "oldie" and I'm no longer a "newbie".



## PROGRAM: Marion Halket Aged Care

Baseline: "Change is the norm—no reason to be bored"

Aged Care Facilities Vic:

- 170 villages
- 100 funding organisations
- 648 retirement facilities

4 Steps :

1. **ACAT /ACAS**—Assess your needs either Low Care or High Care.
2. **Find a facility**—atmosphere, smell, overnight care, staff/resident ratio, what's in the price?

Terms: "Aging in Place" - able to adjust to different stages of ageing; "Extra Services" - options—glass of wine with meal etc.

Standards nowadays are higher—food.,

3. **Costs—Government funded.**

- Low Care—bond needed.
- Bond—can be as high as \$1,000,000 but usually around \$300,000. May mean selling the family home.
- Retention—\$300 per month—maintenance of venue.
- Retention continues for five years (comes out of the bond).

*Marion recommended getting the advice of a financial planner who knows aged care industry.*

- \$32.58 per day—over \$108,000—Hi-care facility
- Basic daily care fee—\$42.21 (up to)
- Income tested fee—\$70—\$2 per day depending on income. Low income people do get to pay just basic (maybe with some of pension also paid).

*Marion recommended using placement people to find facilities.*

4. **Ask for vacancies—move in!**

Waverley Hill—private facility—no bond, no assets test, fortnightly payments. (Private: \$770 per week (\$40,000 per year). So, can cost less than government funded facilities.

There being no further business President Graeme announced the birthdays, anniversaries, inductions etc., advised next week's housekeeping duties and closed the Meeting.

Meeting closed 8.30 pm

Scribe: Mike Spark



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This weeks meeting being the first Monday of the month will be a club assembly and forum discussion on membership and community involvement.

Membership growth is now so important to our Club. We have just lost three members, so now must work as a team to identify potential members

I would like to see us all able to identify potential members, to this end I will distribute a listing of open classifications the club has along with a list of other profession to consider, the plan will be for each of us over the coming week to identify at least two or three names you feel would be suitable to join our club and submit them at next weeks meeting for follow up by the membership committee.

We also need to consider how we can increase our community involvement as it has been quite sometime since we have had a local project

Lets have a positive meeting with lots of outcomes, looking forward to seeing you all there.

**Graeme Aspinall**  
President

## WOMEN IN ROTARY....

Julie, Fran and Enid held a meeting at Enid's home last week to discuss ways in which we could attract more women into our club. Angela and Virginia were not able to be there but are looking forward to being a part of the next gathering.

There were a number of ideas but one in particular we came up with was a "**Women's Indulgence**" evening. We plan to have an evening full of clothes, cosmetics, lingerie, a fashion parade, champagne and a light supper. Oh! Did I mention chocolate??? Now there's a thought!

Coming soon. Watch this space—there'll be more!

Virginia Rutledge—  
our soon-to-be newest  
member



18<sup>th</sup> July 2012

Enquiries: Jessica Anson  
Ref No: 3551017

Greetings!

### Community Skills Workshop Calendar: August - November 2012

Knox City Council is pleased to offer the next series of the Community Skills Workshops starting on 16th August this year. These workshops are for non-profit and/or volunteer based community groups who provide services or programs in the Knox municipality.

Each workshop in this current series is offered **free of charge** and **bookings are essential**. If you are interested in attending any of the sessions, please complete the online registration form by visiting [www.knox.vic.gov.au/commskills](http://www.knox.vic.gov.au/commskills) or contact the Community Development Officer, Community Strengthening Team by email at [commskills@knox.vic.gov.au](mailto:commskills@knox.vic.gov.au) or via telephone on 9298 8351.

Sessions being offered in this workshop series include:

- ✓ Breaking even and better...financial management for committees
- ✓ Creating a pro volunteer culture – tips for finding volunteers and then keeping them
- ✓ Spreading the word...marketing and promotion for community groups
- ✓ Working well together...conflict management for community groups
- ✓ Risk management and insurance for community groups...all you need to know!
- ✓ Knowing Knox...advanced training in on-line demographics

On behalf of Knox City Council, I would like to thank you for the important role your community group plays in making Knox a vibrant community.

Yours sincerely

**Jessica Anson**  
Community Development Officer