



Speakers *John Collins* and *Andy Spark* gave an interesting talk about their experiences with various Youth programs run by Rotary. John, who was our outbound exchange student to France just a few years ago was able to give our two exchange students (Caroline & Kate) a “heads-up” on what to expect. Andy was one of the first students to participate in our Junior Youth Community Award program which we still run with FTG North Primary.

Both guys are now passionate Rotaract members and aim to eventually become Rotarians (in the far distant future of course!!)

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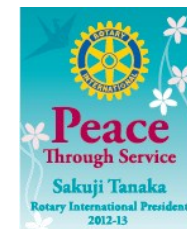
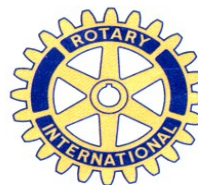
WEEKLY BULLETIN

ROTARY CLUB OF FERN TREE GULLY 50TH ANNIVERSARY 2013

President, Rotary International - **SAKUJI TANAKA & Kyoko,**
Rotary Club of Yashio, Saitama, Japan

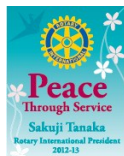
District Governor, Dist. 9810 – **BRIAN MARTIN & Sue,**
Rotary Club of Box Hill Central

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

PRESIDENT	-	Graeme Aspinall
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SECRETARY	-	John Flemming
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NEW GENERATIONS	-	Greg Downes

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PROGRAM	-	Mike Spark
BULLETIN EDITOR	-	Enid Hughes
Aus. Rotary Health	-	Graham Faulkner

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

Dinner provided



CLUB NOTICES

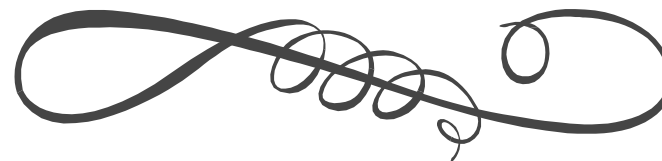
There being no objections raised by members, Virginia Rutledge will be inducted into the club on Monday, 20th August, 2012.

It is planned for Rahul to be inducted in September as he will be away for a few weeks.



UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Monday 20th August [6:30 for 7:00]	Monday 27th August [6:30 for 7:00]	Monday 3rd Sept [6:30 for 7:00]	Monday 10th Sept [6:30 for 7:00] Knox Tavern
Venue:	Knox Tavern	Knox Tavern	Knox Tavern	Knox Tavern
Program:	Marketing Strategies	History of Hang Gliding	Committee Meeting	Wills - Will you or won't you?
Speaker:	Alex Makin RC of Ring- wood	John Liddell	TBA	Andrea Olsen
Committee Subject	N/A	N/A	TBA	N/A
Chairman:	Bob H	Paul W	Mike S	Fran M
Cashiers:	Rob D & Greg D	Graham F & Julie G	Bob H & Graham F	Virginia R & Fran M
Grace & Toast:	Fran M	Virginia R	John F	Enid H
Rotary Knowledge	TBA	Graham F	Graeme Aspi- nall	TBA
Sergeant-At- Arms:	Mike S	Mike S	Phil W	Phil W
Scribe:	Enid H	Phil W	Paul W	Rob D



<i>Birthdays:</i>	None
<i>Wedding Anniversaries:</i>	None
<i>Induction to R.C. of F.I.C</i>	None

MINUTES OF MEETING: MONDAY, 13TH August, 2012

The meeting opened at 7.00 pm with President Graeme welcoming all members and guests—Caroline, Kate Campbell, Kate's parents—Terri and Terry and her brother Michael; Stuart McDonald and, for the last time before her induction—Virginia. He also welcomed speakers John Collins and Andy Spark.

President Graeme announced:

- He had attended the first quarterly Presidents' Meeting
- Had a (hard) copy of the latest District newsletter
- Presentations re District Conference (\$325 for early birds) FTG already has 8 rooms booked for accommodation;
- Clubs to invite school principals to attend a meeting re New Generations Rotary programs
- GSE from Malaysia in Feb 2013—will we host for a day again?
- Wants the membership contact names forms to be returned next week.

Chairman: Enid Hughes

CHAIRMAN'S REPORTS

Secretary: John Flemming

- Read and distributed the mail

Apologies: Stuart Vize, Graham Faulkner, Phil Walters

Make-ups: Paul Wilson (Community Kitchen)

Treasurer: Enid Hughes

Advised the Term Deposit (Ivan Gigovic's bequest) had been reinvested for a further twelve months

Vocational: Phil Walters

Absent—no report

Community: Julie Goodchild

- Advised she has three applicants for the Wylie Award—Employer seeks to know criteria.

New Generations: Greg Downes

Ian McFarlane advised he was moving to Mt. Gambier in the coming week. However, his wife, Nicole, will bring Caroline to the meetings. A club member will need to return her home.

NEW GENERATIONS

What our young people are getting up to.....



Left—Caroline starts discovering Australia!

Below—Damien shares a moment with friends



Left— Kate introduces herself to Club members

Right— Looks like Isabela is getting over her homesickness for Oz



BENDIGO—OUR COMMUNITY BANK....

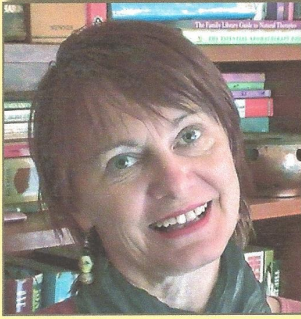
Meet Janine, new Community Liaison for our Bank

Hello, I'm Janine Shepherd. I have recently been employed by the Board of the Knox Community Financial Services® to be the Community Liaison Officer. I am based at the Ferntree Gully branch.

I have lived and worked in Ferntree Gully for the past 28 years and am slowly beginning to feel like a local! Our son has attended a local kinder and primary school and is now in his final year at Upwey High School (still pretty local!). My partner owned and ran a business in the Village for five years, so we feel pretty anchored to the local community.

The job involves lots of administrative work around community grants, sponsorship and the donation processes. It has been an exciting and busy period in the last few months being involved in my first community grant application round. My involvement is limited to processing the applications and attending presentation night, but is a big part of the Bank's giving back to the community each year.

I am also involved in marketing the bank and will be out and about talking to local clubs and associations.



This includes taking photos and video footage to be included in the online newsletter and on the branch TV monitor.

Customers may have noticed a TV on the wall in the branch. Currently, I am collecting video footage of local clubs, associations and businesses to provide an opportunity for these groups to advertise themselves. This will hopefully be active in the next little while. If your business, club or association would like to be included, let me know.

The bank also has a community website and offers its business customers the opportunity to have a small advertisement within the Business Directory, which of course is a free service. If your business is interested, please feel free to contact me on the details below.

Check out our website www.ftgcommunity.com.au

You can contact me either by phone on 9756 0332 or by email at janine.d.shepherd@gmail.com. My work days are Mondays and Wednesdays.

Janine Shepherd

Community things Rotary Club of FTG could be involved in....

2012 Grants Presentation Night



On 14 June, directors of the bank, a representative from Region, the bank's general manager John Surridge and local branch managers Tina Leslie and Andrew Williams, together with bank staff were in attendance at the Ferntree Gully Peace and Loyalty Lodge to present to the successful grant applicants their cheques. There were over 80 present at the evening to see over \$60,000 given to a number of groups.

Bena Angliss Kindergarten
Bridgewater Centre
CFA Knox Group
Coonara Community House
EH Car Club of Victoria
Eildon Park Cricket Club
Ferntree Gully Football Club
Foothills Community Care
Golden Memories Karaoke

Chairman, Hurtle Lupton presented the oversized 'cheques' to the recipients. Each organisation was given the opportunity to briefly describe how the funds would be used. It was a great opportunity to see the face of where the bank's Community Grants money goes.

This year there were over two dozen grant applications for a variety of purposes.

Following is a list of the successful applicants:

Knox Baseball
Knox Historical Society
Knox Woodworkers Association
Lower Gully Traders' Association
Mountain District Learning Centre
Restore Community Care
St Simon's Community Football Club
The Basin Fire Brigade
Upper FTG Junior Football Club

Fellowship: Fran Mandergeddes

- Napoleon Exhibition— Sunday, 2.00 pm—everyone going has to be able to come up with ten French words.
- Christmas presents for men (Foothills Church, Dinner)
- CFA Collection—20/21 October. Permit has been applied for.

Sergeant-at-Arms: Mike Spark

Mike ripped our dollars off us.

Skill: Graeme A drew 10 of hearts.

Other: Kate Campbell, outbound exchange student, introduced herself to club members and told us a little about herself and her expectations of being an exchange student.

PROGRAM: John Collins and Andy Spark—Rotary's Range of Youth Programs

Andy was involved in the Rotary Youth Community Award at Ferntree Gully North Primary school. He did archery and helped with the club BBQ's. He got a sense of our community from these activities.

John went to RYPEN (2006) - 3 day seminar at Mt. Evelyn (Yr 9 & 10 students). Acted as leader the following year.

Julie G talked him into youth exchange; he went to France. He spoke of his experiences and how it changed him. It is a big commitment for a club but it is a great program.

John then went on to RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards). This changed his life. He made a number of friends, learned teamwork, leadership etc. and he became a team leader. John went back as a leader, now as a senior leader. He has many friends from RYLA and is more rounded and independent.

Andy went into Rotaract (18-30 year olds—pre Rotary). Currently is club Service Director (has been Treasurer). It is now part of his life.

John is Past President of Monash Rotaract. He sees Rotaract as a model for life. It has helped him organise his life and he does not want to give it up.

Andy will get further into the Rotary world. He wishes to travel.

There were a number of questions—John suggested Interact as a good way of getting youth involved. Associating with schools is a good way to get participants in programs.

President Graeme dealt with the housekeeping, thanked Kate and her family and Stuart McD for attending.

Meeting Closed at 8.35 pm

Scribe John Flemming



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

At our meeting last week we had two examples of the development of young people as a result of Rotary's Youth Development Programs —Andy Spark and John Collins. John is a former sponsored Youth Exchange student of our club). They spoke on their involvement and development from RYPEN, RYLA and Rotaract.

Both our current Exchange Students attended —Caroline, (inbound) Kate Campbell (outbound student for 2013). We met Kate for the first time. What a confident young girl she is. She gave us a short background and introduction of herself. In listening to John and Andy her parents and brother would have gained some insight into Rotary's Youth activities—I'm sure a confidence builder for them of Rotary.

On another matter; in the last Rotary year the Rotary clubs of Australia have contributed \$2.2 million to Australian Rotary Health Research Fund. Clubs from District 9810 contributed \$82,207 plus a special one-off funding partner contribution of \$93,000. The target for our District contribution this year is \$120,000.

Over the past three years our club's contributions have dropped off significantly. Our past five years contributions have been

2007/8	\$1,210.00
2008/9	\$2,150.00
2009/10	Nil
2010/11	\$200
2011/12	Nil

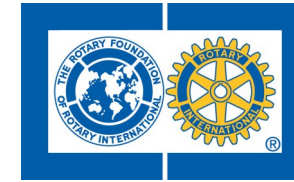
Hopefully this year we can reverse this and increase our contribution towards to the valuable research undertaken by Australian Rotary Health. I am sure Graham Faulkner will be ensuring our involvement in this area.

At this week's meeting we will be carrying out the induction of our first new member for this Rotary year; Virginia has agreed to join us. John F has informed me he has been contacted by another potential member who will also be attending this week.

Our guest speaker Alex Makin will talk on how we can identify opportunities to increase our awareness within our community.

Looking forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Graeme Aspinall
President



The Rotary Foundation District 9810 **Cluster Foundation Road Show** Thursday, 16th August, 2012

This was a well attended event with over 200 people crowded into one of the function rooms at the Dorset Gardens Hotel. Five people from our club were there—President Graeme, Mike S, Stuart V, Rob D and Enid H. There were a number of speakers but as always seems to happen at Rotary events—they had trouble with the sound system and the people at the back of the room had difficulty in reading the text in the Powerpoint slides. Never-the-less, it was an evening well worth attending.

Following are some notes on what Foundation Trustee PRIT Ian Riseley had to say:

- It was agreed at the last District meeting that we make an Award to the Australian Government who made a donation of \$50 million to the Eradication of Polio fund.
- Peace is exemplified by Rotary's involvement. A new Peace Centre has been established just north of Stockholm, Sweden.
- GSE Team—the rules will change after this year
- District Grants—a number of changes here.
- Lots of reasons why the Foundation should be our charity of choice when it comes to making one's Will.
- 2 ways we can make a contribution:
 - Club contribution—used mostly in Australia. (\$US110 per person)
 - Personally—personal contributions are growing
- Some clubs contribute 10% of club fundraising to the Foundation
- Every year there is a trophy—Ian Riseley Memorial Cup. Since the year 2006 District 9810 have won it every year bar one, when it was snatched from us by District 9800 who beat us by an amount which came to 0.1¢ per member! The total contributions per member for District 9810 was \$199.49
- Bequests: Encourage as many people as possible to make a bequest to the Foundation.
- Home owners in this part of the world—when we die our beneficiaries will not miss a small amount of it. Urge people to put a bequest in their Will. All monies are spent wisely—Vast majority of Trusts can't say that!

The meeting ended PROMPTLY at 9.00 pm.