

# Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully Inc.

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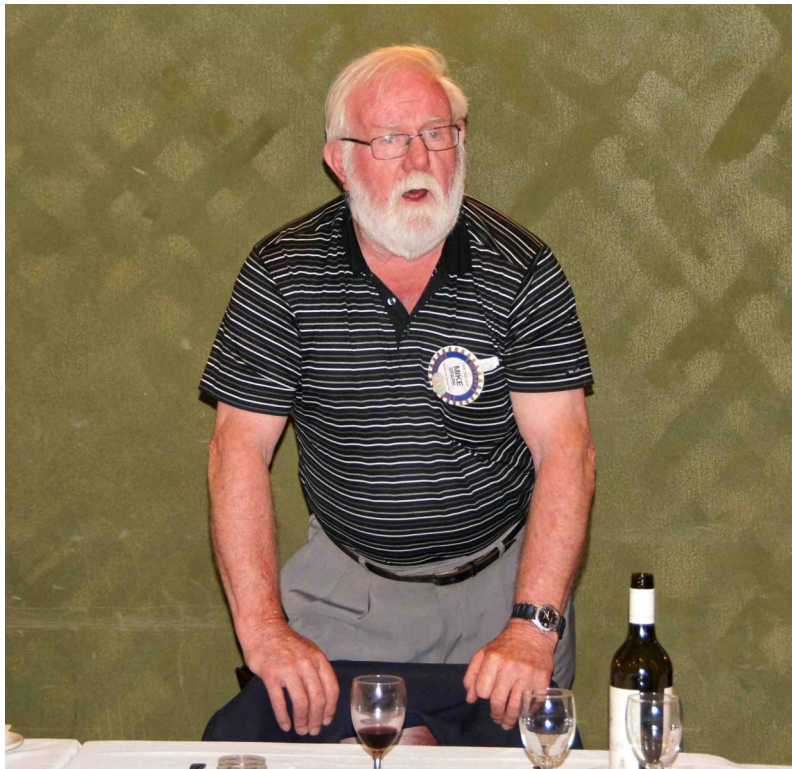
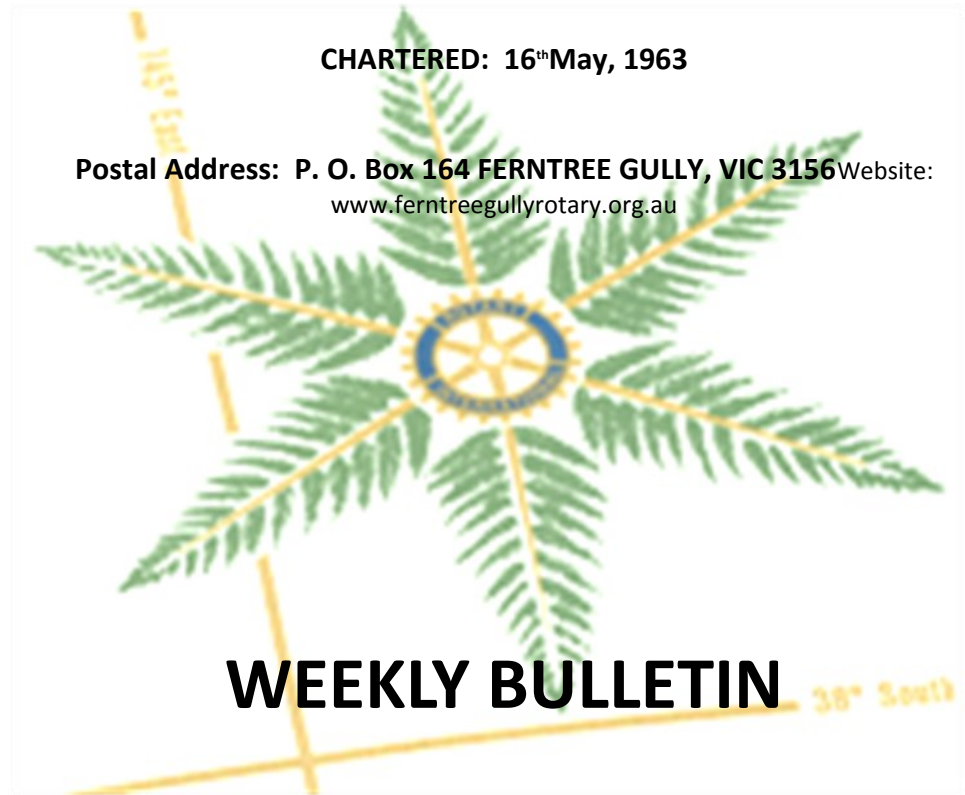
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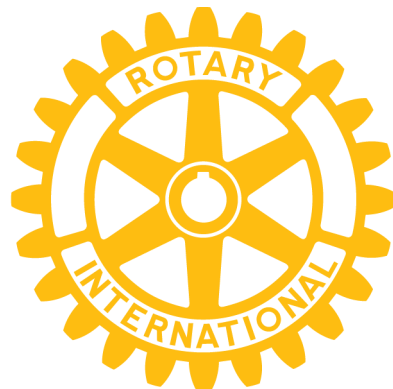
When the officially booked speaker failed to turn up, Mike Spark, recently returned from a holiday up north was in great form and willingly stepped in to keep us entertained with stories of his escapades over the last few weeks. Thanks Mike!

## UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	<b>Monday 30th Sept [6:30 for 7:00]</b>	<b>Monday 7th Oct [6:30 for 7:00]</b>	<b>Monday 14th Oct [6:30 for 7:00]</b>	<b>Monday 21st October [6:30 for 7:00]</b>
<b>Venue:</b>	Knox Tavern	Knox Tavern	Knox Tavern	Knox Tavern
<b>Program:</b>	<b>Swags for the Homeless</b>	<b>Committee Meeting</b>	<b>AGM / RYLA Experience HAT DAY (Partner's Night)</b>	<b>TBA</b>
<b>Speaker:</b>	<b>Lisa Clark</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>Jo Wilson</b>	
<b>Committee Subject</b>	N/A	TBA	N/A	N/A
<b>Chairman:</b>	Paul McA	Virginia R	Paul W	Graeme A
<b>Cashiers:</b>	Bob H & Greg D	Rob D & Greg D	Graham F & Rahul M	Paul W & Virginia A
<b>Grace &amp; Toast:</b>	Fran M	TBA	John F	Rob D
<b>Rotary Knowledge</b>				
<b>Sergeant-At-Arms:</b>	Fran M	Fran M	Fran M	Fran M
<b>Scribe:</b>	TBA	Graham F	Graeme A	Bob H

<i><b>Birthdays:</b></i>	30th—Marj Dawson
<i><b>Wedding Anniversaries:</b></i>	None
<i><b>Induction to RC of Fern Tree Gully</b></i>	None

# Rotary



# "THE WEEK THAT WAS"

Monday, 23rd September 2013

**Meeting Opened:** at 7.05 pm with Acting Sgt Paul Wilson calling the meeting to order:

**President Phil** welcoming members present (12) and made the following **announcements**:

- The bride has returned home and the Walters household is back to normal with him being fed again
- There were 35 members and partners in attendance at last week's combined meeting with the Bayswater RC Club
- Monday, 14 October is FTG's "Rotary Hat Day" it will be a partner's night, the best 'Goofy' hat wins a prize. Rtn Paul Wilson's daughter will be speaking on RYLA

**Chairman : PP Graham Aspinall** wore a "number of hats" for the evening ,the only thing he didn't do is Tap Dance for us :

**Gave the secretaries report :**

Received Correspondence from the city of Knox regarding:

- The Australia Day awards,
- Survey forms on Knox community programs
- Letter from the Blue Ribbon Foundation

**Apologies:** Received from the following: PP John Fleming, PP Fran Mandergeddes, PP Julie Goodchild, Rahoul

**Make Ups:** none reported

**Treasurer:** PP Enid did not have Treasurer's report but thanked those members who brought along their partners previous week

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORTS:

**Community Service:** PP Graham Aspinall advised members that the proposed date for the Upper Ferntree Gully CFA collection be the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> of November but this will be subject to the Lower Ferntree Gully CFA support for those dates

Rotary Christmas Cakes, Puddings, and Shortbread's will be \$15 each this year

Rotary Foundation: see separate report elsewhere in this bulletin

**Vocational Service:** no report

**International Service:** no report

**New Generations:** no report

**Club Service:** no report

**Fellowship:** No report Frans mother-in-law is very ill (Brian's mum)

**Sergeant-At-Arms: Rtn. Paul Wilson** penalised all those who did not go bowling on Sunday, Graham Aspinall cross fined Graham Faulkner for causing grief to his protesting body by being responsible for suggesting tenpin bowling on Sunday after breakfast.

**Skills Attempt:** Won by Greg Downes drew the King of Hearts (close but no cigar)

**PROGRAMME:** as there was no formal speaker PP Mike Spark (no 'e') stepped in and gave the members a run-down on his recent seven weeks on the 'Wallaby' There were many highlights and a few lowlights on the trip:

- left on 30 July returned on 18 September
- stopped off in Brisbane spent a couple of days with "the kids"
- went on to Townsville stayed with friends and onto Airlie beach stayed with friends again
- up to Rockhampton and Cairns
- stayed at Mossman for a week, did the touristy bit, didn't like Port Douglas too commercial
- saw the 'Daintree' being a Kiwi he reckons it was the same old same old
- up to Cooktown, good road but very windy
- Atherton tablelands "Beautiful"
- very impressed with the avenue of honour at Yungaburra !!!
- Charters Towers, broken engine mounts faulty exhaust system
- RM Williams Centre in Emerald after that boring trip back to Victoria To Sum up, would do it again in an instant but probably with more home comforts in the caravan

Meeting Closed at 8.30 pm or thereabouts

Scribe: Robert Hurst





## Taveuni Island – Rotary Vehicle Project

Good news has been received from the Rotary Club of Taveuni Island, Fiji. We have just received photos of the white Mazda Dual Cab utility vehicle that has been purchased with the money from the project we were all part of.

Along with the photos came a few words from Colin Peel (RC of Geelong Central). They were one of the clubs not in D9810 that financially supported this project.

Colin's team from Geelong have just completed a project building a kindergarten at the South Taveuni Indian School ( this is where we were involved in installing a water tank in 2010 ). The Kindergarten has been completed and the official opening ceremony was on July 11th. Colin says that the "Rotary Ute" has had it's baptism of bumpy roads one week after it's purchase. Colin also said "We really appreciate the opportunity to use the vehicle during our project in Taveuni. I am sure it will be a great asset in future projects on Taveuni island."

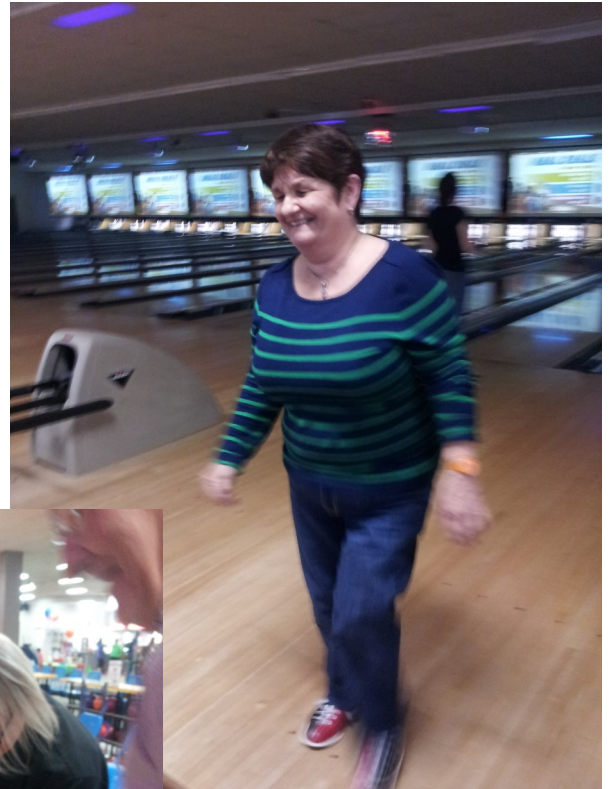
Signage has yet to be done on the vehicle. Well done to all clubs who assisted in this vital Rotary Project.

Peter Malden  
For International Committee Rotary Club of Boronia.



# OUR FIRST “VITALITY MORNING”

It started with breakfast at the Coffee Club, Knox Towerpoint. Most of us tucked in to eggs and bacon or Eggs Benedict etc. while others were content to enjoy the aroma and taste of the coffee. It was a beautiful morning weatherwise and perhaps should have been spent outside but it was not to be—we went 10-pin bowling. See the photos below. As our “resident photographer” was not there you’ll have to forgive the quality of the photos!!





### ADVANCE NOTICE:

The Annual Combined Meeting with our Rotary Cluster and the Inner Wheel Club of Boronia is currently in the process of being planned.

**The date is set as - Tuesday the 28<sup>th</sup> of January 2014.**

Inner Wheel are the organisers this year and have booked the same venue as last year – St Johns Church Hall, they will be doing the catering and are in the process of organising the guest speaker – ground breaking medical research may be the theme.

Boronia Rotary are in the process of applying for a liquor permit and will be running a bar on the night.

Sent to you as we know many of you enjoy this night and will want to place it on your event calendars. More details as they are resolved.



### WOOLWORTHS SAUSAGE SIZZLE

(Cnr Brenock Park Rd/Burwood Highway  
Ferntree Gully)

**Sunday**

**20th OCTOBER, 2013**

9.00 a.m.

To

3.00 p.m.

**Helpers required**

**Contact Paul Wilson**

**0414 315 611**



If you can't help—at least come and buy a sausage!

## Community Kitchen Roster - 2013

**Guide Hall**

Underwood Rd

Ferntree Gully (Next to train station car park)

Rotary roster - every second Wednesday, 5.30pm

DATE	ROTARIAN
9th Oct	Enid Hughes
23rd Oct	Paul Wilson
6th Nov	John Flemming
20th Nov	Fran Mandergeddes
4th Dec	Virginia Rutledge
18th Dec	Enid Hughes

Dinner provided

Contact Graeme Aspinall for more information  
0425 432 290

## CLUB NOTICE

**ROTARY CLUB OF FERN TREE GULLY**

Will hold its

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

on

**14th October 2013**

**Knox Tavern**

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# HAT DAY



## MONDAY 14TH OCTOBER, 2013 PARTNER'S NIGHT

This is the annual fundraising night for

**AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH**

Please come and support them.

**Wear your**

- *Best*
- *Favourite*
- *Most outrageous*
- *Fun*

**hat for the evening.**

To raise funds club members have agreed to a levy of \$5.00 per head payable in addition to the weekly meal cost.

