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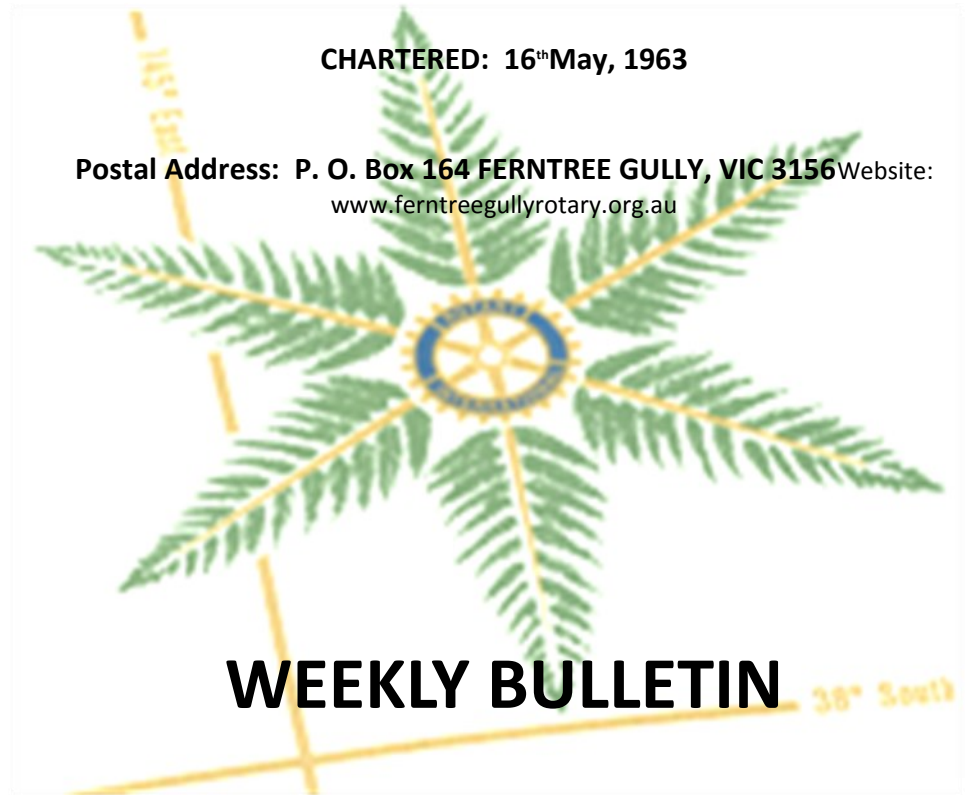
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Phil's 'Osophy

November is a big month for our club.

On 17th, we have the Vitality trip to Macclesfield Trout farm. Huge thanks to the Vitality team and Virginia for arranging this for us. I have advised Bayswater club, and we may get a visitor or two from them.

Price \$12.50, BYO drinks & salads etc to go with the freshly barbequed Trout
I will be away at the Snowy River Sprint, the last round of the Victorian Tarmac Rally Championship, I'm sure you will have a great day without Pam & I.

Also on the 15th we have the *Are You Being Served* Theatre Night (Lilydale Theatre), arranged by Fran.

The following weekend, 23/24 November, we have the CFA collection as well as the Rotary stand at the Bayswater Festival. This stand is a cluster initiative to promote Rotary and tout for members. Time is 10-2 on the 24th.

Along with the Bayswater Festival, the Cluster is conducting a raffle for a \$500 Visa Card. We are participating in this, with proceeds to Polio Plus (or should that now be Polio Minus!).

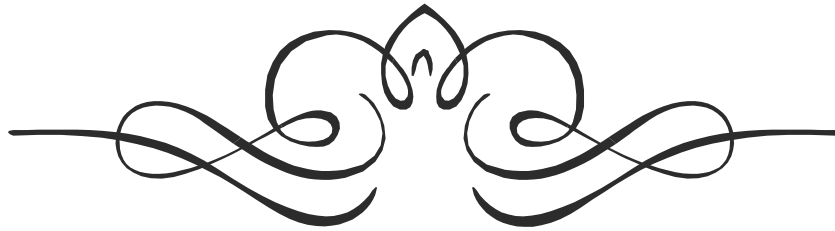
We are fortunate to have a great ADG and an active Cluster..the rest is up to us.

More news soon..

Phil Walters
President

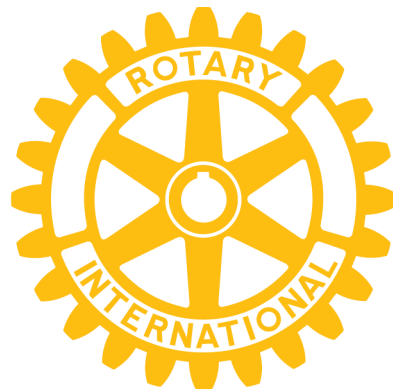
UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Monday 28th October 6.00 pm	Monday 4th November	Monday 11th November [6:30 for 7:00]	Monday 18th November [6:30 for 7:00]
Venue:	KNOX COUNCIL OFFICES		Knox Tavern	Knox Tavern
Program:	VOLUNTEER THANK YOU EVENING	NO MEETING	Committee Meeting	ROMAC
Speaker:	N/A	CUP EVE	Students from FTG N & Fairhills Primary Schools	Graeme Chester
Committee Subject	N/A		N/A	N/A
Chair:	N/A		Rob D	TBA
Cashiers:	N/A		TBA	Paul W & Virginia R
Grace & Toast:	N/A		Greg D	Rob D & Greg D
Rotary Knowledge				
Sergeant-At-Arms:	N/A		Fran M	Fran M
Scribe:	N/A		Greg D	Paul W



<i>Birthdays:</i>	5th - Robt Hurst
<i>Wedding Anniversaries:</i>	8th - Bett & Ken Thomson
<i>Induction to RC of Fern Tree Gully</i>	10th - Graeme Aspinall - '88

Rotary



"THE WEEK THAT WAS"

MONDAY 21st October 2013

Meeting Opened: at 7.04 pm with immediate Past President Graeme (standing in for President Phil) welcoming all members and visitors present including Kay McAloney and guest speaker Past Pres. Merv. Lincoln, who is now serving as a Salvation Army Padre in the Victorian prison system.

President's announcements: Bayswater Rotary club is having a community festival and want some volunteers to help between 10 AM and 2 PM. (Contact Graeme for the date) Graeme said he had a wild weekend travelling at 160mph in a V8 racing car around Sandown race track.

The CFA roadside collection at Upper Ferntree Gully will be held on the 23rd and 24th of November, a timesheet was passed around for members to nominate the times they can assist.

Chairman : Past President Mike Spark (no "e") called for reports

CHAIRMAN'S REPORTS:

Secretary: P.P. John Flemming read the correspondence and emails amongst others have received was the "GSE" application form for the coming Rotary Year together with a couple of begging letters.

Apologies: from Greg, Virginia, Rahoul, Stuart and Pres Phil.

Make Ups: At the sausage sizzle on Sunday the 20th were PP Mike, Rtn Paul and his wife Jill, PP Enid, your scribbler, (and if I have missed anybody my apologies). Approximately \$280 was raised

Treasurer: no report

Community Service: A meeting was held with Ray White Real Estate Ferntree Gully to discuss who are the needy that should be the recipients of Christmas parcels that Ray White will be providing.

Vocational Service: no report

International Service: no report

New Generations: A request from PP Enid to email the details of who the incoming exchange student Barbara is staying with.

Club Service: President-elect Mike went to the first of 3 President-elect training sessions on Friday 18th October, Mike reckons the incoming DG is a good bloke and his missus is a bit of all right too. This year one of the training sessions will be held in Ballarat.

The DG's visit for 2014 will be on July 21st

Fellowship: The Fellowship weekend at Bright has been organised participants are Fran and Brian M, Paul and Jill W, Rob and Marg H, John and Anne F, and lil' old Mike S (no "e") on his own as Wendy has to work.

Other Reports: PP Graeme F. Reminded us about the coming "Mo-Vember" in which all blokes are encouraged to grow a moustache as a fundraising activity for "MENS HEALTH".

Scribes note; not this little black duck it ruins my love life
Rtn Paul W. wants some input from members on how they would like to organise future fundraising sausage sizzles

Sergeant-At-Arms: PP Fran took advantage of the presence of a "Holy Roller" in PP Merv and regaled us with a whole of bunch of "bloopers" heard in church services.

After which she reminded us that she wants to receive gifts to be distributed at the Fern Tree Gully Community Christmas Lunch organised by the Foothills Church, to be held at the Guide hall in December. Particularly she is desperate to get clothes suitable for teenage boys.

Skills Attempt: Won by PP Paul Mc. not sure if a bit of a sleight of hand was going on here as Kay was asked to do the draw and drew the winning D22, however all is well as he failed to capitalise on the opportunity by pulling the **7 of Spades**.

PROGRAMME:

Guest speaker PP Merv Lincoln spoke on "Working In The Prison System"

Opening comments were on how he had to change his epaulettes by removing indication of rank and replacing them with a "cross" and wears a special purple jacket and cap so that prisoners can readily differentiate him from the prison warders. They refer to him as the "Purple M&M".

Some of his comments:

- Because of the empathy he has been able to develop with the inmates he feel safer when walking around prison than he does in a shopping centre like "Knox City"
- Started as the Padre for three prisons but now only visits two as one of them was Ararat and he had problems developed with his visits there.
- He told a wonderful story about how the inmates are taught to relate to their families particularly young children, by being taught to care for "eggs and bears" that represent embryos and babies.

All in all it was an incredible tale of life in the prison system, he had some unbelievable stories, all far too numerous to attempt to relate here other than to say it was one of the most interesting talks at a Rotary evening that I've heard for many years. I don't think anybody cared that it ran well over time. (I certainly didn't)

Meeting Closed at 9.17 pm or thereabouts

Scribe: Robert Hurst

Please note, everything contained in this report might be truth or fiction what I couldn't remember I made up



Rotary Clubs of Knox

Club Details

There are five Rotary Clubs in the City of Knox. You are cordially invited to attend any meeting of any club to find out more about Rotary in Knox. It is not necessary to book but we recommend you check with the club contact that there are no changes to the meeting arrangements.

Rotary Club of Boronia

Meetings are held Tuesday night at 7:00pm

Venue address is: The Knox Club
Cnr Stud + Boronia Roads,
Wantirna

Contact name: Peter Malden

Contact phone number: 0417 998 082

Contact email is petermalden@bigpond.com

Website: boroniarotary.org.au

Rotary Club of Bayswater

Meetings are held Wednesday 6:30pm

Venue address is:
3-6 Station St
Bayswater (Clubrooms).

Contact Names: Tim Bray & Barrie Vickers

Contact numbers 0417 599 982 / 0407 544 555

Contact email address is [tim-](mailto:tim-bray@optusnet.com.au)

bray@optusnet.com.au

vickersf@netspace.net.au

Website: www.rotary-bayswater-vic.com.au

Rotary Club of Ferntree Gully

Meetings are held Monday 6:30 for 7:00

Venue address is:
Knox Tavern,
Burwood Hwy
Knox City

Contact name: Phil Walters

Contact phone number 0418 243 805

Contact email is blue-sky@bigpond.net.au

Website: ferntreegullyrotary.org.au

Rotary Club of Rowville Lysterfield

Meetings are held on Tuesday at 7pm – 8:30pm

Venue address is:
Quality Inn,
1233 Stud Rd,
Rowville 3178

Contact Name: Neil White

Contact phone number is 0418 378 647

Email address is rowvillerotary@gmail.com

Website is to be advised.

Rotary Club of Knox

Meetings are held on Wednesday at 12.30 – 2.00pm

Venue address is:
Knox Club
Cnr Stud + Boronia Rds.,
Wantirna

Contact Name: Lorel De Angelis

Contact phone number is 0437 565 036

Email address is info@rotaryknox.org.au

Website: www.rotaryknox.org.au



CFA Tin Rattle

Dawson Street /Burwood Hwy

Upper Ferntree Gully

23/24th November

IS YOUR NAME ON THE ROSTER???

If not, see Graeme Aspinall

ARE YOU BEING SERVED???



Friday, 15 November, 2013

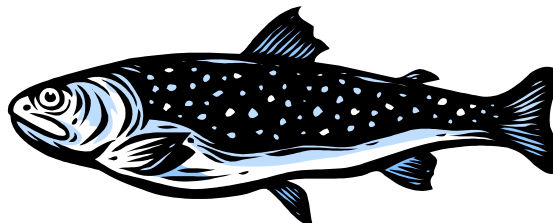
Lilydale Theatre

*see the stage version of this
old British favourite*

Contact Sgt. Fran for tickets.

17th November

Vitality/Fellowship Day



MACCLESFIELD TROUT FARM

Meet there at 11.00 a.m.

\$12.50 per entry (includes plate sized trout)

Contact Sergeant Fran for further details

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
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

24th November

Bayswater Festival

An opportunity for Rotary to get some local visibility





Club President's Membership Meeting Minutes

Date	17 Oct 2013
Attendees:	Pres Tim Bray [Bayswater] PE Barry Vickers [Bayswater] PE Mieke Berman-Mertens [Boronia] Pres Phil Walters [Fern Tree Gully] Pres Lorel De Angelis [Knox] Pres Neil White [Rowville-Lysterfield]
Apologies:	Pres Phil Leck [Boronia]
Chair:	Pres Lorel DeAngelis (supported by AG Russell Gurney)

Membership Focus

1. Minutes of previous membership meeting / actions carried forward 1) Notes from meeting 26 September circulated.	
2. Brief Club activity summary: 1) Knox: (1) Support for "Cruise to Conference" sought. Flyer handed out. Not just classic cars, but fun for everyone. Nice slow drive to Bendigo! AG Russell to roadshow D9810 Conference at every Club late Oct and into November. (2) Recent Mental Health Forum went really well. Lots of interest and great support from local health agencies. (3) ANZAC Centenary Children's Art competition in planning stages.	LDA
2) Bayswater: (1) 2014 Annual Knox Art Show (March 28 to 30) in planning stages. Bigger and better this year with a Rotary stand planned. Cluster assistance needed. (2) Cluster combined meeting at the Eastern Ranges School to be held on 13 November. Flyer circulated and support sought. (3) The Club recently mourned the loss of PP Peter Smith after a long illness. A Memorial Award is being planned in 2014 with the Eastern Ranges School to coincide with Bowel Cancer Apple Month (June) (4) Youth Exchange Student from Brazil settling in and recently turned 18. Working well with RC of FTG. (5) Bayswater Community Festival on November 23. Assistance required with four hour rosters on Rotary stand. <i>Action: Please provide potential volunteer names to Pres Lorel</i>	TB
3) Boronia: (1) Pres Phil overseas and thank you to PE Mieke for attending. (2) Club mourning the loss of John Wilke, husband of PP Helen.	MBM

What's your idea of Peace? Express yourself through ROGEC (Rotary Global Essay Competition) by RC Pune Katraj, D3131, INDIA



Rotarians world over, are synthesis of intellectuals who come together to offer their expertise and resources for doing good to the World with a motto of "Service Above Self". Rotarians come from diverse cultures, unite for common goals through service projects, follow high ethical standards in their profession and use Rotary as a platform for advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace.

Rotary Global Essay Competition (ROGEC) is a platform for Rotary family consisting of Rotarians, Anns, Annets, Rotaractors and Interactors to express themselves on a Global Canvas on range of subjects which will ultimately fulfill Rotary's objectives and make this world a better place to live.

ROGEC invites views and analysis from diverse and distinct cultures, fusing them together in a neatly woven bouquet. The issues like hunger, diseases, inequality, education, conflicts, etc are common across cultures and countries, the magnitudes and perspectives however are different. ROGEC aims to provide every individual in the Rotary fraternity a global platform to convey a story about the issues, reasons and resolutions.

Rotary Global Essay Competition (ROGEC) is being organized by Rotary Club of Pune Katraj (R.I. District 3131, India). Theme for ROGEC 2013 is "World Understanding & Peace". ROGEC shall reward the winning entries with attractive prizes including all paid trip to India and much more. As also, all participants get eCertificates and chance to win other prizes. For details visit www.rogec.org and like www.facebook.com/rogec2013.

HIGHLIGHTS of Rotary Global Essay Competition (ROGEC)

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