

# Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully Inc.

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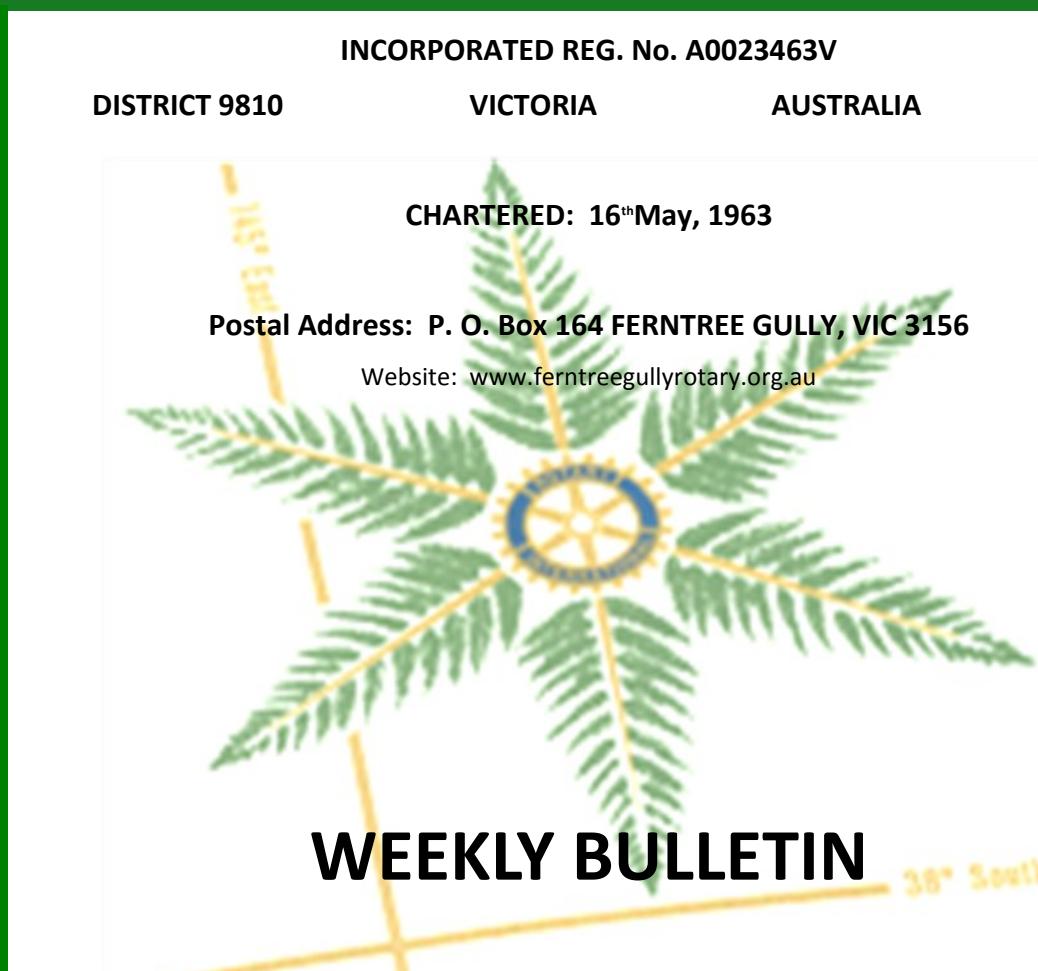


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President,  
**PHILIP WALTERS & Pam**  
Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully

Benefactor,  
**IVAN GGOVIC,**  
Vale: August 2003  
Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully



## Phil's 'Osophy

I was contacted recently by the CEO of Knoxbrooke, Rad Killian.

He advised me that Knoxbrooke was preparing to celebrate its 50th anniversary in 2016, and would like to have our club involved.

What I didn't know, is that our club, with RC of Belgrave was instrumental in establishing Knoxbrooke, and had been a big supporter in its earlier years.

I noted that I have been a member of our club for fifteen years, and was not aware of our earlier work to establish this most successful organisation. Indeed. I cannot recall any mention of it in my time. Quite disappointing really, as we have a real success story that we should be celebrating. Along with Knoxbrooke, we also established the FTG Bowling Club. These two achievements have made a real difference to the Fern Tree Gully community. (See page 6 for an excerpt of RC FTG's history of 1967/68)

On another note, I was pleased to see several members and partners at the 'Clean Up Australia' Emu Parade at Lakewood Reserve, with 10 of us collecting around 50kg of rubbish and enjoying some great fellowship at the same time.

Until next time...

All the best

**Phil Walters**  
President

## UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	Monday 3 Mar [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 10 Mar	Monday 17 Mar [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 24 Mar 6.30 for 7.00
<b>Venue:</b>	Knox Tavern		Knox Tavern	Knox Tavern
<b>Program:</b>	Committee Meet- ing	LABOUR	RDU - From Type- writers to Twitter	Scope - See the Person, Not the Disability
<b>Speaker:</b>	N/A	DAY	Jenny Coburn	Sue Worland
<b>Committee Subject</b>			N/A	N/A
<b>Chair:</b>	Mike S	NO	Greg	Bob H
<b>Cashiers:</b>	Virginia R & Greg D	MEETING	Graeme A & Paul W	Greg D & Virginia R
<b>Grace &amp; Toast:</b>	Graham F		Virginia R	Paul McA
<b>Rotary Knowledge</b>				
<b>Sergeant-At-Arms:</b>	Fran M		TBA	Fran M
<b>Scribe:</b>	Paul W		John F	Graeme A

# Rotary



<i>Birthdays:</i>	None
<i>Wedding Anniversaries:</i>	None
<i>Induction to RC of Fern Tree Gully</i>	4th—Fran Mandergeddes (02)



# THAT WAS THE WEEK THAT WAS

Monday, 24th February, 2014

The meeting opened at 7pm with PP Graeme Aspinall, in President Phil's absence, welcoming all present, including Wally Spinks and Stuart McDonald and our YEP Barbara, plus our guest speaker for tonight our returning YEP Kate Campbell.

## President's Opening Remarks:

In President Phil's absence, PP Graeme represented him at the recent quarterly Presidents' meeting:

- DG Merv spoke about the recent passing of Past Rotary International President Royce Abbey ( Essendon Rotary Club) and PP David Mair.
- Rotary PR – The Australian pool of funds is being spent on radio ads and promotional materials including new pull up banners, tear- drop signs and revised brochures, which are available to clubs for membership promotions.
- Clubs are to ensure their Club Constitution is up-to-date and in the 2013 format. Club President to advise the AG who will follow up until completed.
- Clubs to advise their AG as to funds donated to the recent Philippines disaster so that the district has a record of funds donated.
- A cluster dinner will be held for the incoming Group Study Exchange Team on Tuesday March 18<sup>th</sup> at the Mulgrave Country Club, Wheelers Hill. Cost details are to follow. Clubs are asked to support this dinner
- District Assembly will be held on May 18<sup>th</sup>. Details to be sent to all clubs

**Chairman:** **Bob Hurst**

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORTS:

**Secretary:** **John Flemming**

- Rotary Foundation – Relay 4 Life on 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> March.
- Bunnings have offered the Club a monthly Friday night doing the Sausage Sizzle. With a show of hands it was agreed the Club will accept the offer and John will follow this up with Bunnings.

**Apologies:** Phil Walters, Rahul Mediratta, Greg Downes

**Treasurer:** **Enid Hughes**

No report

**Vocational:** **Phil Walters**

No report (absent)

**Community:** **Graeme Aspinall**

No report

**New Generations:** **Virginia Rutledge**

No report

**International:** **Paul McAloney**

No report

**Fellowship:** **Fran Mandergeddes**

- Asked who would be available for the "Clean Up Australia" collection—a number of people offered.

**Club Service:** **Mike Spark**

- Looking to have all positions filled on incoming committee.

**Other:** Welcome back to Julie Goodchild.

**Sergeant At Arms:** Fran Mandergeddes – extracted the dollars again.

**Skill:** Paul McAloney drew the 8 of spades from the pack.

## PROGRAM:

**A Year in Denmark—Kate Campbell**

Kate, our returned Rotary Youth Exchange Student, presented a remarkable visual and linguistic display of her year in Denmark. Her obvious delight in the opportunity and experience that Rotary had allowed her was as rewarding to us as a Club, as I'm sure it was to her personally.

There being no further business PP Graeme thanked Kate for her presentation, read out the housekeeping and then closed the meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.25 p.m.      Scribe: Rob Dawson



## YEAR 12 FORMAL DINNER

Amid the enormous pressures of studying, homework, and exams, the Year 12 students of Mater Christi College took time out to enjoy their annual Formal Dinner. As you can see from the photo below, Barbara Gaudencio, our beautiful Rotary Exchange Student from Brazil did us proud! Well done Barbara—quite a memory to take back to Brazil with you.



# CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA

A good morning's work and many thanks to Pam Walters for the yummy morning tea!



*Jill Wilson & Bob Hurst*



*Paul Wilson & Paul McAloney (Fran M in the background)*



*Fran Mandergeddes*



*Kay McAloney's in there somewhere!!*



*Phil Walters and Bob Hurst*



*Paul McAloney and Graham Faulkner*

## Except from the Club's History—1967/68

### Community Service:

To assist funds for the "Fern Tree Gully Bowling Club's Club House" - a Supper Dance held 26th August.

\$700 donated at the Public Meeting called in respect of the "Intellectually Handicapped Centre"; well attended and 21 nominated to the Committee of Management. Ivan Southall ("I Can Jump Puddles.") guest of Club when Dr.Dax was guest speaker at a regular meeting.

"Knoxbrooke" chosen as name for the Intellectually Handicapped Centre. Knox News sponsored and conducted a "Grandfathers' Race" to aid Knoxbrooke.

Committee of Management visited many other Intellectually Handicapped Centres to gain information and experience.

Negotiations begun to acquire suitable land for Knoxbrooke. Due mainly to the efforts of Jack Callahan, the present site of the Swagman was procured as a donation from the Knox Council and the present Knoxbrooke site purchased.

Business Men's Dinner held Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> February, 1968 to launch the Knoxbrooke Appeal Month.

*First Car Raffle* organized in aid of Knoxbrooke; 588 tickets @ \$10 each were sold; drawn at the Carnival held on 16th March, car won by Kevin Gill of Dorset Road; proceeds of \$3,500 presented to Knoxbrooke on 4:4:68 by Pres. Jeff.

## Community Kitchen Roster -

### 2014

### Guide Hall

Underwood Rd

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

DATE	ROTARIAN
12th March	John Flemming
26th March	Virginia Rutledge
9th April	Graeme Aspinall
23rd April	Paul Wilson
7th May	Enid Hughes
21st May	John Flemming
4th June	Graeme Aspinall
18th June	Paul Wilson
2nd July	Virginia Rutledge
16th July	Paul McAloney
30th July	John Flemming
13th August	Paul McAloney
27th August	Graeme Aspinall
10th September	Paul Wilson
24th September	Virginia Rutledge
8th October	Enid Hughes
22nd October	John Flemming
5th November	Virginia Rutledge
19th November	Graeme Aspinall
3rd December	Paul Wilson
17th December	Enid Hughes

**May peace break into your home and may thieves come to steal your debts.**

**May love stick to your face like Vaseline and may laughter assault your lips!**

**May happiness slap you across the face and may your tears be that of joy**

**May the problems you had, forget your home address!**



Dinner provided  
Contact Graeme Aspinall for more information  
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