

# Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully Inc.



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## WEEKLY BULLETIN



### DGE David Tolstrup

Last Monday David took the opportunity to visit RC Fern Tree Gully in our temporary premises—Degani Bakery Café, Wantirna South.

It was interesting to hear his views on what it's like to be a DGE and to listen to some of his plans for his year as District Governor. Thank you David!

### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully Inc will be held on Monday, 6th October 2014.

Items of business should be submitted to the Secretary by the above date.

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District Governor, Dist. 9810 —

**TONY MONLEY & Kathy**

Rotary Club of Templestowe

President,

**MIKE SPARK & Wendy**

Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully

Benefactor,

**IVAN GIGOVIC,**

Vale: August 2003

Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully



# UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Monday 22nd Sept [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 29th Sept [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 6th October [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 13th October [6.30 for 7.00]
Venue:	Knox Tavern	Knox Tavern	Knox Tavern	Knox Tavern
Program:	District Governor Elect	Knox Historical Society	Committee Meeting	Australian Rotary Health
Speaker:	David Tolstrup & Alison	Ray Peace	N/A	TBA
Committee Subject	N/A	N/A	TBA	N/A
Chair:	Paul W	Phil W	Mike S	Christine A
Cashiers:	Rob D & Fran M	Graham F & Paul W	Graeme A & Lee M	Phil W & Fran M
Grace & Toast:	Lee M	Graeme A	Fran M	John F
Rotary Knowledge	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
Sergeant-At-Arms:	Christine A	Christine A	Virginia R	Virginia R
Scribe:	Phil W	Virginia R	Christine A	Greg D

<i>Birthdays:</i>	None
<i>Wedding Anniversaries:</i>	None
<i>Induction to RC of Fern Tree Gully</i>	None

## "MIKE'S MUSINGS...."

Hi, all.

Another good, flowing, convivial meeting was enjoyed last week – but we will have to moderate our vocal delivery levels (and limit our background conversations) so that all members can hear what's being said and react accordingly, please.

David Tolstrup, the District Governor Elect, gave us many insights into the process of taking on that position for 2015/16. The years leading up to and following the actual year of being in office require a great deal of commitment and time and effort.

The big TV at the end of the room can be used as a projection screen for our laptop, as we now have an appropriate cable. Thanks for rushing off to get it, Graeme, even though it was not used!

As mentioned, we have booked the venue for the next four or five weeks, to give us time to better evaluate our needs. The people seem very keen to adapt to our needs, and suggested a different style of meal for this week – should be interesting!

Keep well, and happy! TTFN from Mike.



**Mike Spark**  
President

# "THE WEEK THAT WAS"

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2014

The meeting opened at 7.05 p.m. with President Mike welcoming all members and District Governor Elect David Tolstrup.

## President Mike's Announcements:

- Vegies and Guinness will be available at the venue from next week onwards
- RFDS Presentation /Fund Raiser—Knox Club, \$35 per head (2 courses), Tuesday, 14th October.

**Chairman:** Paul Wilson

Called for reports

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORTS:

**Secretary:** John Flemming

Read and distributed the incoming mail -

- Blue Ribbon Foundation re donation
- Nick Wakeling—Mental Health First Aid Training

**Apologies:** Greg Downes, Stuart Vise, Paul McAloney, Tim McCarthy (LoA)

**Make-Ups:** All who attending the Bunning Sausage Sizzle

**Treasurer:** Enid Hughes

No report

**Community:** Graeme Aspinall

- Big effort at Bunnings on 21st September. Sausage Sizzle raised \$1,659.
- Volunteers needed for the Springybark Festival (18-19th October. This will be a paid job and is a possible opportunity for Rotaract members to help.

**International:** Paul McAloney

No report (absent)

**Youth:** Paul Wilson

Paul W to contact Rotaract re Stringybark Festival

**Club Service:** Mike Spark

- Opportunity to promote Rotary in the restaurant (Degani). To be followed up with a letterbox drop in the area. Virginia to organize; Enid to supply amended club brochures.

**Fellowship:** Fran Mandergeddes

- Sunday concert at Burrinja—9 attending; 7 for lunch.
- Polio eradication *Guess Who's Coming to Dinner*

event (18th October at Fran's home)

- MN Disease Walk 16th November—take your pets.

## Other Reports:

- Enid thanked Paul W and Graeme A for filling in for her while she was away, in carrying out the Treasurer's duties and those of the Bulletin editor, respectively.
- Phil W has promised to compile a list of Rotary topics and assign members to each provide a five minute talk at weekly meetings. This will comply with the Rotary Education part of our meetings.

**Sergeant-at-Arms:** Christine Anderson

Heaps of AFL/VFL finals trivia. Left some of us guessing.

**Skill:** Virginia R drew 5 of Spades

**PROGRAM:** DGE David Tolstrup

- First contact with Rotary was 1971, as a RYLA participant.
- Reflected on the value of Rotary to the community
- Noted that his wife (Alison) was once an employee of our own Graham Faulkner
- Has been retired 8 years from the Insurance industry
- Described the 27 month training program that all DG's are exposed to—the importance that RI place on the program
- Membership—focus on people in later life - in their 50's have a lot of potential— new interests. 4 areas of special interest—
  - Work from their own home
  - Soon-to-be-retired
  - Engage as volunteers
  - Retention—especially the need to engage new members
- Asked who would be FTG's President Elect this year—we need a nominee. PETs training this year will be held in Ferntree Gully.
- Encourage members to consider the RLI program (Rotary Leadership).

There being no further business President Mike read out next week's housekeeping duties; there were no birthdays anniversaries or inductions. Next Week's speaker will be the Knox Historical Society  
Meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.

Scribe: Phil Walters

## COMING UP SOON.....

### Stringybark Suburban Sustainability Festival

Saturday 18th  
and  
Sunday 19th October 2014  
10.00 a.m.—5.00 p.m. both days  
Rowville Community Centre  
40 Fulham Road  
ROWVILLE  
(Melbway 81K1)

*Rotary Club of Boronia are looking for help in providing volunteers. Any-one interested should contact Graeme Aspinall (RC FTG) 0425 432 290*

### MOTOR NEURON DISEASE—WALK

(bring your pet—cat/dog/bunny rabbit)

16th November

Make a diary note.

See Fran M for more information.

### Purple for Polio

18th October, 2014

Guess Who's coming for dinner?

We'll be gathering at the home of Brian and Fran Mandergeddes. See Fran for further details.

**“EDUCATION  
IS THE MOST  
POWERFUL WEAPON  
WHICH YOU CAN USE TO  
CHANGE THE WORLD.”**

**- NELSON MANDELA**

## Annual District Foundation Dinner

**8th December 2014**

WHITEHORSE CLUB 298-336  
BURWOOD HIGHWAY

EAST BURWOOD

GUEST SPEAKER; RIPE RAVI  
RAVINDRAN

More details to follow

## 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
8th October	Enid Hughes
22nd October	John Flemming
5th November	Christine Anderson
19th November	Graeme Aspinall
3rd December	Paul Wilson
17th December	Enid Hughes

Dinner provided  
Contact Graeme Aspinall for more  
information  
0425 432 290

# Knox Community Skills Workshops & Forum, August – November 11 July 2014

A Knox City Council program supporting volunteer and not-for-profit community groups

## Orientating Volunteers

### Facilitator: Tara Cantwell, Volunteering Victoria

This workshop provides a step-by-step guide to the essential elements of orientation and induction, leaving participants with a best-practice model they can adapt and implement.

Orientation is a crucial point in a volunteer's experience. Induction sets the tone for the volunteering relationship and is an opportunity for volunteer organisations to introduce organisational policies, addressing their legal and regulatory obligations.

## Workshop Aims

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**Date:** Thursday 9 October 2014

**Time:** 7.00pm - 9.30pm

**Venue:** Knox Civic Centre, Room 3, 511 Burwood Highway, Wantirna South

**RSVP before:** Monday 6 October 2014

**Cost:** Free

**Bookings:** [Register here to attend this workshop](#). Book early to avoid disappointment as places are limited.

## Food Handling and Food Safety - All you need to know

### Facilitator: Knox City Council

This session will be of particular interest to people who prepare and sell food to raise funds for their community group. Whether sizzling sausages, or making jams or cakes for public sale or consumption, safe food handling knowledge is essential.

Don't jeopardise your group's fundraising activities. Be prepared and learn more about safe food preparation, new legal obligations, notifications and statements of trade.

**Date:** Thursday 6 November 2014

**Time:** 7.00pm - 9.30pm

**Venue:** Knox Civic Centre, Room 3, 511 Burwood Highway, Wantirna South

**RSVP before:** Monday 3 November 2014

**Cost:** Free

**Bookings:** [Register to attend this workshop](#). Book early to avoid disappointment as places are limited.



**Amanda Wiggs**

**Community Development Officer**