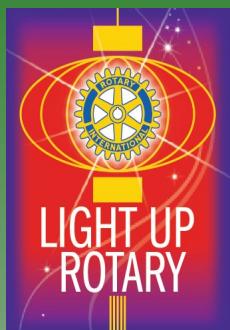


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IVAN GIGOVIC,

Vale: August 2003

Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully



WEEKLY BULLETIN



Australian Rotary Health

Speaker Glenn Tippett is obviously passionate about what he does!
He gave us a most interesting presentation on what ARH.

*(Pictured—Glenn with Chairman Christine Anderson)
Sorry about the quality of the photos guys—obviously the phone is not as good as the Canon camera!*



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UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Monday 20th October [6.30 for 7.00]	Sat/Sunday 25/26th Oct	Monday 27th Oct [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 3rd November	Monday 10th Nov [6.30 for 7.00]
Venue:	FTG Bowls		Knox Council		FTG Bowls
Program:	CHIPS	CFA		No	Committee Meeting
Speaker:	Eric	Intersection	Thank You	Meeting	N/A
Committee Subject	N/A	Collection	Reception		TBA
Chair:	Graeme A			Melbourne	Mike S
Cashiers:	Bob H & Christine A	Upper FTG	Knox City Council Offices	Cup	Greg D & Fran M
Grace & Toast:	Graham F			Eve	Rob D
Rotary Knowledge	Fran M Rotary Peace Fellowship				Lee M Rotary Foundation
Sergeant-At-Arms:	Virginia R				Lee M
Scribe:	Paul W				Christine A

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

"MIKE'S MUSINGS....

Hi, all.

Here's to our new home at the FTG Bowls Club. We will have to adapt our actions a bit, but we can all be flexible, to get a place that works for us.



Remember that the 27/10/14 meeting will not happen at the Bowls Club, as we will all be at the Civic Centre for the annual recognition of volunteer groups by the Knox Council.

John, Enid and I attended the Dobson Ward recognition of volunteers at the Civic Centre on Wednesday night – we caught up with a lot of people like the Firies and Rad from Knoxbrooke. I even bumped into a chap I worked with at Control Data in the seventies (the decade, not our ages – yet!). A good evening.

Boronia Club has a vocational visit to Ego Pharmaceuticals on Tuesday 28/10/14 – does anyone want to join them?

The 9810 District International Service seminar will be held on the afternoon of 26/10/14 at Mulgrave (the Monash Enterprise Centre) – anyone wanting to go, please advise Paul McAloney or me. It's a great way for members, new and old, to find out about some of the acronyms we bandy around.

The President-Elect nomination committee (Phil, Graeme and I) will be trying to meet again this week.

Keep well, and happy! TTFN from Mike.

*Mike Spark
President*

"THE WEEK THAT WAS"

Monday 13th October 2014

The meeting opened at 7.00 p.m. with President Mike welcoming all members and speaker Glenn Tippett.

President's Announcements:

- Cheque presented to Paul McA (\$42) as Swindle winner!
- Enjoyable time was had by those who went to the Royal Hotel to listen to the Jazz on Sunday.
- Royal Flying Doctor Service—Dinner, Tuesday 14th Oct.
- 23rd November—Emerald & District Club are seeking assistance for the *Kids' Fun Run*"
- **\$1,000 fundraising—money to go to FTG North Primary School. Mike to investigate**
- **FTG Bowling Club to be our new home.**

CHAIRMAN'S REPORTS:

Chairman: Christine Anderson

Secretary **John Flemming**

- Distributed the inward correspondence to club members where appropriate.
- Requested assistance with Sausage Sizzle on Saturday 27th November. The club will make \$500.00

Apologies: Paul Wilson, Phil Walters

Treasurer: **Enid Hughes**

Discussed details re FTG Bowls Club and financials with regard to menu options/payment and membership.

Vocational Service **Phil Walters**

No report (absent)

Community: **Graeme Aspinall**

- Assistance at the Stringybark Festival is not now required.
- Despite CFA now co-ordinating the intersection collection help is still needed from Rotary members. Club now assisting with people power instead of co-ordination.

Youth Service **Paul Wilson**

No report (absent)

Club Service: **Mike Spark**

No report

Fellowship: **Fran Mandergeddes**

Jazz afternoon was very good.

Guess Who's Coming to Diner - thanks to Virginia, Fran, Enid and Lindy F for preparing the meal.

Lilydale Theatre—Fawlty Towers. Suggested date 14th November.

Other

Enid H announced that she has been invited to be an Assistant

Governor for the Rotary year 2015/16. Congratulations and assurances of the club's support was given.

Sergeant-at-Arms **Virginia R**

Quiz Master Virginia tested our multiple skills knowledge (or lucky guesses).

Skill: Greg D picked the Joker—that makes it 2 weeks in a row!. Hall of Fame!

PROGRAM: **Australian Rotary Health—Glenn Tippett**

- Initiative for fundraising came from Medical Research in 1981. All money raised went into Cot Deaths (SIDS) research.
- Year 2000—Major research focus changed to Mental Illness, following the reasoning of "Don't throw money at the problem, throw the money at the research to find the solution to the problem".
- Average age of a white Australian male is 84 yrs. Indigenous Australian is 38 years.
- ARH has a Rural Nursing Scholarship. Glenn showed samples of medical professionals who have benefitted from grants for up to 11 years of research.
- 10% of new mothers suffer from post natal depression.

Glenn answered a number of questions from members. His presentation focused mainly on the research side of Australian Rotary Health and in particular, the depression area.

Questions focused on ARH's funding and allocation of funds.

There being no further business Pres. Mike read out the housekeeping duties for next week. Announced the birthdays and then closed the meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.37 p.m.

Scribe: Greg Downes



www.australianrotaryhealth.org.au

COMING UP SOON.....



25/26th October

CFA Annual Intersection Collection
Upper Ferntree Gully
Volunteers needed—See Graeme Aspinall

MOTOR NEURON DISEASE—WALK

(bring your pet—cat/dog/bunny rabbit)

16th November

Make a diary note:

See Fran M for more information.

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
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

The Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully's Family Tree.

The Rotary Club of Melbourne was the first Rotary Club in Australia [21st April, 1921]. Founded by Lieutenant-Colonel J. Layton Ralston, C.M.G., D.S.O., President of the Halifax Rotary Club & James W. Davidson, F.R.G.S., Past President of the Calgary, Canada – Special Commissioners from Rotary International for the purpose of establishing Rotary in Australia.

The Rotary Club of Melbourne sponsored the Rotary Club of Dandenong who, with Rotary founder, Paul Harris present, received their Charter on Wednesday, 3rd July, 1935.

The Rotary Club of Dandenong in turn sponsored the Rotary Club of Belgrave, who received their Charter on 17th June, 1954.

The Rotary Club of Belgrave, after sponsoring the Rotary Club of Bayswater in 1962, sponsored the Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully. Our Charter is dated -16th May, 1963.

Rotary Club of Melbourne	[1921]
Rotary Club of Dandenong	[1935]
Rotary Club of Belgrave.	[1954]
Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully.	[1963]
Rotary Club of Knoxfield	[19??]

(Charter returned in 19??)



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KNOX ROTARACT NEWS



Knox Rotaract is a youth service club for anyone aged 18-30. We meet on the 1st & 3rd Thurs of each month, 7.30PM at 3 Station St, Bayswater. Get involved!



The Lovely Rachael selling plants (and Knox Rotaract!) at the Stringybark Festival!



Island walk leads to computers for Cambodia



A journey of some 70 kilometres began with the first step of a non-stop walk around Phillip Island, Vic, in 2011 by local Rotarian Stevie Guilmartin (now O'Reilly) and, after many more steps, she had raised \$7250. It was the beginning of another journey that helped build a school in Cambodia and, through a Rotary Foundation Matching Grant, provided vital equipment for its students.

Many Rotarians in South Gippsland are supporters of local charity Bryn's School. Set up in 2003 by the family of Bryn Hendry, who at the age of 16 took his own life, it perpetuates Bryn's memory by building schools that give children a chance for an education they would otherwise not receive.

One of these schools in the Cambodian village of Koung Tonle Kroum, about two hours drive from Phnom Penh, is now a reality, thanks in part to the Rotary Club of Phillip Island and San Remo's decision to donate \$5000 of Stevie's "walk" money to Bryn's School towards its construction.

Arising from that, the Rotarians saw a challenge: a Rotary project that would provide the school with much-needed equipment for a new computer centre in one of its classrooms. With no previous experience, Stevie suggested her club apply for a Foundation Matching Grant. Generous donations by local Rotary clubs, Koo Wee Rup/Lang Lang and Wonthaggi, plus the balance of "island walk money" underscored their commitment to the project.

During Stevie's 2011 Cambodian visit, support from the Rotary Club of Phnom Penh Metro was sought at an

ABOVE LEFT: Students from both South Gippsland Secondary School and the new Koung Tonle Kroum School; ABOVE RIGHT: Stevie O'Reilly with president of the Rotary Club of Endeavour Hills Chris Merritt at the Rotary Club of Phnom Penh Metro.

introductory meeting and it subsequently became host partner in the grant process.

Finally, after two years of persistence, passion and hard work, an application was made and the Foundation then approved a grant that led to the placement of 15 student computers, two teacher laptops, a printer, projector, desks and office equipment, internet connection and, due to the non-existence of electricity, installation of rooftop solar panels. The project cost was some \$25,000.

In November last year, a week after the school received the equipment, Stevie returned, together with John O'Reilly from the Rotary Club of Endeavour Hills, George Hendry and seven South Gippsland Secondary School students, who volunteered their IT skills.

"It was like coming home to a long-lost family and delivering a wonderful, life-changing Christmas present, thanks to Rotarians and our Foundation," Stevie said.

"Our club's commitment to the project's sustainability is evidenced by our assistance with funding the employment of a designated IT teacher over the next two years. And, with programs in place to teach staff computer skills, students will become increasingly competent with this technology." •