

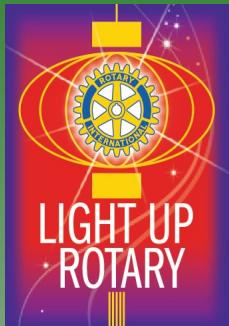
# Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully Inc.



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## WEEKLY BULLETIN



President, Rotary International

**GARY C.K. HUANG**

Rotary Club of Taipei,  
Taiwan

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



## WELL DONE RHIANNON

Today I made a pretty big decision. I decided to cut my hair to a length that I thought I would never have. It was the first time I have ever gotten a drastic hair cut in my life. I was so excited but also terribly frightened that I was getting more than 30cm cut. I have however made a decision to donate my hair to [Children With Hair Loss](#) and I hope that my hair can make the slightest difference for a child who has lost their hair.



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# UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Monday 17th Nov [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 24th Nov [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 1st Dec [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 8th Dec [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 15th Dec [6.30 for 7.00]
<b>Venue:</b>	FTG Bowls	FTG Bowls	FTG Bowls	FTG Bowls	FTG Bowls
<b>Program:</b>	CFA Home Fire Safety Session	First Aid - St John's Amb.	Committee Meeting	RYPEN	Christmas Break-Up Party
<b>Speaker:</b>	TBA	Gonzalo	N/A	Jess McFarlane	N/A
<b>Committee Subject</b>	N/A	N/A	TBA	N/A	TBA
<b>Chair:</b>	Greg D	Graham F	Mike S	Bob H	Fran M
<b>Cashiers:</b>	Graeme A	Paul McA	Graham F	Phil W	Bob H
<b>Grace &amp; Toast:</b>	Christine A	Enid H	Paul W	Stuart V	John F
<b>Rotary Knowledge</b>		Rob H Aust.Rotary Health	Rob D RAWCS	N/A	N/A
<b>Sergeant-At-Arms:</b>	Paul McA	Paul McA	Paul McA	Paul McA	N/A
<b>Scribe:</b>	Rob D	John F	Christine A	Graham F	N/A

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

## "MIKE'S MUSINGS....

Hi, all!

As I wrote this, the rain was still falling steadily, and preparation for the Monash Cluster's Family Fun Festival at the Melbourne Steam Traction Club in Ferntree Gully Road was probably awash. A shame for the organizers, but that's Melbourne weather for you! However, by the time you read this the sun has broken through the clouds and promises a fine afternoon. So hopefully a good time will be had by all.



Speaking of cluster groups, on Friday night I attended the Knox clubs' regular meeting prior to the District President's quarterly meeting. The five clubs have a great spirit of cooperation, and have special expertise in particular areas to share between them (e.g., our singular involvement with RJCA (Rotary Junior Community Award)). We have decided to redefine our role as a cluster, and do more at the cluster level on a more regular basis. From now on, we will be meeting every six weeks to keep each other filled in and working on projects that can help all of us and promote Rotary on an "All-of-Knox" basis. For starters, we will be organizing the District Youth seminar in February as a cluster – I will advise more of this soon. The District meeting outlined a few larger projects, some of which I think we should get behind. One such is RAM (Rotary Against Malaria) which is getting back its due emphasis after having been overshadowed by our world-wide Polio push for the last decade – it still affects 2 million annually in 100 countries, mostly around the Equator and especially in our region. We have a special interest in this project as Ken Thomson, our last charter member, was a PNG survivor from WWII and wanted something done for the people of the area. An annual donation to the RAM fund could be a great way of honouring Ken's efforts for our Club and Rotary.

I'll report more on the District meeting in next week's musings.

Remember to think about asking along a potential new member whom you know and would like to join "our happy little crew in our new home"!

Keep well, and happy! TTFN from Mike.

**Mike Spark**  
President

# "THE WEEK THAT WAS"

Monday 10th November 2014

Meeting Opened at 7.45 pm President Mike welcoming all members.

- Sergeant At Arms Mike to give the list to
- Enid of those that offered to do this duty.
- Discussion re Toast at beginning of meetings.
- As saying Grace is longer appropriate as it is after our meal. Suggestion that Toast to Rotary and Australia is modified to suit our new meeting venue.

## **Secretary Report : John Flemming**

- Read and distributed incoming mail
- John has been approached by Bunning's offering us additional sausage sizzle selling days additional 3 Fridays, Tuesday and Thursday's during school holidays and Easter Sunday. Members agreed to accept this offer.

## **Apologies:**

Greg Downs. Bob Hurst, Phil Walters, Tim McCarthy, Virginia Rutledge.

## **Make Ups:** Paul McAloney, Christine Anderson

## **Treasurers Report :** Enid Hughes

- Donations and Fund raising no movement since last month. Arrangement for a Credit Card for the club with Enid Hughes and John Flemming to use, for small amounts i.e. Guest Speakers Dinner and Drink.

## **Vocational:** Phil Walters

No report

## **Community:** Graeme Aspinall

- Men's Shed In Upper FTG National park is up and going and has 7 members enthusiastically cleaning the facility which then will be advertised for new members they need 20 to be incorporated.
- A list of volunteers to help 22<sup>nd</sup> November to cook and serve sausages
- November 29<sup>th</sup> FTG Discovery Day 10.00-3.00pm
- Glengullan Retirement Village has offered our club the opportunity to hold a sausage sizzle 29<sup>th</sup> Nov on Polling Day

## **International :** Paul McAoney

- The District International Seminar on Oct 26<sup>th</sup> was poorly attended . This could have been a great opportunity for new members to increase their Rotary Knowledge, Great speakers from sanitation education in Africa to Rotary in PNG.
- Enid suggested we ask for news of our Cambodian Family before sending our donation.

## **Youth Services :** Paul Wilson

- Knox Rotract working endlessly to seek new membership otherwise they will not be able to be incorporated.

## **Club Service :** Mike Spark

- Meeting to be arranged to discuss President Elect, Phil Walters has been away.

## **Fellowship :** Fran Mandergeddes

- Tickets sold out for Fawlty Towers. Fran to look at 2015 Year performances.
- Rotary Club FTG Christmas party what and where, Fran to arrange and report next meeting
- Men's Gifts for Foothills Community Care Christmas gift appeal PLEASE give donations to Fran ASAP.

## **Sergeant -At -Arms**

- Mike extracted fines from (very swiftly) all that did not get a win on the Melbourne Cup (that was all of us)

## **Skill :** John Flemming chose 2 of Hearts

## **Other Business:**

- Graham Faulkner spoke briefly on the Movember challenge
- Newspaper extract form Rotary Mt Albert their success for community Purple for Polio fund raising.
- Stuart Vize offered his apologies for missing the last 4 weeks of meetings

## **Rotary Knowledge :** Fran Mandergeddes

## **Rotary Peace Fellowships**

Each Year Rotary funds some of the world most dedicated professionals to study at our Rotary Peace Centre's. They are committed to the advancement of peace and often go on to serve as leaders in national governments, military, law enforcements and international organizations such as United Nations.

The Individuals receive fully funded academic degrees and the fellowship covers tuition fees room board round -trip transportation and all internship/field study expenses .

There are two types of peace fellowships available. Master's degree and professional development certificate.

There being no further business

President Mike read out the Induction to RC of Ferntree Gully - Graeme Aspinall 26 years ago.

Meeting Closed at 8.45 pm

**Scribe: Christine Anderson**

# CLUB NOTICE

With the recent relocation of our weekly club meetings to the Ferntree Gully Bowling Club, it immediately became apparent there would need to be some changes to our meeting procedures. This was discussed at length by Board members at last Monday's Board Meeting.

After much discussion, it was decided to trial the procedure/time schedule outlined below for a period of three weeks. The results of this trial will be put to and discussed by all members present at the next Club meeting (due to be held on Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> December).

The outcome of these discussions will be voted on by all members and taken to the Board for ratification at the next Board Meeting (scheduled to follow the Club meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> December).

## ALL MEETING NIGHTS

Club members to each decide the time they wish to arrive/order their meal and/or drinks in the dining area, bearing in mind the time of the meeting commencement (7-30 pm).

**All meetings will commence promptly at 7.30 p.m. in the Bowling Club's Boardroom.**

As we will have already eaten prior to the meeting, it is proposed to dispense with Grace and Toast - but this to be replaced with an Invocation said at the opening of the Meeting in the Boardroom.

At Speaker meetings, reports will only be submitted by those committee Chairs who have something to report – they will advise the meeting Chair who will call on them to report at the appropriate time. This saves wasted time spent on "No reports".

The Sergeant's session is to be limited in order to conserve time, with the method and content still open to ideas and suggestions. ("Short and effective" is the key aim)

The Board aims to have the meeting over and finished by 8.30 p.m.

## SPEAKER MEETING NIGHTS

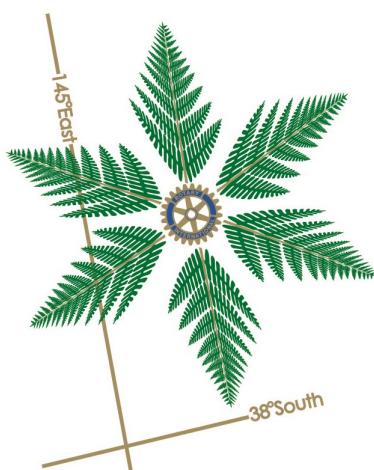
The Speaker will commence at or before 8.00 p.m. with a 20-minute (or thereabouts) presentation followed by 5-10 minutes of questions (longer if people are interested).

## CLUB MEETING NIGHTS

No speakers are scheduled for the Club Meeting night.

On Club meeting nights (the first Monday of the month), committee meetings will be held over dinner in the club's dining area, with reports being submitted by the relevant Chairs to the Club meeting afterwards.

The monthly Board Meeting will commence immediately following the closure of the monthly Club meeting.



# COMING UP SOON.....

**BarryPlant**  
Your red carpet experience

**CFA**

**Ferntree Gully CFA Open Day**

**Ferntree Gully Discovery Day**

**Saturday 29th November, 2014**

**10.00am to 3.00pm**

Home fire and bushfire safety plans

- Ambulance Victoria's "4 Steps for Life program" 10.30am and 1pm
- Library Fun-time story time at the fire station 10am and 2pm
- Golden Oldies 11.30am to 12.15pm
- CFA's BIG Red Community Education Bus and interactive displays
  - Children's fire engine and helicopter
  - Free Balloons, cut-out fire engines
- Coasters and stubby holders for the mums and dads
- CFA stall and FTG Library stalls on grass area

**Help us make Ferntree Gully a fire safe area!**

**Fire Calls 000**

*Your red carpet experience*  
Boronia 9762 6666 or 1300 REAL ESTATE

**ABCrealstate.com.au**

**FERNTREE GULLY VILLAGE**

**Discovery Day**  
with stories from the Gully

**Saturday November 29th 2014**  
from 10am to 3pm  
in and around Station Street, Ferntree Gully Village

**MUSIC & LIVE ENTERTAINMENT**

**ART AND CRAFT DISPLAYS**

**STORYTELLING & READING**

**FOOD AND DRINK OF ALL KINDS**

**GAMES AND ACTIVITIES**

**TRASH & TREASURE STALLS**

*A Family Day of Activities, Education, Fun & Entertainment!*

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**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
19th November	Graeme Aspinall
3rd December	Paul Wilson
17th December	Enid Hughes

Dinner provided  
Contact Graeme Aspinall for more information  
0425 432 290

## Annual District Foundation Dinner

**8th December 2014**

WHITEHORSE CLUB 298-336  
BURWOOD HIGHWAY

EAST BURWOOD

GUEST SPEAKER; RIPE RAVI RAVINDRAN

More details to follow

## SAUSAGE SIZZLE

**29th November 2014**

**Polling Day**

## Glengellan Village

Due to building works at FTG North Primary School the polling booth will be located at Glengellan Village

**Buy a sausage when you vote!**

**Volunteers needed**

**Please see John F**

**Or**

**Graeme A**



# District Governor Elect David Tolstrup announces his AG's team for 2015-16:

Dear all

I am delighted to announce that we now have a complete team of AGs for the 2015-16 Rotary Year.

**David Tolstrup [Alison]  
District Governor Elect [2015-16]  
Rotary District 9810**

## **D9810 Assistant Governors**

### **2015-16 Cluster Allocations**

CLUSTER	CLUBS	Confirmed 2015-16 A.G.
KINGSTON – GD – [A]	ASPENDALE BRAESIDE CHELSEA CHELTENHAM	LINDA O'BRIEN B.M.C.
KINGSTON – GD – [B]	DINGLEY VILLAGE MORDIALLOC NOBLE PARK SPRINGVALE CITY	CLAIRE BUTTON CHELSEA
MONASH [A]	CLAYTON GLEN WAVERLEY HUNTINGDALE MONASH	IAN ARMSTRONG NUNAWADING
MONASH [B]	MT. WAVERLEY OAKLEIGH WAVERLEY WHEELERS HILL	TOM BLAIR "e" CLUB
BAYSIDE – GE	BEAUMARIS BENTL. M C. HAMPTON MOORLEIGH MOOR SANDRINGHAM	WARREN FRICKE CLAYTON
WHITEHORSE	BOX HILL BOX HILL CENTRAL FOREST HILL MASH MITCHAM NUNAWADING	PAUL MEE MANNINGHAM
MANNINGHAM	DONCASTER MANNINGHAM TEMPLESTOWE WARRANDYTE DONVALE	ENID HUGES FERN TREE GULLY