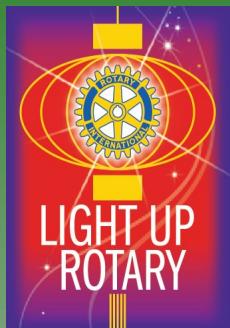


Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully Inc.



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Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully



WEEKLY BULLETIN



RC FERN TREE GULLY'S APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR AWARD

President Mike Spark and Vocations Chair Phil Walters took great pleasure in presenting **JAMES PENN** with a cheque and certificate for his efforts in pursuing a career as an electrician. James is doing his apprenticeship under the auspices of the Apprenticeship Groups Australia. An organisation that thinks very highly of him.

Well done James!

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UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Monday 30th Mar [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 6th Apr [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 13th April [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 20th April [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 27th April [6.30 for 7.00]
Venue:	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club
Program:	Clinical Depression	Easter	Committee Meeting	South African Trip	YEP - A Year in Austria
Speaker:	Jacqui Chaplin	Monday	N/A	Nicole Pennings	Rhiannon Ives
Committee Subject	N/A		TBA	N/A	N/A
Chair:	Phil W	NO	Paul McA	Paul W	Christine A
Cashiers:	Fran M		Paul W	Virginia R	Graeme A
Rotary Toast	Virginia R	MEETING	Graham F	Paul McA	Enid H
Rotary Knowledge	Phil W Avenues of Service		N/A	N/A	Paul W RYLA
Sergeant-At-Arms:	Bob H		Rob D	Rob D	Rob D
Scribe:	Paul W		Christine A	Bob H	Paul McA

<i>Birthdays:</i>	8th April—Fran Mandergeddes
<i>Wedding Anniversaries:</i>	8th April—Anne & John Flemming
<i>Induction to RC of Fern Tree Gully</i>	5th April—Christine Anderson—'14

“MIKE’S MUSINGS....

Hi, all!

Graeme (in my absence) met with the Knox Rotary Cluster Presidents and some Knox City Council officers on Thursday night to review our efforts at the Knox Festival. The agenda business could not be concluded in well over the given time, so another meeting will be held this coming Thursday night with the Cluster presidents, president-elects and Community Directors to discuss the roles and level of Rotary’s involvement in upcoming Knox City Council events. (Some financial compensation views need to be resolved by some of the cluster clubs, it appears - more to be reported later!)

Last week’s meeting saw our 2014/15 (“Peter Wiley”) Apprenticeship Award given to James Penn, an apprentice with Tenix. His parents from Pearcedale also attended and enjoyed our hospitality, as did Matthew Muller, the Apprenticeships Group Australia (AGA) person, who was our Guest speaker – it was interesting to see how AGA keep the apprenticeships going for the required time over multiple employers, so that the young tradies finish their necessary training.

Many thanks to all the club members who worked hard on both Saturday night (snags and hamburgers from 6 - 8-30 pm) and Sunday morning (cooked breakfast from 6! – 9-30 am), feeding the very many happy people who participated in this year’s “Knox Relay for Life” event at Knox Park. Our thanks also go to Ferntree Gully Holden for supplying their great mobile BBQ, and Baker’s Delight who donated the buns.

To help the Bowling club cater for another larger event, we will be trialling eating and meeting in part of the big main room (partitioned off, of course) for this week’s meeting. We’ll see how it works on Monday – comments to me afterwards, please. Keep well, and happy! TTFN from Mike.



Mike Spark
President

"THE WEEK THAT WAS"

Monday, 23rd March 2015

The meeting opened at 7.40pm with Pres Mike (there being no guest speaker) welcomed all members.

Presidents Announcements:

- Thanked Fran M for the theatre night. It was great.
- Went to Rotaract 5th birthday (Monash Club)
- Welcomed James Penn, Matthew Muller, and Ed & Tracey Penn (James' parents)
- Welcomed Sean as a non-member (for the last time)
- Will be attending a meeting to review of Knox Festival on Thursday
- Weekly Club meeting eating/seating arrangements to be reviewed at the end of this meeting.
- Possible cluster dinner—26th May. TBC.

Chairman: Phil Walters

Chairman's Reports:

Secretary: John Flemming

- Read the incoming mail

Apologies: Rob Dawson, Virginia Rutledge,

Treasurer: Enid Hughes

- No Report but apologised for the distribution problems of the bulletin.

Vocational Phil Walters

No report

Community: Graeme Aspinall

- Relay for Life & Bunnings rosters are publicised.
- Tuesday/Thursday/Friday sausage sizzles are also coming up.
- Community Raffle—June/July sale of tickets.
- More sausage sizzles in the June/July period also.

International: Paul McAloney

No report

Youth: Paul Wilson

No report

Club Service: Paul McAloney

No report

Fellowship: Fran Mandergeddes.

- Vicar of Dibley was great fun—characters were so similar to the TV show. They had to add an additional show.
- Secret Bridesmaids' Business is the next show. 12th June was suggested (follows the Queen's Birthday holiday)

Induction of New Member:

President Mike took great pleasure in inducting new member **Sean Campbell** to the Club. Members welcomed him!

Fines Session: Sergeant Rob Hurst ripped our dollars off us. The poor apprentices took a hiding!

Skill: Paul W drew 5 of diamonds—Hooray!

PROGRAM: APPRENTICESHIP AWARD

Phil Walters introduced Matthew Muller of the AGA on behalf of the apprenticeship body, who thanked James' parents for coming from Pearcedale for the occasion.

James is an Electrical Apprentice.

AGA is a group training body looking after 1,000 local employees. Started in Gippsland and is now in Melbourne. Matthew gets satisfaction from assisting and training apprentices. He sees a big change in training returning to the schools.

Matthew is a field officer who mentors 90-odd electrical apprentices and emphasised the importance of support by trainers and employers in ensuring successful apprenticeships.

Questions:

- Group training organisations can find different employers for varying lengths of time. A benefit for both employer and apprentice. Continuity is also a busy area.
- Automotive area/engineers are generally long term commitments. Some others (plumbing) are much shorter.
- AGA also helps the apprentices to find a job on completion of their apprenticeship.
- Female apprenticeship—a female cable joiner has just won an "Apprentice of the Year" award. Women are mostly going for electrical.

Pres Mike presented the Award. James Penn thanked the club for the award and both Matt and his parents for their support.

Mike then thanked Phil for the effort he had put in in organising the Award, dealt with the housekeeping matters and closed the meeting at 8.55pm

Sean C to present the club with a short, personal profile on 13th April.

Scribe: John Flemming



Pres. Mike inducts new member Sean Campbell

BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLE ROSTER

9.00—12.00 p.m. 12.00—3.00 pm

Tuesday, 31st March

Graeme Aspinall John Flemming Virginia Rutledge	Graeme Aspinall John Flemming Enid Hughes
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Tuesday, 7th April

Graeme Aspinall John Flemming Virginia Rutledge	Graeme Aspinall John Flemming Graham Faulkner
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Thursday, 9th April

Graeme Aspinall John Flemming Virginia Rutledge	Graeme Aspinall Enid Hughes Mike Spark
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Tuesday, 30th April

Graeme Aspinall John Flemming Rob Dawson	Graeme Aspinall John Flemming Rob Dawson
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BUNNINGS—EASTER SUNDAY ROSTER

Sunday, 5th April

8.30—11.00 a.m.	11.00—1.30 pm	1.30—4.00 pm
Graeme Aspinall John Flemming Paul Wilson Mike Spark	Graeme A John F Christine A Mike S	Graeme A John F Enid Hughes Paul McAloney



Community Kitchen Roster - 2015

Guide Hall

Underwood Rd

Ferntree Gully (Next to train station car park)

Rotary roster - every second Wednesday, 5.30pm

DATE	ROTARIAN
8th April	Enid Hughes
22nd April	Graeme Aspinall
6th May	Paul McAloney
20th May	John Flemming
3rd June	Paul Wilson
17th June	Christine Anderson
1st July	Paul McAloney
15th July	John Flemming
29th July	Graeme Aspinall
12th August	Paul Wilson
26th August	John Flemming
9th September	Paul McAloney
23rd September	Christine Anderson
7th October	Graeme Aspinall
21st October	Paul Wilson
4th November	
18th November	John Flemming
2nd December	Graeme Aspinall
16th December	Christine Anderson

Dinner provided

Contact Graeme Aspinall for more

information

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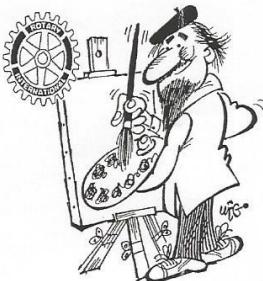
41ST KNOX ART SHOW

Come and see over 400 paintings
all for sale at great prices.

Saturday 18th April 2015
& Sunday 19th April.

Open: 10am to 4:30pm both days.

Entry: \$5.00 and children under 12 free.



We have wonderful displays of
Photographs, Quilts, Wood Turning and
Paintings by local primary school children.

For further information go to:

www.knoxartshow.org.au

or contact the **Rotary Club of Bayswater**

P.O.Box 17, Bayswater

or Secretary: 0416 297 256

Knox Arts Centre & Senior Citizens Rooms
Corner of Mountain Highway & Scoresby Road



Newly formed - The Gully Men's Shed Inc

The Victorian Men's Shed Association in conjunction with Parks Victoria has made it possible for a small group of men to begin this new shed. Working as friends of the park they are currently setting up their new home.

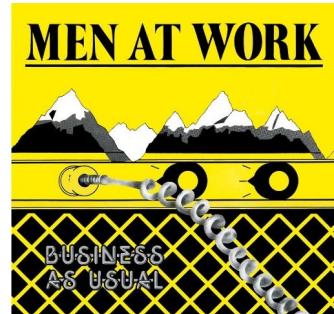
Men's Sheds are places to meet and socialise with other people with similar aims and are reputed to have beneficial effects on mental and physical health.

The common theme in all sheds is about men feeling useful and contributing again to their communities, learning or sharing their skills, making friends, networking and availing themselves of health information programs and opportunities.

The Gully Men's Shed Inc is based in the Dandenong Ranges National Park, Upper Ferntree Gully at the base of the iconic 1000 steps. Whilst newly formed and in its foundation stage we invite likeminded people to join our small group. We currently meet on Monday's and Thursday's between 9.30am and 3.00pm and hope to be fully operational within the coming months.

For further information contact President: Paul Maloney 0407 560 168 or Secretary: Geof Thake 0408 539 873

Submitted by
Graeme Aspinall
The Gully Men's Shed Inc





Knox Rotaract Club



Rotaract



HELP

Work on projects that help locally and internationally (or start your own!)



LEARN

Learn new tips and skills from guest speakers and club members



ENJOY

Join social events to have fun and make life-long Rotaract friends

About

"Rotaract is a global organisation that empowers students and young professionals to create positive change in their local communities and around the world."

Get Involved at our interest session!

If you're aged 18-30 and would like to learn more about us, come along to our interest session. Finger food and soft drinks will be provided, alcohol is available from the bar.

Join



Location:

Knox Club
480 Boronia Road,
Wantirna South, VIC



Date:

30th of April, 2015



Time:

7:30PM



Send us an email: knoxrotaract@gmail.com



Or join us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/KnoxRotaract



See you there!