

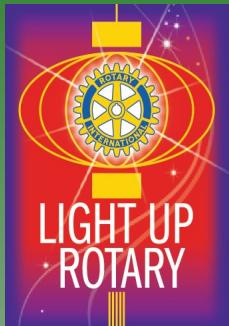
# Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully Inc.



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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



### Fairhills Highschool Principal—Harvey Wood Pictured above with Club Secretary Elect Christine Anderson

14 students are hoping to make a trip to Thailand as a community project and came to our club on Monday to present their case, seeking financial help from Rotary.

They made a very good case!

Well done to the three students who gave an excellent presentation.

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# UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Monday 18th May [6.30 for 7.00]	Tuesday 26th May [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 1st June [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 8th June	Monday 15th June [6.30 for 7.00]
<b>Venue:</b>	FTG Bowling Club	Tosario Restaurant/Café	FTG Bowling Club		FTG Bowling Club
<b>Program:</b>	Nepal - Child Slavery		Committee Meeting	Queen's	TBA
<b>Speaker:</b>	Tony Stokes		N/A	Birthday	
<b>Committee Subject</b>	N/A	CLUSTER	TBA		N/A
<b>Chair:</b>	Rob D	MEETING	Paul McA	NO	Graham F
<b>Cashiers:</b>	Fran M		Graeme A		Paul McA
<b>Rotary Toast</b>	Virginia R		Paul W	MEETING	Enid H
<b>Rotary Knowledge</b>	Graham F Polio Plus		Phil W - Avenues of Service		N/A
<b>Sergeant-At-Arms:</b>	Graham F		Fran M		Fran M
<b>Scribe:</b>	Paul W		Christine A		Rob D

<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!



PE Paul and I attended the quarterly President's meeting at the Mulgrave Country Club last Friday week, and a Knox cluster meeting prior to it, where the Cluster presidents decided not to continue with the proposed long-term involvement with Knox City council to organize the Knox Festival. Instead, we felt that there were better ways to help our community as a Rotary group, without the constraints of working with the Council staff and procedures. Our experiences with the pilot project at this year's Festival, along with the experiences of Council workings by other clubs in recent years, were major factors in the decision not to go ahead.

The Volunteer Expo on Saturday at the Community Arts Centre/Library was very well attended by a wide variety of local organisations – thanks to our members who manned the Rotary desk and responded to the enquiries.

Phil Walters will not be renewing his membership next year due to the pressure of work commitments in his "energetic" industry – he will be missed, but hopes to return to Rotary in the medium term.

I'm writing this before going to District Assembly, and am looking forward to another interesting Sunday morning at the other end of the Planet Earth (i.e., the District) in Parkdale! – those attending will give you their thoughts and reports at the meeting on Monday.

Keep well, and happy! TTFN from Mike.

**Mike Spark**  
President

# "THE WEEK THAT WAS"

Monday, 11th May 2015

The meeting was opened at 7.00 pm By President Elect Paul McAloney

## President Elect Announcements:

- Paul McAloney welcomed Teachers and students from FairHills High School
- Bendigo Community Bank along with the Rotary Clubs of Knox are having a Post Budget Breakfast meeting 27<sup>th</sup> May 7.00am at Wally Tew Reserve Glenfern Rd FTG.

## Chairman: Graeme Aspinall

- Welcomed all visitors from FairHills High School to present their forth coming Community trip to Thailand

## Secretary: (John Flemming)

- Read and distributed the incoming mail

## Apologies Rob Dawson Mike Spark Enid Hughes

## Make-Ups None

## Treasurer: Enid Hughes

No Report

## Community: Graeme Aspinall

- Great Community Raffle to commence in June, Roster will be set up

## International: Paul McAloney

No Report

## Youth: Paul Wilson

- Paul Mc and Paul W have interviewed one applicant last week and there is another this week for RYLA 6th-11<sup>th</sup> July.
- Report back next week

## Fellowship: Fran Mandergeddes

- Stage Works presenting "One Slight Hitch" 8-23<sup>rd</sup> May 3/21 Stud Rd Bayswater Fran is making a booking for 16<sup>th</sup> May

## Club Service: Paul McAloney

- Reminding all members District Assembly 17<sup>th</sup> May
- Club direction for 2015-2016
- Aims for year, goals, projects please send to Paul McAloney
- Ferntree Gully Volunteer Expo Sat May 16<sup>th</sup>.
- By the time you all read this, hope as many members as possible were able to attend these very important events

## Sergeant-at Arms: Graham Falkner

- Graham relieved our stress and wallets

## Skill: Graeme Aspinall drew 6 Spades

## Guest Speakers: Fairhills Students and Teachers

- Three students gave a very informative talk why 14 students and teachers are going to Thailand to assist communities in Burma
- To learn other cultures, help complete community projects, by providing tools, teach children to speak English, provide sporting equipment and teaching aids.
- The students showed motivation and passion for this project, and are fundraising to assist the trip.
- Weekly sausage sizzles at Bunnings and Masters, a chocolate drive, Fancy Dress day at school, and a Trivia Night.
- Any additional funds donated will be put towards the local community projects they will take part in.

There being no further business President Elect Paul Maloney closed the meeting at 8.30 pm

Scribe Phil Walters

## 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
20th May	Paul McAloney
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  
0425 432 290



&   
invite  
you to a **FREE**

## Post Budget Business Breakfast

Seats are limited to 100  
So book your seat today

27th May 2015 6:45 for  
7:00am start to 8:30am  
Breakfast included

Feature Presentation  
Post budget analysis by  
David Robertson



Head of Financial Markets & Business Finance Bendigo Bank

Venue Ferntree Gully Football Club – Club Rooms

Contact Neil White on 0418 378 647 / [nwhite@kingston.com.au](mailto:nwhite@kingston.com.au)

or

Kevin Harrison 0419 919011/[kevin@smfe.com.au](mailto:kevin@smfe.com.au)  
to reserve your seats

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Rotary Club  
of Noble Park

CELEBRATING



1965 - 2015

The President and Members of the Rotary Club of Noble Park warmly invite you to celebrate with us the 50th Anniversary of the foundation of our Club

**SOUTHERN GOLF CLUB**  
Lower Dandenong Road, Keysborough

**\$60**  
per person

**Sunday 14th June 2015**  
11.30am for 12 noon until 4.00pm

RSVP Friday 29th May, 2015

**DRESS CODE**  
Smart casual  
with jacket

**DRINKS**  
at bar prices

### Reply slip

I accept with pleasure

Names

Address

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Special Dietary requirements: \_\_\_\_\_

Please sit me with: \_\_\_\_\_

Total amount @ \$60 per person: \_\_\_\_\_

### PAYMENT

Cheque or Money Order please send to:  
The Rotary Club of Noble Park,  
PO Box 59, Noble Park, Victoria 3174

EFT Internet Electronic Banking:  
BSB 063 - 154 Account Number 1063 - 2162 (CBA Bank)  
The Rotary Club of Noble Park General Account

IMPORTANT: Please include your name as a reference when making a payment

Tickets will be forwarded on receipt of your reply

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# Nasavusavu Special Ed – student update 23 February 2015.

Bula,

Just returned from visit with Maria Gilatabu, headmistress, who says she is retiring at the end of next week. I was introduced to Teang who will be taking her place.

Brief recaps on students 2014-2015. For those that have shifted to the Nasavusavu District School that is due to a teacher who was willing to take the students on. They are able to return to the Special School if they need to.

Aleksi - no longer sponsored - age 11 boy, had been a non-reader, attended for 2-3 years, he progressed in his reading and parents requested he attend the primary closer to them

Nemani - now sponsored at Nasavusavu District School next door, age 9 boy, attended for 3 years, had behavioral issues, now in class 1 new school and is coping well

Ruveni - now sponsored at Nasavusavu District School next door, age 14 boy, attended for 2 years due to being a weak reader, now in class 7

Grake - now sponsored at Nasavusavu District School next door, age 15 boy, attended for 5 years due to being a weak reader, now in class 7 and doing well, looking at 2 more years in school then on to vocational school, musical ability

Jonasa - age 11 boy, lives with elderly grandparents and attends school 3 days per week, poor communication skills, working on activities of daily living (ie toileting skills), long term student

Maria - age 11 girl, has Down's Syndrome, has attended for 3 years, communication difficulties, may move to Nasavusavu District School in 2016

Nayana - age 10 girl, has attended for 2 years, did not start school at normal age, also goes to kindergarten in her village, now in year 3, physically challenged, sometime after birth became unable to use her legs, she now uses a wheelchair and a walker as well as walking around holding the walkway rails, speaks well, helpful in sweeping and mopping

Jovani - age 11 boy, in year 3, came for 1 year then off 1 year returning in 2014, behavioral issues, slow mentally, need help with reading, may move the Nasavusavu District School next door in the future

Semiti - age 10 boy, referred from his former primary school as a non-reader, had eye problems and Rotary helped with expenses so he could visit a clinic several hours away, now has glasses, will return to primary school next year

Alisi - age 12 girl, has attended for 5 years, rheumatic heart disease, parents kept her at home so started school a bit late, parents prefer she remain at the Special School and re-inforce with her that she is fragile and weak, they are working to help her realise that she can do more, she may be moved to a primary school in the future

Losana - age 14 girl, started schooling at age 10-11, referred in 2014 from former primary school, communication issues, is now coping well and is the head girl prefect

Salote - age 12 girl, has attended for 8 years, has multiple disabilities - communication, mental

Asline - age 18 girl, has attended for 10 years, small for her age, her mood changes affect her abilities, can read, has some memory and mental issues, mother has requested cooking skills be reinforced

