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WEEKLY BULLETIN



KRISTIAN DAUNCEY, CEO OF KNOXBROOKE RENEWES TIES WITH RC FTG

Kristian has himself only been with Knoxbrooke for about six months but was able to relate to members the history of how our club was involved in establishing his organisation almost fifty years ago. What a long way they've come! From providing transport for disabled children to the multi-million dollar operation it is today.

We look forward to being a part of Knoxbrooke's 50th Anniversary celebrations next March.

Thank you Kristian—it's good to renew ties with old friends.

UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Monday 8th August [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 15th August [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 22nd August [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 29th August [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 5th Sept [6.30 for 7.00]
Venue:	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club
Program:	Tin Legs & Toasting Forks	Committee Meeting	Bridge Builders Youth Org.	Knox Council's Grants Program	TBA
Speaker:	Jim McPhee RC Monbulk	N/A	TBA	Deb Robert	TBA
Committee Subject	N/A	Group B	N/A	N/A	N/A
Chair:	Paul W	Ray H	Martin B	John F	Bob H
Rotary Toast	Fran M	Martin B	John F	Enid H	Gary B
Cashier:	Paul McA	Mike S	Fran M	Gary B	Graeme A
Scribe:	Bob H	Paul McA	Sean C	Bob H	Gary B
Rotary Knowledge	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sergeant-At-Arms:	Martin B	Graeme A	Ray H	Ray H	Ray H
Partners' Night	Yes	No	No	No	No

Birthdays:

Wedding Anniversaries:

Induction to RC of Fern Tree Gully

None

None



CHRISTINE'S CHATTERBOX

What an inspirational presentation from our guest speaker last Monday— Kristian Dauncey CEO of Knoxbrooke. Kristian read out the first board minutes recorded 49 years ago, when our club along with the Rotary Club of Belgrave gave initial financial support to the purchasing of the land on Burwood Highway where the day facilities of Knoxbrooke still stand. We truly look forward to sharing the business success they have achieved over the last 50 years at their celebration next March.

It is always such a great pleasure to introduce fellow Rotarians who visit our club, and on Monday we welcomed Russell Marnock and his wife Marjolein from the RC of Emerald and Allan Tierney from RC of Boronia.

Ray Hollis and I attended a community meeting at MDLC to start the ball rolling for this year's FTG Community day to be held at the end of November. This annual event looks like it will be not

known as a FTG Discovery Day; possibly "Blue Dandenong's Twilight Festival" we will give more exciting details to you all on Monday night.

Friday 12th Aug is our District 9810 Annual Foundation Seminar. As we approach the 100th year Foundation celebration I encourage all members to attend, as this is going to be a wonderful way to celebrate and show case the Rotary success 100 year story. If you are unable to attend I would love to hear from our club members who have played a huge part of this milestone your ideas, so they can be voiced at this seminar.

Monday night we have a very interesting speaker Jim McPhee who will present "Tin Legs and Toasting Forks". This is our monthly Partners Night, so looking forward to seeing all our partners. "We Love your company and always look forward to having you at our meetings".

Hoping you are all having a great week and are enjoying the sunshine.

Yours in Rotary
Christine Anderson
President 2016-2017



"THE WEEK THAT WAS"

Monday, 1st August, 2016

President Christine

Christine opened the meeting at 7pm by welcoming our guests. Kristian Dauncey, CEO of Knoxbrooke who was our speaker for the night and also visiting Rotarians Russel and Marlene from Emerald and Alan from Boronia.

Chairman: Mike Spark

Chairman's Reports

Secretary's Report (Christine Anderson in the absence of Paul McAloney)

Christine reported that our DG Carol Lawton commented on how pleased she was that we were getting involved with some local projects such as the garden beds we expect to be erecting for Eastern Ranges School. Is also delighted with our ongoing commitment to help eradicate Polio.

Apologies: Gary Braddock, Paul McAloney, Paul Wilson, Graham Faulkner.

Community: Ray Hollis

Reported that we expect to be building 6 garden beds for Eastern Ranges School. While the cost of this is \$1,100.00 it is hoped that Bunnings will cover some or all of the cost, this point is still to be finalised.

Fellowship.: Fran Mandergeddes

Fran is seeking donations of parcels towards the annual church lunch. Items are especially required for men and teenage boys.

Fundraising: Graeme Aspinall.

Graeme reported that we had made \$1,519.00 from the sale of raffle tickets plus donations from The Great Community Raffle.

Other: Rotaract.

Alan from RC Boronia told us about a wonderful evening that he had attended at the Rotaract changeover. The Knox Rotaract club which currently consists of only 3 members managed to collect 1 group award and 2 individual awards.

PROGRAM.

Guest Speaker– Kristian Dauncey CEO Knoxbrooke

Kristian gave a very interesting and informative talk about the beginnings and growth of Knoxbrooke.

Knoxbrooke was originally started to provide a transport service for disabled children in the outer eastern suburbs. It has grown into a multi million dollar organisation providing work

and training opportunities for handicapped adults. They currently employ in excess of 200 people, some of whom are handicapped that have been trained by the staff at Knoxbrooke. They will be celebrating their 50th anniversary on the 25th of March 2017.

Scribe: Ray Hollis



MEMBERSHIP

(The importance of wearing the Rotary Lapel Pin)

I would like to share with you a lovely encounter that I had during the week.

I was travelling home from work on the tram from Port Melbourne. I was sitting next to a beautiful young lady who kept smiling at me. This continued all the way to Southern Cross Station.

I thought to myself "Nah, get a grip. You're a 62 year old bloke!"

I got off the tram at Southern Cross Station as did the lady. She approached me and asked if she could introduce herself. At this point I was thinking that this was really weird! She said that she couldn't help but notice that I was a Rotarian (I was wearing my pin on that day). She told me that she was a recent arrival from Uganda and that she was also a Rotarian there and would very much like to join a club here and could I assist her?

I told her that I would be delighted to do that. We exchanged mobile phone numbers as well as email addresses and she advised me that she was living in Port Melbourne and would like to join her local club. As luck would have it, I have a friend who is a member of that club. I have passed on Stella's details to my friend who has agreed to call her and arrange to take her to the next meeting.

It was a really nice end to my day!

Gary Braddock
Vocations Chair

D9810 Rotary Foundation Seminar



The Rotary Foundation - What next!!

Friday 12 August 2016

You are invited to join your Rotary Foundation Committee at our annual Seminar.

When: 6:45pm for 7:00pm Friday 12 August 2016, to 9:15pm followed by tea/coffee and biscuits.

Where: Matsudo Room - Box Hill Town Hall - Whitehorse Road, Box Hill.

Whilst the programme is still being finalised the aim will be to **"Focus on the Magic"** of our Foundation.

Club Presidents, International and Foundation chairs and all with an interest in learning more about our Foundation and developing a District or Global Grant are most welcome.

I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible.

RSVP: Please confirm the details of your club attendees by emailing PDG Bob Richards as below.

Special Note: There is no cost to attend.

Committee Meeting Reports:

Following the new style of Committee Meetings President Christine has asked each of the Committee Chairs to submit a written report to the Board. Below are three of the reports submitted for the August Board Meeting. Each week, we'll be printing one or two of these reports so that members are kept up to date with what is happening in the club.

The editor (and President Christine) will be happy to receive your feedback on this new development.

Enid Hughes
Editor

MINUTES OF COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, 25th July 2016

PRESENT. Ray Hollis, Graeme Aspinall, Graham Faulkner.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION.

Garden beds at Eastern Ranges School.
Happy feet.

ACTION TO BE TAKEN.

- Email John at Eastern Ranges to check how many beds they require, can we get weekend access, (email sent but as yet no reply). Also need to contact Alison at Buntings regard assistance re cost through their community programme. Once we have answers to these points we then need to organise delivery and a date for construction and a workforce.
- Graeme would like to get confirmation from the board that we are going ahead with the Happy Feet programme before continuing. Once this is established he will then locate a suitable venue and investigate suitable participants to run the activities.

OTHER MATTERS DISCUSSED.

- Fundraising was discussed but not in great detail.

Ray Hollis
Community Chair

MINUTES OF INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday 25th July 2016

Present: Sean Campbell, Mike Spark, Enid Hughes

Matters for discussion:

Suggestions for projects

- New project vs supporting another club's existing project (eg: Interplast, Wheelchairs for Kids)
- Benevolent Fund – Unspent capital plus drawn down amount to add up to a specified amount (eg \$5000). This to be spent on suitable 'Benevolent Account' projects

Action to be taken:

- 2 x project ideas for Benevolent Fund
- 2 x project ideas for fundraising project
- Meet @ St Josephs SC to discuss possible joint project (free dress day? Fundraising?)

Other Matters Discussed:

- Contact David Alexander to discuss possible project ideas.

Sean Campbell
International Chair

COMMITTEE MEETING MEMBERSHIP

Monday 25th Aug 2016

THOSE PRESENT Martin Boettcher Paul McAloney Christine Anderson

Apology: John Flemming

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

- District Membership Seminar Aug 22nd 2016 Ideas were discussed that have proved successful in other clubs to attract new members Aug is Membership month
- All Members have been handed a form to nominate one name of someone as a potential member.
- The membership committee will invite the person or persons to a lunch to be held at Martins home on Sunday 28th Aug. About 20 people can attend where a brief discussion about Rotary is explained by club members. Names to be forwarded to membership Committee by 22nd Aug
- A welcome to Rotary pack be handed out HELP TO CREATE PACK IS REQUIRED

TARGET NEW MEMBERS:

- Real Estate agents hand out a welcome pack to new residents when a home is sold
- Suggested that a vibrant Rotary leaflet be in the pack
- HELP REQUIRED
 - To create a one page leaflet
 - To contact local real estate agents
- Knox Council also hand out a welcome to the City OF Knox pack
- Can we put a leaflet in this welcome pack?
- As we move forward
 - Teachers from both Faihills and Eastern Ranges school, the schools might give names of new children moving into the area
- Create a Face book Ad to sell the club
- Order the Vibrant Tee Shirts and hats for all members and partners and then supply to new members and partners. A fund raiser to pay for this will have to be arranged
- We require the shirts by October for The Ferntree Gull Fun Day.

Martin Boettcher
(on behalf of John Flemming)

IMPORTANT DATES TO DIARISE.....

Date: 2016	Program.	Speaker
August	is Membership & New Club Development month	
8-Aug	Tin Legs and Toasting Forks	Jim McPhee, RC of Monbulk
12-Aug	Foundation Seminar	
15-Aug	Committees' Meeting	Group B
19-Aug	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
19-Aug	Presidents' Quarterly Mtg.	Mulgrave Country Club
22-Aug	Bridge Builders Youth Org.	TBA
29-Aug	Knox Council's Grants Program	Deb Robert
Sept	is Basic Education and Literacy Month	
5-Sep		
12-Sep	Impact for Women	Kathy Kaplan
16-Sep	Youth Service Seminar	
19-Sep	Committees' Meeting	Group A
26-Sep		
30-Sep	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
October	is Economic and Community Development month	
3-Oct		
7-Oct	Community Service Seminar	
10-Oct		
14-Oct	Social Media Seminar A (Fri)	
15-Oct	Social Media Seminar B (Sat)	
17-Oct	Committees' Meeting	Group B
24-Oct		
28-Oct	Vocational Service Seminar	
31-Oct	Cup Eve - No Meeting	
November	is Rotary Foundation month	
7-Nov		
11-Nov	Pre PETS	
14-Nov		
18-Nov	International Service Seminar	
21-Nov	Committees' Meeting	Group A
25-Nov	Presidents' Quarterly Mtg.	Mulgrave Country Club
28-Nov		





Dear fellow Rotarians,

I embarked on my road to Rotary thanks to George Campbell, a dear friend and mentor who taught me the importance of civic responsibility. My former boss saw a potential leader in me and I thank him for his guidance. After starting down that road, I met many other Rotarians walking the same path. They offered me their help, shared advice, and made sure I kept moving in the right direction.

I am the person I am today because of Rotary. To be a member of the Rotary family is to be a part of something much bigger than yourself. It means that you are a member of a diverse, worldwide team whose members together have provided extraordinary service to humanity.

As we celebrate Membership Month this August, I hope you reflect not only on your road to Rotary, but also how to help set others down that road. As club and district leaders, you set the example for your fellow Rotarians as active, engaged members of our organization. You not only play an important role in inspiring current members, but also in attracting new ones. There is a potential Rotarian in anyone who cares about their community and strives to make the world a better place. Finding a new member can be as simple as inviting someone you know to your next meeting or engaging Rotaractors and alumni.

Providing you with the materials to help cultivate and maintain membership is something Rotary is striving to do, now more than ever. Clubs can use our new [Rotary Club Health Check](#) and [Membership Assessment Tools](#) to identify their problem areas and develop strategies to address them. Also available is [Impact Begins with You](#), a regionalized brochure for prospective members available on shop.rotary.org. As part of our Membership Month celebrations, Rotary is offering a 20% discount on orders of this prospective member brochure (up to 20 packs of 5) through August 31.

The membership flexibility legislation approved during the 2016 Council on Legislation provides clubs with the freedom to determine how meetings are held, who is invited to join, and what defines engagement, which can help them grow into vibrant, successful clubs. You can read more about what some Rotary clubs are doing. There are also new videos on membership flexibility that help better define and explain what clubs can now do, which are available.

I hope that on 11 August, at 10 a.m. Chicago time, you and your fellow Rotarians will be able to join me and Rotary Vice-President Jennifer Jones for a Facebook Live video chat. We'll be talking about the importance of membership and taking questions. More information is available on [my Facebook page](#).

This Membership Month, I want you all to remember that you are helping build a team that can and will strengthen your local community and make the world a better place for all who live in it, because Together Everyone Achieves More.

Thank you again for all that you do for your clubs and districts, and that you will continue to do all you can to be part of Rotary Serving Humanity.

Sincerely,
John F. Germ
Rotary International President, 2016-17

