

Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully Inc.



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CAROL LAWTON & Frank
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President,

CHRISTINE ANDERSON
Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully

Benefactor,

IVAN GIGOVIC,
Vale: August 2003
Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully



WEEKLY BULLETIN



COMMITTEE MEETINGS

(above—Graeme Aspinall outlines his plans and ideas for Fundraising)

President Christine's new style of committee meetings seems to be working well. All we need now is for the Avenues of Service Chairs to get used to submitting a written monthly report to the Board.

From the buzz in the room it was obvious there is a new vibrancy sweeping the club. Sausage Sizzles abound and we've got the project of building raised garden beds for the Eastern Ranges School coming up shortly. Anyone interested in helping, please contact our Community Chair—Ray Hollis.

UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Monday 26th Sept [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 3rd October [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 10th Oct [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 17th Oct [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 24th Oct [6.30 for 7.00]
Venue:	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club
Program:	Concern Australia	St John's Ambulance	The Big Red Kidney Bus	Committee Meeting	TBA
Speaker:	Michelle Crawford, CEO	Steven Wise	Jo Fairbairn	N/A	TBA
Committee Subject	N/A	N/A	N/A	Group B	N/A
Chair:	Paul W	Fran M	Graeme A	Sean C	Paul McA
Rotary Toast	Fran M	Graeme A	Sean C	Enid H	John F
Cashier:	Graeme A / Gary B	Ray H John F	Martin B / Paul McA	Graeme A / Gary B	Ray H / John F
Scribe:	Martin B	Sean C	Gary B	Ray H	Bob H
Rotary Knowledge	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sergeant-At-Arms:	Mike S	Mike S	Mike S	Fran M	Fran M
Partners' Night	No	No	Yes	No	No

<i>Birthdays:</i>	30th—Sean Campbell
<i>Wedding Anniversaries:</i>	None
<i>Induction to RC of Fern Tree Gully</i>	None



CHRISTINE'S CHATTERBOX

Our fundraising sausage sizzling kings are again hard at work this week, braving the elements at Bunnings. A huge thank you to all that are working so tirelessly towards supporting the funds for all for our club projects.

Committee meetings were held at Monday night's meeting for Community, International, Vocational and Membership. Can't wait to see the reports, as the room sounded full of wonderful discussions and enthusiasm.

Hope you all have a read District 9810 HIGHLIGHTS which is emailed to all members don't worry if you didn't get to see it, a copy will be distributed at next week's meeting. Great inspiration for us to see what other clubs in our district are up to. Hope that we will also be able to contribute and advertise within the next few months eg :Our Antique Road Show"

We are slowly making progress with our club's meeting venue in regard to the room and meals. Keep your comments coming; it's up to all members to make sure that our meetings are looking efficient, vibrant, inviting and affordable to potential new members? Your input is essential.

Our Guest speaker this Monday is Michelle Crawford CEO of Concern Australia. I am personally looking forward to hearing of the work that this Non for profit organisation does for young people in our community

Enjoy your week, enjoy the footy fever leading up to the "BIG MATCH" and for those who are glad it will all be over soon, just one week to suffer. Make sure you have the job list ready for all those jobs that have been neglected over the last few months .???

Yours in Rotary
Christine Anderson
 President 2016-2017



"THE WEEK THAT WAS"

Monday, 12th September, 2016

Prior to the start some interaction occurred with the Bowling club. Free loyalty cards were handed out during the meeting. The process can be explained in more detail to members who were unable to attend.

Sergeant Graeme opened the meeting at 19:00 with the toast by Enid.

President Christine noted the following:

New meal system was started for the first time.

Good articles regarding membership and committees can be located in the Rotary down Under, which Rob admitted not to have read. Scribe notes that he is still to open it.

Noted the Blue Dandong Twilight festival 25

Nov. There may be an opportunity for a car boot sale on the Saturday. Some members expressed interest in the beer and wine on the day.

Reminder for hat day on 7 October. *"Mad Matter: "Have I gone mad?" Alice: "I'm afraid so. You're entirely bonkers. But I'll tell you a secret. All the best people are."*

— Tim Burton,

Reminder for Volunteers night 8 November at Knox club
Donated Christmas cards are available for Rotaract for handing out/etc.

The Chair Ray asked for reports.

Secretary Paul M noted apologies from Fran and Shaun. Lots of mail were distributed:

(A prize is unlikely to be available for whoever guesses the author.) :-

*This is the night mail crossing the Border,
Bringing the cheque and the postal order,*

*Letters for the rich, letters for the poor,
The shop at the corner, the girl next door.*

*Pulling up Beattock, a steady climb:
The gradient's against her, but she's on time.*

*Past cotton-grass and moorland boulder
Shovelling white steam over her shoulder,*

*Snorting noisily as she passes
Silent miles of wind-bent grasses.*

*Birds turn their heads as she approaches,
Stare from bushes at her blank-faced coaches.*

*Sheep-dogs cannot turn her course;
They slumber on with paws across.*

*In the farm she passes no one wakes,
But a jug in a bedroom gently shakes.*

Following a momentary lapse of reason President Christine welcomed repeat offender visitor Alan

Treasurer Enid explained process of *tax collection* every week. (Cashiers new duties) - \$21 is collected, \$16 pp for the meal and the remainder to the club. 2 *tax collectors* will be on duty.

Enid also mentioned that a certificate is to be created for the international prize won by Alisha (*Scribe missed the detail due to brain overheating to decipher the complexities of tax collection*)

Graeme mentioned that Bunnings at short notice required sizzling performance 20/9, 22/9, 27/9 and 29/9 with John assisting. Another volunteer needed for 27/9 given John not available. Also noted more sizzling on 20/10 and 30/12.

Our sizzling sergeant highlighted brain related *facts like yawn being related to brain overheat or swerving of oxytocin.*

Gary won *the lottery* and selected the joker. Careful accounting was promised by Enid to ensure that the smallest amount possibly is distributed to Gary.

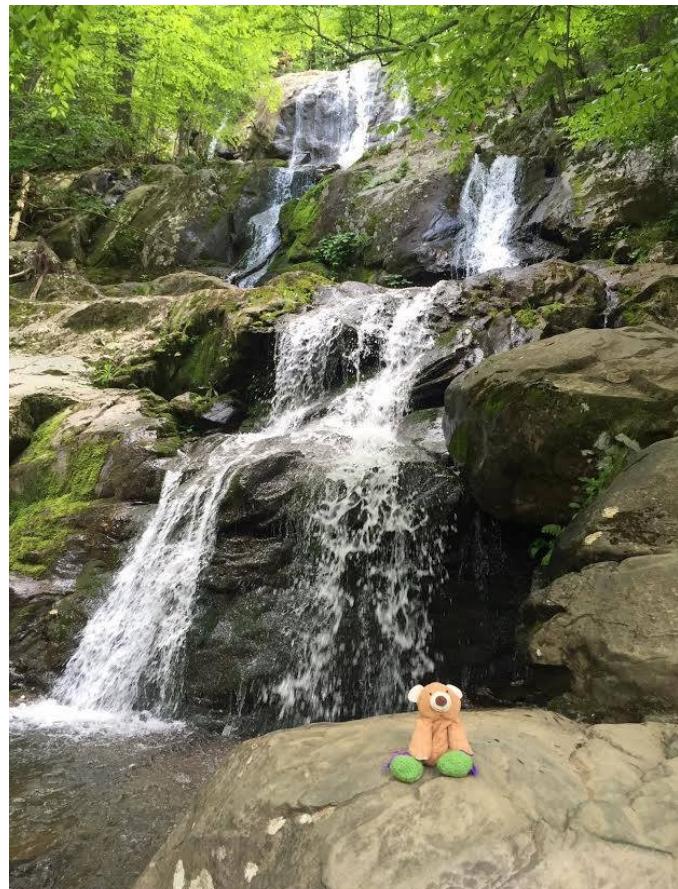
Committee meetings were held following the meal.

Some discussions took place regarding the meal. Some chipped in their comments.

The meeting was closed at 20:26 by President Christine.

Items in italics may be exaggerations from the truth...

Minutes misrepresented by Martin



COMMONWEALTH BANK

IN COLLABORATION WITH

VERY SPECIAL KIDS



FUNDRAISER CHARITY EVENT

DATE: *29TH SEPTEMBER 2016*

TIME: *10 am to 3 pm*

VENUE: *60 MOUNTAIN GATE DRIVE,
FERNTREE GULLY*

WHAT'S HAPPENING

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

VERY SPECIAL KIDS MERCHANDISE

SPECIAL APPEARANCE BY 'THE GIANT PIG'(10 to 2 pm)

TAKE A PHOTO WITH 'THE GIANT PIG'



ROTARY CLUB OF FERN TREE GULLY
will be wielding the
BBQ tools and serving the sausages.

Thanks in advance to Ray Hollis and Enid Hughes of RC FTG and Ravi Kohli and Jimmy Reid of the Commonwealth Bank for their expert assistance.



September 2016

It is such a privilege to have the opportunity to learn more about the wonderful work done by so many of our clubs in so many areas around the district.

We have a number of "Avenues of Service" Seminars on the horizon which are part of the 'Rotary Learning' opportunities provided by the district. They are the perfect vehicle for newer members to learn more as well of course for presidents and committee chairs to stay up to date. The recent Youth Service one was an excellent example. Community is next, followed by Vocational and then International - the dates are in the District Directory.

There is a Membership Webinar on 26th September - see details in this bulletin - there is a focus on Corporate Membership which is on the minds of some clubs - I commend it to you.

Don't overlook all the inspirational videos and other learning opportunities provided by RI on the www.rotary.org website - we can access all of those from home whenever we want or we can even share them at a club meeting. There's flexibility in those opportunities.

In this Rotary year, there will again be two Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) courses one of which will run over October & November, the other in the new calendar year. The dates & venue for the first will also be on the website. This is essential preparation for Presidents Elect and Presidents Nominee and is provided free to clubs for those. It is also an excellent opportunity for Rotarians to learn more about Rotary.

Best wishes to you all,

Carol Lawton
District Governor 2016-2017
Rotary District 9810, Australia



Friday 7th October 2016
Mt Waverley Youth Centre
45 Miller Crescent, Mt Waverley
MEL: 70 E1
6.30pm for 7.00pm

District Community Seminar

Put it in your diary today!!

Hear how clubs with work others in the community to make a difference.

Who needs to Attend?

Club Community Officers, Club Presidents
Club Members interested in hearing about exciting Community Projects they can get involved in

Tell us Who's Coming - by 2nd October 2016

Please RSVP to: shia.duncan@gmail.com

IMPORTANT DATES TO DIARISE.....

Date: 2016	Program.	Speaker
Sept	is Basic Education and Literacy Month	
26-Sep	Concern Australia	Michelle Crawford, Ceo
30-Sep	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
October	is Economic and Community Development month	
3-Oct	The Big Red Kidney Bus	Jo Fairbairn
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		
December	is Disease Prevention and Treatment Month	
5-Dec		
12-Dec		
19-Dec	Christmas Break-Up Party ???	
26-Dec	Boxing Day - No Meeting	
30-Dec	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	

Legend:	
	Partners' Night
	Fundraising Event
	District Event



{ Three simple rules in life }

1. If you do not GO after what you want, you'll never have it.
2. If you do not ASK, the answer will always be NO.
3. If you do not step forward, you'll always be in the same place.