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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



Pictured above: District 9810 Interact Chair Salwan Shahine presents the certificates to Adrienne Tanner (Teacher, Fairhills HS)

IDAD –2016

(Interact District Assembly Day)

What a successful day—54 students from 9 Secondary Colleges and High Schools attended. Dr Daryl Moran gave outstanding training and encouragement to all the students. Rotarian friends from MASH Rotary Club put on yummy catering and Allira Howe (Koonung Secondary College) provided hospitality, facilities and comfort to everyone.

What an excellent day! Our students from Fairhills HS learned heaps and are now well prepared to start up an Interact Club next year.



UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Monday 12th Dec [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 19th Dec [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 26th Dec	Monday 2nd Jan	Monday 9th Jan [6.30 for 7.00]
Venue:	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club			24 Grandview Cres
Program:	RC Stonehouse (UK)	Christmas Break-up	Boxing Day	New Year's	Fireside Meeting
Speaker:	Lawrie Anderson	BBQ		Holiday	
Chair:	Paul W	N/A	NO	NO	
Rotary Toast	Bob H	N/A			
Cashier:	Fran M/Gary B	N/A	MEETING	MEETING	
Scribe:	Martin B	N/A			
Rotary Knowledge	N/A	N/A			
Sergeant-At-Arms:	Paul McA	N/A			
Partners' Night	Yes	Yes			Yes

<i>Birthdays:</i>	16th—Paul Wilson
<i>Wedding Anniversaries:</i>	None
<i>Induction to RC of Fern Tree Gully</i>	None



CHRISTINE'S CHATTERBOX

What an interesting meeting we had last Monday. The Person Behind the Badge, A wonderful way for us all to learn about our fellow rotarians and who are happy to share their life's journey with each of us. Our combined talents make our club unique. There was also "Love in the Air"

One activity that does make our club unique is next Monday's presentation to the students who have spent this school year working for the **Rotary Junior Community Award**. I hope that all members can join in this celebration at 5.30 Ferntree Gully North Primary School. I am going to be submitting a photo and article to Rotary Down Under. It is only since I became president I found out we are one of the few clubs in District 9810 that offer this wonderful Rotary Youth Programme

Till next Monday
Enjoy your week have fun

Yours in Rotary
Christine Anderson
President 2016-2017



"THE WEEK THAT WAS"

Monday, 5th December, 2016

President Christine opened the meeting at 7.00pm by welcoming all attending. Christine announced that the club would be attending Ferntree Gully North Primary School next Monday at 5.30pm to present certificates after the presentation by students who participated in the Rotary Junior Community program and return to the Bowls Club by 7.00pm for our normal meeting. She encouraged as many members to attend.

Chairman: Mike Spark

Secretary: Paul McAloney advised although we have cancelled our Insurance Cover with PBF we are still covered until Feb 1st 2017.

Apologies: Sean C and Martin B

Treasurer: Enid Hughes Enid will now settle the account with the Bowls Club for the meals; this follows an expensive mix up last week. Those having a meal must be shown by a tick on the weekly registration sheet and when partners are attending they must be advised to Ray H prior to the meeting so the correct numbers can be advised to the Bowls Club before 7.00pm.

Youth: Paul Wilson Six students from Fairhills Sec School attended the Interact District Assembly Day at Koonung Sec College, to gain an insight into forming their Interact Club. The students found their attendance rewarding and came away very enthusiastic.

Fellowship: Fran Mandergeddes Took numbers for the Christmas Break up on Dec 19th. Weather permitting it will be held outside in the BBQ area catered for by the Bowls Club NO BYO.

Eight people have indicated they would attend the Kinky Boots matinee in Feb. Fran will now follow up the tickets.

Sgt at Arms: Paul McAloney conducted a light hearted fines session. Paul Wilson drew the Seven of Hearts

Program: Three members spoke on their background.

Garry Braddock: Was the third born with two sisters and a younger brother. Came from a family of non-caring parents. Was a ward of the state at 5 years old along with his siblings. Spent his early years at Torana in Royal Park under family care with foster parents who were not very caring. Not a bright student, left school at 14, worked various jobs and saved enough to purchase a house in Glen Iris along with his siblings.

Married at 19 and had three children. His wife was not supportive of employment opportunities that came his way leading to a divorce. Later remarried and now has another daughter.

With very little time spent at school Gary has held down some very responsible jobs and is currently employed in sales for the past 29 years. Being community minded Gary is a past

member of the Upper FTGully Fire Brigade and a past member of Lions.

Ray Hollis: Ray is the second eldest of 12 children, 7 sisters and 4 brothers. Lived in East Burwood where he started school later moving to Broadmeadows and later to Springvale where he left school at 15. Has been working for the past 53 years: as a painter, in a stockfeed store, a hardware store delivery driver and a courier driver. The past 30years has been with a courier company as a radio operator. Ray will be retiring at Christmas and will spend more time working for Rotary. Looking to organise an annual dinner for Men's Health.

Fran Mandergeddes: English born with one sister. Arrived in Australia with her parents as an 8 year old. Left school at 14 with an interest in law, managed to find work in a law office. Returned to the UK for a visit during which time she met Brian and spent the next 5years touring on a shoestring budget before returning to Australia. Had various jobs before getting back into conveyancing: in 1995 as a breakfast cook at Cadburys, a cook at Glengollen, a show bag packer and process worker.

Fran established Apple Conveyancing in 1997 and sold it in 2013; Now working for a legal company in Bayswater doing their conveyancing work.

Has two daughters who are like chalk and cheese given where they're at with their lives.

Fran has a passion for the musical theatre. Joined Rotary 14 years ago through Peter Wylie and has spent the past few years travelling. With an interest in reading crime novels is considering a diploma course in Forensic Medicine.

Meeting closed at 8.42pm

Scribe: Graeme Aspinall





PRE EVENT MEDIA RELEASE: event 7 December 2016

Dick Smith donates \$1million for Rotary to continue their work in Australia

Well-known philanthropist Dick Smith has announced his donation of \$1 million towards alleviating the suffering of Australians in need.

Dick joins the likes of world-renowned philanthropist Bill Gates as a major supporter of Rotary and its various programs worldwide. Dick highlighted the fact he considers Rotary one of the most trusted and respected charities in the world, and thus his choice to assist him in providing support for Australians suffering personal hardship due to accident, illness or misadventure.

The funds will be distributed via a specific Rotary program developed for the cause, administered by the Rotary Australia Benevolent Society (RABS), with eligibility criteria determined by Dick and Pip Smith. RABS has previously assisted Wayne Greenhalgh, Sharon Chan and numerous other Australians victimised by domestic violence, disease and poverty.

Rotary Clubs will be responsible for identifying those recognised by their local community who need support, and be willing to match the requested grant on a 50/50 basis.

Mr Bob Cleland from the Rotary Club of Port Macquarie is pleased he was able to facilitate bringing this program to reality.

The Chairman of the Rotary Australia Benevolent Society, Mr Michael Perkins, is grateful to Dick and Pip Smith for their generous donation. He looks forward to seeing Rotary volunteers throughout Australia turn their project visions into reality. "For more than 100 years Rotary has worked with communities, corporates and philanthropists to make a difference throughout the world. We now have an extra \$1 million to help those in need in our own backyard and with the famous Australian ingenuity I can't wait to see how far we can make it reach," said Michael.

Mr Neil McWhannell, the President of the Rotary Club of Wahroonga is delighted they will make the formal announcement at the club's breakfast meeting on Wednesday 7th December 2016 at Warrawee Bowling Club, 1479 Pacific Highway, Warrawee NSW commencing at 7am.

The program will be launched in February 2017 and full details will be made available then. In the meantime, for other enquiries please contact rotaryaustraliacommunitycompassionprogram@rawcs.org.au

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COMMITTEE / BOARD REPORTS

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE MONTHLY REPORT

21st November, 2016

In the absence of Committee Chair – Sean Campbell - Enid lead the committee meeting stating that she had two projects to table :-

- The recent New Zealand Earthquake disaster
- Rotary Club of Clayton's project – Moradabad Mobile Health Camps – India

These two items were discussed at length. Enid explained that the NZ disaster could be funded from the Benevolent Fund (Ivan Gigovic's bequest) and that Moradabad would have to be funded from the Projects Account.

After the Committee Meeting Enid addressed all club members and moved that \$1,000 be contributed to the NZ Disaster Fund. She explained that the funds would be transmitted through the RAWCS Account. There was some misunderstanding that RAWCS is an arm of Rotary and therefore using the Benevolent Funds was ineligible. However, Enid explained that in this instance RAWCS was merely being used as a vehicle to move funds overseas and thereby avoiding the pitfalls of bank fees etc. The majority of members approved of the motion. Enid (in her role as Treasurer) to effect the transfer of funds.

RC Clayton's project to be discussed at the December Board Meeting.

Enid Hughes
Acting International Chair



IMPORTANT DATES TO DIARISE.....

December	is Disease Prevention and Treatment Month	
12-Dec	Rotary Junior Community Award's	Students of FTGN Primary School
12-Dec	Rotary Club of Stonehouse (UK) -	Lawrie Anderson
16-Dec	Country & Western Night	Ringwood RSL
19-Dec	Christmas Break-Up	
26-Dec	Boxing Day - No Meeting	
30-Dec	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
2017	Program.	Speaker
January	is Vocational Service month	
2-Jan	New Year's Holiday - No Mtg	
9-Jan	Fireside Meeting	Emma & Martin Boettcher's Home
13-Jan	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
16-Jan	BBQ and (possibly)"barefoot bowls" night	\$17 per head for barbecue plus drinks
23-Jan	Committee's Meeting	Group B
30-Jan		
February	is Peace & Conflict Prevention/Resolution month	
6-Feb		
10-Feb	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
13-Feb		
17-Feb	Presidents' Quarterly Mtg.	Mulgrave Country Club
20-Feb	Committees' Meeting	Group A
27-Feb		

Legend:	
	Partners' Night
	Fundraising Event
	District Event
	Fellowship Event



Geelong 31 March - 2 April 2017