

# Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully Inc.

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President,

**CHRISTINE ANDERSON**  
Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully

Benefactor,

**IVAN GIGOVIC,**  
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Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully

## WEEKLY BULLETIN



## ROTARIANS ON THE MOVE

Australians Heather and Lawrie Anderson gave us a terrific insight to what it's like to travel the world as a Rotarian—it seems there are friends wherever one goes. Their stories of their travels to England, India and various other parts of the world gave us a tremendous insight as to what one can do as a Rotarian. From simply visiting an area to helping *Do Good in the World*.

Thanks must be given for such an interesting presentation.  
(See page 3 for further details)

Come back soon both of you!



# UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Monday 19th Dec [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 26th Dec	Monday 2nd Jan	Monday 9th Jan [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 16th Jan [6.30 for 7.00]
Venue:	FTG Bowling Club			24 Grandview Cres	FTG Bowling Club
Program:	Christmas Break-up	Boxing Day	New Year's	Fireside Meeting	BBQ & Bare-foot Bowls
Speaker:	BBQ		Holiday		N/A
Chair:	N/A	NO	NO		
Rotary Toast	N/A				
Cashier:	N/A	MEETING	MEETING		
Scribe:	N/A				
Rotary Knowledge	N/A				
Sergeant-At-Arms:	N/A				
Partners' Night	Yes			Yes	Yes

<i>Birthdays:</i>	None
<i>Wedding Anniversaries:</i>	None
<i>Induction to RC of Fern Tree Gully</i>	None



## CHRISTINE'S CHATTERBOX

As I write my last Chatterbox Message for 2016, it gives time to reflect on what a tremendous effort our small but vibrant club has contributed to the Rotary year's theme "Rotary Serving Humanity". All of your tireless efforts, whether it being sausage sizzling, building raised gardens beds, tin rattling for Rotary Health, arranging our guest speakers, our youth programmes, membership drives or giving us all the opportunity to have fun as Rotary friends, we have all worked hard a huge thank you to each and every one of you and your partners.

As we approach this magical time of year and all have well deserved rest I am really looking forward to a wonderful 2017.

I wish you and your families all a Very Merry Christmas, have fun stay safe,

And a Happy New Year to you all.

Yours in Rotary  
**Christine Anderson**  
 President 2016-2017



# "THE WEEK THAT WAS"

Monday, 12th December, 2016

**President Christine** opened the meeting at 7.10pm. A little late as we had been attending the presentation of the ROTARY JUNIOR COMMUNITY ACHIEVEMENT certificates to the students at Ferntree Gully North Primary School.

After welcoming members and guests and reporting on the success of the awards presentation Christine then handed over to Chairman Paul Wilson who proceeded to call for reports.

**Secretary Paul McAloney** advised that incoming mail had been distributed. Paul then read us a letter from Beth Vize who had noticed Mike Spark's remark in last week's bulletin regarding the Rotary Centurion program. Beth enclosed a donation to be used towards our annual giving. This generosity was well received by all.

Apologies. Sean. C, Martin. B, John. F, Gary B.

**Youth Chair Paul Wilson** reiterated the success of the RJCA awards and expressed the hope that this will continue again next year and the fact that we are endeavouring to include more schools in this very worthwhile program.

**Fellowship. Fran Manndergeddes** reminded all about our upcoming excursion to see Kinky Boots early next year and our final meeting for 2016 which will be a BBQ at the bowling club.

**Fundraising. Graeme Aspinall** circulated a roster request for our upcoming sausage sizzles at Bunnings on December 30<sup>th</sup> and January 13<sup>th</sup> and was pleased to note that many members were willing to pitch in and help out.

**Sergeant at arms Paul McA** regaled us with some musing while he collected our fines.

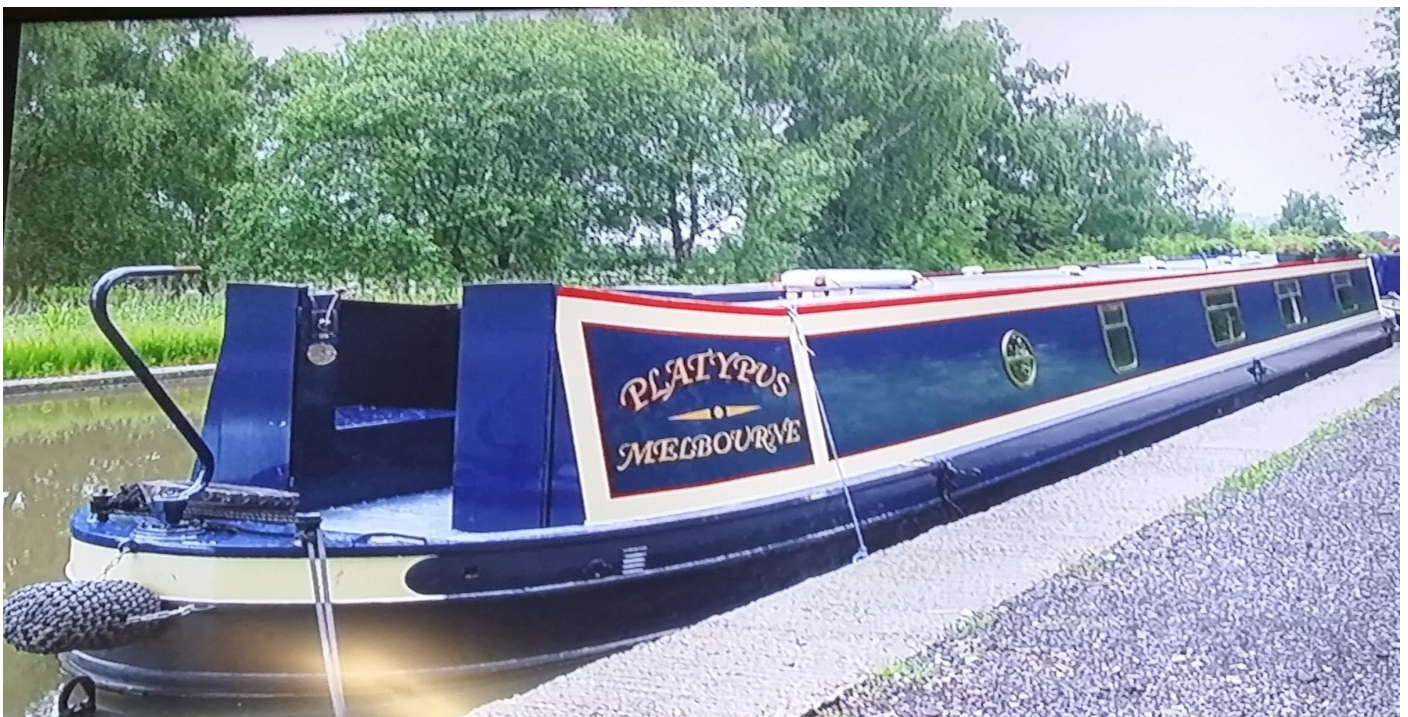
## PROGRAM:

After a short meal break Chairman Paul introduced our guests Heather and Lawrie who proceeded to tell us a little about their life experiences. After selling the general store at Kilcunda on our wonderful southern coast they headed off to England to spend 12 Months living on a long boat. This intended short stay turned into an adventure spread over 12 years. They named their Long Boat Platypus which I suppose helped to maintain the Aussie connection. Their long boat was 60 feet long but only 6 feet 10 inches wide so not quite a floating castle. During this time it seems they covered most of the 6,000 miles of canals and rivers. The Rotary club of Stonehouse was their club of choice in England and from the interesting and informative talk with which they entertained us it was apparent that they found this experience very rewarding. Heather and Lawrie also conveyed the many wonderful adventures in which they have been able to participate in various parts of the world as part of their Rotary experience.

There being no further business President Christine read out the birthdays and then closed the meeting at 8.45 p.m.

Scribe: Ray Hollis

MERRY  
CHRISTMAS



## ROTARY CLUB MENU 2017

WEEK 1	Chicken Parmigiana Roast of the Day
WEEK 2	Beer Battered Fish Steak Sandwich
WEEK 3	Grilled Fish Lamb Shank
WEEK 4	Beer Battered Fish Chicken Schnitzel
WEEK 5	Same as week 3



## BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLE ROSTER



## HAPPY CHRISTMAS and A JOYFUL NEW YEAR

President Christine and the Board of Directors would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of the Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully for their support and efforts this year.

We wish you all Health, Wealth and Happiness in the coming year and all the years to come.



9.00—12.00 p.m.	12.00—3.00 pm
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Friday 30th December

John Flemming  
Mike Spark  
Rob Hurst

John Flemming  
Graham Faulkner  
Paul McAloney

Friday 13th January 2017

John Flemming  
Mike Spark  
Paul Wilson  
Ray Hollis

John Flemming  
Paul McAloney  
Bob Hurst  
Ray Hollis

12.30—1.30  
Fran Mandergeddes



Dear Rotarians:

For 100 years, The Rotary Foundation has been supporting the work of Rotarians like you, who find sustainable solutions to their communities' most pressing needs. Last year alone, Rotarians partnered with our Foundation to:

- Equip communities in Peru with water filtration systems and hygiene training to improve public health
- Create a mobile cancer screening unit in India to lower mortality rates due to late diagnosis
- Train midwives in rural Uganda to use ultrasound scanning to identify life-threatening conditions during pregnancy

**This year we need your support more than ever as we celebrate 100 years of Doing Good in the World. [See](#) how every gift makes a difference.**



Give the gift of Rotary today and be a part of the positive change Rotarians are making in your community and around the world. If you've made a gift recently but it has not yet reached the Foundation, I appreciate your generosity. Thank you for supporting our Foundation's good work and your commitment to *Rotary Serving Humanity*.

Sincerely,

Kalyan Banerjee

2016-17 Trustee Chair

The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International

**GIVE NOW**



**P.S. By making a gift to The Rotary Foundation today, you are empowering Rotarians in your club and around the world to do good in the world.**

# IMPORTANT DATES TO DIARISE.....

December	is Disease Prevention and Treatment Month	
19-Dec	Christmas Break-Up	
26-Dec	<b>Boxing Day - No Meeting</b>	
30-Dec	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
2017	Program.	Speaker
January	is Vocational Service month	
2-Jan	<b>New Year's Holiday - No Mtg</b>	
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	<b>Committee's Meeting</b>	<b>Group B</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	<b>Committees' Meeting</b>	<b>Group A</b>
27-Feb		

Legend:	
	Partners' Night
	Fundraising Event
	District Event
	Fellowship Event

