

# Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully Inc.

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DISTRICT 9810 VICTORIA AUSTRALIA  
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President, Rotary International

**JOHN F GERM & Judy**  
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Tennessee, USA



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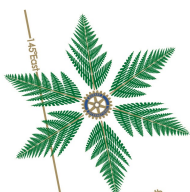
**CAROL LAWTON & Frank**  
Rotary Club of Montrose & District

President,

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

Benefactor,

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



## WEEKLY BULLETIN



## GOOD FELLOWSHIP

As always at the Boettcher home, we were treated to great food, good fellowship and fun. The weather was warm so we didn't venture out onto the deck with its superb views of the Dandenong ranges but there was no shortage of conversation as we discussed everything from Club projects to our theme for this year's Gala dinner in Geelong.

These Fellowship lunches are of great importance as they nurture long lasting friendships and enable us to discuss serious issues in a more relaxed atmosphere than exists on club nights where time is short and business is the order of the day.

Thanks once again Emma and Martin—wonderful afternoon. Would appreciate you installing a chair lift though so us arthritic folk can negotiate the outside staircase!!

# UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Monday 13th Mar [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 20th Mar [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 27th Mar [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 3rd April [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 10th April [6.30 for 7.00]
Venue:	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bwling Club
Program:	Labour Day	Committee Meetings	The "Here and Happy" Speech	Conference Report	Laughter for Living
Speaker:	No	GROUP B	Jason Farugia	Pres. Christine	Lynette Mitchell
Chair:	Meeting	Ray H	Paul W	Mike S	Graeme A
Rotary Toast		Graeme A	Enid H	Paul W	Mike S
Cashier:		Graham F	Bob H	Graeme A	Fran M
Scribe:		Paul W	Martin B	Ray H	John F
Rotary Knowledge		Paul W			N/A
Topic:	Rotary Youth L'ship Awards				
Sergeant-At-Arms:		Mike S	Mike S	Gary B	Gary B
Partners' Night		No	Yes	No	Yes

<i>Birthdays:</i>	29th—Marg Hurst
<i>Wedding Anniversaries:</i>	None
<i>Induction to RC of Fern Tree Gully</i>	None



## CHRISTINE'S CHATTERBOX

"Water and Sanitation" Month recognised by Rotary International as one of our areas of service. Since 2010 Rotary International has invested \$15 Million in 200 projects in 48 countries, to improve schools with clean water, sanitation and hygiene. What a marvellous contribution from Rotary Serving Humanity.

During this week 5 of our members attended a community presentation to say thank you to Dobson Ward Councillor Karen Orpen. During all those years Karen achieved many many significant contributions to the improvement of Ferntree Gully and Upper FTG for all the community to enjoy. How very lucky as local residents we had Karen who was so committed and focused to make so many changes to the beautiful location we live in.

Our Youth Committee is very excited as next Thursday our first Interact meeting will be held at Fairhills Secondary College. Lots of pictures please.

Good Luck to our Bike Riders who are riding to conference to raise money for Australian Rotary Health. Graeme we hope you enjoy your week as a support driver. Look forward to seeing their arrival in Geelong next week end. Monday nights guest speakers subject "The Here and Happy" speech. This is a partners evening where we will also be joined by our District Governor Elect Malcolm Chiverton. I look forward to seeing you all there. We will also be able to share the Knoxbrooke celebrations with all.

Enjoy your weekend

Yours in Rotary  
Christine Anderson  
President 2016-2017





# "THE WEEK THAT WAS"

Monday, 20th March, 2017

## Scribe's Report

Unfortunately the Bulletin Editor did not receive a Scribe's report this week and as she wasn't in attendance herself on Monday night having AG duties to fulfil, there is nothing she can report. Sorry folks!



## COMMITTEE / BOARD REPORTS

### March 2017 Board Meeting

#### Community Minutes February 20<sup>th</sup> 2017

Not a great deal to report at this stage. Still to get in touch with Bunnings regarding help with cost of goods for raised garden beds at Knoxbrooke.

Organisation of events for Knoxbrooke 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary are well under way. At this stage it is expected that proceedings in general will start at 10.30 am with dignitaries starting to arrive at 11am followed by a speech and unveiling of a plaque at the oak tree which apparently has some significance for the family who I believe were the original owners of the land and who have since made a significant bequest to Knoxbrooke. They will then be given a guided tour and offered some refreshments. The Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully will man a registration point for the public at the rear of the main building complex leading from the car park off Winwood Drive. We will erect our Gazebo which will give us a prominence at this entrance and also enable us to hand out some Rotary propaganda as we supply the visitors with site maps etcetera.

The proposed tree planting activity in conjunction with Knox Council is still to be ratified. Knox Council did offer us the opportunity to join the community tree planting day at Glenfern Valley Bushlands in Glenfern Rd. Graeme Aspinall suggested that perhaps the club would rather do a project on its own. I conveyed this to the Council and they suggested we may like to do a revegetation project at Clyde Reserve in Clyde street Fern Tree Gully, they also asked if we would consider adopting the site for monitoring and regular clean up activities. Will put this to the members at our next meeting.

Ray Hollis.

Community Chair.

#### INTERNATIONAL SERVICE MONTHLY REPORT

26<sup>th</sup> February 2017

- Rotary Club of Clayton's project – Moradabad Mobile Health Camps – India (\$1,000)  
John Barnes, (RC Clayton) recently returned from visit to India and advises that with our \$1,000 plus Global grants, this project is now fully funded and will go ahead. John has agreed to visit our club on Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> May to give us an up to date picture on this project.

#### Nasavusavu Special Education School.

There has been a shuffling of students as some have moved on; either out of the Special Ed. School and into mainstream school or have left school altogether. We are in the process of detailing the changes. To be advised.

- After discussion it was agreed that a motion should be put forward to club members to increase the number of students sponsored in Nasavusavu. (From 10 to 15 students)
- New Projects:
- Enid to contact DG Carol Lawton to discuss a possible project in Malawi.
- Fairhills – Thailand Project. Enid/Paul Wilson to ascertain whether there is anything further the club can do with regard to the project we sponsored last year.

Enid Hughes

Acting International Chair

#### MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT February, 2017

We discussed the efforts taken in recent years and more recently including members nominating possible targets, advertising, a membership evening, visiting businesses on Burwood Highway and at Mountain Gate and speaking to people at sausage sizzles. We frankly do not know what else to try other than a more prominent and larger ad. in the local paper. We agreed that although our advert is yellow and therefore ought to stand out it really does not do so. Perhaps a larger advert?

We noted that Peter Smith (CFA) has not been forthcoming with details of the CFA publicity campaign the only other possibility that we could think of. There was however some discussion upon whether the time has come for the club to have a discussion upon possible amalgamation with another club. The low attendance at last week's meeting was we felt something of an indication of where we are heading and probably not only our club but one or two others in the cluster. Thought needs to be given we think sooner rather than later about the viability of the club.

John Flemming

Membership Committee

**Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully  
Youth Report for 26/02/17**

**Rotary Junior Community Award**

- Steph has agreed to take over.
- Steph got emails for Youth night.
- Contacted Ebony. Busy with school camp & will contact soon..... But still on board!
- Books ordered..

**Fairhills High  
Interact**

- Have ordered and received pins for Interact.
- Adrienne & Emma to attend Youth Forum 23 Feb with Ray, Enid, Mike & myself..

**RYLA**

- Sponsoring one candidate this year.

**ROTARACT**

- Having one "last push" with a "volunteers night) on Thursday 23 February. All invited and encouraged to attend.
  - Night was well attended by Rotary / Rotaract but alas no new prospects. Very disappointing given the advertising that was done for the night.

**Paul Wilson  
Youth Service Chair**

**COMMITTEE VOCATION**

- ABOUT ME- 3 SPEAKERS SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> OF FEB. MAY NEED TO RESCHEDULE OR SEE IF WE CAN CONVINCE 3 PEOPLE TO SPEAK ON MONDAY AS NOBODY HAS BEEN NOMINATED
- VISIT TO ROTARY DONATIONS IN KIND HELD OVER UNTIL SECOND HALF OF THE YEAR.
- RYLA COMING UP IN JULY SO NEED TO FIND A WORTHY CANDIDATE. I HAVE BEEN UNABLE AT THIS STAGE TO FIND A POTTENTIAL CANDIDATE FROM OUR REGION AND WILL PROBABLY NEED SOME ASSISTANCE FROM OTHER MEMBERS.

NOTHING ELSE TO REPORT.

**GARY BRADDOCK  
CHAIR PERSON VOCATION**



**INNER WHEEL CLUB  
OF WANDIN INC**  
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**ANNUAL FASHION  
PARADE**

**FRIDAY 28th April 2017**

**TIME: 7.30 PM**

**VENUE: WANDIN NORTH HALL**

**Cnr Clegg Rd and Warburton Hwy  
Wandin Nth 3139**

**Entry \$15.00 per person supper provided**

**Tickets available 0427 03 1007**

**Email: lorenamaree@bigpond.com**

or

Send stamped addressed envelope to PO Box 67 Seville 3139

Direct Deposit with name please

Bendigo Bank/BSB 633108 A/c 149931081

All proceeds go to Cord Blood Research



**My Rotary**

Do you want to learn how to access the RI web-site functionality *MY ROTARY*? Copy and paste the following link into your web browser for a video tutorial

<https://vimeo.com/205136622>

**Would you like to have breakfast with Peter Hitchener?  
YOU are invited to join The Rotary Club of Rowville Lysterfield  
at our first Business Breakfast for this year.**



***Seats are limited  
so dont miss out***



Peter is one of Australia's longest running newsreaders since taking over from the late Brian Naylor in 1998.

He joined the Nine Network in 1973, came to live in Melbourne and joined Sir Eric Pierce in presenting the nightly news program. Peter then became Brian Naylor's deputy from 1978 and appointed senior newsreader at Nine News Melbourne when Brian retired in 1998.

Peter has been instrumental in turning around the Nine 6pm News such that it has won the ratings for 3 years in a row! He has presented many big stories over the years, including the death of Princess Diana and the Hoddle Street and Port Arthur massacres.

Peter's sporting interests include St. Kilda AFL Club, Melbourne Storm and an occasional round of golf. His charity of choice is **Eastern Health Foundation** that supports several Melbourne hospitals and is also Patron of Able Australia (formerly the Deaf Blind Society of Victoria).

Peter's address theme will be:

***" Television and its changing role in our lives – from the 1950s to today "***

***Bookings close Friday 14th April 2017***

***Payment options:***

***1. Direct Payment to BSB 633000 Account Number 156363616***

***2. [www.trybooking.com/PFYN](http://www.trybooking.com/PFYN)***

***Date:***

***Thursday the 20th April 2017***

***Time:***

***6:45 for 7:00am start***

***Cost \$60.00 per head (\$35.00 students)***

***Includes a hot buffet breakfast***

***Location:***

***Waverley Golf Club Function Centre  
82 Bergins Road, Rowville 3178***

***For more info please call  
Neil 0418 378 647***



**Rotary**

Rowville - Lysterfield

**Strength through Service**





# Community OPEN DAY

Monash  
Children's  
Hospital

Sunday 2 April 2017  
10am to 2pm

Come along and celebrate our  
new Monash Children's Hospital

Kids' activities, food trucks,  
animal farm, special guests,  
family fun and entertainment!

Take a sneak peek inside our new  
hospital. Online bookings essential via  
[monashchildrenshospital.org/OpenDay](http://monashchildrenshospital.org/OpenDay)

- Pedestrian access via corner of Dixon Street and Fregon Road, Clayton.
- Public transport encouraged.
- Limited parking available (entry via Browns Road, Clayton) Visit our website for details.
- Please be mindful of our local residents.



MonashHealth

[monashchildrenshospital.org/OpenDay](http://monashchildrenshospital.org/OpenDay)

[newchildrenshospital@monashhealth.org](mailto:newchildrenshospital@monashhealth.org)



# IMPORTANT DATES TO DIARISE.....

2017	Program.	Speaker
27-Mar	"The Here and Happy" Speech	Jason Farrugia
31/3 - 2/4	District Conference	Geelong
April	is Maternal & Child Health month	
3-Apr		
4-Apr	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
6-Apr	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
10-Apr		
11-Apr	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
17-Apr	<b>Easter Monday - no meeting</b>	
24-Apr	<b>Committees' Meeting</b>	<b>Group A</b>
May	is Youth Services month	
1-May	Moradabad Project	John Barnes (RC Clayton)
5-May	Presidents' Quarterly Meeting	Mulgrave Country Club
8-May		
12-May	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
15-May	<b>Committees' Meeting</b>	<b>Group B</b>
21-May	District Assembly	
22-May		
29-May		
June	is Rotary Fellowship month	
5-Jun		
9-Jun	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
10-14 Jun	International Convention	Atlanta, Florida
12-Jun	<b>Queen's Birthday - No Meeting</b>	
19-Jun	<b>Committees' Meeting</b>	<b>Group A</b>
26-Jun		
<b>Goodbye Christine, WELCOME Christine (again)</b>		

Legend:	
	Partners' Night
	Fundraising Event
	District Event
	Fellowship Event
	Community Event

