

# Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully Inc.

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Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully

Benefactor,

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



## WEEKLY BULLETIN



## VISITORS FROM INDIA

Lorraine Young & partner Peter Staal on a family visit from New Delhi gave us the pleasure of enjoying their company at our club meeting on Thursday. Some of our members would remember our beloved Cass Bench (wife of Mick). Cass was an inveterate community helper and it looks like it runs in the family as sister Lorraine outlined the work she and Peter do as members of Rotary Club of Capitol City New Delhi.

Great to meet you both. Thanks for sharing your experiences with us.

## UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Thursday 15th Feb [6.0 for 7.00]	Thursday 22nd Feb [6.30 for 7.00]	Thursday 1st Mar [6.30 for 7.00]	Thursday 8th Mar [6.0 for 7.00]	Sunday 11th Mar [11.30 am]
Venue:	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	Emma & Martin's
Program:	Recipe for Change	Committee Meetings Group B	Pre-Conference / Board Mtg	Wellness & Longevity	Fellowship Lunch
Speaker:	Christine Smith	N/A	N/A	Yang Zu	
Chair:	John F	Ray H	Gary B	Rob H	
Rotary Toast	Paul McA	Graham F	Paul W	Rod B	
Cashier:	Ray H	Fran M	Rob H	Graham F	
Scribe:	Allan T	No Scribe	Mike S	Ray H	
Rotary Knowledge			Gary B		
Topic:			RIPPR		
Sergeant-At-Arms:	Enid H	Enid H	Enid H	Allan T	
Partners' Night	Yes	No	No	Yes	

<i><b>Birthdays:</b></i>	16th—Gary Braddock
<i><b>Wedding Anniversaries:</b></i>	None
<i><b>Induction to RC of Fern Tree Gully</b></i>	16th—Graham Faulkner—'04



### CHRISTINE'S CHATTERBOX

What a wonderful Rotary night last Thursday; lovely friendships, great company, fun, laughs does it get any better? All our members congratulate Rod Brown as now being a Rotarian, we thoroughly enjoyed having your lovely family join us for the special, occasion.

Thank you to Fran for inviting Peter and Lorraine from The Rotary Club of New Delhi— fascinating listening to Peter describing the life of a Rotarian in India, I am hoping this is the start of a great relationship between our two clubs.

We are always excited when our exchange student Maja joins us, we love her company, and hearing of her latest Aussie adventures and her love of the Australian way of Life.,

Our Guest speaker Ruth Elliott speaking on “Formal Dogs” was just right for the night with her interesting and funny stories of her business adventure working with dogs, In fact Ruth told me she wants to visit us again she had such a great evening.

My many, many thanks to all members who have put in a marathon effort Friday Saturday and Sunday, sausage sizzling It has been a really fun time, and a great way of raising not only our club funds but lifting our profile in the community. Huge thanks to Graeme Aspinall and John Flemming for your outstanding organisation and coordinating skills to get these three days off to such a success.

This coming Thursday we welcome all partners to join us where our guest speaker Christine Smith will enlighten us on “Recipe for Change”

Look forward to seeing you all on Thursday

Enjoy your week

Yours in Rotary  
**Christine Anderson**  
 President 2017-2018



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# "THE WEEK THAT WAS"

Thursday, 1st February 2018

The Meeting Opened at 7.00pm with **President Christine** welcoming members, our visitors: Maja our international exchange student and her host parent Roger, Peter and Lorraine (sister of Cass Bench a former member of RC FTG), visiting Rotarians now living in New Delhi, India and Ruth Elliot our speaker for this meeting.

**President Christine** advised:

- she attended a cluster meeting on Monday night and came back with the information that the Police are interested in replacing their community policing car which was partly financed by the cluster clubs 5 years ago.
- The cluster is also interested in starting a Cluster face-book page.

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORTS.

**Secretary: Paul McAlooney.** In the absence of Paul, who is not well, Christine advised that the mail had been distributed.

**Apologies:** Graeme Aspinall, Martin Boettcher, Paul McAlooney, Gary Boettcher.

**Treasurer: Enid Hughes.** Enid updated us on the state of our finances and explained that all accounts are up to date. Still holding \$2,000 for MDLC student sponsorship as we have not yet heard the names of the 2 students who will be receiving these.

**Youth: Paul Wilson.** Paul advised that Adrienne who was our contact at Fairhills High School and was also the Interact coordinator has transferred to another school. Paul has been in touch with our new contact (Susan Harris) and will attend the first meeting for this year on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February. We are still waiting for a final answer on the possibility of sending a team to MUNA

**Community: Ray Hollis.** Planning is well under way for our upcoming Dutch Auction on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March. We currently have just over \$3,000 worth of goods on hand with more to collect near the end of this month from 9 or 10 local businesses who have committed to making a donation.

**Vocational: Gary Braddock.** Unfortunately Gary has not had a reply from Boeing Corporation in regards to a possible visit to their facility. He is now considering a firm closer to home, perhaps Natures Organics or Siemens Industries. Our next event will be another visit to RDIK in April, probably Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>.

**International: Enid Hughes.**

- Enid informed us that there are a few ongoing problems with ABC Dreams and that at the moment our sponsorship program with our Nasavusavu Special Ed. Students has been suspended for this year.
- Hatu Balico, Timor L'Esté. This project which is being organized by the Rotary Club of Hampton is to repair, replace and extend water systems. Application has been made for a global grant and they are currently waiting the outcome of this application.
- Following a visit to the club and a presentation by

Norm Casey on the work that ROMAC undertake with international children the Club presented them with a cheque for \$1,000.

At this point of the evening President Christine had the pleasure of inducting Rodderick Brown into the club as our newest member. Rod's wife Lois, his daughter Louise and grandson Liam were present to witness this event. Rod will be a very welcome addition to our ranks. Welcome Rod.

Our International visitors Peter and Lorraine gave some details of what sort of projects etcetera that they get involved with back home in India. They are members of the Rotary Club of Capitol City New Delhi. Delhi has 36 Rotary Clubs.

**Our Guest Speaker:** Ruth Elliott. Canine Educator.

Ruth gave us a very informative and insightful presentation about the number of different activities available in the world of dog training. Chaperoning dogs to weddings to be part of the big day, educating dog owners about introducing the dog to the arrival of a new baby into the house and many other interesting topics that crop up from time to time.

**Scribe: Ray Hollis.**





## ROTARY CLUB OF FERN TREE GULLY

IS HOLDING A

### DUTCH AUCTION

ON

SATURDAY, 17TH MARCH

DOORS OPEN 2.00 P.M.

FTG FIRE BRIGADE CLUB ROOM  
End Trachoma + 2020

(behind the fire station)

The Avenue Ferntree Gully

PROCEEDS TO BE DONATED TO

THE FRED HOLLOWES FOUNDATION

IN SUPPORT OF THEIR

INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIA PROGRAM

FOR THE TREATMENT OF TRACHOMA

A PREVALENT EYE DISEASE IN OUR ABORIGINAL POPULATION

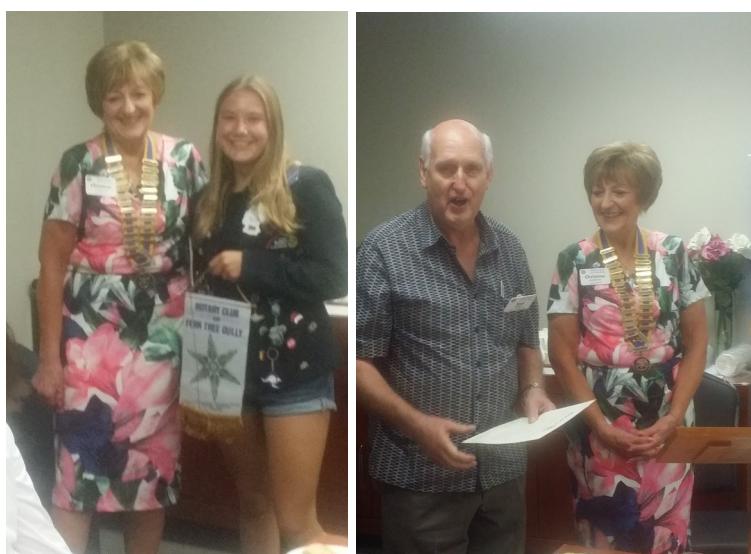


**COMING UP SOON**  
**Please note the change of date:**  
**Was 17th Feb**  
**NOW**  
**17th MARCH**

Members have been busily collecting items for auction from local (and very generous) sponsors.

Some of the items up for auction are:

Rug (2.2 x 1.5 mtrs)  
 Epson Printer  
 3 month Gym Memberships  
 Tupperware  
 Bikies' Gear (leather!)  
 BWS Gift card  
 Relaxation Massage  
 Skincare Giftpack  
 Football Memorabilia  
 Matchbox Collectibles  
 Office Chair



## DONATIONS IN KIND



### OPEN DAY 2018

Join with us to formally open and celebrate the move to the new shed - Shed 39!

400 Somerville Road West Footscray

Saturday February 24<sup>th</sup> 2018

From 10.00am to 3.00 pm with the ribbon cutting ceremony at 1.00pm

It's a celebration so tea and coffee will be available throughout the day with the traditional sausage sizzle for lunch.

You and your club can help us by "buying" a full bay of racking for \$1500 or a double pallet space for \$150. Our objective is to replenish the coffers with the \$10,000 that this additional racking cost us.

Please RSVP for catering purposes to [dik.vic.rotary@gmail.com](mailto:dik.vic.rotary@gmail.com)  
 Laurie Fisher 0428 550 574



# NEWS ON OUR MORADABAD PROJECT

Good afternoon all,

Well we are safely back from Moradabad where we participated in many Polio related activities as well as visited our many projects and initiated our Global Grant for mobile medical camps for which I thank you all again for your support. January's report is enclosed and I anticipate sending monthly reports for the next 5 years!! These reports really tell the story so no need for me to further elaborate.

Should any of you wish us to come to your Clubs and speak about these activities please get in touch.

Kind regards

John Barnes

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## ACTIVITY REPORT JANUARY 2018

It is our pleasure to inform all friends and well-wishers that the following activities were undertaken in the month of January 2018 by S.S.G. Foundation along with Rotary Clubs in Moradabad:-

### **Free Medical Camps & Routine Immunization Drive –**

Following free Medical Camps were organized in collaboration with District Health Department with the support of Rotarians from Australia RI District 9810 & 9820:-

Sr.	Date	Place	Patients Treated
	27.01.18	Village Uchaiti	725
	30.01.18	Village Jaitya	419
TOTAL			1144

### **Participation in Polio Rally –**

On 27<sup>th</sup> January 2018 a Polio Rally was organized by Govt. Health Department in which approximately 250 school children participated along with banners. This Rally started from Govt. Inter College, Moradabad at 10:00 am and going through various localities ended at District Hospital at 11:30 am. The 13 member delegation of Rotarians from Australia and Rotarians from Rotary Clubs of Moradabad as well as representatives of SSG Foundation participated in this Rally.

### **Polio Booth Activity –**

On 28<sup>th</sup> January 2018 Polio Booths were organized at 5 transit places i.e. Loco Shed, Railway Station, Roadways Bus Station, Chowki Dus Sarai and Milan PCO in city of Moradabad. Australian Rotarians along with Rotarians from Moradabad and representatives of SSG Foundation participated in this activity. A total of 1216 children in transit were immunized on these Booths.

### **Door-to-Door Immunization Activity –**

On 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018 Door-to-Door Immunization Activity was conducted in villages Pipalsana, Bainsiya, Jaitya, Sikandarpur Patti and Adalpur wherein Australian Rotarians participated with full enthusiasm. A total of 376 children were immunized at their homes.

### **Polio Partners Meeting –**

On 27<sup>th</sup> January 2018 a meeting was organized wherein all the Polio Partners i.e. Govt. Health Department, WHO, UNICEF and Rotary participated.

### **Feedback Meeting –**

On 28<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> January 2018 feedback meetings were held in CMO Office in which all the Polio Partners participated including the Australian Rotarians.

### **Projects Visit –**

The Australian Rotarians visited several projects sponsored by them viz. Sanitation & Water, Computer Centre, Library. They also saw Cold Chain System for Polio Vaccine at Primary Health Centre, Dilari.

PDG Sudhir Gupta  
Chairman  
S.S.G. Foundation

Date: 07.02.2018

# COMMITTEE / BOARD REPORTS

## February 2018 Board Meeting

### COMMUNITY REPORT JANUARY 2018

After considering the time frame I decided to move the date of the Dutch Auction back to March 17<sup>th</sup> 2018. I have contacted quite a number of organisations such as Football Clubs, Yarra Valley Wineries, large retail stores like Aldi, Ted's Cameras, Liquorland, Good guy's, Harvey Norman Etc. but so far to no avail. The most prolific donors have been the local businesses along Burwood Highway and Ferntree Gully Road. I have some donations on hand already and will begin to collect more this week. I will also call on more stores in the local area and a number of stores down near Bunning's Scoresby. To date we have definite commitments from 20 Donors. I was encouraging to hear that a number of members will also see what they can do to assist.

Ray Hollis  
Community Chair

### CLUB SERVICE REPORT JANUARY 2018

As discussed at our meeting in December Enid and I made an appointment to see Doug and Cassie at the Ferntree Gully Bowling Club to discuss our current arrangements. The outcome is that the kitchen will not be reopening on a Monday night so we are committed at the stage to continue holding our meetings on A Thursday night. We discussed the possibility of Tuesday or Wednesday night but either of these is only available on a very spasmodic basis due to commitments with other organisations. Partners night will continue to be held on the second Thursday of each month due to the fact that we are not able to get the big room on week three if needed because they have a bingo night. Most meetings will continue to be held in the Board room. On the question of the menu they are quite happy to remove the Penne Carbonara and replace it with an alternative. At this stage we don't know what that will be as they are going to ask the Chef for suggestions.

Ray Hollis.  
Club Service.

### PR and Marketing Report January 2018

We have had a few posts on our Facebook page recently starting with the presentation of certificates to the pupils from Ferntree Gully North PS and Fairhills PS in early December. This was followed by the two pupils from Ferntree Gully North PS who visited the Rotary club and enlightened our members on what sort of projects the had undertaken over the last year. Following this event we then held our Christmas breakup in late December which was an evening of good Food, good Wine, good Fellowship and a bit of a sing song to round off the evening.

In January we updated our cover photo to show a view of Mount Dandenong. We then posted a little message about Rotary and Rotarians hoping forlornly to perhaps generate some membership enquiries. The new Rotary Theme for 2018-2019 was revealed at the International Assembly and was also added to our Facebook page. On January 24<sup>th</sup> Enid and myself took Maja, our International Exchange Student to Phillip Island to see the Koalas and the Penguins. Overall it was quite an enjoyable day and Maja seemed to enjoy the experience.

Enid has written an article about the RJCA program which will appear in the February issue of the Gully News. We have also placed an ad in the Gully News about the Dutch Auction. I have also updated the information about our Dutch Auction on Facebook, ie: change of date.

Ray Hollis.  
PR and Marketing Chair.

### VOCATIONS REPORT—JANUARY 2018

- No New activity during December or January to report on.
- Next event is our visit to RDIK in April, probably Saturday the 21st. Will confirm date, and times etc closer to the event. This to be a partners activity and be followed by lunch.
- No feedback from the Boeing Corporation with regard to a tour of their facility. Will try something closer to home; thinking Nature's Organics or Siemens Industries.
- Will have a think about and discuss with other members the practicality and manageability of implementing a mentoring program with VicPol or Ambulance Victoria.
- Same for St. John's—need to see if they still have a Trades School. I will contact the school and report on this before or at the next meeting.

Gary Braddock  
Vocations Chair

# IMPORTANT DATES TO DIARISE.....

2018	Program.	Speaker
February	is Peace & Conflict Prevention/Resolution month	
15-Feb	Recipe for Change	Christine Smith
22-Feb	<b>Committees' Meeting</b>	<b>Group B</b>
March	is Water & Sanitation month	
1-Mar	Pre Conference / Board Mtg.	
8-Mar	Wellness & Longevity	Yang Zu
9-Mar	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
11-Mar	Fellowship Lunch	Martin & Emma's
15-Mar	Spectrum	Kate Johnson
22-Mar	<b>Committees' Meeting</b>	<b>Group A</b>
29-Mar		
April	is Maternal & Child Health month	
4-Apr—WED		
12-Apr		
13-Apr	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
19-Apr		
26-Apr	<b>Committees' Meeting</b>	<b>Group B</b>
May	is Youth Services month	
3-May		
10-May		
11-May	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
17-May		
24-May	<b>Committees' Meeting</b>	<b>Group A</b>
31-May		
June	is Rotary Fellowship month	
7-Jun		
8-Jun	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
14-Jun		
21-Jun		
28-Jun	<b>Committees' Meeting</b>	<b>Group B</b>
30-Jun	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
<b>Sun 8th July</b>	<b>Changeover</b>	Christine to Ray
<b>Goodbye Christine, WELCOME RAY</b>		

Legend:	
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