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WEEKLY BULLETIN



President, Rotary International

IAN RISELEY & Juliet
Rotary Club of Sandringham
Victoria, Australia



District Governor, Dist. 9810 –

MALCOLM CHIVERTON & Karen
Rotary Club of Box Hill Central

President,

CHRISTINE ANDERSON & Allan
Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully

Benefactor,

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



Christine Smith

Receipe4Change

What an inspiring woman! She comes across as “the kindly neighbour from down the street” but in actual fact she runs a very efficient business which employs people in running a community kitchen; trains young people in acquiring skills which will enable them to get fulfilling employment and organises breakfast for needy students. All this with no Government assistance.

A great presentation Christine—thank you. We’ll be sure to spread the word to as many people as possible.

UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	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]	Thursday 15th Mar [6.30 for 7.00]
Venue:	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	Emma & Martin's	FTG Bowling Club
Program:	Committee Meetings Group B	TBA	Wellness & Longevity	Fellowship Lunch \$20 per head	Spectrum
Speaker:	N/A		Yang Zu		Kate Johnson
Chair:	Ray H	Gary B	Rob H		Fran M
Rotary Toast	Graham F	Paul W	Rod B		Paul McA
Cashier:	Fran M	Rob H	Graham F		John F
Scribe:	No Scribe	Mike S	Ray H		Paul W
Rotary Knowledge		Gary B			
Topic:		RIPPR			
Sergeant-At-Arms:	Enid H	Enid H	Allan T		Allan T
Partners' Night	No	No	Yes		No

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



CHRISTINE'S CHATTERBOX

Another great meeting last Thursday, thank you to the partners Jill, Marg, and Kay, who joined us.

Our Guest speaker Christine Smith gave us a great insight to the wonderful community service she has developed in "Recipe for Change", within the Knox Area. When we listen to the wonderful work that is happening locally I can't help feeling very humble. I believe that our club could work closely with Christine and support the local community project together.

Please keep those donations, or gift vouchers coming in for our Dutch auction. If every member got one donation we would be getting closer to the \$5000.00 we are all aiming for. Have you been to your local butcher? Or greengrocers? Everyone loves food especially if it's a bargain.

This week's meeting is our committee Group B so bring all your ideas, and enthusiasm. Let's make it a spectacular end to "Rotary Making a Difference"

Looking forward to seeing you all Thursday

Yours in Rotary
Christine Anderson
 President 2017-2018



"THE WEEK THAT WAS"

Thursday, 15th February 2018

The meeting was opened at 7.00 pm President Christine welcoming all members, guest speaker Christine Smith and partners Jill, Kay and Marg

Local suppliers of the Fresh Food are Coles and Aldi and generous donations from local supplier's and community groups President Christine closed the meeting at 8.35 pm wishing Gary Braddock Happy Birthday.

President Christine

- Thanked all club members for a marathon effort on Fri-Sat-Sun with our BBQ sausage sizzling. A wonderful club effort.
- The cluster Police Community car is being addressed and looks like by being supported by all 5 cluster clubs. More details for all members to attend an evening where questions can be addressed directly to Knox Police will be held in April, before the club makes a final decision.
- A District Youth Forum is being held at the Kilsyth Club 23rd Feb, members to advise Ray if attending

Chairman: John Flemming

REPORTS:

Secretary: Paul McAloney

Distributed the incoming mail

Apologies Graham Faulkner Martin Boettcher

Community: Ray Hollis

- Peppertree Hill Retirement Village and Waterford Retirement Village have both invited 15 members to attend either an afternoon or evening Happy Hour. Ray will email details to members for suitable day and time.
- Fran's suggestion to visit local nursing homes etc, on a regular basis to sit and chat to residents who never receive any visitors—all members thought this was a great community project,

Youth: Paul Wilson

- President Christine and Paul attended the first Interact meeting for 2018 at Fairhills. The new teacher Sue Harris is very enthusiastic and getting the students all fired up for a great year. The next Interact student meeting they will select their board members and start the first fundraiser.
- Paul Wilson to follow up MUNA application

Our Guest Speaker Christine Smith Recept4Change

Christine started a community kitchen in 2011, then relocated to The Scoresby Football club where they still have a community lunch every Thursday by the way of a donation. The difference between this community kitchen and others, is that only fresh foods with no jars packets or pre made foods are used,

Christine is now training handicapped people to enable them to obtain qualifications and good work ethics to obtain full time employment in other businesses. Local schools are provided with breakfast and lunches at no cost, just so students are not at school hungry.

Scribe Allan Tierney



Sign over a Gynecologist's Office:

"Dr. Jones, at your cervix."

In a Podiatrist's office:

"Time wounds all heels."

On a Septic Tank Truck:

Yesterday's Meals on Wheels

On a Church's Bill board:

"7 days without God makes one weak."

At a Tire Store

"Invite us to your next blowout."

On an Electrician's truck:

"Let us remove your shorts."

In a Non-smoking Area:

"If we see smoke, we will assume you are on fire and take appropriate action."

On a Maternity Room door:

"Push. Push. Push."



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
 (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

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



District 9810 RYLA Information Evenings

Thursday 22nd March & Monday 30th April 2018



An evening for young adults who are interested in finding out more about the RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award) program and application process as well as any Rotarians who may be interested in learning more. Please invite along anyone you know who may be interested in applying for RYLA this year or in the near future.

RYLA is a Rotary sponsored (i.e. attendees do not pay themselves to attend) week long residential Seminar which focuses on professional and personal development as well as leadership and team skills. Attendees must be aged a minimum of 18 years at the time of the Seminar.

There will be two information evenings that will occur in 2018, if you are unable to attend either information evening but would like to find out more information please contact us via email info@ryla9810.org.au

The RYLA seminar will be held from **Monday 9 July to Saturday 14 July 2018.**

Details:

1. **Thursday, March 22** at 7:30 PM - 9 PM at the Hall in the Marie Wallace Reserve Bayswater (799 Mountain Hwy, Bayswater, Victoria 3153).

2. **Monday 30 April** at 7:30 PM-9 PM, venue TBC, city of Monash area.

COMMITTEE / BOARD REPORTS

February 2018 Board Meeting

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

December 2017 / January 2018

Nasavusavu Special Education School.

- As reported previously, there is a problem between ABC Dreams and the Rotary Club of Savu Savu. RC Savu Savu have requested that we suspend this year's sponsorship funds for the moment.
- The issue of the \$,7000 dollars currently held by the people in Fiji has not yet been resolved. It is being closely monitored and will be reported back to the club ASAP
- I still have not heard from RC Templestowe as to who the new ABCD Board members are.
- A few days ago I had long conversations with Liz Spence and Jacorita Badenhurst. Liz has resigned from RC Savu Savu and Jacorita is on their ABCD Committee. The problems with the RC SS and ABCD contributed to Liz's resignation. However, before resigning she compiled a 12-page document outlining all the problems connected with the Fiji project (including the Special Ed. Students) and suggesting various strategies to overcome them. Liz has considerable experience in project management. However, like ourselves the people in Fiji have not yet heard back from the ABCD Board.
- The ABCD project in Fiji has been suspended by RC Savu Savu.
- Jacorita has promised to email me with the outcomes of our conversations wherein we discussed various ideas as to how we could spend the \$7,000 and also continue with our sponsorship directly with them rather than through ABCD.
- I have told Jacorita that I no longer wish to deal through ABCD and will put forward a motion to our Board to discontinue with them. As the project has been suspended I don't see any problems arising from this decision. However, I will liaise with the ABCD Board (if they ever get back to me) and keep our own Board members advised.

Upcoming Projects:

- **Malawi (Days for Girls) project.** As I still have not heard anything from PDG Carol I propose to drop this project.
- **Hatu Balico, Ainaro Province, Timor L'Este** –This project to repair, replace and extend water systems: Application for a global grant has been made by Jennifer Fox, Rotary Club of Hampton. They are awaiting news back from the Rotary Foundation as to the success or otherwise.
- **ROMAC** Following a visit and presentation to the club from Norm Casey a cheque for \$1,000 was handed over to help finance two children from Timor L'Este who are scheduled to come to Melbourne in early February.

Enid Hughes
International Chair

Youth Report as of 1/2/18

Interact (Ongoing)

- Adrienne Tanner has informed us that she has left Fairhills HS and taken up a similar role at Boronia K to 12. She has also informed us that Sue Harris is taking over her role at Fairhills and we should contact her. Which we will do. We need to get Interact going and have the Thailand students to a meeting.

Youth Exchange (Jan)

- On Wednesday the 31st Jan Six of us attended a talk by Maja Loewe, Incoming Exchange Student from Germany where she described what she did over the summer break. A very amusing and interesting talk

ConcoPhillips Science Experience (Jan)

- Hayley Matuschka spoke to us on Monday 3rd July about her experiences last Jan.

Rotary Junior Community Award (Feb)

- Have given a DVD and doc package for promoting RJCA this year Lena (FGNPS teacher) and am currently arranging same for Stuart Beevers (Fairhills teacher).

Camp Awakenings (April)

- Ray replied (to Rotary) saying not this year. But most likely next year.

MUNA (May)

- District "MUNA" wrote to the club outlining next year's program:
Around \$850.00 per team.
To be held on 5 & 6 May 2018.
If they do not get at least 35 teams it will be cancelled.
 - Due to the high cost and logistics commitment they are asking for firm commitments from clubs by 25 November 2017 to be invoiced Feb 2018.
 - MUNA have come back – They are going ahead and seek positive confirmation. As we have budgeted for this we responded with a provisional yes pending Fairhill's confirmation when Adrienne gets back from Thailand.
 - Unfortunately Adrienne leaving has left us with a commitment to MUNA but no confirmation from Fairhills till we can contact Sue Harris.

RYLA (July)

Paul Wilson
Your Chair



Inner Wheel Club of Boronia

Rotary Club of Boronia

Combined Meeting

Present

LYNN BERRY

5000 POPPIES PROJECT

- Date:** 13 MARCH 2018
- Time:** 6.30 pm for 7.00 pm
- Venue:** St Pauls Anglican Church Hall
273 Dorset Road,
BORONIA
- Cost:** \$25 Per Person
(Includes 2 course dinner)
(Drinks at Bar Prices)
- RSVP :** 7 March 2017
- Jan Malden:** iiw.au.boronia@gmail.com





February 2018

Hello everyone,

There has been a lot of news in the last few days about the volatility of the share market. About 10 days ago the Australian dollar was trading around \$0.80 cents, today around \$0.78 cents. But did you know under the exchange rate put out by RI for the month of February for Australia, it is \$1.24. It has strengthened from the rate in January of \$1.32. If your Club hasn't made its payments to The Rotary Foundation for annual giving and Polio Eradication, now is a good time to do so, as you literally get more bang for your buck.

Calling all Youth Service Chairs! Have you contacted the schools with which you are involved regarding our District's Rotary Youth Projects? This month Judith Eadon is holding two Youth Service Seminars showcasing all the wonderful youth projects which will be presented by inspiring past participants of the programs. Also, I encourage your new members to attend so they too can see how Rotary Makes a Difference in our young people.

Also, for those Rotarians who wanted to be part of the Victoria Police Mentoring Program but missed out, there is now the opportunity to be part of the Ambulance Victoria Leader Mentoring Program. Contact the Vocational Chair Don Sweeney for more details.

District Conference

In just over 2 weeks many of the Rotarians from our District will be travelling to Bendigo, to the Ulumbarra Theatre (the Old Bendigo Gaol). This facility still captures many of the cells and other features of a time that has long past but also includes "a state of the art" theatre with one of the largest stages in the southern hemisphere.

I am confident you too will be excited and inspired by the quality of the speakers and how they will in their way inform us of the Conference Theme "Together Towards Tomorrow". For those who love "Rock & Roll" will be pleased to know we have "Coxy and the Roxy Boys" with Wendy Stapleton for the Saturday night entertainment. A show not to be missed! Check out the website <http://www.9810rotaryconference.org.au/> and follow the instructions how to register. So, get yourselves and your Club members organised to enjoy the fellowship of each other and catch up with your friends throughout the District. Register today!

I see a few Clubs are recognising International Women's Day with Dinners and Breakfasts. Great to see. Please get your non-Rotarian friends in your community to attend, as many of the beneficiaries are organisations from the same communities. Another example of Rotary: Making a Difference.

Malcolm Chiverton
District Governor 2017-2018
Rotary District 9810, Australia



**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**



Interested in visiting our nearest neighbour, Timor-Leste? Following on from the outstanding success of the Melbourne Forum Study Tour in August 2017, Kirsty Sword Gusmão and Nandy Gurr are once again offering 8 people an opportunity to experience Timor-Leste, meet its leaders and to learn about some of the challenges of rebuilding, particularly from the perspective of health and education.



Study Tour participants meeting with East Timorese leaders, José Ramos Horta and Xanana Gusmão.

Dates: August 2018
Duration: 8 days



"I am excited to offer participants in this Study Tour a unique and privileged glimpse into the life of a new nation. You will meet some of the country's leaders, experience its history and natural beauty, laugh a lot, and perhaps cry a little. Hopefully Study Tour 2018 will ignite a passion for this beautiful country and its people, and lead to your ongoing engagement and advocacy beyond the tour's end."

Dr Kirsty Sword Gusmão AO

<https://www.facebook.com/TimorLesteStudyTour/>



Rotary



Why Join Rotary?

- R**ealization of "Service Above Self"
- O**pportunities to be involved with community and international projects
- T**eam up with other volunteers to make a difference
- A**ppreciation for your contribution
- R**espect, fellowship and fun
- Y**our skills and talents are shared



IMPORTANT DATES TO DIARISE.....

2018	Program.	Speaker
February	is Peace & Conflict Prevention/Resolution month	
22-Feb	Committees' Meeting	Group 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	Committees' Meeting	Group A
29-Mar		
April	is Maternal & Child Health month	
4-Apr—WED		
12-Apr		
13-Apr	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
19-Apr		
26-Apr	Committees' Meeting	Group B
May	is Youth Services month	
3-May		
10-May		
11-May	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
17-May		
24-May	Committees' Meeting	Group A
31-May		
June	is Rotary Fellowship month	
7-Jun		
8-Jun	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
14-Jun		
21-Jun		
28-Jun	Committees' Meeting	Group B
30-Jun	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
Sun 8th July	Changeover	Christine to Ray
Goodbye Christine, WELCOME RAY		

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

