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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



WEEKLY BULLETIN



Pictured above (L-R) Shelly looks on as her husband, DGE Russell Gurney exchanges badges with outgoing District Governor Malcolm Chiverton

DISTRICT 9810 CHANGE OVER

Incoming Governor Russell is a member of RC Doncaster and it was obvious that a large contingent of Doncaster members were there to support him. PP Lorraine Nicholas was Master (Mistress?) of Ceremonies. Lorraine did a great job as she smoothly led us through the program.

With still a month to go before the official changeover of Rotary club officers the world over, DG Malcolm's term is not yet quite at an end. But with so many Rotarians flying off to attend Ian Riseley's International Convention in Toronto, Canada, it was decided to hold District's Changeover early so that both events could be attended by those who wished to do so.

A great evening.

UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Thursday 7th June [6.30 for 7.00]	Friday 8th June [9.00 - 3.00]	Sunday 10th June 12.30 pm	Thursday 14th June [6.30 for 7.00]	Thursday 21st June [6.30 for 7.00]
Venue:	FTG Bowling Club	Bunnings	Christine & Allan's Home	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club
Program:	Youth Safety Policy	Sausage	Thank You Luncheon	Habitat for Humanity	Monash Uni - Topic TBA
Speaker:	Merv Erickson	Sizzle		Max Thomson	Samuel Brandon
Chairman	Ray H			Allan T	Rob H
Rotary Toast	Enid H			Graeme A	John F
Cashier:	Graeme A			Paul W	Fran M
Scribe:	Paul W			Rob H	Rod B
Rotary Knowledge					
Topic:					
Sergeant-At-Arms:	Mike S			Mike S	Graeme A
Partners' Night	No		Yes	Yes	No

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



CHRISTINE'S CHATTERBOX

CONGRATULATIONS

To all members of our Club.

On Saturday evening at the District Changeover Dinner I had the honour on behalf of you all to be presented with a District Recognition 2017-2018 for

- Club Building
- Club Projects
- Club PR and Communications
- OUTSTANDING ROTARY CLUB.

What a wonderful recognition for all the hard work by every member of our club, your total commitment and involvement in every aspect makes our club very unique. We were one of two clubs that received this special additional recognition, we congratulate Rowville Lysterfield as being the other club (wow 2 from the same cluster)!

Saturday at World Environmental day at the Mint Street Wetlands it was a beautiful morning, some 300 local Knox residents got down in the dirt, and by 12.00 pm in two hours 8,000 indigenous plants were planted. Thank you to Kay McAloney who joined us.

I hope you all take time to check out our Club Facebook Page, Ray is doing a marvellous job keeping this updated and interesting, and for those of you that might miss a meeting, Facebook and the bulletin are a good way of seeing club activities.

This coming Thursday is our board meeting the final one for this Rotary Year, and gives the opportunity for the outgoing and incoming chairs to present next year's budgets, and new exciting plans for the year ahead

Have a great week look forward to seeing you all on Thursday

Yours in Rotary

Christine Anderson

President 2017-2018

"THE WEEK THAT WAS"

Wednesday, 31st May, 2018

Meeting Opened: 19.00

Rotary Toast: Mike Spark

President, Christine Anderson:

- Welcomed Liam Basterfield, Louise, (Liam's mum) Sue Neilson, Kay McAloney and Lois Brown.
- This coming Saturday is World Environment Day at Mint Street Wetlands. A number of members taking part and have been registered.

Apologies: Gary Braddock and Fran Mandergeddes

REPORTS asked for by the Chairman: Graeme Aspinall.

Secretary's Report: Paul McAloney: Received letters from Operation cleft and a Wheel Chair Group.

Rob Hurst:

- An offer from Stephen Flemming to speak at Rotary. Subjects were offered and it was the "History of Newspapers in the Dandenong's" that was agreed upon.

Paul Wilson, reported on;

- A very encouraging meeting with Interact at Fairhills High, inducting the new group. A great group of young people and exciting to see them taking up the challenge.
- Last Thursday Youth family and Heath forum at Healsville. Five speakers spoke on areas such Yarra Valley Health, Director of SALT, Drug and Alcohol addiction and the Indigenous Society. Paul major impression was how good these groups were but how under resourced they are.
- "Rotary Youth Leadership Awards" Applicant Zhaopeng Lin. Short intro : *I am a multilingual (English, Cantonese and Mandarin) post graduate in international finance. I have experience in analysing financial market information, trading, and providing exceptional customer service, with ability to determine priorities and work effectively under pressure. I also have a positive attitude, a great willingness to learn and ability to meet tight deadlines with high quality standard of work.*

John Flemming:

- Bowel Cancer Collection from 4 pharmacists. Sales are down but there is reason to be confident that this is a very worthwhile program and it will gain strength with promotion.

Treasurer's Report: Enid Hughes;

- 31st May end of financial report. On track to give auditors report in next few days.
- Donation to Monash hospital \$325.
- Our Changeover will have two special guests coming—Beth Vize and Michele Oscar.

Community: Ray Hollis

- Reported on an email re Youth Exchange and the new regulations. A Meeting of all Presidents is

called to discuss.

- We are Co-Hosting Julia from Italy but this maybe the last exchange student we take on.
- Transition Board meeting next week.

Fundraising: Graeme Aspinall;

- Last week got names for Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings. Hope to sell some more Raffle Tickets at Maxi's in Upper Ferntree Gully on Saturday.
- Attended a "Change Over" at RC Emerald & District, where everyone wore a collar and tie and their PHF medallions.

Paul McAloney, incoming membership chair:

- Had a discussion with Ferntree Gully News. For \$500 a year we will sponsor a double page spread for local schools with them headed with our Rotary Clubs heading it. Any time need to promote something we are able to have a half page.

Sergeant: Mike Spark, conducted a very joke filled round. The winner was Lois Brown who was presented with a Bottle of wine.

Guest Speaker: Liam Basterfield (German Youth Exchange.) Liam gave a very clear and positive presentation of his month in Germany with a Power Point Presentation. He thanked the Club for the very generous gift of money to help him.

Closing Remarks Christine closed the meeting thanking all, for coming. Five members are attending the District Change Over. Next week we have Merv Erickson presenting the Youth Safety policy.

Her saying for the week: "Be helpful, when you see a person without a smile give them yours."

Meeting closed: 20.30

Scribe: Rod Brown



Pictured—Liam with Chairman Graeme Aspinall

2018-2109 DISTRICT CHANGE OVER

DG MALCOLM CHIVERTON TO DGE RUSSELL GURNEY

What an event! Whilst we all knew that DGE Russell would not be taking office until midnight Chicago time on 30th June, this was OUR changeover. We had the District 9810 team, the outgoing/incoming District Rotaract team and many of our district clubs there to listen to what had happened during 2017-18 and what was to come in 2018-19.

And the best yet—RC FTG received an Award for Club Building, Club Projects, Club PR and Communications, and... most important of all—Outstanding Rotary Club.

A great night!

Well done President Christine—a hard won, hard earned and well deserved Award.

Enid Hughes
Bulletin Editor



TREEPLANTING—WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

What a great turn out! People came from everywhere including the CFA, Knox City Council, Friends of Dandenong Creek, Student and Teachers from Swinburne and, of course, several members of our own Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully. Eight thousand indigenous plants were given a home in the space of two hours. A great job everyone—let's hope every single one of them grows to be a healthy contribution to the Wetlands.



IMPORTANT DATES TO DIARISE.....

2018	Program.	Speaker
June	is Rotary Fellowship month	
8-Jun	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
10-Jun	Fellowship Lunch	Christine & Allan's home
14-Jun	Habitat for Humanity	Max Thomson
21-Jun	Monash Uni—Topic TBC	Samuel Brandon
28-Jun	Fellowship Night	
30-Jun	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
Sun 8/7	Changeover—Lunch	Waverley Golf Club, Rowville
Goodbye Christine, WELCOME RAY		

Legend:

Partners' Night
Fundraising Event
District Event
Fellowship Event
Community Event

