

# Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully Inc.

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



## WEEKLY BULLETIN



Pictured above (L-R) District Youth Protection Officer, Merv Erickson with PE Ray Hollis

## YOUTH SAFETY POLICY

How to turn a potentially boring subject into an informative, humorous and interactive presentation—Merv got it SO right! Having attended a forum on just this subject only last night, I was prepared to be a little patient and somewhat passive. Instead, there was laughter, interest and insightful questions. RC Fern Tree Gully has been somewhat remiss in it's sharing of Youth Exchange Student Maja this year but the rules have changed somewhat and our commitment to share incoming student Giulia from Italy is going to be much more interactive. Thanks to Merv I think we're now going to be up for it!

A great presentation Merv—thank you!

Enid Hughes  
Bulletin Editor

# UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Thursday 14th June [6.30 for 7.00]	Thursday 21st June [6.30 for 7.00]	Thursday 28th June [6.0 for 7.00]	Saturday 30th June [8.00 - 3.00]	Thursday 5th July [6.30 for 7.00]
Venue:	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	Bunnings	FTG Bowling Club
Program:	Habitat for Humanity	Knox News-papers	Fellowship Night	Sausage	Toronto Convention
Speaker:	Max Thomson	Steve Flemming		Sizzle	Enid & Ray H
Chairman	Allan T	Rob H	Christine A		N/A
Rotary Toast	Graeme A	John F	Rob H		Christine A
Cashier:	Paul W	Fran M	Graham F		Mike S
Scribe:	Rob H	Rod B	No Scribe		No Scribe
Rotary Knowledge					Paul W
Topic:					RYPEN
Sergeant-At-Arms:	Mike S	Graeme A	Graeme A		Rob H
Partners' Night	Yes	No	No		No

<i>Birthdays:</i>	17th—Mike Spark
<i>Wedding Anniversaries:</i>	None
<i>Induction to RC of Fern Tree Gully</i>	None



## CHRISTINE'S CHATTERBOX

My Chatterbox this week is short and sweet as Miss Chatterbox did far too much chatting at our luncheon on Sunday. What a lovely way to spend a beautiful afternoon with the best company, good food, plenty of wine and lots of laughs.

This Wednesday evening at the Bayswater Rotary club Maja our shared youth exchange student will be giving her final talk. I am sure we will be keeping in touch with her over the years, she is a bright inspirational young lady. We wish her safe travels home to Germany.

This coming Thursday evening we have an interesting guest speaker Max Thompson talking about "Habitat for Humanity" this is a partners evening so hope you can join us.

Have a good week

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



# "THE WEEK THAT WAS"

Thursday, 7th June, 2018

**Meeting Opened:** 19.01

**Pres Christine opened:**

- Welcome to Merv Ericson, Maja Lowe & Ian McFarland
- Last Sat morning we planted trees. Thanks to all who attended.  
Next Wed Maja will give her last presentation at Bayswater RC. All welcome.
- Also next Wed there will be a Ferntree Gully Traders Fair meeting.
- There is to be a dinner to "meet your new neighbours" (refugees) from 5.30 to 7.30 Sat 23 June.
- Christine received a letter from Gary B outlining his situation. We wish him well and a speedy recovery.

## REPORTS

**Chairman:** Ray Hollis

**Apologies:** Gary B, Fran M, John F.

**Secretary's Report:** Had no correspondence this week.

**Treasurer's Report:** Annual Membership Invoices have been sent. Thanks to those who have already paid. Enid will be away for 3 weeks (yes, we know). She will take her laptop so please send all reports etc. as normal but please be as early as possible to give her more time at her end. The accounts have been rolled and are with the Auditor.

**Community:** There is a Youth Protection Training Program on Sat 16 June for all people in contact with youth. Rod B, Allan T, Paul W, Mike S & Christine will attend.

Ray is getting involved with MDLC / CHLV program. Watch this space.

## Fundraising:

Graeme A announced we are having another Bunnings Sausage Sizzle this Friday. And the weather looks to be shocking.

## Speaker:

Merv Ericsson gave us a rundown of the origins, outcomes and possible future of Youth Protection from the legal requirement to the implementation via Rotary's Policies. Confronting Stuff! Thanks Merv for presenting such a difficult subject in understandable terms.

**Sergeant (Mike Spark):** Paul Wilson won the raffle & drew 3 Spades.

## Closing Remarks

Christine closed the meeting, thanking all, and reminding us that lunch was next Sunday and Bon Voyage to Enid & Ray.

**Meeting closed:** 20.45

**Paul Wilson**  
Scribe

## VANCOUVER B.C.

By the time you read this, Ray and I will be rediscovering some of my old haunts. We'll keep you all updated—via facebook as well as the bulletin.



In the meantime—we'll be thinking of you (well.... maybe now and again!)

Enid & Ray

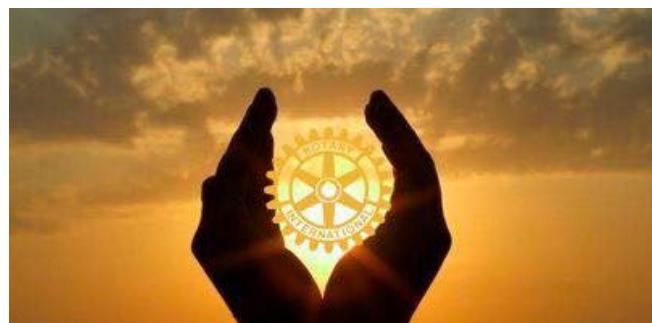
## CHANGEOVER

Sunday, 8th July 2018

### Have you booked/paid yet?

Remember—after 4th July when we have to give final numbers, if you haven't paid for your place we are not going to be able to include you.

The club has to pay for your meal if you don't turn up



## COMMITTEE / BOARD REPORTS

### June 2018 Board Meeting

#### May Community Report 2018

Although I have not done a lot of actual community project work this month I have been busy liaising with Dianne Lagerwey who is the Community Development Officer at Mountain District Learning Centre. Dianne has been working for some time with Community Housing Victoria Limited (CHVL) who manage the low cost housing village in Burwood Highway on the corner of Dorset Road. CHVL have been attempting for some time now to provide shade sails over the playground area. In addition to this they also have a number of other projects that they are interested in developing. Community Housing Limited is a large organisation operating world wide to help the underprivileged. I believe with a collaboration between MDLC, CHVL and Rotary club of Fern Tree Gully we can have an ongoing working relationship with this facility.

Below is a brief overview of where CHVL operate and the services they provide.

#### WHERE THEY WORK

Victoria  
New south Wales  
Indigenous Communities

Tasmania  
Queensland  
Western Australia  
Timor Leste  
Chile  
Nepal  
Papua New Guinea

#### WHAT THEY DO

Homelessness services  
Affordable housing  
Aboriginal Housing  
Disability Accommodation and NDIS  
Design and Construction  
Property Maintenance  
Project Services  
Community Development

WEB SITE for more information

[www.chl.org.au](http://www.chl.org.au) or Community housing limited

**Ray Hollis**  
Community Chair

## INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

May2018

#### Nasavusavu Special Education School.

- Committee members of RC Savusavu are back from vacation and came back to us with a quote for purchasing laptops/notebooks for the students to use in class. The Principal and teachers are very enthusiastic. At this point it would seem that the left over funds currently held by RC Savusavu will cover the cost of the equipment but until we get the final wash-up we won't be sure. I have assured RC Savusavu that we still have \$2,500 in the budget to cover any extra costs in this project.

#### Sungai Kolok – Anti Trafficking and Medical Outreach program in Southern Thailand

- Our club gave a letter pledging support of \$1,500 to this project. Funds will be held until the Global Grant application is settled and if necessary, will be carried over to the 2018-19 Rotary year.
- **Operation Cleft** – Bruce McEwen addressed the club on this project and left with a cheque for \$1,000 in his pocket.

#### 2018-19 Budget:

#### Pramanit Foundation, New Dehli, India

- The incoming committee are considering a number of projects in which the club may be interested. At the moment however, we are favouring one of the Pramanit Foundation proposals. Lorraine Young is again visiting Australia and will address the club on 12<sup>th</sup> July.

#### Nasavusavu Special Education School.

- With the demise of ABC Dreams we are now dealing direct with RC Savusavu and will again take up sponsorship of our Special Education students at the school known locally as "Yaroi". Details will be given to the Board as soon as they are finalised.

#### Other Budget Items

- I anticipate there will be some unexpected requests for donations/sponsorship during the coming year and I will include an amount to cover this in the budget.

#### Enid Hughes

International Chair

# IMPORTANT DATES TO DIARISE.....

2018	Program.	Speaker
June	is Rotary Fellowship month	
21-Jun	Monash Uni—Topic TBC	Samuel Brandon
28-Jun	<b>Fellowship Night</b>	
30-Jun	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
Sun 8/7	Changeover—Lunch	Waverley Golf Club, Rowville
<b>Goodbye Christine, WELCOME RAY</b>		

Legend:

	Partners' Night
	Fundraising Event
	District Event
	Fellowship Event
	Community Event

## FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Having rained for days the weather decided to be kind to us as we gathered at the home of President Christine and Allan. The food was plentiful and the guests in the mood to swap news and stories. The finger food was excellent and the (junior) trainee waitresses did a great job—thank you Madeleine and Eliane.

Relaxing with good food and great company—what a way to spend Sunday afternoon...

