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WEEKLY BULLETIN



President, Rotary International

BARRY RASSIN & Esther
Rotary Club of East Nassau
New Providence, Bahamas



District Governor, Dist. 9810 –

RUSSELL GURNEY & Shelley
Rotary Club of Doncaster

President,

RAY HOLLIS & Enid
Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully

Benefactor,

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



Pictured above, Lorraine Young with Enid Hughes

PRAMANIT FOUNDATION, DEHLI, INDIA

It was good to once again have Lorraine attend one of our meetings. She is back in Aus visiting family and friends but managed to find time to visit us.

Lorraine expanded on her ideas for our club to join with Capital City New Delhi Rotary Club India in applying for a Rotary Foundation global grant and to join with the Pramanit Foundation in pursuing a project which involves the Introduction of Smart Schools in all Govt. schools of Delhi.

There are various other options and Lorraine provided us with a summary of them. It's now up to our members/Board to study it in more depth and get back to them.

A very interesting presentation—thank you Lorraine. We will indeed consider joining you and your friends in one or more of these projects.

UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Thursday 19th July [6.30 for 7.00]	Wednesday 25th July	Thursday 26th July [6.30 for 7.00]	Friday 27th July [10.00 - 3.00]	Wednesday 1st August (7.30 p.m.)
Venue:	FTG Bowling Club	E Parker Reserve	FTG Bowling Club	Mountain Gate Shop.Ctr	Enid & Ray's Home
Program:	Knoxbrooke Enterprises	Melbourne Water	Committee Meetings Group A	Very Special Kids	Board
Speaker:	Kristian Dauncy	Sausage	N/A	Sausage	Meeting
Vote of Thanks	Graeme A	Sizzle	N/A	Sizzle	
Rotary Toast	Gary B		Enid H		
Cashier:	Paul W		Graeme A		
Scribe:	John F		No Scribe		
Rotary Knowledge			Allan T		
Topic:			Empower Leaders		
Sergeant-At-Arms:	Rob H		Rob H		
Partners' Night	No		No		
<i>Birthdays:</i>			None		
<i>Wedding Anniversaries:</i>			None		
<i>Induction to RG of Fern Tree Gully</i>			None		



"RAY'S RAMBLINGS"

Last Friday night Enid, Paul W and I attended a training seminar telling us what is required for accreditation if our club wishes to be involved in Rotary's Youth programs. We found that current members who have been involved in the past need only a Working With Children Card in order to continue to participate in Youth programs such as Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment, Interact etc: However, all new members will need a Form 3, a police check, and a Working With Children Card. It is not compulsory for current members to have a WWCC but it is advised that everybody has one; Anybody wishing to participate in youth activities MUST have one. We don't have a lot of say in what we can and can't do as most of it is VICTORIAN LAW and Rotary (along with all other volunteer groups) has to comply.

On Monday night I will be attending a meeting at the Bayswater Club, along with other interested parties, to discuss what is happening with Rotaract in the Knox area going forward. I will have more information to give you on Thursday.

On Saturday afternoon the Fern Tree gully CFA held their annual Awards Ceremony and Christine Anderson, Allan Tierney, Enid Hughes and Ray Hollis went along to represent the Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully. There was a change from past years in that it was held at the fire station on Saturday afternoon instead of an evening dinner style event. The Brigade were very proud to be presented with the keys to three new fire trucks, one of which has been dedicated to Milton Tinsdale who has been a member for 53 years. A great event and one we all enjoyed.

Thursday this week our IPP Christine goes into hospital to have her knee replacement operation. We wish her well for a speedy recovery.

Yours in Rotary
Ray Hollis
President 2018-19



"THE WEEK THAT WAS"

Wednesday, 12th July, 2018

The meeting was opened at 7.00pm by President Ray

Announcements:

- Ray welcomed everyone, including the returning guest speaker Lorraine Young from India, and Jill Wilson.
- Ray announced that we have had another offer from Waterford Valley Lakes to visit on 31 August at 1 pm.
- The cluster meeting had decided to try to get Rotaract of Knox initiated again, and that cluster friendship meetings would be organised to get the various club members together socially.

Chairman: Ray

Secretary: Graeme Aspinall had distributed the incoming mail – RDU invoice.

Apologies: Rod Brown, John Flemming, Paul McAloney, Gary Braddock (is getting more dialysis resources at home), Christine Anderson and Alan Tierney.

Treasurer: No report

Community – No report

Youth: Paul Wilson No report – school holidays.

Speakers: Rob Hurst: Foundation member Ken Millar will speak to us in December. We need a speaker for 13 September – otherwise, all Ok until October when he returns from Canada.

Foundation – Mike Spark advised that he continues to collect the Centurion monies – nearly all complete for 2018/19 year.

Fellowship – No report

Sergeant-at-arms. Rob Hurst extracted loot from all members with ease, using sage sayings from “good ol’ boy” Will Rogers.

SKILL - Jack of Clubs was drawn by Enid, so we live again!

Guest Speaker – Lorraine Young (Cassie Bench’s sister)

Showed a video by the President of the Rotary Club of Delhi South, outlining their activities in educating young people in the hospitality industry, a huge growing market for employment that is currently under-resourced. The lowest caste/class is the target of this practical training.

Enid and her committee are currently reviewing a request from this club (and others) for assistance in getting various international programs off the ground.

President Ray read out next week’s housekeeping duties and closed the meeting at 8.45pm.

Scribe:/Editor/ typist: Mike Spark



**Quote from Past Exchange Student
Nayla Ventura (Brazil)**

Being an Exchange Student it is not just going to a different country:

- Being an Exchange Student is to believe in myself
- It is to learn to appreciate what I have
- It is to (try to) take care of myself
- It is to think that the world is mine
- It is to feel independent, because I don't have my parents around me.

And so the time flew and I changed a lot both physically and mentally. Today I can see how I grew up. I grew up 7 years in this 1 year of Exchange. Because:

- I learnt to make decisions
- I learnt that I can benefit from my mistakes
- I learnt that making mistakes is acceptable
- I learnt that difficulties do not need to be seen as problems, but as challenges.
- I learnt to respect people who are different compared to me
- I learnt that true friends are still friends even when separated by distance
- I learnt to think before speaking
- I learnt that words can hurt
- I learnt to listen more and talk less
- I learnt that the family is the most precious thing in anyone's life
- I learnt to find something good in every situation
- I learnt to control my emotions
- I learnt that crying can mean not only sadness but happiness as well
- I learnt to plan less and do more
- I learnt to complain less and thank more
- I learnt that nobody is perfect
- I learnt that every day is the best day of my life.



July 2018



Welcome to the first edition of Highlights for 2018-19.

I thank Michael Ellinger for continuing to manage this key element of our District's communication strategy as an efficient way for Clubs and District Committees to promote their events.

Please allow sufficient lead time and send details to Michael as this will help reduce the number of direct emails being sent to Clubs. The monthly schedule can be found elsewhere in this edition.

Our Club Changeover season has almost concluded. Shelley and I have been inspired by the witnessing first-hand, the celebration of past achievements, and the exciting plans Clubs have for the year ahead.

Our RI President Barry Rassin has asked many things of us this year. One to Be The Inspiration Be the inspiration in our Community, in our Club and in ourselves.

Another being to host a local, community oriented Rotary Day to showcase activities that our Rotary, Rotaract, and Interact Clubs undertake. These will be a lot of fun and not only help increase public awareness of our work but may even facilitate new partnership and membership opportunities. Click this [link](#) see some ideas.

At a District level, we are about to release our new digital presence. Powered by Club Runner, this is a cost-effective solution with smart phone app capability, and a member database linked to My Rotary. This is core to our communications strategy which is designed to support our Clubs.

An announcement will be made in due course and will include features, tips and tricks, where Clubs can save time, and a request for urgent Club assistance. We may even save some, or even all, Directory printing costs in future years. We'll see. One step at a time.

The first phase will be apparent very soon, and we welcome your feedback as this is your resource. I would like to thank our District Technology Committee, lead by Peter Dalwood and Gus Rozyki, for the significant effort to make this a reality.

There are many exciting events planned for the year and I encourage our members to look out for, and attend, our District Seminars. These are opportunities to sharing ideas for leveraging resources, increasing our impact, and growing our organisation. These will no doubt enrich the "Rotary experience" of our members; new and experienced.

To that point, please mark your diaries for the Membership Retention and Growth Strategies Seminar (August 10) and The Rotary Foundation Seminar (August 24). These events intended to add value to Club members. I encourage you to help shape the content of these by advising any specific areas that you would like covered to the relevant members of our District Support Team noted on page 25 of this year's District Directory. It may even take the form of a new event or seminar.

Note also that bookings are now being accepted for our 2019 Victorian Multi District Conference (Feb 15 -17). Click [here](#) to secure your early bird discount.

We have another exciting year ahead. Let's all Be the Inspiration in 2018-19.

Russell Gurney
Governor 2018-19

FERNTREE GULLY FIRE BRIGADE ANNUAL AWARDS

Pictured right: *Captain Seamus Smith*

Below: *Milton Tinsdale and his family.*

Bottom: *Some of those attending the ceremony*



COMMITTEE / BOARD REPORTS

July 2018 Board Meeting

Youth Report as of 03/07/18

Interact (Ongoing)

- Meeting 1pm, Thursday 21th June 2018.
- Present: Salwan S, Paul W, Susan H, 8 Members.
- Salwan addressed club – Told them about Multi District Interact / Earlyact Conference on Feb 16, 2019.
- Discussed getting lower year students engaged to improve continuity of club going forward.
- Next Meeting: TBA by Susan. - Probably first week back (Thursday 19 June) but there might be a conflict

Youth Exchange (Jan)

- Attended Maja's last presentation at Bayswater RC before going back home to Germany at 10.05pm, 7 July 2018.

Rotary Junior Community Award (Feb)

- We were contacted by Ferntree Gully PS for help identifying community service placings. Canvassed ideas and history and submitted to Fairhills and Fern Tree Gully.
Ferntree Gully Nth now have feedback on successes.
Waiting on email. Will be invaluable next year.

Camp Awakenings (April)

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

RYLA (July)

- Chris Lim was offered to us by RYLA. He was subsequently interviewed successfully and the process of him attending is underway.

4 Way Speech Contest (Aug)

RYPEN (Sept)

- We were approached by RYPEN committee. "Do we want to send candidates"? - They are now multi-district and filling / full but as we are repeat customers offering to save places for us. Said yes, hold (budgeted) four places.
- Have Sent email to Susan (Fairhills High) alerting her to start looking, Camp not till 15/16 September 2018 but we want to try and reach down to junior years to improve continuity of the club.

Paul Wilson
Youth Chair

PR and Marketing Report June 2018

Been a little busier on Facebook this month. Started with a busy day on June 2nd when Christine, Paul and Kay McAloney and myself fronted up at Mint street Wetlands to help with the planting of 8,000 indigenous plants. Many local residents in attendance along with First Friends of Dandenong Creek, Knox City Council employees and Students and Teachers from Swinburn College. This was followed by District Changeover that evening which was attended by Christine Anderson, Allan Tierney, Graeme Aspinall, Enid Hughes and Ray Hollis.

Next on the list was the afternoon thank you lunch put on by Christine and Allan which was a great afternoon attended by members and their partners along with our AG Michelle. A great afternoon of fellowship, good food and an occasional glass of liquid refreshment.

Our exchange student Maja is heading home to Germany soon and Christine and Allan attended her goodbye meeting at the Bayswater Rotary Club.

Lastly were a few posts from Canada by the jetsetters. A little bit about their holiday and of course mention of the International Convention in Toronto to say goodbye to Ian Risely and to welcome Barry Rassin.

Also to start in the August issue of the Gully News is the sponsorship of the Schools Pages each edition along with articles that we provide regarding our activities.

Enid Hughes/Ray Hollis
Chair Persons

IMPORTANT DATES TO DIARISE.....

Date: 2018	Program.	Speaker
July	is the start of new Rotary officers' year of service	
19-Jul	Knoxbrooke Enterprises	Kristian Dauncey
22-Jul	Rotaract Changeover	
25-Jul	Melbourne Water Sausage Sizzle	H E Parker Reserve - TBC
26-Jul	Committee Meetings	GROUP A
27-Jul	Very Special Kids - Sausage Sizzle	ComBank
August	is Membership & New Club Development month	
1-Aug	BOARD MEETING	Enid & Ray's home
2-Aug	KNOX COUNCIL RECEPTION - VOLUNTEERS NIGHT	
3-Aug	President's Quarterly Mtg	
9-Aug	Interact/MUNA/Thailand Trip	Fairhills HS students
10-Aug	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
10-Aug	Membership Retention & Growth Strategies Seminar	
16-Aug	Knox Woodworkers	Rodney Williams
23-Aug	Committee Meetings	GROUP B
24-Aug	The Rotary Foundation Seminar	
30-Aug	Fellowship Night - Crazy Whist?	
September	is Basic Education and Literacy Month	
6-Sep	MEMBER BEHIND THE BADGE	Allan Tierney
13-Sep		
14-Sep	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
14-16 Sep	Rotarly Youth Program of Enrichments (RYPEN) Camp (14-16th Sept)	
20-Sep	Foothills Community Care	Stephen Barrington
27-Sep	Committee Meetings	GROUP A
October	is Economic and Community Development month	
4-Oct	MEMBER BEHIND THE BADGE	Gary Braddock
5-Oct	Community Service Seminar	
10-Oct	Australian Rotary Health Hat Day (Shining a light on mental health)	
11-Oct		
12-Oct	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
18-Oct		
25-Oct	Committee Meetings	GROUP B
26-Oct	Vocational Service Seminar	

Legend:

	Partners' Night
	Fundraising Event
	District Event
	Fellowship Event
	Community Event

