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RUSSELL GURNEY & Shelley
Rotary Club of Doncaster

President,

RAY HOLLIS & Enid
Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully

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Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully



WEEKLY BULLETIN



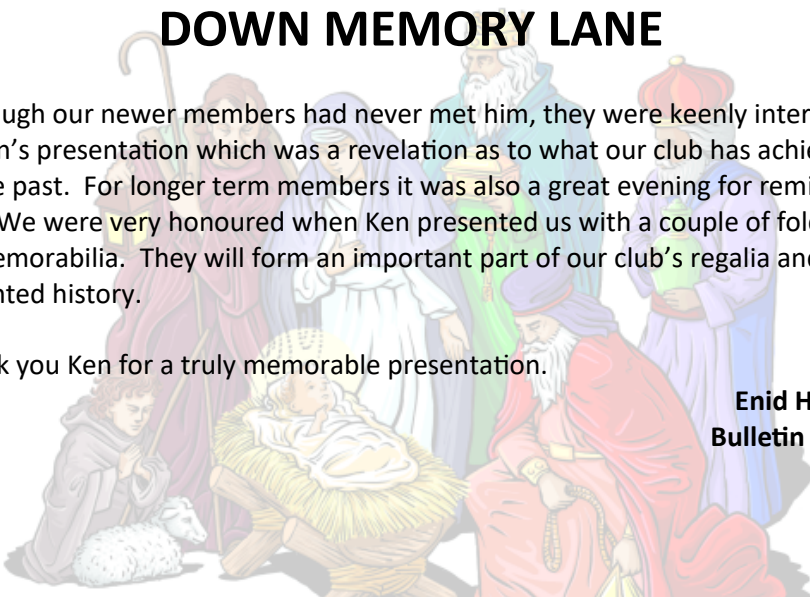
Pictured above : President Ray with Ken Miller

DOWN MEMORY LANE

Although our newer members had never met him, they were keenly interested in Ken's presentation which was a revelation as to what our club has achieved in the past. For longer term members it was also a great evening for reminiscing! We were very honoured when Ken presented us with a couple of folders of memorabilia. They will form an important part of our club's regalia and documented history.

Thank you Ken for a truly memorable presentation.

Enid Hughes
Bulletin Editor



UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Thursday 20th Dec [6.30 for 7.00]	Thursday 27th Dec [6.30 for 7.00]	Thursday 3rd Jan [6.30 for 7.00]	Thursday 10th Jan [6.30 for 7.00]	Thursday 17th Jan 6.30 for 7.00 pm]
Venue:	Glengollan Club Rooms			Fireside Meeting	Fireside Meeting
Program:		CHRISTMAS BREAK	CHRISTMAS BREAK		
Speaker:	Christmas Break-up BBQ	NO MEETING	NO MEETING	Anne & John Flemming's Home	Jill & Paul Wilson's Home
Vote of Thanks					
Rotary Toast					
Cashier:					
Scribe:					
Rotary Knowledge					
Topic:					
Sergeant-At-Arms:					
Partners' Night					

<i>Birthdays:</i>	24th Dec—Allan Tierney 5th Jan—Graham Faulkner 8th Jan—Brian Mandergheddes 9th Jan—Lindy Faulkner 9th Jan—Beth Vize 10th Jan—Enid Hughes
<i>Wedding Anniversaries:</i>	None
<i>Induction to RC of Fern Tree Gully</i>	None



"RAY'S RAMBLINGS"

Club members were joined by Ken Miller as speaker this week, Ken was a foundation member of the club and you can read a full account in the scribe's report.

Wednesday evening the Ferntree Gully CFA organised a fire awareness presentation for local residents. It was supposed to be held at the Quarry Reserve in Stringybark Drive but due to the wet conditions it was transferred to the fire station. A good number of residents attended and when the presentation was over the Rotary Club provided a sausage sizzle which was much appreciated.

Tuesday night Enid and I went down to the fire station to present them with a \$500 donation which is something the club does annually.

This will be our final edition for 2018, next edition will be published on January 23rd 2019.

No more news this week, I wish everybody a safe and happy Christmas with Family and Friends and look forward to seeing all in January.

Yours in Rotary
Ray Hollis
President 2018-19



"THE WEEK THAT WAS"

Thursday, 13th December, 2018

*The meeting opened at 7 PM with the toast to Rotary by PP Enid and **President Ray** welcoming all Members, Partners and our guest speaker (a former Rotarian & Paul Harris fellow), Ken Miller, a Charter Member of our club whose talk will be on the early history of the Rotary Club of Ferntree Gully.*

President Ray's announcements:

As we are approaching the end of the calendar year and Christmas celebrations are starting to increase our Rotary activities are moving into holiday mode until after Christmas, our meetings in January will mostly be fireside meetings.

We received a letter from District Governor Russell Gurney advising us that our application for a \$1000 grant for the Mountain District Learning Centre had been approved.

Discussed the arrangements for those members involved in the sausage sizzle to be held at the CFA's Bushfire Awareness Program in Quarry Road Ferntree Gully on Friday evening 14 December.

Ray has spoken to Scott Buckland the manager of Knoxbrook's 'Yarra View Nursery' to arrange an industry visit to the nursery mid to late January 2019.

Secretary: (PP Graeme Aspinall)

Received correspondence from Jason Wood who was our local Federal member of Parliament, but due to electoral boundaries being realigned he is no longer, so presumably the letter is irrelevant. Bunnings has advised the club of the dates for next year's fundraising sausage sizzles which are all on Fridays.

Apologies Received from: Gary Braddock, John Flemming, Graham Faulkner and Alan Tierney who is on leave of absence.

Reports: (as we are winding down for the Christmas break reports are minimal)

PP Fran has a friend who has just resigned from a Lions Club, she is a prolific contributor to community activities and would like to continue to be involved in some way. Fran suggested that the club should consider a classification along the lines of "Friends of Rotary".

The main reason for introducing such a classification being that there are a lot of people on pensions who would love to contribute in some way but the cost of belonging to Rotary is beyond them.

P P Christine together with Fran wish to thank everyone who have contributed in kind or in cash towards the "Foothills community care" men's Christmas party, they have received a considerable number of products and funds to purchase other items such as men's toiletries etc

Sergeant-At-Arms: (PP Graeme Aspinall) tested our knowledge of the history of Christmas, its origins and meanings etc

Apropos nothing! Rotarian Rod Brown came up with an interesting bit of trivia, if you add your age to the year of your birth it will come up with 2018. This apparently occurs only once every 1000 years, **go figure!!!!!!!!!!!!**

Skill: won by visiting partner Jill Wilson with ticket number C 67, and being a visiting partner there was no need to draw a card but was rewarded with **An Arrogant Frog!**

PROGRAM:

What a fascinating talk provided by our guest speaker former Past President and Charter Member of the Rotary Club of Ferntree Gully Ken Miller (also wearing his Paul Harris pin).

Ken regaled us with some of the history of Ferntree Gully, he has lived in the district his entire life having being raised on a farm in Lysterfield, commenced his own business as a humble timber cutter providing firewood for locals in the area, many homes in those days had no electricity or gas.

As we know Ferntree Gully Rotary Club was granted a charter on 16th May 1963, the club was presented with its charter on 6 June 1963 at the Dandenong City Hall by then District Governor Kenneth L C Davies, assisted by Governor's special representative Horrie Mickelborough from Rotary club of Belgrave, our sponsor club.

Since the club was chartered it has been responsible for some memorable projects such as the creation and construction of Knoxbrooke a centre for disabled persons. In addition to the complex in Ferntree Gully the club arranged for the construction of units in Bayswater specifically for handicapped people to live in.

It was further responsible for the development and construction the Ferntree Gully Bowling Club after holding a meeting to determine the level of community interest on 19 August 1965, this was clearly demonstrated by having 73 locals in attendance at that initial meeting.

Not only did the club identify the need for a bowling club in Ferntree Gully they were physically involved in the construction of it by donating both labour, materials and utilising the expertise and equipment of club members in doing so.

Ken has presented the club with a detailed compendium of the club's history which will be a precious resource to draw on in the future.

A scanned copy of the program for the 'Presentation of Charter' to the Rotary Club of Ferntree Gully and a list of the charter members is included with the evenings program report.

Meeting closed at 8:26 PM

Scribe: Robert Hurst

CHARTER MEMBERS



ABBOTT, C. H. (JACK)	Hospital Equipment Manufacturing
ALBERNI, M. M. (MARTY)	Cattle Raising—Breeding
CALLAHAN, J. C. (JACK)	General Contracting
COCKS, B. F. (BRUCE)	Kiosks
DINSDALE, F. H. (BOYSIE)	Draying & Hauling
ELDRIDGE, J. J. (JEFF)	Motor Freight Transportation
GOUDIE, D. A. (DON)	Banking—Commercial
HALL, F. C. K. (FRANK)	Pharmacy
HENDRICKS, C. A. (CON)	Tailoring—Men's
HIBBINS, I. F. (IAN)	Fruit & Vegetable—Wholesaling
JOHNSON, R. S. (RON)	Hardware—Retailing
JENSEN, K. J. (KEITH)	Meat—Retailing
McKERNAN, R. (ROY)	Electrical Construction
MANTLE, W. V. (BILL)	Drapery—Retailing
MILLER, K. H. (KEN)	Coal & Fuel—Retailing
MARTIN, L. V. (LAURIE)	Earth Moving Equipment Services
MILLER, W. A. (BILL)	Livestock Marketing
PAPWORTH, B. J. (BERN)	Education—Primary
RUSSELL, H. A. C. (HARRY)	Refined Oil Products Distributing
REID, J. V. (JIM)	Refreshment Parlours
SELLS, M. A. (MILT)	Insurance—Life
THOMSON, K. G. (KEN)	Sash & Door Manufacturing
TOZER, L. F. (LYONEL)	Groceries—Retailing
WEST, J. A. (JIM)	Roofing Construction
WEST, W. J. (WESTY)	Blacksmith Engineering

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SERVICE ABOVE SELF

Presentation of Charter

DANDENONG CITY HALL
THURSDAY, 6th JUNE, 1963

SPONSOR CLUB:
ROTARY CLUB OF BELGRAVE

GOVERNOR, DISTRICT 282
ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
KENNETH L. C. DAVIES



Quote from Evan Burrell: Some Rotarians are great at raising money, some are great at networking for a cause, some are experts at the fundraising bbq, some can immunize a 1000 children in a day against polio, some can plant trees, dig wells or build toilets in a distant remote place to help a community. I promote Rotary and our Rotary stories online over social media. You see we are all different in how we help others and not all of us can do everything each other does, but what makes us all the same in Rotary is that we all have a purpose to be the inspiration to others!



A VERY MERRY
CHRISTMAS
and Happy New Year!





*Members of the Board of
The Rotary Club of Fern Tree
Gully*

Would like to offer their

Best Wishes

for

Christmas

and

the coming year 2019

*To all our members, friends, family
and fellow Rotarians*

HAVE A GREAT YEAR!



UPDATE ON OUR STUDENTS AT MOUNTAIN DISTRICT LEARNING CENTRE:

For those of you who are not aware, Rotary FTG have, for the last few years, been successful in obtaining a District 9810 low level scholarship grant which has enabled us to sponsor two students at MDLC. Below is a summary of what this year's two students have achieved. *(Names have been changed to protect privacy)*

1. Michael

Michael used his scholarship to cover his Resources and Amenities fees at MDLC plus he purchased a laptop and accessories to assist him to complete his school work. Due to circumstances at home, he moved to Doncaster closer to the end of the year and was finding the commute a little hard so he did not successfully complete his Senior VCAL this year. He was able to secure a part time job at a car detailer and he has decided to pursue further hours with this next year.

2. Beth

Beth used her scholarship to cover her Tuition, Resources and Amenities fees as she was exited from her local school and was responsible for paying these fees herself. Her family's circumstances did not allow her to be able to cover this payment so the scholarship assisted them greatly. She was also able to purchase some computer accessories to assist with completing some of the work outside of class. Unfortunately she did have some medical issues this year which did not allow her to successfully complete her VCAL Foundation. She also managed to secure part time employment near the end of the year which she is wanting to continue as well as continuing her education however the hours of work do not allow her to do this at MDLC.



Mountain district Learning Centre
13 -15 The Avenue Ferntree Gully 97587859



I miss the good old days...
When you could actually
have an opinion without
Offending somebody.



I'm walking into 2019

with a clear heart & mind.

If you owe me, don't worry about it -
you're welcome.

If you've wronged me, it's all good -
lesson learned.

If you're angry with me, you won -
I've let it go.

If we aren't speaking, it's cool -
I wish you well.

If I've wronged you, I apologize -
it wasn't intentional.

I am grateful for every experience that I
received. Life is too short for pent up anger,
holding of grudges & extra stress or pain.

I WELCOME 2019

Remember forgiving someone is for you,
not the other person... Kelly's
Treehouse

So don't block your BLESSING

Make 2019 a year of positivity and
a season of forgiveness.

IMPORTANT DATES TO DIARISE.....

Date: 2018	Program.	Speaker
December	is Disease Prevention and Treatment Month	
20-Dec	Christmas Break-Up	Glengollan Clubrooms
27-Dec	Christmas Break - No Meeting	
2019	Program.	Speaker
January	is Vocational Service month	
3-Jan	Christmas Break - No Meeting	
10-Jan	Fireside Meeting	Anne & John Flemming's home
17-Jan	Fireside Meeting	Jill & Paul Wilson's Home
24-Jan	Committee Meetings	GROUP B
31-Jan	Working Safely in the Home	David McIvor
February	is Peace & Conflict Prevention/Resolution month	
4-Feb	BOARD MEETING	Jill & Paul Wilson's Home
7-Feb	MEMBER BEHIND THE BADGE	John Flemming
14-Feb		
15-17 Feb	Victorian Multi-District Conference	
21-Feb		
22-Feb	Presidents Quarterly Mtg	
28-Feb	Committee Meetings	GROUP A
March	is Water & Sanitation month	
4-Mar	BOARD MEETING	
7-Mar	MEMBER BEHIND THE BADGE	Ray Hollis
14-Mar		
16-17 Mar	Multi-District Presidents Elect Leadership Seminar	
21-Mar		
28-Mar	Committee Meetings	GROUP B

Legend:

	Partners' Night
	Fundraising Event
	District Event
	Fellowship Event
	Community Event



The 4 Way Toast....?

Service Above Self-Raising...?

- "Is it the Toast?"
- "Is it Fair to all the Grains?"
- "Will it hold up to Peanut Butter?"
- "Will it be breakfast for all concerned?"