

Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully Inc.

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WEEKLY BULLETIN

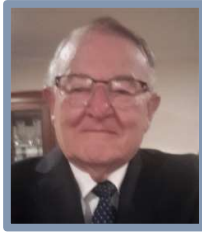
Date & Time:	Thursday 29th April [Kick off at 6.30]	Thursday 6th May [Kick off at 6.30]	Thursday 13th May [Kick off at 6.30]	Thursday 20th May [Kick off at 6.30]
Venue:	FTG BOWLING CLUB or ZOOM	FTG BOWLING CLUB or ZOOM	FTG Thai Restaurant Station Street	FTG BOWLING CLUB or ZOOM
Program:	Bridge Builders Youth Organisation	CLUB ASSEMBLY	FELLOWSHIP	THRIVING AT ANY AGE
Speaker:	Beck Mitchell	No Speaker	-	Linda Blake
Scribe	Julienne Hyams	John Flemming	-	Robert Hurst
Partners' Night	Yes	Welcome	Yes	Yes

<i>Birthdays:</i>	5 th May – Wendy Spark
<i>Anniversaries:</i>	None
<i>Induction to RC of Fern Tree Gully</i>	None

Dates to Diarise

2021	Event
Sat 01/05/2021 & Sun 02/05/2021	District Conference On-line all members
Sat 15/05/2021	District 9810 - R100 celebration at Jells Park including going for the World Record for the Waggle Dance - District Fellowship Event for all Rotarians

FROM THE PRESIDENT



MARCH IS WATER & SANITATION MONTH



Club members got through a busy weekend. On Saturday we held our R100 baton walk around the Arboretum. District Governor joined us along with a few members from Bayswater Rotary Club. Several laps were completed before a BBQ lunch was held. Along the walk we diverted to view the tree the club planted to mark 100 years of Rotary International back in 2005. The tree has grown well since being moved many years ago to the extent that the low hanging branches are covering the plaque laid at the trees base. I will endeavour to talk to the gardeners and have the lower branches trimmed.



On Sunday morning Christine and Julienne represented the club at the wreath laying ceremony at the Arboretum. Many thanks for representing the club.

The Bunnings Sausage sizzle was a very busy day starting at 11.00am on Sunday to provide free sausages to those who were unaware that the store didn't open until 1.00pm. 170 people took up the offer of a free sausage. When the store opened the demand was overwhelming with long queues being served. By the end of day all sausages were sold and a healthy profit was made, I will advise this at our meeting. My thanks to everyone who helped out. John has been advised that Bunnings will be bring back their Friday BBQs in May. When he receives the details, we will need to decide if we are able accept any offers.

The end of this Rotary year is fast approaching with a changeover function being planned for late June. Annual reports are required Secretary, Treasurer, Community, Membership, Program, Foundation and Youth Chair before the end of May. This will allow me to generate an Annual Report.

Graeme
President 2020/2021



THE WEEK THAT WAS

Thursday 22nd April 2021

Meeting commenced at 6:30 PM with apologies from Brian and Fran Mandergeddes, Julianne Hyams, (Julienne entered the meeting at 7:05 PM) and Gary Braddock, with Paul and Kay McAloney on Zoom.

As Rotary in Australia and New Zealand celebrated its 100th birthday on 21st April, we commenced the meeting with a toast to Rotary International.

The Rotary Club of Knox held a celebration dinner for the 100 years of service by Rotary in Australia and New Zealand. This was held at the Knox Club and was attended by our President Graeme accompanied by Kaye, also in attendance was the district governor.

[He was impressed by the special cake prepared for the evening, and commented that the tucker was OK!]

As the coming weekend is the Anzac weekend a lengthy discussion was held about our club's involvement, not only with the Anzac Day celebrations but with activities celebrating the 100 years of Rotary.

Vice President Christine together with President Graeme gave a lengthy discourse to the club on the R 100 project the club wants to conduct in conjunction with the Knox Council. It appears those discussions have been fairly fruitful Council appears to be onside and will allow the club to take ownership of the project, or at least as listening!!

The precise details and nature of the project yet to be revealed.

Arrangements for the Ferntree Gully Bunnings sausage sizzle on Anzac Day were finalised and those members attending, confirmed. Sausage sizzle to commence 11 AM with Bunnings covering the cost of sausages etc for the first couple of hours.

Steve Barrington is to be asked whether he wants the club to provide cakes or soup for the coming winter months, club members would prefer one or the other not both, preferably soup during the colder weather.

Mike Spark was hoping that the Sunday jazz afternoons would recommence in July providing we have no more major Covid issues.

He also mentioned that we have **8 'Centurions'** in the club this year which is an amazing effort for a club with only 12 members.

The program chairperson had arranged for an interesting speaker on 13 May, the subject of her talk was going to be "Thriving at any age", particularly aimed at those over 60 years of age. However, during the discussions, it became clear that attendance would be down that night for a number of reasons and would be best to reschedule her talk. Which the program chairperson undertook to do.

Our very busy fellowship chairperson Julianne the 'working girl' suggested that instead of a guest speaker at the Bowling club we have a fellowship dinner at the Thai restaurant in Station Street Ferntree Gully, which was enthusiastically agreed to.

She also reminded members about the "Full Monty" at the 1812 in Upper Ferntree Gully on Saturday, 1 May has been booked for 12 people, of which 10 places have already been taken up there is space for 2 more.

There will be dinner at the Royal commencing from about 5:30 PM before the show.

On Sunday the 15th May for those able to attend should not forget the Waggle Dance Challenge being held at Jells Park.

Rotary
District 9810

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS

Rotary
Club of Canterbury

ROTARY CENTENARY CELEBRATION

PICNIC IN THE PARK

HAVE FUN WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS
PICNIC IN SCENIC JELL'S PARK
B.Y.O EVERYTHING!

PRACTICE THE WAGGLE DANCE NOW!
INSTRUCTIONS ON WEBSITE BELOW!
<https://www.worldbeeday.org.au/waggle/>

DO THE WAGGLE DANCE
WORLD RECORD
CHALLENGE 15 MAY

FLY KITES
AND MORE...
DATE: 15 MAY
TIME: 10.00AM-3.00PM
VENUE: JELL'S PARK
(OFF WAVERLEY RD
WHEELER'S HILL)

FEATURING THE WAGGLE DANCE
WORLD RECORD CHALLENGE
TWO PRACTICES AND THE MAIN EVENT
BETWEEN 10.00AM AND 2.00PM

WAGGLE
DANCE
WORLD
RECORD
CHALLENGE
15 MAY 2021

JOIN
BUZZ
AND BEE
THERE!

Our technology expert Rtn. Paul Wilson has been looking at how he can maintain our website, he said it's like going down a 'Rabbit Hole' and finding a 'Monster'.

Meeting closed at 7:30 PM

Scribe: Robert Hurst

Saturday and Sunday at the Arboretum

We met at the Rotunda in the Ferntree Gully Arboretum at 11 AM on Saturday where a replica of the Rotary torch and the Rotary flag was displayed. The torch was carried around the park in the form of a parade to celebrate the Rotary club of Ferntree Gully's activities in the city of Knox since we were chartered on June 6th 1963,

The district governor was in attendance and following the celebrations a fellowship event being a BYO barbecue was held in the rotunda by members and partners.



ANZAC DAY