



## GREG'S GRAPEVINE

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### MARK THOMPSON: TRIP TO JAPAN

Almost another full house this week plus a surprise visit from coordinator of the YAK (Youth Advisory Committee for City of Campbelltown).

This week our speaker was club member **Mark Thompson**, who entertained us with his experiences on his recent trip to Japan. **Peter and Emiko Mayer** from RC Morialta), who were unofficial team leaders for **Mark and Mari Thompson, Bob and Marylyn Cooper (Burnside) and Di Potter, former Rotarian**. RC Morialta and the Japanese Club of **Usa** (on the island of Kyushu) have a formal relationship, where they host Rotarians from each club on an alternating biennial basis. Members of the **Usa** club will visit **Morialta** in 2021.

The visit to **Usa** was the culmination of the 2 week trip, with the journey beginning in Toyko and in the main heading in south westerly direction to the island of Kyushu. An exception to travelling west was a day trip to the city of **Mito**, 100 km north east of Tokyo, where the group was welcomed by Rotarians and taken for a tour of the famous gardens before a cultural exchange at a **UNESCO sponsored high school** of Chigaku-kan. In addition to exposure to **traditional Japanese** songs, music, dance and martial arts, the **Thompsons and Coopers** got to play dress up in kimonos.

Most of the travel in Japan was done by **train** (high speed or suburban/subway. Travelling at just under 300 km/h meant it was quick and easy to get from one city to the next. It paid not to tarry on the train at your destination because the commuter had 90 seconds to exit before the doors shut. Train staff would bow to the passengers in each carriage as they moved from one carriage to another; a very polite race.

The group visited the ancient capital of **Kyoto**, the cultural centre of Japan, where many ancient structures were left undamaged from bombing in WWII. Further west they visited Fukuyama and Hiroshima. Just out of Hiroshima they had a guided tour of the **Mazda Factory and Museum**, which was quite an eye opener.

The group was spoiled rotten with hospitality when they finally arrived at **Usa** on the beautiful island of Kyushu. Usa is famous for its shrine, which was the first in Japan where **Buddhism blended with Shinto**. This blending of religions then spread through the rest of Japan. The group crammed so much into the time on Kyushu that this bulletin could not accommodate all of the activities, suffice to say that **Mark and Mari will never forget the hospitality of the member of the RC of Usa**. A special thanks to the President of the

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Usa Club, **Norihiko Sumimoto**, and devoted tour guides **Katsuhoshi Kawabata**, **Tetsuya Yonezawa** and **Nobuku Honsho**, who gave up much of their time to the touring group.



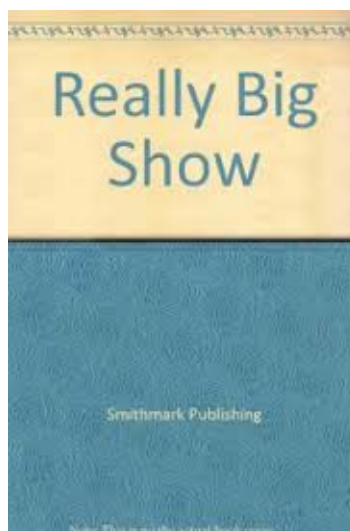
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## KINGSTON HOUSE: SOCIAL FUNCTION

The last Sunday in November we had an organised a tour and Devonshire Tea at **Kingston House**, 5 Cameron Avenue, Kingston Park. Some of those attending also had lunch at the Seacliff Hotel. A great day and very educational and interesting facts about some of the larger than life characters of the SA Colony. **Thanks Pauline**, for organising the day. You can see Pauline reflected in the mirror.



## PRESIDENT'S NOTICES



**Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th December – Mega Christmas Market Weekend** – Saturday and Sunday. Make sure you know your shifts and if you know anyone who would like to help out let Graham and Robyn know.

**Tuesday 17th December** – AGM. Positions for nomination so if interested please let me know. **WE NEED A PRESIDENT!!**

**Saturday 21st December** – Xmas drinks/brunch at Graham and Robyn's. Please let them know if you are attending (10am).

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## 2020 DISTRICT CONFERENCE: MILDURA

DG Tim Klar also encouraged us to attend next year's and **last District Conference for 9520** before we amalgamate with our Rotary brothers and sisters north of Torrens. 9520's last District Conference will be held in **Mildura in March**. Click to the link for more details: <https://rotary9520.org/sitepage/district-9520-conference-2020>

## GREG'S ON THIS DAY 3<sup>RD</sup> DECEMBER

**1797** – George Bass departs Sydney to determine whether Van Diemen's Land is an island or part of the Australian continent. (George Bass and Matthew Flinders in 1796, together explored and charted the coastline south of Sydney).

**1800** – James Grant discovers and names Mount Gambier in South Australia.

**1854** – The Battle of the Eureka Stockade is held near Ballarat, Victoria.

**1967** – 1st human heart transplant performed in South Africa by Dr Christiaan Barnard on Louis Washkansky

**1971** – Pakistan invades India as a result of the Bangladeshi struggle for freedom.

## NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

**Guest Speaker:** Bob Stace, Pioneers Association of SA:

<https://www.pioneerssa.org.au>

## GREG SCHUETZE

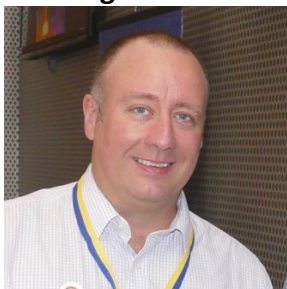
**President Rotary Club of Magill Sunrise**

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### **PRESIDENT**

**Greg Schuetze**



### **SECRETARY**

**Colin Hill**



### **MEETING TIME**

Tuesday 6.50 for 7.00am

**Every** Tuesdays of the Month (except after a Public Holiday)

### **VENUE**

Hectorville Sports & Community Club, Fisher Street, Magill

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9520**

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**LOCAL MEETINGS FOR MAKEUPS**

**MONDAYS**

6.30pm	Campbelltown	Hectorville S & Com Club	Daly Oval, Fisher St Hectorville
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**TUESDAYS**

6.15pm	St Peter's	Kensi Hotel	23 Regent St, Kensington
6.30pm	Kent Town	The Kent Town Hotel	76 Rundle Street, Kent Town

**WEDNESDAYS**

7.15am	Eastwood	Royal Coach	24 Dequetteville Tce, Kent Town (1st and 3rd Wednesday then 2nd and 4th Wednesdays Bocelli Cafe Hutt St.)
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1.00pm	Norwood	Manto Café	Parade, Norwood 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesdays at Manto Café 1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Wednesdays at Kensi Hotel 22 Regent St
6.30pm	Norwood	Kensi Hotel	23 Regent St, Kensington
6.30pm	Burnside	The Maylands Hotel	67 Phillis St, Maylands
6.30pm	Morialta	The Rezz Hotel	20 Hamilton Tce, Newton

**THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS**

No Meetings

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## THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of a worthy enterprise and in particular to encourage and foster:

The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service.

High ethical standards in business and professions: the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations: and the dignifying by every Rotarian of their occupation as an opportunity to serve society.

The application of the ideal service by every Rotarian to their personal, business and community life.

The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional people united in the ideal of service.

## THE FOUR WAY TEST

The Four Way Test of the things we think, say or do:

Is it the truth?

Is it fair to all concerned?

Will it build goodwill and better friendships?

Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

## THE OPTIONAL INVOCATION

For good food, good fellowship and the opportunity to serve through Rotary we give thanks.

