



Magill Sunrise
Rotary
Club



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Welcome & Apologies

Apologies were received from Pauline and Don.
Welcome Adam Vella to our Club.

Brewer's Banter

- Congratulations everyone on another superb market last weekend with **\$750** going towards **Australian Rotary Health**. The Christmas Market will raise funds for our annual **Operation Flinders** support program.
- Sincere congratulations to both Colin and Greg for their roles in coming up with excellent solutions to the sudden and unexpected market insurance issues early last week.
- Also attended the **Magill RSL Remembrance Day Ceremony** last Thursday. They are going well and are still very keen to work with us to hold a quiz night. At this stage late March is probably a good target and hopefully venue size restrictions will be lifted by then.
- I attended the opening of the **Magill Village Project** last Friday evening representing the club. Local politicians, Mayors, Councillors, Council staff and business owners all attended the opening, which was held outside Pepper St Art Gallery. The project to beautify and rejuvenate the area will cost in excess of \$10M and the club would like to get involved in some way. We will have guest presenters at a meeting very soon to tell us more about the project

JACKPOT

Next meeting
\$10.00

GUEST SPEAKER – ADAM VELLA – TINDO SOLAR

It was great to welcome Adam from Tindo Solar, who are the only Australian manufacturers of solar panels. The word "Tindo" is a Kurna word meaning sun.

Tindo was formed in 2011 by well known renewable entrepreneur Adrian Ferraretto and others. In 2017 it was sold to the Homeworks group of companies, who are best known from their retail brand "Cool or Cosy". It has just built a new \$11M factory at Mawson Lakes to replace its ageing facility and allow for up to five times expansion.

Tindo specialises in creating high quality panels, which carry a 25 year warranty. According to their web site their "installed module fleet failure rate is some 200 x lower than our competitors". In particular they have come up with new panels named "karra" (a Kurna word meaning "sky") that produce more output in

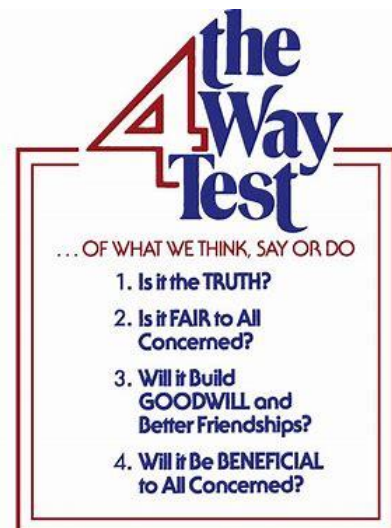


less space by arranging the silicon cells differently. This means less roof space taken up for the same output, plus less materials, hence less cost (for the equivalent output).

They have grown rapidly and now sell more Tesla batteries in SA than Tesla themselves! The new factory currently employs 55 people. One major difference that Adam has made since coming on board in 2017 is to improve the customer service experience. In particular, making sure the customer understands how to use the systems for best results and being realistic about how much to expect from them.

A question was asked as to whether there had been any problems along the way. Adam told us that at one stage they were using an inverter system that was not quite up to scratch and were unreliable. In their case they use micro inverters on each panel rather than a central unit and this imported component was not quite up to scratch for the harsh Australian environment. He was also asked why they don't manufacture their own inverters, but he explained the complexity of doing so would be too great and is not their core business.

It was great to hear of an outstanding local success story and we wished Adam and his colleagues all the best as we thanked him for his great presentation.



Who has been your favourite James Bond and can you suggest anyone to replace Daniel Craig?

The clear favourite amongst the crowd was the immortal Sean Connery, with several anecdotes mentioned about his prowess in the role. Otherwise there were pretty even responses for the others. The only rumoured replacement was Hugh Jackman and we all mused at how a dancing and singing James Bond could bring a new dimension to an old recipe.

Editor's note: My vote goes to Idris Elba.



MAGILL VILLAGE

The Magill Village concept is a collaboration between Campbelltown City Council (SA) and City of Burnside to beautify and improve the main heart of Magill Road in Magill – our home turf! As very keen followers of this project and a group that wants to get involved, President Simon attended the project opening ceremony on behalf of the Club. It was a grand affair with the local Mayors, Councillors and Council staff, Federal and State representatives, plus local business representatives in attendance.

The project has been in planning for the last ten years and will cost in excess of \$10M with equal contributions from the Councils and higher levels of government.

We're keen to be involved in some way - perhaps facilitating a local business network for the Magill Village. Are you from a local business? If so, we'd love to hear from you. Better still, we'd love to have you get involved with Rotary and help guide us. Please get in touch and let us know.

JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST ON THE 7th DECEMBER AND HEAR ALL ABOUT IT!!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY LINDSAY...and so say all of us.

Quiz Question



The "Tea and Sugar" Train which ceased operation in 1996 ran between Port Augusta and which other town?

Answer: KALGOORLIE



Left: Provision Store on the train

Right: Father Christmas arrives on the "Tea and Sugar" Train



UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday 20 November ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 9510 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

10.00am. Regal Park Motor Inn, 44 Barton Tce East, North Adelaide

Saturday 27 November ROTARY TWILIGHT SAIL on the "ONE AND ALL"

6:30 pm. Tickets: \$120.00 per person. Phone: 0432 495 603 **SOLD OUT** sorry you missed the boat



When I was a kid, my mother told me I could be anyone I wanted to be. Unfortunately she didn't tell me identity theft is a crime.

Sunday 28 November

POLICE HISTORICAL MUSEUM - Social Event

2.00pm. Thebarton Police Barracks, Gaol Road, Adelaide.

\$10.00 per head. Afternoon Tea: \$5.00

Numbers to Robyn please ASAP.

Saturday 27- Sunday 28 November - ROTARY LEARNING SEMINAR

See Simon if you wish to attend.

Friday 03 December - MOONLIGHT MARKETS.

Thorndon Park

Sunday 12 Deember

END POLIO NOW FUNDRAISER MOVIE - "THE DUKE" **POSTPONED**



Sunday 19 December at 12 noon

CHRISTMAS AT THE BREWER'S - Social Event

Can you please advise Robyn if you will be bringing a salad or a dessert.

Bring your own drinks to the function.

Wednesday 26 January

AUSTRALIA DAY BBQ Social Event

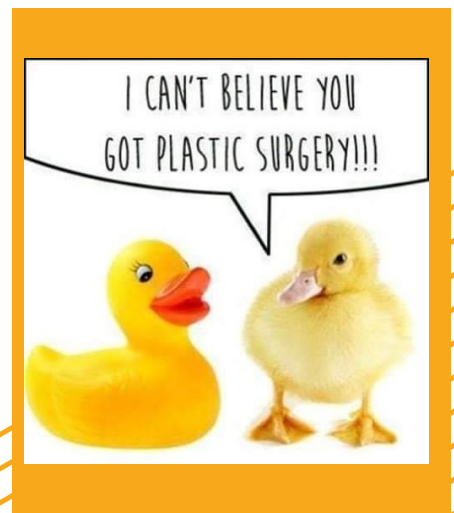
5.00pm. Nightingale Park

Friday 1 April - Sunday 3 April 2022

9510 DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Tanunda, Barossa Valley. Early Bird Registration now open.

<https://rotary9510.org/sitepage/conference-2022>





Next Meeting: 7:00 am, 07 DECEMBER 2021

Heccies - 31 Fisher Street, Magill

Club Contact: 0415 453 101 (Lindsay Davis)

Guest Speakers: Wade Della Torre & Joe Marchington - MAGILL VILLAGE PROJECT

Meetings for Makeups: Check with them before attending

- 6.30pm Campbelltown San Giorgio Club Henry St, Payneham 0407 724 699
- Tuesdays**
- 6.15pm St Peter's "Peripatetic" Check before Attending 0428 246 352
- 6.30pm Kent Town Lord Melbourne Hotel 63 Melbourne Street, Nth Adelaide 0433 387 082
- Wednesdays**
- 7.15am Eastwood Royal Coach 24 Dequetteville Tce, Kent Town (1st and 3rd Wednesday then 2nd and 4th Wednesdays Bocelli Cafe Hutt St.) 0416 367 289
- 1.00pm Norwood Manto Café Parade, Norwood 2nd and 4th Wednesdays
- 6.30pm Norwood Kensi Hotel 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays 23 Regent St, Kensington 0412 305 660
- 6:30pm Burnside Kensi Hotel 2nd and 4th Wednesdays 23 Regent St, Kensington 0401 627 339
- 6.30pm Morialta Tower Hotel Cnr St Bernards & Magill Rds, Magill 0497 159 737

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President



Simon Brewer



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

Secretary



Colin Hill

In the spirit of reconciliation, the Rotary Club of Magill Sunrise acknowledges that we meet on the traditional country of the Kaurna people of the Adelaide Plains. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land and pay our respects to their elders past and present.