

Brewer's Banter

Rotary Club



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## Welcome & Apologies

Apologies from John and Chris A warm welcome to our guest speaker Luci Blackborough – Councillor for Hectorville Ward

Opening Remarks/President's Report:

- Welcome to everyone
- Welcome our guest visitor Cr Luci Blackborough, Councillor for Hectorville Ward, which takes in most of Magill. Luci is the youngest person ever elected to Campbelltown Council
- As per my email message, a new vaccination policy was put up by the club Board last week. All
  members, volunteers, guests and market stallholders will have to be vaccinated to participate in
  club activities
- We will keep trying to meet as normally as possible but will closely monitor the Covid developments to see what happens. We will adjust as required
- February market planned to go ahead on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> at this stage. Quite good stall bookings to date. We will raise funds once again for Operation Flinders.
- We are getting Jeff Neale's Mazda CX9 for Polio Plus at our March market. We will dedicate returns from that market to the Polio Plus campaign along with the lottery ticket sales
- Club AGM was discussed to ensure it aligns with our club constitution. In that light the AGM has been moved from 8<sup>th</sup> February to 1<sup>st</sup> March to ensure compliance and appropriate notification periods

### **Guest Speaker: LUCI BLACKBOROGH - COUNCILLOR for HECTORVILLE WARD**

It was our enormous pleasure to introduce our guest speaker today, whom I have known since she joined the Council's Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) in 2017 when she was in Year 12. She immediately impressed with her obvious intellect and as an engaging and articulate person.

Cr Luci told us that she is a 3<sup>rd</sup> generation Magill resident and that her grandparents were Italian migrants to the area. She attended local primary school at St Joseph's Tranmere before attending high school outside the area. She is now entering her final year of studying Marketing & Communications at Uni SA.

Apart from being involved with Campbelltown's YAC, Luci also developed an interest in local government through a program she was involved with run by Unley Council. So, when the 2018 elections came around, she thought she would nominate as a candidate at the tender age of 18. She became the youngest ever person elected to Campbelltown City Council – and probably amongst only a handful of others who have been elected at that age.



Luci told us that her motivation at the time was to make the Council more diverse both in terms of age and gender. She said that campaigning was very hard work, but she had received a great deal of support from family and friends who helped with things like delivering flyers.

She told us that the election resulted in many new faces in the Council chamber, but she learned quickly that some decisions at the first meeting for appointments to roles seemed to be controlled by re-elected members who knew the drill, which was a concern and a bit tense. However, since then the Council has been harmonious and a very good atmosphere to work in.

Most Council decisions have been based on good advice and have been uncontroversial, but recently there have been some polarising issues that have been much harder to deal with. One of those has been the issue of a dirt bike track at The Gums reserve, which seemed like a simple issue of formalising an activity that had already been occurring there. However, many residents didn't like that activity for various reasons and the consultation and decision making were quite difficult. Balancing the common good against the local concerns is a difficult task.

Less controversial items of interest that Luci is passionate about include the Magill Village project and the proposed Performing Arts Centre. She is also passionate about the development issues and climate change initiatives by Council.

Luci concluded by telling us how much of a privilege it has been to serve and how much she has enjoyed the amazing community spirit in Campbelltown.

Thanks for coming to see us Luci and we wish you all the best with the elections later this year if you decide to run again. You're always welcome at Magill Rotary!

Simon B



Councillor Luci Blackborough with President Simon



## **Upcoming Events**

Saturday 22 January.

Friday 4 February

Sunday 13 February

Saturday 19 February

## **VICTOR HARBOR ART SHOW –FINAL DAY**

This is the **final day** of the Art Show. Warland Reserve, Victor Harbor.

**MOONLIGHT MARKET - CANCELLED** 

#### RCMS MONTHLY MARKET

Campbelltown Memorial Oval, 8.30am-2pm

### TWILIGHT CRUISE "ONE AND ALL"

Dock 2, Port Adelaide at 5.45pm. \$120.00 per person Contact David Binks 0438221937

Friday 1 April - Sunday 3 April 9510 DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Tanunda, Barossa Valley. https://rotary9510.org/sitepage/conference-2022 See Lindsay if you wish to attend.

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May

## 1<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL DISTRICT 9510 QUIZ CHAMPIONSHIP

Hosted by the Rotary Club of Adelaide Parks. \$100.00 per team, (up to 8 people.)



How many narcissists does it take to change a lightbulb?

Just one. He holds the lightbulb, and the world revolves around him.



#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

During the Great Depression the Rotary Club of Muncie, Indiana, helped launch The Muncie Plan. What was it? The Muncie Rotary Club promoted home improvement to boost sales at struggling hardware stores and reduce the 80 percent unemployment rate among construction workers and tradesmen. The plan was very successful.



The South Australian parliament was adjourned in December last year and is not scheduled to sit again until after the election on the 19<sup>th</sup> March. Since December we have been hit with the Omicron variant, our health care and aged

care facilities are in crisis, and we have supply shortages. The RATS rollout has been dismal and the question as to when schools will resume still seems to be up in the air. There has been a call to resume parliament. What are your thoughts? Should parliament be recalled to deal with these issues?

I found the responses to this question quite surprising, as I was expecting a resounding recall parliament and get them back to work, but no. Most agreed that the horse had bolted as far as the Omicron variant was concerned and if parliament was recalled it would just turn into a self-serving talk fest and slinging match with an election looming. Most thought nothing would be achieved and it would be a waste of time to recall parliament.

Some did think the gap between December and March was too long considering it would take some time to crank up again after the election. It was also mentioned that parliamentarians were being paid and should deal with some of the outstanding bills which were left in limbo when parliament adjourned.

All food for thought. Are we really getting value for money?

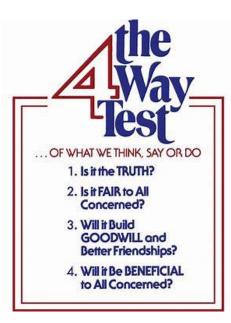


## **Quiz Question**

In 1921 the first Rotary International Convention outside the USA was held where?

Answer: Edinburgh, Scotland from 13-16 June with 2,523 delegates.











Next Meeting: 7:00 am, 01 February 2022

Heccies - 31 Fisher Street, Magill Club Contact: 0415 453 101 (Lindsay Davis)

Guest Speaker: Bill Prior – Retired Chief Inspector - SAPOL

# Meetings for Makeups: Please check with the club before attending

#### **Mondays**

•	Tolladys					
	• 6.30pm Tuesdays • 6.15pm • 30pm Wednesda	Campbelltown	San Giorgio Club		Henry St, Payneham	0407 724 699
•		St Peter's Kent Town ays	"Peripatetic" Lord Melbourne Ho	otel	Check before Attending 63 Melbourne Street, Nth Adelaide	0428 246 352 0433 387 082
•	7.15am	Eastwood	Royal Coach	24 Dequetteville Tce, Kent Town (1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday then 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesdays Bocelli Cafe Hutt St.)		0416 367 289
•	1.00pm	Norwood	Manto Café	Para	ide, Norwood 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesdays	
	6.30pm	Norwood	Kensi Hotel	1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Wednesdays 23 Regent St, Kensington		0412 305 660
•	6:30pm	Burnside	Kensi Hotel	2 <sup>nd</sup> a	and 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesdays Regent St, Kensington	0481 373 266
•	6.30pm	Morialta	Tower Hotel	Cnr S	st Bernards & Magill Rd, Magill	0497 159 737

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**Simon Brewer** 



## **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.