



Magill Sunrise
Rotary
Club



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Welcome & Apologies

Apologies from Don and Chris

A warm welcome to Bill Prior, Peter Macaulay and Rick Caldwell

Brewer's Banter

Opening Remarks / President's Report

- Welcome to everyone.
- Welcome our guest visitor Chief Inspector (retired) Bill Prior. Bill had a long and distinguished career in SA Police and will be speaking to us about his time in CIB.
- We also heartily welcome back Pete Macaulay and his now husband Rick Caldwell who joins us for the first time. They were married just last weekend so hearty congratulations to both of you. Both have applied for club membership and we very much look forward to admitting them as club members in the very near future.
- Since the last meeting, the terrible Tongan volcano eruption and subsequent tsunami wreaked havoc on that nation. The club board made a quick decision to donate \$2000 to ShelterBox Australia to purchase two shelter boxes. These may not be used in Tonga, but if shelter boxes are deployed there then they will need to be replenished. Therefore, next market will be collecting funds towards the Tongan donation. March market will be for Polio Plus and April market we will get back to Operation Flinders fundraising (all subject to Board endorsement).
- 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.
- Club AGM to be held 1st March to ensure compliance and appropriate notification periods.

Guest Speaker: BILL PRIOR RETIRED CHIEF INSPECTOR - SAPOL

Bill is a well known local resident, who has joined us previously. His long and distinguished career in the SA Police Force is always fascinating to hear about and we warmly welcomed him. In introducing Bill, our Mark informed us that they both started at the Police Academy together in 1969.

This was a very timely day for Bill to visit as this was the 42nd anniversary of the day he joined

Major Crime Squad. He thought he'd tell us about that early time when there were no mobile phones or computers and how they handled some of the cases.

He recounted one time where the phone rang at 2am advising there was a person missing in the Salisbury area under very suspicious circumstances. By the time they had met in town to collect a car and relevant gear, they arrived on



site where the person's car was found around 3.30am and started door knocking and interviewing local residents.



As daybreak came along, it wasn't long before someone reported a body had been found in One Tree Hill, so they headed there. It was clear the person had been murdered so

the forensic examiners were then summoned. Unfortunately, one of the local TV stations had been there and filmed the body, later broadcasting it on the evening news, which precipitated the formulation of media standards around such matters that exist to this day.

As the day drew on, they had to return to the office where all of the interview and crime scene notes had to be typed up manually into official documents – a very time consuming task. After that they finished work and headed home.

One thing they had noted was local residents had reported that a brown car was spotted parked near the victim's car at the location. Usually, this type of information was not released publicly, but in the media interviews someone must have mentioned that fact.

Somewhat fortunately, the media made quite a point of that on the evening news report and a motorcycle Police Officer was watching that. That officer had actually also noticed the car parked there and thought is suspicious enough to record the registration number. So, soon after Bill got home the phone rang again with this information and he headed back to work.

When they had the owner details, they headed out to the person's place and talked to the owner. Bill's colleague took a look around and noted bloodstained clothes in the washing machine. So, they confronted the person who proceeded to confess to the crime and go through all the details. They took him around as he described all he had done including where the victim's car keys were discarded, then took him for the formal

interview which had to be typed as the person spoke. By the time this was done Bill had pretty much worked 32 hours straight.

In the end there was no real motive for this murder and it was random. The person was convicted and sentenced to life imprisonment, but was released after just 8 years.

He then told us about the sad case he was involved with in 1984 where a woman's body was found at the Edinburgh RAAF base. Through a range of elimination exercises including the perpetrator having a rare blood type, they gradually narrowed down suspects over a period of time until they were quite sure they had the right person. Unfortunately the blood type evidence could only narrow this down to a 1 in 1000 possibility it was the person, which is not enough to sustain a murder charge. So, after 18 months of investigation and no charge laid, the case went cold.

In the late 1990s DNA profiling became possible and that case was one chosen for the use of that technology. They still had much genetic material preserved from the case including samples from the main suspect, so they sent them off. The DNA match came back with a 1 in 3-4million surety that this person was the perpetrator, so that was enough to lay charges. The person was found in NSW, charged and later convicted. Again the person received a lengthy sentence, but was released quite early.

As always, Bill's way of telling us about these incidents was so fascinating that everyone was simply transfixed by them. He went on to tell us that many murders are related to Domestic Violence.

We greatly appreciated Bill taking the time to come and talk to us and for the amazing service he has given to protect the community.



Simon B



Upcoming Events

Sunday 13 February

RCMS MONTHLY MARKET

Campbelltown Memorial Oval, 8.30am-2pm

Saturday 19 February

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-202>
See Lindsay if you wish to attend.

Saturday 21st May

1st ANNUAL DISTRICT 9510 QUIZ CHAMPIONSHIP

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



I read that by law you must turn on your headlights when it's raining in Sweden, but how am I supposed to know when it is raining in Sweden?



DID YOU KNOW?

RYLA, the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, began in 1959 by Rotarians from Queensland, Australia. They organized a weeklong conference for outstanding young people. In 1971 the RI Board officially adopted RYLA as a youth program.

JACKPOT WINNER
LINDSAY DAVIS

Next week
\$5.00



Ice Breaker



The Campbelltown Council have proposed building a 500 seat Performing Arts Centre to the tune of around \$24 million dollars. Do you think this is a good way to spend rate payers' money? Could the money be spent on something else? As the council do not have to borrow money for the project does that suggest the rates are too high? Will a 500 seat theatre be a white elephant?

The majority thought the Performing Arts Centre was a good idea and a great opportunity to combine it with the new school. It was suggested that perhaps the cost was far too high for only a 500 seat theatre. The fact the theatre would be for the whole community and not just the school was a plus. One wants the potholes in the roads in the council area addressed.

Quiz Question



What name fits both a French wine region and a luxury American car?

Answer: Cadillac.

Cadillac is a small appellation of Bordeaux, in the **southwest of France**, known for its sweet, botrytised white wines. It is situated on the east bank of the Garonne river, around Loupiac (Cadillac commune neighbours Loupiac to the north) and opposite Cérons (itself just north of Barsac and Sauternes. All are sweet-wine regions.



the 4 Way Test

... OF WHAT WE THINK, SAY OR DO

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to All Concerned?
3. Will it Build **GOODWILL** and Better Friendships?
4. Will it Be **BENEFICIAL** to All Concerned?



"Yes, I'm positive the eggs have gone beyond their expiration date."



Next Meeting: 7:00 am, 08 February 2022

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Club Contact: 0415 453 101 (Lindsay Davis)

Guest Speaker: Vincent Tarzia - Member for Hartley and Minister for Police

Meetings for Makeups: Please check with the club before attending

Mondays

• 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

• 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 & 3rd Wednesday then 2nd & 4th Wednesdays Bocelli Cafe Hutt St.) 0416 367 289

• 1.00pm Norwood Manto Café Parade, Norwood 2nd and 4th Wednesdays 0412 305 660

• 6.30pm Norwood Kensi Hotel 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays 23 Regent St, Kensington 0481 373 266

• 6.30pm Burnside Kensi Hotel 2nd and 4th Wednesdays 23 Regent St, Kensington 0497 159 737

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Simon Brewer



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.