

Rotary
Club



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Welcome & Apologies

Apologies were received from Bernard, John and Don.
A warm welcome to our guest speaker

Jonathon Robran

## **Brewer's Banter**

Opening Remarks/President's Report:

- Thanks to Mark in particular for filling in for me at short notice last week. I was in a bad way, but am hopefully on the road to recovery now
- Welcome special guest Jonathon Robran from Operation Flinders
- Thanks everyone for another successful market on the weekend. A little quiet, but that's what long weekends can be like. Sounds like ticket sales weren't too bad with about half sold if anyone can sell any outside then please try, but otherwise we will sell tickets at next market. April market we will get back to Operation Flinders fundraising.
- Regarding a flood donation, the meeting decided to make a \$1,000 donation to the RAWCS flood relief fund immediately. We will dedicate the May, June and possibly July market proceeds to "Rotary Projects" to recover some of the extended donations we have made so far this year and see if we can end up square
- We continue to monitor Covid developments to see what happens and adjust as required. Lifting of restrictions may allow us to hold long planned quiz night with Magill RSL; will look into that in coming weeks
- Lindsay reported that the Footy Tips competition has been well supported with more tippers than last year signed up. Great work Lindsay! Still more available of course, so tell your friends.

Guest Speaker: JONATHON ROBRAN
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT MANAGER -OPERATION FLINDERS





It was wonderful to have Jonathon back here again to update us on the essential work of Op Flinders, which our club has supported wholeheartedly since it came to this area. I thought that was longer ago but looking back I see that the program only came to the area in late 2017 and the first group was supported in 2018, so this is only the 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> year we will support the venture. Importantly in that time, the lives of 40 or 50 young people from our local area have been transformed by this important work.



Pauline actually set the scene beautifully for Jonathon's presentation with our ice breaker question, where it was generally agreed that activities like cadets, that were once common, used to give younger people a taste of skills, order, discipline, self-challenges and achievement similar to Op Flinders.

Jonathon started by showing us a short video on the program and then explaining how they have changed their tag line to "One step at a time". This is a more positive image than projecting a "we deal with youth at risk" image as in past times. I think their brand name is so well built now that there are a bunch of willing supporters who know how it works and this change of focus to remove any stigma for participants seems like a very worthwhile one.

Last year Adelaide East Education Centre were the beneficiaries of the program locally and Jonathon shared with us some personal observations he had received through a close contact there. This year Charles Campbell College students will be the beneficiaries, which we will wholeheartedly support.

Over the past year or so Op Flinders has undergone some large and important changes other than just image changes:

- Expanding from 10 to 12 teams to support more students
- Creating an "open" group not linked to a school

On that latter point he cited that they used to get many calls direct to Op Flinders asking if kids could attend that they had to knock back as it could only be done through schools. Opening this new avenue has a distinct set of new challenges, but greatly extends the reach of the program.

An increasing challenge is cost. Everything is going up and fuel is considerable expense, but sustainability is definitely front of mind for the program too and support is also increasing, which is great to hear.

This is an exceptional program and I'm very glad this club is supporting it. It's sometimes said that Rotary should not just raise money and pass it on to beneficiaries, but when you have organisations like Op Flinders who do an essential job so well, how can you argue with supporting them? We can't do that job, so let's help the experts who are doing it perfectly.

Well done Op Flinders and well done Magill Sunrise for continuing strong support.

### Simon B



President Simon with Jonathon Robran





# **Press Release**

The Rotary Foundation has launched a *worldwide appeal* to support the Ukrainian people affected by the current fighting in their country.

From now until 30 April 2022, all donations to the Foundation's *Disaster Response Fund* will be made available to the Rotary District in Ukraine and to designated Rotary Districts bordering Ukraine sheltering refugees from the war-torn country. From now until 30 June 2022 those Rotary Districts will be able to access this Fund to apply for *disaster response grants* to purchase items such as water, food, shelter, medicine and clothing.

The first Rotary club was established in Ukraine in 1929. During and after WW2, Rotary International made a decision to suspend Rotary activity in the Ukrainian Occupied Territories. The first post-war Rotary club was established in Kyiz in 1991 and Rotary has grown throughout the country since then. Rotary is also well-established in neighbouring countries particularly in Poland where many refugees have fled. In 2021 local Rotary clubs established a *Rotary Peace Square* in Kyiv.

Rotary volunteers on the ground in Ukraine and these neighbouring countries will be able to use the funds raised to help the suffering Ukrainian people.

Those wanting to make a donation can google *Rotary Foundation Australia* and click on the *Ukraine* link on the homepage. Donations are tax deductible.

For more information, please telephone Maurie Stack 0427 668 821 or Mark Anderson 0408 622 698

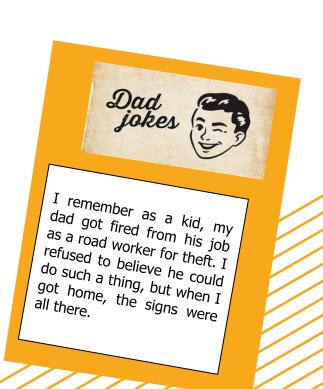
## **Maurie Stack**

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**Upcoming Events** 

Saturday 19 March STATE ELECTION – Your vote. Your Voice.

Don't forget your mask and pen

Wednesday 23 March BOARD MEETING

Café Vu Bene at 6.30pm

Friday 1 April - Sunday 3 April 9510 DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Tanunda, Barossa Valley.

Sunday 3 April DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS

Sunday 10 April RCMS MONTHLY MARKET

8.30am -2.00pm. Campbelltown Memorial Oval

Friday 15 April GOOD FRIDAY

Sunday 01 May ROTARY DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

Charles Campbell College, Campbell Road, Newton

Saturday 14 May 1st ANNUAL DISTRICT 9510 QUIZ CHAMPIONSHIP

Hosted by the Rotary Club of Adelaide Parks. \$100.00 per team

(up to 8 people.)

Join the Rotary D9510 on-line Footy Tipping competition

All you need to do is:

- register at <a href="http://www.footytips.com.au/comps/D9510">http://www.footytips.com.au/comps/D9510</a> if you participated last year; or
- sign up at the above website address if you are new (password: Rotary); or
- send an email to <a href="magill.rotary@gmail.com">magill.rotary@gmail.com</a> for full instructions; and have fun

Round 1 commences on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2022 so ACT NOW







Do you think we need an Emergency Service Force to tackle major bushfires, flooding, and cyclones around the country, and control the first response? Do you think taking into account the unnerving events in the Ukraine we should boost the intake of reservists. Should it be mandatory for everyone (both genders) between the ages of 18 to say 30 to be a reservist, with specialist training to deal with both civil and defence emergencies, thus combining their capability. Should school cadets be funded and placed in all schools.

Should we look at the Israeli system whereby men from the age of 18 do 30 months service and the women 24 months, after which they revert to the reservist category.

#### Comments:

Well this created quite a discussion. So much so, that we went over time with our morning meeting. It was generally agreed that school cadets shoud be reinstated throughout the education system. It would promote discipline, the awareness of chain of command and would enable such activities as orienteering and provide firearm education.

It was also agreed that it would be a brave government which introduced conscription unless Australia was actually under threat.

Some wanted more money spent on equiment to be used in the time of natural disasters, however, it was agreed that a central body was required to coordinate and take control when a disaster presented itself. The fact we have the state governments and the federal government getting involved only leads to delays. A comprehensive disaster plan should be seriously looked at if we are going to be looking down the barrel of more climate change disasters on a regular basis.

The Israeli system didn't get a gong.

It was also agreed that an overall accessment as to where people could actually build houses and towns away from flood and fire prone areas should be implemented and acted upon sooner rather than later.









# **Quiz Question**

Which country has the oldest flag in the world?

Answer: Denmark. It is over 800 years old.



### DAYLIGHT SAVING COMES TO AN END

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April.





Turn your clock **BACK** an hour and enjoy your sleep in.

### **RAWCS FLOOD RELIEF APPEAL**

A national flood appeal has been set up to provide assistance for flood victims in Queensland and Northern NSW.

Australians impacted by the recent floods were set up to provide assistance of the provided by the recent floods were set up to provide assistance of the provided by the recent floods were set up to provide assistance of the provided assistance of the provided by the provided assistance of the provided assistanc

Australians impacted by the recent floods will be the beneficiaries of money raised by Flood Appeal and will be able to liaise with their local Rotary Club to advise of their needs. The fundraising campaign was launched to support the communities in need after yet another disaster impacting Australians.

"The money raised from the Appeal will go

directly and quickly to support those impacted, providing essential items and financial support where Disaster relief and Insurance

claims won't stretch," said Rotary Australia World Community Service Ltd CEO Andrew Woodward

**Tax-Deductible Donations to the appeal can be made here:** 

https://donations.rawcs.com.au/floodappeal or from the Rotary Australia World Community Service website at https://rawcs.org.au

The Rotary Club of Magill Sunrise voted to donate a \$1,000.00 to this appeal at the meeting this morning



Next Meeting: 7:00 am, 05 APRIL 2022

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

Guest Speakers: IAN COAT, MARK THOMPSON & LINDSAY DAVIS - THE CONFERENCE

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

## **Mondays**

• 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.) Parade, Norwood 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesdays 1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Wednesdays 23 Regent St, Kensington		0416 367 289
• 1.00pm	Norwood	Manto Café			
• 6.30pm	Norwood	Kensi Hotel			0412 305 660
• 6:30pm	Burnside	Kensi Hotel	2 <sup>nd</sup>	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.