

Rotary
Club



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Welcome & Apologies

Apologies from Bernard, Peter, Rick, John, Don, Lindsay, Graham, Robyn and Ian

**Brewer's Banter** 

## **President's Report:**

- Thanks to everyone who attended last week's joint meeting with Morialta. It was a great night. Unfortunately, Greg reported this morning that he wanted to attend, but could not obtain a ticket.
- This week was supposed to be our Club Assembly discussing our Strategic Plan and the
  future of The Reel Event, but with so many apologies it wasn't worth the effort. So, we
  are holding that over for next week and will not be attending Campbelltown's meeting
  as a result (also because their meeting is a club assembly).
- Our Stage 2 District Grant application has been **approved**, but not quite to the level we had asked for due to many applications to District. The Club Board will now consider how this affects our Nightingale Park project and whether we make up funding.
- Thanks to everyone again for another good Market. Weather was perfect and spirits were high, but like all long weekends it can be hit and miss, with this one being a miss. The donuts were a huge highlight though thanks Greg for persisting and making it happen. Disappointing support from stall holders with a number pulling out during the week, but Repair Café had their largest turnout ever go figure! Ian sent through financials showing total revenue \$1,220 (it's actually great that we see that as low nowadays!). There were several one-off expenses this market with the donut setup, so net revenue was around \$680. Donuts grossed around \$180 a magnificent return from a very small market and a good sign they are well worth the extra labour effort to make them happen. We'll dedicate next Market to youth programs funding again.
- The Athelstone Lions Club are holding their annual quiz night on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June at Campbelltown Function Centre 6.30pm for 7pm start. \$15 per head with tables of 8. Proceeds to Campbelltown SES, Campbelltown St John & Campbelltown City Band. We have booked two tables and responses to date show we are at 10 people, so please now invite friends (or enemies!) so we can make up two full tables (6 more required).
- As mentioned above next week will now be a normal meeting



## Subject: INFORMAL CHAT ABOUT THE MARKET



We threw a party and no one came

Well, I guess it's fair to say that this morning's meeting was a bit of a fizzer. Many things conspired to make it that way including pre-planned holidays and people being unwell, but worth a reminder that meetings are not optional – if you can attend, you should.

Fortunately, Pauline had some soul-searching questions for us, which kept us amused for some time. Mark then customarily had something to demonstrate for us. For those not at the meeting we want your best guess as to what he was demonstrating in the photo.



Then as the Market experience was fresh in our minds, talk turned to that. Once again, the issue of poor long weekend turnouts has certainly come along, and we chatted about the potential of moving to a third Sunday approach from next year (subject to a poll from stallholders). There are several reasons for that, because at present:

- January could be as early as the 8th, which is usually a disaster
- We always get Mother's Day
- We always get the March and June long weekends
- It clashes with Bathurst race day (important for some of us!)

The only downsides noted were:

• Potential clash with Easter occasionally (that is always possible though). In fact, if we stay with 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday then 2023 will clash with Easter! Second Sunday then doesn't clash until 2031. Third Sunday won't

clash until 2025, but it will again in 2028 and 2030 – I guess that's the way the Mercedes Benzy

- Potentially close to Christmas; in 2025 the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday is 21<sup>st</sup> December 2026 it's the 20<sup>th</sup>, and so on Discussion tended to suggest last minute demand for gifts and packed shopping centres may actually be a bonus working in our favour
- Note that it cannot clash with ANZAC Day in any way



The stallholders will also be asked about the future of the 2-day Christmas market, which we think is too much effort for the returns. So, a great discussion around all things Market.

Next week we will get back on track to discuss the Strategic Plan & Reel Event. Sent with this bulletin to members will be the verbatim list of feedback received since last time that we need to worth through on a yay or nay basis next time – OK, maybe is also allowable. Not all go into the Strat Plan but are good ideas for discussion and action. Please review that list.

Please make every attempt to be at our meeting next week. My main problem is that I pulled out a doozy for my dad joke thinking this was the last time, but now I must out do myself. Don't worry, sadly I think I can rise to the challenge! Stay safe and see you all next week.

#### Simon B



We did have a brilliant sunrise this morning



Today the Club was deeply saddened to learn of the death of Honorary Member, Dr. Bernard Cole, who passed away this afternoon 14JUN.

We send our deepest sympathy and love to his wife Anne, sons and extended family.

Bernard was a valued member, and we thank him for his service to Rotary, his friendship and sharp wit.

Rest in Peace Bernard, thank you for brightening our lives.



Following on from last weeks meeting with the Rotary Club of Morialta about their excellent Rotary Midwifery Project in Papua New Guinea, Mark sent the letter below to "The Advertiser" to raise awareness of the project and to help facilitate funding.

## **Funding for PNG**

At a meeting of Morialta Rotary Club the program facilitator of the Rotary Midwifery Leadership Project in Papua New Guinea, Dr Helen Hall was guest speaker.

Much of the program was funded by the Morialta club.

One observer asked why the federal government can't help fund these voluntary programs for our near neighbours and fly the flag in a non-threatening and humanitarian way.

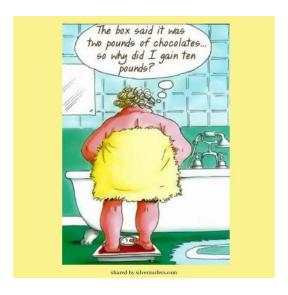
My own club at Magill has kitted out an entire village in the Solomon Islands with mosquito nets, funded the training of specialist nurses in Ethiopia and implemented other humanitarian projects in East Timor.

The government has downgraded the Army Medical Corp to such an extent most surgeons are part-time reservists.

If we cannot send field hospitals to natural disaster areas then why not help the volunteers who help out in our sphere of influence?

### MARK THOMPSON, Newton

Editor: It was pleasing to see in "The Advertiser" this morning 14Jun, at least one person agreed with Mark. The Federal Government could tap into anyone of the many volunteer projects operating in the Pacific by volunteer organisations working at the grass roots level. These people offer a better way of life and hope for the future to many who are disadvantaged and with some appropriate funding the sky is the limit.



#### **DID YOU KNOW**

The efforts of volunteers worldwide are equivalent to 109 million full time workers.

In Australia over a 12-month period, volunteers contributed an estimated 596.2 million hours to the community. In 2019, almost 5.9 million people participated in voluntary work through an organisation.



## **Upcoming Events**

Saturday 18 June ATHELSTONE LIONS QUIZ NIGHT

Campbelltown Civic Centre -172 Montacute Road

6.30pm for 7.00pm start (Social event for the Club)

Please bring own drinks and nibbles. Tea and coffee supplied.

\$15.00pp. Please let Simon know if you wish to attend as we need a

few more to make up the two tables.

Tuesday 21 June SIMON'S LAST MEETING AS PRESIDENT

Normal meeting at 7am at Heccies.

Sunday 03 July CHANGEOVER BREAKFAST

Simon will hand the baton over to Lindsay "Café Outside the Square" - 9am for 9.30 start

34, Whitmore Square, Adelaide. Cost: \$30.00pp

Tuesday 05 July NORMAL MEETING AT HECCIES – 7am

With President Lindsay at the helm.



In a freak accident today, a photographer was killed when a huge lump of cheddar landed on him.

To be fair, the people who were being photographed did try to warn him.









Taiwan is an island that has for all practical purposes been independent since 1950, but which China regards as a rebel region that must be reunited with the mainland - by force if necessary. China has recently upped its sabre rattling and has said it will fight if necessary to regain Taiwan. The US has also said it will use force to prevent the take over of an independent nation. Do you think this could be the start of yet another war

which Australia would be obliged to enter, or do you think the war in Ukraine and the worldwide condemnation of the Russian invasion of an independent nation will make China stop and think about going ahead?

**Comments:** This was an interesting discussion with probably all deciding China would not invade Taiwan but keep up with the sabre rattling for no other reason than to save face.

All agreed the invasion of Ukraine by Russia has probably bought the whole idea of invading Taiwan into sharp focus and highlighted the immense pressure they would be under from the rest of the world. China would be crippled if sanctions were imposed, the economy would falter, and the unemployment rate would be huge.

In general, it was decided the only way China could take Taiwan would be by militarily destroying the country and then they have gained nothing.



## **Quiz Question**

This week would have marked the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday of Judy Garland who was born on the 10<sup>th of</sup> June 1922, if she were still alive.

What was Judy Garland's given name and how old was she when she died?



Answer: Frances Ethel Gumm. She was 47 years old when she died. (Mark said no wonder she changed it)









Next Meeting: 7.00am, 21 June Heccies: 31, Fisher Street, Magill

Club Contact: 0415 453 101 (Lindsay Davis)
Strategic Plan/Reel Event

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

#### **Mondays**

• 6.30pm Tuesdays • 6.15pm • 30pm Wednesday	Campbelltown	San Giorgio Club		Henry St, Payneham	0407 724 699
	St Peter's Kent Town <b>ys</b>	"Peripatetic" Lord Melbourne Hotel		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	Parade, 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		and 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesdays egent St, Kensington	0481 373 266
• 6.30pm	Morialta	Tower Hotel	Cnr S	t Bernards & Magill Rd, Magill	0497 159 737

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**SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES** 

## **Secretary**



Colin Hill

In the spirit of reconciliation, the Rotary Club of Magill Sunrise acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the land where we serve the community, the Kaurna people of Tandanya, and we pay our respects to their Elders past and present.