



# The Mordialloc Bulletin

News and Views of the  
Rotary Club of Mordialloc

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Club meets at Woodlands Golf Club  
109 White Street Mordialloc  
Melways Map 87 H 11  
Tuesday 6.00 pm for 6.30 pm

**Meeting 2189**  
**24 January**  
**2017**

**District Governor 2016-17: Carol Lawton**

**Assistant Governor: Ken Mirams**

## THIS WEEK'S MEETING

## Partners Night

Speakers: Kathy Pyziakos  
Topic: Private Health Insurance  
Chairman: Paul Taranto  
Desk & Regalia: Rob Goode, Kelly Banks  
Fellowship: Sylvio Tang  
Bulletin notes: Glenyse Cooper



RI theme 2016-17

## Message from President David

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

It is incredibly difficult to write this short note for our bulletin. At a time when we should still be celebrating the holiday season, with fun, sport and festivities, Melbourne becomes the scene for an unbelievable tragedy. Our thoughts and prayers must surely be with the victims and their families at this time.

A new President of the USA and all that that may bring, the challenges to Australia, the year 2017 has started with some turmoil around the globe. May we always hold on to the concept of democracy that we love in Australia.

Our International Chairman Brian Schauer has been unwell. Brian has asked that we refrain from sending emails at this time as he finds it hard to keep on top of everything

At last week's club meeting we had a good "warts and all" review of the recent Car Festival lead by Jack Cooper. As Jack said, it did show up the age of our members. Our next major project is the Gnome and Fairy Festival in March and that is likely to undergo some changes this year. Thank you to all who contributed to the discussion.

The club board met last week and we expect to hear the result of our application for a District grant soon. The board also further discussed the outcome of the Car Festival following the club meeting the previous evening as well as arrangements for this year's Gnome Festival.

Ally our overseas student has returned home safely and will shortly address the club. There will a District welcome dinner on 3 March and it would be great if as many members as possible could attend.

Glenyse and Kathy have been busy arranging a Fellowship Dinner which will be held on 23 February.

It is now less than two months until the Gnome and Fairy Festival. Let us make 2017 a year to remember as we follow the Rotary Theme: *Rotary Serving Humanity*.

Yours in Rotary

David

**Club Meeting No 2188 – 17 January at Woodlands Golf Club, Mordialloc.**

**Attendance:** 15 members

**Apologies:** Barry Donaldson, Kay Gordon, Glenyse Cooper, Jill Brear, George Aivatoglou, Graeme Bruce

**Sickness:** Brian Schauer is not well and undergoing tests. He has asked for no email messages for now.

**President's Announcements**

President David opened the meeting, welcomed all present and announced:

- The club board would meet on Wednesday 18 January at David's house
- We have Bunnings barbeques coming up on 3 February and 13 March.
- Exchange student Ally Steele is now home from her 12 months in Austria and will speak at the club in February. There is a district welcome dinner on 3 March.
- A club fellowship dinner will be held on 23 February
- The Rotary International theme for 2017-18 announced by RI President-Elect Ian Riseley will be "Rotary: Making a Difference"
- An email has been received from Peter Hall who spoke to the club some time ago and has been working on an education project in Nepal. A copy is attached.

*Paul Taranto* chaired the reminder of the meeting.

**Director and members announcements**

*Jack Pyziakos* announced the next two Bunnings barbeques would be held on Friday 3 February and Monday 13 March (Labour Day). Jack was planning to have the monthly raffles on Fridays this year instead on Mondays. Jack also thanked all who helped at the two barbeques held before and after New Year.

*Brian Foley* advised that he was carrying out secretarial duties while Carol is away.

In regard to community matters, payment had been sent to the "Busy Feet" dancing program for disabled children. Application has been made for a District grant to assist the Fareshare organisation with its new market garden development at Moorabbin Airport. A response is expected soon.

*Paul Taranto* ran the weekly Foundation raffle with wine and chocolates as the prizes. It raised \$30. Don Van won the wine and sent it to auction where Brian Foley bought it. Jeff Needham won the chocolates.

**Sergeant at Arms**

Sergeant Jack Pyziakos conducted a lively session with cricket and tennis high on the agenda, especially various wins and losses by Australians. They even play football in some parts of the world.

Jeff Needham forgot to show up at one barbeque so had to pay up. Jack also ran his short general knowledge quiz. I think we all should know by now that a baby echidna is called a puggle!

**Speakers: The Project Committee**

*Jeff Needham* began with a summary of the financial outcome of the Festival of Cars held in November. The overall result was a profit of just under \$8000 to be shared equally with RC Hampton. The two beneficiaries will be Australian Rotary Health and the Sandringham Hospital. Sponsorships received were very significant in this final result.

*Jack Cooper* then spoke about running of the car show, mentioning some things that worked well and others that were not so good. One key thing that Jack pointed out was that running this event showed up the age of the club. The car show, art show and gnome and fairy festival all involve hard physical work that is now beyond the capability of many members. Another important aspect was that organising the event entailed the four person committee holding weekly meetings for the six months leading up to the event.

The future of the car show is still under review. One option is to shelve it. Another option is to run it in a much modified form with club members working mainly on management and organising and schools and other organisations being invited to do the physical work.

Our next event, scheduled for 19 March, is the Gnome and fairy Festival that will go ahead but with changes from previous years. We would probably not have club stalls selling (such as books and gnomes) although schools and related groups could run stalls. We would still have sideshow events like the jumping castle, rides and the animal farm. The club would still run a barbeque and the dancing and bands would be retained.

The club would still need to do the set out of the site and erecting and pulling down tents.

*Len Dawson* commented that the club had learned a lot from the first running of the car show. The same had happened after the first gnome festival and the lessons learned had been applied in subsequent years. Len also commented that greater use should be made of social media to publicise these events.

The future of the art show is still uncertain and it depends on either a change in attitude by Southland management or securing an alternative venue. We have a substantial investment in the boards used to display the painting and eventually we might need to dispose of these. Another Rotary club or other organisation might be interested.

*Cliff Riley* suggested that perhaps it is time to forget the art show which had probably run its course after 40 years.

Cliff then proposed the thanks to speaker Jack and his committee.

**Other Announcements**

**Apologies for non- attendance**

Apologies for meeting absences should be directed to **David Brunt by telephone or text** to 0418526140 **no later than 2.00 pm on Monday**. Names of any guests can also be advised at this time.

**Welcome Home Dinner for Youth Exchange Students – Friday 3 March**

Ally Steele has returned home from her successful and enjoyable year in Austria. Details of the District Welcome Home Dinner are as follows:

Date: Friday 3 March  
 Time: 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm  
 Venue: Mulgrave Country Club  
 Cnr Wellington and Jells Roads  
 Wheelers Hill (Melways Map 80 H1)  
 Cost: Returning students and parents – no charge  
 Other attendees \$30 per head  
 Two course dinner plus drinks at bar prices

**Coin Collection for UNICEF**

Please bring any spare foreign currency and place in the jar at the registration desk. Notes and coin for all countries are welcome including superseded ones.

**On the lighter side**

*A lady was having problems with her computer and, as a last resort, decided to ring the company help line. As the service centre was located overseas, she realised there might be a problem making herself understood.*

*She decided to explain her problem very simply and said: "I can't get my computer to work"*

*The voice on the other end of the phone replied: "Ah, I see. You are unable to transport your computer to your place of employment"*

*Some children's answers in a science exam:*

Q Name the four seasons.  
 A Salt, pepper, mustard and vinegar

Q How can you delay milk going sour?  
 A Keep it in the cow.

Q What is fibula?  
 A A small lie.

*One day a zoo keeper noticed that an orang-utan was reading two books – the Bible and Darwin's "Origin of the Species". Intrigued, the keeper asked the orang-utan "Why are you reading both these books?"*

*"Well", said the orang-utan, "I just wanted to know if I was my brother's keeper or my keeper's brother"*

**SUMMARY OF COMING EVENTS**

Please note the following dates and events in your diary. It is important that all members support the club in these activities.

3 Feb (Fri)	Bunnings Mentone sausage sizzle 8 am to 4 pm
23 Feb (Thurs)	Club Fellowship Dinner Sing Tao Chinese Restaurant 5 - 7 South Concourse, Beaumaris. 7.00 pm.
3 March (Fri)	Youth Exchange Welcome home dinner. Mulgrave Country Club 7.00 for 7.30 pm
13 March (Mon)	Bunnings Mentone sausage sizzle 8 am to 4 pm
19 March (Sun)	Gnome and Fairy Festival. 10 am to 4 pm. Further details coming
31 Mar to 2 April 2017	District 9810 Conference. "The Pier", Geelong.
21 April (Fri)	Interplast Golf Day, Woodlands Golf Club

**Members on Leave**

Russ Hellier – to end February  
 Carol Quayle – 16 January to 21 March  
 Brian Schauer – to end January  
 George Aivatoglou – to 7 March  
 If you plan to be absent for three weeks or longer, please request leave of absence through the secretary.

**Bayside Kingston Prostate Cancer Support Group**

**WHEN:** First Monday of each month  
**TIME:** 9.30 to 11.30am  
**WHERE:** Mentone RSL  
 Palermo Street, Mentone  
 Melways Map 87 A8  
*Wives and Partners welcome, bookings not required*  
 For further information contact Bob Wilson 9589 4282

**Used Spectacles for Taveuni Eye Project, Fiji**

Anyone with spectacles, including sunglasses that are no longer in use is asked to donate them to the Taveuni Eye Project in Fiji being conducted by the Rotary Clubs of Boronia and Nunawading. The spectacles can be delivered to Jill Brear.

**Where Other Clubs Meet**

This information is available via the club website via the following link:  
<http://mordiallocrotary.org.au/about-rotary/where-other-clubs-meet/>

**Wheelchairs for Kids**

Please remember to put \$2 in the box on each table each week to go to the "Wheelchairs for Kids" program. Every \$150 contributed gives one child the freedom of mobility and also liberates a carer.

## Forthcoming Meeting Program & Rosters

### Next meeting..... Partners Night

Date: 31 January  
Speaker: Dianne Taranto  
Topic: Reflections on a Career in Primary Education  
Chairman: Kay Gordon  
Desk & Regalia: Don Van, Don Butler  
Fellowship: Kelly Banks  
Bulletin notes: Jill Brear

### And the next.... Partners Night

Date: 7 February  
Speakers: Ally Steele, - Returning exchange student  
Stuart McDonald – District Youth Exchange Committee  
Topic: Rotary Youth Exchange Program  
Chairman: Jill Brear  
Desk & Regalia: Kelly Banks, Len Dawson  
Fellowship: Jeff Needham  
Bulletin notes: Glenyse Cooper

### And the next....

Date: 14 February  
Speaker: Michael Heathcote  
Topic: Buying and Inspecting Property  
Chairman: Brian Foley  
Desk & Regalia: Rob Goode, Sylvio Tang  
Fellowship: Cliff Riley  
Bulletin notes: Kelly Banks

## TOASTS

### Australia:

Please charge your glasses and assist me in toasting our Great country, Australia. (Pause) to our country: Australia.

### Rotary International:

Please drink a toast to our organisation: Rotary International, (pause) Rotary International.

### ROTARY INVOCATION:

For good food, for good fellowship and the opportunity for service through Rotary, We give thanks.

## The Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

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## The Rotary Four-Way-Test

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?"

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