



# 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 2191  
7 February  
2017

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

**Assistant Governor: Ken Mirams**

## THIS WEEK'S MEETING

## Partners Night

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



## Message from President David

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

It was just another barbecue at Bunnings when we were asked for "room service". A gentleman in his four-wheel drive asked if might bring him a sausage and a can of lemon. On delivering the order, I found out that this man was from Queensland, he was diabetic and in need of something. He also told me that he often helped at the Bunnings sausage sizzle to raise funds for the Men's Shed in Nambour. Sometimes we do not know how wide the influence of a simple Rotary event can go. As a Rotarian, I might moan when the next one is announced but the memory of that very brief conversation will remain with me.

Last Friday's Bunnings sausage sizzle was quite a success resulting in a profit of \$769 which was rather more than we initially thought it might be. Thanks again to Jack Pyziakos for the organisation and all those members and partners who helped during the day.

Unfortunately our speaker listed for last week, Di Taranto, could not get to the meeting. However, Paul was a very satisfactory replacement as he told us of his experiences as a regular visitor to China over 10 years or more. Paul's observations on the rapid developments in China over this time were most interesting.

Last week, Brian mentioned that we were expecting a letter from the District Governor approving a District Grant to help the Fareshare organisation developing a kitchen garden at Moorabbin Airport. The formal approval has now arrived and we thank Brian and the Community committee for the work they have put into this project.

Tonight we welcome back Ally Steele and look forward with interest as she tells of her experiences with youth exchange in Europe. There is to be a District welcome for all the returned students on Friday March 3. It would be great to have a good representation of members at this function as Ally has been an ambassador for our club while overseas. I believe that overseas travel and experience in young people sets them up for life. Archbishop Desmond Tutu during the apartheid struggles in South Africa said "differences are not intended to separate, to alienate. We are different precisely in order to realise our need of one another." I hope that the experiences gained by Ally will help her understand our own International theme: ROTARY SERVING HUMANITY.

Yours in Rotary

David

**Club Meeting No 2190 – 31 January at Woodlands Golf Club, Mordialloc.**

**Attendance:** 18 members, 4 guests

**Apologies:** Brian Schauer, Damian West

**Guests:** Helen Brunt, Helen Foley, Helen Goode, Claire Needham

**Sickness:** Brian Schauer and Damian West are both unwell at present and will be away for a few weeks.

**Cliff Riley's 90th Birthday Celebration**

To mark Cliff's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday, last Thursday, a suitably decorated cake was presented to Cliff and we all offered our congratulations and best wishes while we sang "Happy Birthday!

Cliff replied briefly thanking the club for its support over the years especially when he most needed it.



**President's Announcements**

President David opened the meeting, welcomed all present and raised the following matters:

- We have our next Bunnings barbeque on Friday 3 February.
- Exchange student Ally Steele will speak at the club on 7 February (next week) telling of her 12 months in Austria. There is also a district welcome dinner on 3 March.
- A district golf day will be held on Thursday 4 May at Keysborough Golf Club. Women are being encouraged to play

*Kay Gordon* chaired the remainder of the meeting.

**Director and members announcements**

Brian Foley (community) advised that a decision is expected very soon on our application for a District Grant for the Fareshare kitchen garden project.

*Jack Cooper* (Projects) advised that the venue for this year's Gnome and Fairy Festival is now settled for the George Woods Reserve in Governor Road adjoining Mordialloc Creek. Kingston Council will provide additional signage at the venue and also at Peter Scullin Reserve as well publicity in *Kingston – Your City*. Advertising for the festival is proceeding. Kelly has joined the committee.

Jill Brear (Youth) reminded that our returned youth exchange student Ally Steele will speak at this week's meeting. Partners are welcome to attend. The district welcome home dinner will be on Friday 3 March at Mulgrave Country Club. Ally will also attend the district conference.

*Jack Pyziakos* took names of helpers for last Friday's sausage sizzle.

*Paul Taranto* ran the weekly Foundation raffle with white wine and assorted pralines as the prizes.

**Sergeant at Arms**

Sergeant Jack Pyziakos ran a short sergeant's session. Tennis and cricket features in the sporting fines. Glenyse was pleased that her youngest grandchild has now started school. Jill was also pleased – her Len is back at work as a magistrate.

**Speaker: Paul Taranto "My Adventures in China so far!"**

Paul began his presentation by explaining how the former Orica/Exxon Mobil business was sold to the Chinese Government owned "Chem. China" in 2006 and one of its objectives was to introduce world standard safety systems to its many chemical manufacturing plants across China. As Paul has a strong background in safety engineering, he was nominated as one of the specialists to undertake developing, implementing and monitoring the safety systems.

So far Paul has undertaken 10 visits to eight different plants, namely Tianjin, Shanghai, Harbin, Nangton, Beijing, Xinghuo (twice), Ruicheng and Nongbo (twice).

The nature of the work differed from place to place and activities undertaken included introduction to process safety, the Qenos safety management system, hazard identification, safety system audits, safety system training, asset management, the Qenos story, pilot of a major process hazard study and safety accreditation.

A significant issue at many places is the identification of potential problems and Paul saw examples of where the locals did not always recognise substantial risks of the plants they run or the materials they use. At Ningbo, Paul was one of an international team assessing whether the plant would achieve accreditation. At the first attempt, accreditation was not achieved as known problems were not recognised.

Apart from the work, Paul has had many opportunities to see many points of interest around China and watch the rapid growth and development over 10 years.

<p>Guest speaker (cont)</p> <p>Food is an important part of the society and Paul was able to enjoy the range of menus available. He also had two pencil portraits made when he was visiting Harbin.</p> <p>In response to a question, Paul said that he had to work through interpreters and these were usually very good.</p> <p>Another question related to the possible conflict between profit, efficiency and safety to which Paul replied that safety is the over-riding consideration.</p> <p>The vote of thanks was given by <i>Kelly Banks</i></p> <p>-----</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Other Announcements</b></p> <p><b>Apologies for non- attendance</b> Apologies for meeting absences should be directed to <b>David Brunt</b> by <b>telephone or text</b> to 0418526140 <b>no later than 2.00 pm on Monday</b>. Names of any guests can also be advised at this time.</p> <p>-----</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Welcome Home Dinner for Youth Exchange Students – Friday 3 March</b></p> <p>Ally Steele has returned home from her successful and enjoyable year in Austria. Details of the District Welcome Home Dinner are as follows:</p> <p>Date: Friday 3 March Time: 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm Venue: Mulgrave Country Club Cnr Wellington and Jells Roads Wheeler's 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</p> <p>-----</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Coin Collection for UNICEF</b></p> <p>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.</p> <p>-----</p> <p><b>On the lighter side</b></p> <p>Some slightly odd newspaper headlines: (some date back a bit)</p> <p>Include your children when baking cookies Experts say something went wrong in jet crash Iraqi head seeks arms Panda mating fails; Vet takes over. Sisters re-united after 18 years in checkout queue Man struck by lightning on battery charge Miners refuse to work after death War dims hope for peace If strike is not settled quickly, it might last a while Clinton wins budget; More lies ahead Stolen painting found by tree British left waffles on Falklands Islands</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SUMMARY OF COMING EVENTS</b></p> <p>Please note the following dates and events in your diary. It is important that all members support the club in these activities.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="798 257 1495 851"> <tr> <td>23 Feb (Thurs)</td> <td>Club Fellowship Dinner Sing Tao Chinese Restaurant 5 - 7 South Concourse, Beaumaris. 7.00 pm.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3 March (Fri)</td> <td>Youth Exchange Welcome home dinner. Mulgrave Country Club 7.00 for 7.30 pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>13 March (Mon)</td> <td>Bunnings Mentone sausage sizzle 8 am to 4 pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>19 March (Sun)</td> <td>Gnome and Fairy Festival. 10 am to 4 pm. <b>Please note venue change to:</b> George Woods Reserve, Governor Road, Mordialloc</td> </tr> <tr> <td>31 Mar to 2 April 2017</td> <td>District 9810 Conference. "The Pier", Geelong.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>21 April (Fri)</td> <td>Interplast Golf Day, Woodlands Golf Club</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4 May (Thurs)</td> <td>District 9810 Golf Day. Keysborough Golf Club. \$55 per head</td> </tr> </table> <p><b>Members on Leave</b> Russ Hellier – to end February Carol Quayle – 16 January to 21 March Brian Schauer – to 28 February Damian West – to 28 February George Aivatoglou – to 7 March If you plan to be absent for three weeks or longer, please request leave of absence through the secretary.</p> <p>-----</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Bayside Kingston Prostate Cancer Support Group</b></p> <p><b>WHEN:</b> First Monday of each month <b>TIME:</b> 9.30 to 11.30am <b>WHERE:</b> Mentone RSL Palermo Street, Mentone Melways Map 87 A8 <i>Wives and Partners welcome, bookings not required</i> For further information contact Bob Wilson 9589 4282</p> <p>-----</p> <p><b>Used Spectacles for Taveuni Eye Project, Fiji</b></p> <p>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.</p> <p>-----</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Where Other Clubs Meet</b></p> <p>This information is available via the club website via the following link: <a href="http://mordiallocrotary.org.au/about-rotary/where-other-clubs-meet/">http://mordiallocrotary.org.au/about-rotary/where-other-clubs-meet/</a></p> <p>-----</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Wheelchairs for Kids</b></p> <p>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.</p>	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. 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## Forthcoming Meeting Program & Rosters

### Next meeting.....

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

### And the next.... **Partner's Night**

Date: 21 February  
Speaker: Dianne Taranto  
Topic: Reflections on a Career in Primary Education  
Chairman: Kay Gordon  
Desk & Regalia: Len Dawson, Don Butler  
Fellowship: Brian Foley  
Bulletin notes: Jill Brear

### And the next....

Date: 28 February  
Speaker: Mick Brasher  
Topic: Native Birds  
Chairman: Jack Cooper  
Desk & Regalia: Don Van, Rob Goode  
Fellowship: Kay Gordon  
Bulletin notes: Glenyse Cooper

## 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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