



# 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 2193  
21 February  
2017

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

**Assistant Governor: Ken Mirams**

## THIS WEEK'S MEETING

## Partner's Night

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: Glenyse Cooper



RI theme 2016-17

## Message from President David

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

I had the privilege of attending the District Presidents' Dinner last Friday evening and I found myself challenged again by the End Polio now campaign. Past District Governor Bob Richards had just returned from India and his message would challenge us all. Rotary is not alone in this campaign but is in partnership with W.H.O (World Health Organisation), UNICEF, the U.S. Centres for Disease Control and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. I was amazed to learn that 200 countries have been involved, some 20 million volunteers have given of their time and, even more amazing to me, some 2.5 billion children have been vaccinated. The work must continue until the disease is finally gone, but what a story it is so far.

During the evening a ballot was undertaken to see who would represent our District at the Council on Resolutions 2017, 2018, 2019 and the Council on Legislation 2019. This honour went to Past District Governor David Alexander.

It is now less than one month to this year's Gnome and Fairy Festival that will be held on Sunday 19 March. There has to be a total club commitment for it to be really successful.

Please be prepared to give your support our Project Committee as we come closer to the event. There will be some work to do prior to the day, as well on as the day itself. I am sure it would be an encouragement to Jack and Glenyse if you could approach them and offer your services to help out.

Don't forget we have a club fellowship dinner this Thursday evening and we will confirm the numbers attending at this week's meeting. And then we have the District welcome Home Dinner for Ally and the other Exchange Students on Friday 3 March.

On Thursday 23 March we want to support Jeff Needham and the Bentmoor Men's Shed when they present an Information Session for Men and Women on mental health and wellbeing.

And finally, please continue to remember and act on our Rotary theme for 2016-17: "*Rotary Serving Humanity*".

Yours in Rotary

David

**Club Meeting No 2192 – 14 February at Woodlands Golf Club, Mordialloc.**

**Attendance:** 13 members, 4 guests

**Apologies:** Brian Schauer, Damian West, Cliff Riley, Len Dawson, Jeff Needham, Graeme Bruce

**Guests:** Michael Heathcote (guest speaker), Christine Rance, Alicia Warrenner, Pamela Warrenner

**Make-Up:** Kay Gordon (District board meeting)

**Sickness:** Brian Schauer and Damian West are still unwell.

**President's Announcements**

President David opened the meeting, welcomed all present and reminded of the following coming events:

- The next Board meeting on Wednesday 15 February.
- A club fellowship dinner on Thursday 23 February at Sing Tao Chinese Restaurant, in Beaumaris
- The District welcome home dinner for returning exchange students and families is on Friday 3 March at the Mulgrave Country Club.
- The Gnome & Fairy Festival on Sunday 19 March

*Brian Foley* chaired the remainder of the meeting.

**Director and members announcements**

*Brian Foley* (a/secretary) has received brochures advertising a gardening and plants expo at Tesselaar's Nursery at Silvan on the weekend 22-23 April. See Brian for details.

*Jack Cooper* (projects) gave updates on finalising the car festival and planning for the Gnome and Fairy Festival. Contact is being made via email with some 100 schools and pre-schools.

*Paul Taranto*, as District Chairman of NYSF has received the report from our club's participant in the 2017 forum, Lucy Tsuchida. Lucy will be invited to speak at the club soon.

Paul also nominated a possible speaker on motor bike safety. This is now confirmed for 7 March.

Paul ran the weekly Rotary Foundation raffle with white wine and scorched almonds as prizes. Jack Cooper and visitor Christina were winners. The raffle raised \$33.

*Kay Gordon* announced that she and Geoff will be moving to a retirement village in the Beleura Estate at Mornington.

**Sergeant at Arms**

Sergeant Jack Pyziakos ran a short sergeant's session. He told a joke and had to pay up for it. There were plenty of \$ delight fines and others for the women's AFL competition.

**Guest Speaker: Michael Heathcote "Inspecting Properties for Sale"**

Michael is a qualified building inspector and specialises in carrying out and reporting on housing inspections for prospective purchasers. Michael says that the majority of housing properties for sale, even near new ones, often have hidden defects that are not made known to the purchaser and could result in high cost to rectify.

Michael explained in detail, with many photographs, a report he did on a property, about 40 years old and priced around \$500,000, that revealed many defects. These included the following:

- Lack of automatic safety switches on electrical switchboard. The wiring was probably inadequate to meet modern standards and full testing and rewiring was recommended.
- No evidence of termite treatment or documentation
- A deteriorated rock retaining wall that was unstable due to sloping ground.
- Timber veranda floor and stairway in direct contact with ground causing likely rotting
- Lack of safety glass in low level windows (below one metre above floor level)
- Glazed window sill tiles incorrectly installed and now loose
- Asbestos eave linings leading to asbestos particles in roof cavity – a health risk.
- Incorrect siting of air conditioner drain outlet casing pooled water. Safety and subsidence risk
- Incorrect timber framing on pergola
- Concrete paving too high adjacent to house causing inadequate sub-floor ventilation and interference to damp course
- Inadequate stormwater drainage.
- Earth and stone retaining bank against swimming pool gradually subsiding
- Rear fence acting as a retaining wall for adjoining property
- Runoff from adjoining property going under house
- Flat steel roof rusted and near the end of its life
- Kitchen tap loose and leaking
- Bathroom, toilet and laundry have no forced air ventilation
- Toilet door hung incorrectly
- Termite activity in sub-floor area
- No termite caps on stumps
- Discarded timber in under floor space (termite issue)

Mike's report concluded that the cost of repairs to bring the house to suitable condition would be some \$100,000. Alternatively it might be better to demolish and replace the house. Although the prospective purchasers decided not to go ahead on receipt of Mike's report, and were disappointed, he felt that they would be better off.

The presentation provoked considerable discussion and questions from members.

<p>Speaker (cont)</p> <p>Although there is currently a 6½ year warranty period for new construction, this is often hard to establish and have action taken.</p> <p><i>Kay Gordon</i> proposed the thanks -----</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 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> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Welcome Home Dinner for Youth Exchange Students – Friday 3 March</b></p> <p>Details of the District Welcome Home Dinner are::</p> <p>Date: Friday 3 March Time: 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm Venue: Mulgrave Country Club Cnr Wellington and Jells Roads Wheeler 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 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><b>Facebook for the older generation</b></p> <p><i>I am trying to make outside of Facebook using the same principles. Each day I walk down the street and tell passers-by what I have eaten, how I feel, what I did the night before, what I intend to do and with whom.</i></p> <p><i>I show them pictures of my family, my dog, me working in the garden and in my workshop, visiting landmarks, driving around, having dinner and doing most of the same things they all do.</i></p> <p><i>I also give the thumbs up and say I like them.</i></p> <p><i>It works very well, just like Facebook. So far I have four people following me – two policemen, a private investigator and a psychiatrist!</i></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="798 291 1493 1008"> <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>23 March (Thurs)</td> <td>Bentmoor Men’s Shed. Mental Health/ Positive Wellbeing, free information session. 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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 Jill Brear – 14 February to 18 April If you plan to be absent for three weeks or longer, please request leave of absence through the secretary. -----</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><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 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>	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. <b>Please note venue change to:</b> George Woods Reserve, Governor Road, Mordialloc	23 March (Thurs)	Bentmoor Men’s Shed. Mental Health/ Positive Wellbeing, free information session. 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## Forthcoming Meeting Program & Rosters

### Next meeting.....

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

### And the next....

Date: 7 March  
Speaker: Rob Salvatore  
Topic: Motor Cycle Safety  
Chairman: Paul Taranto  
Desk & Regalia: Don Butler, Len Dawson  
Fellowship: Jeff Needham  
Bulletin notes: Glenyse Cooper

### And the next....

Date: 14 March  
Speaker 1 & Topic: Christine Rees (Heart Foundation)  
Active Living for a Healthy Heart  
Speakers 2 & Topic: Project team members  
Gnome & Fairy Festival briefing  
Chairman: Brian Foley  
Desk & Regalia: Don Van,  
Fellowship: Sylvio Tang  
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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YOUR LOCAL  
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WHO SUPPORTS  
OUR LOCAL CLUB

**DESTINATION HQ**  
TRAVEL DIFFERENT TRAVEL REDEFINED

<small>Beaumaris</small> 23 North Concourse 9589 3294	<small>Mentone</small> Thrift Park Shopping Centre 9584 3833
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