



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
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Tuesday 6.00 pm for 6.30 pm

Meeting 2202
9 May 2017

District Governor 2016-17: Carol Lawton

Assistant Governor: Ken Mirams

THIS WEEK'S MEETING

Speaker: Ryan and Joy Kisby
Topic: After Recovery
Chairman: David Brunt
Desk & Regalia: Don Van, Don Butler
Fellowship: Brian Foley
Bulletin notes: Jill Brear



RI theme 2016-17

Message from President David

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

On Friday evening I had the privilege of attending the District President's dinner meeting. With both current and incoming presidents attending, there was a degree of excitement in the air. We went through the usual business items, we looked at some district plans and goals and we enjoyed Rotary fellowship. I have been to a number of these events and once again I found myself excited by the possibilities of Rotary service, and what Rotary can still accomplish in our world. As we as a club prepare for our changeover, I hope that you too will be able to sense the feeling of excitement that a new Rotary year will bring.

Under Paul's leadership we will be embarking on a Youth Exchange program. While some members may be apprehensive about this, the Board has everything in place to make this an exciting venture.

A major Australia wide Rotary project is planned for the coming year focusing on the eradication of Trachoma. Australia seems to be the only first-world country where this is still a major problem. Our incoming RI President Ian Riseley wants all clubs to be behind this venture

Last week we accepted our Club Constitutional amendments, as well as formally accepting the office bearers for the next Rotary Year. Our District Assembly and training day is on Sunday May 21 at Deakin University. It would be great if the majority of members could make this day, thereby showing Paul and the incoming Board that we do support them.

On a lighter note, I heard on the ABC that Australia is now world champions at Croquet. Can we as Rotarians take any credit for this? After all some of us play for a couple of hours once a year. Perhaps not.....

Yours in Rotary

David

Club Meeting No 2201 – 2 May at Woodlands Golf Club, Mordialloc.

Attendance: 19 members, 2 guests

Apologies: Sylvio Tang, Brian Foley

Make-Ups: Jack and Glenyse Cooper, Don Van, Brian Foley, Jack Pyziakos, Kay Gordon (RC Hampton Riseley dinner), Bunnings BBQ helpers

Guests: Lucy Tsuchida (guest speaker) and her mother.

Adjournment

The regular meeting was adjourned to allow conduct of a Special General Meeting and to reopen the 2016 AGM to consider one uncompleted item.

Special General Meeting

The Special General meeting was convened to consider amendments to the Club's Rules and Bylaws following changes agreed at the 2016 Rotary Council on Legislation. The amendments were prepared by Solicitors McKean Park.

The required quorum was present and separate resolutions to adopt the amended Rules and Bylaws were passed. Separate minutes of this meeting were prepared.

Resumed Annual General Meeting 2016

The 2016 AGM was reopened to finalise club officers and directors for the 2017-18 year. President David read the following recommendations for officer holders and directors:

Board and Directors:

President: Paul Taranto
Past President: David Brunt
President Elect: Jack Pyziakos
Secretary: Carol Quayle
Treasurer: Graeme Bruce
Directors: Jack Cooper
Jeff Needham
Kay Gordon
Brian Foley

A quorum was present and these persons were declared elected. Separate minutes are kept of this meeting.

The full list of club positions for 2017-18 is:

President: Paul Taranto
Secretary: Carol Quayle
Treasurer: Graeme Bruce
President Elect: Jack Pyziakos
Community: Brian Foley
International: Sylvio Tang
Vocational: Paul Taranto
Youth: Jeff Needham
Rotary Foundation: Jack Cooper

On-to-Conference: Jack Cooper
Program: Glenyse Cooper
Club Protection Officer: Jeff Needham
PR/Marketing: Len Dawson
Projects: Jack Pyziakos/Paul Taranto
Sergeant-at-Arms: Cliff Riley
Membership: Kay Gordon
Raffles: David Brunt
Website & Bulletin: Brian Foley
Special Bulletin Contributor: Damian West

President's Announcements

President David resumed the regular meeting, welcomed all present and gave the following announcements:

- The Annual District Training Assembly will be held on Sunday 21 May at Deakin University, Burwood Highway, Burwood, from 8.30 am to 1 pm.
- The District 9810 Annual Changeover Dinner will be held on Saturday 24 June at Southern Golf Club, Lower Dandenong Road, Keysborough
- The Club Changeover Dinner will be held on Tuesday 27 June at Woodlands Golf Club.

Jeff Needham chaired the remainder of the meeting.

Director and members announcements

Secretary *Carol Quayle* advised that to meet the latest Child Safety legislation, all members should have a Child Safety Certificate. Application must now be made online and Carol will send details of the process.

Projects: The recent Bunnings sausage sizzle on 23 April made \$2450. Thanks to George and others who assisted on the day.

The Interplast Golf day was less successful than in recent years. Registrations were down and seven pulled out on the day due to inclement weather. The amount to be contributed to Interplast will be reviewed with the board. Thanks to those who helped organise and run the event.

Cliff Riley advised that May is the annual Rotary bowel cancer month and test kits are available again at the usual local pharmacies.

The weekly Rotary Foundation raffle raised \$34 with Rob Goode and Jack Pyziakos the winners. Keith will run the raffle while Paul is away.

Paul gave a final reminder for members to attend the District Assembly on Sunday 21 May.

Sergeant at Arms

Jack Pyziakos was on the job. He is the proud new grandfather of two new granddaughters, one in Portsmouth, England and one in Geelong. Two other grandsons are doing well at junior rugby in Queensland. Paul was announced "man of the recent BBQ" and frogs were distributed to all helpers.

Sergeant continued

AFL footy winners were fined as was Len for Tottenham beating Arsenal and President David had to pay for St George being beaten by Storm.

All men were fined for Hawthorn appointing a female CEO (good move). Various other events brought across the floor fines.

Guest Speaker – Lucy Tsuchida – National Youth Science Seminar – January 2017

Lucy Tsuchida is a Year 12 student at Mentone Girls Secondary College and was sponsored by our club to attend the NYSF two-week seminar held at Australian National University, Canberra in January 2017.

Lucy has provided a detailed report, including pictures, of her experience at NYSF and this is appended as the last two pages of this bulletin. Some of her main thoughts and highlights are as follows.

Before attending the seminar Lucy was very excited and looking forward to meeting like-minded students and making new friends. The reality was much more than she had expected and proved a life-changing experience. It was definitely the best seminar type activity she had attended.

Lucy was impressed by the “staffies”, previous year’s participants, who assisted with running the seminar, attending to participant’s needs and fostering team spirit among the various groups.

Each day the participants attend a different institution or laboratory covering a wide range of science related topics including engineering, chemistry, biology, medicine, IT, agriculture and physics.

There was a strong focus on personal development as they learned the importance of critical thinking, thinking big, and the use of body language.

The seminar exposed the students to many highly qualified and impressive scientists and researchers. Lucy was most impressed by Brian Schmidt, a Nobel Prize winning aeronautical engineer with strong views on the amount of money spent on space research compared with that spent on needy people in the real world. They also met representatives of “Engineers without Borders” – volunteers who work in developing countries.

Apart from the laboratory and other visits and lectures, the group had many opportunities for socialising and Lucy felt she developed a wide network of new friends.

Lucy responded to various members’ questions and commented that her career focus is now towards science initially and before moving on to engineering. Lucy has been invited to be a “staffie” at the 2018 NYSF.

Cliff Riley proposed the thanks.

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.

17 May (Wed)	Board meeting, 7.30 pm David Brunt's house
21 May (Sun)	District Training Assembly Deakin University Burwood Hwy, Burwood 8.30 am to 1.00 pm
24 June (Sat)	District 9810 Changeover Southern Golf Club, Lower Dandenong Road, Keysborough Further details to come.
27 June	Club Changeover Night Woodlands GC. 6.30 pm for 7.00 pm
11 July	District Governor's Official Club Visit

Members on Leave

Russ Hellier – indefinite

Brian Schauer – indefinite

Paul Taranto – 6 to 28 May

Jeff Needham – 6 May to 13 June

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

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/>

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.

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.

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.....

Date: 16 May
Speaker: Helen Botham
Topic: Latrobe and his cottage
Chairman: Glenyse Cooper
Desk & Regalia: Don Butler, Rob Goode
Fellowship: Sylvio Tang
Bulletin notes: Kelly Banks

And the next....

Date: 23 May
Speaker: Helen Robertson
Topic: Technology for Seniors
Chairman: Kelly Banks
Desk & Regalia: Don Van, George Aivatoglou
Fellowship: Brian Foley
Bulletin notes: Glenyse Cooper

And the next....

Date: 30 May
Speaker: To be advised
Topic: "
Chairman: "
Desk & Regalia: "
Fellowship: "
Bulletin notes: "

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.

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?"

SUPPORT
YOUR LOCAL
TRAVEL AGENCY
WHO SUPPORTS
OUR LOCAL CLUB

DESTINATION HQ
TRAVEL DIFFERENT TRAVEL REDEFINED

Beaumaris
23 North Concourse
9589 3294

Mentone
Thrift Park Shopping Centre
9584 3833

NYSF Report – January 2017 by Lucy Tsuchida

I would like to start by saying I did not begin NYSF Session A with the same 196 people I left with. NYSF is like no other camp I have ever experienced and it pains me to think that it has ended but I will treasure the memories for years to come.

I went into NYSF very excited. In the morning of the first day I was full of beans, anticipating the amazing two weeks. Two girls from my school had talked it up so much that I really had no fear. I was expecting two weeks of jam packed science and learning dotted with meeting like-minded students and mingling with some amazing Rotarians and scientists. I went into it hoping to come out with a bit more of a handle on what engineering was and whether it was for me plus some new friends. I knew it would be an amazing experience but no one could have expected how life changing and how inconceivably extraordinary it was. I will attempt to describe the most unimaginable two weeks of my life.

To begin at the start means to explain the Staffies. They greeted us with such enthusiasm and energy that we had to be excited too. We all thought they were a little nuts at the beginning but it soon became clear that they would become our best friends and most trusted leaders. Each Staffie was different and quirky in his/her own way and NYSF would not have been the same without them. We received a floor Staffie who was in charge of us at night; I will never forget the light out knock “good night Lucy”, “good night Staffie Connor”. And with each adventure we were assigned different Staffies who we got to know and love. I must say a massive thank you to the inspirational and incredible Staffies!



One thing I wasn't anticipating was all the chanting. I have never even learnt my house chant at school. But I know all of the NYSF chants by heart and they will stay with me forever. They fired me up each morning and brought my group closer together with each chant.

We had three formal lectures and many more throughout the session. Each lecturer brought something completely new and wonderful to the table. We learnt about split brains, biology, aerospace engineering and astronomy. There was something for everyone's interests but also topics to open people's minds to other fields of science and hidden passions. The presenters were all enthusiastic about their work and I learnt a lot from each. One valuable thing I gained as a consequence of all of the lecturers was a better understanding of what research is, I felt myself developing the opinion that research might be something I should consider rather than a complicated, messy and difficult pathway. Brian Schmidt in particular influenced my previous views as I was opposed to money being invested in space when there are so many issues to be solved on earth. After listening to Brian however I now understand that in order to keep moving forward and creating we must find out what we do not know. The physics students were also fortunate enough to have a video conference with CERN and I learnt a lot about particles and the particle generator through my brilliant peers' questions.



There were a lot of personal development activities as well. They included developing our critical thinking, encouraging us to think big and stressing the importance of body language; skills which I will take into every aspect of my life and I hope to become a better person through.

Each day we would check our schedule and still be left not knowing what we would be doing in the day. The adventures we would take part in were called 'Lab Visits' and we wouldn't know what each would be until we were there. This element of mystery built on the excitement which never let me down. Each Lab Visit brought a different aspect of engineering to the table and each day my group never failed to surprise me with their amazing knowledge. Through the Lab Visits I had the privilege of visiting the Molonglo Telescope which was a mile long and seeing the interferences and what they mean to astronomers; I was able to tinker with robot wheels and exercise some system engineering; I learnt about polarisation and its applications and the physics behind LED lights; we had the opportunity to see Canberra's electricity company, ActewAGL's major plant, office and best of all the control panel where we were able to see the electricity lines to every house in Canberra; and I had the pleasure of meeting the Engineers Without Borders president of ANU which is an organisation I have been looking into for the past two years. Every experience was unique and beneficial and though I don't think I will enter any of the fields of engineering to which we were exposed, I can confidently mark them off my list and focus on the field which I know is for me, renewable energy engineering.

One very important day for me which may shape my future was the 10th of January, Partners Day. This was the day where the numerous partners of NYSF spoke about their specific company. Not only were the lectures interesting and the "speed dating" insightful, but the universities gave me a new pathway to think about. I had never considered interstate universities but after the UNSW talk, I was very interested! I then went to the expo and asked them specific questions about the field I am interested in, renewable energy, and their dormitory arrangements and by the end of it all was completely convinced that this was the university for me. I am not sure about moving interstate but UNSW is now high on my interest list, and I have NYSF to thank for it.

I've saved the best until last: the social aspect of it all. This element of NYSF I will never be able to do justice to. Every single person I met I had a brilliant conversation with and I was fully invested in finding out more about them. Breakfast, lunch and dinner were all opportunities to meet the next amazing person at NYSF I hadn't had the pleasure of coming across yet. The social events such as swing dancing, shopping, the science disco, evening activities and the science dinner were all equally the best nights of my life because I was with the most inspirational and incredible people in all of Australia who motivated me and encouraged me throughout NYSF. I know the friends I made at NYSF are friends for life.

The hardest part was saying goodbye. I hadn't realized how attached I had become to everyone on Session and the thought of leaving them and this perfect bubble of a world tore at my heart. I cried more than I ever believed I could, but I know now that even though we are all from different states, we are all NYSFers and we are exceptional people. None of us can imagine losing contact with each other.

NYSF is an inexpressible experience which I am sad is over but will hold in my heart forever. I must thank every single person who made NYSF possible including the Staffies, Rotarians, Partners and all the talented and bizarre NYSFers who made the experience what it was. I cannot express how privileged I feel to have attended NYSF and the gratitude I have for all involved. I am more motivated now than ever to go on and do great things and 'think bigger than big!'

