



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 2213
25 July 2017

District Governor 2017-18: Malcolm Chiverton

Assistant Governor: Ken Mirams

THIS WEEK'S MEETING

Speaker: Geoff Arnold
Topic: Mordialloc Amateur Theatre Group
Chairman: Brian Foley
Desk & Regalia: Don Butler, Trina Williams
Fellowship: Len Dawson
Bulletin notes: Carol Quayle



Message from President Paul Taranto

Hello everyone and welcome to our fourth meeting for 2017/2018. I trust you are bearing up with the cold weather that we have been experiencing. I have had the enjoyable task of hosting my Grandson Tim's dad and his USA family. They certainly noticed that Melbourne is colder than Sydney. Even Tim is saying that he did not appreciate how cold Melbourne can get. The cold and the dark of winter have also meant that many members are heading off for warmer climes. Members are reminded to advise when they will be away so that our meal order with Woodlands can be adjusted accordingly. With both Jack Pyziakos and David Blunt away for the meetings on August 1 and 8 please let me know by the Monday lunchtime (Mob:0404086249) if you will not be attending or you will be bringing guests. Thank you in anticipation.

Last week we heard from a Rotarian who is certainly making a difference. The enthusiasm that Selwyn Shahine has for Interact and the students was infectious. The growth in the number of Interact Clubs within our District is impressive and a reflection of Selwyn's energy and efforts. I look forward to our Club establishing an Interact Club with one of our schools.

A board meeting was held last week but there was not a quorum present so no decisions were made.

I will be asking the various program chairs to give their feedback to Jeff Needham on the draft operational plan so that we are in a position to finalize it at our August board meeting. It was good to see the youth committee get together after our meeting last week to discuss youth activities for this year.

Kay Gordon, Len Dawson, Kelly Banks and I attended the District Membership seminar last Friday. The seminar was well attended by many clubs. Kay will be feeding back to the club some of the ideas and initiatives presented but I take this opportunity to encourage club members to attend the various District seminars as they are held. Some feedback from the District Governor's visit is attached to this bulletin. Attending District seminars is one area that DG Malcolm encourages.

I thank sincerely Jack Pyziakos and the few members who braved the cold and strong winds to run the Bunnings sausage sizzle last Saturday. They were assisted very much by Kathy Pyziakos, her daughter and friend and Di Taranto. We raised \$2,222 so their efforts in the difficult conditions were well worthwhile.

Youth exchange activity is ramping up. Our outgoing student Nicola Brooks learnt at the weekend that she will be travelling to France, her first choice country, so she is very pleased.

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President's message (cont)

Our incoming exchange student Sarah Wich arrives from Germany next Saturday evening and will probably attend next week's club meeting. Sarah's first host family is the Steele family and we thank Felicity and Paul and their daughters for looking after Sarah.

The Club has received its invoice for the fee to Rotary International for the 2017/2018 year. This year's club fee notices were sent out a week or so ago. Members are encouraged to pay their fee as soon as possible. Thank you.

For those members travelling, safe and enjoyable (and warm?) travels.

I thank all club members for what they do each day in **Making a Difference**.

Yours in Rotary

Paul

Club Meeting No 2212 – 18 July at Woodlands Golf Club, Mordialloc.

Attendance: 13 members, 1 visiting Rotarian.

Apology: George Aivatoglou, Sylvio Tang, Jack Pyziakos, Jill Brear, Carol Quayle, Kay Gordon, Graeme Bruce

Visiting Rotarian: Selwyn Shahine (RC Doncaster), guest speaker.

Travellers: Jack and Glenyse are currently in North America and other members are about to travel

Sickness: Don Van has been in hospital for hip surgery

President's Announcements

President Paul opened the meeting, welcomed members and visitors and announced the following:

- A reminder of the District Membership Seminar held last Friday, 21 July
- Paul and Jack Pyziakos had visited the City of Kingston that day to discuss arrangements for the next Gnome and Fairy Festival. The formal application is now with Council.

.Jeff Needham chaired the remainder of the meeting

Committee and Member announcements

Brian Foley reported on a visit he had made to Doveton Secondary College that day. The principal is Greg McMahon, formerly principal of Parkdale Secondary College. As well as education for students up to Year 9 level, the College also manages a broad range of services aimed at the multicultural and disadvantaged community. Bob Travers assists as a volunteer in the Early Learning Centre that provided carpentry and other manual and life skills for students with learning difficulties.

Brian sees an opportunity for the club to assist a group of these students with funding to undertake a project

Jeff Needham asked for a short meeting that evening of members involved in the youth program.

In the absence of Jack Pyziakos, President Paul took names of members for last Saturday's Bunnings sausage sizzle

Jeff Needham has drafted the Operational Plan for 2017-18 and it should be finalised in August.

Kelly Banks advised that outgoing youth exchange student Nicola would have her interview on Sunday 23rd to determine her destination country. This has been confirmed for France, Nicola's first preference.

Paul advised that Rotary Club of Ringwood had agreed to sponsor a young lady student to NYSF who had been looking for a club. As Ringwood already has three other students nominated, Paul has agreed that our club could assist in the event that all of Ringwood's nominations are selected. NYSF interviews will be held in early August.

Paul also referred to "Damian's Musings" article in last week's bulletin.

David Brunt presented Don Butler with a Certificate of Appreciation for his continued volunteering to assist student reading at Mordialloc Primary School.

The weekly raffle for Australian Rotary Health raised \$24. The winners were Keith Carpenter and David Brunt.

Sergeant-at-Arms

Sergeant *Cliff Riley* started with footy and fined supporters of his old club St Kilda. He also noted that GWS had stopped winning since Tim was out injured. We all paid up for the great win by Roger Federer at Wimbledon.

Cliff's quiz continued the geographic tour of Melbourne city this time taking us to the Windsor Hotel, Melbourne Cricket Ground, the Shot Tower and the city's two oldest churches St James and St Francis.

Guest speaker: Selwyn Shahine - "Starting an Interact Club"

Selwyn is a member of the Rotary Club of Doncaster and heads the District 9810 Interact Committee.

The first Rotary sponsored Interact Club was in Melbourne, Florida, USA in 1962 and the concept has spread through Rotary since then so there are now over 500,000 Interact members worldwide. The membership was originally based on 14 to 18 year-olds and has since been broadened to 12 to 18 year-olds.

Selwyn showed a presentation setting out the Interact structure, the range of projects and how to commence a club. The information on Page 3 is taken from the presentation

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.	
29 July (Sat)	Exchange student Sarah Wich arrives from Germany
16 Aug (Wed)	Board meeting, Taranto house 7.30 pm
20 Sept (Wed)	Board meeting, Taranto house 7.30 pm
14 October (Sat)	Packing day for Birthing Kits Project, Sand belt Hotel, Moorabbin.
2 – 4 March 2018 (Fri–Sun)	District 9810 Conference, Bendigo
18 March 2018 (Sun)	Gnome & Fairy Festival George Woods Reserve, Mordialloc (Details to be confirmed)
Members on Leave	
Jack and Glenyse Cooper – 5 July to 6 August David Brunt – 24 July to 9 August Jack Pyziakos – 25 July to 1 September Barry Donaldson – 25 July to 12 September Ernie Williams – 25 July to 12 August Kay Gordon – 1 August to 28 September	
If you plan to be absent for three weeks or longer, please request leave of absence through the secretary.	
<hr/> 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	
<hr/> 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/	
<hr/> Other Announcements	
Apologies for non- attendance	
Apologies for meeting absences from the meetings on 1 and 8 August should be directed to Paul Taranto . These can be by telephone or text to 0404086249 no later than 1.00 pm on Monday before the meeting . Names of any guests can also be advised at this time.	
<hr/> From 15 August until further notice, apologies should be advised to David Brunt on 0418526140.	
<hr/> 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

The Object of Rotary

Next meeting.....

Date: 1 August
Speaker: Mark Pearman
Topic: Current trends in real estate
Chairman: Len Dawson
Desk & Regalia: Don Butler, Rob Goode
Fellowship: Sylvio Tang
Bulletin notes: Kelly Banks

And the next....

Date: 8 August
Speaker: Mark Balla
Topic: We Can't Wait
Chairman: Sylvio Tang
Desk & Regalia: Rob Goode, Len Dawson
Fellowship: Jeff Needham
Bulletin notes: Jill Brear

And the next....

Date: 15 August
Speaker: Parkdale Secondary College students
Topic: Model United Nations Assembly
Chairman: Jeff Needham
Desk & Regalia: Don Butler,
Fellowship: Jill Brear
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 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?"



Feedback Comments by District Governor Malcolm Chiverton following his recent club visit

During our discussions, a regular theme was "Rotary Club Central" (RCC). I encourage you and your Board members to become users of RCC as this will be the tool for the administration of Rotary and the medium through which most resources will be delivered. RCC will only be as useful to your Club as the information and goals that you load into it. So, the message is to be comfortable using it. To be eligible to receive a Presidential Citation, all the qualifying activities will be tracked on RCC. Should you have any difficulty with that concept please discuss your concerns with your Assistant Governor.

During our executive briefing some matters arose on which I would like to make the following comments:

- Presidential Citation – Consider re-visiting this document to see which targets could be incorporated to your plan;
- Get involved in District Recognitions, page 29 in the District Directory;
- Encourage you to continue with the Australian Vietnam Volunteer Resource Group and investigate the development of a Vocational Training Team in the future;
- Continue to explore the possibility of sponsoring and chartering an Interact Club.
- Be vigilant when the Club is involved in Youth Projects and continue to ask the parents or guardians to support the Rotary Club that supports their child by joining the club.

I would also like to remind you of a few matters I ask you and your Board to show Leadership by promoting within your Club:

- To encourage as many members as possible to attend the various seminars held throughout the District in this Rotary year;
- Ensure that your President Elect undertakes a Rotary Leadership Institute Program before assuming the role of President;
- Ensure your President Elect participates fully in the various training and preparation programs available;
- Encourage all your members gain a much wider perspective of the Rotary world by logging into "My Rotary" on the RI website and fully participate in the available offerings;
- Continue to support the Rotary Foundation and Polio Eradication and to avail your Club of the opportunity of participating in the matching grants of Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and District 9810.