Hello and welcome everyone to our forty fifth meeting for the 2017-2018 year. I am writing this message a little earlier than usual so that I meet the timing requirements of our stand in bulletin editor Trina Williams (thank you Trina for helping out whilst Brian Foley is away). It being earlier than usual I cannot reflect back on how certain sporting contests have gone, so that now makes it two weeks where I have not mentioned a particular team (how am I doing Jack???). I would like to thank Club members for the warm welcome that you gave my daughter Jessica last week and the support you gave her fund raising efforts for the cost of her participating in the Mercy Ships activity. I trust everyone enjoyed the bars of chocolate.

This week’s meeting is an important one for the Club. It is an opportunity for all Club members to put forward their thoughts on what we should continue doing and what we should do differently. I ask everyone to be open, respectful and willing to listen to what fellow members have to say. I have asked Kathryn McDonald to come along to this meeting to act as facilitator/moderator for the evening. Kathryn was a member of Kay Gordon’s Group Study Exchange Team that went to Iowa USA and has spoken at the Club previously. She will help guide us through the process and keep us on time. Members should have received a questionnaire from Kay Gordon.

I encourage members to put aside some time for completing this before the meeting. This will help us get through all the topics in a timely manner on the night.

This week I have watched on with puzzlement the toing and froing with the Donald Trump and Kim Jung Un meeting. I was amazed at the language used by Rudi Giuliani in Israel. It was certainly a puzzling contribution to assist in achieving a positive meeting outcome. I have never thought that insulting someone was a way to achieve a constructive relationship with a person or was a good tactic in preparation for a negotiation. Maybe I need to go back and do “Negotiation 101”.

To end this week’s message on a more positive note I will draw on again Michael McGirr, the Dean of faith at my old school St Kevin’s College. This week the students have been doing mid year exams so he wrote a piece on “Happy Thoughts” and how the students could have a bit of fun each day. Here is one I think may be of interest to everyone.

“Find one of the last remaining leaves of autumn. Admire its shades and textures. Absorb its scent. Then put it inside a book you’ve enjoyed. Donate the book to an op-shop with a note saying that you hope the reader will enjoy both the leaf and the book as much as you did.”

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Thank you to club members for what they have done and continue to do each day in Making a Difference.

Yours in Rotary

Paul

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**Club Meeting No 2254 – 5 June at Woodlands Golf Club, Mordialloc.**

**Attendance:** 17 members, 7 guests

**Apologies:** Jill Brear, Keith Carpenter, Paul Taranto

**Guests:** Margaret Aivatoglou, Helen Brunt, Helen Goode, Christina Henderson, Dianne Taranto, Jess Taranto (guest speaker), Kathy Thompson, Sarah Wich

**Make-Ups:** None

**Illness:** Keith Carpenter is improving. Cliff Riley has had a replacement heart valve and is recovering at home. Damien West – Kaye reported he is trying new medication but the prognosis is not good.

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**President Announcements**

In the absence of President Paul, Chairman Carol Quayle assumed the role of President and welcomed members and guests.

President Paul was able to attend towards the end of the meeting and spoke about the memorial service for the late Len Dawson. At that service we learned so much about Len and what a difference he had made to the lives of many people through his volunteering and contribution to Rotary. Paul also announced the following:

- The next meeting will be our Club Forum and Paul stressed the importance of as many members as possible attending. Carol is to distribute a questionnaire for completion prior to the meeting.
- The Club Annual Changeover Dinner is on 26 June and we look forward to seeing as many members as possible on that night
- Paul distributed an article for members’ interest about the shifting global power and the challenges it brings.

**Carol Quayle** chaired the remainder of the meeting

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**Brian Foley** (Community) attended a network of service clubs meeting at the City of Kingston. Council is working on the homelessness problem in our community and looking for service clubs to maybe contribute some funds.

David Brunt announced the Club Changeover dinner on 26 June, cost $45 per head and asked members to advise numbers and guests.

Kaye Gordon said that next week’s Club Forum meeting is an important one to discuss issues relating to the club and a questionnaire will be circulated prior which members are asked to complete.

The weekly raffle raised $36 with the winners being George Aivatoglou and Don Butler.

**Sergeant-at-Arms**

Jack Pyziakos ran the session in the absence of Sergeant Cliff. Fines covered headlines seen by Jack in all 3 states about the growth expected in Victoria, Queensland and NSW; Jack for tipping in 3 competitions, AFL, Rugby and League; members for thinking Jack C gave Glenyse a black eye; Jack’s Queensland scarf; members for Sarah who walked the Lyrebird trail, with Carol and Don; and a $1.00 for Len Dawson.

**Guest Speaker: Jessica Taranto – My Nursing Story: the Royal Children’s Hospital and the Mercy Ship**

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Jessica then talked about her nursing journey. She became a nurse after starting on some other career paths and completed a Bachelor of Nursing in 2012 at ACU and then a graduate program at the Royal Children’s Hospital, Parkville in 2013.

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Mercy Ships were founded in 1978 and have worked in more than 70 countries providing services valued at more than $1 billion, with more than 2.5 million direct beneficiaries.

Each year, more than 1,200 volunteers from over 40 nations serve with Mercy Ships. Professionals including surgeons, dentists, nurses, health care trainers, teachers, cooks, seamen, engineers and agriculturalists donate their time and skills to the effort.

Mercy Ships was founded by Don and Deyon Stephens. In 1964, Don (age 19) was caught up in Hurricane Cleo in the Bahamas and witnessed the suffering of local people who pleaded for a hospital ship to treat injured and provide medications.

It took years for this idea to come to fruition, but in 1978 Don’s goal became a reality and, with fellow fundraisers, he paid $1 million for the Victoria, a former cruise liner and work began to convert her to a hospital ship. In 1982, the vessel set sail with three operating theatres and a 40 bed ward. Since then, 4 ships have served in 150 ports throughout developing nations.

The impact of the Mercy Ships include: 2,611,363 direct medical beneficiaries; 642,579 village patients treated with medical and dental procedures; 84,477 life-changing surgeries performed; 39,684 health care professionals trained; 6,121 health care professionals trained to train others; 1,100 community development projects completed; 592 ports visited; 55 developing nations visited.

In December 2018, Jessica will be volunteering on The Mercy Ship for the first time as a Recovery and Anaesthetic nurse, where she will care for adults and children, bringing free world-class medical care to the poorest nations of the world. While she is on board, the ship will be docked at Guinea, West Africa.

Jessica is fundraising to support her volunteering and donations can be made online at: https://mercyships.org.au/giving/jessica-bringing-hope-healing-forgotten-poor/

Trina Williams proposed the thanks.

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**Members on Leave**

- **Damian West**: to end of June
- **George Aivatoglou**: end May
- **Sylvio Tang**: 15 May to 29 June
- **Brian Foley**: 8 June to 16 July

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

**Apologies for non-attendance**

Apologies for meeting absences should be advised to **David Brunt**. These can be by telephone or text to 0418 526 140 no later than 1.00 pm on Monday before the meeting. 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.

**Application for Club Membership**

The Rotary Club of Mordialloc has received an application for membership from Dianne Taranto under the District 9810 partners of existing members program.

The Rotary Club of Mordialloc has received an application for membership from Kathleen Thompson under the District 9810 partners of existing members program.

If any member would like to comment on these applications please contact the Club Secretary Carol Quayle prior to the next Board meeting scheduled for June 20, 2018.
Forthcoming Meeting Program & Rosters

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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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.

ROTORAY INVOCATION:

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