



# 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 No 2394  
22 June 2021

**District Governor 2020-21: Alma Reynolds**

**Assistant Governor: Heather Chisholm**

Electronic Meeting using Zoom. 6.15 for 6.30 pm

Date: 22 June  
Speaker: Jenny Cloke  
Topic: Rotarian behind the badge  
Chairman: Paul Taranto  
Bulletin notes: Brian Foley



### Message from President Paul

Greetings everyone and welcome to our latest zoom meeting. Fingers crossed restrictions are lifted this coming Thursday to the point that our scheduled changeover meeting can still take place on June 29. As an engineer I am very much biased towards wanting/needing to be in control and to having predictable outcomes. I am now at the tail end of my career but along the way I have had various personal development courses that have opened my eyes to other ways of thinking and coming to understand that I should focus my efforts on those things that I can control. It is almost 16 months now that we have all had to live with Covid and the uncertainty of what we can and cannot do week by week. This has certainly been a case study on keeping focused on what we as individuals can control and let the vagaries of a pandemic run their course.

In the lead up to this weekend I threw control to the wind and purchased airline tickets to and from Sydney hoping circumstances would align so that I could watch the Giants vs Carlton football game. Thanks to the softer approach taken by NSW, Victorians could enter Sydney so long as one of the Tier 1 or Tier 2 locations from our recent outbreak had not been visited since June 11. Also thanks to Victoria's traffic light system the Giants Stadium and Sydney Olympic Park lay outside of the recently designated orange local government areas where NSW's recent outbreaks have occurred. The planets aligned and I was able to get to Giants Stadium see the match and get home.

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### Summary of Coming Events

Reclink "Love the game" carnival, Wattie Wilson Oval, Elwood. Event was deferred from 9 June due to Covid Lockdown. To be re-scheduled when restrictions ease	
29 Jun (Tues)	Annual Club Changeover. Woodlands Golf Club
1 July (Thurs)	Mordialloc Theatre Company production <b>EVENT CANCELLED</b>
2 July (Fri)	Bunnings barbeque 8.am to 4.pm
6 July (Tues)	Meeting at Woodlands GC. Speaker: Brian Foley – The year ahead
9 July (Fri)	District 9810 Annual Changeover. Southern Golf Club, Keysborough 6.30 pm. Re-scheduled from 26 June
13 July (Tues)	Zoom meeting - committees
20 July (Tues)	Cr Tim Cochrane. City of Kingston
27 July (Tues)	Meeting at Woodlands GC. Speaker: Marcus Godinho - Fareshare
9 - 10 Aug	Dates for Mallacoota trip
17 Sept (Fri)	Interplast Golf Day.

**Note the form and timing of events listed is subject to alteration depending on the Covid situation**

It certainly gave me a greater sense of appreciation of being able to do this knowing I had no control of what could be in place. Being able to attend the match also gave me an occasion to see a wonderful example of fellowship. My daughter Jessica had arranged tickets for a friend of hers from Melbourne, a friend of the friend from Wodonga and another friend of the friend from Sydney.

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Seeing these three men come together on the Saturday afternoon, share a meal and then enjoy a football game together was a powerful reminder of the wellbeing that comes from the fellowship from shared histories, stories and interests.

Our Rotary club and the activities that we undertake also provide great illustrations of fellowship. I can still remember the smiles and uplift in spirit that members displayed when the Bunning's sausage sizzles returned. My message this week comes from the song written by Jay Livingston and Ray Evans and sung by Doris Day in the Alfred Hitchcock film "The Man Who Knew Too Much"

*Que sera, sera  
Whatever will be, will be  
The future's not ours to see  
Que sera, sera  
What will be, will be*

Cheers Paul  
*Rotary Opens Opportunities (to share fellowship)*

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**Important Notice re meeting attendance:**

**For those weeks that we meet at Woodlands GC,** please remember to tell David Brunt (0418526180) whether or not you will be attending the meeting **and** whether or not you will be having a meal. David needs to know before midday on Monday before the meeting.

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**Club Meeting No 2393 – 15 June – Virtual meeting on Zoom**

**Attendance:** 16 members, 2 guests

**Apologies:** Dianne Taranto, Jill Brear

**Guests:** Jennifer Cloke, Margaret Aivatoglou.

**President's announcements:**

President Paul welcomed members and guests and announced the following:

- A special edition of the District magazine "Open Doors" had just been issued outlining the District response to the recent severe storm damage across The Dandenongs and Eastern Victoria.
- The club changeover is still expected to be held at Woodlands on 29 June, unless changed due to Covid.
- Brian Foley will represent the club at the District 9810 changeover, now to be held on Friday 9 July.
- Thanks to all who assisted at the Bunnings barbeque on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>. The net funds raised were \$2195, a great result.

Paul chaired the remainder of the meeting.

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**Reports and member announcements**

Secretary *Trina* is preparing the club handbook for the coming year and has circulated the member details section for each member to check their details. One student enquiry has been received concerning NYSF

*David* (community) said the monthly Parkinsons on-line meeting went well.

*Paul* gave the following report on behalf of *Dianne*:

- Advice concerning the January 2022 NYSF program has been sent to five secondary schools. An application has come from one Mentone Girls Secondary College student.
- The next Bunnings sausage sizzle is planned for Friday 2 July.
- There is no reply yet from Peter Sindrey concerning the Murrumbidgee trip in August.
- There has been no further activity on Emerge or a further End Trachoma project.

*Brian* said that the preliminary application had been submitted for a district grant for the Emerge project.

*Ernie* (projects) had attended the Mordialloc weekly Saturday market the previous weekend. A young lady has the lease for 12 months and is happy for us to run the market one Saturday per month. It is held in the grounds of St Nicholas Church, 7 Bear Street, Mordialloc, from 8 am to 2 pm each Saturday.

*Glenyse* mentioned the need to have control over what is sold at a market or car boot sale. She instanced sale of drugs at one such event.

Paul spoke again about the recent Bunnings barbeque and thanked all who made it a great success. Of the gross takings of some \$2800, about \$1300 came through the EFTPOS machine. There was plenty of goodwill expressed towards Rotary. *Trina* added that we were well organised and that helped the success.

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**Guest Speaker: Trevor Salmon**

President Paul introduced Trevor as they have worked together for some 30 years. Trevor then told us some of his life history.

Trevor was born in Gympie, Queensland, in 1959, the youngest of five children: his older siblings were three sisters and one brother. He lived on a small dairy farm property at Noosaville in a house that had no electric power until Trevor was six years old. He attended a local primary school and this required a long walk and two separate buses. About that time the family moved to another farm near Gympie where there was electricity but still no hot water. They chopped wood for a wood stove and had an outhouse toilet.

Trevor attended Gympie High School and did well academically. He also played plenty of sport including cricket and squash. He recalls that Christmas holidays were often marked by heavy rains and floods.

After high school, Trevor studied for a degree in mechanical engineering at Queensland University and graduated in 1980. During university vacations, Trevor worked at a coal mine involved with operation and maintenance of dragline excavators. He noted that safety standards were very low compared with today's industry practice and there was no proper training to use large equipment.

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Immediately after completing university, he travelled to Europe and took a "top deck tour" in an old open double decker bus around Europe in mid-winter.

On return from Europe, Trevor commenced work in February 1981 in Melbourne with the company Australian Synthetic Rubber. This company has changed ownership several times with various company takeovers and is now owned by Qenos. He has now completed 40 years professional work.

Trevor told of his car trip from Queensland to take up the position with ASR. His car was damaged in a collision in Sydney but still managed to limp on to Melbourne. He lived in Brighton initially and then various share houses before settling in Hampton.

He married in 1986 and has two children. He divorced after 27 years, had another partner for a period and is now courting a new lady. He expects to work until May 2022 when he is due to become redundant under Qenos' plans. He may do some part time work in future.

Trevor's presentation drew several questions and comments from members.

- Jack Pyziakos drove draglines at a Queensland mine.
- Jack Cooper played golf at Brighton where Trevor plays. Jack also recalled traveling in a 1931 Riley around Europe with others enroute to a scout jamboree in 1951.
- In response to a question from Cliff, Trevor has worked mainly in the maintenance area.
- Kay also spoke of growing up in country areas and the long and slow travelling to get to school.
- Brian commented on the trend of both private and public bodies to re-organise, takeover and amalgamate over recent years.

Paul thanked Trevor for his presentation.

#### Other matters

Brian reminded members to book for the club changeover and confirm their attendance, or non-attendance to David or Brian. The flyer giving details of the dinner is attached.

Woodlands CC will confirm later this week if the dinner can proceed as planned on 29 June.

#### On the Lighter Side

The lost purse

A lady lost her purse in the bustle of Christmas shopping at Myers. It was returned to her by a young boy. Looking into her purse, she commented, "That's funny, when I lost my bag there was a \$20 note in it. Now there are ten \$2 coins".

The boy quickly replied, "That's right, lady. The last time I found a lady's purse, she didn't have change for a reward."

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President Paul Taranto and President Elect Brian Foley invite  
you to attend the

## Annual Club Changeover Dinner

Woodlands Golf Club

109 White Street, Mordialloc

Tuesday 29 June 2021

6.30 pm for 7.00 pm

Cost: \$55 per head for three course dinner

Drinks at bar prices

RSVP no later than Tuesday 22 June to:

Brian Foley: [foley.be.hc@bigpond.com](mailto:foley.be.hc@bigpond.com) 0407508186

or

David Brunt: [dhbrunt@tpg.com.au](mailto:dhbrunt@tpg.com.au) 0418526140

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