



Rotary Club of Mordialloc



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<p>Club meets at Woodland Golf Club, 109 White Street Mordialloc. First and third Tuesdays 6pm for a 6.30 start. Second and fourth Tuesdays on Zoom.</p>	
THIS WEEK'S MEETING IS AT WOODLANDS	
DATE	3 AUGUST 2021
SPEAKER	ANNA WORSNOP
TOPIC	BENDIGO BANK
CHAIR	ERNIE WILLIAMS
BULLETIN NOTES	JENNY PUDNEY



President's message 3 August 2021

Welcome to our fifth club meeting for the 2021-22 Rotary year.

Our most recent lockdown in Victoria due to Covid has now been eased allowing our face-to-face club meeting at Woodlands and other activities to proceed. However we are still subject to some limitations. As advised to club members during the past week, we are limited to a maximum of 17 persons attending this week's Woodlands meeting to conform to the current distance requirements in the meeting room.

The recent lockdown meant that we were not able to run three events - a Bunnings sausage sizzle and our first Mordi Market were cancelled, and the next Reclink sports day has been deferred from next Wednesday to a future date.

The better news is that the planned visit of club members to Mallacoota next week is now clear to go ahead. The main purpose of this visit is to formally hand over the storage container that we donated to the Mallacoota Surf Riders under the bushfire recovery program. While not all members can make the trip, it is a great opportunity for those who can go to enjoy the company of fellow members and partners. The actual presentation at Mallacoota will be made on Monday so most of us will be travelling home the following day or later. As a result, there will be no club meeting on Tuesday 10 August. The next club meeting is scheduled to be at Woodlands Golf Club on Tuesday 17 with committee meetings the main agenda item. Of course, all these arrangements are subject to change if the Covid situation deteriorates again - we hope not.

The club bulletin is now being published twice monthly in the first and third week. Jenny Pudney is preparing this edition.

The delayed Tokyo Olympic Games have finally started and no doubt many of us would have been watching the fine performances of so many athletes in a wide range of different events. I was fortunate to attend the track and field events at the MCG in 1956 on the day that Betty Cuthbert won the first gold medal for Australia in the 100 metres sprint. Although it is almost 65 years ago, I can clearly recall that day with the excitement of watching great performances by so many great athletes.

With the Olympics in mind, I leave you with a quotation on the subject of success by American Writer Henry David Thoreau:

"Success usually comes to those who are too busy to be looking for it." - Henry David Thoreau - American author 1817-1862

Have a great week

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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

Club Meeting No: 2398 20 July 2021 Zoom

Attendees: Trina Williams, Jenny Pudney, Brian Foley, Jennifer Cloke, Brian Schauer, Kathy Pyziakos, David Brunt, Jill Brear, Graeme Bruce, Trevor Salmon, Ernie Williams, Jack and Glenys Cooper, Alan Opie, Cliff Riley, Margaret and George Aivatoglou and Paul Taranto.

Visiting Rotarians: Nil

Guests: Cr Tim Cochrane from Kingston City Council

Apologies: Phil, Diane Taranto and Jack Pyziakos

Attendance : 19 members and 1 guest

Chairman for the evening: Ernie Williams

President's announcements 20 July 2021

Well my first announcement is not unexpected but not so welcome, the Covid lockdown is to extend for another week. That means all three club events planned for this week, the ReLink presentation day, the Bunnings sausage sizzle and the Mordi market day are not happening.

Next week's meeting will also be on Zoom although that was already scheduled

The ReLink day is tentatively rescheduled (again) to 4 August.

We hope that the Mallacoota trip in early August to formally present the equipment storage container to the Mallacoota Board Riders Association can go ahead. A number of us have made accommodation bookings already.

Everyone would have seen the new look club bulletin this week. Jenny Pudney did most of the preparation and layout and it has drawn favourable comments from a number of people both in and outside the club. Our club bulletin committee of three persons is now in operation. I am sure that further changes will continue.

One favourable comment came from District Governor Daryl Moran.

Daryl had also read my "throw-away line" in the bulletin that this year would be the first time in 25 years that I did not have some job at district level. Well that status has not lasted long – Daryl has invited me to join a small committee overseeing the evaluation of funding proposals under the Dandenong Ranges Storm Project that our club and many others have contributed funds towards. I accepted. The role appears to be similar to one I undertook as part of the Rotary response after the 2009 bushfires.

The club board met last night. Discussed various program initiatives. No major funding decisions. Committee chairs can comment on details

Distribution of funds from raffles and member donations for the first 6 months: Wheelchairs for Kids, Give Every Child a Future.

This Friday – First monthly meeting of club presidents with DG and district leaders. Some big picture items on the agenda. Preceded by a meeting of the College of Governors – some of the same items for discussion.

Executive Reports:

Secretary: Nothing to report

Treasurer: Graeme spoke to our past auditor who is unable to continue and we are now seeking a new auditor to our club accounts.

Committee Discussion:

Community Service: Approved \$2000 to Fareshare which has gone through. We have itemised all items for each month and this has been presented to the board. \$5000 to the storm damage appeal and has been paid.

International Service: Wheelchairs for Kids and Every Child a Future will be the two charities that we will support for the next 6 months. If members see fit, any voluntary contributions will always be gratefully received. The new project regarding pre-loved tools will begin once the lockdown has finished. A new project has been raised by the District for toilets in Indonesia, this will be brought to the committee and the board later on.

Youth: 3 students from our area that have applied to do NYSF. 1 of these students is self-funding. Club members, could you please collect the Australian Olympic Heroes cards to take these to Yarrabah.

Projects, Marketing and Fundraising: Bunnings has been cancelled for this Friday. The Interplast Golf Day is still on track, at this stage it is still proceeding. The

Mordi Market has been cancelled due to lock-down. There has been an email tonight regarding Rotary Insurance which has been forwarded to the board members for their perusal and their consideration. Need to consider how we will run the Meet and Greet and the Mordi Market at the same time. Further discussions will take place closer to the time. The 50th Anniversary on the 13 November 2021, everything is on track at this stage.

Guest speaker: Cr Tim Cochrane from Kingston City Council.

Cr Cochrane was pleased to hear about what our club does and stated that volunteer organisations are what makes the community work. Cr Cochrane has no future political ambitions, other than to remain at this level. He is a local resident and wants to make common sense decisions. Cr Cochrane has been a firefighter for 11 years and his wife is a paramedic in Mordialloc for the last 5 years. Cr Cochrane mentioned that there is a different dynamic this year in the Council. There used to be a 3-ward structure in the council, we now have 11 wards which makes for a lot of discussion. Kingston is one of the best performing Councils in the state and does not have any debt. It is a challenging time balancing community hub, community swimming pools with rates. The Council is currently on the hunt for a new CEO. The housing strategy in Kingston is a divisive issue, as Victoria has expanded in the last few years, the direction has been given to not keep expanding out as there is not the infrastructure and we need to look at more development within the council. Cr Cochrane mentioned that it is not realistic to expect that we can keep the heights of developments the way they currently are. Cr Cochrane's biggest priority is to ensure that the community swimming pool is re-built. Soil testing is underway. We would like a hydrotherapy pool, a swimming pool, gym etc. If it cannot be built on the existing site, it should remain near the current site. It may be completed within the next 4-5 years. The current pool was built on landfill and the area is sinking in a few areas particularly on the car park. Cr Cochrane commented that Kingston Council has put forward 7 sites to the State Government for public housing. The Mordialloc Community Hub rebuild should occur in the next few years. Peter Scullin Reserve rebuild of change rooms will occur and a playground renewal in this area. Cr Cochrane is also going to advocate for an outdoor summer twilight market on Como Parade for this summer. This would showcase local music, food and will be a great way to bring the community together.



Club Meeting No: 2399 27 July 2021 Zoom

Attendance: Trina Williams, David Brunt, Brian Foley, Jennifer Cloke, Brian Schauer, Jill Brear, Jack Pyziakos, Jenny Pudney, Kathy Pyziakos, Marcus Godinho, Trevor Salmon, Jack and Glenyse Cooper, Margaret and George Aivatoglou, Paul Taranto, Ernie Williams, Alan Opie, Diane Taranto, Graeme Bruce

Visiting Rotarians: Nil

Guests: Marcus Godinho, Margaret Aivatoglou

Apologies: Nil

Attendance: 18 and 2 guests.

Chairman for the evening: Gleyse Cooper.

President's announcements 27 July 2021

The end of the Covid lockdown effective midnight tonight is good news. The reduction of restrictions on venues and removal of travel limits means that we should be able to resume many normal activities.

Next week's meeting is scheduled for Woodlands. We have been advised by Woodlands that our capacity will be limited to 17 persons to meet the distancing requirements.

Also the ReLink day is rescheduled (again) to 4 August and the Mallacoota trip a few days after that and should both go ahead. However, the virus is still with us.

I hope everyone enjoyed the new look club bulletin last week. Jenny Pudney is already working on next week's edition with, I believe, some further improvements.

The Dandenong Ranges Storm Project is now at the stage of collecting funds and deciding the process to

fund projects. The current fund stands at some \$80,000. DG Daryl had hoped for around \$100,000 although that could go higher as only 15 x D9810 clubs have contributed so far. There are 11 donations from other clubs, districts and corporates and 26 individuals. If we can double the number of clubs contributing and attract more individual and corporate donors, the fund could go much higher. Other than contributing funds, there is a potential role for clubs in our part of the district (the “flatlanders”) to give physical and moral help to the hills clubs. About six clubs are affected and some of them are still in shock.

Last Friday – I attended the monthly meeting of club presidents with DG and district leaders. Some big picture items on the agenda. Preceded by a meeting of the College of Governors – some of the same items for discussion.

Reports and Members Announcements:

Treasurer: Subs have been issued. The Board decided at the last meeting that in order to entice couples to the club there will be a discount for the second member. Thank you to those members who have paid their subs.

Committee Discussion:

Community Service: Parkinson's Support Group will be on in August. This can go ahead at this stage.

International Service: Nothing to report

Youth: Nothing to report. NYSF students will be interviewed shortly.

Projects, Marketing and Fundraising: Mordi Market was cancelled last Saturday. We are unsure at this stage as to when the next market will be. Ernie has checked with the District regarding the liability insurance and will be working with the current insurance that is in place. Flyers and promotional boards should be arriving soon. ‘Ask me about Rotary’ will be running on Saturday 28 August in Parkdale. We will have another stall the next week in Mentone with a BBQ as a raffle prize which was donated by Bunnings. The Interplast Golf Day will still be going ahead at this stage. The 50th Anniversary Dinner is also still going ahead depending on Covid numbers. Reclink will go ahead (the footballers). Paul Taranto will follow up.

Guest speaker: Marcus Godinho CEO of Fareshare

Marcus thanked the Rotary Club of Mordialloc for our

support over the last decade. There has been a big increase in the need for food over the last year. Marcus is focusing on the staff and ensures that they go home knowing that they have done the best that they can. The food that they prepare goes out to front line charities. The meals that are supplied are easy for people in need to prepare quickly in the microwave or oven. The pandemic was difficult for FareShare. They were asked to ensure that they social distance and still be able to provide their service. The solution that they came up with was to use hospitality workers who were out of work to prepare the food. During the pandemic they cooked 70,000 meals a week. The RACV and Parliament House also started to provide food for people during this time. Many of the people who were on visas needed the assistance of Fareshare. They also had a lot of tertiary students who needed assistance at this time. One of the lessons that they learnt was to start to focus on the packaging of the food. The new packaging looks like the food that they would buy at the supermarket. Fareshare has 1000 people a week volunteering including students, chefs, workers etc. 20% of their volunteers are still waiting for their second job. The meals go all over Victoria, RSL Clubs access Fareshare for people who have PTSD, homeless shelters, breakfast clubs also work with FareShare. Marcus mentioned that they couldn't do it without the support of the community. Further to this our Rotary Club supported the local community market kitchen at Moorabbin Airport and the vegetables are being used by FareShare.

Member Announcements:

Kathy will meet with the Mordialloc Theatre Company some time next week to discuss the donation.

Dianne will follow up regarding whether Trina, Di and Jenny can attend Yarrabah this Friday.

Paul – thank you to members who have been saving the Australian Heroes cards.



Forthcoming meeting program and rosters

DATE	LOCATION	SPEAKER	TOPIC	CHAIR	DESK	BULLETIN	SERGEANT
3 Aug	Woodlands	Anna Worsnop	Bendigo Bank	Ernie Williams	David Brunt & Don Van	Jenny Pudney	Paul Taranto

The meeting on the 10th of August has been cancelled as members will be on the Mallacoota trip.

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.

Dates to be confirmed	Reclink "Love the Game" series. 10am to 2.30pm JL Murphy Reserve in Port Melbourne.
9- 10 August (Monday and Tuesday)	Tentative dates for Mallacoota Trip
20 August (Friday)	Bunnings sausage sizzle 8am to 4pm
5 September (Sunday)	Bunnings sausage sizzle 8am to 4pm
7 September (Tuesday)	District Governor's official club visit
17 September (Friday)	Interplast Golf Day
13 November (Saturday)	Rotary Club of Mordialloc 50th Anniversary Celebration at Woodlands Golf Club.

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