

The Mordialloc Mentone Bulletin



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PRESIDENT DAVID'S MESSAGE 4.2.25

A Sunday morning phone call changed the weekend. A young woman with severe disabilities phoned to tell us that her mother had passed away. The mother was the principal carer. Could dad cope? The young woman was never a Rotarian, but she had attended our meetings, was always present when the club ran the Community Kitchen at St Marks, and gave her spare time to the Salvos. Particularly on a Tuesday at Dingley. When COVID stopped some of the activities she found extra work at the local op shop. I remember on one occasion she said to me: "I don't wish for less problems, I wish for more skills. Don't wish for less challenges, wish for more wisdom"

Farewell to my friend's mother. Thank you to her daughter for her continual reminder of the goals of Rotary. Thank you for the reminder of the Four Way Test. Is it the truth, is it fair to all concerned. These are questions we must continually ask ourselves and answer them honestly.

As Rotarians we will never know the value that is given to our programs. Our work in schools, our support to projects, our sponsorship of children through The Smith Family, our continual support of people through food donations at The Salvos, or our continued support of the Parkinsons Group as well as other community projects. What we do know is that we are following the Four Way test, and we know that what we do is beneficial to all concerned.

President David Brunt

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 4, 2025 – Mentone RSL – 6.15pm for 6.30pm start

Meeting #2499

Guest Speaker – Daniel Ward CASE MANAGER COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS PROGRAM at Kingston Council.

Chairman – Jenny Pudney

Acknowledge of Country & Toasts – Trevor Salmon

Bulletin Notes – Volunteer please – Di an apology

Vote of thanks – Glenyse Cooper

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 11, 2025 - Mentone RSL – 6.15pm for 6.30pm start

Meeting #2500

Guest Speaker – Murray Verston-PolioPlus

Chairman – Ernie Williams

Acknowledge of Country & Toasts – Cliff Riley

Bulletin Notes – Di Taranto

Vote of thanks – Paul Taranto

TOASTS & WELCOME TO COUNTRY

We acknowledge the Bunurong Peoples of the Kulin Nation as Traditional Owners and Custodians of the land on which we meet, and pay respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

Loyal Toast

**Please charge your glasses and assist me in toasting our great country,
Australia**

(Pause) To our great country, Australia

Rotary Toast

**Please drink a toast to our organisation, Rotary International
(Pause) Rotary International**

**NOTES FROM ROTARY CLUB MEETING #2497
JANUARY 21, 2025**

ATTENDEES – David Brunt, Jenny Pudney, Cliff Riley, Brain Foley, Di and Paul Taranto, Jack and Glenyse Cooper, Trevor Salmon, Michael Mullan

ZOOM – Daril Atkins

APOLOGIES – Alan Opie, Ernie and Trina Williams

GUEST SPEAKER– Committee Meetings

CHAIR – Trevor Salmon

PRESIDENT DAVID –

- Welcome
- Confusion over change to our Zoom meetings for January and February – will go back to 2nd Tuesday in the month of March – guest speakers had particular requests for dates
- David went to the BBQ meeting at Salvation Army with Ron Brownlees – acknowledged all the clubs that donated to the program – David proud of the club – thinks we are one of the best clubs in the district

SECRETARY –

- No report – Trina an apology

TREASURER –

- Lot of activity in charities account
- Club's funds looking good and healthy
- Major activity over the last few weeks has been to do with the Safe Sleeping Program – lots of donations from various clubs – pilot program concludes January 27th

COMMUNITY –

- Project has been good in providing information through trial and error – ie embargo to referrals over Christmas – regularly 1 to 2 people each night – concludes January 27th – Jennifer was able to share some stories of the clientele – has learnt a lot – has been good bringing clubs/community together – club should be very proud – thank you for allowing us to take the risk – where to now – comprehensive report and evaluation to follow

INTERNATIONAL AND FOUNDATION –

- Club made contribution to Foundation
- Interplast golf day funds will be rounded up and sent to Interplast

YOUTH –

- NYSF – program has finished and we look forward to hearing from the students in the near future
- Santos Science Experience begins in the next two weeks

PROJECTS –

- Market starts for 2025 on February 2nd
- Ernie and Trevor will speak about Golf Day next meeting

MEMBERS ANNOUNCEMENTS –

- Guest speaker for next week – Man behind the Badge – Brian Foley
- Jack Cooper – need to document projects
- Trevor – going to be a grandfather again and daughter is engaged – dollar delight – put in \$2.00

Wine – Jack Cooper

Chocolates – Michael Mullan

Next meeting - Guest Speaker – Brian Foley – The Man Behind the Badge

NOTES FROM ROTARY CLUB MEETING #2498 JANUARY 28

ATTENDEES – Paul and Di Taranto, Jenny Pudney, Brian Foley, Jack and Glenyse Cooper, Michael Mullan, Cliff Riley, David Brunt, Trevor Salmon

ZOOM – Daril Atkins, Brian Schauer

APOLOGIES – Ernie & Trina Williams, Graeme Bruce, Jennifer Cloke

GUEST SPEAKER– Brian Foley – Man Behind the Badge

CHAIR – Paul Taranto

- Great Australia Day
- Jack Cooper and Brother Ollie Pickett (Wheelchairs for Kids) - both received OAM

PRESIDENT DAVID –

- Jenny and David went to service club meeting – Beaumaris are having a Bayside Dog Lovers Day – see flyer below - March 16th
- Congratulations to Jack Cooper for gaining the Order of Australia

SECRETARY –

- No Report – Trina an apology

TREASURER –

- Little activity since last week
- Reconciliation for Safe Sleeping Program this coming week

COMMUNITY –

- SSP concluded last night
Putting paperwork together and an evaluation of the Program will be completed in the near future – Andrew Wise will come to speak to the club at some point
- In February we will start working on District Grant Project at the Salvation Army – new shed and ramp

INTERNATIONAL AND FOUNDATION –

- Money from Golf Day will be rounded up and a donation made to Polio Plus

YOUTH -

- Not a lot to report
- Will organize a date for NYSF students and parents to come to combined meeting with our club, Beaumaris and Dingley/Noble Park

PROJECTS –

- Mentone Market coming up this Sunday

MEMBERS ANNOUNCEMENTS –

- Cliff Riley suggested we make a \$2000 donation to Wheelchairs for Kids – as an acknowledgement of Brother Ollie's OAM
- Past International President Bill Boyd from Auckland passed away over the weekend
- Council spoke to Jack re grant for SSP which may be possible if the program is ongoing
- Don't forget your bottles etc – 1 and a half 10c bottles will pay for one polio immunisation
- Please encourage friends and family to come along to hear the Polio Plus speaker on February 11th.

GUEST SPEAKER –

- **Brian Foley – The Man Behind the Badge** shared his journey of his early working life all over Australia and the world and as a member of Rotary as President several times and as District Governor

QUESTIONS –

- **Brian Shauer** – asked Brian to share about his visits to the Wheelchairs for Kids in Perth
- **Cliff** – shared some reflections on working with Brian – asked Brian to talk about the differences between private and public water authorities

VOTE OF THANKS – Michael Mullan

Wine – Trevor Salmon

Chocolates – Jack Cooper

Next meeting – Guest Speaker – Daniel Ward CASE MANAGER COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS PROGRAM at Kingston Council.

Report from Board meeting on 21 January

Main discussion points and motions from this meeting were:

- What is special about Mordialloc Mentone Rotary? We have had a very impressive number of activities, particularly in the months leading up to Christmas.
- Trina Williams was appointed “Public Officer”, a requirement of the ATO that someone assume this named position in order to authorise change of name to the Rotary Club of Mordialloc Mentone Inc.
- Financial report accepted, with total funds of \$44,009.40.
- Community:
 - Jenny Pudney presented a comprehensive report on the Safe Sleeping project progress and outcomes. The Board moved a vote of thanks to Jennifer Cloke and Jenny Pudney for all the exceptional work they have done to bring about the success of the project.
 - The Board acknowledged the following financial contributions made to the project, in addition to those made by RC Mordialloc Mentone:
Bendigo Bank, Parkdale: \$8,000; Lions Club, Mordialloc: \$5,000; RC Chelsea: \$1,000; RC Dingley Noble Park: \$3,000; RC Oakleigh Clayton Huntingdale: \$5,000.
- International:
 - A donation to Interplast following the Golf Day will be proposed for the next board meeting.

- Youth:
 - NYSF has finished and students will be invited to speak.
 - The Board moved a motion to spend \$600 to provide morning tea for teachers at local high schools.

- Projects:
 - Bunnings BBQs are confirmed for the 3rd Friday of each month through 2025; the Mentone Market is back on Sunday, 2nd February. Club money spinner and recycling of bottles and cans continue to bring in steady income.

- Other business:
 - The Club approved a donation of up to \$1,000 to support the local Mordialloc Weavers who have a project to weave with the Yonngu people in East Arnhem land and connect Mordialloc with this community. Jenny Pudney is to follow up with the weavers.

UPCOMING MEETINGS		
DATE	LOCATION	EVENT/GUEST SPEAKER
Tuesday 4 February #2499	Mentone RSL	Guest Speaker – Daniel Ward CASE MANAGER COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS PROGRAM at Kingston Council
Tuesday 11 February #2500	Mentone RSL	Guest Speaker - Murray Verston – Polio Plus
Tuesday 18 February	Mentone RSL	Board Meeting – 5pm
Tuesday 18 February	Mentone RSL	Committee Meetings
Tuesday 25 February	Mentone RSL	Janette Heatherington & Tom Roth - Interplast

UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	LOCATION	EVENT
Thursday 13 February	St Nicholas Church Bear St Mordialloc – 1pm	Parkinson's Support Group
Sunday 16 February	Princess Park Carlton	RCH Family BBQ – more details to come – helpers needed!!
Friday 21 February	Bunnings Mentone	Sausage Sizzle
Sunday 2 March	Mentone Heritage Railway Station	Art and Craft Market

A LETTER OF THANKS FROM ANTON HOCKEY - RYDA

Dear Rotarians,

I just wanted to send a thank you message to all Rotarians who supported RYDA in 2024! Please forward this to all volunteers who attended from your club.

I am so proud of what we have achieved together, breaking attendance records for Victoria for a 3rd straight year!

We have just ticked over 8,000 students booked to attend RYDA this financial year (across Victoria), and I'm sure more will be added early next year.

UPCOMING BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLES

DATES 2025

**JANUARY 17
FEBRUARY 21
MARCH 21
APRIL 18
MAY 16
JUNE 20
JULY 18
AUGUST 22
SEPTEMBER 19
OCTOBER 17
NOVEMBER 21
DECEMBER 19**

UPCOMING MENTONE MARKETS

DATES 2025

**FEBRUARY 2
MARCH 2
APRIL 6
MAY 4

JUNE, JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER
WINTER BREAK

OCTOBER 5
NOVEMBER 2
DECEMBER 7**

Beaumaris
Rotary



Service above Self

GOLD SPONSOR



BRIGHTON

Bayside **D** **L** **V****E****R****S** DAY

SUNDAY 16 MARCH 2025

9 am - 2 pm - Gates open 8.30 am

ROYAL AVENUE, SANDRINGHAM

All proceeds go to Rotary Projects

GENERAL ADMISSION \$5 Per Person or Family (including their dogs)
Bookings through Eventbrite - scan QR Code below

HIGHLIGHTS

-  Great Family Event
-  Funfilled Competition for Dogs
(Booking through EVENTBRITE - scan QR Code below)
 - Fashions on the Field
 - K9 Musical Chairs
-  Face Painting
-  Food Stalls
-  Live Music



Entertainment by:
FUN ARTS CREATIVE ENTERTAINMENT

-  RSPCA
-  Guide Dogs Victoria
-  Therapy Dogs
-  Racing 2 Rehome
-  Pet Food Stalls
-  Much, Much More.....

Notes:
All dogs must be on leash at all times while on the grounds. Owners are responsible for their dogs.
This is a public event. There will be photography taken during the event.

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**CONGRATULATIONS
JACK COOPER
ON BEING A RECIPIENT OF
THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA
WELL DESERVED!!**



**WALK THE DOG AND PICK UP 3 BOTTLES = 2 POLIO
VACCINATIONS!!**

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO CONTINUE TO FILL UP OUR BIN!!