



# Weekly Bulletin



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## News, Reports and Rosters

Lorraine Wilson  
 Lyn Christie  
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 Lorraine Wilson  
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 Rose H  
 Noel Howard  
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 Heather Ward  
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### Report from meeting 15 September 2021 on ZOOM

President Brian Jenkins welcomed about 21 Rotarians and guests Tina Walkenden and Carly Toth


- Cancellation of the New Year's Eve Street Party
- Adoption of the resolution "That the Rotary Club of Hamilton, Inc. amends the title of the By-laws to read: "Rotary Club of Hamilton, Inc Bylaws 2021"
- Minutes from the Board meeting will be available shortly on the Shared Drive
- Footy theme for next week's meeting
- Casterton Rotary Club's unveiling of Peace Pole next week (I will follow up with Wally regarding this)

### Coming up next meeting on ZOOM


15 September Guest speaker - Cathy Roth PALZ and Dementia  
**COME DRESSED IN YOUR FOOTY GEAR**



AFL · Sat, 25 Sept, 7:15 pm

  
 Melbourne Football Club

vs  
 Grand final

  
 Western Bulldogs

- 29: September Maggie Goodes – Living Through 9/11
- 6 October: Club Event – Develop a Strategic Plan TBC
- 13 October: Maral – Life in Kazakhstan TBC
- 4 November Club AGM – Election of Board for 2022-23 WE NEED A PESIDENT ELECT.

Club meeting roster Please organise a replacement if unable to attend.						
Meeting	Setup	Cashiers (2)	Bar (2)	Fellowship	Chairman	Scribe
22 Sept	ZOOM				Murray Elliott	James Dunn
29 Sept	ZOOM				Brian Jenkins	Lyn Christie

17 November District Governor's visit

**OFFICIAL OPENING OF PLAYGROUND. Postponed until later in the year**

## Basic Education and Literacy is one of Rotary's 7 Areas of Focus



More than 775 million people over the age of 15 are illiterate. That's 17 percent of the world's adult population. Rotary's goal is to strengthen the capacity of communities to support basic education and literacy, reduce gender disparity in education, and increase adult literacy. We support education for all children and literacy for children and adults.

### Guest Speaker Tina Walkenden Principal George Street Primary School.

While we think of international projects in third world countries, we need to look close to home to know that there are challenges in our own community. Tina Walkenden has been Principal of George St Primary School for a number of years.

Tina came into a school that was seeing decreasing enrolments, it had poor public image, with most children from lower socio-economic backgrounds.

She has taken on the challenge, and she has made a significant difference along with managing the past 18 months of disruptions due to the COVID restrictions.

Tina shared some statistics in Australia showing that poverty is growing with an estimated 3.2 million living below the poverty line with Regional Victoria higher than Melbourne -1 in 6 children.

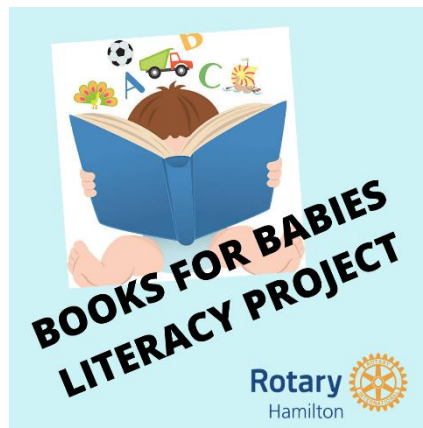
Poverty effects social/emotional wellbeing along with education and social status at school. Tina spoke about how small things such as having pencils and pencil cases make children feel part of the school but often this is not seen as essential by parents trying to pay bills etc. Tina was very passionate about the school and her staff.

Members were very engaged in e her presentation and she fielded a number of questions.

- The school has had a rebuild/renovations
- Enrolments have tripled
- Consistent practice in teaching/learning
- Behaviour management policies updated
- Making it a safe place where children feel loved.
- Aspirations – goal setting – agents of their own learning
- Remote Learning challenges – children anxious, staff engaging with families, tutoring, flexible



Tina invited us to visit the school when restrictions are lifted.



Our club continues to provide a picture story book for each baby born at Western District Health Service as part of our contribution to Education and Literacy.

June, July and August have been busy months for births at the hospital so another 25 were delivered.

Donations of suitable books are always welcome. See Lorraine

Rotary projects like the **Guatemala Literacy Project** and **Nepal Teacher Training Innovations (NTTI)** in Nepal are leading the effort to advance childhood reading by empowering teachers to teach better. Rotary, the United Nations, USAID, and other organizations are shifting their focus to helping teachers plan lessons that ensure students will actually learn. The entire effort is part of a larger goal to reduce extreme poverty, because knowing how to read and write increases a person's earning potential and ability to build a better life. <https://www.rotary.org/en/teaching-teachers-key-literacy>


### Online meetings

It was great to see a couple of our members who have not been zooming join us online along with some Rotarians from other clubs. With limitations on numbers allowed at venues this is going to continue to be a way of keeping connected, so I urge members to **UPSKILL** themselves to take advantage of what President Brian and Program organiser John Main have endeavoured to secure. Simon can step you through the process.

### Family of Rotary – all our members and their families are important to us.

**Almoners Rose Howard and Bruce Wheeler**

Thinking of these members - Beth Wilkinson is getting out and about but unable to drive. Trixie Rayson. Murray Menzel and Ann, John Barke recovering from surgery.

Birthdays	Anniversary	Inductions
Lorraine Wilson 17 <sup>th</sup> September	 None	Kym Joyce 17 September – 24 years Beth Wilkinson 17 September – 24 years

### District Notices

Some presentations from the Zone 8 Conference held last weekend will be available on-line.

- Defying the Drift – Longerenong Ag College deferred
- RYLA has been CANCELLED for this year
- District 4455 - Perú are inviting members to their Virtual Project Fair from September 18 to 24, 2021 at [www.rotaryinkaprojectfair.org](http://www.rotaryinkaprojectfair.org)
- Public Image Workshop – Creating Graphics 5 October by ZOOM
- District **Committee Meeting – Hamilton 17 October TBC**

Check out the District Newsletter and webpage <https://rotary9780.org/>

# SOCIAL



**Bike Riders Thursday meet at Ansett Museum 9:00am**  
**Coffee @The Roxburgh**  
**Fridays 10:30am**

## Weekly Bulletin, Webpage and Facebook

The weekly bulletin will eventually be published through ClubRunner.

Our club webpage can be accessed on <http://portal.clubrunner.ca/1943> It is now live.

This will allow stories from our bulletins to be published on the webpage and information from the District and RI webpages (which also use ClubRunner) to be shared.

Our club also has a Facebook page which shares stories and events, and this page is also shared to other Facebook pages to get our message out. <https://www.facebook.com/rotaryhamiltonvicau>



Hope you have all had your vaccinations.

## 21 September is International Day of Peace

- Established by the United Nations in 1981
- Theme is "Lets Shape Peace Together"

**Casterton Rotary Club will celebrate by unveiling their Peace Pole (their centenary)**



### Some football trivia Demons V Bulldogs

The only other time the sides have met in a premiership decider was in 1954. While seating was limited due to renovations for the 1956 Olympics, almost 81,000 spectators crammed into the MCG to watch Footscray — as the Bulldogs were then known — win its first premiership.

They have met twice already in 2021 with the Demons recording a 28-point win in round 11 and the Bulldogs squaring the ledger with a 20-point win in round 19, which was Melbourne's last defeat.