

ROTARY CLUB OF PORT FAIRY Inc.

Minutes

Board Meeting No.07 (2022-23)

4:30pm, Wednesday 15 February 2023 via TEAMS (@ Gleeson home)

Present: via Teams Mllee & Graeme Cox @ Cox home, Jill Gleeson, Bill Moore, Harry Bracegirdle and Michael Crowe @ Gleeson home

Apologies: Jeff McLean

Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting: (Meeting #6 held 14 December 2022).

Moved : Harry B **Seconded:** Jill G

Business Arising from Previous Minutes:

- Kristy Simpson has offered her resignation from RCPF, due the tyranny of distance and family commitments Kirsty can't travel to meetings or support our projects at this time. Kristy is very welcome to come back when her circumstances change.

Director's Reports:

President: **(Graeme Cox)**

- Hole in One- thank you to everyone for volunteering. Graeme thought he saw a profit for our club in the amount of \$2850.00, **TBC**
- Summer raffle- Graeme thanked all who volunteered to sell tickets and especially to mirror Harry's comments in thanking Peter Gleeson for his wonderful support in setting up, taking down and storing the marquee for the summer season
- Port Fairy Folk Festival- discuss in Harry's report
- Jazz festival last weekend. The report from our venue was it was rather quiet with approx. 20 attendees. Unsure if other venues were busy. No feedback neither positive or negative from those who volunteered duties
- Ballarat South Community Raffle- discuss in Harry's report
- Geoff Coxall funeral service. Jill reported we had approx. 10 members in attendance who provided a guard of honour. Mllee ordered a wreath which looked lovely, Jill asked someone took a photo.

Past President: **(Jill Gleeson with broken wrist)**

- Feb Marathon catering this coming weekend. Menu; Bacon and Egg rolls. Jill has taken advantage of a special on Bacon @ \$12.99 kg and bought up ready for Sunday. Anything unopened can be returned. Will buy eggs and bread soon. Harry and Jill to go to the shed to sort out containers. Jill has planned where everything will go. John Clue to bring down BBQ on his trailer

Treasurer: (Jeff McLean)

- Jeff's report December & January presented at last weeks dinner meeting was discussed. Club dues have been emailed to those who pay 6 monthly. Mllee has 2 invoices for reimbursement to forward to Jeff.

Service Projects / Environment: (Michael Crowe)

- Ashley King attended Bendigo Bank board meeting where 2 items were for discussion- Corporate membership (carry over to Membership report) and the Footbridge (Gipps street end). Apparently due to a lack of time they didn't talk about the Footbridge. Ashley told Michael a concrete proposal between Rotary and the Bendigo Bank needs to be formalised. Michael to meet with Ashley on 16th February (tomorrow) to discuss in detail. The land where the footbridge is under the management of The Port Authority (shire). The Port Authority have a strategy which talks about footpaths etc. Our proposal will have to take this into account. They may have some guidance on how this should work. Our agreement could include the staff of the Bendigo Community Bank however Ashley advised none of the staff live in Port Fairy and this would be too difficult to manage. We look forward to hearing from Michael after his meeting with Ashley tomorrow.
- Barkly street garden is looking good with only a few weeds in need of attention, Harry & Michael to do this.

Youth / International Service: carry over to General Business

Membership: (Bill Moore).

- Corporate Membership- Bendigo Community Bank (BCB). Bill Spoke to Ashley King who reported the board had met and that Ashley has agreed to be the nominated person representing Bendigo Community Bank. The BCB board suggested that the Company Secretary of the day should be the nominated person (at this time this is Ashley King). This will enable smooth transition should Ashley cease his role in this position.
- Our club were happy to provide a presentation to the staff prior to Ashley's induction however he feels it will be best done after he has been away for his annual leave. The date for Ashley's induction will be 6th March 2023. We can invite the BCB board members to the induction for good exposure. Jill and Harry know of people who can do an article to promote this externally. We need to promote this within Rotary as well.
- Tony Murray will be inducted into our club on same date 6th March 2023.
- **Action items:** Mllee provide certificates for inductions, name badges, Rotary Pins.

Public Image: (Harry Bracegirdle)

1. Rosters:

1. **Ballarat South Car Raffle:** Some spots still available to sell tickets, Harry mentioned the dates outstanding.
2. **Marathon:** still have some spots available to cook and serve.
3. **Meals on Wheels:** Most recent roster has gone out.
4. **Port Fairy Folk Festival:** currently have filled 39 of the 49 shifts. We have 12 tickets for members to purchase and 12 people have requested tickets. If more people request tickets we will need to discuss the ticket allocation

2. **Friends of Rotary:** -Jeff McLean has provided a list of financial FOR. We have 12 financial FOR members but we are aware there are non-financial members who volunteer for us. Action: Michael to email FOR to follow up

3. **Public Image activities-** Stories on Facebook and our Website- Christmas Party, RYLA promotion, Lions joint meeting and Painting raffle result.
4. **Prepare tickets etc. for Painting Raffle:**
All up, I made up 700 tickets and we sold 620 with takings of \$1054. From this, there will be a minor printing charge but the net profit is expected to be just over \$1000.
5. **Other duties - Report on Volunteer hours:**
At the request of the President, a summary report of our volunteer hours for the Oct-Dec quarter was compiled for reporting to the D9780 Group-5 meeting.
A copy of the report was be distributed at the meeting.

Fundraising:

General Business:

- **Youth and International Director vacancy.** With the very sad passing of our friend and board member Geoff Coxall we needed to discuss this vacancy. President Graeme asked members their thoughts on how we proceed for the next 4 months before new board takes over. All agreed the Youth portion of the directorship is of a higher focus at this point, hoping to sponsor an outgoing exchange student next year. **ACTION- Graeme contact Rotary Youth Exchange Secretary for details.** Harry asked Tony Bawden if he was interested but Tony was non-committal. Graeme will approach Tony formally and gauge his interest. Another club member who could be interested is Jo Levey who will return from her Leave of Absence soon.
- **Modification of Club Constitution** (below is the link sent from District Secretary Paul Barrett for reading & action)
 - To comply with the Victorian Incorporated Associations act the standard Rotary club constitution needs to be modified and below are links to a rules and a comparison document showing the changes to the standard club constitution. These rules were sent to me by Trudy Grice of RISPPPO and supplied by courtesy of Rotarian David Whiting
 - [Constitution/Rules](#)
 - [Comparison document](#)
 - There is guidance about club rules and how to change club rules on the [CAV website](#). Your rules should be changed at the earliest opportunity.
- **ACTION: Graeme do this or speak to Adrian to take ownership of this.**
- **Foundation fundraiser Ukraine:** Rotary International Foundation have set up special fundraiser for Ukraine. Michael asked if the board would consider donating money via this fundraiser either now or at the end of the financial year in disbursements. All present were in agreement to donate at end of financial year.
- **Community Assistance Grant Application:** Harry is still keen on purchasing a cupboard to store our club items at Star of the West. **ACTION: Harry provide quote to Graeme for cupboard and ideas for a replacement tablecloth for raffle table**
- **Agenda item for next meeting:** Discussion needs to occur at club level as to whether we can continue to support Meals on Wheels. The roster is getting increasingly difficult to fill, leaving it to the same few people each time often doing multiple shifts.

Business Arising from the Correspondence:

Correspondence summary:

- Email Rotary Club of Portland – Passing of Rotarian Donald Errey
- Bulletins- DG Kathy Rivett Travel guide, Ballarat South, Hamilton, Corio Bay, Grovedale Warun Ponds,
- Letter of thanks and receipt from Nature Glenelg Trust for our donation
- Moyne Shire application to sell raffle tickets in street approval
- Rotary International recruiting Rotary Peace Fellow candidates
- Email seeing RYLA participants-applications close 5 March 23
- Ballarat South Car raffle tickets
- Email re G Coxall “in memoriam” at D9780 conference
- Operation Cleft newsletter
- Email to contact Kevin Matthews

Next Board Meeting: **15th March 2023**

Meeting Close: **1755hrs (5.54pm)**