

The Warracknabeal Bulletin

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Club of Warracknabeal



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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It's nice to slow down a bit after the Paddock to Plate weekend and Easter soon after.

This weekend several members are going to Ararat for the annual District Assembly. Tony will be taking several new directors and it's great to see that new member, Mandy, is also going along to hear more about our extensive organisation.

Our next meeting is a Vocational Service night. We will start with a visit to the FoodWorks supermarket, and hear from the new owner, Amit Gupta. Thanks Bernie for organising the night.

I'm out on the tractor and hope to get a few more rounds done before our next meeting.... and hope for rain soon after!

Have a good week

Chris



Club Meets:

Creekside Hotel

Scott Street, Warracknabeal

Unless otherwise noted

Contact Jean to confirm venue

Wednesdays

6.00 for 6.30 p.m.

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COMING DATES

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| Wed 15th May | Working bee and kebab tea at the Rotary shop before the Board meeting. |
| Sun 19th May | Yarri Links BBQ lunch. Along Blue Ribbon Road |
| Wed 29th May | Club photo. No club shirts required, but you are:) |

This week.....If possible, please **order and pay for your meal at 6pm**, then we are all meeting at FoodWorks at **6:15** for a tour with owner Amit Gupta.

If you can't make it early, consider organising someone to order your meal, so you can go straight to the supermarket, or just meet at the Creekside.

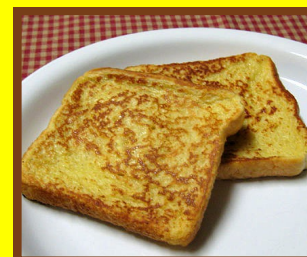
WPS BREAKFAST

30th April

Tony Gregson

Bernie O'Connor

John Aitken (pick up)



| DUTIES | Wednesday 1st May | Wednesday 8th May | Wednesday 15th May |
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| Venue | Foodworks> Creekside Hotel | Creekside Hotel | 6:00-6:30pm Fellowship Meal at the Royal Mail Hotel 7:30pm Board Meeting at the Rotary Shop |
| Time | Order meal at Hotel then meet at Foodworks at 6:15pm | 6:00 for 6:30pm | |
| Reception/Visitors | Peter Martin | John Aitken | |
| Chairman | Bernie O'Connor | Jack Daniel | |
| Invocation | Ben Bentley | Christine Gumpula | |
| Heads & Tails | Wendy Hewitt | Megan Watts | |
| Two Minute Talk <i>"Something funny/ interesting happened at work"</i> | Sue Watts | Ian Penny | |
| Program | Amit Gupta– FoodWorks | Colin Newell – CFA | |
| Vote of Thanks | Jack Daniel | Ben Bentley | |
| BIRTHDAY: Ben Bentley -26th April | | | |

Meeting 24th April –Board meeting

SUMMARY & REPORTS

General Business

- A request from RC St Arnaud to financially support Birchip P-12 school excursion to Swan Hill for all students. Funds come from Drought Assistance Grant , RC St Arnaud, and RC Balwyn. RC W'beal will provide \$500.
- One PHF nomination was accepted. Two are pending.
- Working bee at Shop– Before Board meeting on Wed 15th May. Tidy up & organise for International night. Tea will be delicious kebabs from the shop on the corner. Fellowship Committee to organise the drinks.

Secretary Report (Sue)

- Thankyou letters to be sent out to those people who provided special support to the P2P night.
- Preparation for Annual report– Reports needed by END OF MAY from all Directors , Treasurer, plus reports about Sheep (PM) , Australia Day (IP), Paddock to Plate (WH), Rotary Park (IP), Rotary Community Shop (RdeV) , Rotary Foundation (SW), Membership (TG)Others? See Wendy if you want particular photos.
- For Directors, a one page summary of your year.
- Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI). New member Mandy has registered. Others may be interested. See Sue.

President Elect (Tony)

- President Elect needed by AGM in November 2019.
- Sunday 28th April -D9780 Assembly in Ararat. Meet at the PO at 7:45am (Tony, Wendy, Peter, Sue, Chris H, Mandy—coming from Bendigo, Helen from Horsham)
- Country Education Foundation—We have submitted our Intent with NSW CEF. Awaiting a response.

Vocational Service (Bernie)

- I will be chasing up Nicole Stewart re next mock interviews with WSC students

Community Service / Sheep report (Peter)

- Yarrilinks BBQ lunch – Sunday 19 May. Along Blue Ribbon Road. Details TBC
- Possibly a highway clean up before the end of the Rotary year.

Youth (John Aitken)

- Inbound Youth Exchange is progressing. Three families confirmed. We need a Rotarian as a counsellor. End of April—this week- is the absolute deadline.
- RYLA- Callum Zanker & Jasmine Bull will present to the club on June 5. Invite others to come & listen, especially prospective young people for next year.
- RYPEN– Sarah McPherson, Jayden Smith, Brooke Morrow had a great time & will present to the club on May 22. Invite others to come and listen.

International Service (Helen)

- Wed. May 29—International night. Quiz, raffle and bring food/casseroles from different cuisines. Sweets provided. Venue— Rotary Shop. A great night to invite visitors. Club photo before the night gets going.

Public Relations (Wendy)

- If you have any information for the May column in the Herald, please contact Wendy ASAP.
- New posts on our Facebook page and club website..... have you looked?

Fellowship/Shop Report (Rob deVries)

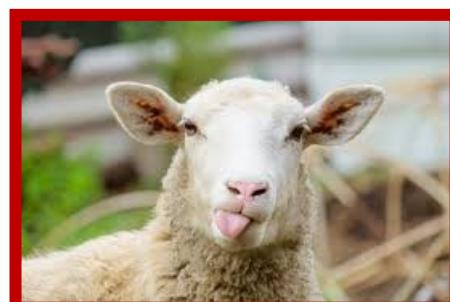
- Shop tasks completed by Pam & Rob– Floors, toilets and basins cleaned.
- Vacuum cleaner out of action. Please don't try to use it.
- RC Wyndham were impressed with the shop during their recent visit.

Sheep Report (Peter)

- 30 lambs to be sold in the next 1-2 markets. About 36 ewes left.

Treasurer's Report (Chris Gunn)

- Available on request



RYLA report from Rob & Pam

What a week! Pam & I viewed the impending RYLA camp with some trepidation as it drew closer, but once there, we could not help but become inspired by the resilience, passion and support the 2019 Rylarians had for each other. On more than one occasion they were required to step outside their comfort zone, and while some initially hesitated, with the support of the group, they managed to shine in sometimes the most unexpected situations. Friendships were formed, skills were developed and an understanding of issues which not only faced Rylarians personally, but society in general, were tackled. The end result– young adults that are not only great ambassadors for Rotary and their communities, but an asset to our society, with some– hopefully– becoming leaders in the future.

The one thing that cannot be understated, however, is the passion, dedication and skill of our leadership team. They all worked seamlessly together and were ably led by our two home-grown leaders, Johanna and Tristan. One cannot appreciate the amount of work and preparation that goes into this program until you see it in operation.

I think it would be very fitting that these two be recognised(in some way for their contributions.) Given that their work is voluntary and substantial, their dedication has seen the D9780 RYLA program now recognised as possibly one of the best in the country . *The Board agrees and is following this up.*

Finally I wish to thank the club for agreeing to take on the role of ‘host club’ and delegating the role of camp ‘mum and dad’ to Pam and myself. It is hard to say who gained the most out of it, the Rylarians or ourselves. All that I know is that we now have a VERY extended family, and that we have been truly humbled by the warmth and affection shown to Pam and myself by these amazing young people.

Paddock to Plate Review

Overall, very positive feedback.

Date: Suggestion for Spring time, but farmers are busy. Some visitors would like to see crops when green. During daylight saving hours was very good.

Invitations, seating: 125 seated.... Max of 130 so movement around tables is possible.

Reserved tables for those who booked groups, reserved table for officials, everyone else found their own seats. Should have allocated seats for shepherds. Next time, allocate all seats to ensure everyone has a seat.

Suggest Rotarians wear dinner badges.

Cost \$65 pp and drinks prices were good.

Catering: Thanks to, Chris G, Mandy and Glenda H for doing salads, entrees during the day as Randall’s helper didn’t arrive. Meal: very good. Timing: A bit slow, but expected and Randall didn’t have his assistant chef. It was a chance to talk to others in the queue. Bread could be on plates already.

Drinks: Needed more variety in soft drinks. Bought more soft drink . Bottled water was well received . Needed extra cups.

Re liquor sales, look into coupon system to enable ‘sale’ of bottles. Check out Woodbine Cabaret system.

Venue: A big thank you to Ben and Joan for all their work preparing the venue- many hours!

Excellent venue, clean, spacious. Shearing platform excellent. Extra toilets (6 in total). Didn’t need 8 sulo bins. 6?

Needed air ventilation at west end. Next time, open door a little.

Only one cool room needed.

Program:

Fri night - Pizzas and fellowship with RC Wyndham. Excellent.

Sat tours- Excellent. Busses perfect. Wheatlands Warehouse option well received. Pub lunch v good.

Sat night- All good- shearing demo, speeches, meal, fire pit, music, displays. Courtesy bus well received.

Sat night- RC Essendon organised a bus to and from Horsham.

Raffle- very good support from members for donated goods

Profit :TBC... around \$4000

Follow up: Article in Herald and on RCW website. Video on facebook (thanks Megan)

All accounts to Chris Gunn ASAP.

Thank you letters to be sent to key helpers and sponsors.