PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Last Sunday 51 Rotary lambs were marked. A great time was had by all: Visitors - Tim Hewitt and Julia Tonkin, Rotaractors Megan and Kelsea, and Rotarians - shepherd Peter, John T, Sue, and President Tony. The morning finished with a welcome smoko of tea and Bronwyn’s excellent scones with jam and cream.

District Governor Rosanne Kava met with some members of the Board in the Rotary shop on Tuesday afternoon and then she addressed the combined Horsham, Horsham East and Warracknabeal Clubs on Wednesday evening in Horsham. Both meetings were both constructive and informative; she emphasised amongst other things “connections”, more diverse membership, potential collaboration between Clubs especially with joint projects, and all the while not forgetting to use the Rotary brand.

Finally it was very disappointing to learn that the Kyneton Rotary Club had cancelled our visit due to insufficient numbers.

Next week is Fellowship at the Royal Mail and the Board meeting.

Yours in Rotary, Tony

Sheep Working Bee

Photos of the hard workers, lucky I didn’t go they don’t look like lambs to me! I am glad they had Bronwyn’s famous scones to follow.

COMING DATES

Defy the Drift, Longerenong Sept 23-25
RI Pres. Mark Maloney dinner. B’rat Tues Sept 24
RC W’beal visits RC Kyneton CANCELLED
Membership & Public Image Seminar - Horsham Sat Oct 5
Golf Club Kozi event BBQ Sun Oct 6 5pm
RLI 2 Geelong & Casterton Oct 12
World Famous Curry Night Wed Oct 23
RLI 2 Terang Oct 26
Membership & Public Image Seminar - Ballarat Sat Nov 2
RLI 2 Ballarat & Charlton Nov 9
PETS 1 Ararat Nov 16
Membership & Public Image Seminar - Port Fairy Sat Nov 23
Foundation Seminar - Mt Gambier Nov 30
District Conference Swan Hill 20 - 22 March 2020
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**Inductions:** - Nil  
**Birthdays:** - Nil  
**Anniversaries:** - Nil

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**September is Basic Education and Literacy Month**

Why not give an old book or even buy a new one to put in one of the Street Library Houses in Warracknabeal. There are 13 in town, this one is at the Community Gardens. Click on the link to find them all. [https://streetlibrary.org.au/find/](https://streetlibrary.org.au/find/)

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**DID YOU KNOW?** Rotary International began its fight against polio in 1979 with a multiyear immunization project in the Philippines.

**ERADICATING POLIO WORLDWIDE** One benefit of being a Rotarian is that you can take pride in being part of an organization that truly makes a difference in the world. Since 1985, Rotarians have served as community-based mobilizers for polio eradication, motivating international groups, governments, private organizations, communities, and individuals to join the global effort to rid the world of polio. Rotary works with partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI), including the World Health Organization (WHO), the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, and the governments of the world to achieve this historic public health goal.

As part of the effort, Rotarians contribute their time and money to the cause, raising funds, advocating for government support, serving as volunteers to help immunize children, and raising awareness in their communities. Rotary’s contributions to the global polio eradication effort now exceed $1.6 billion, including matching funds from the Gates Foundation. Hundreds of thousands of volunteers have supported National Immunization Days. Since 1988, more than 2 billion children have received oral polio vaccine, and we’ve achieved a 99.9 percent reduction in polio cases. It may be considered the greatest humanitarian service the world has ever seen, and every Rotarian can take pride in the achievement.

To learn how you can support Rotary’s efforts to eradicate polio, visit [https://www.endpolio.org/](https://www.endpolio.org/)
DG Roseanne Kava visit which was held in Horsham for the 3 Rotary Clubs Horsham East, Horsham and Warracknabeal from Group 3. Assistant Governor Sue Watts also in attendance.

All 3 Presidents gave their reports, with Horsham East throwing in a 2 minute talk - A big surprise to the Chairman of the night Steve Holmes. The talk was a presentation of a Paul Harris Fellow to Steve, Geoff Eagle spoke of the outstanding work Steve has achieved in his Rotary years. Congratulations to Steve on becoming a PHF with another US$1,000.00 going to Rotary Foundation.

**President Don Perry (RC Horsham)**
- Membership & Retention - Attending Membership & Public Image seminar in Horsham 4 October 2019
- Horsham East / Horsham - Say No to Violence Program
- Camberwell - Horsham Rotary Centenary
- Myeloma Project involving Dr Alan Wolff, Wimmera Cancer Centre (Carmel O’Kane) to enhance people with Myeloma to attend Video Conferencing in Horsham, reducing stress through travel. Myeloma is a type of cancer that develops from plasma cells in the bone marrow. Myeloma is often called multiple myeloma because most people (90%) have multiple bone lesions at the time it is diagnosed. Plasma cells are a type of white blood cell found in the bone marrow. They are part of the immune system and help fight infection. When cancerous, these abnormal plasma cells spread throughout the bone marrow so that there is not enough space to make enough normal blood cells.
- 3 clubs to do joint projects to improve volunteer numbers

**President Tony Gregson (RC Warracknabeal)**
- Signature Project - Sheep Flock, involves making money, Rotaractors, townies doing farm work
- Primary School Breakfast Program - Jointly with RC Wyndham and feeding many children every Tuesday
- Increase Membership
- Redevelop Rotary Park - involving Rotaract adding a Dog Park while updating and renovating the park
- Rotaract Club projects - RU OK, Relay for Life, attending the Rotaract Conference (Gold Coast) & Rotary Conference (Swan Hill), induction of some Rotaractors into Rotary

**President Tom Gallaher (RC Horsham East)**
- Membership - aging or moving away
- Working together with other Clubs
- Science & Engineering for Youth = 50,000 students have passed through the course to date
- Media - need to use better
- Youth - Exchange students
- Signature Project - Doing a lot in the community, Camp Quality in late October (will inform other clubs prior)
- Christmas Party - donating Sanitary Products where needed
9780 District Governor - Roseanne Kava

Roseanne likes to hold joint DG visits to bring clubs together to learn and share ideas and projects. Roseanne gave a quick glimpse of her very busy and exciting life beginning in Tully (North Queensland) and currently living in Swan Hill. Roseanne had no idea she would end up marrying a farmer. Roseanne has worked as a Chemical Engineer in Federal Government and also held a Diplomatic position in Rome for 3 years, worked in Canberra and the Goonawarra Shire. I don’t know how she is managing to hold the position of DG, but clearly she is doing it well from what I can see.

Roseanne then explained her ideas for 2019-2020.

Ethical Basis - 4 Way Test. Together we see a world where people unite & take action to create change across the globe, in our communities, in ourselves

| Worldwide - 1.23 million Rotarians in 36,005 Clubs in 545 Districts in 220 countries/geographic areas |
| In Australia - 27,703 Rotarians in 1082 Clubs in 21 Districts |
| In District 9780 - 1,700 Rotarians in 58 Clubs |

Theme - Rotary Connects the World

District Vision - being recognised as Rotarians

Key Priorities - then we will grow. Increase Our Impact, Expand Our Reach, Enhance Participant Agreement, Increase Our Ability To Adapt

Increasing our Impact - Support Polio Plus to successful completion, Grow support for Rotary Foundation, Foster sustainable projects & strong grant applications, encourage connection, collaboration & partnerships between clubs, other organisations & across Districts, use Rotary Brand on all projects/activities, engage Rotarians in learning & development, understand & respond to community needs

Expanding our Reach - Embrace diversity, promote Rotary activities widely, strengthen public recognition of Rotary through branding & promotion through Rotary in Action, engage Rotarians in new & innovative ways e.g. Satellite or Passport Clubs, attract younger members, clubs provide advice to District on their needs & views (the average age of Rotarians is 71)

Enhancing Participant Engagement - Make Rotary flexible & fun, encourage leadership development & other learning opportunities, connect & collaborate with other Rotarians, engage Rotarians through a diverse range of projects & programs, be a family friendly club, plan for succession (to avoid burnout of office bearers), celebrate success at entry level

Involve Families - Challenge: What is 1 thing we could do better to make it more family friendly

WHY BE A ROTARIAN?

- We aspire to improve to improve conditions and create opportunities in our own communities & across the world for all people
- Rotary shows us that our similarities are stronger than our differences
- There is so much, we, in Rotary, can do in a low key, low cost but effective way when we connect & work together
- A single idea of one person in one club can change the world Dream Big, Set Goals, Take Action

DG’s Project

Sarah will be one of the speakers at the Conference this year.

We are collecting items for remote communities through Purple House. Please hand items to any International member.

- Soaps, shampoos, conditioners, body lotion and toiletries (mainly for women) including combs, brushes, toothpaste & tooth brushes (no sanitary items, sourced elsewhere)
- Volunteering e.g. as a nurse or to build New Purple Houses (Coober Pedy)

What Purple House does: The Purple Truck is a self-contained dialysis unit on wheels. It gives patients with end-stage renal failure the chance to return home for family, cultural or sorry business. Social Support, GP clinic & Primary Health Care, Return to Country, Bush Balms and Patient Preceptors. To find out more go to https://www.purplehouse.org.au
RC Warracknabeal snippets of Historical Happenings on September 11 1963 Vol 5 No 11
President - L. Beard, Vice President - K. Roll, Imm. PP - O. Gould, Hon Secretary - E. Drayton, Hon Treasurer - D. Hewitt, SGT. AT ARMS - F. Atherton, CPL-AT-ARMS - J. Casey

Dinner meeting held at the Commercial Hotel with Membership at 35 with 23 present, 12 Apologies, 1 visiting Rotarian & 1 visitor.

Chairman: Rot. Rod Marchant

Programme: Rot. Alan Hird: “Some aspects of Secondary Education in a Democracy”

Last meeting notes: Pres. Lloyd welcomed to the meeting visiting Rotarian George Marshallsea, Secretary RC Camberwell, and Ivan Payne. The international greetings to the RC Kuala-Lumpur was extended by Rotarian Smythe Hewitt. Chairman was PP Clyde McCullough. The programme was conducted by PP Barry Panter on the subject of ‘Classifications’.

Confidential: Attached to their copy of the Bulletin, Rotarians will find the name and proposed classification of a gentleman who has been nominated for membership in the Club. The nomination has been approved by the Board and accepted by the nominee. Should Rotarians know of any reason why this gentleman should not be admitted to the Club, they should communicate with the Secretary before 18th September next. Communications will be treated confidentially. Please destroy the slip attached.

Service Above Self: So our P.M.G. complain about savage dogs, well listen to this. There was a regional conference of Rotary at Bacchus Marsh during the week-end. It is the custom for Rotary clubs around the world to send each other messages by tape recording The Shepparton delegate reported that Victoria sent a message to a club in India. There was no reply, so they wrote a letter, asking what had happened to the tape. Back came a message asking for a second tape. The first had been eaten by a tiger - and so had the postman.

Rotary information:
Q: What is Rotary Foundation week?
A. The week including 15 November is the occasion for a simultaneous observance by all Rotary Clubs. It is suggested that Rotary Foundation Fellow and others give addresses on The Rotary Foundation at club meetings, educational institutions and community gatherings during the week as a means of interesting potential contributors in The Rotary Foundation.

Worth Thinking About: The secret of life is not to do the things one likes, but to try and like the things one has to do.

Cover - District Rotary International

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WARRACKNABEAL: Situate in the Wimmera region of Victoria, 210 Miles from Melbourne, is the centre of a prosperous wheat and wool growing area. The town, with a population of 3,400, is well service by Primary and Secondary schools, has a large park with fine sports arena and a modern swimming pool. Industries are limited to a flour mill, fibrous plaster works, joinery works and an engineering workshop. The