2588 -Change Over - Sunday 26th June 2022- Incoming President Michael McCabe at the TTG Golf Club

















(The Changeover meeting was a first where covid infections forced the incoming President Michael McCabe, DG & PE Jeff Neale and incoming Secretary Ralph Holmes and others to attend at the last minute vide Zoom thanks to TTG Golf Club and their media and sound system. Hence the photos above of Michael on the screen in the photo shoots thanks to Netty Heinrich)

President's Michael McCabe Speech at Changeover

District Governor Jeff Neale, and Jenny, Special guests, Rotarians and partners

It is an honour to stand here as the new President of the Rotary Club of Campbelltown.

This Club dates back to 1966, so that is 56 years of service to the community.

I am aware of the proud history of this Club. It has always been very active in our community and providing aide to the needy.

We must recognise and honour our outstanding history.

But of course, the Club has undergone many changes over the years and continues to evolve.

What began as an all-male institution is now fortunate to be attracting more diversity in our new members. There have been 25 new members join in the last 5 years, with 13 females and 12 males; and 10 of these are under 60.

By listening and embracing the ideas and enthusiasm of our new members, and by being attentive to the signs of the times, we can continue to grow and honour the outstanding legacy set by those who have served before us.

One of this year's themes from Rotary International is to celebrate diversity, equity and inclusion.

Unfortunately, your President is an old white man, but I hope to be a President for all members of our Club. I want our club to ensure we are inclusive. We should look at diversity of membership as a strength, not a problem. New members may have new ideas, different perspectives and bring different skills to our club.

Not all members are going to serve the same way. However, we should encourage members to find a way to make a contribution that suits them.



I have looked up the meaning of our Rotary Wheel logo.

The first design was made in 1905 when an engraver drew a simple wagon wheel, with a few lines to show dust and motion. The wheel was said to illustrate "Civilization, Movement and Service work in action."

In 1922, it was decided that all Rotary clubs should adopt a single design as the exclusive emblem of Rotarians. So, the present gear wheel, with 24 teeth and six spokes was adopted by the "Rotary International Association." The gear teeth around the outside represent the fact that work is to be done. A group of engineers advised that the geared wheel was mechanically unsound and would not work without a "keyway" in the centre of the gear to attach it to a power shaft. So, in 1923 the keyway was added to signify the wheel was a "worker and not an idler". The keyway in the centre of the hub is of great significance, because it represents the individual Rotarian member, who is the key factor in every club. Quality members are the keys, needed for the hub to engage with the shaft and turn, putting the energy into motion and creating the power for the gears to do their work.

I urge us to continually review what we do and what effect we are having. We need to ensure that we are not busily attending Rotary meetings and having Rotary discussions, but not actually having much impact. Are we just spinning around?

Instead, we must evaluate our projects to try to ensure that our efforts are having maximum result. We should consider if some changes would increase the efficiency or effectiveness of them. We need to engage the cogs or the teeth of the wheel. We wish to be "workers and not idlers".

Also, I want us to have fun. Volunteering should provide the satisfaction from a job well done, and a warm feeling of helping those in need. But also, we can enjoy the fun of each other's company.

I would like to thank all those who welcomed me into Rotary when I joined and who have assisted me in my learning about this Club and the workings of all things Rotary. They have greatly assisted me to reach the point where I thought I might be in a position to do this job of President.

I am happy to have a talented and dedicated board which I am confident will serve this club well.

With help and support from club members, I hope to do the same as your President.

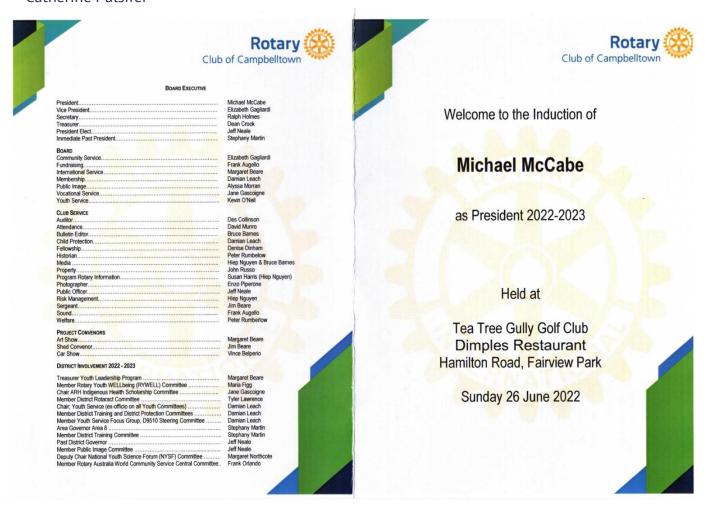
I thank Jacquie and my family for attending and supporting me today.

I look forward to playing my small part in the growth and development of our Club.

Thank you

Thought for the Week We are all different, which is great because we are all unique. Without diversity, life would be very boring.

~ Catherine Pulsifer





Susan Harris did a marvellous job as MC, not only for those attending the dinner but for those who were attending vide Zoom.

Susan was quietly perplexed after reading the meeting running sheet item scheduled for 1-11 pm which

stated "DG Jeff Neale has another matter to present."

To her surprise and delight DG Jeff, who was on Zoom "presented "Susan with a Paul Harris Award in recognition of her excellent job as the Chair of the amazing & successful April 2022 Barossa Conference for which both Jenny and he has received so much positive feedback. It was a delight to see everyone in the RC of Campbelltown as host Club, support Susan and make it a truly positive and uplifting experience for all and to collaborate with other Clubs, the District and Rotarians to Showcase District 9510.



Pictured above is Susan (2nd from right) after receiving her well-deserved PH award and being congratulated by husband Roger, together with family and DG Jeff in the background vide Zoom.

Immediate Past President Stephany Martin (3rd from right) thanked her Board members and presented each with a gift for their outstanding service.



Some more pics ...









