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ANNUAL REPORT

2022-2023

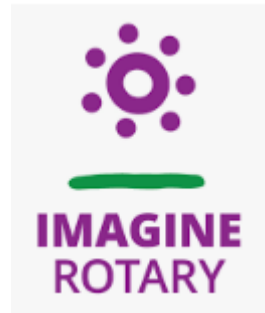
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RI President: Jennifer Jones
District 9820 Governor: Paul Mee
President: Robin Noakes
Secretary: Di Harrison
Treasurer: Barry Dunstan



BOARD MEMBERS

President	Robin Noakes
President Elect	Lyn Cassar
Immediate Past President	Di Harrison
Secretary	Di Harrison
Treasurer	Barry Dunstan
Club Administration	Lyn Cassar
International/Foundation	Diane Wilkinson
Membership	Di Harrison
Community Service	Len Cairns
Vocational/Youth Service	Roger Taylor
Elected Member	Maureen Bishop

**COMMUNITY
SERVICE**

Len Cairns (Chair)
Dave Wood
Alan Bishop
Barry Dunstan
Bill Connell
Helen MacDonald
Julian Yeatman
Lyn Cassar
Jamie Hunt
Helen Morrison
Alan Sinnott

**CLUB
ADMINISTRATION**

Lyn Cassar (Chair)
Barry Dunstan (Treasurer)
Helen Morrison (Programs)
Maureen Bishop (Website)
Ross Maxfield (Club Historian)
Barry Dunstan (Sargeant)
Helen MacDonald (Bulletin)
Di Harrison (Attendance)
Jamie Hunt (Zoom)
Bryce Eishold (FB/Social)
Len Cairns (CPO)
Di Harrison (Publicity)

**INTERNATIONAL
SERVICE &
FOUNDATION**

Diane Wilkinson (Chair)
Michael Koch
Bruce Paull
Kishor Manani
John Hutchinson
David Power
Shen Guo
Peter Kingsbury
Rhonda Crooks

**GOLF FUNDRAISING
COMMITTEE**

Roger Taylor (Chair)
Maureen Bishop
Alan Bishop
Bill Connell (Raffle Co-Ord)

**VOCATIONAL
& YOUTH SERVICE**

Roger Taylor (Chair)
Maureen Bishop
Robin Noakes
Di Harrison
Sandy Auger
Ross Maxfield
Bryce Eishold

MEMBERSHIP

Di Harrison (Chair)
Roger Taylor

My goal at the start of the year was to build on the post Covid re-engagement and fellowship started by IPP Di Harrison. And to have some fun. I am pleased to report that we have made progress with both. Reviewing all the activities we have undertaken this year there is one word that springs to mind: extraordinary. A huge thank you to all who have been part of my Presidential journey.

I would like to acknowledge the success of the ‘We CAN Do Better’ tinned food collection project run in the last month of Di Harrison’s Presidency. We collected huge numbers of cans each Thursday during June 2022. Thank you to Woolworths Moe for letting us use their store. We achieved a practical and visual impact, showing what Rotarians can do. Many folks noted that Rotary do good work. It reinforced the image we wish to demonstrate of being ‘People of Action’.

I would also like to acknowledge Di Harrison’s presentation, at the June 2022 District 9820 Changeover, of a PHF Sapphire for her tireless work for the Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA) youth program.

July saw the pulling together of the design and approvals for the Moe Botanic Garden BBQ shelter rebuild Centennial Project. August saw work commence and so the tussle with weather delays began. We also introduced the notion of a tribute to Australia at the close of the meetings. This was supported by many members over the year. Thank you all. A list of speakers and topics is shown below.

July	Advance Australia Fair	Robin Noakes
	Clancy of the Overflow - A B ‘Banjo’ Paterson	Robin Noakes
	Ticket box/Gundagai	Rog Taylor
August	Bush Christening - A B ‘Banjo’ Paterson	Sandy Auger
	We Are Going - Oodgeroo Noonuccal (Kath Walker)	Len Cairns
September	Royal Flying Doctor Service	Rog Taylor
	Kelpies & Blue Heelers	Alan Bishop
	Up there Cazaly - The Two-Man Band	John Hutchinson
October	Fair Dinkum Sayings	Helen MacDonald
	Australian Citizenship	Kishor Manani
	Australian Quiz	Di Harrison
	The Race That Stops a Nation – Vivienne McCredie	Robin Noakes
November	The Story of Mongrel Grey – A B ‘Banjo’ Paterson	Lyn Cassar
	Women in Leadership Roles in Australia	Diane Wilkinson
January	Sir Edward (Weary) Dunlop	Barry Dunstan
February	Cheops Pyramid in Egypt ‘The Spirit of Anzac’ print	Jamie Hunt
March	The 1919 Australian Penny	Jamie Hunt
	Guide to Australia Essay– Douglas Adams	Robin Noakes
April	ANZAC Day Eve – one minute silence	Robin Noakes
May	Acknowledgment — Barry Humphries OA CBE	Robin Noakes

The Community Committee organised tea and coffee to greet the Snow Train on 13 August. A cold afternoon but we kept enthused and were well received by many who were gasping for a hot cuppa. Michael Koch and past Rotarian Neil McClusky visited SDN 3 Bunutan school in Bali, with the aim of delivering some boxes of donated spectacles and 3M face masks. Unfortunately, the spectacles were seized by Customs at the airport, as they were 'not new'. The face masks were gratefully accepted by the school Principal. An assessment of the school's needs was also made during the visit.

Many were saddened in September by the death of Queen Elizabeth II. My personal consolation is a sense of privilege that I have witnessed the reign of a remarkable Queen. We acknowledged the moment with a minute's silence at our 12th September meeting.

During October the club had several presentations from Rotary Junior Community Award students. As always these were uplifting. I wish I'd had that sort of confidence at their age.

November was incredibly busy. On November 5 we had a social event with Jefferson Smith visiting from Echuca. A music filled night with a fund raising effort for our Administration account. Well done Lyn Cassar and thanks to Rotarians and the broader community who supported the event.

My President's 'Men's Health' project was held in November when we had David Parkin, (former champion player and AFL coach), speak at the Moe Racing Club about men's health and prostate cancer. The event was a success with over 80 attendees, and a very good group discussion with most of the audience involved. A special thanks to Diane Wilkinson who helped from inception of the project and was a key in gaining funding from Loy Yang B's Community Grants Program. The project further raised awareness of prostate cancer.

The Botanic Garden Rose Garden project got well under way with ground preparation, and planting, of 'Joy of Life' roses and 'Sea' lavender. Well done Len Cairns and Diane Wilkinson.

Roger Taylor and the Vocational/Youth team led the presentation of the Rotary Junior Community Awards to 12 students, ably supported by the Community team who provided a BBQ.

And so, to December when the weather finally gave us a chance to crack on with the BBQ project. A huge effort, physically and mentally, as the team mustered all it's creativity and support to erect and make safe the steel framework. Barry Dunstan did outstanding work.

We all celebrated the students, nominated by local schools, for a 'Pride of Workmanship' Award. It was a fitting event to lead into our Christmas break up. Thankyou Santa for your timely visit. I was pleased to present our female Rotarians with a red rose as acknowledgement of the work they do supporting the club. I include Kate Noakes in this, as without her untiring support and patience I would not be able to perform my role.

We kicked off the New Year with our traditional Botanic Gardens BBQ event, using the tennis club rooms as a shelter from inclement weather. A social night held at the end of January, to walk down the “Memory Lane” of the Club’s 74 years of history, was very well attended. Guests included members from the Moe Inner Wheel club, past Rotarians, and Assistant Governor Tim Wills. Thank you to Maureen Bishop and Lyn Cassar for administration and catering support.

February and March were busy with efforts towards arranging and running the Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic. Aply led by Rog Taylor and Maureen Bishop, this event involved the whole club in the lead up to the day, the sale of raffle tickets, and events on the day. Bill Connell again coordinated the major raffle, and his work is appreciated. The event raised over \$21,000 which was a great effort. Behind the scenes, there is a lot of generosity and work done by Rotarians, their networks, and the overall community. Thanks to everyone.

But March was not completely taken up with golf as Maureen and Alan Bishop hosted the annual table tennis championships. Barry Dunstan stunned us all with his prowess, and with table tennis partner, Kate Noakes, took out the trophy. A great night and thanks to the generous hosts. Concurrently with the golf preparations, work continued the BBQ shelter with the BBQ plinths being cast. Several Rotarians were heavily involved in both, so a special thanks to them.

Five of us attended the District Assembly at Nossal High School at Berwick. A very interesting and inspirational event. We were reminded of the scope and impact of Rotary projects locally and worldwide.

As May draws to a close, the BBQ shelter rebuild is nearly finished. The bench top was test fitted ready for a group photo of many club members who have helped with the project. Please see the photo montage of the build sequence. I would like to acknowledge the entire club for their support of this project along the way but must single out Barry Dunstan and Alan Bishop for their unstinting efforts. I would also like to acknowledge the many tradespeople and businesses in the area who have supported us with labour, in kind and material donations.

The summary.

I am very proud to have had the chance to lead a team of energised and generous Rotarians as we have contributed to our community over the last 12 months. The Rotary theme for 22/23 was “Imagine”, and at the start of the year I imagined big. The reality was bigger. Thankyou.

Robin Noakes
President



Photos of the various stages of the BBQ shelter refurbishment Aug 2022 - May 2023



The BBQ Shelter Refurbishment Rotary Centennial Project is finally completed!



AG Tim Wills, DG Paul Mees, and Adele Mees with President Robin



President Robin with AFL legend, David Parkin



An attentive crowd at the Men's Health presentation, Moe Racing Club Function Room



Guests and Rotarians at the 'Trip Down Memory Lane' in Jan. 2023



Group photo of guests who attended the 'Memory Lane' event



Moe Rotarians having a bit of fun!

Members of the Community Service Committee have had a very busy Rotary Year. The members of this committee for this 2022-2023 Year have been, Helen Morrison, Jamie Hunt, Dave Wood, Helen MacDonald, Barry Dunstan, Alan Bishop, Julian Yeatman, Alan Sinnott, Lyn Cassar, Bill Connell, and Len Cairns as Chair. This has been a large committee with a wide-ranging local Community remit which is the third "Avenue of Service". The Committee undertook the following Community Projects and Activities in this Rotary year.

- **Demolition and replacement of the BBQ area in the Moe Botanic Gardens**

This project was a large and significant undertaking for the Rotary Club of Moe in cooperation with the Latrobe City Council. We applied for and gained approval for a Council Trust Grant of \$15,000 for this project with a matching commitment of \$15,000 from the Club.



Work proceeded on the demolition in late 2022.



Some of the Rotarians involved really enjoyed the smashing of concrete!



Then the saga of pouring the foundation slab emerged. Wet weather meant that we had to find 2 to 4 days of dry weather to lay the slab and let it cure. This delayed the project for some months.

Finally, we had a slab. Great work by our consultant, Ron Disisto, in this aspect of the project.

The finished product is a credit to all the members, tradies, and support people who have brought the project to what is now, at the end of our 2022-2023 Rotary year, about to be declared open and complete. Special mention to the prime movers, Barry Dunstan and Alan Bishop, whose tireless efforts have brought this to a reality.



- **BBQs during the Rotary Year**

In addition to our major building project the Community Service Committee also provided BBQs/Sausage sizzles for a number of Community events:

- BBQ for over 250 workers at the Energy Australia power station and mine at Yallourn
- BBQ for the Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic at the Yallourn Golf Club
- Sausages and drinks (non-sugar) for the RJCA presentation (November, 2022) at Albert Street Primary School, Moe
- BBQ for January 2023 return after Christmas Break at the Botanic Gardens.
- BBQ for the Pride of Workmanship at Old Gippsdown, Moe (December 2022).

Other events completed by the Community Service Committee in this Rotary year included the following:



- Snow Train event (August)

We provided tea and coffee at the Moe Railway Station on a cold and bleak evening.



- Maintenance work and weeding on the flower bed and new Rose Garden bed.

These are the two Rotary Roses, adopted by Past District Governor Bryon Puddy as his Governor's project.



This one is "Joy of Life"



This is the "Joy of Health"

The Community service committee also took an active role in assisting the Golf Day committee with raffle set up and sales, as well as organising the cleaning roster for our club playground in the Botanic Gardens.

It has been a rewarding and busy year supporting our efforts within our Community. We have raised funds for the club and expended some of our budget on a large project. We believe that our community is well served by our club as the Third Avenue of the Five Avenues of Rotary International Service all clubs are meant to address. The Avenues are, the First, Club, the Second is Vocational, the Fourth is International and the fifth is New Generations/Youth.

Our club has managed to effectively balance all five Avenues in 2022-2023, despite the Covid-19 Pandemic and its challenges.

Len Cairns
Chair, Community Service Committee

At the outset of this report, I would like to thank the members of the International & Foundation Committee of the Rotary Club of Moe for their ongoing support for Committee activities during the year. Members are: Michael Koch, Kishor Manani, Shen Guo, Bruce Paull, Peter Kingsbury, John Hutchinson, Rhonda Crooks and David Power.

In reviewing potential activities for the 2022-23 year, the Committee used the seven Rotary Areas of Focus to help inform our direction. The seven areas of focus are: Promoting Peace; Fighting Disease; Providing Clean Water, Sanitation and Hygiene; Maternal and Child Health; Supporting Education; Growing Local Economies; and Supporting the Environment. Our activities are both direct connections with other organisations and through the provision of information to promote the work of Rotary across International Service and The Rotary Foundation. These activities have included:

- **The Rotary Foundation Student Scholarship**

Building on our previous work in this area, the Club was again pleased and grateful to be successful in our application to District for The Rotary Foundation Student Scholarship Grant, which was provided to Lowanna College in November 2022. This year we were also fortunate enough to be able to successfully apply for a second scholarship in April 2023 to assist additional students.

The scholarships each consist of a \$500 contribution from District and \$500 from the Club, with distribution to multiple students being at the discretion of Lowanna College. In 2022-23, this resulted in a share of these funds being provided to eight students to assist with educational expenses. The school has provided us with feedback to indicate that these scholarship funds are instrumental in assisting these students to more fully participate in their educational experience. We greatly appreciate the opportunity to participate in this program and look forward to continuing that association into the future.



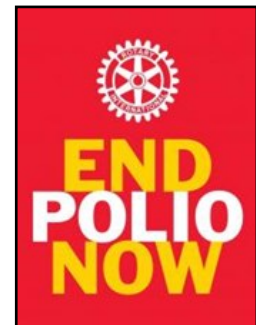
Robin Noakes with Principal Adam Hogan, Diane Wilkinson, and Assistant Principal Michael Lakeman

- **Bali School Project**

A request was received from the school in Banyuning to assist them to reconstruct a toilet block within the school grounds to accommodate the construction of an additional classroom to meet the growing needs of the school. Following extensive discussions and a presentation to the Club, the members have agreed to support this project which will be funded through Club funds, fundraising activities and donations to a total cost of \$6000. This will be a significant undertaking and work will commence over the next few months and continue through the next Rotary year. We sincerely thank Michael Koch for his continued work and ongoing connections with the Banyuning School which has enabled our Club to connect with the school community through a range of initiatives over many years.

- **Promotion of World Polio Day – 24th October**

We took the opportunity to promote the work of Rotary in helping to eradicate this insidious disease through immunization programs across the world. Through the work of Rotary and its partners, the incidence of polio has now been reduced by 99.9% since the first project to vaccinate children in the Philippines in 1979. The Club provides an annual donation to the Rotary End Polio Now campaign to assist with the continuation of this work.



World Polio Day information was presented to the Club and also to the wider community through social media. In addition, as World Polio Day (WPD) celebrations coincided with a visit to the Club of a group of students participating in the Rotary Junior Community Awards, we also took the opportunity to promote WPD to the students, their families, and teachers.

- **Rotarians Against Malaria**

December is 'Fighting Disease' month and to promote this, we chose to focus on Rotary's work in the fight against the impacts of Malaria. Rotarians Against Malaria (RAM) Australia are volunteers who are passionate about eliminating malaria in partner countries. RAM is an Australian registered charity and is part of the Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS).



Malaria is a deadly disease that has killed or debilitated people for centuries and while inroads have been made to reduce the incidence of the disease, malaria remains responsible for over 400,000 fatalities every year, many of whom are children. RAM supports programs that aim to control and ultimately eliminate malaria and works with government health program in partner countries to implement strategies in line with World Health Organisation Guidelines, including the reduction in the mosquito populations and opportunities for mosquitos to spread the malaria parasite.

A two-day Congress, titled “Finish the Fight Against Malaria” was held in Melbourne on 25 and 26 May to continue the conversation about how to eliminate this deadly disease.

We look forward to continuing to undertake projects and activities in support of International Service and the Rotary Foundation next year.

Diane Wilkinson
Chair, International and Foundation Committee



Michelle Noakes with her dog, 'Lloyd' at the 'End Polio Now' walk



President Robin with the 'Peace Bells' at the RI Convention, Melbourne



Di Harrison with RI President - Elect, Gordon R. McInally

Vocational Excellence Award

The 2022-23 committee decided that the focus of our Excellence Award would be the acknowledgement of local employees who repeatedly display the qualities of excellence in their dealings with the public. As such, they could be nominated by Rotarians from diverse occupations.

Time restraints for the club presentation during this Rotary year meant that the request for nominations, the establishment of criteria and determination of the selection process would be completed by mid-2023, whilst the presentation evening at a Rotary dinner would occur in August of President Elect Lyn Cassar's Presidential year.

Rotary Junior Community Awards (RJCA)

It is apparent that disruptions to the RJCA programs caused by Covid19, and its aftermath still impact on this outstanding youth program. Admittedly, we had four schools involved this year, but attrition rates were quite high. However, graduate numbers remained consistent with recent times.

Other contributing factors for the students not attaining the requisite level of participation included difficulties with school communication, consistency of school approaches, and the lack of coordinator continuity.

Two Rotary club programs were staged in November to showcase students' personal journeys. Congratulations to the eleven graduates from Albert Street PS (4), Elizabeth Street PS (3), and two each from Newborough East and Newborough primary schools.

The real positives however are pride in achievement and completion of significant tasks, presentation skills, and personal development. Parents and extended family, together with supportive Rotarian audiences, underline the extreme value of this program as a public relations and Rotary exposure exercise.



RJCA 2022 Graduates with Chair, Roger Taylor and President Robin

Pride of Workmanship (PoW)

A streamlined Old Gipps town management team together with venue improvements ensured that the Heritage Park site would successfully be able to accommodate the seventy-eight attendees at Pride of Workmanship 2022.

Of the fourteen schools in our local feeder zone, thirteen recipients were in attendance, together with family supporters, and many interested school staff members. Rotarians too, turn out in good numbers, interacting with students and their supporters. The Community Service team provide excellent catering and are to be applauded.

Many schools also requested a Rotarian attend their Graduation Assembly and re-present the PoW certificate. The John Dwyer Citizenship Award was presented at the Lowanna Secondary College Graduation Evening.



Happy award recipients with Chair, Roger Taylor and President Robin

Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA)

The Rotary Club of Moe was unfortunately unable to recruit a RYLA nominee for the June 2022 District 9810 and 9820 combined RYLA camp on the Mornington Peninsula, despite following up on a few strong leads.

A brighter outcome could be expected next year as one local business was confident that they had a pool of possibly three 18–30 year olds who display leadership interest and potential. The committee will be actively involved in the preliminaries when the next RYLA is announced.

Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA)

Whilst our club was unable to sponsor any teams in 2022, the event was successfully run in a one-day format, held at Nossal High School, Berwick. It is hoped that a delegation can be raised from students in Year 11 at Lowanna Secondary College to participate in the 2023 Rotary MUNA event.

All committee members ensured that our various programs would be successful due to their meeting planning input, willingness to participate and lead at presentations and their belief that our youth are indeed our community's future. My thanks go to Robin Noakes, Di Harrison, Maureen Bishop, Sandy Auger, Bryce Eishold and Ross Maxfield.

Roger Taylor
Chair, Vocational and Youth Services Committee

Photos of some Moe Rotarians at the PoW event



Bill Connell and PE Lyn Cassar



Treasurer Barry Dunstan at work



Diane Wilkinson helping out the back



Alan Bishop and Len Cairns

The Club continues to conduct its financial activities and affairs using three separate Bank Accounts through the Bendigo Bank who continue to be supportive of the Club's activities.

During the year, and primarily for use in club fund raising such as the Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic, the Club purchased a Tyro cash point machine. This has proved most useful for situations in which credit card transactions are preferred by members and contributors.

The Club has abandoned the previously used accounting software **Reckon** due to its growing cost and complexity for a small Club such as ours. It has been replaced by web-based software "**Clubtreasurer**", which is less than 15% of the cost of the previous software. It is also more suitable for less experienced Club members who may wish to contribute to the Club's management as Club Treasurer.

The Club's Project account is used to control the funds raised by the Club for projects and community activities. A special purpose sub-account, the Disaster Account, is a readily available fund held for immediate response to emergencies in the community. It is topped up as soon as possible to maintain a balance of \$10,000. Excluding the Disaster Account, the Club has been able to maintain the Project Account at approximately \$40,000 for several years through a mixture of fund-raising activities, grants applied for and special events.

The challenge ahead for the Club will be to find activities that can continue to attract a satisfactory income considering the increase in overall costs, growing competition for raising funds from the community, and the dwindling Club membership making the burden on individual members less sustainable. The major income for the year has been the annual Golf Classic and associated major raffle, which again cleared over \$23,000.

The major expenditure from the Project Account has been to complete the BBQ Shelter replacement at the Moe Botanic Gardens. This Project cost an overall amount of \$34,639 of which the Club contributed directly \$16,098. An additional amount of \$3,539 was contributed by a combination of Rotary members, local traders and contractors who gave reduced invoices or submitted no Invoices to the project.

The Club Administration account continues to be used for non-fundraising purposes. There are growing and, in some cases, unsustainable increases in the costs of affiliation, Rotary overheads, and services needed by the Club to operate. The Club has made significant efforts to reduce overheads and to find other sources of income other than Members' Annual Fees. Sponsorship by individual Club members has been an important element.

A major social activity earlier in the year had a significant impact in reducing costs to Members. In past years significant funds were raised through guest levy's, fines at meetings, and small raffles. With a trend of declining attendance at Club meetings, and the smaller number of meetings in the Club's Annual calendar, incidental fund raising has fallen by at least 30-40%. The Club will have to pay increasing attention to this problem and attempt to keep annual membership fees proportionately low.

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Disbursement of Funds from the Project Account	
Gippsland Rotary Centenary House (GRCH)	\$3000
Polio Plus Program	USD \$1000
The Rotary Foundation	USD \$1000

Barry Dunstan
Treasurer



Combined Board Meeting of the Rotary Club of Moe, with Barry Dunstan, Sandy Auger, Maureen Bishop, Di Harrison, Robin Noakes, Roger Taylor, Diane Wilkinson, Lyn Cassar and Kishor Manani, held in the Moe RSL Boardroom on the 19 June, 2023 (absent: Len Cairns)

MONTH	DATE	PROGRAM 2022	GUEST/PRESENTER
July		<i>No Rotary Theme</i>	
	4	Introducing Pres. Robin Noakes (Moe RSL)	President Robin
	11	Angel Flight (Moe RSL)	Peter Moran
	18	BOARD MEETING (Hybrid)	President Robin
	25	CLUB ASSEMBLY (Moe RSL)	President Robin
August		<i>Membership Month</i>	
	1	Crazy Trivia (Moe RSL)	President Robin
	8	50 Years in Health Service (Moe RSL)	Neil Akers
	15	DG Visit -DG Paul Mee and Adele Mee AG Tim Wills (Moe RSL)	President Robin
	16	BOARD MEETING (Taylor's home)	President Robin
	22	CLUB ASSEMBLY & Regionalisation Project Presentation (Moe RSL)	Di Harrison
	29	Partner's Night Social (Twenty20 Tapas)	Roger Taylor
September		<i>Literacy Month</i>	
	5	We CAN Do Better Report (Moe RSL)	Matthew Davey
	12	RYLA Presentation (Moe RSL)	Brad Graham
	19	BOARD MEETING (Noakes' home)	President Robin
	26	CLUB ASSEMBLY (Moe RSL)	President Robin
October		<i>Economic & Comm. Development Month</i>	
	3	Bali Report post visit (Moe RSL)	Michael Koch
	10	RJCA Presentations—Albert St & Newborough Primary School students (Moe RSL)	Roger Taylor
	17	BOARD MEETING (Bishop's home)	President Robin
	24	World Polio Day & RJCA Presentations - Elizabeth St & Newborough East Primary School students	Diane Wilkinson Roger Taylor
	31	CLUB ASSEMBLY & Melbourne Cup Eve (Moe RSL)	Alan Bishop & Helen Morrison
November		<i>Foundation Month</i>	
	5	Jefferson Smith Social Night (Moe Turfside)	Lyn Cassar
	7	AP Michael Lakeman—Lowanna College (Moe RSL)	Diane Wilkinson
	14	Men's Health Project with David Parkin (Turfside Function Room)	President Robin
	16	RJCA Certificate presentations (Albert St PS)	Roger Taylor
	21	BOARD MEETING (Taylor's home)	President Robin
	28	CLUB ASSEMBLY & AGM (Moe RSL)	President Robin
December		<i>Disease Prevention & Treatment Month</i>	
	5	Pride of Workmanship Event (Old Gippstown)	Roger Taylor
	12	Christmas Dinner/Break Up (Moe RSL)	President Robin

MONTH	DATE	PROGRAM 2023	GUEST/PRESENTER
January		<i>Vocational Service Month</i>	
	16	Welcome Back Barbecue at Moe Botanic Gardens	President Robin
	23	Bees Presentation (Moe RSL)	Sean Paul Smith & Bill Connell
	30	Down Memory Lane (Moe Library)	President Robin
February		<i>Peace & Conflict Resolution Month</i>	
	4	Annual Table Tennis Event (Bishop's home)	Alan & Maureen Bishop
	6	Gippsland Heritage Park Presentation (Moe RSL)	Tina Forte & Helen Morrison
	13	Latrobe Valley Authority (Moe RSL)	Chris Buckingham & Diane Wilkinson
	20	BOARD MEETING (Noakes' home)	President Robin
	24-26	D9820 Rotary Conference (Cape Schanck)	DG Paul Mee
	27	CLUB ASSEMBLY & District Conference	President Robin & Di Harrison
March		<i>Sanitation and Water Month</i>	
	6	Energy Australia Presentation (Moe RSL)	Lisa Gooding & Rhonda Hastie
	13	Labour day—No Meeting held	
	20	BOARD MEETING (Noakes' home)	Roger Taylor
	27	Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic (Yallourn)	Golf Committee
April		<i>Maternal and Child Health Month</i>	
	3	GRGC Review (Moe RSL)	Roger Taylor
	10	Easter Monday—No Meeting held	
	17	BOARD MEETING (Noakes' home)	President Robin
	24	CLUB ASSEMBLY & Bali Project Presentation (Moe RSL)	Diane Wilkinson & Michael Koch
May		<i>Youth Service Month</i>	
	1	Rotarian Behind the Badge (Moe RSL)	Jamie Hunt
	8	Israel Presentation (Moe RSL)	Sandy Auger
	15	West Gippsland Cluster Meeting (hosted by the RC of Traralgon)	AG Tim Wills
	16	BOARD MEETING (Noakes' home)	President Robin
	22	CLUB ASSEMBLY (Moe RSL)	President Robin
	29	Partners' Night (Twenty20 Tapas, Moe)	Helen Morrison
June		<i>Rotary Fellowship Month</i>	
	5	Gippsland Water Presentation (Moe RSL)	Sarah Cumming Diane Wilkinson
	12	King's Birthday—No Meeting held	
	19	COMBINED BOARD (Boardroom, Moe RSL)	President Robin
	26	CHANGEOVER DINNER (Newborough Bowling Club)	President Robin Noakes & President Elect Lyn Cassar

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Honouring a Legacy of Service to Rotary and the Community

ROTARIANS



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| 1979 Allan McHardy | 2011 Bruce Paull |
| 1984 Brian O'Reilly | 2011 Diane Wilkinson |
| 1986 John Dwyer | 2012 Alan Sinnott |
| 1987 Claude Staff | 2013 Bryon Puddy (Sapphire 2) |
| 1988 Allan Ormond | 2013 Wendy Farmer |
| 1988 Jim McAllister | 2013 Peter Kingsbury |
| 1989 Bob Pugsley | 2014 Roger Taylor |
| 1989 John Leckey | 2014 Len Cairns |
| 1991 Charles Robertson | 2014 Lyn Cassar |
| 1992 Charles Witts | 2015 David Power (Sapphire) |
| 1993 Ross Maxfield | 2016 Kishor Manani |
| 1994 Bryon Puddy | 2016 Barry Dunstan (Sapphire) |
| 1994 Ben Verschuur | 2017 Alan Bishop |
| 1995 David Power | 2017 Maureen Bishop |
| 1996 John Hutchinson | 2017 Peter Kingsbury (Sapphire 5) |
| 1997 Laurie Huffer | 2018 Ross Maxfield (Sapphire) |
| 1998 Julian Yeatman | 2018 Robin Lesney-Noakes |
| 2000 Evan Platschinda | 2018 Helen Morrison |
| 2001 Chris Lampel | 2018 Diane Wilkinson (Sapphire) |
| 2002 Bryon Puddy (Sapphire) | 2018 Roger Taylor (Sapphire) |
| 2003 Ken MacGregor | 2018 Len Cairns (Sapphire) |
| 2003 Steve Micah | 2019 Diane Wilkinson (Sapphire 2) |
| 2004 Michael Koch | 2019 Di Harrison |
| 2004 Barry Dunstan | 2019 Michael Koch (Sapphire 2) |
| 2005 Pash Demagistris | 2019 Peter Kingsbury Major Donor Award |
| 2006 Ian Needham | 2021 Di Harrison (Sapphire) |
| 2007 Neil McCluskey | 2022 Maureen Bishop (Sapphire 2) |
| 2007 Peter Wells | 2022 Alan Bishop (Sapphire) |
| 2007 Steve Micah (Sapphire) | 2022 Rog Taylor (Sapphire 2) |
| 2008 Ed Achorn | 2022 Robin Lesney-Noakes (Sapphire) |
| 2009 Dave Wood | |
| 2010 John Hutchinson (Sapphire) | |

COMMUNITY AWARDEES

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| 1999 Max Grubb | 2015 Norma Hutchinson |
| 2013 Carmel Cook | 2017 Norma Hutchinson (Sapphire) |
| 2014 John Buckton | 2020 Sandra Demagistris |
| 2014 Darrell Benjamin | |

MEMBERSHIP as at 18 June, 2023

INDUCTION DATE	ROTARIAN			PARTNER	CLASSIFICATION
20.06.2022	Auger	Sandy			Disability Services
21.09.2015	Barry	Daniel		Linda	Honorary Member
05.03.2012	Bishop	Alan	PHF -2	Maureen	Plumbing Services
30.05.2011	Bishop	Maureen	PP, PHF -1	Alan	Education Administration
20.12.1999	Cairns	Len	PP, PHF -1	Margaret	Education Tertiary
20.11.2006	Cassar	Lyn	PHF	Eddie	Catering
23.03.2018	Connell	Bill			Education
18.10.2010	Crooks	Rhonda			Development Management
04.05.1998	Dunstan	Barry	PP, PHF -1	Pam	Education Services
23.10.2017	Eishold	Bryce		Ann	Journalism
09.07.2012	Guo	Shen		Sharlee	Electrical Management
06.04.2010	Harrison	Di	PP, PHF -1	Grant	Higher Education
06.07.2021	Hunt	Jamie		Mary	Mining and Construction
18.01.1982	Hutchinson	John	PP, PHF-1	Norma	Energy Management
16.12.2010	Kingsbury	Peter	PP, PHF-5, MDA		Dental Surgery
14.08.1987	Koch	Michael	PP, PHF-2	Ya	Electronics Sales & Service
10.12.2012	Lesney-Noakes	Robin	PHF-1	Kate	Business Management
23.03.2018	MacDonald	Helen	PP, PHF		Administration
03.05.2005	Manani	Kishor	PHF	Reshma	Pharmacy
18.05.1975	Maxfield	Ross	PP, PHF-1	Suzie	Real Estate
05.03.2012	Morrison	Helen	PP, PHF	David	Local Government
29.03.1993	Paull	Bruce	PP, PHF	Irene	Carpet & Drapes Retail
25.03.1975	Power	David	PP, PHF-1	Jan	Law Practice
11.12.2000	Sinnott	Alan	PP, PHF	Alison	Electrical Contracting
07.06.2004	Taylor	Roger	PP, PHF-2	Irene	Education Primary
07.04.2002	Wilkinson	Diane	PP, PHF-2	David	Health Services
01.10.1990	Wood	Dave	PP, PHF	Kerry	Automobile Recycler
27.10.1975	Yeatman	Julian	PHF	Jocelyn	Newsagency





The combination of a great golf course, a capacity field, the generosity of the local community and rainstorms that kept away, the Rotary Club of Moe once again conducted a successful and highly entertaining golfing fundraiser.

The Yallourn Golf course was in great condition for the March 27 event and provided a significant challenge for both avid and social golfers. Although rain threatened throughout the day, predicted dismal weather thankfully didn't eventuate for another 24 hours.

The Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic is a 3 person Ambrose event, and the capped field of 36 teams, totalling 108 players bears testament to the popularity of this format. There is always an interesting mix of corporate teams, local golf fanatics and social golfers who are rapt to have a fun-filled value-for-money day out, while supporting Moe Rotary's major fundraiser. The outstanding total of over \$21,000 was raised this year and will be distributed amongst community organisations in the coming months.

Participants enjoy the pre-game barbecue and putting competition (Terry Best and Brendon Baker were inseparable so shared the spoils this year.) Following the golf a delicious meal preceded auctions, mini raffles, golfing presentations, and the major raffle draw.

Planning for the Golf Classic commenced in late January with the raffle running for the next 8 weeks in the Moe CBD precinct. Due to the generosity of sponsors, Rotarians, Inner Wheel and Yallourn Golf Club members and golfers from far and wide, the Rotary Club of Moe is able to continue to support local beneficiaries including Gippsland Rotary Centenary House, Latrobe Regional Hospital, as well as many smaller community projects.

Congratulations to our major golf winners:

Best 3 Person team – Frank Hyett, Greg Cake and Reuben Kincaid with the outstanding score of 56.6.

First Runner Up was John Kerr Real Estate represented by Michael Walshe, Sean Spiteri and Callum Grant. They collectively scored 57.8 points.

Second Runner Up was the Polyflor team of Michael Chitham, Craig Pocket and Ben Perinese scoring 58.2.

Best Rotary team was the Rotary Club of Traralgon Central comprising Peter Simcock, Ian Whitehead and Frank Fitzpatrick (65.6 points.) This club always provides great support for our event.

Best Ladies team was Family Ties represented by Lyn McAlister, Evelyn Greske and Lola Carter with 60 points.

The Rotary Club of Moe confidently looks to next year's event which will again be hosted at Yallourn Golf Club in late March. Once again I wish to commend the excellent contribution of club members with support for the raffle and event day manpower, and the amazing efforts displayed by the Planning Committee of Maureen Bishop, Alan Bishop, Diane Wilkinson, Bill Connell, Barry Dunstan, Robin Noakes and Lyn Cassar.

Roger Taylor
Chair, Golf Committee

The Rotary Club of Moe wish to acknowledge the following sponsors who contributed to the Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic charity day



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Grant & Di Harrison	Moe Veterinary Centre	Yallourn Golf Club
Ian Grant's Caravans	Noel's Panel Works	



Moe Rotarians, partners, and children at the Xmas Break-Up, held at the Moe RSL



Three 'wise' Rotarians - Rog Taylor, Len Cairns & Barry Dunstan

Important Milestone Approaching!



2024 will be an important year for our club as we will be celebrating our 75th Anniversary on 1 April which is when the club actually received it's Charter from Rotary International