

ROTARY CLUB OF MOE



2024-2025 ANNUAL REPORT

RI President: Stephanie Urchick

District Governor: Colin Byron President: Lyn Cassar

Secretary: Maureen Bishop Treasurer: Diane Wilkinson



Club Committee Structure 2024-2025



BOARD MEMBERS

President Lyn Cassar **Immediate Past President Robin Noakes Maureen Bishop** Secretary Treasurer **Diane Wilkinson Diane Wilkinson** International/Foundation **Community Service Ross Maxfield Vocational/Youth Service Co-ordinator Robin Noakes Elected Member Len Cairns Elected Member Kishor Manani**

CLUB POSITIONS FOR 2024/2025

Club Project Co-ordinators

Rotary Junior Community Awards—Robin Noakes / Roger Taylor
Pride of Workmanship Awards—Roger Taylor / Maureen Bishop
Wheelchair for Kids—Robin Noakes
Youth Programs (RYLA / NYSF) - Roger Taylor
Community Projects—Ross Maxfield / Alan Bishop
MUNA (Club contact) - Diane Wilkinson
Bali 'Adopt a School' Project—Michael Koch
Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic—Roger Taylor / Maureen Bishop

Other Positions

Sergeant – Alan Bishop
Bulletin Editor - Helen MacDonald
Club Property Officers – Ross Maxfield/Alan Bishop
Club Protection Officer – Len Cairns
Historian – Ross Maxfield

Promotions/Media

Facebook -Diane Wilkinson Website—Maureen Bishop





It is with pleasure that I present my 2024-2025 President's Report and I would like to thank everyone for your support over the year from club level to District.

This year's theme, "The Magic of Rotary," has been our inspiration as we've worked to spread the word about Rotary. We have remained dedicated to raising funds for the Wheelchair for Kids Program and contributing to the End Polio campaign, ensuring that our efforts continue to make a meaningful difference. For the President's Project, I chose to continue raising funds for Wheelchair for Kids, ensuring more children gain the gift of mobility.



Rotarian Robin Noakes has now taken on the role of Ambassador for the WFK program in eastern Victoria and has been instrumental in promoting the wheelchair across Rotary clubs and the wider community. Together, Robin and I visited the Warragul Rotary Club to introduce the program, and we were delighted by their generosity in donating a wheelchair to further support this initiative. Rotary Clubs Morwell and Maffra have also purchased a chair each.

As a fund raiser for this project, I hosted an Elvis and Buddy Holly event—a fantastic success that raised enough funds to provide six new chairs. Over the past two years, I am proud to have raised enough money to fund a total of 64 chairs, directly impacting the lives of those in need.

In June 2024, we proudly celebrated our 75th anniversary, combining this special occasion with our annual changeover event. The night was filled with camaraderie as guests, including former Rotarians and their partners, reunited and reminisced with old friends. A highlight of the evening was a captivating slideshow prepared by Robin Noakes, showcasing the rich history of Moe Rotary. To mark the occasion, a group photo was taken, capturing all those in attendance and commemorating this memorable milestone.







During my year as President, I have had the privilege of attending the changeover events of various service clubs. It has been a pleasure to represent our club at the Moe Lions Club, Inner Wheel Club of Moe, Probus Club of Moe, and Probus Club of Newborough. While attending the Newborough changeover I had the honor of inducting incoming President, Val Brien.

In August, Di Wilkinson and I attended the Rotary Gippsland Community Group Workshop at Centenary House. Hosted by Bill Degnan, Rotary Leader of Group 7, the workshop brought together members from various clubs to exchange ideas and explore new ways to strengthen and expand Rotary's impact.

Our club participated in the Yallourn Training and Careers Fair, where we set up a stall to highlight our programs and achievements. Throughout the day, we distributed pamphlets showcasing the projects our club has undertaken, both locally and internationally. Thank you to all the Rotarians who contributed their time and efforts to help promote Rotary on the day.



In October, the Rotary Club of Morwell invited us to attend a special presentation by guest speaker Harry Ballis. His talk, Rediscovering Joice Nankivell-Loch, explored her remarkable contributions to Australia as a journalist and humanitarian worker who worked with refugees.

In November, Foundation Chair, Di Wilkinson and myself went along to Lowanna College to present a cheque for \$1,000 for the Rotary Foundation Student Award. Present to receive the cheque was Acting Principal Julia Niamh and Assistant Principal Michael Lakeman.



We enjoyed many social outings during the year with gatherings at the Moe Thai, Moe Racing Club and a casserole night at the Bishop household. On a second outing to the Moe Racing Club in March we invited members of the Inner Wheel Club of Moe to join us making the evening even more enjoyable.



Our December program was filled with many events, starting with the Pride of Workmanship Awards, followed by the presentation of the John Dwyer Citizenship Award to a deserving Lowanna student.

Later in the month, I had the pleasure of attending the Moe Probus Club Christmas lunch at the Moe Hotel, which was a very enjoyable afternoon.

Before the Christmas break, we were invited to assist St Vinnies in distributing Christmas hampers to families in need across Moe, Newborough and Yallourn North. It was a very rewarding experience, and I extend my sincere thanks to all the Rotarians who generously contributed their time.







Our club decided to celebrate our Christmas breakup differently this year by travelling out to Assaggio del Forna, a quaint Italian Pizza and pasta restaurant, in Coopers Creek, where we enjoyed a fantastic day of fellowship and celebration.

A highlight of the day was the presentation of a certificate to Len Cairns, recognizing his remarkable 25 years of service to Rotary. Over the years, Len has served in various leadership roles, including President and Secretary, as well as chairing multiple committees.



In January 2025, we gathered for our first meeting of the year at the Moe Botanical Gardens, joined by Rotarians and their partners. It was a wonderful opportunity to catch up with fellow members and enjoy each other's company as we embarked on another 6 months of service and fellowship.

That same month, our club was honoured to receive the 2025 Latrobe City Australia Day Award for Community Service of the Year—recognizing 75 years of dedicated service to our community. It was a proud moment as members Maureen Bishop, Alan Bishop, Len Cairns, Roger Taylor, and Bill Connell accompanied me to the award ceremony, where we were nominated alongside eight other outstanding community groups.



The months of February and March saw the golf committee and members working hard organizing the Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic which was held on Monday 25th March. Thanks to all members who contributed to the success of the day which raised over \$21,000. Many sponsors and players stayed behind for a meal and participated in the raffle tickets sales and auction.

In April I attended Manningham City Rotary Club. Their guest speaker on the night was Brother Olly Pickett sharing his stories. Olly is the co-founder of Wheel Chairs for Kids and volunteer factory Manager in Scarborough Western Australia. All the workers are volunteers, and in 27 years they have sent 61 thousand chairs to 80 different countries. Olly is 83 years old now and has been a volunteer for 27 years.





Also in April, members of our club joined me in door-knocking for the Good Friday Appeal.



A huge thank you to Dave Wood for organizing the day and to Roger Taylor, Helen Morrison, Diane Wilkinson, Ross Maxfield and Bill Connell for their efforts in collecting \$525 from our generous community.



Additionally, our club proudly donated an extra \$500 towards the appeal.

On Anzac Day I had the privilege of laying a wreath on behalf of our club at the Yallourn/ Newbourough RSL and Di Wilkinson laid a wreath at Moe RSL.



2025 was a very special year for our club as we celebrated an extraordinary milestone, three of our valued members reaching 50 years of service with the Rotary Club of Moe. David Power reached this milestone on 25th March, Ross Maxfield on 18th May and Julian will celebrate 50 years on 27th October.



To commemorate this wonderful achievement, a celebration was held in May with past and present members invited to attend and share some memories of these three Rotarians.

My highlights during my 12 months as President were celebrating the club's 75 years of Rotary with members and past members; receiving the Latrobe City Australia Day Award for Community Service of the Year; having the opportunity to meet Brother Olly Pickett and celebrating Rotarians Julian Yeatman, Ross Maxfield and David Power 50 years of service to Moe Rotary. What an achievement!

On a final note, I wish to thank the board members, club project coordinators, our Bulletin Editor Helen Mac Donald and Sergeant Alan Bishop. I would like to thank all the Rotarians in our Club for their contributions and involvement during the year.





Community Service Report 2024-2025



Co-ordinator: Ross Maxfield. Assistant Co-ordinator Alan Bishop

This is the first year that we have operated without committees. Now, all Club projects depend on members volunteering their time and efforts where they can. I am pleased to say the response from members for this year's Community Service projects has been excellent.

BBQ for R.T.L.

The first task for the year was to conduct a BBQ at Yallourn W Station on the 6th of August for R.T.L.

The team consisting of Helen MacDonald, Alan Bishop, Maureen Bishop and Lyn Cassar arrived at the main gate at 9.30am and after a brief induction set up the BBQ trailer and began cooking the 80 steaks and 60 sausages supplied. R.T.L. also provided salads and bread and it was set up by the team for a smorgasbord effect.



Thanks to their efforts, a generous \$500 donation was received in support of our club.

Father's Day/Car Show at Old Gippstown



On the 1st of September at 8.30am a team consisting of Len Cairns, Bill Connell, Helen Morrison, Lyn Cassar and Alan Bishop arrived at Old Gippstown to cook egg and bacon sandwiches for the public who attended the show. They sold around 100 egg and bacon sandwiches for \$6.00 each and 6 egg only sandwiches at \$4.00 each earning a nett profit of \$344.25.

Energy Australia W Station R U Okay Day

At the early hour of 5am on the 12th of September the team of Maureen Bishop, Helen MacDonald Lyn Cassar, and Alan Bishop began cooking egg and bacon sandwiches for the workers at W station to hand out as they arrived for their shift to celebrate R U Okay day.

A total of 160 egg and bacon sandwiches were cooked on the morning, all supplied by Energy Australia. For our effort a donation of \$500 was received.





Community Service Report 2024-2025





RJCA Award Presentation Albert Street Primary School

To assist the above presentation on the 13th of November, a team consisting of Lyn Cassar, Helen MacDonald, Helen Morrison, Alan Bishop and Ross Maxfield cooked 80 sausages to feed the Students, Teachers, Parents and Rotarians prior to the Presentations commencing at 5.00pm



RTL Mining and Earthworks Pty Ltd. Yallourn Mine Staff BBQ



At the request of RTL on the 22nd of November our team of Ross Maxfield, Alan Bishop, Helen MacDonald and Lyn Cassar cooked scotch fillet, sausages and onions for 55 personal on site.

A donation of \$300 was received from RTL.

Lifeskills Victoria—Celebrating 40 years with a Pop-up Art Market at Moe

At the invitation of Lifeskills Moe, our team – Helen MacDonald, Ross Maxfield, Diane Wilkinson and Bill Connell supported this event on the 29th of November by cooking sausages in bread.

Our takings for the day were \$88. Less cost of sausages \$34 and site fee of \$20. This left a profit of \$34. Our aim was to support them regardless of cost.





Pride of Workmanship Awards

Held at Old Gippstown on the 2nd of December our team of Alan Bishop, Lyn Cassar, Helen MacDonald and Ross Maxfield supported the awards by cooking sausages and hamburgers to feed 95 attendees, salads and sweets were also provided.

St Vinnies Toy Run

To assist Sandra Demagistris and her team at St Vinnies Moe, on the 20th of December, Ross Maxfield, Suzie Maxfield, Lyn Cassar, Robin Noakes, Kate Noakes, Julian Yeatman, Roger Taylor and Helen Morrison used their cars and assisted by a St Vinnes volunteer, delivered approximately 90 lots of Christmas hampers and bags of toys to families in need throughout Moe, Newborough and Yallourn North areas.



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Energy Australia end of year BBQ

On the 17th of December our team consisting of Alan Bishop, Helen MacDonald, Lyn Cassar, Bill Connell and Ross Maxfield manned our BBQ and an Energy Australia BBQ along with Moe Lions and Morwell Rotary, cooked 1000 hamburgers and 1800 sausages for 1000 workers. For our effort we received a donation of \$750.



Gippsland Water- event at Moondarra Reservoir



Our Club was approached through our website asking if we were prepared to cook a BBQ lunch for 40 people. It was agreed that we would cook butcher's hamburger, sausages and onions and supply knives, forks and bread. Gippsland Water supplied the salads and plates and donated \$300 to our Club.

As this event only required a small team, Ross Maxfield and Lyn Cassar attended.

Botanic Gardens Maintenance

Working Bee

Organised by Alan Bishop a working bee was held on the 3rd March to clean the spouting on both the BBQ shelter and Pash's Pavillion and excess leaves around the Playground area that build up over a period of time. Supporting Alan was Lyn Cassar, Robin Noakes, Roger Taylor.



• Roster for 2024 –2025

As this is a Club responsibility, many members continue to support this on a monthly roster throughout the year.

July – Roger Taylor/Dave Wood
August – Dave Wood/Lyn Cassar
September – Julian Yeatman
October – Ross Maxfield
November – Dave Wood
December – Robin Noakes
January – Alan Bishop
February – Len Cairns
March – Ross Maxfield
April – Ross Maxfield
May – Dave Wood
June – Roger Taylor

Thank you to all of the members who have assisted in the above projects this year.

Ross Maxfield Community Service Co-ordinator

Vocational & Youth Service Report 2024-2025



Rotary Junior Community Award

The 2nd half of 2024 saw the students at Elizabeth Street Primary School (ESPS), Albert Street Primary School (ASPS) and Willow Grove Primary School (WGPS) complete their diaries. School visits were made by several club members to encourage the students in their term 3. The whole club enjoyed presentations from ESPS and ASPS in October.



It was great to see the increased levels of confidence in the kids. This was particularly noticeable in the students from ASPS whose Wheelchairs for Kids fundraiser had been a huge success. (please see report under Wheelchairs for Kids Program).

This team then had the pleasure of reviewing the completed diaries and were able to confirm that 3 students from ESPS, 10 from ASPS and 6 from WGPS had graduated.

Team members attended WGPS for a presentation ceremony, and ESPS and ASPS had a graduation ceremony and sausage sizzle at ASPS school grounds on 11 November 2024.

My thanks go to Roger Taylor, Di Wilkinson, Lyn Cassar, Helen MacDonald and Ross Maxfield for their contributions numerous times through the 2024/2025 program.

In keeping with tradition we invited a number of schools to join the Award program for 2025. Information sessions were made to students at ESPS, WGPS and South Street Primary School. We were pleased that they confirmed participation, plus ASPS, who signed on with an "in school briefing". They didn't need our visit!. In all there are 30 students participating this year.

It is worth reporting that this year is the first for South Street Primary School. They have an enthusiastic staff member, whose daughter did the award years ago, leading the program.

Robin Noakes and Roger Taylor Project Leaders RJCA



Vocational & Youth Service Report 2024-2025



Pride of Workmanship Award

The Rotary Club of Moe, in conjunction with Old Gippstown, conducted yet another highly successful Pride of Workmanship presentation/barbecue dinner at the Heritage Park on 3rd December 2025.

All 13 invitees from 12 local primary schools and Lowanna College were in attendance, along with family, friends, school staff and Moe Rotarians.

Our hard-working Community Service committee members catered for 94, admirably ensuring that both courses were prepared and distributed in a timely manner.

Photo opportunities for the 13 recipients were highly sought after, with the students awarded a framed Pride of Workmanship certificate and \$50 cash.

The evening is a wonderful occasion to showcase Rotary and is so well received by students and their families. Clearly, the teachers of these youngsters also love it.

This year's recipients were:

Jannali Atkinson	Albert St. PS	Jett Lewis	Baringa
Leslie Lesa	Elizabeth St. PS	Cooper Coulthard	Lowanna SC
Soren Brown	Newborough East	Maddison Gorman	Newborough PS
Xavier Carruthers	Rawson PS	Logan Gibbs	South St. PS
Phoenix Stewart	St. Kieran's	Ella Giblett	St. Mary's
Amerayne Wills	Tanjil South	Angus Bowles	Willow Grove
Xavier Kluth	Yallourn North		



John Dwyer Award 2024-25

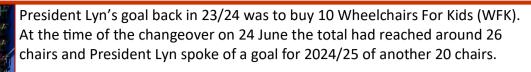
On the evening of Monday 3 December, the Pride of Workmanship Awards also invited the secondary school John Dwyer awardee to become part of the celebratory acknowledgements. Named after one of Moe Rotary's most illustrious members, this year's winner from Lowanna Secondary school was Noah Parkinson. This award was re-presented at Lowanna's Graduation Evening by President Lyn Cassar the following week.

Roger Taylor Coordinator



Wheelchairs for Kids Report 2024-2025





On 26 June Albert St Primary School partnered with the Rotary Club of Moe and had a Wheelathon to launch Lyn's 2nd year.

The day was designed by 12 Rotary Junior Community Award students with activities from face painting, hair braiding, cake stalls and a sausage sizzle, in addition to Wheelchair pushing exercises using 20 demo chairs provided for the day. The result was that, combined with direct donations using a QR code, they raised over \$3950. Enough to buy 14 chairs. For a small school of 130 students this was an incredible achievement.

The Rotary Club of Moe was very proud to have partnered with Albert St Primary School, and thank them for their huge effort. It was a very enjoyable day for the many club members in attendance. Thanks to the endeavours of Rotarian Bryce Eishold, WIN TV were in attendance and aired a news segment that night.

The Rotary Club of Moe was given permission to use this video clip, which has been shared with the Wheelchairs for Kids volunteer team and has been used in promoting the chair throughout Victoria and West Australia. It was recently shown at a function with many Melbourne Rotary Clubs in attendance.

The Latrobe Valley Express had the Wheelathon as front page item on 3rd July 2024.

As a result of Rotarian Robin Noakes' involvement with WFK fund raising efforts, he was invited to join the Victorian WFK volunteer team, making a total of 3 volunteers on the East Coast. On-going promotion of the chair continues through the Latrobe Valley and beyond on behalf of our Clubs project, but more importantly laying foundations for recurrent Rotary support for the chair.



At time of writing this report the aggregate total across the 2 years is 64 chairs, comfortably beating the most recent target of 60. Many thanks to individuals/ organizations and Rotary clubs who have supported the Rotary Club of Moe.

The image on the left border shows 60 chairs and represents 60 changed lives.

Robin Noakes Club Project Coordinator - Rotary Club of Moe Volunteer, Victorian Coordinator Wheelchairs for Kids Australia



International & Foundation Report 2024-2025



In line with the new structure of the Rotary Club, we no longer have formal Committees but rather have programs and activities that sit within the broader Rotary framework. This report relates to activities that the Rotary Club of Moe has undertaken in 2024-25 to support Rotary Foundation and International programs.

Rotary Foundation Student Scholarship

We have continued our strong relationship with Lowanna College through the provision of another Rotary Foundation Student Scholarship. These scholarships, which consist of \$500 contribution from the Rotary Club of Moe and \$500 from Rotary District Foundation Scholarship fund, provide financial assistance to students nominated by the school to help meet some of their educational expenses.



The scholarships are awarded at the discretion of Lowanna College.

As in previous years, a share of the total scholarship funds were provided to a number of students, with a total of four students assisted. Both our Club and Lowanna College are pleased to be able to participate in this program and we consistently receive feedback from the school that funds are much appreciated by both students and their families.

Pictured L to R: Assistant Principal—Michael Lakeman, Foundation Chair - Diane Wilkinson, Rotary Club of Moe President Lyn Cassar and Acting Principal of Lowanna College- Julia Niamh

Rotary Club of Moe "Adopt a School" Project

For many years, the Rotary Club of Moe has been involved in an on-going project titled "Adopt a School" at the Banyuning School in Bali through our International program. Past President Michael Koch is the main contact for our Club in this project and does a lot of work with our local representative in Bali to ensure each of our projects is successfully implemented.



This year, we have undertaken to provide new uniform items of vests and shirts to the students.



Wearing a uniform is compulsory for school attendance and, with many of the families struggling to be able to afford full uniforms for their children, the provision of new uniform items is very much appreciated by students and families.



Our "Adopt a School" project supports a number of Rotary Areas of Focus, primarily **supporting education** through increased attendance.

This project was funded through a District 9815 Foundation Grant of \$1,700, a contribution from the Rotary Club of Moe of \$2000 and generous donations from a number of individuals and businesses.

Sincere thanks to Michael for his continued work and dedication to the "Adopt a School" project at the Banyuning School.

Diane Wilkinson

Chair, International and Foundation Committee



Treasurer's Report 2024–2025



The Rotary Club of Moe operates three separate accounts to manage the Club's finances. The Project Account records income and expenses associated with all service-related activities. The Administration Account is used to monitor and manage income and expenses associated with the Club business operations during the year and the Disaster Fund is maintained at a level that enables the Club to respond directly to disaster situations deemed appropriate during the year. The Disaster Fund is reimbursed from the Project Account whenever such as donation is made to ensure there are sufficient ongoing funds to respond to future events. This year, that represented a donation of \$1,000 to Rotary District 9560 and \$1,000 to Rotary District 9660 in response to the devastating Queensland and New South Wales floods.

Administration Account

The Administration account is utilised to receive annual membership fees and to process additional funds from a range of sources that assist the Club to meet all administration expenses associated with the running of the Club. Significant expense items include Rotary International subscriptions of \$2,906, Rotary District subscriptions of \$2,280, Rotary DownUnder magazine costs of \$856 and the annual costs of over \$650 for the Club Runner program through which the operations of the Club's website, record keeping and internal communication processes are managed.

Project Account

During the year, the Club undertook a number of fundraising activities that provided an income source that enabled the Club to continue to support Rotary programs and Club projects and to make a number of donations to community organisations.

One of the significant activities undertaken this year was the Wheelchairs for Kids event to raise funds for the President's Project. This event raised \$1,531.20, which the Club forwarded to this incredibly important program. In addition, the Club received \$1,446.37 in direct donations from individuals and businesses that were also sent to the WFK program. Other fundraising activities included our annual Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic and holding a number of barbeques in the community. The Club was also successful in obtaining a \$1,700 District Grant for the "Adopt a School" project in Bali and a Foundation Student Scholarship Grant of \$500 which was matched by the Club to provide a \$1,000 scholarship to Lowanna College.

Disbursements and Donations for 2024/25:

Recipient	Program	\$
Gippsland Rotary Centenary House	Donation	5,000
Rotary Foundation	International Project Annual Fund (\$1000 US)	1,560
Rotary International	Polio Plus Contribution (\$1000 US)	1,560
Disaster Fund	Disaster Aid Australia donation	1,000
Rotary District 9560	Queensland – Flood Disaster Fund	1,000
Rotary District 9660	New South Wales - Flood Disaster Fund	2,000
Wheelchairs for Kids	Club donation for purchase of wheelchair	275
Wheelchairs for Kids	Fundraising Event for WFK program	1,531
Wheelchairs for Kids	Direct Donations transferred to WFK program	
Bali School Bunyuning	Purchase of Uniforms – Club contribution	2,000
Lowanna College	Rotary Foundation Student Scholarship – Club contribution	500
Student Awards x 13 Schools	Pride of Workmanship Awards	650
Student Awards x 1	John Dwyer Awards	200
Royal Children's Hospital	Donation – Good Friday Appeal	500
Model United Nations Assembly	MUNA Program Participation Sponsorship	250
	TOTAL	22,222

Diane Wilkinson Treasurer



Golf Committee Report 2024-2025



The Rotary Club of Moe is once again immensely grateful to a variety of people for ensuring the success of the twenty-fifth staging of this wonderful event.

As usual, raffle sales were conducted in the Moe CBD for the 8 weeks leading up to the golf day held at Yallourn Golf Club on March 25th.

108 players, representing 36 teams, competed, with the golf followed by raffles, dinner, an auction of donated goods and services, and the major raffle draw.

Due to the generous support of sponsors, golfers, Rotarians and their families, with catering assisted by the Inner Wheel Club of Moe Ladies, the annual charity fundraiser was extremely successful, raising approximately \$21,000 for distribution amongst local projects.

The raffles and auction were well supported and provided spirited bidding. It was gratifying to witness so many golfers remain after the event to support the fundraising activities. Donors, in particularly, are warmly thanked for their ongoing contributions.

This year's winners were:

<u>Best team—Matt's Mates</u>
Matthew Brewer, Jabe Rogers and Nathan Hayes

Runner Up—LV Funeral Services
Rod Lawn, Rob Smith and Andy Farmer

<u>Third—Do It Rite</u>
Bill Williams, Maria Brien-Williams and Enda Murphy.

<u>Ladies Winners – Family Ties</u> Lyn McAlister, Lola Carter and Evelyn Graske

Our Major Raffle Winners were:

First Prize - \$2000 Bellevue Lakes Entrance Getaway – Gerard Engel Second Prize - \$1000 Moe Betta Home Living – Jackie van de Burgt Third Prize – BlueAnt X51 Speaker (Optus Warragul and Traralgon) – Grant Pettigrew

















Golf Committee Report 2024-2025



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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Soul Pattinson Chemist

The Foot and Ankle Clinic

The Morwell Club

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Triangle Trophy Centre

Twenty20 Tapas

Tyrrell Partners

Warragul and Moe Optical



Programs Report 2024-2025



MONTH	DATE	PROGRAM 2024	GUEST/PRESENTER		
July		Maternal & Child Health Month			
	1	Wrap up of the 75th Anniversary	Roger Taylor		
	8	Social night at the Club—Best Jokes	Roger Taylor		
	15	Board meeting	President Lyn		
	22	Club Assembly	President Lyn		
	29	Social Night at the Moe Racing Club	President Lyn		
August		Membership & New Club Development Month			
5		Person Behind the Badge	Len Cairns, Helen MacDonald		
	12	Bill Degnan, Community Leader of Group 7	Bill Degnan		
	14	Yallourn Training & Careers Day	Maureen Bishop		
	26	Quiz Night	Roger Taylor		
Sept	•	Basic Literacy and Education Month			
-	2	Rotarian Behind the Badge	Julian Yeatman		
	9	"Our Weird English Language"	Len Cairns		
	16	Board Meeting	President Lyn		
	23	Club Assembly	President Lyn		
	30	Social evening—Casserole Night	Maureen and Alan Bishop		
October		Community Economic & Development Month			
	7	Guest Speaker—David Burt, Energy Australia	Maureen Bishop		
	14	World Polio Day presentation	Diane Wilkinson		
21 24		RJCA—Albert St PS students	Robin Noakes		
		RJCA—Willow Grove	Robin Noakes		
	28	RJCA—Elizabeth St PS students	Robin Noakes		
November		Rotary Foundation Month			
	4	Melbourne Cup Eve Celebration	Roger Taylor		
	11	Guest Speaker—Captain Moe Fire Brigade	Liam Bantock		
	13	RJCA Award ceremony at Albert St PS	Robin Noakes		
	18	Board Meeting	President Lyn		
	25	Club Assembly / Foundation presentation	Diane Wilkinson		
December	r	Disease Prevention and Treatment Month			
	2	Pride of Workmanship Award	Roger Taylor		
	15	Christmas Break up—Assaggio del Formo	All members		
	20	St Vinnies Toy Run	All members		









Programs Report 2024-2025



MONTH	DATE	PROGRAM 2025	GUEST/PRESENTER	
January		Vocational Service Month		
	13	Welcome Back BBQ at the Botanic Gardens	All members	
	20	Board Meeting	President Lyn	
	26	Australia Day - Latrobe City Australia Day Awards	All Members	
	27	Public Holiday		
February		Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevented	ention Month	
	3	Aust Day Award feedback, group photo and WFK video presentation	Maureen Bishop Robin Noakes	
	10	Co-ordinators Reports and Golf Update	President Lyn, Roger Taylor	
	17	Social Night at Thai Restaurant	President Lyn	
	24	MUNA Presentation—Chairo College	Zaidee Ludlow-McDermont	
	25	Board Meeting	President Lyn	
March		Water, Sanitation and Hygiene N	/lonth	
	3	Guest speaker	Dene Cairns—WHO	
	10	Labour Day—No meeting		
	17	Golf Update and final preparations	Roger Taylor	
	24	Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic	All members	
	31	Social Night at the Moe Racing Club with partners and the Inner Wheel Club of Moe	President Lyn	
April				
April		Environmental Month		
April	7	Golf Day Review	Roger Taylor	
April	7 14		Roger Taylor PE Len Cairns and PE Alan Bishop	
April	-	Golf Day Review		
April	14	Golf Day Review Allocation of Roles for 2025-2026 year	PE Len Cairns and PE Alan Bishop	
April	14 15	Golf Day Review Allocation of Roles for 2025-2026 year Board Meeting	PE Len Cairns and PE Alan Bishop	
April	14 15 21	Golf Day Review Allocation of Roles for 2025-2026 year Board Meeting Easter Monday—No meeting	PE Len Cairns and PE Alan Bishop President Lyn	
	14 15 21	Golf Day Review Allocation of Roles for 2025-2026 year Board Meeting Easter Monday—No meeting Ross Maxfield 80th Birthday celebration	PE Len Cairns and PE Alan Bishop President Lyn	
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Membership List 2024-2025



MEMBERSHIP as at 30 June, 2025

INDUCTION DATE	ROTARIAN			PARTNER	CLASSIFICATION
21.09.2015	Barry	Daniel		Linda	Honorary Member
05.03.2012	Bishop	Alan	PHF –1	Maureen	Plumbing Services
30.05.2011	Bishop	Maureen	PP, PHF –2	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	Honorary Member
23.10.2017	Eishold	Bryce		Ann	Journalism
09.07.2012	Guo	Shen		Sharlee	Electrical Management
18.01.1982	Hutchinson	John	PP, PHF-1	Norma	Honorary Member
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	Honorary Member
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





Paul Harris Fellows 2024-2025



PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Honouring a Legacy of Service to Rotary and the Community

ROTARIANS

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 Ormond2013 Wendy Farmer1988 Jim McAllister2013 Peter Kingsbury1989 Bob Pugsley2014 Roger Taylor1989 John Leckey2014 Len Cairns1991 Charles Robertson2014 Lyn Cassar

1992 Charles Witts 2015 David Power (Sapphire)

1993 Ross Maxfield 2016 Kishor Manani

1994 Bryon Puddy 2016 Barry Dunstan (Sapphire)

1994 Ben Verschuur1995 David Power2017 Alan Bishop2017 Maureen Bishop

1996 John Hutchinson
 1997 Laurie Huffer
 1998 Julian Yeatman
 2017 Peter Kingsbury (Sapphire 5)
 2018 Ross Maxfield (Sapphire)
 2018 Robin Lesney-Noakes

2000 Evan Platschinda 2018 Helen Morrison

2001 Chris Lampel2018 Diane Wilkinson (Sapphire)2002 Bryon Puddy (Sapphire)2018 Roger Taylor (Sapphire)2003 Ken MacGregor2018 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 2023 Barry Dunstan (Sapphire 2)

2010 John Hutchinson (Sapphire)

COMMUNITY AWARDEES

1999 Max Grubb 2015 Norma Hutchinson

2013 Carmel Cook 2017 Norma Hutchinson (Sapphire)

2014 John Buckton 2020 Sandra Demagistris

2014 Darrell Benjamin



2024-2025 Highlights



Latrobe City Council Australia Day Award 2025 Community Service of the Year - serving the community for 75 years -













Celebrating our 75th Birthday

























Special Milestones & Celebrations







