



ANNUAL REPORT

2019-2020



RI President: Mark Maloney
District 9820 Governor: Adrian Froggatt
President: Helen Morrison
Secretary: Di Harrison
Treasurer: Bryon Puddy



Club Committee Structure 2019-2020



The inaugural meeting of the Rotary Club of Moe, was held on 6 December, 1948.

The club received it's Charter from the Governor's Special Representative, Leonard Trigg, on 1st April, 1949.

BOARD MEMBERS

President	Helen Morrison
President Elect	Di Harrison
Immediate Past President	Peter Kingsbury
Secretary	Di Harrison
Treasurer	Bryon Puddy
Club Administration	Di Harrison
Foundation	Diane Wilkinson
Membership	Alan Bishop
Community Service	Lyn Cassar
International Service	Peter Kingsbury
Vocational/Youth Service	Maureen Bishop
Elected Member	Len Cairns

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Lyn Cassar **(Chair)**
Bill Connell
Ross Maxfield
Dave Wood
Barry Dunstan
Alan Sinnott
Bryon Puddy
Len Cairns
Helen MacDonald

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

Di Harrison **(Chair)**
Helen Morrison (Pres.)
Di Harrison (Sec.)
Bryon Puddy (Treas.)
Robin Noakes (CPO)
Bryce Eishold (Sergeant)
Rog Taylor (Programs)
Len Cairns (Bulletin)
Julian Yeatman (Attendance)
Helen Morrison (Welfare Officer)
Maureen Bishop (Website)
Wendy Farmer (Facebook)
Di Harrison (Publicity)
Shen Guo (Photographer)
Ross Maxfield (Club Historian)
Bill Connell (Major Raffle)

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Peter Kingsbury **(Chair)**
Michael Koch
Bruce Paull
Kishor Manani
Wendy Farmer
John Hutchinson
David Power
Rhonda Crooks
Karen Lucas
Shen Guo

VOCATIONAL & YOUTH SERVICE

Maureen Bishop **(Chair)**
Robin Noakes
Alan Bishop
Di Harrison
Bryce Eishold
Rog Taylor
Julian Yeatman

FOUNDATION

Diane Wilkinson **(Chair)**
Bryon Puddy

MEMBERSHIP

Alan Bishop **(Chair)**
Barry Dunstan
Di Harrison

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Botanic Gardens New Play Space: Maureen & Alan Bishop
Botanic Gardens Beautification Project: Len Cairns



President's Report 2019-2020



What a great privilege it has been for me to be President of the Rotary Club of Moe. This year the Rotary theme was "Rotary Connects the World" and it was my aim for us as a club to Connect within our community.



We have had many opportunities to do this with the Bonfire night in November, Carols by Candlelight in December, cooking sausages for Yallourn Energy and Gippsland Water, planting trees in Newborough, selling soup and coffee for the snow train travellers, volunteering to help with the car parking for the Moe cup and collecting donations for the CFA bushfire appeal at the Moe Race course. Thank you to all who volunteered their time.

Thankyou to the wonderful committee chairs and all the members of this great club for the support you have given me throughout my year as President. Di Harrison as Secretary and Bryon Puddy as Treasurer have done a great job.

It is good to see the playground at the Botanic gardens is near completion. Thanks go to Maureen and Alan Bishop for their passion and patience with this project.

Di Harrison was instrumental in setting up the Interact Club at Lowanna Secondary College and the students are learning about leadership and environmental sustainability. What a thrill it was for me to meet these students and to present them with their leadership badges.



In my year, I was honoured to induct the new President of Inner Wheel club, Gail Hogbin. It was a great night with lots of laughs. I also inducted the Presidents of both Newborough and Moe Probuss clubs.



Our club donated funds to the 1st Newborough Scout Group to go towards a purpose-built trailer to use for their camps. It is good to see these clubs thriving and the kids learning new skills.

Our many youth projects are my highlights as they are our future leaders. Thanks go to Chair Maureen and the Vocational/Youth team for their hard work during the year.

Another great project this year is the Street Library. We had Megan Higginson come to our meeting to talk about putting a street library box in Moe for kids to be able to choose a book to read. The Street Library has been painted by Ester De Boer and will be eventually be installed at the Moe Railway station. Thanks to Di Harrison for over-seeing this project.





President's Report 2019-2020



The Botanic Gardens Beautification project, led by Len Cairns, is a District approved project and we received a matching grant for \$4,000.00. Due to COVID-19, progress has been slow. Thanks for your hard work Len.

I have enjoyed the many activities that our club has done this year including a card night, going out for dinner at Mia's Restaurant and the annual table tennis night at the Bishop's. The many unique speakers were very interesting. Thanks to program director Roger Taylor for all your hard work.



Our first week back for 2020 was a B.B.Q at the Botanic gardens and we invited members from the Rotary Club of Warragul and it was a very relaxing and enjoyable night.

In return several members from our club visited the Rotary Club of Warragul on the 3rd of March to hear a presentation from Prakash Aryal PHF.

Prakash is an executive Director of Hike Himalaya which is a trekking and tour company that provides adventure expeditions throughout Nepal, Tibet, Bhutan and Himalayan India. He is also involved with Rotary International in the fields of education, health and sanitation in the rural parts of Nepal. Prakash received a PHF from Rotary International District 9700 in 2014 due to his dedicated services to Rotary. Prakash spoke about his passion for his country and the work that is done when natural disasters happen. What an inspirational young man, keep up the good work.



The Golf Classic on the 16th March 2020 was a great demonstration of the teamwork that this club has. We were very fortunate to be able to run this and raised more than \$24,000. Special thanks to the members of Inner Wheel for assisting with the catering. Huge thanks to the hard working Golf Committee.

The Rotary Club of Moe has been meeting via Skype since the 23rd of March due to the COVID-19 pandemic and I, along with others, have been missing the face-to-face contact. Many of our programs have had to be cancelled. It's great that we can still keep in contact. Many thanks to Robin Noakes for organising our Skype sessions.

Once again thanks to all the members of the club for your support for me through the year as President.

President Helen Morrison



Secretary's Report 2019-2020



Thank you to the members of the Rotary Club of Moe for the support given to me throughout the year. As incoming President-Elect, taking on the role of Secretary during 2019-2020 provided me with a wonderful opportunity to understand how the club operates: financially, organisationally and culturally.

The job of secretary is demanding and much of the work is administrative in nature. Minutes have been prepared and circulated to Board members post meetings and are available to all club members on our website. This year we have had several Special Board meetings to address various issues that arose, namely the bushfires in East Gippsland, the impact of COVID-19, grant applications, and funding requests.

In response to the coronavirus pandemic, the club decided to move to weekly Skype meetings together with monthly Zoom Board meetings. This has been a positive move for many members as we have continued to maintain contact with each other. Congratulations to all club members for adopting these new communicative measures, however, I do agree, face-to-face communication is the most satisfying.

The Certificate of Currency was completed in July, 2019; the AGM was held on the 25 November; and the Annual Statement was lodged with Consumer Affairs Victoria by 30 December, 2019. Insurance information required by District 9820 for the 2020-2021 Rotary year has been submitted. Important Youth Protection documentation has been filed, together with a list of members who have recently completed a Safe Food Handling course.

Minutes and correspondence have been filed electronically, as well as in portable folders, and will be handed over to the incoming Secretary, PP Maureen Bishop at the Combined Board Meeting. Regarding electronic communication with members, ClubRunner has been the preferred means as past emails can be accessed by the incoming Secretary. A weekly Bulletin has been produced by Len Cairns, which has also been an important means of communication.

There is a need to develop a 'Register of Assets' for our club and many thanks to Alan Bishop and Ross Maxfield who have agreed to follow-up this in 2020-2021 as a matter of urgency. Another important task to complete within the next six months concerns our Club Constitution and By-Laws. This was discussed at Multi-District President Elect Training which I attended in late February, and Diane Wilkinson has volunteered to set up a working group to review our Club Constitution and By-Laws.

A special thank you to President Helen for taking over the preparations for the club Christmas Break-up in mid-December when I was unavailable due to my mother's ill health and subsequent passing.

Planning for Changeover this year was difficult to organise due to social distancing requirements and uncertainty about when large groups could once again meet face-to-face.

In closing my report, it has been a busy year with much to do and adapt to, and I look forward to my new role as Club President, 2020-2021.

PP Di Harrison
Secretary, 2019-2020



Treasurer's Report 2019-2020



Project Account

This account holds funds generated over the year for community allocations, along with accumulated reserves carried forward from year to year. The club does not claim any administrative costs from the Project fund.

The Rotary Club of Moe has raised over \$39,150 this year from fundraising activities, donations and general community support. The major activity, the Rotary Golf Day Classic, raised approximately \$24,700 this year, which was an excellent effort.

Other activities we have participated in this year include: Apex & Lions Bonfire, Carols by Candlelight, Energy Australia BBQ's, Gippsland Water Promotion, Moe Racing Club Cup Day-Car Parking and the Snow Train-Soup & Coffee Stall.

The table below shows an allocation of the funds for the year.

RECIPIENT	PROGRAM	AMOUNT
Gippsland Rotary Centenary House	Fundraising Appeal	5,000
Latrobe Regional Hospital	Fundraising Appeal	5,000
Rotary Foundation	International Projects	2860
Rotary International	Polio Plus	1430
Botanic Gardens New Play Space	Club Project	5,000
Australian Rotary Health	Mental Health Research	500
DG's Partner's Project	Polio Plus	250
Rotary Club of Drouin	GRCH Fence Construction	300
Foundation Crocus Bulb Project	Polio Plus	206
Disaster Aid Australia	Donation	2,000
East Gippsland Rotary Fire Aid	Donation	2,000
Inner Wheel Club of Moe	Golf Day Support	500
Inner Wheel Club of Moe	Toiletries Project	250
Interact	Seeding Grant	325
1st Newborough Scouts	Trailer Project	2,000
Royal Children's Hospital Appeal	Fundraising Appeal	500
Pride of Workmanship Awards	Student Awards	550
John Dwyer Award	Student Award	200
Rotary Junior Community Awards	Student Project	503
RYLA	Leadership Program	899
	TOTAL	\$30,355

The club has donated \$30,355 towards Rotary, Community and International Projects, and includes 33% being donated to Latrobe Regional Hospital & Gippsland Rotary Centenary House, 14.0% to Rotary International Projects, 47% to the Community, and 6% to Youth Programs.



Treasurer's Report 2019-2020



Administration Account

The Administration account controls the members contributions to the club, such as members annual subscriptions, administration fees, fines and donations which are the main sources of income.

The club income to this account was \$7,685. The present membership is 28 with 1 honorary member. Other than normal operating costs, the main expense to the administration account was \$7,590 which was paid to Rotary International, District 9820 for per capita fees and Rotary Down Under for magazines.

This account has been consolidated over the past couple of years, however, due to the yearly increases of fees and costs associated with operating the club from this account, it may be advisable to review the administration account on an annual basis.

I would, on behalf of the club, like express our sincere appreciation to Diane Wilkinson for a job well done while carrying out the duties of Treasurer during my absence in the latter part of 2019.

PDG, PP Bryon Puddy
Treasurer 2019/20



AG Peter Dell, Diane Wilkinson, Treas. Bryon Puddy and Maureen Bishop, Jan 2020, Botanic Gardens BBQ



Attendance Report 2019-2020



Rotarian		Possible	Actual/Make-up	%
Bishop	Alan	33	33	100
Bishop	Maureen	33	33	100
Cairns	Len *	31	31	100
Cassar	Lyn	33	33	100
Connell	Bill	33	33	100
Crooks	Rhonda	33	9	27.27
Dunstan	Barry*	28	28	100
Eishold	Bryce	33	33	100
Farmer	Wendy	33	18	54.54
Guo	Shen	33	23	69.69
Harrison	Di	33	33	100
Hutchinson	John*	33	33	100
Kingsbury	Peter	33	33	100
Koch	Michael	33	33	100
Lucas	Karen	33	22	66.0
MacDonald	Helen	33	19	57.57
Manani	Kishor	33	28	84.84
Maxfield	Ross*	18	18	100
Morrison	Helen	33	33	100
Noakes	Robin	33	27	81.84
Paull	Bruce	33	18	54.54
Power	David*	33	4	12.12
Puddy	Bryon*	33	22	66.0
Sinnott	Alan	33	28	84.84
Taylor	Roger	33	33	100
Wilkinson	Diane	33	33	100
Wood	Dave	33	28	84.84
Yeatman	Julian	33	33	100

* Exempt due to the 85+ Rule

Monthly Meeting Attendance Percentage

July	85.54	Jan	90.42
Aug	81.27	Feb	92.59
Sept	70.25	Mar	92.72
Oct	79.08	Apr	**
Nov	80.20	May	**
Dec	81.74	Year	83.77

** Attendance moved online due to Coronavirus pandemic



Programs Report 2019-20



MONTH	DATE	PROGRAM 2019	GUEST/PRESENTER
July		<i>Introducing President Helen</i>	
	8th	2019-20 Presidential outline and goals	Helen Morrison
	15th	Child & Sexual Abuse presentation; Board Meeting	Jane Barr
	22nd	Club Assembly; Rotarian Behind the Badge	Dave Wood
	29th	Card Night Extravaganza	Julian Yeatman
August		<i>Membership Month</i>	
	5th	Committee Meetings	
	12th	Membership Chair's program (Alan Bishop)	Dist. 9820 David Hanlon
	19th	Scouting – 1 st Newborough Scouts; Board meeting	Andrew Corrigan
	26th	Club Assembly; Rotarian Behind the Badge	Lyn Cassar
September		<i>Literacy Month</i>	
	2nd	Committee Meetings	
	9th	Social – Dinner at Mia's Kitchen	Roger Taylor
	16th	Literacy Theme; Board meeting	Dr. Sue Plowright
	23rd	Club Assembly; Rotarian Behind the Badge	Barry Dunstan
October		<i>Economic & Community Development Month</i>	
	1st	Combined Services Club at Moe Hotel (Lions)	
	14th	Community Development – (Di Harrison)	Arfa Sarfaraz
	21st	Horse Racing in Moe & Regional Victoria; Board Meeting	Lance McMillan
	28th	Club Assembly/World Polio Day/Mental Health	
November		<i>Foundation Month</i>	
	4th	Melbourne Cup Eve/Business Awards Night	Law Somerville (B. Law)
	11th	Social -Royal Freemason's Tour (Opened 2019)	Roger Taylor
	18th	Bali School Visit (22-29 October); Board meeting	Michael Koch and team
	25th	Club Assembly; DG Adrian Froggart's Visit; AGM	
December		<i>Disease Prevention and Treatment Month</i>	
	2nd	Pride of Workmanship at Old Gipps town	Maureen Bishop and team
	9th	LCHS Life Program	Emily Orchard
	16th	Rotary Christmas Party at Moe RSL	Helen Morrison and team
		Holiday recess for 4 weeks	



Programs Report 2019-20



MONTH	DATE	PROGRAM 2020	GUEST/PRESENTER
January		<i>Vocational Service Month</i>	
	20th	Welcome Barbecue at Botanic Gardens Moe	
	20th	Brightening Moe With Art Murals	Steve Bechaz
	27th	Club Assembly	
February		<i>Peace & Conflict Resolution Month</i>	
	3rd	Committee Meetings	
	10th	Know Your Rotary Club Trivia Quiz	Roger Taylor
	17th	Lifeline Morwell; Board Meeting	Warwick Potts
	24th	Club Assembly	
March		<i>Sanitation and Water Month</i>	
	2nd	Interact Presentation and Rotary Golf Classic	Di Harrison/Rog Taylor
	9th	Labour Day – Safe Food Handling Online	R. Noakes organiser
	16th	20th Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic (Yallourn)	Golf Committee & Club
	23rd	Impact of COVID 19 – Skype Online Meeting	R. Noakes moderator
	30th	Skype Online Meeting	
April		<i>Maternal and Child Health Month</i>	
	6th	Skype Online Meeting	
	13th	Skype Online Meeting	
	20th	Skype Online Meeting; Zoom Board Meeting	
	27th	Skype Online Meeting	
May		<i>Youth Service Month</i>	
	4th	Skype Online Meeting	
	11th	Skype Online Meeting	
	18th	Zoom Board Meeting	
	25th	Skype Online Meeting	
June		<i>Rotary Fellowship Month</i>	
	1st	Skype Online Meeting	
	8th	Queen's Birthday – No Rotary	
	15th	Zoom Online Meeting; Zoom Combined Board	
	22nd	Zoom Online Meeting	
	29th	Zoom Online Meeting	
July	6th	<i>Changeover Meeting</i>	



Programs Report 2019-20



Due to COVID-19's impact globally, the Rotary Club of Moe's meetings ground to a halt in late March.

As our Federal and State governments imposed social distancing measures, it quickly became apparent that life as we knew it was about to change significantly. The ensuing period has been horrific across the globe, and its mark will linger for years to come.

In reflection, we were indeed fortunate to finalise the 20th Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic on 16 March, as that became our final physical meeting for the year.

Admittedly, we have continued to meet online, but the fact remains that we all are keenly anticipating meeting together in the same room, and continuing to provide programs which are varied, stimulating, informative and enjoyable.

PP Roger Taylor
Programs Director



Maureen Bishop with Rob Sim



Pres. Helen with Warwick Potts



Pres. Helen with John Buckton



Sec. Di Harrison & Diane Wilkinson



PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS
Honouring a Legacy of Service to Rotary and the Community



ROTARIANS

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

COMMUNITY AWARDEES

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



Membership List 2019-20



MEMBERSHIP as at 31 May, 2020

INDUCTION DATE	ROTARIAN			PARTNER	CLASSIFICATION
21.09.2015	Barry	Daniel		Linda	Honorary Member
05.03.2012	Bishop	Alan	PHF	Maureen	Plumbing Services
30.05.2011	Bishop	Maureen	PHF	Alan	Education Administration
20.12.1999	Cairns	Len	PP, PHF -1	Margaret	Education Tertiary
20.11.2006	Cassar	Lynette	PHF	Eddie	Catering
23.03.2018	Connell	Bill			Education
18.10.2010	Crooks	Rhonda			Development Management
04.05.1998	Dunstan	Barry	PP, PHF	Pam	Education Services
23.10.2017	Eishold	Bryce		Ann	Journalism
11.12.2006	Farmer	Wendy	PP, PHF	Brett	Community Advocacy
09.07.2012	Guo	Shen		Sharlee	Electrical Management
06.04.2010	Harrison	Di	PP, PHF	Grant	Higher Education
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
10.12.2018	Lucas	Karen			OH& S Administration
23.03.2018	MacDonald	Helen	PP, PHF		Administration
03.05.2005	Manani	Kishor	PHF	Reshna	Pharmacy
18.05.1975	Maxfield	Ross	PP, PHF-1	Suzie	Real Estate
05.03.2012	Morrison	Helen	PHF	David	Local Government
10.12.2012	Noakes	Robin	PHF	Kate	Business Management
29.03.1993	Paull	Bruce	PP, PHF		Carpet & Drapes Retail
25.03.1975	Power	David	PP, PHF-1	Jan	Law Practice
31.10.1983	Puddy	Bryon	PP, PDG, PHF-2		Education TAFE
11.12.2000	Sinnott	Alan	PP, PHF	Alison	Electrical Contracting
07.06.2004	Taylor	Roger	PP, PHF-1	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



Vocational Service Report 2019-20



It is with great pleasure that I present the Vocational Service Report for the 2019-2020 year. I wish to commence by thanking my committee for their contribution during my year as Chair of the Vocational Service Committee.

Committee members were: Maureen Bishop (Chair), Alan Bishop, Roger Taylor, Rob-in Noakes, Di Harrison, Bryce Eishold and Julian Yeatman.

ROTARY JUNIOR COMMUNITY AWARDS

This program is now into its 7th year at our club. We commenced in 2014 with one school participating, being Elizabeth Street Primary School. We now engage with four schools and have had 152 students graduate as at the end of 2019.

Highlight of the year was the graduation ceremony which was hosted by Albert Street Primary School. Twenty-nine students received their certificates and enjoyed a BBQ with family and Rotarians.

We commenced 2020 with all four schools participating and members of our club visited each school to provide an information session to students and family members. However, due to schools closures and the unforeseen future, our program for 2020 will be modified to suit the schools and the pressure that teachers, students and family will be enduring over the next few months.



I have contacted all schools and offered our encouragement to continue and at the time of writing my report, all four schools have indicated that they will continue with the program as best as they are able. I have contacted all schools and offered our encouragement to continue and at the time of writing my report, all four schools have indicated that they will continue with the program as best as they are able.

PRIDE OF WORKMANSHIP AWARDS

In December we held our Pride of Workmanship Awards at the Gippsland Heritage Park in Moe.

Twelve students, who were nominated by their respective teachers as being enthusiastic and task driven, attended along with their family members and teachers.

Each student received a certificate and \$50 in recognition for their work throughout the year. Feedback from the event was very favorable and several schools asked for us to attend their final assembly for the year to present the award in order to honor the student in front of their peers.



Thanks to all those who assisted with the night.



Vocational Service Report 2019-20



JOHN DWYER CITIZENSHIP AWARD

This award was presented to Ashlyn Levy from Lowanna Secondary College. Ashlyn was nominated for the award for her leadership and citizenship within her local school and community.

Our club invited Ashlyn to our Pride of Workmanship award night and we were delighted to present her with this award. We again attended Lowanna's first formal assembly in 2020 to present Ashlyn with her award in front of her school community.

INTERACT

Under the guidance of Secretary and PE Di Harrison, the Interact Club of Lowanna College was established in July 2019 and officially chartered by Rotary International on 28th August 2019. It is a

school based club and Di, being the Interact Advisor, worked with Judy Stewart, a teacher at the school, to coordinate the program.



The Interact Club of Lowanna is led by a President, Secretary, Treasurer, and PR Officer. These office bearers were presented with Certificates of Recognition at our Pride of Workmanship Awards night held in December.

In March 2020, our club presented the official Certificate of Organization to the Principal of Lowanna College, Adam Hogan.

RYLA

In 2019 the RYLA program moved from a two and a half day program to a six day program which also incorporated the participant undertaking a Certificate IV in Business.

Our 2018-19 participant, Brad Graham, was given the opportunity of participating in the 2019-20 RYLA Program in the role of a Leader. Our club again was pleased to sponsor Brad and support him in achieving his Certificate IV in Business.

We had invited Brad to come along to our club in May to provide a report to the club on his experiences, however, due to the restrictions brought on by COVID-19, all meetings were postponed. We hope to catch up with Brad later in the year.





Vocational Committee Report 2019-20



VOCATIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARD

In 2019 our club was pleased to present their annual Vocational Business Award to Brad Law from Law Somerville Industries Pty Ltd.



Brad typifies what our community looks for when determining an appropriate local community business to honor. He has actively supported football and cricket in Moe, as a player, administrator and sponsor.

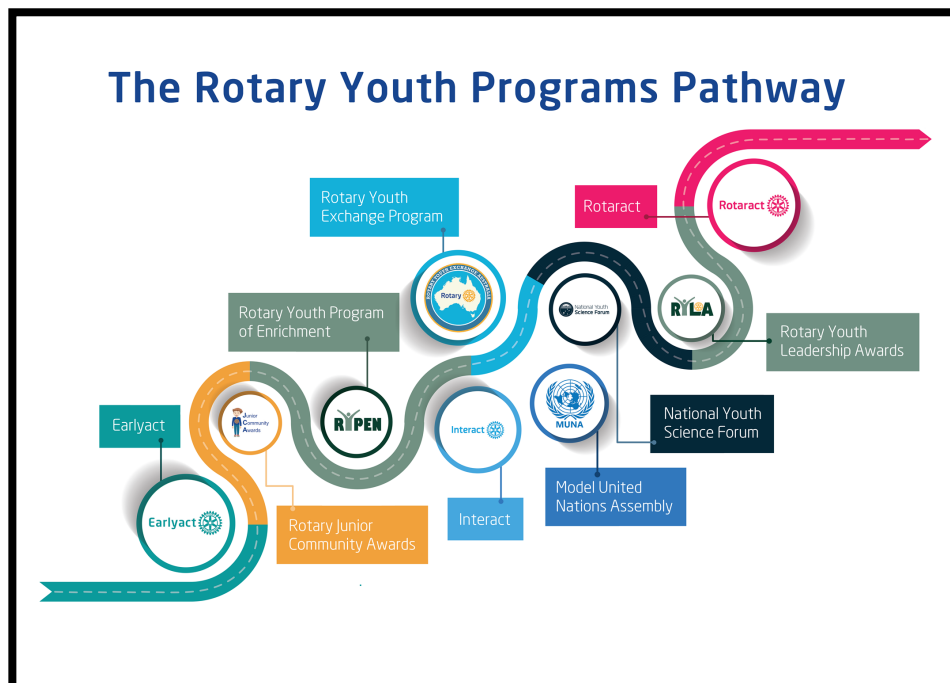
He is a life member of the Moe Racing Club having served on the committee for well over 20 years.

Brad was thrilled to receive this award in recognition of his efforts to raise the profile of the Moe business community.

Again, I thank my committee or their assistance throughout the year and also thanks to all members who have helped with our Vocational Service events. I will hand over the role to Robin Noakes and wish him all the best for a successful and exciting year.

PP Maureen Bishop

Chair, Vocational and Youth Services Committee





International Service Report 2019-20



Committee members:

Peter Kingsbury (**Chair**), Michael Koch, Diane Wilkinson, Kishor Manani, Shen Guo, Karen Lucas, John Hutchinson, Bruce Paull, Wendy Farmer, Rhonda Crooks & David Power.

The year started off with great hope and enthusiasm and ended with a whimper.

Michael Koch, Len Cairns and in-coming President, Di Harrison, went off to visit our school project in Amed on the North East tip of the Indonesian island of Bali in late October.

At the Bunutan No. 3 school, this intrepid group of Moe Rotarians arranged fixing the plumbing that is a perennial problem for this school, and distributed approximately 600 school uniforms for a total cost of \$2,200.00. Most of this amount was funded with external donations specifically earmarked for this project.

We, the committee, had hoped to hear more about the Rotary International conference to be held in Melbourne in 2023; however Covid-19 put a stop to all communication. Likewise, our hopes of bras for Pacific countries, and toilet and ablution blocks for the Indian subcontinent, all had to be postponed until next year.

We did come up with draft guidelines for the conduct of overseas projects. They embody most of Rotary International guidelines to be found on the Rotary International website and incorporate the six areas of Rotary International utmost importance.

The committee has investigated the donation of a sky hydrant to Disaster Aid Australia to be used in Timor-Leste or Bhutan.

2020-2021 will be less disrupted by Covid-19 but will not be easy to conduct international travel due to quarantine restrictions.

In the meantime, our close relations with Bali and our sister-city, Rotary Club Takasago Seisho, will be conducted by Facebook, Skype, Zoom and the Internet.

PP Peter Kingsbury

Chair, International Services Committee





Community Service Report 2019-20



COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Lyn Cassar (**Chair**), Bill Connell, Barry Dunstan, Helen MacDonald, Dave Wood, Ross Maxfield, Bryon Puddy, Len Cairns, and Alan Sinnott.

My time as Chair for the Community Service Committee has been very rewarding. I would like to thank all my committee members, and other club members, who participated in helping us with our various events throughout the year.

SNOW TRAIN

Our first event for our committee was the snow train. V/Line approached our club again to supply soup and tea/coffee over two weekends as these weekends were very cold. I would like to thank all of those Rotarians that helped on these days. Also I would like to thank Maureen Bishop, Helen MacDonald, Helen Morrison and Susie Maxfield for supplying soup.

MOE CUP DAY

Our club was approached by the Moe Racing Club again to assist with car parking on Moe Cup Day. In return they donated \$500 to the club. I would like to thank all the people that helped on the day.

EASTERN ENERGY MEMORIAL BBQ

Eastern Energy was having a tree planting day as a memorial for one of their colleagues. They approached the club and asked if we would do the BBQ for them. Thank you to Dave Wood, Bill Connell, Helen Morrison for their help on the day.

MOE COMMUNITY BONFIRE

Moe Rotary supported the Apex/Lions bonfire night. We assisted by selling the tickets for food for a very busy night. We had a great response from our Rotarians. Thank you to all those who attended.

PRIDE OF WORKMANSHIP AWARD

Our committee and other Rotarians assisted with the cooking for the Pride of Workmanship Awards. I'd like to thank all those people that helped on the night.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

The *Carols by Candlelight* was held at the Moe Racing Club again this year. This year they were down on numbers due to the extreme heat on the day. Thanks to those who slaved over a hot BBQ that night. Profit for night was \$552.

GIPPSLAND WATER PROMOTION

On return to 2020, we were approached by Gippsland Water to do a BBQ. This was to promote tap water and how you can refill your water bottles from businesses, instead of buying it and by doing this it will reduce landfill.



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SHAKE A CAN DAY

In February, Moe Racing Club approached the club to help with *Shake A Can* day at the races. It was also a Family Day where everything was gold coin donation. All proceeds were going to all the local fire brigades. On the day they took \$7,000 and this included sales of t-shirts and caps. This was our last event for the year.

Again, many thanks to Rotarians and partners for all their help throughout the year.

Rtn. Lyn Cassar

Chair, Community Service Committee



Bill Connell, Lyn Cassar, Pres. Helen Morrison & Dave Wood



Di Harrison & Lyn Cassar



Foundation Report 2019-20



The Foundation Committee of the Rotary Club of Moe consisted of Bryon Puddy and myself. Although small in number, the Foundation Committee has undertaken various activities to promote Foundation projects throughout the year and to support the allocation of funds to the Rotary Foundation. During 2019/2020 the Rotary Club of Moe contributed \$4,320.00 consisting of \$2,860 for International Projects (Annual Fund) and \$1,430.00 to Polio Plus. In addition to the activities outlined below, we have also promoted the Foundation Areas of Focus in the appropriate month during the year.

Rotary Club of Moe Website:

Bryon updated the information on the club website to provide additional information on the History of Foundation, the areas of focus, the role of Rotarians in supporting Foundation, the Centurion Program information and the End Polio Now campaign.

World Polio Day:

We promoted World Polio Day on 24th October in the commercial area of the town by erecting the End Polio Now and Moe Rotary Club banners, a small stall displaying information brochures and having discussions with members of the community about the importance of the global vaccination program to continue to work towards the elimination of this insidious disease.



Shen Guo & Di Wilkinson

Foundation Month - November:

As Foundation Chair, I gave a presentation to the club in November outlining how the Rotary Foundation undertakes to achieve its Mission throughout the World: the two main areas of support through the Annual Program Fund and the Permanent Fund, the Foundation Programs and the contributions made by the Club to foundation over the years. As at 2019, this had amounted to AU \$108,100 (US \$77,215). The club has made a total of 62 Paul Harris Fellow presentations, consisting of 56 club members and 6 community members.

Major Donor Award:

On 25th November, District Governor 9820 Adrian Froggatt attended the Rotary Club of Moe to make a Major Donor presentation to Past President Peter Kingsbury in recognition of his contributions to Polio Plus.

The Rotary Foundation recognizes individuals or couples whose combined giving has reached \$10,000, regardless of the gift designation. This recognition can be achieved only through personal contributions and not through recognition points. Major Donors are listed in the Major Donor, Arch Klumph Society and Bequest Society Report.

Warmest congratulations to PP Peter Kingsbury on this incredible achievement.



Adrian Froggatt & Peter Kingsbury



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The following is an excerpt from DG Adrian Froggatt's presentation:

"As a founding partner of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative Rotary has helped reduce polio cases by 99.9 percent since the global scheme began. Understanding the distance we have come, and the efforts made, places a real context on the outstanding effort Peter Kingsbury has made through his many personal contributions to the End Polio campaign. We would like to congratulate Peter on his humble yet very strong philanthropic nature, his imagination has been caught by the enormity of what has been undertaken and achieved so far ending Polio. On behalf of the children of the world we congratulate Peter for his selfless and very generous effort."

DG Partner Project:

During DG Adrian & Wendy Froggatt's visit to the club, we also took the opportunity to present a cheque for \$200 to Wendy for her DG Partner Project, "Polio, the End Game" which supports the global End Polio Now campaign. This year's DG Partner Project acknowledges that *"what clubs do already towards eradicating polio is highly valued, however clubs are encouraged to do a little bit extra for the 'Endgame'. Now is the hardest part of our work towards eradicating polio, that final push."*

Rotary Foundation Student Scholarships:

The Rotary Club of Moe was successful in applying for a Rotary Foundation Student Scholarship Grant. The primary purpose of the Grant is to provide support for financially disadvantaged secondary students, or students about to enter secondary school, to encourage them to more fully participate in the normal school curriculum. We were very pleased to be able to form a partnership with Lowanna College to be able to distribute a total of \$1000 in scholarship funds. Four students were each assisted with a grant of \$250 to enable them to purchase a computer through the school's Year 7 laptop program, which will greatly assist them with their secondary school education. Lowanna College Assistant Principal, Trevor Cox, advised that all four families were very appreciative of Rotary's support through this scholarship program.



Diane Wilkinson & Trevor Cox

Purple Crocus Project:

In February 2020, the Foundation Committee undertook a 'mini fundraising project' for Polio Plus through the sale of purple crocus bulbs. These purple bulbs represent the purple dye used to mark the little finger of children who have been vaccinated in endemic countries. Millions of children across the world now know that a freshly painted purple pinkie means freedom from Polio.



As this was the first time the Committee had undertaken this project, we decided to be relatively conservative in our expectations, purchasing 500 bulbs. Bryon and I then packaged the bulbs into packs of 5 which were sold at \$5 per pack.



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The bulbs were ordered and received just before the Covid-19 pandemic and the subsequent social distancing measures which came into force during the roll-out of this project.

As a consequence, arrangements were made to enable on-line payments and subsequent delivery of orders in line with these restrictions and we were very pleased that all 500 bulbs were sold. This provided us with net proceeds of just over \$200 from the project.

Bulbs were purchased by Rotarians and friends/family of Rotarians and we are very grateful for the support received which made this project a success. We look forward to hearing about and seeing little patches of purple crocus in many gardens when the bulbs bloom in Spring.



PP Diane Wilkinson
Chair, Foundation Committee





Membership Report 2019-2020



The membership committee for 2019-2020 comprised of Barry Dunstan, Di Harrison and myself, Alan Bishop, as the Chair.

We have member numbers currently sitting at 28, a strong and bold club at hand, but some new BLOOD would be encouraging.

Our club continues to have difficulty attracting new members. In the early parts of 19/20 year, it was encouraging to hand out some membership booklets and then follow up emails and phone calls but did not produce any fruit.

The District Membership Chair, David Hanlon, visited our club in August 2019. He relayed to our club the concern to Membership is a world wide problem. New membership approaches seem to have many directions and priorities. 1/ How to plan change; and 2/ How to succeed to manage it. We need to keep trying.

In 2020-2021, there will be planning discussions in regards to establishing a satellite club. Di Harrison and myself will remain on the membership committee and we will be joined by Peter Kingsbury. It is hoped that by having some continuity of committee members that planning to build our membership base will be effective and result in new members, who can contribute their skills to our club, will join us.

The news that we have a partnership with Toastmasters International may also provide us with leverage to interest potential new members. This too, will be explored further in a bid to draw new members to our club.

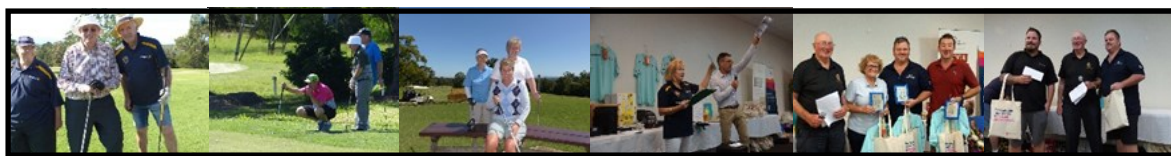
The other important aspect in regard to membership is keeping a focus on online communications. This may be attractive to potential new members who are a bit time poor but would like to be involved with our Rotary Club.

Rtn. Alan Bishop
Chair, Membership Committee





Golf Committee Report 2019-20



At its 20th staging, our GRGC was once again an outstanding success. Bill Connell's raffle sales team sold tickets at Woolworths and K Mart for 8 weeks prior to the event, achieving a fine result. Although sponsorship is increasingly difficult to come by, we are truly grateful for the support provided by the business, retail and corporate community, together with widespread support from the golfers themselves.

Pleasingly, the brilliant autumn weather was ideal for golf, and a full field of 108 players had registered for the event, although a small number pulled out on the day. However, our good fortune would have been replaced by dismay if the event was conducted the following week, (our original date), as the full impact of the coronavirus would have necessitated a cancellation. As it turned out, this function was the last gathering of Moe Rotarians for the 2019-20 year.

The core committee comprised Alan and Maureen Bishop, John Hutchinson, Len Cairns, Robin Noakes and Roger Taylor, and was supported by other major players as required. The successful evening program included the post-match dinner, raffles, auctions and giveaways. Our Inner Wheel friends did a wonderful job of catering for 120 or so diners. Importantly, club members did a fine job of ensuring that the evening program ran fluently.

One of our generous sponsors submitted the winning score, and we congratulate Arnold van Breda who headed up the Harvey Norman victorious team. The Claude Staff trophy was nabbed by one of the Traralgon Central teams and the ladies' event was also keenly contested.

During the presentations to the prize-winners, our committee thought it appropriate to acknowledge the outstanding contribution made by John and Norma Hutchinson over the past 20 years. Their vision, dedication and networking have significantly impacted the success of this major fundraising venture.

The final amount for distribution amongst local projects is \$24,430, a figure which excludes approximately \$1700 of outstanding commitments, and there is no doubt that some of our small businesses have been seriously affected by closing down due to COVID-19. We wish them well in the future.

Thanks once again to our wonderful major sponsors. Well done Peter Kingsbury (Gippsland Dental Group), Shen Guo (Moe Betta Home Living) and Michael Koch (Yes Optus Mid Valley). Rotarians all!

Roger Taylor (Golf Committee Coordinator)





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