

ROTARY CLUB OF MOE

ANNUAL REPORT 2020-2021





RI President: Holger Knaack

District 9820 Governor: Mark Humphries

President: Di Harrison

Secretary: Maureen Bishop

Treasurer: Helen MacDonald / Bryon Puddy



Club Committee Structure 2020-2021



BOARD MEMBERS

President Di Harrison
President Elect Di Harrison
Immediate Past President Helen Morrison

Secretary Maureen Bishop

Treasurer Helen MacDonald (1/7/20—18/3/21)
Treasurer Bryon Puddy (20/4/21—30/6/21)

Club Administration Alan Bishop

Membership Peter Kingsbury (1/7/20—17/2/21)

Community Service Bill Connell

International/Foundation Service Diane Wilkinson
Vocational/Youth Service Robin Noakes

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Bill Connell (Chair)

Ross Maxfield
Alan Bishop
Lyn Cassar
Dave Wood
Barry Dunstan
Alan Sinnott
Len Cairns
Helen MacDonald

VOCATIONAL & YOUTH SERVICE

Julian Yeatman

Robin Noakes (Chair)
Maureen Bishop
Di Harrison
Bryce Eishold
Rog Taylor
Karen Lucas
Helen Morrison

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

Alan Bishop (Chair)
Di Harrison (Pres./Publicity)
Helen MacDonald (Treas.)
Maureen Bishop (Sec/Webmaster)
Rog Taylor (Programs)
Len Cairns (CPO)
Shen Guo (Attendance)
Helen Morrison (Welfare Officer)
Ross Maxfield (Club Historian)
Kishor Manani (Bulletin)
Bryce Eishold (FB/Social)
Robin Noakes (Zoom)

INTERNATIONAL/ FOUNDATION SERVICE

Diane Wilkinson (Chair)

Bryon Puddy

Michael Koch

Peter Kingsbury

Bruce Paull

Kishor Manani

John Hutchinson

David Power

Rhonda Crooks

MEMBERSHIP

Peter Kingsbury **(Chair)** Alan Bishop Di Harrison

SPECIAL ONGOING PROJECT

Botanic Gardens Beautification Project: - Len Cairns





It is a pleasure for me to present my 2020-2021 President's Report. This year's theme 'Rotary Opens Opportunities' was inspiring. Rotary International President, Holger Knaack, encouraged Rotarians to "seize the many opportunities Rotary offers to enrich their lives and the communities they serve' as 'everything we do, opens another opportunity for someone, somewhere'. Considering the challenges faced during the COVID-19 pandemic, opportunities did arise for Moe Rotarians to do just as Holger had hoped.

As Club President, initially I was very uncertain about the future. We had just held our Changeover online and it felt very strange. I wondered if members would continue to engage online. Would we ever resume our 'normal' Rotary meetings at the RSL?

The implementation of restrictions state-wide to prevent the spread of the virus made it difficult for Moe Rotarians to carry out community service work or even to have regular face-to-face meetings. My immediate goals were to ensure high levels of engagement with members continued and opportunities to serve, once the lockdown was eased, were identified.

Thankfully, members adapted to online meetings and when we could finally meet face-to -face, it was wonderful! But we had to wait until late November for that to happen.

It has been a year like no other with uncertainty being a consistent theme. Planning for any occasion, event, or activity was prone to last minutes changes and required members to be flexible and adaptable. I sincerely congratulate Rotarians who undertook leadership positions and club roles. Your support was very much needed during the year.

Sincere thanks to Roger Taylor, (Program Coordinator), for going above and beyond to secure quality guest speakers for our Zoom online meetings and then later, face-to-face at the Moe Hotel. Many discussions have been had with Rog to problem solve and take a different course where needed.

I express much gratitude to our Committee Chairs – Robin Noakes, and Acting Chair, Bryce Eishold (Youth/Vocation Service), Diane Wilkinson, (International/Foundation Service), Bill Connell (Community Service), Alan Bishop (Club Administration), and Peter Kingsbury (Membership). Our club cannot function without volunteers and so time given to serving Rotary is much appreciated. Thank you for accepting key leadership roles and input into important decisions at Board level.

Fireside committee meetings have been held regularly during the year, sometimes via Zoom and sometimes face-to-face, depending on the needs of committee members. Even though there have been barriers to our normal club activities, Moe Rotarians have still managed to find doors to 'open opportunities' to make a difference in our local community and, further afield, in the international community. The activities of the club are detailed more fully in the Committee Chair reports.





I note the wonderful support of Robin Noakes as the club's 'Zoom Moderator'. This was an extremely important role to promote member engagement and maintain clear and effective communication between Rotarians. Through his support and generous nature, members gained technological skills to manage Zoom and adapted to a new virtual meeting format.

Alan Bishop, in the role of Sargeant-at-Arms, managed to keep us all in line during our Zoom meetings, and later, in our 'usual' Rotary meetings. Great job Alan and thank you.

I also acknowledge Helen MacDonald's contribution as Club Treasurer. The task of moving the club bank accounts from one institution to another, as well as setting up online banking, was an important achievement. Due to Helen wishing to take an extended leave of absence for personal reasons, Bryon Puddy assumed the role of Treasurer from mid-April and remained in that role until the end of the financial year. I thank Bryon for stepping up when needed.

I express my genuine thanks to our diligent and multi-talented Club Secretary, Maureen Bishop. Her administrative abilities have ensured high levels of communication between members of the Board, Moe Rotarians, and District 9820.

Maureen deserves many accolades for her willingness to serve the Rotary Club of Moe and she fulfilled important roles: club secretary, webmaster of our Club Runner webpage; administrative support for the Youth/Vocational committee; and secretary of the Golf Committee. I am also extremely grateful she has agreed to continue her secretarial role in 2021-2022.

Now a review of highlights achieved during the year:

- ◆ The Annual Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic day held in March was a huge success, and together with major raffle ticket sales, raised \$21,500.00. A mighty effort by Chair, Rog Taylor and key committee members, Maureen Bishop and Alan Bishop.
- Presentation of Service Certificates to Moe Rotarians who achieved important milestones: Julian Yeatman (45 years); Dave Wood (30 years); Alan Sinnott (20 years), and Peter Kingsbury (10 years).
- Being chosen by Mayor Cr. Sharon Gibson as the 'Mayor's Community Champion' and recognised for the advocacy efforts of Rotarians which resulted in the Adventure Playground being built in the Moe Botanic Gardens. The playground was officially opened in early July, without any fanfare due to COVID restrictions.



 Support for the Rotary Club of Traralgon's 'Youth Mental Health First Aid' program. I acknowledge Len Cairns' efforts to promote the two-day course within Moe-Newborough and for participating in the program.





- A successful Latrobe City Council 'Minor Equipment' grant to purchase a portable defibrillator, valued at \$2,400.00. I appreciate Barry Dunstan's attention to detail involved in the preparation and submission of this grant.
- A financial contribution to the Newborough East Primary School for their proposed 'Fairy Garden', and the purchase of a garden arch and four children's wheelbarrows
- Students from two schools: Albert Street Primary and Elizabeth Street Primary, provided an update on their Rotary Junior Community Awards (RJCA) via Zoom. I express much appreciation to Robin Noakes for supporting school RJCA program coordinators so these events could be held virtually.
- ◆ An upgrade to the small rotunda in the Botanic Gardens by a keen team from Community Service Committee − Alan Bishop, Len Cairns and Bill Connell.
- ◆ The approval and presentation of a Low-Level District 9820 Student Scholarship for students at Lowanna College. Thanks to Diane Wilkinson for initiating this important scholarship opportunity.
- Weekly Club Bulletins published by Kishor Manani (Editor) kept Rotarians well-informed of club activities and were much appreciated by all.
- Participation in the annual 'Table Tennis Tournament' hosted by Maureen and Alan Bishop in February. Always a fabulous night of fun and frivolity!
- ◆ Important club documents, Club Constitution and By-Laws, were revised and updated and then formally approved by Rotarians. Much credit is due to members of the Working Party: Bryon Puddy, Len Cairns, and Peter Kingsbury, who volunteered to complete this important task led by Diane Wilkinson.
- Placement of club pull-up banners in a vacant shop front in George Street, Moe to publicise club activities and Rotary in general. I am pleased Rob Sim (John Kerr & Associates Real Estate) happily supported this promotional activity.
- Participation in the Latrobe Regional Hospital 'Virtual Run/Walk' event. Seven keen Rotarians raised \$360.00 and enjoyed a lovely walk along the Moe-Newborough Rail Trail.
- A \$500.00 donation to the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal. Thankyou Dave Wood for your enthusiasm and desire to assist with the Appeal.
- Induction of President David Adams, (Probus Club of Newborough), on 1 March, and later, President Graham Goulding, (Probus Club of Moe), on 17 March.













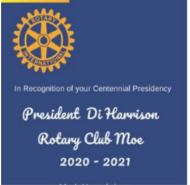
- ◆ A combined project by the Rotary Club of Morwell and the Rotary Club of Moe resulted in a District grant being received for Gippsland Rotary Centenary House. A much-needed elevating work platform was purchased. Thank you to Diane Wilkinson for overseeing this joint activity.
- The compilation of a 'Register of Assets' of items belonging to the Rotary Club. To Ross Maxfield, Alan Bishop, Bill Connell, and Robin Noakes for undertaking this important task, Bravo!
- A District-approved Botanic Gardens Beautification Garden Bed project was completed by Len Cairns with support from fellow members of the Community Committee.
- Youth/Vocational committee members presented 'Pride of Workmanship' Awards at local schools, due to the inability to hold the usual event at Old Gippstown. A great effort.

On a sad note, I would like to acknowledge the passing of two former Rotarians: Dr Chris Lampel and Jim McAllister. Both served the club and local communities selflessly and on behalf of Moe Rotarians, condolences were extended to the members of the Lampel and McAllister families.

Finally, I would like to recognise all Rotarians in our club for their contributions and involvement this year. It has been a privilege to lead and serve the Rotary Club of Moe and I thank you all for your trust and support during a somewhat challenging year at the helm.

I now prepare to lead the club into the 2021-2022 Rotary year and 'Serve to Change Lives' as urged by the Incoming Rotary International President, Shekhar Mehta.

Di Harrison **President** 2020-2021









Treasurer's Report 2020-2021



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 experienced a difficult year with respect to raising funds for the community. The COVID pandemic has impacted on the ability of the Club to be involved in various activities normally on the community calendar, thus restricting the opportunity to offer our services and subsequently limiting the final distribution of Club funds that generally benefit the community.

The Club was, however, extremely fortunate to conduct their major activity, the Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic, raising the magnificent total of approximately \$21,500. This was largely due to the concerted efforts of Club members and volunteers who worked to ensure the event was a success.

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

Recipient	Program	Amount
Gippsland Rotary Centenary House	Fundraising Appeal	5000
Latrobe Regional Hospital	Fundraising	3000
Rotary Foundation	International Projects	2580
Rotary International	Polio Plus	1290
Australian Rotary Health	Donation	243
DG's Partner Project	Rotary Against Malaria (Vanuatu)	300
Disaster Aid Australia	Donation	2000
Gippsland Anglicare Foster Care	Donation	1500
Gippsland Christian Church Food Truck	Donation	1500
Inner Wheel Club of Moe	Golf Day Support	500
Moe Life Skills Drama Camp	Donation	1500
Newborough Primary School	Garden project	399
Rotary Against Malaria	Donation	500
Rotary Foundation (Polio Plus)	Bulb Project	535
Rotary Foundation (Club Contribution)	Lowanna College Scholarship	500
Rotary Club of Warragul	Vanuatu Project	350
Royal Children's Hospital	Fundraising Appeal	500
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John Dwyer	Student Award	200
Pride of Workmanship Awards	Student Awards	700
Rotary Junior Community Awards	Student Awards	456
		\$23,553



Treasurer's Report 2020-2021



The Club has donated \$23,553 towards Rotary, Community and International Projects, and includes 34% being donated to Latrobe Regional Hospital & Gippsland Rotary Centenary House, 6% to Youth Programs, 16.0% to Rotary International Projects and 44% to the Community as shown above.

Administration Account.

The Administration account controls the member contributions to the Club. The COVID pandemic has necessitated a change of operation within the club and our normal face to face meetings were instead conducted online. Given the varied impacts from COVID our Member Annual Subscriptions, Fines and Donations became the main source of financial income, thus resulting in Administration Expenses exceeding our income for the year.

The Club's Income of this account was \$6933. The present membership is 27 with 1 Honorary member. Other than normal operating costs, the main expense to the Administration Account was \$7334 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 ever yearly increases of fees and costs associated with operating the Club from this account, it is advisable to review the Administration account on an annual basis.

I would, on behalf of the Club, like express our appreciation to Helen MacDonald for carrying out the duties of Treasurer, during the year.

Bryon Puddy Treasurer 2020/21









Vocational Service Report 2020-21



The 2020/21 year was beset with limitations due to COVID-19 restrictions. This did not prevent us from giving it our best shot, and our resolve was to do the best we could for those projects where schools were willing to give it a go.

Rotary Junior Community Awards 2020

Earlier in February 2020, four schools had joined the Rotary Junior Community Award program, but by mid-winter 2020 only two remained in the program - Albert Street Primary School and Elizabeth Street Primary School.

It was not possible for the students to give a face-to-face presentation to the club, so it was arranged that they would give ZOOM reports to a bunch of those Rotarians able to log in mid-afternoon.

What a delight!. The reports from the students were funny, entertaining and revealed how creative the students and schools had been in keeping the program alive during periods of remote learning.

By December 2020 the Vocational Committee had reviewed and assessed the diaries of those students who had attempted the program. Of those, five students graduated from Elizabeth Street Primary School, and seven from Albert St. Primary School.

Club members had the honour of being invited to graduation ceremonies at both schools to present award certificates. Staff, students and Rotary members thoroughly enjoyed these events.





MUNA 2021

The District 9820 MUNA committee decided to run an online activity due to complications and restrictions of the COVID-19 pandemic.

MUNA stands for Model United Nationals Assembly and is a Rotary-designed program to create awareness of the role of the United Nations.

Club President, Di Harrison, (current Chair of the District 9820 MUNA committee) is seeking support from Lowanna College to encourage student participation in the MUNA 2021 online activity.



Vocational Service Report 2020-21



Pride of Workmanship

In a similar manner, the COVID-19 restrictions prevented the club from having its annual Pride of Workmanship event at Old Gippstown. However we tailored individual solutions to meet the needs of each school, and applied a range of presentation methods ranging from attending schools to make a special presentation to just dropping the certificate off.

Suffice it to say the club managed to achieve as much recognition of the award as was practical under varying COVID-19 restrictions. The John Dwyer Award was dropped of to Lowanna for an in-house presentation.



Vocational Excellence Awards

Given the challenging circumstances schools were faced during the latter part of 2020 and early stages of 2021 due to the pandemic, the club decided it would tailor its Business Excellence Awards towards schools, renaming them the Vocational Excellence Awards in 2021.

Twelve schools were approached by Bryce who asked them to nominate a teacher or school helper that went above and beyond during COVID-19 to help students.

The Rotary Club of Moe received four nominations from Newborough East, Newborough, South Street and Tanjil South primary schools. The club accepted the four nominations and presentations were made to the recipients in early June.

Interact

Due to the pandemic, Interact was restarted in February 2021 at Lowanna College but the future of this program is in doubt.

In closing

Without the great support from fellow committee members and other club members, none of the above would have happened. I greatly value their support and encouragement.

Robin Noakes - Chair and Bryce Eishold - Co Chair Vocational and Youth Services Committee



International and Foundation Report 2020-21



Members of the International & Foundation Committee of the Rotary Club of Moe are Rhonda Crooks, Shen Guo, John Hutchinson, Peter Kingsbury, Michael Koch, Kishor Manani, Bruce Paull, David Power, Bryon Puddy and myself.

At the beginning of the year, we set out a plan to undertake various activities associated with the Rotary Areas of Focus and to provide additional information to Club members through Bulletin articles and website and Face Book posts.

There are currently six Areas of Focus, these being: Promoting Peace; Fighting Disease; Providing Clean Water, Sanitation and Hygiene; Maternal and Child Health; Supporting Education and Growing Local Economies. Supporting the Environment will officially become Rotary's seventh Area of Focus in July 2021.

While Covid 19 had some impact on our proposed activities, we were pleased that the Committee were still able to undertake a range of projects, as outlined below.

Supporting Education

- Foundation Student Scholarship. We were again successful in our application to District for a Rotary Foundation Student Scholarship Grant, which aims to provide support to secondary students to enable them to more fully participate in their education activities. The grant consists of \$500 provided by District and \$500 provided by the Rotary Club of Moe. We partnered with Lowanna College to provide a grant of \$250 to four students for the school laptop program. Lowanna College has expressed their appreciation for this opportunity to assist students in this way.
- Bali School Project. As the impact of Covid 19 meant that it was not possible to arrange a visit to the school in Banyuning Bali, Michael Koch led a project to facilitate the provision of pens and books for classroom activities, and facemasks to help protect the children from the spread of the disease. We were thrilled to receive a photo of the masks, which acknowledge the ongoing support for the school from the Rotary Club of Moe. This project was completed with the support of some additional generous donations to the Club.



Support for the Rotary Club of Warragul – Scholarships in Vanuatu Program. A
contribution of \$350 was made to the Rotary Club of Warragul to support their
ongoing scholarship program which is supporting students at the Central School
in Port Vila, Vanuatu.



International and Foundation Report 2020-21



Fighting Disease

- World Polio Day. Due to Covid 19 restrictions, we were not able to promote World Polio Day on 24th October with a face-to-face presence in the Moe CBD. However, a range of promotional messages were developed, including a Bulletin Article and information for inclusion in the Club website and Face Book page to provide further information about the importance of the continued world-wide vaccination program to work towards the elimination of Polio.
- Purple Flower Project.



This year, we undertook to sell purple crocus and Dutch Iris as a fundraiser for the End Polio Now campaign. The purple colour represents the dye used to mark the little finger of children who have been vaccinated in endemic countries. Bulbs were sold in packs of 5 for \$5.00 for Crocus and 4 for \$5.00 for the Dutch Iris.



Having received a very generous donation that covered the cost of the bulbs, we anticipate that we will be able to make a contribution of approximately \$500 to End Polio Now.

 Rotarians Against Malaria (RAM) – Malaria causes over 400,000 fatalities every year, many of them among small children, and imposes a heavy burden on the

health and wellbeing of some 229 million people. To mark Malaria Awareness Day on 30th April, fellow Club members Ross Maxfield and Bill Connell and I did a walk through the Moe CBD, with the event promoted through the Club's Face Book page. Club members were also encouraged to donate to RAM / RAWCS (Rotary Australia World Community Service) to support ongoing efforts to eliminate Malaria in partner countries.



Providing Clean Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

- Operation Toilets Australia. In March, the Club welcomed Mark Balla from the Rotary Club of Box Hill Central who gave a presentation on Operation Toilets Australia (OTA), which was extremely well received by the Club. The Mission of OTA is to build toilets and deliver hygiene education programs in schools in developing countries with the special aim of improving the educational opportunities for adolescent girls who are often extremely disadvantaged in the school environment in those countries.
- Support for Disaster Aid Australia Sky Hydrant Program. In line with support provided in previous years, the International & Foundation Committee recommended to Board that the Rotary Club of Moe again donate \$2000 to Disaster Aid Australia for the Sky Hydrant Program.



International and Foundation Report 2020-21



Foundation Month



To mark Foundation Month in November, Bryon Puddy and I developed a presentation on the Rotary Areas of Focus which was presented to the Club.

The mission of The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.

Rotary's Areas of Focus are categories of service activities supported by global grants.

Since it was founded more than 100 years ago, the Foundation has spent more than \$4 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects.

Promoting the Seven Areas of Focus

During the year, the Committee has been working on the development of a Rotary Club of Moe Foundation Banner to promote the seven Areas of Focus when we are out and about in the community. Special thank you to Bryon Puddy for his work in developing the banner layout and content, which we anticipate will be ready for use in the next few weeks.

In closing, I would like to thank everyone on the International & Foundation Committee for your ongoing interest and support of the many projects and activities we have undertaken this year and we look forward to continuing this work in the 2021/22 Rotary year.



Diane Wilkinson
Chair, International & Foundation Committee



Community Service Report 2020-21



Committee Members:

Bill Connell (Chair), Alan Bishop, Len Cairns, Lyn Cassar, Barry Dunstan, Helen MacDonald, Ross Maxfield, Alan Sinnott, Dave Wood, Julian Yeatman, Di Harrison (ex officio).

Ironically, during a period of limited face to face contact, fireside meetings were reinstated. The committee used zoom, hybrid zoom/face to face at the Moe Racing Club in November and later face to face at member's homes with thanks to Lyn, Di and Alan Sinnott. The face to face meetings were most welcome and held in good spirit!



And the unprecedented events of 2020-21 had a major impact upon the Community Service Committee's activities. Namely the cancellation of annual community events which the Club usually assisted with: The Snow Train, Apex/Lions Bonfire and Carols by Candlelight. The Moe Cup was still run but without spectators so assistance with parking was not required.

This situation limited the exposure of Rotary to the community and also prevented any fund raising.

However all was not lost as the committee endeavoured to make the best of the situation with other activities undertaken and future plans made.

The Moe Botanic Gardens

Playground maintenance:

The opening of the new Botanic Gardens Playground in July had a committee member maintaining the area twice a week for a month at a time. Whilst wearing Rotary vests a number of members were complimented by parents on the good job that the Club was doing. Also, thanks to 'honorary' committee members Robin Noakes and Roger Taylor for their maintenance work at the playground.

New garden bed:



Len Cairns' enthusiasm for the development of a new garden bed in the Botanic Gardens combined with some 'heavy lifting' by committee members has given the Gardens a very attractive feature.



Incidentally during the several Friday morning working bees on the garden bed the Moe Multicultural Friendship Group was meeting in the Rotary pavilion and were very interested in our activity resulting in an offer of morning tea(s). This 'cross-pollination' may result in a new Rotary member and an opportunity to auspice a local community group.....another example of Rotary at work!



Community Service Report 2020-21



Grand Plan:

Barry Dunstan's hard work in applying for an LCC Grant to upgrade the Rotary area in the Botanic Gardens together with Len Cairns's vision for community vegetable garden beds has resulted in the idea to create a long-term master plan which will be completed in the new Rotary year.

Small Rotunda:

In January Alan Bishop, Len Cairns and Bill Connell replaced the roof on the small rotunda in the gardens. President Di ably assisted in providing lunch.

The Newborough Mens Shed has been asked to assist with the refurbishment of the weathered timber sections of the rotunda. Another example of Rotary working with the community. Committee members will complete the project by painting the rotunda to match the Rotary pavilion.



Other activities

In early December President Di and committee members presented Newborough East Primary School with four coloured wheel barrows, a garden arch and a \$150 cheque for soil to build a new fairy garden. Rotary at work again.

Alan Bishop and Ross Maxfield completed an audit of the Club's equipment in the shed.

Barry Dunstan is organising some repairs and the installation of a roof rack for the bbq trailer.



The large and heavy metal wheel installed in 1956 in the Marshall Avenue children's playground noting Rotary's presentation of the playground equipment to the community, was removed last year due to deterioration of the base structure. The committee has found a new home for it at Old Gipps Town where it will be part of an historical display.

Finally, the bbq trailer was rolled out on a number of occasions when the club had permitted social events and the committee catered to the dinner needs of members and guests. We again assisted Energy Australia with their staff xmas bbq and cooked up a storm for over 250 employees.



Although constrained by the difficult times I think that the Community Service Committee had a most successful year as shown by the above.

I would like to thank committee members for their assistance, support and friendship during the past year. I would also like to wish incoming chair Alan Bishop a very successful 2021-22.

William (Bill) Connell
Chair - Community Service Committee



Programs Report 2020-2021



DATE		PROGRAM 2020	GUEST/PRESENTER
July		Introducing President Di	
6th		Changeover Dinner on Zoom (Lockdown 2.0)	Helen Morrison & Di Harrison
	13th	Celebrating 100 Years of Rotary Downunder (Zoom)	President Di
	20th	JULY BOARD (via Zoom)	
	27th	Zoom CLUB ASSEMBLY - At the Podium: "Thoroughbreds"	Roger Taylor
August	igust Membership Month		
	3rd	Zoom Fireside Meetings	
	10th	Zoom Themed Meeting - Moe Life Skills	Bonnie Lai
	17th	AUGUST BOARD (via Zoom)	Invitee - Steve Bechaz
	24th Zoom CLUB ASSEMBLY - At the Podium "Car Restoration"		Bryce Eishold
September		Literacy Month	
	7th	Zoom Fireside Meetings	
14th		Zoom Themed Meeting - Remote learning at Newborough East PS	Julie Skee & Janine Cruickshank
	21st	SEPTEMBER BOARD (via Zoom)	
	28th	Zoom CLUB ASSEMBLY- At the Podium: "Aspects of my Rotary Journey"	Bryon Puddy
October		Economic & Community Development Month	
	5th	Zoom Fireside Meetings	
	12th	Zoom Themed Meeting - COVID Impact on Some Moe Businesses - Moe Racing Club, Quantum, Optus	Pat Thornton, Natalie McDonald, Michael Koch
	19th	OCTOBER BOARD/DG Visit (via Zoom)	Di Harrison, DG Mark Humphries & AG Tim Wills
26th		Zoom CLUB ASSEMBLY - At the Podium "The Accidental Pharmacist"	Kishor Manani
November		Foundation Month	
	2nd	Zoom Melbourne Cup Eve – Quiz, Sweeps	Roger Taylor
	9th	Zoom Themed Meeting - Rotary Foundation Power Point Presentation and Discussion	Di Wilkinson & Bryon Puddy
	16th	NOVEMBER BOARD (via Zoom)	
	23rd	Zoom CLUB ASSEMBLY - At the Podium "Rotary USA"	Helen MacDonald
	30th	Social BBQ—Moe Botanic Gardens (F2F)	Rotarians & Partners
December		Disease Prevention and Treatment Month	
	7th	Pride of Workmanship Awards (presentations made at various local schools).	Youth / Vocation Committee
14th		Christmas Breakup @ Old Gippstown (F2F)	President Di, Rotarians & Partners
		NB: Rotary had a 4 week recess over Christmas	



Programs Report 2020-2021



DATE		PROGRAM 2020	GUEST/PRESENTER
January		Vocational Service Month	
	11th	Social BBQ in the Moe Botanic Gardens	Rotarians & Partners Mayor Sharon Gibson
	18th	JANUARY BOARD (via Zoom)	
	25th	F2F/Zoom CLUB ASSEMBLY (Hillside Pavilion, Moe Racing Club)	
February		Peace & Conflict Resolution Month	
	1st	F2F/Zoom Fireside Meetings	
	8th	Themed Meeting—Explaining the Club Defibrillator (Moe Hotel/Zoom)	Former Paramedic Eddie Swann
	15th	FEBRUARY BOARD (via Zoom) (Lockdown 3.0)	
	22nd	CLUB ASSEMBLY/Coordinator's Golf Report (Moe Hotel/Zoom)	Roger Taylor
March		Sanitation and Water Month	
	1st	F2F/Zoom Fireside Meetings	
	8th	Labour Day Weekend	
	15th	MARCH BOARD (via Zoom)	
	22nd	CLUB ASSEMBLY - "Toilets Australia" (Moe Hotel/Zoom)	Rtn. Mark Bella AG Tim Wills
	29th	Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic (Yallourn Golf Club)	All Rotarians
April		Maternal and Child Health Month	
	5th	Easter Monday	
	12th	Themed Meeting - "Living at Home Longer" (Moe Hotel)	Lisa Mylne LCHS)
	19th	APRIL BOARD (via Zoom)	
	26th	CLUB ASSEMBLY (Moe Hotel)	
May		Youth Service Month	
	3rd	F2F/Zoom Fireside Meetings	
	10th	Golf Classic Review at Moe Hotel	Roger Taylor and Key Organisers
	17th	MAY BOARD (via Zoom)	
	24th	CLUB ASSEMBLY - (Moe Hotel)	
	31st	Social @ Turfside cancelled (Lockdown 4.0)	Roger Taylor
June		Rotary Fellowship Month	
	7th	Vocation Excellence Awards (deferred to July due to lockdown) Zoom Social Meeting - "My first job was"	Youth/Vocational Committee, All Rotarians
	14th	Queen's Birthday Weekend Zoom Themed Meeting - At the Podium "Life Post Retirement"	Len Cairns
	21st	COMBINED BOARD (Moe Hotel)	
	28th	CHANGEOVER 2020-2021 RSL Moe (TBC)	President Di Harrison

Unfortunately, at time of writing, the Rotary year appeared to be ending as it started – in lockdown. For the majority of 2021 we met in person, usually twice a month, opting for the Moe Hotel as our venue of choice. In accordance with President Di's strategic plan, many of our guest presenters were from community organisations, as we strove to reach out to better understand the impact and needs of local providers. Despite the absence of physical friendships for much of the year, President Di, Robin Noakes and board members are to be commended for helping us achieve our mantra of Service Above Self – we also learnt new skills as we "mastered" Zoom technology.

Roger Taylor (Programs Coordinator)



Membership List 2020-21



MEMBERSHIP as at 31 May, 2021

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
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



Paul Harris Fellows 2020-21



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
 1991 Charles Robertson
 1992 Charles Witts
 2013 Wendy Farmer
 2013 Peter Kingsbury
 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 Huffer1998 Julian Yeatman2017 Alan Bishop2017 Maureen Bishop

2000 Evan Platschinda 2017 Peter Kingsbury (Sapphire 5) 2001 Chris Lampel 2018 Ross Maxfield (Sapphire)

2002 Bryon Puddy (Sapphire)2018 Robin Noakes2003 Ken MacGregor2018 Helen Morrison

2003 Steve Micah2018 Diane Wilkinson (Sapphire)2004 Michael Koch2018 Roger Taylor (Sapphire)2004 Barry Dunstan2018 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 2015 Norma Hutchinson

2013 Carmel Cook 2017 Norma Hutchinson (Sapphire)

2014 John Buckton 2020 Sandra Demagistris



Golf Committee Report 2020-21



Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic 2021

For 21 years the Rotary Club of Moe has proudly conducted the Gippsland Rotary Golf Classic as its major community fundraiser, and this year's event was another outstanding success. Once again, the event was held at the challenging Yallourn Golf Club, host of the 2021 PGA Super 6 tournament back in February. The course still looked an absolute treat and the capacity field of 108 players competed for the 3-Person Ambrose title.

Despite some planning committee's changes to ensure that the event was COVID-19 compliant, the 36 teams delighted in fine weather and enjoyed the sumptuous lunch and dinner catering either side of the golf activity.

One of the first things we did this year was to thank the business community for their past support of our golf classic, with the explanation that there would be no evening auction due to the loss of trade during the pandemic. We did stress, however, that the Rotary Club of Moe hoped to reconnect with traders for next year's event.

Due to the generous support of sponsors, keen golfers, Rotarians, Inner Wheel members and the Yallourn Golf Club members, the annual charity fundraiser raised (subject to a couple of outstanding payments) \$21,460, which will be distributed within the community over the next few months. This is an outstanding result despite the comprised, auction-less program.) Recent beneficiaries have been Gippsland Rotary Centenary House, Latrobe Regional Hospital, the Rotary Club of Moe's Emergency Relief Fund, together with support for a number of smaller community projects.

Congratulations go to our major victors:

- *Best 3-Person Ambrose team was Gippsland Land Services represented by Paul Bechaz, Darren Brown and Keith Geisler with the outstanding score of 57 1/3 nett.
- *First Runner Up Frank Hyett's YGC Team (Frank Hyett, Harry Thomas and Reuben Kincaid) who played tremendously well to finish close behind with 57 5/6.
- *Second Runner Up on 59 ½ was Lauren's Lot (Lauren Whitehead, Heather Snowdon and Jordan Snowdon).
- *Best Rotary Team was the Rotary Club of Moe (Alan Bishop, Peter Kingsbury and John Hutchinson) while Family Ties was the victorious Ladies' Team (Lyn McAlister, Lola Carter and Gwen Gratton).

The major raffle raised \$7870, which also was reason for celebration, as we lost a major sales venue due to COVID restrictions. However, the 2 sales-points at K Mart and outside Nextra Newsagency proved satisfactory.

The club greatly appreciates the generosity of Shen Guo (Betta Home Living) and Michael Koch (Yes Optus Mid Valley) for the provision of second and third prizes.

The club confidently looks forward to next year's event, and trusts that like all other sporting and social bodies, a COVID free lifestyle will be well and truly in place.

Roger Taylor GRGC Coordinator





The Rotary Club of Moe wish to acknowledge the following sponsors who contributed to the charity golf day







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The Moe Rotary year COVID style









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Emerging from lockdown









Milestones



Alan Sinnott 20 years



Julian Yeatman 45 years



Peter Kingsbury 10 years



Dave Wood 30 years