

Thank you for your well wishes when I succumbed to the Human Metapneumonia Virus in August. Thank you to Tim for sending me the notes from our last meeting. I am looking forward to seeing you on Tuesday 17th September. I will have to find myself an AFL Team for that meeting! *From Dianne*

President Mike's Thoughts

- The 'Market' needs a volunteer or volunteers who will be responsible for the ordering of bread, meat and eggs, their collection on market day and delivery to the barbeque. John Tricarico has been principally responsible for this over many years and a replacement individual or team is required
- Next meeting will be the 'Footy Finals Pie Night' and partners are invited. Wear your team colours and be ready to be entertained by Colin Gardner's "experts"
- Pauline and I attended a planning workshop for the new Rotary Community Group, led by the Community Leader Tim Wills. It was a very interesting day and we learnt a lot about other clubs in our group
- At our next meeting I look forward to inducting two new members.

Drouin Rotary Market – Judy Alexander

In the last Bulletin, we heard from Judy Alexander re the additional market in December. Here are further details. Please promote the Christmas Market.

- An additional "makers" market with the Christmas theme is being planned this year – Sunday 1st December
- Stallholders would be "invitation only"
- Promotion would be by flyer and social media. Our paid ads are currently reaching up to 5000 other pages
- All members will receive a copy of the flyer and are invited to print it off and display it wherever they can
 - Also attached will be a link to 'Use of Facebook' with guidance on how to get the best out of it
 - It really helps our promotions if members view our posting, like and share them
 - <https://youtu.be/xu8rh9Ref4Y>
- We will again be having a Christmas Raffle, with all profits being used in support of Christmas Hampers through the Longwarry food Bank, The Crossing and the Vinnies. *Members are invited to donate goods for inclusion as prizes.*



WE'RE HAVING A CHRISTMAS
MAKERS MARKET FEATURING LOCAL
ARTS, CRAFTS,
MAKERS & BAKERS

SUNDAY 1ST DEC 2024
9.00AM - 1.30PM

CHRISTMAS MAKERS MARKET
CIVIC PARK, YOUNG STREET
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 **Rotary**
Drouin Rotary Market

Program: Rotary Community Group

Rotarian Tim Wills is the leader of our community of nine clubs which cover the shires of Baw Baw, Bass Coast and South Gippsland.

The 'Rotary Pacific' zone, which includes Rotary clubs of Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands, is one of two "zones" which has begun a three-year pilot program to test an alternative approach to the management and operation of Rotary, a world-wide organisation of around 1.4 million members in 46,000 clubs in 34 zones, within those two zones.

Why test change? The aim is to enhance the "experience" of membership for Rotarians and encourage others to become involved with their local club and, potentially, become members.

One early change has been to group clubs in new 'Rotary Community Groups (RCGs)'. One such RCG comprises the clubs of Trafalgar, Warragul, Drouin, Korumburra, Leongatha, Foster, Inverloch, Wonthaggi and Phillip Island-San Remo. And on Saturday 24th August, Presidents from six of those clubs came together in then Drouin Community Hub to learn more about each other and plan for future engagement and cooperation.

At the conclusion of their five hours together, the community group, which they chose to name the “Strzelecki Rotary Community”, nominated six projects for investigation and possible development into common, shared projects:

1. Hygiene for the Homeless: investigate the provision of shower and clothes washing facility in each community;
2. Fresh Water in Timor Leste: unite to provide one SkyHydrant fresh water unit to a community in Timor Leste each year;
3. Domestic Violence Community Awareness: work to increase community awareness of this issue and support the purchase and distribution of emergency-call lanyards for victims;
4. Re-purposing Spectacles in Vanuatu: collecting used eyeglasses for re-purposing;
5. Expand Rotary’s reach: investigate the development of a “Friends” network of individuals interested in being involved with their local Rotary club for activities of interest, when time permits to the level they can;
6. Enhance member experience: investigate within each club what could be done to give members greater enjoyment and satisfaction from their being Rotarians.



Presidents, Past Presidents, Presidents Elect and a couple of Secretaries from Warragul, Foster, Drouin, Wonthaggi, Leongatha and Inverloch clubs at the workshop. Phillip Island & San Remo, Trafalgar and Korumburra clubs not represented

What’s ahead ?

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| Tuesday 17th September | Dinner Meeting 6 at the Hong Kong Inn – Footy Finals Pie Night - <u>partner’s night</u> |
| Saturday 21st September | Drouin Rotary Market in Civic Park |
| Tuesday 1st October | Drouin Meeting 7 at Hong Kong Inn – <i>Jeannie Haughton of ‘Kurnai Women Project’</i> |
| Sat/Sun 5th/6th October | Lardner Park Garden & Home Expo |
| Tuesday 15th October | Dinner Meeting 8 at the Hong Kong Inn – <i>Policing in the Philippines</i> |

Anniversaries (3rd to 17th September)

- Birthdays:** Shane Candappa
Wedding Anniversaries: Shane/Suzu Candappa on 7th and Paul/Lynne Davine on 10th.
Joining Anniversaries: Lois Ryan and Dianne Wallace on 6th September 2022; Jo McKechnie (11h) and Ian Haughton (14th)

Acknowledging Carol’s service as Treasurer

At the meeting on Tuesday 3rd September, President Mike thanked Carol Fenwick for her term as Treasurer of our Club.



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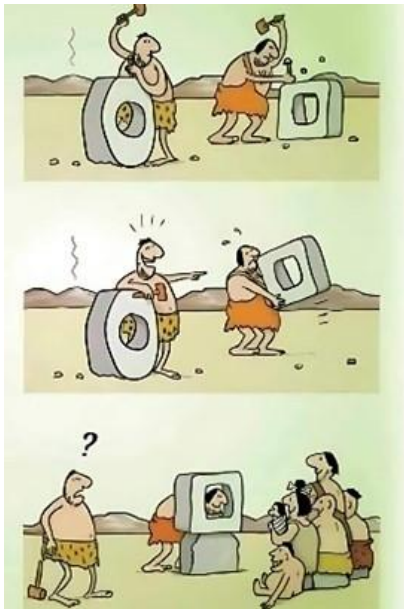
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