

This week's Program 21st Sept:

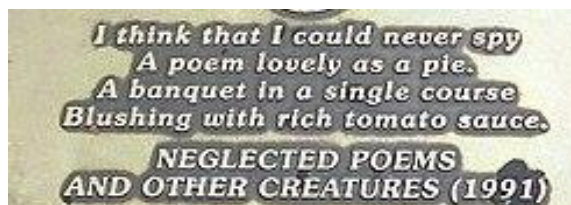
District Governor Elect Paul Mee spoke to us on his life in Rotary with a variety of Clubs in two states. He is looking forward to his role as incoming District Governor. Along with his wife Adele they have hosted e rotary youth exchange students which is an amazing effort. Keeping with the football theme Adele is looking forward to getting to Warragul to see her grand-daughters who play both play in the local competition.



Bulldog supporter Russell showed a video of several classic AFL/VFL Grand Finals and the songs of both Clubs. Disappointing that we could not get together and eat a pie and sauce



Footy Grand Final & Pie Night.



A Groote Eylandt Experience - Judy Alexander

Judy presented a short chat on her time in Groote Eylandt in 2000 when her husband was working with Manganese mining company Genco.

Their dog had a bit of difficulty settling in, after being followed by a crocodile while walking on the beach and getting “monstered” by a Quoll in the Laundry.

Groote Eylandt, home to the most severe strain of a deadly human disease called Machardo Joseph Disease. The island has the highest prevalence of the inherited disease in the world.

Among her souvenirs of the time there, Judy has a didgeridoo. When asked if she could play, we learnt that it is traditionally only played by males according to Aboriginal people. Judy paid for the didgeridoo by purchasing a Router from Bunnings in Darwin and having to shipped to the island.

Thank you for your presentation, Judy.

Market Report from David Veal.

Despite it being a cool and windy day David reported a profit of \$1279.

Unfortunately there were several stall holders who did not honour their bookings which made it difficult for organisers when allocating the sites.

Rotary Basic Education and Literacy Month

This month's Rotary Down Under devotes several pages to Rotary's work towards improving world literacy.

Did you know??

- 776 million people over the age of 15 are illiterate
- That is 17% of the world's adult population
- Two-thirds of these people are women
- One fifth of the world's children are not in school
- Half of ALL children and adolescents, world-wide are not meeting minimum proficiency in literacy and mathematics.

Several Rotary initiatives to improve this situation are detailed in the article.

The Theme of the Meeting on Tues 28th September will be Rotary Basic Education and Literacy Month.

Two of our members, who can BOTH read and write Pauline Maunder and Anita Coonan will present the evening on the theme of Literacy.

Whether the meeting is on Zoom or in person.

You Are Asked To

- **DRESS UP as your Favourite Book Character or Author.**
- **OR at the very least bring one (or more) of your favourite books.**
- **Start you planning now.**
- **Go and stare at your bookshelves NOW and work out your outfit.**
- **“Valuable” Prize for Best costume(s).**

Some of the Books below might prompt your memories.



Shelves for Little Aths.

Pictured here are Tim Wills, Warragul Little Athletics organiser, Lisa Aubrey, Gary (1) Scanlon and Kevin Roberts. Bill reported that this job which only took about 4 hours will make a huge increase in the storage space for the organisers of Little Aths. Our next project could be to Crowd Fund a new pair of jeans for Lisa.



News from Travelling Rotarians:

Col and Val Gardner came back from Overseas (aka Phillip Island) to help out at the Market.

Upcoming Program:

28th Sept - Anita & Pauline Rotary Basic Education and Literacy Month

5th October - West Gippsland Hospital CEO

26th October – District Governor Bill Degnan and Judy

Programs Groups

Here is a **reminder** of the Program Groups and Months of our next Rotary year.

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| Oct 5,12,19,26 | Nov 2,9,16,23 |
| Dick van Leeuwen | John Franklin |
| Rob Stewart | Tim Wills |
| Clarrie Debnam | Graeme Watts |
| Jo McKechnie | Don Blackley |
| Keith Pretty | John Kinrade |
| Gary Surman | Peter Konjevic |
| David Proposch | Max Hine |
| Rob Coustley | Keith Cook |
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“Understanding Health and Health Care to improve cancer services in the Gippsland Region” – Community members

Please read the additional attachment sent out with this Newsletter.

You are invited to volunteer in a research study about the way that people understand about health and use health care services in the Gippsland Region.

Contact Shandell Elmer. Her phone number is 9214 5372 or email slelmer@swin.edu.au

HELP TO END YOUTH HOMELESSNESS IN INNER GIPPSLAND



**Be involved in a Youth Homelessness Design Workshop
Wed 15 Sept, 9am - 10.30am (via Zoom)**

Quantum Support Services, the Salvation Army and other community service organisations (CSOs) have an opportunity to ask government to invest in new affordable housing options for homeless young people in Inner Gippsland (including Baw Baw, Bass Coast, South Gippsland and Latrobe)

As part of this project, CSOs in Inner Gippsland have asked EY to develop a 'business case' which will explain which kinds of housing solutions are best for young people experiencing homelessness, and why the government should invest in this.

To help design this solution, we are asking for your help to identify the things that matter when it comes to getting young people into long-term, affordable, and secure housing through a **Youth Homelessness Design Workshop**.

We want to hear first hand from those working in the region on different challenges and opportunities to end youth homelessness.

Participation is voluntary, e-mail Mitch Burney before Friday 10 September at Mitchell.Burney@quantum.org.au to be involved

Presidents Report



On to Conference

CONFERENCE 2022 to be held at Traralgon on the weekend of February 25th – 27th 2022.

<https://rotary9820.org.au/sitepage/district-9820-conference-2022/welcome>

Drouin Rotary Club Leadership Team 2021/22

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Ian Symons

Bob Vogt

Ian Haughton/Jane Playdon

Terry Blundell

Roger Playdon

Russell Ford

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Youth/New Generations:

Insurance & Risk Management:

Kevin Roberts

Sharryn Marshall

Ian Haughton

Administration Assist Secretary in all areas of administration

Protection Officer: **Ian Symons**

Attendance: **Peter Konjevic**

Grants Coordinator: **Terry Blundell**

Rotary Family: **Pauline Maunder**

Property: **William Wong**

Club Historians: **Don Blackley/Russell Ford**

