

## This week's Program 28<sup>th</sup> Sept:

5<sup>th</sup> October West Gippsland Hospital CEO Dan Weeks

Dan spoke about the impact COVID 19 has had on the hospital in terms of the planning, procedure development, training of staff, management of anxiety and a host of other issues.

The logistics and establishment of the Covid Testing site at Lardner Park two weeks ago in response to some Tier 1 exposure sites in the Baw Baw area was another challenge the West Gippsland Hospital faced.

Ongoing planning for the future living with Covid has also been a big item on his agenda,

The second component of his talk was the need for, and progress towards the new Hospital. Dan was very disappointed that we were not funded after the last election and is optimistic that we will be funded soon. (He is not Robinson Crusoe in that regard).



Dan also answered questions from the attendees. Gary thanked Dan for a very informative talk, and it was a pity more of us were not there to do it justice.

## Upcoming Program:

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| 12 <sup>th</sup> October   | NO MEETING<br>However there is a <b>Meeting of the Rotary Board</b> at 6:00 pm                              |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> October   | NO MEETING However Russell will set up a Zoom meeting if anyone wants to log in for a chat.                 |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> October – | This is our next general Rotary Meeting.<br>District Governor Bill Degnan and his wife Judy will talk to us |

## Response to Last Week's Homework

**Thank you to these members who ALL did their homework.**

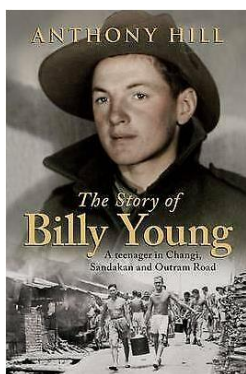
*Ian Bennett, Ian Brooks, Ian Symons, Jo McKechnie or Graeme Watts, and Joy Bird*

Arising from discussions on the Rotary Literacy session on Sept 28<sup>th</sup> with Pauline & Anita, several participants enthusiastically about books they have enjoyed and why. To continue the members listed above who were asked to contribute something about their reading.

Thank you to Ian, Ian, Ian, Jo, Graeme and Joy.

I enjoyed their feedback and hope you do to.

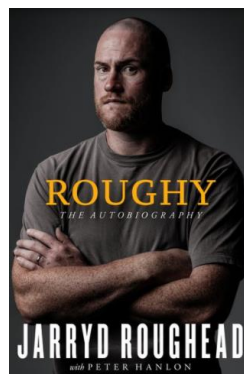
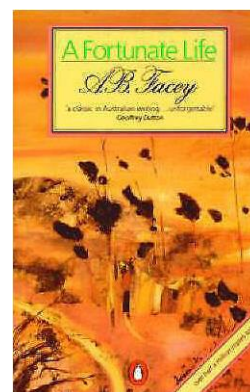
### Ian Bennett:



I am mainly a nonfiction reader, but I do remember reading Tom Swift adventure books as a boy. A book about travelling the Amazon River in the early 1900's, that I read when I was a young teenager seemed so amazing and so different from my situation.

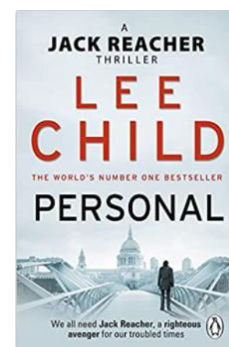
Later reading A B Facey's, "A Fortunate life, Anthony Hill, "The Life of Billy Young" ( a Sandakan PWO like my uncle), and

recently Jordan Roughhead's autobiography.



### Ian Brooks:

Hi Ian , I think that the greatest book ever written was Pride and Prejudice which I have read it a few times . I currently enjoy reading Lee Childs, Jack Reacher series. I have read them all ! For those who don't know him, Jack Reacher is someone who every man would like to be and someone who every woman would probably like to meet at least once. I have heaps of the series if anyone would like to try one .



### Graeme Watts:

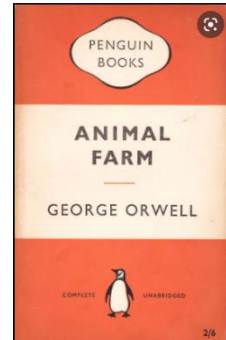
Graeme described 3 books he had read that he found "Unputdownable". They are the trilogy (big word for "series of three")

The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo and the other two in this series by Steig Larsson.

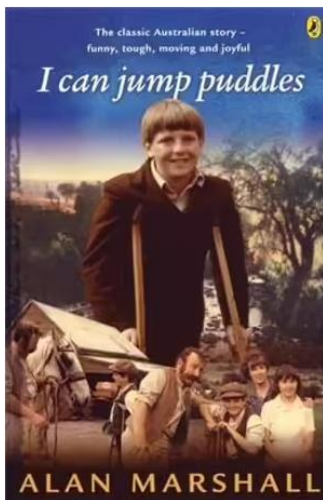
## Ian Symons

During my working life, I did so much reading of documents during the day that I read few books for recreation BUT when away in the caravan I did enjoy a book or two. Generally, they were of the Alistair McLean or Robert Ludlum ilk. “Escapism!”

The three books that I remember as having made the greatest impact on my views of life, society and my values are; “Darkness at Noon” (Koestler) Communist Russia, Siberia and Gulags: “Animal Farm” and “Lord of the Flies”, all of which were standard fare during my secondary school days. Perhaps their content is why I appreciate living in Australia – even in this period of COVID restrictions. Life can be – and unfortunately is, a lot worse in many countries and societies.



## Jo McKechnie



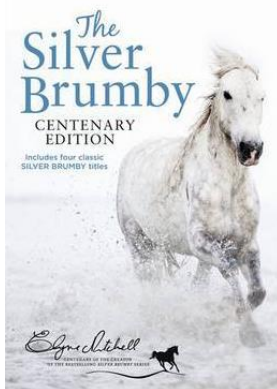
A book I will always remember is Allan Marshall's – I can jump puddles. I met Allan Marshall at the lookout in Alice Springs when I was five years old. My Parents, Grandmother, brother and I were on a 4 month camping adventure, from Iraak in Northern Victoria to Tennant Creek. A big undertaking in the days when roads were not sealed (1963, without giving too many secrets away!!).

I remember Allan, as he clearly had some disability from his Polio and I remember my mother saying “Joanne don't stare is rude!) Being from a very small, and relatively isolated community I had never seen anyone wearing anything like the callipers he wore at that time. Allan over heard my mother's comment and came over to us and introduced himself and had a chat. It's funny I can't remember his face or even his disability now, but I can clearly recall

the occasion?

It was many years later I came across a copy of his book and read it as if it had been written by a friend?

## Joy Bird:



Reference to everyone's favourite books brought my own to mind. As a child I frequented the Preston Library, and my favourite books of all time were the “Silver Brumby” books by Elyne Mitchell. They kickstarted my love of horses which has never dwindled. In recent years, a combined volume of these books was released, and I have one squirreled away for my granddaughter who has a pony called Piglet (aka Piggy). Just prior to Paul becoming ill, he and I also obtained a copy for his granddaughter, Anabel, for her birthday. Just reading the Bulletin has brought back some special memories for me.

## Homework For Next Week:

If your name is here,

*Miceal Ambrose, Rob Coustley, Don Kelly, Jane Playdon, Rob Stewart*

Your mission,

is to help the Bulletin Editor by sending me by email or text ,

The title of a book(s) you really enjoyed, and a few words on why.

## Food Deliveries

Drop Off	*October 8 <sup>th</sup> .	October 15 <sup>th</sup> .	*October 22 <sup>nd</sup> .	October 29 <sup>th</sup> .
Drouin - *(Lampard's Rd.)	* Pauline & Brian Arrive 10:15am	Tim & Max Arrive 10:15am	* Ian & David Arrive 10:15am	Bob & Anita Arrive 10:15am
Drouin - Residential	Jane & Roger Arrive 10:30am	Bob & Peter Arrive 10:30am	Jane & Roger Arrive 10:30am	Tim & Max Arrive 10:30am
Warragul - Residential	Iren & Andy Arrive 10:45am	Iren & Andy Arrive 10:45am	Dick & Rob Arrive 10:45am	Pauline & Brian Arrive 10:45am

## Swap Meet 2021

Due to the COVID restrictions on numbers allowed at Lardner Park the Swap Meet has been postponed until Sun 10<sup>th</sup> April 2022 (hopefully).

After Fires (2018), Floods(2019) and Pandemic (2020 & 2021) ; what could go wrong?

The options we have so far are , Locust Plague, Earth Quake.

## Programs Groups

Here is a **reminder** of the Program Groups for October and November.

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



## Fines:

If any of you have done something naughty such as “having a visitor to your home”, during the restrictions, you might like to cough up a dollar. After all it’s a lot less than \$5000 government fine.



**Pay to**

**Rotary Club of Drouin General Account:**

**BSB 633000**

**Account Number 175 311 851**

**Reference : write your name and Fine eg: Don Kelly - Fine**

## Nominations Committee

Our nomination committee of Gary Scanlon, Roger Playdon, David Proposch and Ray Howes is currently working through the process of filling positions for the 2022-23 Rotary year.

## On to Conference

**CONFERENCE 2022** to be held at Traralgon on the weekend of February 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> 2022.

Please contact Gary Scanlon on 0408 149 802 for the weekend details & costs. Traralgon Rotary are looking for Registrations which are now open.

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

## Drouin Rotary Club Leadership Team 2021/22

President: **Gary Scanlon**

Secretary/Administration:

Treasurer/President Elect/On-to-Conference:

Past President/Asst. Youth/ Rotary Centenary

Directors

Community Service/Projects:

Director Rotary Foundation:

Membership & COVID Support:

Sergeants-at-Arms:

**Terry Blundell**

**Roger Playdon**

**Russell Ford**



**Bill Petschack**

**Ian Symons**

**Bob Vogt**

**Ian Haughton/Jane Playdon**

Work Force and Resources:

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**

Market: *Manage preparation for and delivery of the monthly ‘Drouin Rotary Craft & Produce Market’*

Manager: **David Veal**

BBQ Control: **David Proposch**

Support & Manpower: **Max Scott**

Public Image/Publicity: *Manage communications, both internal and external*

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Impolite as they were, the other bears could never help staring at Larry's enormous deer gut.

