

## This Week's Program: Fires of Drouin – Keith Cook



Historian, Fire Fighter and Councillor, Keith presented a history of Fires in the Drouin Township over the last 150 years.

Comprising mainly timber buildings and using fireplaces as the main source of heating, meant fires were a major problem.

It was fascinating to see the photos of some of the magnificent buildings that were in the town over the years and also to see the different types of businesses which were once there. Bootmakers, saddleries, coffee palaces, milliners (hat shops) and

haberdasheries. No sign of a Real Estate agency until the last slide in which Williamson's Real Estate was burnt down in 1975 by a fire started in Paroukas's Fish and Chip Shop.

Keith showed a modern-day map of Drouin overlaid with the sites of each of the fires of which he spoke. On some of the sites there had been up to three major buildings devoured by fires over the years.

Thanks, Keith, for an interesting story.

## Program

Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov

Annual General Meeting followed by Len Beadell's 'The Shepparton Talk' Chair - David Proposch

Tues 30<sup>th</sup> Nov

Will be partner's night SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS on Numbers at the Hong Kong Inn & guest speaker Jan Henry, Team Leader Gippsland for The Smith Family speaking on the organisation's services for Gippsland children. Chair - Pauline Maunder



## Terry Blundell's Final Meeting

The meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> November will be Terry's last meeting with us before he heads off to Western Australia. If anyone has any tall tales, (or even true tales) of Terry's time in Rotary please let the Sargeant know, as this will be the last chance to fine him.

## 2021 Annual General Meeting - Tuesday 23rd November

Members are advised that this club's 2021 Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held at our dinner meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> November.

Nominations will be called for the following positions to be filled at the AGM:

**President 2022-23; Secretary 2022-23; Treasurer 2022-23;**

up to **five (5) Directors 2022-23** (NOTE: three of the current Directors have indicated their intention to nominate for another year);

Nominations are also sought for **President Nominee 2023-24.**

Gary Scanlon

## Food Deliveries

Drop Off	* November 19 <sup>th</sup>	November 26 <sup>th</sup>
Drouin - * (Lampard's Rd.) with some residential.	* Ian & David Arrive 10:15am	Pauline & Brian Arrive 10:15am
Drouin - Residential	Peter & Anita Arrive 10:30am	Tim & Max Arrive 10:30am
Warragul - Residential	Jane & Roger Arrive 10:45am	Iren & Andy Arrive 10:45am



**Drouin Rotary Craft & Produce Market Saturday Nov 20<sup>th</sup>**

<b>DROUIN ROTARY CRAFT &amp; PRODUCE MARKET</b>		<b>VOLUNTEERS LIST</b>		<b>20 Nov 21</b>
<b>ONE WEEK BEFORE MARKET</b>	<b>14 Nov-21</b>	Road signs at freeway exits		Kevin R
		Billboard- Bows club & Drouin Mowers		Kevin R
<b>DAY BEFORE MARKET</b>	<b>19 Nov-21</b>	No Parking signs in carpark		Ian H
<b>MARKET DAY</b>	<b>20 Nov-21</b>	A frame Road signs @ roundabouts		Ian H
<b>BBQ trailer &amp; team arrive 6:30</b>				<b>David P</b>
<b>Traders site allocation 6:30....</b>	<b>Market Manager</b>			David V
	<b>Assistant</b>			Roger P
	<b>Assistant</b>			John T
<b>First BBQ shift 6:30 to 9:30</b>	Cooking			Peter K
	BBQ - Serving and sauces			Don K
	BBQ - Cashier			Jane P
<b>Second BBQ shift 9:30 to 12:30</b>	BBQ - Cooking 1			Bill P
	BBQ - Cooking 2			Colin G
	BBQ - Serving and sauces			Roger P
	Orders			Sharryn M
	BBQ - Cashier			Gary Sc
<b>Rotary Ambassador/COVID marshal 9 to 12:30</b>	Ambassador/COVID Marshal 1			1. Bob V 2. Jacqui V
	Ambassador/COVID Marshal 2			1. Anita C 2. Max S
<b>AFTER MARKET</b>	Road signs at freeway exits			Kevin R
	Billboard- Bows Club & Drouin Mowers			Kevin R
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## Moulin Rouge – Social Night Out

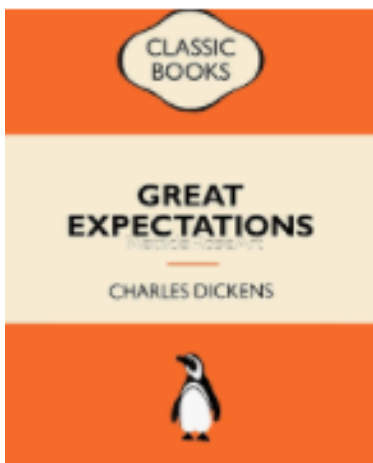
Glynn has put in for 50 tickets to Moulin Rouge, on **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> January at 2pm.**

Tickets start at \$149 plus the bus from Drouin to city \$20 - \$25 roughly.

If we have full bus, it will be \$20.

A list will be circulated at Rotary next week for those interested.

## David or Pauline Proposch



One of my early memories of a book I read and enjoyed was Great Expectations.

( Amazingly I still remember that book)

Like Colin Gardner my favourite book was “The Power of One” by Bryce Courtney. I went on to read several of his other books, but they didn’t have the same impact.

I recently read “When Chairman Were Patriots” by Elizabeth Fysh.

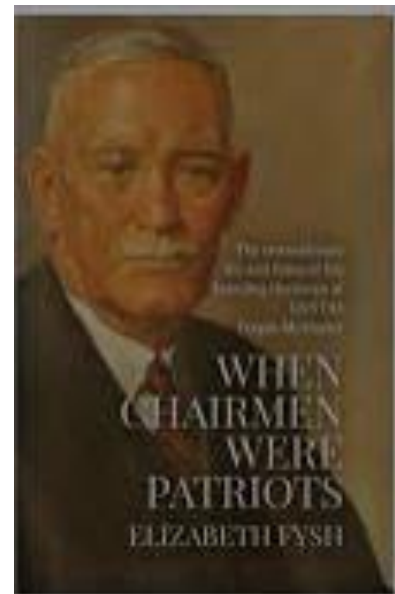
I heard the Author talking about

her book on Australia All Over one Sunday morning. It’s the extraordinary life and times of the founding chairman of QANTAS Fergus McMaster.

Following Fergus’s return from World War 1 a chance meeting outside Cloncurry with Lieutenant Paul McGuinness took him on a new path. With Lieutenant Hudson Fysh, the three men followed the young airmen’s dream of establishing an airline. QANTAS. Fergus was a man of principles and to be admired.

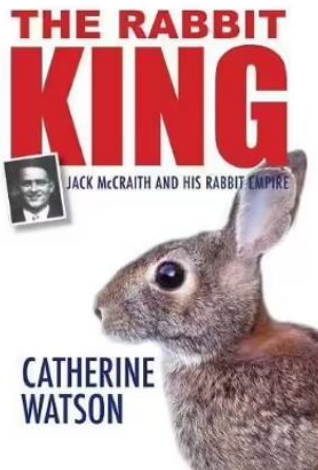
I do enjoy reading informative magazines like 4 X 4 Australia.

I subscribe to a weekly Westprint Friday Five newsletter. [www.westprint.com.au](http://www.westprint.com.au). They are a book and outback mapping company out of Nhill Victoria. They have very interesting articles and books for sale on Australian history and the outback. The Fridays funnies are funny too.



### John Tricarico:

Like many of our members, John is not a prolific reader. However during an interview he described a book he had read called "The Rabbit King" by Catherine Watson.



At the age of 15, Jack McCraith reached a momentous decision; "Everyone knows how to catch rabbits," he said. "I'll learn how to sell them."

On his first buying trip, he biked into the countryside and bought two rabbits which he skinned in the back yard and hawked around the neighbours. Within 20 years he controlled a rabbit empire which stretched across half of Australia. In a 40-year career, he exported more than 130 million rabbits.

The Rabbit King is the previously untold story of the Australian rabbit

industry, and how it kept some people alive in the harshest times and made other people very rich. It is also a personal re-telling of an old story about a poor boy who makes good. It is the story of the rise and rise of a man who perfectly suited his time and all that reveals about the way we lived and thought then.

Of course John's other favourite reading is the monthly Silvan Catalog.



### Homework For Next Week:

If your name is here, **Paul Davine, Peter Konjevic**

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.

Any other members should feel free to send in some reading notes.



## Drouin Rotary Club Leadership Team 2021/22

President: **Gary Scanlon**

Secretary/Administration:

**Terry Blundell**

Treasurer/President Elect/On-to-Conference:

**Roger Playdon**

Past President/Asst. Youth/ Rotary Centenary

**Russell Ford**

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Community Service/Projects:

**Bill Petschack**

Work Force and Resources:

**Kevin Roberts**

Director Rotary Foundation:

**Ian Symons**

Youth/New Generations:

**Sharryn Marshall**

Membership & COVID Support:

**Bob Vogt**

Insurance & Risk Management:

**Ian Haughton**

Sergeants-at-Arms:

**Ian Haughton/Jane Playdon**

Administration Assist Secretary in all areas of administration

Protection Officer: **Ian Symons**

Rotary Family: **Pauline Maunder**

Attendance: **Peter Konjevic**

Property: **William Wong**

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

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BBQ Control: **David Proposch**

Support & Manpower: **Max Scott**

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