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Rotary Club of Maffra

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The Rotary Club of Maffra meets every Thursday, 6 pm for 6.30 pm
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TOAST: "To The Privilege of Community Service"

A heart is not judged by how much you love, but by how much you are loved by others

Love is just love, it can never be explained.

Guest Speaker Emma Crisp.

Emma has just returned from our first exchange to Poland. While there she attended the International School, which is part of a larger school complex incorporating various classes.

Her host parents lived in a villa in the hills and, as it was winter when she arrived, there were many pictures of snow covering much of everything.

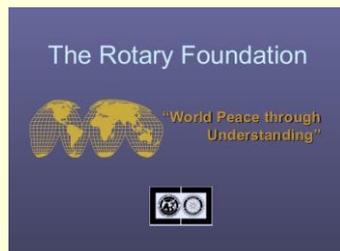


She enjoyed outings such as a ski trip, ice skating before school, a bike ride and outdoor "camp" meal and a special church service at Easter.

During her time, she visited many European countries including Poland, of course, Slovakia, Czech Republic, Slovenia, France, Switzerland and even had a Gondola ride in Venice.

Emma gave an interesting and enjoyable talk, illustrated with many photos of her trip. Quite a few probing questions were asked following her talk, illustrating the attention given by the members present.

Once again it illustrates the value of this programme in that it opens up other cultures to be experienced by the future leaders of our society, in the hope that it will follow the Rotary tenet **"World Peace Through Understanding"**.



MEETING SNAPSHOT

Once again, an interesting and entertaining evening, but only 15 members present after such a hot, dry and windy day.

Various members on extra duties this week included three for the Sunday BBQ, 2 on caravan duty and 10 involved in meals on wheels.

Our guests this evening were Emma Chrisp, our returned Youth Exchange Student, her parents Richard and Cindy and sister Chelsea. Sam Chapman a guest of Ted Mitchell, and Rotaractor Michelle Worsley, who also attended the Sunday BBQ.

George Duursema is in hospital after an appendectomy.

Dismay and regret over the shock resignation of Iain Stewart.

Expressions of concern were voiced and it is hoped that he is well and continues to stay in touch.

BJ regaled us with some of his adventures during the school holidays. He has been busy repairing fences, drenching and crushing (crutching) sheep. He also went to Orbost to visit and American female exchange student (Aha!!), and has been to Lakes Entrance fishing and visiting other exchange students. He is looking forward to March for the Ride to Conference and the Rock to Reef tour.

CLUB UPCOMING EVENTS

Here is a reminder of some of the exciting events that are coming up.

Rotary Club of Maffra Mardi Gras, 18 March 2017: The theme for 2017 will be "Beauty and the Beast."



Beginning in 1957, this community fundraiser is one of Wellington Shire's oldest events. Local community groups nominate an entrant to represent their organisation, and a friendly six-week period of fundraising rivalry, precedes the event. The Rotary Club of Maffra Mardi Gras will culminate with a street parade in Johnson Street followed by the announcement of the winner.

The Mardi Gras runs from 4 pm to 9 pm and will include market and food stalls, street entertainment, carnival rides, face painting and an animal nursery before the street parade. The Mardi Gras is a proven family-friendly event, with opportunities for many community organisations to raise some much-needed funds at the beginning of the calendar year.

April 30th Rotary Club of Maffra will attempt a world record for the most throwers of gumboots.



The most people throwing Wellington boots simultaneously is 431, achieved by Burwell Village College Primary (UK), in Burwell, UK, on 1 July 2016.

While this is a lot of fun, it is also for a world record attempt, so there are rules and regulations.



Guinness World Records have given their approval and PP Dianne Honey is busy organising all the intricate ins and outs for this attempt. This will also be an excellent opportunity to raise some much-needed funds for community projects, as well as give Rotary a high public profile and hopefully attract a few potential members.

Be part of history on this day by attending, and assisting in the organising. See PP Dianne Honey for details. Go to the website: <http://www.guinnessworldrecords.com> to find out more about Guinness World Records.

A REPLICA IRON LUNG TEACHES A NEW GENERATION ABOUT POLIO.



Dispatched to Ghana with a fellow British Rotarian to scout club service opportunities, Roger Frank hadn't planned their visit to coincide with National Immunization Days, but the pair – Frank and Dr. Carl Hallam – jumped, unhesitating, into the thick of inoculations. During a four-day stretch in October 2015, nearly 2,000 children in the area were protected from poliomyelitis. The effort galvanized Frank, who brainstormed for a way to do even more at home: How could he promote polio eradication when few of his countrymen gave much thought to the scourge?

Roger Frank wants to inspire people to donate to polio eradication. Recalling the fear that gripped the UK, the U.S., and elsewhere during the height of the polio epidemic in the early 1950s, Frank, a past president of the [Rotary Club of Upper Eden](#), thought of the iron lung, a device largely relegated to museums and history books. The lifesaving mechanical respirator was a potent, if depressing, symbol of the debilitating disease. An iron lung, Frank reasoned, would educate younger generations who grew up free of the fear created by polio, a virus that is spread easily, during the 20th century.

He hoped to borrow a model to put on tour to serve as a reminder that the polio fight remains unfinished. "I spent the last three months of 2015 looking for an iron lung in hospitals, etc.," says Frank, 65. "I had hoped to source an original unit, but they have all been scrapped and those that remain are in museums, and they would not part with them. Being fully committed to the project, I had no other option than to build an iron lung myself.

Read more stories from [The Rotarian](#).



Roger Frank crafted the trailer to give his iron lung a setting that would educate people about Polio past and present.

Polio this week as of 1 February 2017

The [Executive Board](#) of the World Health Organization at its meeting in Geneva last week noted that the world is closer than ever to being polio-free, and urged for increased support to the remaining endemic countries. At the same time, ministries commended efforts made on containment and to manage an ongoing global inactivated polio vaccine (IPV) supply constraint. The Board also encouraged plans to transition the polio infrastructure for the long-term, to ensure it continues to benefit broader public health efforts even after the disease is gone. To this effect, the Board adopted a [decision](#), requesting the GPEI to present a strategic roadmap towards polio transition and the development of a post-certification strategy at the May World Health Assembly. Closing the discussion, Rotary International addressed the ministries with a clear call to action: "We must protect the gains. An additional US\$1.3 billion is needed through 2019. Together, we can end polio and forever build a better future for all children." <http://polioeradication.org/>



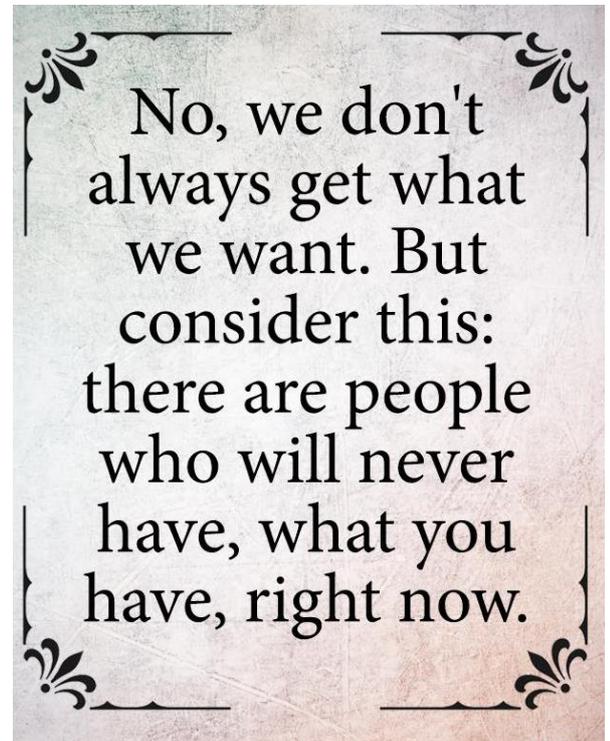
ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES 2016-2017

BOARD MEMBERS

President	Sue Gray
Immediate Past President	Ross Neilson
Secretary	Dianne Honey
Treasurer	Graeme Hemming
Club/Vocational Service Director	
Community Service Director	Pauline Hitchins
Foundation/International Director	Shane Smallwood
Youth Service Director	Sharon Knight

OTHER ROLES

Sergeant at Arms/Fines	Rob Noble/Ted Mitchell
Program Co-ordinator	Brian Gray/Veronica Dwyer
Club Bulletin and Publicity	Shane Smallwood
BBQ Co-ordinators	Hans Van Wees/John Watts
Attendance	Neil Wishart
Arthur's Swindle	Cath Noble/Sandra Houghton
Family of Rotary	Dianne Honey
Club Protection Officer	Sjors Duursema
On to Conference	Ross Neilson
Club Website	Logan Connolly
Rosters - Registrations / Friendship / Property / Caravan / BBQ	Shane Smallwood



COMMITTEES

Community Service	International Service/Foundation
Pauline Hitchins (Director) Cath Noble, Rick Dare, Hans Van Wees, Veronica Dwyer, John Watts, Brian Gray, Peter Quennell, Nathan Smith	Shane Smallwood (Director) Rob Noble, Ross Neilson, Iain Stewart, John Osborn, Neil Wishart
Youth Service	Club Service/Vocational Service
Sharon Knight director) Sjors Duursema (Protection Off.), Logan Connolly, Sandra Houghton, Roger Malouf, Ted Mitchell	Sue Gray (Pres), Ross Neilson (IPP) Dianne Honey (Sec), Graeme Hemming (Treas), Helen Lanigan.

- Toe wrestling is a national sport in Britain. It involves 2 opponents who lock feet and attempt to pin the other's foot down.*
- According to a study, a woman is more attracted to a man when she is uncertain about how much he likes her.*
- According to a study, brain scans reveal that women are more responsive to romantic stimuli after eating a meal than before.*
- The first ever selfie dates back to 1839 when a photography enthusiast named Robert Cornelius tried to take a photograph. He had to stay still for 3 minutes!*
- Sleeping on the job is acceptable in Japan, as it is seen as exhaustion from working too hard.*
- According to a study, eating an apple before going shopping causes a person to buy 25% more fruits and vegetables.*
- A cat will almost never meow at another cat. Cats use this sound for humans.*
- Eggs boiled in the urine of young virgin boys are a spring delicacy in Dongyang, China.*
- On any given day, as many as 10 volcanoes may be spewing ash or lava somewhere on Earth.*
- Summer on Uranus lasts one long day, which is equivalent to 42 Earth years.*
- The tiny blue white dots you see floating when you look at the sky are your white blood cells, also known as the blue field entoptic phenomenon.*
- In the Middle Ages, beer was consumed more than water as consuming alcohol was safer than drinking polluted water.*

HOUSEKEEPING PAGE

Please take note of your roster, **IT CAN CHANGE.**

When **YOU** are rostered on for duty and **YOU** are unavailable,
please arrange **your** own swap.

Special instructions for those on the BBQ rosters,
please make sure you collect the tear drop flag.

PROGRAMME

Date	Programme	Host
16 th Feb	Recreational Vehicle Fellowship of Rotary	
23 rd Feb	Extra ordinary general meeting All members to attend please!! Committees and Board Meeting	Sue Gray
2 nd March	Tour of Sale Police Station	Snr Sgt David Markum



CARAVAN ROSTER

Date	Deliver	Pick Up	Booked by
17 th Feb	Brian Gray	Cath Noble	Mardi Gras.
17 th March	Peter Quennell	Shane Smallwood	Mardi Gras.
7 th April	Rick Dare	Nathan Smith	Maffra Catholic Women's League

MEETING DUTIES

DATE	GREETING	REGISTRATION	PROPERTY	MARKET BBQ with Hans	WOOLIES BBQ
Feb	Roger Malouf	Shane Smallwood John Watts	Hans Van Wees	5 th : John Watts, Shane Smallwood, Logan Connolly	11 th : Roger Malouf, Helen Lanigan, Sharon Knight.
March	Pauline Hitchins	John Osborn, Neil Wishart	Ross Neilson	5 th : Rick Dare, Graeme Hemming, Ted Mitchell	4 th : Brian Gray, Jean Heasley, Iain Stewart

MILESTONES 16th to 22nd February 2017.

MEMBER	MEMBER'S B/DAY	PARTNER'S B/DAY	WEDDING ANN.	JOINED ROTARY
Peter Quennell				2002

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Rotarians are improving lives in communities around the world every day through thousands of service projects. Browse projects to explore the good work that Rotary clubs are doing locally and globally.

Share your own with the Rotary community and your Facebook friends.

Follow this link to see the various Rotary projects around the world:

https://map.rotary.org/en/project/pages/project_showcase.aspx



**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**

2017-18: Rotary: Making a Difference

In 2017-18, we'll answer the question "What is Rotary?" with RI President-elect Ian H.S. Riseley's theme, *Rotary: Making a Difference*.

"Whether we're building a new playground or a new school, improving medical care or sanitation, training conflict mediators or midwives, we know that the work we do will change people's lives — in ways large and small — for the better."

PLEASE APOLOGISE!

if you cannot attend the meeting.

If you do not apologise you will be asked to pay for the meal that has been provided for you and for which the club has had to pay.

Everyone is all "I want roses, chocolate, and romance" and I'm all, "I want tattoos and wine".

