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The Rotary Club of Maffra meets on Thursday, 6 pm for 6.30 pm

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“To The Privilege of Community Service”

Editorial:

Highlighted this week, as promised, is an article on Recycled Sound. Our club has donated more hearing aids for recycling than any other, which is due to the efforts of Dianne Honey in promoting this worthy project.

Also, for those of us who may not be totally familiar with MUNA, is a backup article to fill in the details of Annabelle's talk.

Now, right of the subject. Last Sunday I had a professional development day in Melbourne for my marriage celebrants license. (Collective yawn). During the day we spent a session on social media. The figures of users of social media were eye opening, too many to mention here, but maybe later. Why am I mentioning this? Because I keep banging on about our web site and our Facebook page.

Logan and Dianne are doing a tremendous job now in keeping these up to date and relevant. Please log on and use them, like them and refer them to friends, neighbours, footy team etc.

Also, our promotional brochure which is available at meetings or BBQs. Have a copy handy as it is the easiest way to inform someone about our club and activities.

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MEETING SNAPSHOT 11.08.2016

Guest tonight: Judith Lamb

Visiting Rotarian: Kylie-Anne Rich, R.C. Albert Park

19 members present from 25 active.

4 members involved in Father's Day raffle ticket selling.

5 members involved in Market Day BBQ.

4 members attended Sale Changeover.

3 members attended a district event.

2 members involved in Street Stall Caravan.

Rob Noble won the swindle, keeping alive the tradition of not being present to win.

Woondella BBQ Sat 13th supporting KG6 Zimbabwe

Our guest speaker tonight was Annabelle Lamb, who was sponsored to MUNA by the club. Annabelle gave us a lively report on her weekend (20th – 22nd May) attending the Model United Nations Assembly representing the Democratic Republic of Congo. After selecting her country, a month prior to the conference she then had to research it, make suitable costumes and then present what she hoped would be a reasonable debate on its behalf.

All together there were 40+ students representing 22 countries. Some of the debates centred around Security, WMDs and shelter for women. Also relocating Collingwood to Central Australia. Bribery and corruption were rife with Annabelle offering her partner as a human sacrifice to get her motion passed.

1st prize for the weekend went to Australia, with Ethiopia coming second. The Peace Prize went to Myanmar and the best costume to Cuba.

The most popular debate was regarding Nuclear Weapons, with some surprising attitudes coming to the fore.

Annabelle has stayed in contact with a number of her fellow participants through social media. She thanked the Rotary Club for sponsoring her and told us that the skills she learned have already been of benefit to her, especially giving her the confidence to address the club.

Recycled Sound is a Community Service Project initiated by the Rotary Club of Toorak to collect, clean, reprogramme and recycle hearing aids for people in our community with a special need and unable to meet the expense of hearing aids in the private market.

How you can help:

Don't throw out hearing aids! Contact PP Dianne Honey and give them to her. Donated hearing aids are reconditioned and reprogrammed so that they can be fitted to recipients who would otherwise be unable to access hearing aids.



An example of recycled sound

At **Recycled Sound**, by collecting donated hearing aids we know we're empowering disadvantaged people to take control of their hearing loss. We also know there are many more people in Australia unable to access the hearing aids they need to reduce the isolation of living with hearing loss.

The hearing aid problem

The cost of a pair of hearing aids through the private market ranges from \$5000 to \$10,000. Many are unable to meet this expense. Available Federal Government programs allow **limited options** for accessing a hearing aid. This means many people simply struggle to live with their hearing loss. Restricted access to hearing aids can also force many people to **leave the workforce early**. We know hearing aids play a critical role in overcoming hearing loss and can greatly influence quality-of-life and the ability to gain and keep employment.

The [Victorian Hearing Aid Bank](#) contributes at least \$650,000 to the Victorian economy each year through recycled heading aids, the contribution to the economy through improved economic participation remains unmeasured. With the help of Recycled Sound BHA will now be able to help more people in need. This is an exciting opportunity to empower more Victorians to take control of their hearing loss.

WHAT IS MUNA?



The idea of a **Model United Nations Assembly** is to involve secondary students in a hands-on experience of a UN-style conference to increase international understanding and goodwill, which is one of the objects of Rotary. The aim is not only to involve those students or Delegates who attend the conference but also a wide cross section of the participating schools.

MUNA was first introduced to Rotary at Lake Cargelligo in 1980 and the concept was then passed on to the Forbes Rotary Club in 1984.

Since then, MUNA has spread throughout most districts of Australia, New Zealand and Papua New Guinea. In 1989, Rotary World President Royce Abbey placed MUNA on the World Youth Activities Committee Agenda for Rotary and similar sessions are now held in many countries.

HOW DOES IT WORK:

Each nominated school is given a country to represent and a set of resolutions to investigate and discuss from the point of view of the country they are representing. All students are encouraged to dress in National costume of the country they are representing throughout the conference. National costumes will be judged throughout the weekend and prizes will be given for best costume.

Each school and its delegates research the positions of the country they represent on the issues to be debated. In this way, the students gain informed knowledge and understanding of this country and hopefully many regions of the world.

Rotary believes that it is through our youth that hopefully we can look forward to increased world peace and understanding.

This is a fun and educational event that will appeal to those who are keen to debate issues and take a stand as viewed through the eyes of another culture. As delegates to the Model United Nations you can "use a bit of licence" and be a little outrageous in your views. This lightens the mood of some of the motions being debated and can catch the eye of those looking for a winner.

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES 2016-2017

BOARD

President	Sue Gray
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Secretary	Dianne Honey
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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

Community Service	International Service/Foundation
Pauline Hitchins (Director) Cath Noble, Rick Dare, Hans Van Wees, Veronica Dwyer, John Watt, Brian Gray, Peter Quennell, Nathan Smith	Shane Smallwood (Director) Rob Noble, Ross Neilson, Iain Stewart, John Osbom, 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, Ross Neilson IPP Dianne Honey (Sec), Graeme Hemming (Treas), Helen Lanigan (Membership Sec)

SPECIAL BBQ STAFFING REQUIRED IN AUGUST

Sat 13th Woondella, Sale Maffra Rd 10.00am to 2.00pm
 Sun 14th Bunnings Sale. 10.00am to 4.00pm. 3 shifts of 3 members
 The commitment board is going around at the meeting
 so please give consideration to helping out.
 Contact Pauline Hitchins for further details

HOUSEKEEPING PAGE

Please take note of your roster.

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
18 th August	D.G. Lynne Westland	Pres Sue Gray
25 th August	Committee meetings	
1 st September	Bjarne Gienapp (B.J.)	Nathan Smith

CARAVAN ROSTER

Date	Deliver	Pick Up	Booked by
19 th August	Brian Gray	Shane Smallwood	Maffra Volleyball
26 th August	Iain Stewart	Logan Connolly	Glassford Street Kinder
2 nd Sept	Rick Dare	Peter Quennell	Tinamba Red Cross

CLUB DUTIES

DATE	GREETING	REGISTRATION	PROPERTY	MARKET BBQ	WOOLIES BBQ
August	Veronica Dwyer	George Duursema Ross Neilson	Brian Gray	7 th Hans Van Wees, Dianne Honey, Rick Dare, Iain Stewart	
September	Sandra Houghton	Robert Noble, Iain Stewart	George Duursema	4 th Hans Van Wees, Sue Gray, Sharon Knight, Ross Neilson	3 rd : Ted Mitchell, Pauline Hitchins, Shane Smallwood

MILESTONES None this week.

August 2016	BIRTHDAY	WEDDING	ROTARY
18 th	Sandra Houghton		
18 th	Sharon Knight		
18 th	Lorraine Price		