

Rotary



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Rotary Club of Maffra

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

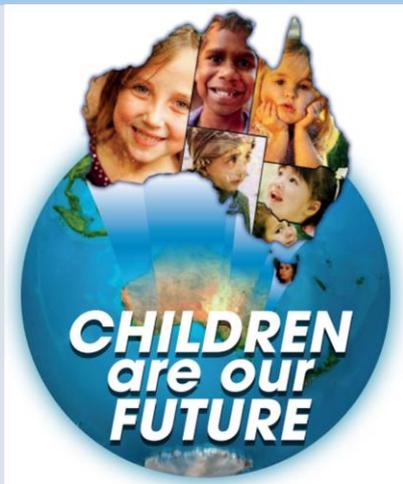
Duart Receptions, 20 McLean Street, Maffra

(Apologies and visitors to Nathan Smith by 1 pm. Telephone (03) 5147 1985)

TOAST: "To The Privilege of Community Service"



D9820 District Conference 2017



Come Join us in Hobart 2017

for the 59th District Conference
MARCH 24th -26th

SPEAKERS
GETTING THERE

REGISTER NOW!

Registration forms are now available, and all information regarding guest speakers, tours, registration etc. is available on the above link. Accommodation is available at the Wrest Point Casino, but bookings are up to the individual.

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MEETING SNAPSHOT 24.11.2016

20 members were present for the annual AGM and a club forum.

Rick Dare and Peter Quennell were on caravan duty.

Iain Stewart, Peter Quennell, Rob Noble and Helen Lanigan were present at the Stretton Park redevelopment announcement.

Rob and Helen also represented the club at the community policing meeting at Sale.

Sue Gray gave a presentation to the Maffra Ladies Probus club which was very well received.

Graeme announced that the Father's Day raffle proceeds amounted to \$1464.65.

Pauline announced that the shire grant for Australia Day has been allocated and that the Rusty Rockers will perform that day.

The Quiet Achiever Awards have been advertised in the local paper, anyone who has a nominee in mind is urged to contact Pauline without delay.

Dianne Honey was again the winner of the swindle, and was present to collect her voucher.

The annual AGM was conducted by PP Rob Noble. Minutes from the previous AGM were read and accepted, as was the financial report. Unfortunately, the election of a president for 2017-18 had to be carried over until the meeting on 19th January as there were no candidates.

Election of the Board of Directors was also carried over to this date. It is hoped that members of the club can step forward to fill these important and rewarding positions once the silly season is passed.

A club forum followed the AGM, and carried lively debate about a number of issues which will be detailed in the secretary's report under separate cover.

Maffra Rotary was the only Rotary club represented at a meeting called by Sale Lions to discuss a request by S/C Kim Kell, Community Policing officer, for provision of a vehicle to service the Wellington police district. Apparently Force Command do not provide dedicated transport to any Community Policing unit relying on local groups or motor dealers to provide a car.

Given the distance involved and with 5 staff S/C Kell has great difficulty in meeting appointments and presented a compelling case for her need for a car. Lions seem keen to explore ways to help but it is not recommended that Maffra Rotary participate in fundraising, rather lobby our politicians to fund what seems an increasingly necessary resource. Present policy effectively means the level of service to a district is dependent on the locals providing a "cop car".

3rd Annual
East Gippsland Heritage Truck Display
26th & 27th November 2016
MAFFRA RECREATION GROUNDS - NEWRY ROAD MAFFRA

Gates Open 10am to 4pm
 Live Music, Ice Cream Van & Catering, Jumping Castle, Club Merchandise
 Exhibitor Camping on Grounds, Loading Ramp available on-site
 Open to all trucks of any age reflecting the history of transport in Australia
 On ground Catering provided by local Clubs
 Admission: Adults \$10 one day - \$15 two day pass - Children under 16 Free

Contact: Steve Bragg 0490 051 983 Shaun Tomlinson 0418 516 903
 John Barley 03 5147 1841 Terry Whelan 0408 516 144

Truck Display Enquiries: Terry Whelan 0408 516 144 Steve Bragg 0490 051 983

Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th November saw many members and their partners enjoy the fellowship of another fund-raising activity. It was our good fortune to be selected to cater for this event and while the "filthy lucre" has yet to be counted the enjoyment of working together was evident.



Sharon & Denise hard at work



Rick & John cooking up a storm



DON'T PANIC!!!



The girls were busy too, Dianne, Sue & Carol feeding the masses.



Never, ever let Graeme play with sharp objects!!



Long queues were the order of the day.



All hands on deck



Sue, Dianne & Veronica frying their best!!

LEXOPHILIA:

Lexophilia is a word used to describe those that have a love for words, such as "you can tune a piano, but you can't tuna fish", or "to write with a broken pencil is pointless." A competition to see who can come up with the best lexophiles is held every year in an undisclosed location. This year's winning submission is posted at the very end.

- .. When fish are in schools, they sometimes take debate.
- .. A thief who stole a calendar got twelve months.
- .. The batteries were given out free of charge.
- .. A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.
- .. A will is a dead giveaway.
- .. With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.
- .. A boiled egg is hard to beat.
- .. When you've seen one shopping centre you've seen a mall.
- .. Police were summoned to a day-care centre where a three-year-old was resisting a rest.
- .. Did you hear about the fellow whose entire left side was cut off? He's all right now.
- .. A bicycle can't stand alone; it's just two tired.
- .. When a clock is hungry it goes back four seconds.
- .. The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine is now fully recovered.
- .. He had a photographic memory which was never developed.
- .. When she saw her first strands of grey hair she thought she'd dye.
- .. Acupuncture is a jab well done. That's the point of it.
- ...And the cream of the twisted crop:
- ...Those who get too big for their pants will be totally exposed in the end.

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



As a result of the lack of nominations for the incoming board for 2017-18, included here is a brief outline, with hyperlinks, of the president's role. Many of us have already been president, some more than once, but it is incumbent on all of us to give whatever support we can to enjoy the fellowship and continue the good work that the club does in the community. The role is only as onerous as you want to make it, and can be very rewarding and enjoyable. Descriptions of other committee roles are given at this link:

<https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/learning-reference/learn-role-of-club-roles>

President [See full job description.](#)

As president, you lead and motivate your club, ensuring that club members feel valuable, inspired, and connected to each other.

What you do

- Preside over club and board meetings
- Appoint committee chairs and members
- Conduct club assemblies
- Create a budget and manage club finances, including an annual audit
- Develop a safe environment for youth participants
- Work with your district governor and assistant governor

How to prepare

The year of planning before you take office is **crucial** to achieving the objectives you set out for your club. As president-elect, you work with your assistant governor and incoming leadership team to set annual goals that support your club's strategic plan. In this year, you should:

- Assess your club's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and risks in order to set goals
- Develop an action plan for your annual goals, which support long-term achievements
- Appoint committee chairs
- Ensure continuity in leadership and service projects
- Attend presidents-elect training seminar
- Attend district training assembly

Resources & reference

- [Lead Your Club: President - Club President's Manual](#)
- [Be a Vibrant Club: Your Club Leadership Plan](#)
- [Membership Growth and Retention Support](#)
- [The Rotary Foundation Reference Guide](#)
- [Standard Rotary Club Constitution](#)
- [Recommended Rotary Club Bylaws](#)

Tools

- [Pay or view your club invoice](#) (Rotary International dues and fees)
- [Update your club membership data](#)
- [Add club officers](#)
- Set and track goals in [Rotary Club Central](#)
- Take a course in the [Learning Center](#)
- Register for a [webinar](#)
- Check our [discussion groups](#)

Rotary support

- Immediate past president and senior club members.
- Assistant governor
- District leaders

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.

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.

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 Osbom, Neil Wishart
Youth Service	Club Service/Vocational Service
Sharon Knight (Director) Sjors Duursema (Protection Officer), Logan Connolly, Sandra Houghton, Roger Malouf, Ted Mitchell	Sue Gray (Pres), Ross Neilson (IPP) Dianne Honey (Sec), Graeme Hemming (Treas), Helen Lanigan.

PROGRAMME

Date	Programme	Host
1 st December	Hannah Nichols- outbound YEP student	Sharon Knight
8 th December	Anne Andrews – History of the Maffra Herd Improvement Society	Rob Noble
15 th December	Committee and Board meetings	Sue Gray
22 nd December	Christmas Dinner	Santa Claus
29 th December	No Meeting	Noone

CARAVAN ROSTER

Date	Deliver	Pick Up	Booked by
2 nd December	Shane Smallwood	Peter Quennell	Maffra Cricket Club
9 th December	Rick Dare	Iain Stewart	George Gray Centre
3 rd February	Brian Gray	Cath Noble	Maffra Cricket Club

CLUB DUTIES

DATE	MEET & GREET	REGISTRATION	PROPERTY	MARKET BBQ	WOOLIES BBQ
Dec	John Osborn	Pauline Hitchins, Rick Dare	Robert Noble	4 th : George Duursema, Veronica Dwyer, Dianne Honey	10 th : Ted Mitchell, Robert Noble, Shane Smallwood
Jan	Iain Stewart	Roger Malouf, Peter Quennell	Logan Connolly	1 st : New Year's Day. No Market.	

MILESTONES 2nd to 8th December Nothing this week

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