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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"

MEETING SNAPSHOT – 25th May 2017

A wonderful meeting to celebrate the club's 70th anniversary of Charter as a Rotary Club.

Appropriately enough there were 70 members, partners, guests and friends of the Rotary club present on this gala occasion.

District Governor Lynne Westland, District Governor Elect Don Ripper and District Governor Nominee Janne Spiers headed the list of dignitaries representing other Rotary clubs and Lions clubs from the area.

District Governor Lynne Westland read a letter from R.I. President John F. Germ congratulating the club on reaching this important milestone. That letter is reproduced in this bulletin, and has been archived as part of the clubs long and illustrious history.

Chairman for the evening was President Elect Graeme Hemming who ran the meeting smoothly and with a touch of style. He introduced Neil Wishart, past member Ron Graham and Rob Noble who all spoke on different aspects of their time in Rotary and what they had learned from it. Neil also gave a brief overview of the club history.

A highlight of the evening was the announcement that the International Scholarship envisaged and promoted by past member Ross Neilson has come to fruition and 5 scholars have been selected in Pakistan for further study.

Three swindles were drawn and won by Rob Noble, Sharon Knight and Dianne Honey.

The raffle was won by Shane's guest Greg Smith, who chose the Moet et Chandon champagne (why wouldn't you). Second prize to Neil Wishart and third prize to Wendy (a visitor who escaped before I could get her last name).

The luscious birthday cake was made by Natasha, and all the photos from the evening are on our website.

Women in Rotary

According to a 2013 demographic survey of Rotary, 19 percent of Rotarians worldwide are women. In many regions, the percentage is much lower. Rotary research indicates that men and women join Rotary for the same reasons: to make a difference in their communities and to make personal connections. If your club's membership is less than 50 percent women, increasing the number of women will bring a different perspective to your club, create a membership that better reflects the demographics of your community, and expand the power and scope of your service projects.



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Dear Rotary Club of Maffra members:

It's an honor to congratulate the Rotary Club of Maffra, Victoria, Australia on its seventieth anniversary.

Since your club was chartered, you have made the commitment not only to represent Rotary in your community but also to do good work and to embody Service Above Self.

You and I both know that special feeling you get in Rotary — when you know that someone is going to be living a better life because of you. Together, we have provided extraordinary service to the world. Today, the world is depending on us to do even more. Now is the time to capitalize on our success, as we zero in on the eradication of polio and catapult Rotary forward to be an even greater force for good.

Each of our 34,000-plus clubs is unique in its own way. The success of a club depends on many factors, including a strong, active membership base and a dedication to helping others. By reaching this milestone, you have shown your commitment to our organization. I hope you also see this as an opportunity to reflect on all that you have accomplished and to set goals that allow you to achieve even more. Congratulations once again on your club's seventy years. I know that you will continue to be part of *Rotary Serving Humanity* for many more years to come.

Sincerely,

John F. Germ
2016-17 President, Rotary International

Please take note of your roster, **IT CAN AND DOES 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.

DATE	PROGRAMME	CHAIR
1 st June		
8 th June	Bjarne Gienapp, 2016/17 student from Germany.	
15 th June		
22 nd June	Committees and Combined board meeting	
6 th July	Club Changeover	

CARAVAN	Deliver	Pick Up	Booked by
2 nd June	Shane Smallwood	Shane Smallwood	Maffra Volleyball
9 th June	John Watts	Rob Noble	Boisdale Consolidated

MEETING DUTIES	GREETING	REGISTRATION	PROPERTY	MARKET BBQ with Hans van Wees	WOOLLIES' BBQ
June	Sharon Knight	George Duursema, Brian Gray	Neil Wishart	4 th : George Duursema, Cath Noble	10 th : Sue Gray, Veronica Dwyer, Roger Malouf

MILESTONES 1st June to 7th June 2017.

MEMBER	MEMBER'S B/DAY	PARTNER'S B/DAY	WEDDING ANN.	JOINED ROTARY
Sandra Houghton				2002

HERE IS AN INTERESTING QUESTION THAT A LOT GET WRONG:

Are individual Rotarians members of Rotary International?

The answer: NO INDIVIDUAL ROTARIAN IS A MEMBER OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

The explanation follows: (from my friend Wendy Gaborit)

Manual of Procedure 2016

Article 2 Name and Description

The name of this organization shall be Rotary International.

RI is the association of clubs throughout the world.

Article 3 Purposes

The purposes of RI are:

- (a) To support the clubs and districts of RI in their pursuit of programs and activities that promote the Object of Rotary;
- (b) To encourage, promote, extend, and supervise Rotary throughout the world;
- (c) To coordinate and generally direct the activities of RI.

Article 5 Memberships - refers to the club

Therefore, the club is the member of Rotary International and Rotarians are members of the club.

Best regards

Wendy Gaborit

Rotary Public Image Coordinator Zone 8

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES 2016-2017

BOARD MEMBERS

President Sue Gray
Immediate Past President Ross Neilson
Secretary Dianne Honey
Treasurer/President Elect Graeme Hemming

Club/Vocational Service Director

Community Service Director

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

Club Website Logan Connolly

Rosters - Registrations / Friendship / Property / Caravan / BBQ Shane Smallwood

COMMITTEES

Community Service	International Service/Foundation
Cath Noble, Hans Van Wees, Veronica Dwyer, John Watts, Brian Gray, Nathan Smith	Shane Smallwood (Director) Rob Noble, John Osbom, Neil Wishart
Youth Service	Club Service/Vocational Service
Sharon Knight (Director) Logan Connolly, Sjors Duursema (Protection Off.), Ted Mitchell, Sandra Houghton, Roger Malouf.	Sue Gray (Pres), Dianne Honey (Sec), Graeme Hemming (Treas), Helen Lanigan.

10 IDEAS FOR ATTRACTING YOUNGER PROFESSIONALS

Adding younger members is essential to the future of your club. However, younger professionals often have hectic schedules, family obligations, and financial limitations that make it difficult for them to commit to Rotary. Make club membership more attractive and more feasible for younger members:

1. Waive or reduce fees for a period.
2. Create a satellite club with an alternate meeting time or format that is more convenient for prospective members with young families. Consider a Saturday morning meeting or a satellite e-club.
3. Reduce meal expenses or make meals optional. Consider bringing pastries to a meeting, organizing a potluck, or having everyone take turns bringing the food or beverages.
4. Create social and networking activities that are interesting and convenient for younger professionals.
5. Invite groups of younger people to join at the same time to make them feel more comfortable.
6. Create a club environment that is accepting of absences. Perfect attendance is typically not attainable for today's professionals. This may require some changes in your club's traditions or policies.
7. Highlight opportunities to get involved in local community service.
8. Assign a veteran Rotarian to serve as a mentor to make a new young member feel welcome.
9. Get them involved. Young professionals are creative and eager to generate new ideas for solving persistent problems.
10. Offer variety. Talk about the various ways new members can participate in Rotary. Find out about their abilities and interests, and find ways to put them to use in your club's work.

