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

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TOAST: "To The Privilege of Community Service"

Editorial:

Membership increase is always on our minds. This week I have included a few notes from My Rotary to give us all something to think about. We all enjoy Rotary, and especially the fun and fellowship that we share at this club, so why not bring someone along to share in the good times we enjoy.

Not only do new members increase the variety of conversations that we have, they also are able to get involved in our community projects and bring more enthusiasm. Also, a fresh set of eyes may suggest a new way of how we do things.

Perhaps each of us should set a goal of bringing one person along to a club meeting this year. Not necessarily with a view to inducting them, but just to share the meeting, and introduce them to a world they may know little or nothing about.

To learn more click on any of the blue Hyperlinks to be taken to the relevant part of My Rotary website.

Rotary is a wonderful organisation that has so much to offer everyone at whatever level you want to get involved in. I am sure that there are many people out there who are just waiting for the opportunity to be invited along to a meeting. I have already identified two men in the town who are interested but have never been spoken to.

I guess we are all scared of rejection, but it doesn't have to be a full-on charge, just a gentle chat about what fun we have and how great the members are to create a bit of interest.

Shane Smallwood
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MEETING SNAPSHOT 29.09.2016

19 members in attendance
3 members at district events
2 members on caravan duty
Pauline Hitchins won the swindle.
BJ and Hannah Stewart were guests.

Frank Spiteri, District Insurance Officer, gave us a run down on our liabilities and responsibilities regarding our insurance coverage. This is a very intricate and important topic and very difficult to summarise in a limited space. Frank spent an hour going over all the necessary fact checking to make sure we were compliant.



To ensure that the club does not incur a liability Frank went into a very detailed explanation of our insurance requirements, and also where we stand as regards to our responsibilities in the youth area.

With regard to youth there is a Statement of Conduct which we should all be aware of:

STATEMENT OF CONDUCT FOR WORKING WITH YOUTH

Rotary International strives to create and maintain a safe environment for all youth who participate in Rotary activities. To the best of their ability, Rotarians, Rotarians' spouses and partners, and other volunteers must safeguard the children and young people they come into contact with and protect them from physical, sexual, and emotional abuse. (RCP 2.100.1.)

It is our responsibility to each complete a WWC form and a Form 3 as soon as possible. If any of us has one on one unsupervised contact with a young person, then we need to have those checks done or we may be in breach of the law.

More information regarding our legal responsibilities can be found on the Commission for Children and Young People website:
<http://www.ccpv.vic.gov.au/>

Most over 50s were HOME SCHOOLED in many ways.

16. My mother taught me about ANTICIPATION.
"Just wait until we get home."
17. My mother taught me about RECEIVING.
"You are going to get it from your father when you get home!"
18. My mother taught me MEDICAL SCIENCE.
"If you don't stop crossing your eyes, they are going to get stuck that way."
19. My mother taught me ESP.
"Put your sweater on; don't you think I know when you are cold?"
20. My father taught me HUMOR.
"When that lawn mower cuts off your toes, don't come running to me."
21. My mother taught me HOW TO BECOME AN ADULT.
"If you don't eat your vegetables, you'll never grow up."
22. My mother taught me GENETICS.
"You're just like your father."
23. My mother taught me about my ROOTS.
"Shut that door behind you. Do you think you were born in a barn?"
24. My mother taught me WISDOM.
"When you get to be my age, you'll understand."
25. My father taught me about JUSTICE.
"One day you'll have kids, and I hope they turn out just like you!"

How to find new members

The top two reasons people join Rotary are to meet new people and to get involved in their communities. Many of the non-Rotarians you know are looking for the same things. Invite them to help with a service project, attend a networking night, or participate in a club gathering so they can see for themselves how Rotary connects leaders to make positive change.

Consider these potential candidates for membership:

- Friends and family members
- Business and professional acquaintances
- Younger community leaders who are already connected to Rotary through Rotaract, RYLA, peace fellowships, Youth Exchange, and other programs.

Use social media to attract members

Is your club on Facebook? Is your website up-to-date? Are you sharing information about your club's activities and projects with your community? An active social media presence can attract new members and inspire current ones. [See how one club used social media to grow its membership.](#)

Share information about Rotary

You can explain the benefits of joining your club by hosting an information session for potential and new members. Find ideas, along with sample formats, resources, and worksheets in [Introducing New Members to Rotary: An Orientation Guide](#).

Prospective member information session

Invite club members to describe their experiences, talk about your club's service projects and social activities, and give an overview of Rotary. Share the [Prospective Member brochure](#) and the [What Is Rotary? video](#) with prospective members.

New member orientation

Build new members understanding of Rotary by hosting a series of information sessions. Suggested topics include Rotary history, opportunities for service, and The Rotary Foundation.

Courses and webinars

Encourage new and existing members to stay current using the many Rotary resources available. Courses in the [Learning Center](#) and [webinars](#) make it easy to learn at your own pace.

Rotary's Be a Vibrant Club leadership plan challenges members to revitalize their clubs and better engage new and established members. It offers fresh ideas, and the latest edition has regionalized versions. [Australia, New Zealand, and Pacific Islands](#)

Engage current members

Work hard to deliver an experience that will keep members excited about Rotary. Successful strategies include:

- Regularly recognizing members for their achievements
- Keeping members involved in club projects and activities
- Encouraging members to take on leadership roles
- Sending monthly email updates

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

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 Off.), Logan Connolly, Sandra Houghton, Roger Malouf, Ted Mitchell	Sue Gray (Pres), Ross Neilson (IPP) Dianne Honey (Sec), Graeme Hemming (Treas), Helen Lanigan.

A man suffered a serious heart attack while shopping in a store. The store clerks called an ambulance when they saw him collapse to the floor. The paramedics rushed the man to the nearest hospital where he had an emergency open heart bypass surgery. He awakened from the surgery to find himself in the care of nuns at the Catholic Hospital. A nun was seated next to his bed holding a clipboard loaded with several forms, and a pen. She asked him how he was going to pay for his treatment. "Do you have health insurance?" she asked. He replied in a raspy voice, "No health insurance." The nun asked, "Do you have money in the bank?" He replied, "No money in the bank." Do you have a relative who could help you with the payments?" asked the Irritated nun. He said, "I only have a spinster sister, and she is a nun." The nun became agitated and announced loudly, "Nuns are not spinsters! Nuns are married to God." The patient replied, "Perfect. Send the bill to my brother-in-law."

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
6 th October	Hat Day Fundraiser \$5 a hat. \$10 naked	
13 th October	Gordon Keddie Healthy Fermenting	Shane Smallwood
20 th October	Committee and Board meetings	Sue Gray

CARAVAN ROSTER

Date	Deliver	Pick Up	Booked by
7 th October	Iain Stewart	Shane Smallwood	Maffra Uniting Church Quilting
14 th October	Brian Gray	Rick Dare	St Johns
21 st & 22 nd	Peter Quennell Shane Smallwood	Hans Van Wees Cath Noble	Maffra Agricultural Society

CLUB DUTIES

DATE	GREETING	REGISTRATION	PROPERTY	MARKET BBQ	WOOLIES BBQ
Oct	Graeme Hemming	Helen Lanigan Sharon Knight	Roger Malouf	2 nd : Hans Van Wees Cath Noble, Peter Quennell, Shane Smallwood	8 th : Iain Stewart, Helen Lanigan, Dianne Honey
Nov	Cath Noble	Logan Connolly, Veronica Dwyer	Ted Mitchell	6 th : Hans Van Wees, John Watts, Logan Connolly, John Osborn,	

MILESTONES 7th to 13th October.

NAME	MEMBER'S B/DAY	PARTNER'S B/DAY	WEDDING ANN.	JOINED ROTARY
Nathan Smith	11 th			

Seniors Computer Skills Tech support: How may I help you?
 Customer: My keyboard is not working anymore.
 Tech support: Are you sure it's plugged into the computer?
 Customer: No. I can't get behind the computer.
 Tech support: Pick up your keyboard and walk 10 paces back.
 Customer: OK
 Tech support: Did the keyboard come with you?
 Customer: Yes
 Tech support: That means the keyboard is not plugged in.



Dianne Honey with her "special" dessert prepared by Natasha.