

## **Presidents Report to the Annual General Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

I want to thank each of you for your continued dedication to community service.

As we approach the end of 2024, we should be very proud of what has been accomplished.

The container deposit scheme has been going for just over twelve months and has surpassed all expectations with 240000 containers which have raised \$30000 of which the club has retained \$20000. A man on a mission Rob Davies has been an outstanding champion to this cause, ably assisted by admin Peter Rawlings and the flock of bin chickens.

Next week we will see the Balcombe Interact club have its charter event, there is no question that this is one of the most significant achievements of this club. Peter Wiltshire has achieved so much in this space with the youth committee.

Our community awareness and engagement continues to strengthen and people are talking about Mount Martha Rotary and what we are doing. The lead up to Christmas is busy with many events planned and our Christmas decorations will be bringing joy to our village.

Our relationships in the community with organisations such as Mornington Community Support Centre, the Community Bank and our CDS partners are positioning us well for the future and bringing a real sense of purpose.

It is important moving forward that we have a shared vision and goals to deliver for the community.

I thank each of the directors and board members for their ongoing support, and those of you that have taken on supporting roles and championing the projects that make our club great.

**Anne Shaw**

**President, Rotary Club of Mount Martha 2024-25**