

# ROTARY CLUB of SOUTH BUNBURY(INC)

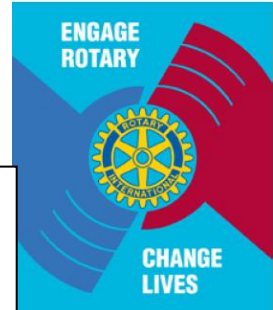
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## THE BULLY

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May is Open Month



### Quote of the week:

It is easier to wear slippers than to carpet the whole world.

### Dinner Bookings & Makeup's

#### **South Bunbury:**

Rose Hotel  
Wednesday  
6.15 for 6.45pm start,  
0413 743 601 before 10 am

#### **Bunbury:**

Parade Hotel  
Monday  
6.00 for 6.30pm start  
97212933

#### **Bunbury Leschenault:**

Lighthouse Beach Resort  
Wednesday  
12.00 for 12.30pm start  
0427 192828

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### Bunbury Men's Shed

**Bruce Lynch** updated members on the progress of the Men's Shed. Points included:

- The \$48,000 pledged from the City Council has been received.
- \$112,000 from LotteriesWest will be applied for, after the spending has been incurred, according to their policy.
- 160 cubic metres of sand was kindly donated by Piacentini and Son
- JW Cross and Sons generously cleared the topsoil and spread the sand
- Coates Hire kindly provided the use of a compactor. Bruce estimated he travelled 5km with the machine!
- Picko's Bobcat donated services to level the sand
- Shaun Hutton has said his business will donate labour for the pouring of the concrete slab.
- Australind Pre-Mix are giving great support with concrete supply
- Jason Windows have generously donated the aluminium windows for the Shed.
- Savings such as those described above have helped offset unexpected costs

A big thank you to Bruce and Turk and all who are making the new Bunbury Men's Shed a reality!

### Global Grant

**John Gray** announced that a project the club supports, fresh water supply to primary schools in Lebanon, has been granted a Rotary International Global Grant.

He also thanked members who gave of their time to doorknock in the Salvos Red Shield Appeal.

Thank you to all involved.

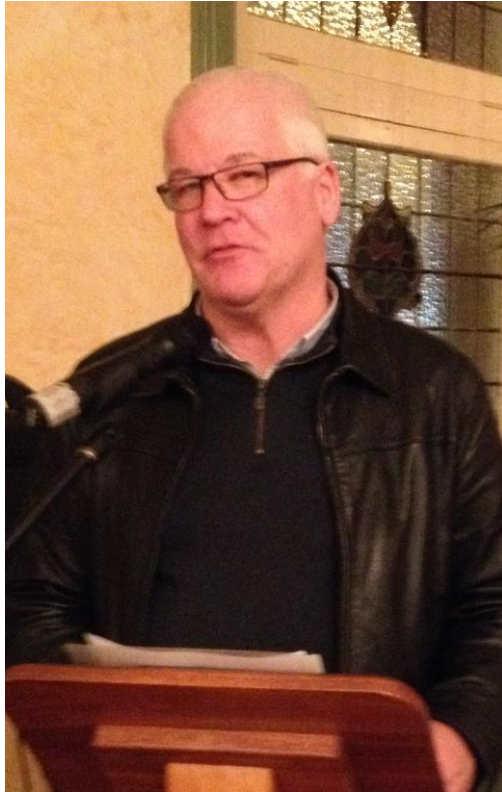
### Jackpot Winner

Congratulations to **David Miles** for picking the winning card and taking the jackpot!

## Guest speaker

We were pleased to welcome Julian Bowron, Director at Bunbury Regional Art Galleries (BRAG), as our guest speaker.

He told us about the many projects, exhibitions and initiatives on the go at the BRAG. Thank you Julian for your interesting and informative presentation!



Julian Bowron

### Helping people in Madagascar

PDG Dr Zaki Dorkham had the honour to present a \$10,000 cheque for Australian Doctors for Africa.

You will recall that Dr Sue Chapman, a local urologist, invited donations for urological equipment for Madagascar. The amount raised, being \$5,000 from the Club, and \$5,000 from individuals and the medical fraternity, will pay for important equipment for operations. Dr Chapman is also training locals in Madagascar to gain a degree of urological self-sufficiency.

PP Dr Stephen Hinton received the cheque on Dr Chapman's behalf.



PDG Dr Zaki Dorkham and PP Dr Stephen Hinton

## Duty Roster

Duties:	June 4th	June 11 <sup>th</sup> and 18th
Host & Grace	Morris Johnston	Cedric Getley
Properties	Murray Connop	Naru Pal
Properties	Stewart Binnie	Clint Hyne
Reception	Mike Honeybell	Neil Sinclair
Reception	Rob Geldert	Mike Honeybell
Introduction	Ray Philp	Turk Ellis
Thanks	Mike Presser	Neil Hamilton
Ticket Sales	Suzin Wells	Bruce Lynch
Fines	Kim Rudd	Sandro Agrizzi
Raffle Spinner	Len Andel	Stewart Binnie

Member Birthdays		
Name	Date	
Robertson, Ian	Jun 14	
Spouse/Partner Birthdays		
Name	Spouse/Partner Of	Date
Wilkinson, Lynne	Wilkinson, Jim	Jun 07
Wedding Anniversaries		
Name	Spouse Name	Date
Ellis, Turk	Cornwell, Sue	Jun 09, 2007 (7 yrs)
Spriggins, Don	Spriggins, Judy	Jun 23, 1962 (52 yrs)
Dorkham, Zaki	Dorkham, Samar	Jun 29, 1985 (29 yrs)
Join Date		
Name	Years	Date
Keyser, David	5 years	Jun 03, 2009
Freeman, Dean	7 years	Jun 06, 2007
Paini, Terry	5 years	Jun 17, 2009
Wilkinson, Jim	44 years	Jun 23, 1970
Miles, David	16 years	Jun 24, 1998
Golby, Gordon	6 years	Jun 25, 2008
Binnie, Stewart	12 years	Jun 30, 2002

## Plants to sell at the Children's Fair

Members are invited to propagate plants to sell at next year's Children's Fair, given that our regular provider is unable to supply them.

Kudos to **Don Spriggins** for sharing his knowledge and providing instructions. An extract is provided on next page. Thanks Don!

If every member could have a go at raising say 6 plants for sale at the 2015 Children's Fair we would have about 300 plants.

Suggested plants to raise are below. Cuttings are best struck in pure coarse sand and the pot placed out of the wind and under dappled shade until they start to develop roots and put out a few new leaves on the top of the cutting. The sand needs to be kept moist and not allowed to dry out. What I do is to take the cutting, dip the end you are sticking into the sand, into honey (Honey works as well or better than hormone powders and is much cheaper). Make a hole in the wet sand

with a pencil, poke the cutting in the hole and firm the sand around the base to keep the air out and water straight afterwards to get the sand right around the cutting, i.e. get rid of any air pockets. What I do with any cuttings after they are in the wet sand is to cover the top of the pot with a plastic bag and make an air tight seal around the top of the pot by use of a rubber band or string to stop air escaping from the plastic bag. After sealing the plastic bag you should see moisture condensing on the inside of the bag. This is an ideal situation for cuttings to strike. The old adage is cool on the top and heat below. So if the pots receive some sunlight during the day the pot will warm up and be ideal for the cuttings to get going. About once a week take the bag off and let some fresh air in and then reseal the bag. When you do this you can readily see if the cutting is away or if mould or a fungus is developing. If a mould is developing leave the bag off for a few days and sprinkle a bit of sulphur on the mould to kill that off. Once you are rid of the mould put the plastic bag on again and keep it in place till the cutting shoots.

Frangipani: you can take cuttings now or you leave it until October 2014. Cut a tipped branch about 30-40cm long off a frangipani tree. Leave it lying on the ground for about 3-4 weeks by which time it should have developed a callus covering on the bottom. Coat the callused end with honey, make a wide enough hole in the wet sand to hold the cutting, stick it in and water well. Cover the top with a plastic bag that you need to enclose with a rubber band around the cutting, say about 15cm below the tip to keep the air out. Check how the cutting is going once a week by removing the string around the bottom of the bag. Once you are satisfied the cutting is away, take the bag off. After a few more weeks transfer the cutting into the final pot that is made up of a good soil mix. Apply Thrive or Acquasol via a watering can every 3-4 weeks to speed up the growth rate. Pink frangipani sold well this year but I'm sure good quality plants of any colour will sell well.

Avinca : This is a showy summer plant that doesn't like cold weather and often dies during winter unless they are big plants. Take cuttings in October, (the larger diameter the better, at least the diameter of a pencil) give them the honey and paper bag treatment and they should strike quickly. Once they have struck transfer to pots with a good soil mix and fertilise with Thrive or Acquasol via a watering can each week to get them up to a good size by February.

Kentia Palm: These are an excellent indoor plant able to do OK in low light conditions. Terry Coote has some trees at his place that drop seed each year and produce seedlings. Check if Terry can spare you some and pot these in a large pot with good soil. Fertilise with slow release fertiliser granules to get them up to size by Feb 2015.

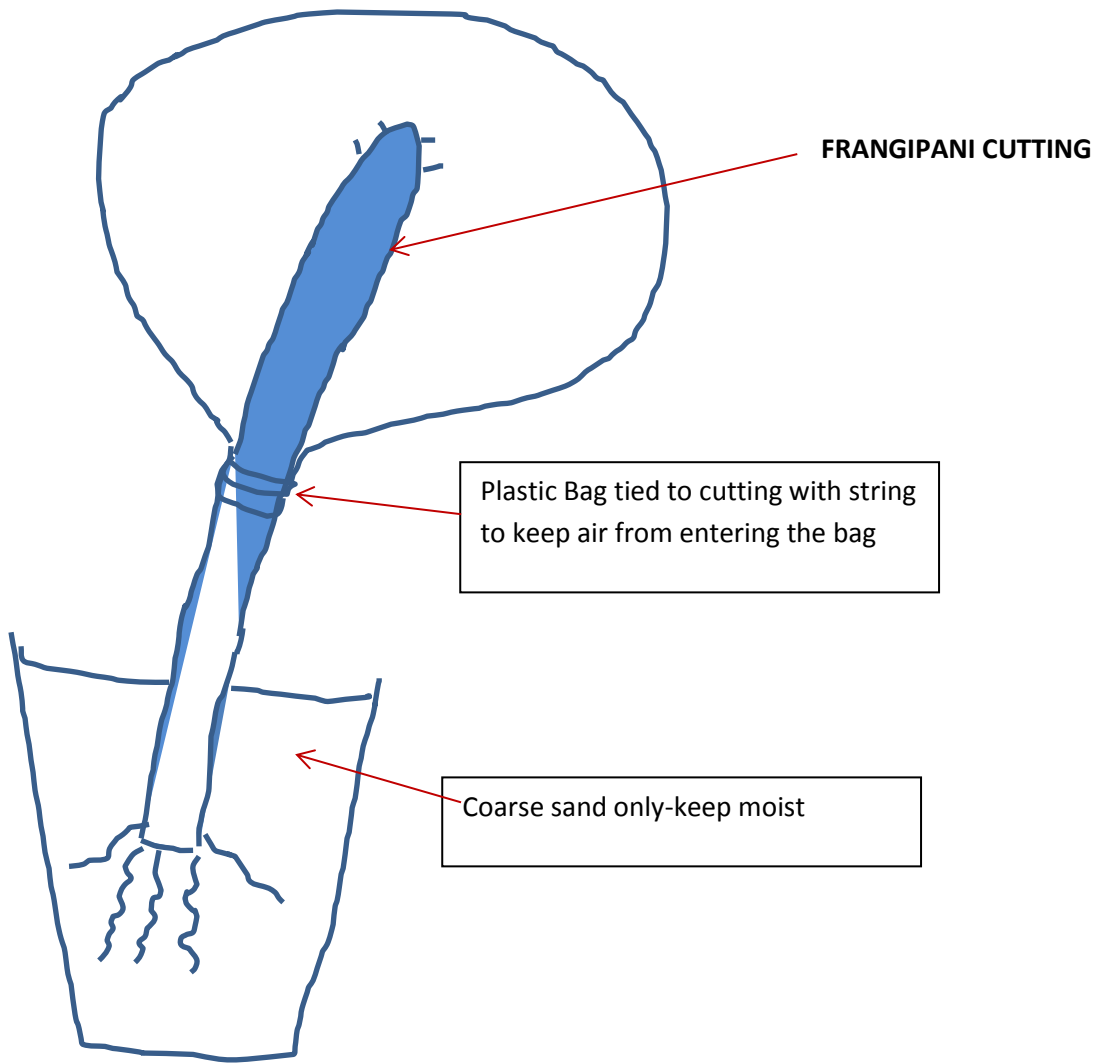
Pelargoniums or geraniums . These are usually very easy to strike cuttings from. If you can get the plants up to 30-50cm tall by February they will sell well, especially if they are in flower and are a different colour to the usual pinks . You can take cuttings now- aim for a >30cm long cutting.

Philodendron These are good in semi indoors, on patios especially where they receive good light but not direct sun. Take cuttings from the dappled yellow –green varieties that look great. Not the plain green which are a bit boring. Cuttings strike easily in moist sand and later transferred to a pot with a good soil mix. Fertilise only with slow release granules. They may need a stick in the pot to support the growth in a vertical manner.

Ferns. Any of the more showy ferns sell well ( not the common or garden fishbone fern). You can get new plants by digging a bit of underground roots and greenery from an existing fern. Easiest to do this by turning the pot the good fern is in upside down and tapping it gently to get the fern plus soil out of the pot. Stick this part of the parent fern in a new pot with good soil and water well. Once it gets going fertilise with slow release fertiliser granules.

This is how I raise plants. Members may have better ideas. Les Main has a green thumb and would be happy to give advice on what methods he uses. Doesn't matter how you do it but the aim is to have plenty of large , healthy, showy plants by Feb 2015.

Good luck, Don S



Shorter cuttings, e.g. philodendron

