

Bulletin 02 – 2nd & 9th July 2020

We're back....next week's meeting at the Bowling Club

- Yes, we're back at the Bowling Club.
Venue: Crows Nest, Time: 6:00 for 6:30, and Cost: \$25, as before.
- Payment is preferred by credit/debit card (Square EFTPOS)
- This week's meeting will be one of fellowship and perhaps you may have an interesting story to tell the members what you've been up to since we met last.
- Sgt. Warwick is champing at the bit.
- If you haven't renewed your NBBC membership yet it might be a good idea to do so prior, to save a bottleneck at the reception.
- **IT IS IMPERATIVE WE GET NUMBERS RIGHT.** So please phone or Text your apologies and extras as usual to **0401 450 239**
- We will be broadcasting the meeting via Zoom, if you are unable or wish not to attend you can participate by logging-in with the usual link:
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/6424376030>

The Bowling Club have advised us of new rules in respect to the current Covid-19 situation:

- *If you're feeling unwell or have any symptom attributed to Covid 19 such as coughing, sweating, fever or shortness of breath, please remain at home.*
- *Entry to the club will be via the Main Entry (Landmark side) only.*
- *Members Entry (side Entrance) will not be operational.*
- *Exiting the Club will be via the "Greens Reception" door.*
- *Upon entry please swipe your member's at the front reception.*
- *Upon exiting please swipe your member's card again for number counting purposes.*
- *Limited number of 2 persons in elevator.*
- *All patrons must be seated whilst consuming food and beverages.*
- ***If you are from Victoria or have travelled to Victoria in the last 14 days, you will be refused entry to this venue***

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Birthdays this week:

8th July Angnes Tobbe
9th July Murrey Nicol
18th July Ian Rolfe

Anniversaries:

none

Heads & Tails:

n/a

Raffle:

n/a

Member Duties 16th July

Door:

Kathy Rimmer/D. Clark

Meet/Greet:

D.Craike

Grace:

D.Whatham

Intro Guest speaker:

n/a

Thank Guest Speaker:

n/a

Bulletin:

Chris Bartlett

Photos:

Phill Smith

Binos:

D. & H. Greiter

Zoom Meeting of 9th July 2020 with Guest speaker Trevor Lynch



Dinner Menu next meeting: Steak & Chips w. Salad
Apologies/Extras to Club Phone by noon on Wednesday Ph.: 0401 450 239

Guest Speaker Trevor Lynch on TNMH (The New Maitland Hospital)

Trevor from East Maitland Rotary Club presented us the progress of The New Maitland Hospital, currently up to the 5th of 8 floors and floors below are being fitted out. He is very passionate about the establishment of a Crisis, Emergency or Community accommodation for family, friends or carers of patients or themselves, after a community needs assessment. Despite the \$470mio building budget, no such provisions were planned. An investigation of other hospitals of the Mid/North-coast region indicates that they all have such facilities ranging from 47 units (Port Macquarie) to 20 units in others.

Trevor is the consumer representative and current chair of the Maitland Health Committee and he thought it fitted the guideline of the Margaret Illukol legacy. Margaret Illukol originally from a remote region in Uganda was mauled by a hyena as a child and totally disfigured. After 8 years of reconstructive surgery in Kampala she was brought to Newcastle for further treatment. She was educated in Lochinvar, graduated and became a Bachelor of Nursing at Gosford Hospital in 1996 and became Australian Citizen that same year. She worked in Royal Newcastle & JHH hospitals until an unfortunate accident in 2015 at home ended her life. Read her full story [HERE](#).

She left her estate \$1M to RI District 9670, in order to establish a trust to be used for charitable purposes in the community within the Rotary International District 9670 boundaries.

Trevor's role model is the [Rotary Lodge](#) Port Macquarie that was started by 5 Rotary Clubs of the area with initially 6 units and is currently being expanded to 47 units of high quality accommodation, management is by a board consisting of 5 Rotary Clubs.

Other lodges of the area, such as "[Our House Lismore](#)" or "[Shearwater Lodge Coffs Harbour](#)" can be seen from these links.

Beneficiaries of these facilities are:

- Outpatients of cancer treatments living far from hospitals,
- Children, many with indigenous background who have ENT surgery must stay for a period of 14 days,
- Companions & carers of critically ill patients
- Patients for daily dialysis not within commuting distance
- Nursing students for training from outside local area for safe shift work
- Trauma patients & families of an MVA.

Funding needed is \$3M – \$5M for a 20-unit facility with possible expansions, excluding the land, as the site adjacent to the hospital will be provided f.o.c. by the NSW state government's Health Infrastructure, once the business case and approvals are presented.

To raise the capital for funding the project:

- \$250k (maybe more) from the Margaret Illukol Trust
- TMH Foundation
- Philanthropists of the area
- State & Federal Governments, they have both funded the Lismore facility
- Rotary District grants
- Pro bono legal work from law firm Clayton Utz, and many local Rotarians with different fields of expertise have come on board to help.

Trevor, we thank you for this excellent presentation and congratulate you for this worthy cause and wish you all the success.



Architect Impressions



From the Boardroom

Rotary Board Meeting Wed. 8th July 2020 5:30pm

Admin:

- Attendance for June was 75% by zoom
- Helen Imienionek to take the role of Club Insurance & Public Risk Coordinator

General Business:

- Milton is working with Yaccaba Centre CEO Petra to provide advice about grants applications and procedures. He is also helping the centre to find a suitable carpet to install in one of their rooms. He has procured posts for the outdoor paved area and will liaise with secretary Don to arrange a suitable time to erect lattice.
- He has obtained information from Mayor Ryan Palmer about a possible bus shelter advertising project. Many bus shelters are available in the area. Rotary would source potential advertisers. Advertisers would submit a design and agree to pay an annual fee + cost of signage and erection by council. The design would be submitted to council and council would arrange erection. When complete the company would pay the annual fee to Rotary. Milton will seek further guidelines from council and invite 2 members to join him as a management committee. A decision about proceeding with the project will be made by the Board following Milton's report next meeting.
- Milton is also exploring the local "Tomaree Walking Trail". This will be constructed by NPWS on National Park land but part will be on public land. Milton is exploring whether the part on public land would be suitable for Rotary input such as assistance in the construction of a walkway.
- Bunnings BBQ: Director Milton has received revised guidelines from Bunnings to apply to future sausage sizzles. These are similar to those for previous events but with greater rigidity including ALL workers wearing gloves and plastic disposable aprons. A cashless payment method is mandatory but cash will be accepted with strict rules applied. A "trained captain" must be in attendance at all times. Customers must not handle condiments. Implications for us are: Several people will need to attend the captain training session; square payment facilities must be available at all times; several people will need to be trained to use square; 5 members will be required at each session. We have been offered the first BBQ on Saturday **15 August**. Milton will continue liaison with Bunnings and arrange "captain training".
- PDG Helen proposed the establishment of an Interact Club at the local schools, as a successful club operated at Waratah High School

Membership/PR:

- A draft membership survey for board's consideration. This was considered suitable and approved for usage. The survey will be introduced and explained to members at the meeting on 16 July. It will be sent to members following this meeting and responses requested in 3 weeks. Kathy volunteered to assist members without IT facilities. The survey, machine collated, will provide valuable planning data.
- Kathy will promote the Centenary Scholarship. She will explore promotion of the scholarship as part of the PSC scholarship program. PP Ian Brigden is chair of the fund. Ian, PP John Stuhmcke, PP Arja remain signatories on the scholarship bank account. It was suggested that Ian (Chair), PP John, PP Arja and PP Richard Turner form the centenary fund committee.
- Kathy will confirm the branding guidelines and send details to all board members. It is essential that all club documentation conform to the strict Rotary branding rules.
- 2 prospective new members will be joining us in the next few weeks for orientation and learning about Rotary

International Relations:

- Chelsea has agreed to continue to manage the KIVA project and is doing a wonderful job with it.

Youth Service:

- Science Discovery Day for local primary schools has been cancelled for this year due to COVID-19

Foundation:

- Our club purchased a ticket in the District raffle but was unsuccessful. Won by Cessnock. Funds over the \$500 ticket cost will be donated to the Foundation and included in the next payment of weekly donations.

Honorary members:

- All honorary members from the previous year will be invited to continue to be honorary members of our club

The meeting closed at 7:15pm. Next meeting on Wed. 12th Aug. at 5:30pm

Club Trailer rebuild

Before the respray



Looks new



Front view of the shelving



Rear view of the shelving and storage area



The site foreman on the job



Doug & Milton pre planning the day

The upgrade of the Club's trailer is almost complete.

Community Service Director Milton and Club "Sparky" Doug Craike did the planning and design of the upgrade, with Chris B providing additional labour, Howie acting as site-foreman and Sue Williams providing an excellent morning tea and late lunch.

The old cage was used for shelving, the trailer resprayed in our favourite Rotary hammer tone blue, plus containers and eskies purchased to replace our battered old smaller eskies.

Some minor structural adjustments are needed, plus the bins filled and Rotary signage installed.

The trailer will be a fully self-contained unit, which will make it easier on all members, when our Bunnings catering and other community events to resume shortly.

The funding for the upgrade came from a Federal Government Community grant which had to be finalised by June 30.