

Bulletin # 6, 12th August 2021 - LOCKDOWN ISSUE 2

ZOOMING IN- LOCKDOWNS CONTINUE

NOT HAPPENING

Bunnings BBQ's -No Go



Nelson Bowling Club – Still Closed



No Tourists-
No Income.
Lockdown has
hidden pitfalls.
**Still in
lockdown**



Remember the days!!!! Don't forget your mask and your mobile phone if you go out for essential supplies, i.e. wine, beer and food.



ZOOMING IN- MORE PIX PG 3

A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT DOUG



Here we go again, Week 2 has just starting in lockdown. I guess it we expected it. If you or anyone you know needs any help please let me know. It is important to look after each other in these times.

Sometimes it's just a phone call and a bit of a chat. Woolworths, Coles and Chemists all have online order systems, with home delivery, but not everyone is capable of using these systems.

I am now fully vaccinated, as are good number of Board members and I encourage everyone to do the same ASAP. Several members are assisting in volunteer activities in the community, a big thank you to them.

I guess the best way is to follow the rules, feel free to call me any time and stay safe.

Doug

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PLEASE NOTE

Next week's meeting will be held by Zoom. Guest speaker Lesley Freeman. Please display favourite Koala picture.

Birthdays this coming week:

Aug 18 Phyliss McIver

Anniversaries

None recorded

Heads and Tails: N/A

Raffle N/A

Member Duties

Door: N/A

Meet/Greet: N/A

Grace:

Intro Guest speaker:

Milton

Thank Guest Speaker:

Brian

Bulletin:

Don Whatham

Photos:

Binos John S/Don

Meeting Zoom meeting

Guest Speaker Lesley
Freeman. Port Stephens
Koalas

Next meeting – ZOOM meeting 19/08/2021 Log in from 5.45pm

Apologies/Extras to Phil Smith on Wednesday by noon

Ph 0401 450 239

NEWS FROM YOUR BOARD

President Doug's report

NEW PROJECTS: Some ideas have been put forward but they will need further investigation.s

I have requested a meeting with the Tomaree Hospital auxiliary as to the needs of the hospital and any assistance we might be able to give in the future. I believe we should contact schools, such as Shoal Bay to find out what their needs may be. We have a request from the CWA. The Yacaaba Centre Food and essential supplies for the homeless and other people who are doing it tough project is proceeding, and I will be keeping in touch with the centre and will keep a personal track of this project.

I had a talk with Lyn Moffatt re the Larry McGrath bequest, and she agrees we need to do "something" with Larry's donation. We need to seriously think about the Golf Day, as our major funding raising project for the year, we need to make a start. Before we start with the Golf Day, I believe we need to find a worthy local cause, e.g. Hospital Auxiliary, schools, mental health, schools etc. Our finances for this year and the next depend on a successful Golf Day. We should hand the club over to the 2022/23 Board in a strong financial position. I would like to have some board members help/accompany me with the visits to the hospital auxiliary and the schools.

As we are back under lock down rules, we have no idea when our physical meetings resume, I will pay to Zoom - so our meetings can go for longer than 40 mins, this is a monthly charge and can be cancelled at any time, the fee is under \$30 per month.

I have been approached by Nelson Bay Australia Day committee members regarding catering for Australia Day 2022, this would be sausage sizzle only, this will need to be discussed by the members of-course for their feedback.

CLUB SERVICE DIRECTOR PHILL'S REPORT

In summary:

Lots of speakers' up sleeve – probably enough with monthly "Club" meetings and vocational visits to get to end of year – all dependant on Covid situation.

Kelvin Kong keen to speak. Opportunity to invite Probus, RC Sal Bay or even a fund-raising event.

Craig Paroissien has joined Bulletin team, thank you Craig.

Meeting venue change to Diggers not recommended.

Invitation to join Tammy Kelly in sensory garden venture not being pursued further.

Youth Director Lesley's Report

Many Youth activities have been postponed or cancelled, awaiting advice re local lockdowns. It appears Roadwhyz, the Science and Engineering Challenge and the Science Discovery Day may not take place this year. Lesley is maintaining contact where she can with school staff, as many are working from home.

Treasurer Milton's Report.

Milton advised all the Club's bills, including the RI International and District fees have been paid and the Monthly contribution to the Yacaaba Centre Assistance program is now in place. The funds for this project came from the surplus from the Golf Day. We are currently not receiving any income as our regular sources; the binoculars and Bunnings BBQs are all affected by the lockdown. The 2020/21 financials are with the auditor.

Membership Director Kathy's report

Kathy has been busy with new member enquiries and interviews. Brian Comley is our newest fully-fledged member, while Honorary member John Sully was put forward two possible new members in Robert (Bob) Saunders and former Rotarian Gil Whitton who now lives at Corlette .

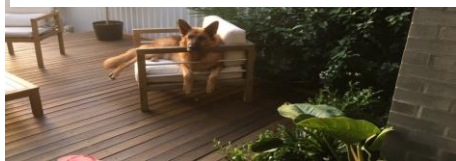
Foundation// International report- VP Don

All quiet on both accounts now.

Community Service Bob's report

Obviously, we are very hamstrung at the moment, both in performing community activities and fund raising due to Covid

Our site foreman Howie Williams, yet another victim of the lockdown with no projects to oversee. It's a tough life for some.



OUR SITE FOREMAN HAS THE COVID BLUES



Lesley's talk on Port Stephens Koala's Rescue Centre this coming week. Members are asked to have their favourite koala picture as a zoom background.



NOTE Our next Bunnings BBQ is Sunday August 29th (Hopefully lockdown finished, (Still doubtful.) Bunnings is still open to purchase the supplies for all those jobs you have been putting off BEFORE LOCKDOWN . President Doug has made a suggestion that Bunnings need to open bottle shops in store for a one stop shop. Members agreed this idea has merit!!



THANK YOU

A special thank you to the following members for their valuable contribution to this week's Bulletin. Kathy and Lesley for providing photos from last night (Page 3) and articles. And a special welcome to new Bulletin editor Craig. We are sure your contribution will be appreciated. Kathy has also volunteered to assist any members who are having trouble logging into the Club Zoom meeting.

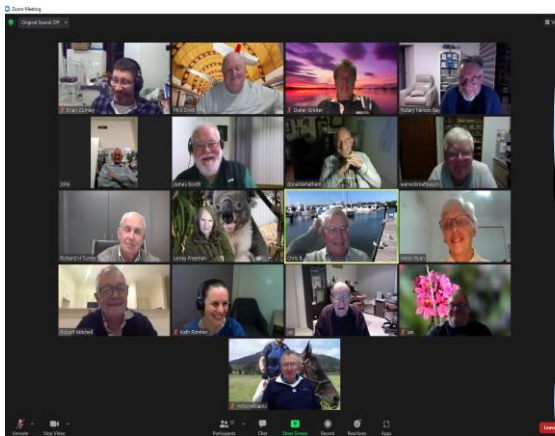
Some good advice, below supplied by Lesley- Thank you

HESITANCY

In the aged care facility we call the earth.
Hesitancy starts soon after birth;
Hesitant to do what we need to do,
Hesitant to accept what may be true,
Hesitant to be as we really are,
Twinkle, twinkle little star,
To step out brightly and go forth
Toward true life, true love, true north.

True goodness never comes too late
And kindness does not hesitate.





ZANY ZOOM MEETING

We were treated with some good light hearted banter at our first lockdown meeting. Screen backgrounds varied from Howie the Koala, dead seagulls, horses, the family kitchen, beautiful sunset s and the President's office. New member Brian impressed us all with his many changes of "costumes", while everyone was seeing double Bob Mitchell, while Richard was not sure of what would happen next. Good to see so much humour. Overall it was a good fun night to break the shackles of lockdown.. Also good seeing so many members present, including Ian McIver. Great fun night



RENEWAL OF WORKING WITH CHILDREN CLEARANCE FORM

Membership Director Kathy kindly sent a timely reminder regarding Working with Children (V) forms. It is important we keep these up to date and instructions on How to renew your clearance are listed below. If you have any trouble with your renewal please contact Kathy or Secretary Chris. In the first instance.

Working With Children Check Number: WWCXXXXXXX

Dear _____

Your Working with Children Check (WWCC) WWCXXXXXXX will expire on **XX/XX/XXXX**.

Renew now if you want to keep working with children. You will not lose time on your current WWCC clearance by renewing now: your renewal will start from the expiry date of your current WWCC.

If your WWCC clearance does expire while your renewal is in progress, your WWCC status will revert to 'application made'. Under our legislation, you can work with children if this occurs. However some employers will require you to hold a WWCC clearance, for example if you are employed by **NSW Health** or as a **teacher requiring NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) accreditation**.

To renew your WWCC clearance, you need to follow the below steps. 1. Ensure you have the necessary Proof of Identity documents to complete your renewal. There have been updates to Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission (ACIC) requirements. You can find details about proof of identity requirements on our website: <https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check/applicant/proof-of-identity> You must be able to provide original, physical identification documents.

Former name If any of your ID documents use a former name (for example, your maiden name or you have changed your name by deed poll), evidence of the name change must be shown at Service NSW in addition to your four ID documents. Evidence can include: A change of name certificate issued by Australian Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages An Australian marriage certificate issued by a state or territory (church or celebrant-issued certificates are not accepted)

Deed Poll certificate **Australian Visa** If your identification includes an Australian Visa, you will need to take your Visa documents AND show a current Overseas Passport. Once you have the Proof of Identity documents, complete the [Renewal Application](#) on our website. You will receive a receipt requesting you go to one of [the Service NSW centres listed here](#) to have your proof of identity verified and pay your \$80 fee (if applicable).

When renewing your WWCC clearance, you must enter your name as it is currently registered in the WWCC system. If your name has changed, you need to add your current name in the 'Name Changes' section of the renewal application. You will need to obtain evidence of your name change (see our website for further details).

Club members will not be required to pay the \$80 as they are volunteers. Several members are due for renewal and will be advised electronically. Secretary Chris has a full list of members numbers, including expiry dates.

Again, thank you Kathy for the timely reminder, and we all hope to be involved in activities again, soon.

ROTARY READERS AT SHOAL BAY SCHOOL RECEIVE THANKS

Rotary Reading volunteer Helen Ryan displayed a certificate of thanks from Shoal Bay Public School at our zoom meeting. Despite many hurdles, reading volunteers have been able to attend the school, until the current major lockdown was introduced. Their continued efforts are greatly appreciated by pupils and staff. Unfortunately, the reading program is on hold currently at the school, plus Tomaree and Anna Bay Public schools. Thank you to all of the volunteers who give their time freely to this program, and other activities

PASSING OF RUTH MONKLEY

A regular attendee at the ladies monthly dinner night held at the Bowling Club, Ruth Monkley passed away suddenly recently. Ruth was the wife of former member Bert Monkley who passed away in 1989. Ruth enjoyed this evening very much and will be missed by all those who knew her.



Celebrating Australian Rotary Health's 40th Birthday Flashback

In 2009 the Great Australian Bike Ride raised almost \$250,000 for mental health research, with cyclists travelling a total of 17,830km around Australia.

That same year, ARH joined with other organisations in the Beyond Bushfires five-year research program to investigate community health and wellbeing in the context of bushfires.

Mental Health research was important 40 years ago and is even more important today. Keep in touch with family and friends. It's good for everyone's mental health. Nelson Bay Rotary Club is a great supporter of Australian Rotary Health.



Trip dates: 28 – 30 January 2022 Challenge duration: 1 day

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Accommodation: Multi-share lodge with communal bathrooms
Registration fee: \$290 *non-refundable*

Travel package: \$899 *excludes airfares*
Fundraising target: \$2,500 **Difficulty:** 3/5 (Moderate)

Every year, hundreds of thousands of people lose their homes, possessions and livelihoods because of natural disasters and humanitarian crises. ShelterBox Australia provides emergency shelter and vital supplies to support these communities so that no family has to go without this basic human need: shelter.

By joining the ShelterBox Moonlight Trek 2022 in January, you'll be raising funds to provide shelter and other necessities to families who have lost everything to disaster or crisis.

On this epic adventure, you'll ascend Australia's highest peak, Mount Kosciuszko, beneath starry skies to be rewarded with breathtaking views of the Australian Alps at sunrise. On the way back, with the sun now bathing this special part of the world in its light, you'll see snow gums, wildflowers, rock formations and historic cattlemen's huts, and be left in awe by endless expanses of blue sky.

Not only will you be challenging yourself, but you'll also be helping ShelterBox provide families who've lost everything during disasters and crises with the necessities to get them on their feet again.

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