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President's report

Last Monday we were treated to three excellent presentations. Frank Ross first provided us with an overview and update on the Sustainable Cambodia project (see below), then Bruce Wood gave us an overview of his impressive air force career. Finally, Bill Clague spoke about his Rotary experience, spanning nearly 40 years. Thank you to all of you for three fascinating presentations.

We held a Board meeting on Tuesday night and progressed several fundraising ideas, some of which are separate articles in this newsletter. We also discussed some ideas for the celebration of Rotary's 100th year next April.

We agreed that the Club will cover the \$5 levy for the virtual District Conference. However, if any members would like to make a personal donation towards this cost, you can put \$5 into the General Account:
BSB:112 879

Account Number: 98876448

Please be sure to include your name and the purpose of the donation.

Geoff Glassock now has several computers ready for donation to local schools, and there are a number still to come. Thanks go to Geoff for his persistence and hard work in bringing this project to fruition.

Some members have advised that they did not receive the link to Monday night's meeting. The email with the link goes out through Club Runner on Friday night, so if you do not receive it, please contact me and I will forward separately.

This week there will be no Club Zoom meeting, as Directors hold their first Committee meetings. I look forward to hearing the outcome of these meetings.

Congratulations to both the Smiths and Fullers on recently becoming grandparents - such lovely news amid all the COVID doom and gloom!

Jenny Kroonstuiwer
President



Planned meetings for August

- 17 August 2020 – Committee meetings (no Club Zoom meeting)
- 24 August 2020 – Guest speakers by Zoom (Ian Scott and Susan Wakefield)
- 31 August 2020 – Zoom meeting with the Cobar Rotary Club

Planned meetings for September

- 7 September 2020 - Zoom meeting and Director's reports
- 14 September 2020 - Social dinner at the Ori
- 21 September 2020 - Committee meetings (no Club Zoom meeting)
- 27 September 2020 - Guest speakers by Zoom



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Fees reminder

Most members have now paid their fees, and our thanks to all of you. For those still to pay, please don't forget!

Sustainable Cambodia

Last Monday night Frank Ross provided an update on the Sustainable Cambodia project, a project which has been supported by our Club.

The project seeks to empower rural villagers to create self-sustaining communities with clean water, wells, ponds, pumps, biosand filters, latrines, preschool buildings, school furniture, libraries, school books and teaching aids.

The most recent grant application, to which we are a prospective party, will support over 500 families with hygiene and sanitation support, cows, buffaloes, rainwater harvesting, community ponds, latrines and wells, as well as associated training.

Soft drinks sale - sold out!

Earlier this year Bill Bowler had the foresight to pre-purchase boxes of soft drink for our BBQ events, but due to the COVID situation they had not been used. They were all sold within hours of Bill advertising them on Wednesday! Thank you Bill!

Gingerbread house fundraiser

At Tuesday night's Board meeting we decided to proceed with a fundraiser,

selling 50 gingerbread house kits. They are good quality and come from Gingerbread Folk, and we are hoping to be able to organize a workshop event closer to Christmas. Each kit will sell for \$35.00 and they can be pre-ordered from Norm Kitto.



Stop press: within hours of Norm sending out the email, 21 kits had been pre-ordered! It looks as if this is going to be a success.

What is the Rotary Centurion Program?

Donating to the Rotary Centurion Program is an easy way of making a personal contribution to The Rotary Foundation – our charity. All Centurion contributions from Rotarians count towards their Club's Annual Giving total. 100% of the funds are used for Rotary projects both locally and internationally.



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Any contributions we make are part of the District's contribution resulting in 50% of the contribution coming back to our District to use as funds for the programs we want to support. The other 50% goes to the World Fund.

To become a Centurion you are asked to simply contribute \$100 per year and your contribution is tax deductible. Towers to collect \$2 coins, such as the one below, are available from Norm Kitto.

For more information, please contact Norm Kitto.



Rotary Leadership Institute - learning and development programs

RLI programs are a great way of accessing valuable and relevant information for all Rotations. The courses are now all on-line (via Zoom) and are conducted as a compact weekend course, commencing on Friday night, then continuing over Saturday and Sunday. The cost is only \$30 and includes all materials.

Led by experienced facilitators, graduates have described RLI as 'the best Rotary training' they have had.

Registrations are done online at
rli.rotarydistrict9685.org.au

Dates are:

- RLI 59 – Fri 18/ Sat 19/ Sun 20 September 2020 Online
- RLI 60 - Fri 13/Sat 14/Sun 15 November 2020 Online
- RLI 61 - Fri 26/Sat 27/Sun 28 February 2021 Face to Face*
- RLI 62 - Fri 14/Sat 15/Sun 16 May 2021 Face to Face*
- RLI 63 - Fri 18/Sat 19/Sun 20 June 2021 Online

*May be changed to online if circumstances dictate.

Remember when....



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