

President's report

As we head into a very busy weekend with both the raffle ticket selling and the Bunnings BBQ resuming, I am looking forward to seeing a large number of members back in action. Thank you to all the volunteers.

Last Monday a group of us had a very pleasant afternoon tasting wine (and lots of nibbles!) at Geoff and Valerie Glassock's home. Thank you to our wonderful hosts, and also to Bill Bowler who helped so much with the setting up. There is still time to order wines (see the back page) and I can testify personally to their quality.

Sadly, we learned today of the passing of Rotarian 'Gnome Master' PDG David Cook, from Lower Blue. What an amazing Rotarian he has been. Our condolences are extended to both his family and his Club. Funeral details have been sent out to all members through ClubRunner.

This Monday is our Zoom Hat Day for Rotary Mental Health with a special presentation from Rosa Sage. I look forward to seeing all your hats!

Jenny Kroonstuiver President



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Thought for the week

I make it a point of honour to have a couple of gnomes in my garden as silent testimony to the right of gnome-lovers everywhere to do their own thing without fear of snide remarks. *Richard Briers*

Planned meetings for October

- 12 October 2020 Zoom Hat Day for mental health research
- 19 October 2020 Committee meetings (no Club zoom meeting)
- 26 October 2020 Guest speakers by Zoom

Planned meetings for November

- 2 November 2020 Club Zoom meeting
- 9 November 2020 Ori social dinner
- 16 November 2020 Committee meetings
- 23 November 2020 Zoom Guest Speakers
- 30 November 2020 Special event

Pick-a-card!

There was no pick-a-card draw this week.

Call for nominations for President-elect

Club members are invited to submit a nomination for the recently vacated position of President-elect 2021-2022. Nominations close at 12.00 noon Monday 12 October. If needed, an election will be held.







Bunnings BBQs recommences this weekend

Our first Bunnings BBQ will be This weekend Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th October. Shifts run from 8.30 – 12.00, and 12.00 – 3.00. We have two shifts of 5 people on each day. We will be required to wear masks or face shields and to maintain social distancing.

A huge thanks to Margaret Bell for all the behind-the-scenes preparation this has taken, as well as to all those who have volunteered.

We have also agreed to do Bunning BBQs on **Sunday 18th October** and **Saturday 31 October**. If you are available to be on the roster, please let Jenny and Margaret know.





Thanks to Deana for the extra decorations on the wheelbarrow!

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Wear a hat Zoom meeting Monday 12 October



Bring your \$5 to place in your Rotary money box/jar. There are prizes to be won from our mystery judge, as well as a special presentation from Rosa Sage.

Community Projects Wheelbarrow Raffle Selling books

Raffle ticket selling is going well with over 400 of our 1,000 tickets already sold. Please remember to return butts to Jenny Kroonstuiver. If you are depositing funds directly into the Community account, <u>please</u> <u>remember to say what they are for and who</u> <u>is depositing</u>, and to let Jenny and Adam know you have deposited the funds. Books of either 10 or 50 tickets can be taken by Club members to sell. If you are willing to take a book, please email

jkroonstuiver@hotmail.com to arrange drop off/or collection, or otherwise pick up a book from Lynda Sparkes at the Garden Centre. There are still plenty of books left!







Presentations to Year 12 students at Winmalee

As part of the Club's ongoing commitment to serving our Community, we recognised that school students, particularly those in Year 12 preparing for their Higher School Certificate, were doing it tough.

With the effect these unprecedented times were impacting on their Mental Health in mind, the Club decided, in consultation and co-operation with our three local high schools – Springwood, Winmalee and St. Columbus High - to provide each student with a personally addressed letter to brighten up their day, offering congratulations for what they had achieved and encouragement for their upcoming exams.

In part – "You have continued to strive for your goals even with the difficulties of online learning and the uncertainty of what lies ahead."

"Exams and tests will come and go but your determination and self-confidence will only grow."

"We all – teachers, parents and community – believe in you. Keep it together, stay strong, this stressful time won't last forever. And never forget help is only a request away."

A similar letter was sent to all the teachers at each of the schools.

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In part - "We extend to you, on behalf of your students, parents and community, our heartfelt thanks for the extra work and preparation hours you dedicated to ensuring all students continued to receive their learning during these unprecedented times. Your pride and commitment to your profession is to be commended."

Congratulations to the Youth Committee for managing this project. It was certainly appreciated!











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Springwood Estate Wines – a Community Services Project

Geoff and Valerie Glassock hosted a wine tasting event in their beautiful back yard last Monday. See the back page for ordering details.













Pride of Workmanship Awards – reminder to nominate

Please consider nominating a local employer, employee or contractor, whom you feel has given 'service' above and beyond your expectations during their normal performance or where they have stepped up during the very difficult times, for example bushfires or COVID.

The Awards will be given out in November and at this stage, we are considering either a small gathering or a zoom meeting - to be decided closer to the event.

Cheryl Kitto emailed the nomination form for The Rotary Club of Springwood Pride of Workmanship 2020 Awards to all members several weeks ago. The nomination forms are also available from the Club website.

Board nominations - time to start thinking about nominating

The AGM is coming up in November, so please start thinking about nominating either yourself or someone else to the 2021-2022 Board. Please chat to the current Directors to find out more about their portfolios.

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WINE SALE

COMMUNITY SERVICES PROJECT 2020

1 dozen mixed case from Fresh Creek winery Pokolbin NSW

- 2015 Botanica Shiraz (clean skin)
 - 2019 FC Rose (clean skin)
 - 2018 FC Semillon (clean skin)
- 2019 Botanica Semillon Sav Blanc (clean skin)

Cost per case:

- 6 only
- 3 only

Single

- \$ 140.00 \$ 75.00
- \$ 40.00
- \$ 15.00

For collection from Valley Heights or can be delivered

Please email Geoff Glassock with your order asap for delivery before Christmas <u>glassock@bigpond.net.au</u>

Or 0408 436 676 The treasurer will send you an invoice with payment details For further information please contact: Dr Geoffrey Glassock AM FAPS PHF. Community Service Director 2020-2021



