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President's Report

At last Monday's meeting we were treated to a lively presentation from Jennie Payens and Sandy Fagan on the three pillars of work of the Schools Industry Partnership Group. Jennie was looking for volunteers to speak about their careers at local schools. If anyone is interested I would be happy to pass on her contact details.

On Tuesday I was invited to be a speaker at the Rotary Club of Lower Midcoast. It was interesting to attend another Club meeting and also to see some of the projects they undertake. They have a book fair each year which is their major fundraiser.

Then on Wednesday we conducted a Zoom 'handover' of the Interplast bears. Kian Safei, representing Interplast, was very impressed with the efforts of Deborah Wood and Bev Waterson and said the bears would likely travel overseas with the next outward team. Photos are in the photo gallery at the end of this newsletter.

Regrettably Bill Clague has had to return to hospital, but I am pleased to say that Peter Sparkes is home, and Bob Templeman is looking much better – photo below.

Changeover invitations have been sent out – please remember to RSVP as soon as possible.

Just a reminder that there is no meeting this week due to the Public Holiday. So, the next event is the upcoming Bunnings BBQ on the 18th, and there are still a few volunteers needed – see below for details.

Have a good week – and stay warm!
Jenny Kroonstuiwer
President



Planned meetings to the end of June 2022

- **13 June** – no meeting – Public holiday
- **20 June** – Speaker meeting - Mina Howard
- **27 June** - Changeover

Upcoming events

- **18 June** – Bunnings BBQ
- **27 June** – Club Changeover
- **2 July** – District Changeover
- **14 July** – Ronald McDonald House dinner
- **3 September** – Springwood Festival BBQ



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Photo of the week



Thought for the week

You know you're getting old when you stoop to tie your shoelaces and wonder what else you could do while you're down there.

George Burns



Next Bunnings BBQ – Saturday 18 June volunteers needed

There are still vacancies as follows:

8.30 - 11.00: Cook and money taker

11.00 - 1.30: Money taker

Please contact Jenny if you are able to help out.



Winter raffle

All tickets are now sold, and the draw will be at Bunnings on the 18th June.



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Sergeant's corner

Which member declared the door prize draw was 'rigged' and then won the wine a few minutes later?



Door Prize and Pick-a-card results



The door prize winner was Fred Thompson.

Both John Fuller and Bruce Wood won draws in the Pick-a-card – sadly neither was a winner.

District Changeover 2022

From DG Lindsay May

District Changeover is a time to celebrate the achievements of Clubs this year and to enter the new Rotary year with optimism.

Come and meet your fellow Rotarians from across 9685 and support the handover from District Governor Lindsay to District Governor Elect Mina.

Awards will also be presented to our leading clubs.

The evening is filling fast so don't miss out.

We cap at 260 guests.

[REGISTER HERE](#)



Bikes for Kids fundraiser

From Adam Law

With all the trading I'm doing for a cycling event next year March 2023, I decided to raise money for great cause.

I would love if you could help me by donating any amount you can and for every \$218.00 we raises a kid get a bike and helmet. So please dig deep and lets change the kids' lives, 1 bike at a time.

<https://fundraise.variety.org.au/fundraisers/adamlaw/bikesforkids>



A Thank you from Rotary Foundation

As this Rotary year ends, we want to thank you for supporting The Rotary Foundation.

Because of you, more Rotary members in your community and around the world have been able to take action and make an impact.

Your support meant that more projects were possible, more people were served, and more problems were solved. Because of dedicated donors like you, we've funded more

than 460 district grants, 1,030 global grants, and 180 disaster response grants so far this Rotary year.

Your generosity makes it possible for us to respond to some of the world's most challenging needs. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,
The Rotary Foundation

A personal thanks from DG Lindsay May



As I end my year as District Governor, I would like to thank you for being a member of this amazing Rotary District, and for the work you and your Club members do to improve the world we live in.

As Rotarians, we assist others in many ways -- to help people we meet in our own communities, as well as people we may never meet, in remote villages, who are struggling with the basic necessities of life.

Our District has the reputation of being the most generous and active of all Districts throughout Australia, and as one of the top 10 Districts throughout the world.



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Rotary has many programs to do good in the world -- Polio Plus, Disaster Response, Peace Scholars, District Grants, Global Grants, ShelterBox, Australian Rotary Health, ROMAC, Rotary Australia World Community Service to name just a few. The need for more support of these important programs is increasing. At the same time, I know many of us are feeling anxious about the future with the return of inflation and the increasing cost of living.

The personal approach that Tania and I have taken to address the increasing needs while reducing our level of anxiety, is to leave a Bequest to the Rotary Foundation in our Wills. This will provide a permanent source of funds to future Rotarians to continue doing good in the world, long after we're gone.

We encourage you to consider this as well.

For more information about the great work of our Rotary Foundation and the opportunity to provide for the future of Rotary through a Bequest, please view this video.

If you would like to consider making a Bequest and already have a Will in place, you can simply add a Codicil to your existing Will.

If you do not yet have a Will, Rotary has an arrangement with an organisation called Safewill, who can assist in preparing one which can include a Bequest.

Once you adjust your Will with a Bequest to The Rotary Foundation,



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please allow us to recognise your future generosity now by completing a short survey.

Finally, if you have the capacity to assist Rotary now, rather than far into the future, please make a donation before the end of June.

If you have any questions about The Rotary Foundation, please contact me or our District Chair, David Dean (0412 798 526).

I hope to thank you personally for your support this year at our District Changeover event on 2 July.

	INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION 27-31 MAY 2023 MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA
2023 RI Melbourne Convention Special Registration Fee 5 days only	
 <p>IMAGINE WHAT'S NEXT</p> <p>AT THE 2023 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA 27-31 MAY 2023</p> <p>Take advantage of the limited-time discount registration rate* from 4-8 June 2022. Register today at convention.rotary.org/en.</p> <p><small>*Registration must be paid in full between 4 and 8 June 2022 to receive the discount.</small></p>	<p>Special Registration Fee</p> <p>Ensure you register for this once in a lifetime opportunity as the 114th Rotary International Convention is held in Melbourne 27-31 May 2023.</p> <p>The best and cheapest registration fee of US\$425 is available for 5 days only during the Houston Convention [4-8 June 2022, Houston time]. Fee increases to US\$475 on 9th June. Register online at: https://convention.rotary.org/en</p> <p>Volunteer at the Convention</p> <p>Feel like volunteering for a role in support of and at the Convention? After 9 June, you can register as a volunteer on the HOC website.</p> <p>To volunteer within the venues, you will also need to be registered for the Convention, but there are plenty of volunteering opportunities outside the venues for those not registered as delegates. Register on line from 9th June at: https://rotarymelbourne2023.org</p>

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**MENTAL
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Learn the skills. Make a difference.

Michele (Rotary Club of Lower Blue Mountains) and Cheryl Kitto (Springwood Rotary Club) has recently completed their qualification to teach accredited Mental Health First Aid. This course was extremely interesting and beneficial to all those who attended. In the current social environment, it could be of great help to be able to assist anyone in need.

Michele and Cheryl would like to teach as many members of our community as she can and is offering a course to fellow Rotarians and Volunteers from the Blue Mountains area.

**Michele & Cheryl will be holding a
Mental Health First Aid Course**

on

Thursday 14th & Friday 15th July 2022

at

Glenbrook Guide Hall, 10 Hare st, Glenbrook

8:30 for a 9am start until approx. 4.30pm both days

Cost: \$50 (for workbook and lunch both days)
(These courses normally cost \$280.00)

We are only requesting funds to cover costs

*Please contact Michele of your interest in attending
including any dietary requirements?*

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Photo Gallery

Interplast Bears Handover



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