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President's Report

Last week's AGM and dinner meeting was a lively affair, and it was great to see all upcoming Board positions filled, as well as some new directors on the Board. I wish incoming President Norm a very successful year. Thank you to Peter Sparkes for once again so ably chairing the AGM.

A highlight of the evening was a visit from Peter Meehan and his family, including a new granddaughter. Peter thanked the club for its support during the last few months.

At the end of the second week of raffle ticket selling we had takings of over \$2,500, which is a terrific result. Thank you to our wonderful sellers, with a special mention to Deana Atkins who now holds the record!

The continuing rain may impact tomorrow's Spectacles Event with a decision to be made tomorrow morning – watch for notices from Bill Bowler advising of any changes. Bill has done a wonderful job liaising with Norman Lindsay Gallery as we prepare for this and future events.

This week we progressed with sending the funds for the hospital furniture. See the separate article which will show you what we have purchased. Members of the executive will be attending the official opening on the

9th December – regrettably a maximum of 4 Rotarians are able to attend.

At the end of the ordering period, the Gingerbread Houses came to 86, with a significant number going to the Winmalee Neighbourhood Centre. Thanks to Norm and Cheryl for their management of this very successful project.

With the close of the wine orders we have a return of about \$2,000 to the Club. This is a wonderful result and thanks go to Geoff Glassock for his efforts in bringing this all together.

This week at the Ori we have the StrokeSafe presentation from Phil Greenidge – it should be an interesting night. Please don't forget to send your meeting RSVPs to Peter Sparkes by 5.00pm on Sunday.

We have another busy week coming up!

Enjoy your week!
 Jenny Kroonstuiwer
 President



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Planned meetings until end 2021

- **15 November:** Ori dinner and speaker meeting - StrokeSafe
- **22 November:** Ori dinner and speaker meeting - Kian Safaei, District Chair from Interplast
- **29 November:** Pride of Workmanship Awards, Ori Hotel
- **6 December:** Ori dinner meeting
- **13 December:** Christmas Party at Ericksons
- **20 December:** TBA

Pick-a-card results

Liz Roberts drew the pick-a-card this week, but the pot remains intact!

Upcoming events

- **13 November** – Spectacles Day parking Norman Lindsay G.
- **29 November** – Pride of Workmanship presentation night
- **4 December** – Amazing BM Race Picnic - parking
- **9 December** – TBC late night shopping Springwood
- **9 December** – Bunnings evening BBQ
- **15 December** – Bunnings evening BBQ

Thought for the week

They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old. Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning we will remember them.
Laurence Binyon



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Sergeant's corner

Who went above and beyond the call of duty this week, selling raffle tickets from beneath an umbrella?



Raffle Tickets roster for this week

From Jenny Kroonstuiver



**FIST FULL OF GIFT CARDS
Christmas Raffle**

Tickets \$5 each or 5 for \$20

Thank you to all those who have so quickly filled much of the roster! We have just one position to be filled for this week as shown below. There are only limited tickets left now, so we may not need to use the full roster before we run out of tickets.

Sellers are being rostered in pairs, from **10.00am-2.00pm.**

This week's sellers

- Tues 16th Nov, Springwood: **Beth and John Fuller**
- Thurs 23rd Nov, Springwood: **Warwick Harrison and Jenny Kroonstuiver**
- Fri 24th Nov, Winmalee: **Margaret Bell and Sherril Daly**
- Sat 20th Nov, Winmalee: **Bronwyn Berriman and volunteer needed**





Last chance to take individual raffle ticket books to sell!

Lynda Sparkes still has a few books for members to take, and these will be available at the Garden Centre until Friday 19th November.

It's Christmas Hampers time again

The Rotary Club of Springwood has once again offered to prepare gluten free Christmas hampers for Winmalee Neighbourhood Centre.

Bronwyn Berriman will be collecting food or cash donations until mid-December - the hampers will be packed and distributed later that week.

If you would like to donate goods or cash, please contact Bronwyn on 0417 408 976.



Next Bunnings BBQ – Saturday 20 November

From Jenny Kroonstuiver

The next Bunnings BBQ is on Saturday 20 November and I have only one position left to fill: **a second server for the 11.00-1.30 shift**. Thank you everyone!

It is essential that all volunteers be double-vaccinated and that they bring proof of vaccination with them.

Pride of Workmanship Awards – Update

From John Fuller, Vocational Director
Nominations have now closed.

The awards will be handed out on our vocation night on the 29th November. This will be a dinner meeting with a set menu and bookings will be essential. Details will be sent out separately!

Meeting summary from Monday 8 November

From Liz Roberts

Our second evening back at the Ori and wonderful to see so many members present for the Club's Annual General Meeting and the election of office holders for the 2022 – 23 year.

President Jenny in her usual warm and friendly style welcomed the members in attendance and foreshowed the agenda for the evening that would commence with Director Reports followed by the AGM, mingled with a good degree of fellowship.

Director reports commenced with **Secretary, Norm** noting members who had made donations to the Springwood Hospital Palliative Care Unit refurbishment project should



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receive their tax deductible receipts in the near future. Any member not receiving one should contact Bill Clague.

Norm reminded all members of the need to be double vaccinated against COVID-19 to attend our meeting, stating that members could/should send proof of their vaccination status to him and he will then maintain a register to provide evidence of this to the Ori each week – saving members having to do so. Members were also reminded of the need to comply with COVID-19 requirements whilst in the Ori.

Norm happily confirmed the Club had met its commitment to purchase 80 Gingerbread Houses with in fact 86 being ordered; invoice payment for these required by Friday this week.

Norm also mentioned a promotion being held by the Winmalee Village Shopping Centre. All dockets to the value of \$30+ that are then scanned go into a weekly prize draw with a final grand prize also to be won. The Club will receive \$1 for each docket scanned up to the maximum value of \$3,000. This promotion to be advertised in the Springword and members are encouraged to participate.

Treasurer, Bill confirmed the financial position of the Club had improved recently with a recent donation having assisted the Club. Bill noted the Club will be supporting a RYLA participant again this year. Most importantly Bill confirmed the 'club remains solvent'.

Club Administration Director, Bronwyn noted the speakers and agenda for the next three meetings of the Club, with next week being Phil Greenidge speaking about Strokes; with an Interplast presentation the following week; and rounding off the last Monday of the month with the Pride of Workmanship Awards. Bronwyn also mentioned that the Club's Welfare Officer has not been well, but is now on the improve; all members present wished Valda a speedy recovery.

Foundation Director, Bill followed up on Norm's comments on the Palliative Care Unit at Springwood Hospital noting that the hospital has confirmed the placing of the order for new furniture and that it will make a significant improvement to this unit.

Vocational Services Director, John stated the Club has four recipients for the Pride of Workmanship Awards and that he is expecting a great night where the achievement of these four people who serve our community can be acknowledged.

Community Service Director, Geoff opened his report stating the sale of Lazy Oak wines has been gratifying with the Club to be in receipt of approximately \$2,000 from these orders. It's a win/win/win - with our support of a Mudgee winery during the pandemic; members being able to buy top quality wines at reasonable prices and a significant contribution to the Club's coffers for the year.

Geoff noted he had recently spoken with Don Cameron (son of Alan Cameron – a Charter Member of our Club). With it being 12 months since



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Alan's death, Don stated he had been reflecting in this period on what a wonderful parent his father had been. The Club has acknowledged this 1st anniversary of Alan's passing with flowers being sent to Don.

Bill Bowler also spoke at this time stating 'The Friends of Norman Lindsay' group has folded and that he sees this as an opportunity for the Club to build a relationship with the Norman Lindsay Galley & Museum to assist with events in the future.

International Director, Frank stated that there may be a need for the Club to consider in the future further support of Shelter Box; with so much occurring in other parts of the world that is leaving people in desperate need of temporary housing.

Youth Director, Cheryl noted the Club's nomination and support of a RYLA candidate, with a very worthy local young man to attend.

Membership Director, Roza mentioned that due to COVID-19 the ability to attract new members had been somewhat limited, but now that restrictions are lifting, she would follow up on a couple of people who pre pandemic had expressed some interest.

At the completion of the Director Reports, President Jenny invited Peter Sparkes to Chair the AGM and subsequent election of officers 2022/23.

Peter undertook the formalities of an AGM, noting the presence of a quorum; the required circulation of the minutes of the previous year; the

financial statement; auditors report; the 7 June Special Meeting; and Director Reports.

Peter then progressed to the election of position holders for the 2022/23 year ensuring each nomination was accepted, the motion put and seconded and then voted on by all attending members – which provided unanimous support.

Those officers are:

- President Elect 2022/23 – Frank Ross
- Secretary – Paul Erickson
- Treasurer – Bill Bowler
- Club Administration – Dee Covington
- Community Service – Bruce Wood
- International – Frank Ross
- Youth – Sheryn Phillips
- Rotary Foundation – Bill Clague
- Membership – Jenny Kroonstuiwer
- Vocational Services – Bronwyn Berriman and Deana Atkins.

Members present showed their appreciation of both the outgoing and incoming Directors with a hearty round of applause. Peter Sparkes then thanked all members for their attendance and closed The Rotary Club of Springwood Inc. AGM for 2021.

Our treasurer Bill then oversaw the drawing of the lucky door prize with Margaret Bell taking home a lovely bottle of wine followed by Liz Roberts attempting to draw the joker (with no luck) in the Pick a Card.

Marilyn bought the evening to a close with her usual formidable sergeants' fine session.



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Springwood Hospital Palliative Care Project – what are we buying?

The final quote for the lounge furniture for the Springwood Palliative Care project came to \$11,650. All the furniture has been carefully selected by the hospital to meet the needs of the clients and their families.

Considerations have included the use of natural and appealing materials, homeliness and the need to be as un-hospital like as possible.

Our donation will buy:

- 1 x 2.5 seater lounge
- 1x coffee table
- 2 x side tables
- 1 x dining table
- 2 x armchairs
- 2 x custom armchairs
- 1 x tub chair
- 2 x sheer curtains.

Some images of the furniture we are buying appear below.



Did you know?

It's just 43 days until Christmas!



The Four-way Test

The Four-Way Test is a test used by Rotarians world-wide as a moral code for personal and business relationships. The test was originally scripted by Herbert J. Taylor, an American from Chicago, as he set out to save the Club Aluminum Products Distribution Company from bankruptcy. It was later adopted by Rotary International.

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?



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Photos from Monday night's meeting
With thanks to Rachel Pagitz



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