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### President's report

This report is written with sadness as I have just learned of the passing of our great friend and member, as well as current Board member, Yvonne Meehan. Once again, we have lost a wonderful person who will be greatly missed by us all. A special thanks is extended to Valda, who has been liaising with the family on behalf of the Club for several months.

Last weekend's Bunnings BBQs in aid of the National Flood Appeal raised \$1040. It was a busy weekend and members of the public were exceedingly generous with their donations. Thank you so much to all those who helped out, and a special shout out to Warwick Harrison, who volunteered before he has even rejoined the club! It was great to see him back.

On Monday we met at the Ori, and it was great to see so many members in attendance. As restrictions are now easing and vaccines are rolled out, we can hopefully start increasing the number of face-to-face meetings.

The daffodils were planted this week and thanks to Geoff Glassock, Bruce and Deborah Wood and Sherril Daly for assisting – see separate article.

During the week Bob Templeman celebrated his 91<sup>st</sup> birthday, and we all join in wishing him Happy Birthday.

This week's Monday meeting is a Zoom meeting with guest speakers – the speakers are still being finalised, but I hope to see everyone in attendance.

Have a good week!

Jenny Kroonstuiver  
President



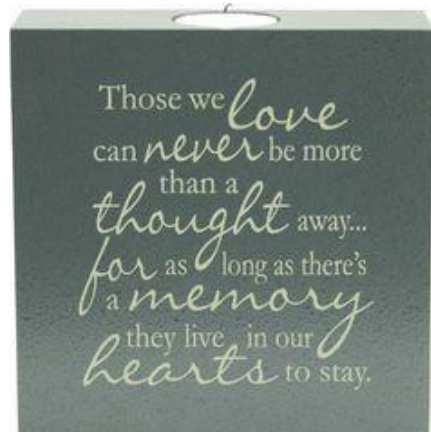
### Planned meetings for April

- **19 April** – Zoom meeting with guest speakers
- **26 April** - Club Committee meetings

### Planned meetings for May

- **3 May** – Club Zoom meeting
- **10 May** – Ori Dinner meeting
- **17 May** – Zoom meeting with guest speakers
- **24 May** – Club Committee meetings
- **31 May** - TBA

### Thought for the week



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### Upcoming events

- **17 April** – Bunnings BBQ for Purple Day
- **18 April** – On-line District Assembly for incoming Board members
- **24 April** – R100 breakfast BBQ
- **2 May** – Music Amongst the Autumn Leaves
- **7 May** – Variety Club Golf Day
- **14-16 May** – Rotary Leadership Institute Course – see DG's e-news
- **10 June** – Wentworth Falls lunch
- **28 June** – Changeover Dinner

### Vale Yvonne Meehan



It was with great sadness that we learned this week of the passing of Yvonne Meehan, a long-term member of the Springwood Rotary Club.

As a long-time member and great contributor to the club, she will be greatly missed by all. Yvonne joined our Club in June 2003, and since that time has held several Board positions, as well as being a consistent volunteer at so many of our activities and functions. In particular, she will be remembered for introducing so many new members to the Club.

Our deepest sympathies are extended to her husband Peter and their family at this sad time.



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The funeral will be held this Sunday the 18th of April at Pinegrove Memorial Park commencing at 10am, and members are welcome to attend.

### Congratulations Pat Ainslie



Sincere congratulations are extended to Pat Ainslie who this week was presented with an award from BMC Senior awards after being nominated by Winmalee Neighbourhood Centre.

### 100 years of Rotary in Australia BBQ Breakfast celebration 24th April 2021

*From Bill Bowler*

We will be conducting a free BBQ event open to the public at Buttenshaw Park on Saturday 24th April from 7am to about 10am. Food will be available from about 7.15am.

The Big Red bus will be parked on the highway promoting the 100 years of Rotary in Australia. There will be signs on the highway so we can catch the attention of passing motorists.

As the event will be free we will not be having any cashier duties however donations will be accepted. Covid safe







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distancing rules will apply and fines could apply for any breaches.

I estimate that we will need at least 15 members to assist but if more volunteer I will find a job for them. Please let me know if you will / will not be available to assist.

### **Springwood Rotary Autumn Handyperson Raffle 2021 – Ticket sellers required for Friday 23 April, 9-12**

I am seeking two ticket sellers for the morning shift on Friday 23 April. If you are able to volunteer, please email me on [jkroonstuiver@hotmail.com](mailto:jkroonstuiver@hotmail.com)

We will sell tickets at the Rotary Breakfast on the 24<sup>th</sup> April.

Members are encouraged to take books of raffle tickets to sell. They are in books of 10, with each ticket worth \$5. Books are available from Jenny Kroonstuiver (for either collection or dropping off) or can be collected from Lynda Sparkes at the Garden Centre.



### **Rotary Centurion Program – it's time to renew**

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.

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.



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### Sergeant's corner

Who was the person who forgot to pay for their meal on Monday night?



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### Daffodil Planting

On Tuesday, several members gathered to plant the daffodils in celebration of 100 years of Rotary. All bulbs were donated, and the Blue Mountains City Council prepared the bed.

Thank you to you all, and we look forward to a colourful display in a few months' time.



### Buttenshaw Park update

From Pat Ainslie

The name plate for Fred and Alan's seat has been replaced -donated by our dear friend Bronwyn.



*Editor's note – Yes, we know the wheel needs to be updated. We are working on it!*

### Rotary District E-News – April 2021

This month's edition was sent to all members on Thursday of this week. It is packed with useful information, and well worth a read. Congratulations, as always, to Marilyn Kenney for her hard work in producing this newsletter.



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## **Music Amongst the Autumn Leaves – Sunday 2 May**

*From Rachel Pagitz*

Calling all Rotarians and friends – come enjoy the spectacular Autumn colours and the sounds of talented musicians from local high schools at a family friendly event on Sunday 2nd May – proudly supported by The Rotary Club of Springwood and hosted by Robin Ingram at The Old Farm.

Winmalee High, Blaxland High, St Columba's and Blue Mountains Grammar are sending some of their best performers to delight the audience in the picturesque grounds of The Old Farm on Purvines.

Spread the word and bring friends and family along for the afternoon – it always proves a very enjoyable day. You can bring a picnic, wine and cheese and enjoy a relaxing afternoon. Entry is \$5pp and all proceeds from the day will be shared between the school music departments to further support the students in their learning. A coffee van will also be on hand for hot drinks. We hope to see as many of you there as possible – with your friends and family to support this special event.

## **Helpers Needed!**

We're also looking for some volunteer helpers – both on the day (parking, ticket sales, signage, selling raffle tickets) and on Saturday (set up, putting up signs).

Please let Rachel Pagitz know via [Rachel.pagitz@gmail.com](mailto:Rachel.pagitz@gmail.com) if you can help and any preference.

We're also looking for donations for the garden themed raffle prize! Please let Rachel know if you have something to contribute.



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### **Music Amongst the Autumn Leaves**

**Sunday 2nd May - 12pm-4pm**  
**The Old Farm, 35 Purvines Road Yellow Rock**

Featuring talented local musicians from:

- Blaxland High School
- Blue Mountains Grammar
- St Columba's Catholic College
- Winmalee High School

Join us for a family-friendly afternoon in the picturesque grounds of The Old Farm, surrounded by spectacular Autumn colour.

Tickets \$5 - all proceeds will support the music departments of the performing schools.

Bring a picnic, your family and friends. Coffee van onsite.

**More details:** Search The Rotary Club of Springwood on Facebook



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### Meet our members

Sorry, there is no item this week as I am awaiting contributions!

### District Governor nominee

*From DG David Clark*

Following the District Governor interviews held on Sunday, 11th April, the DG Nominating Committee has selected Christine Owen of the Rotary Club of Kincumber to be the District Governor 2023/24. After a 14 day period, if there are no written objections received by the District Governor, Christine will take office as the District Governor Designate and, as of the 1st of July, the District Governor Nominee.

### R100 Lunch with the Governor General of Australia

*From Geoff Wilbow, Chair NSW Committee, Centenary of Rotary in Australia*

The Governor General will join Rotarians for a luncheon in Sydney on **Monday 17 May** and would like to meet Rotary leaders and hear about your district and club projects.

As you know His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AC, DSC, FTSE Governor General of Australia and Mrs. Linda Hurley as Ambassadors for the Centenary of Rotary in Australia have acknowledged the work and service of Rotarians. The Covid pandemic has meant the Governor General and Mrs

Hurley have not been able to visit Rotary activities across the country as often as we would have liked.

We will showcase Rotary projects, current and future, during the luncheon. Clubs from across Australia, and maybe New Zealand, will be represented but we are highlighting clubs in the Districts 9675 and 9685.

All Rotarians and friends are welcome at the luncheon.

Book using this link:

<https://events.humanitix.com/sydney-rotary-club-s-centenary-package-of-events-202>

At the present time there is no limit on the number of places a district or club can book but that may change.

**Please book and reply by Friday 23 April.**

The link also invites Rotarians to Cocktails and Canapés at the Sydney Royal Mint in Macquarie Street on 5.30pm to 7.30pm Saturday 1 May. This is a less formal event although we will be joined by The Honourable Justice Margaret Beazley QC AO, Governor of NSW. This is very much an evening for Rotarians in NSW to meet and mix.

### District 9685 Changeover 2021

*From Marilyn Kenney, District Communications Director*

This is a reminder about keeping the date for our District 9685 Changeover in your diaries. Progressively, more information



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will become available as we approach this exciting face to face event.

At this stage the details are:

DATE: SUNDAY, 4th July

VENUE: CASTLE HILL RSL, 77 CASTLE St,  
CASTLE HILL.

TIME: 12.00 for 12.30 pm

### **Among the Bunnings volunteers on the weekend.....**



### **PolioPlus – World Immunization Week**

During World Immunization Week, 24-30 April, join with Rotary to combat vaccine hesitancy and misinformation by spreading the facts about why #VaccinesWork.

With decades of experience fighting polio, Rotary plays a key role in informing

people about the power and effectiveness of vaccines. As COVID-19 vaccines become more available, Rotary members are using our experience in fighting polio to help communities with their vaccination education and organization efforts. And today, because we and our partners have worked so hard, wild poliovirus remains endemic in only two countries: Afghanistan and Pakistan. But to eradicate it there and to prevent a resurgence in other parts of the world, we must continue to build trust in vaccines and raise funds for polio eradication, including vaccine delivery.

This year, you can take action for World Immunization Week in three easy ways:

1. Download and share our new two-minute video, "Rotary Inspires Leaders in Global Health," and show it to your clubs.
2. Post graphics and other content from Rotary's World Immunization Week Toolkit on social media with the hashtags #EndPolio and #VaccinesWork.
3. Donate to Rotary's PolioPlus Fund. Your contribution will be tripled, thanks to the Gates Foundation.



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