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President's report

What a terrific vocational visit we had at the Brew Mountains Brewery last Monday night. It is great to see cottage businesses such as this making a resurgence, and all credit to Craig for his innovative approach. Thank you to Cheryl and Norm for their excellent organisation of the evening, and to see so many in attendance.

The raffle is progressing well with many people volunteering to sell tickets. So far we have sold over \$1200 worth of raffle tickets so we are well on the way to the \$5,000 target.

Last Saturday I attended the President's meeting. There is so much happening throughout the district, and I encourage you to read the e-news which will be published this week and which will give an overview of many of the events and activities.

On Monday I visited the Springwood Hospital to gain a better understanding of the proposed renovation project and how we might contribute to the furniture for the new palliative care outdoor area. My feeling is this would be a very worthwhile project for the coming year and I will progress this at the next Board meeting.

Please note that there is **no meeting this coming Monday** as it is Easter Monday. Our next meeting will be a face-to-face

meeting at the Ori on the 12 April. Please remember to advise Bronwyn Berriman if you are able to attend.

I wish everyone a safe and Happy Easter break.

Have a good week!
Jenny Kroonstuiwer
President



Planned meetings for April

- **5 April – Easter Monday - no meeting**
- **12 April** – Ori dinner meeting
- **19 April** – Zoom meeting with guest speakers
- **26 April** - Club Committee meetings

Thought for the week

"Easter is the only time when it's perfectly safe to put all your eggs in one basket."

Evan Esar



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Upcoming events

- **10 & 11 April** – Bunnings BBQs for flood relief
- **17 April** – Bunnings BBQ for Purple Day
- **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



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Sergeant's corner

Who is the dedicated Rotary member who attended a Rotary Zoom meeting whilst at the hairdresser's?

Who was the member who shared a surprising knowledge of malt during the brewery visit?



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Springwood Rotary Autumn Handyperson Raffle 2021 – Ticket sellers required for 10 April

I am seeking one tickets seller for the afternoon shift on Saturday 10th. If you are able to volunteer, please email me on jkroonstuiver@hotmail.com

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.



The Big Red Bus and bushfire relief

Last weekend, the Red Bus, driven by Norm Kitto, went to Clarence and The Bay Trees Nursery in the first Bushfire relief event to distribute vouchers to replace devastated gardens. These included funds donated by the Springwood Rotary Club. Thank you to Norm and Cheryl who also provided morning tea.



Wentworth Falls lunches coming up

From Valda Bray

The next TAFE lunch is **Thursday 10 June**.

Please contact Valda on

valdabray@hotmail.com if you would like to attend.



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Launch of the R100 baton

Margaret Bell has donated the R100 baton which will be used for the Blue Mountains baton relay this month – we will receive it on April 23rd and take it to Glenbrook on April 24th.

The baton was presented at a special event attended by DG David Clark, last week.



Daffodil Planting – helpers needed - (Planned for early April)

From Geoff Glassock

Volunteers are needed to assist with the planting of the daffodil bulbs on a re-scheduled date to be determined at the Rotary Park on the corner of the Ferguson Road and GWH lights.

You will need to bring a hand tool for planting – the garden bed is already prepared.

Please contact Geoff on
glassock@bigpond.net.au if you are able to assist.



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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 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



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As the cost is yet to be determined, registrations for the event are not open at this stage.

We are all looking forward to being able to meet and socialise together on the day. We will keep you updated with any other information as it becomes available.

Meet our members – Margaret Bell



My name is Margaret Bell, I was born in Alexandria, Sydney in 1953, one of six girls into a big Irish Catholic Family. I have been married to Richard for 32 years, we have 7 children between us and 9 grandchildren.

I grew up Beverly Hills and went to Regina Coeli Primary School and completed High school at St Ursula's Ladies College, Kingsgrove in 1969.

My first job was at the Rural Bank as a clerk/typist. I began my Nursing training at Sydney Hospital in 1972. This was my calling. I loved working in A & E and I completed my Emergency training at the College of Nursing. I worked as a Clinical Nurse Specialist in that area until I married

Richard and moved to the mountains in 1989.

I joined Rotary in 2008 at the invitation of my friend Pat Ainslie and have enjoyed the fellowship and opportunities to serve in our Community. I served on the Board for 8 of my membership years, one as President, and am now serving as Assistant Governor for the Upper Blue Mountains Clubs. It is a pleasure to be able to mix with like-minded, Community spirited members and assisting with projects wherever the need arises.

I have had many adventures in my travels from being taken hostage in the Coup in Fiji in 2000 to having an elephant roll on me in Thailand and break my leg! The most recent one being an aborted helicopter flight over the Bungle Bungle Ranges due to an engine malfunction and mayday emergency landing!

Life brings challenges, one of my biggest was losing everything in the 2013 bushfires but with the help of family, friends and Rotary we have faced that head on and look forward to many more happy years in the Mountains!



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