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## **President's Report**

Several of our members were involved in ANZAC Day activities on Monday. It was so good to see the numbers back to normal and our many veterans appropriately acknowledged.

Raffle ticket selling continued at both Priceline and Winmalee this week, with only 20 tickets left to sell now. Thanks to our willing sellers, and to all members who have assisted in helping sell the tickets so fast!

The Ellison Primary School welcome back BBQ was held this morning, ably coordinated by Bill Bowler. It was a very busy morning and ran smoothly. I am assured that for all those present it was an intensive morning workout – so busy that no one was able to take photos!

Several of our members continue to be unwell, and our thoughts go out to Bill Clague, Peter Sparkes, Dee Covington and Sheryn Phillips.

At our meeting this coming Monday our speaker is Phill Greenich, who will address the topic "Bridging the Great Divide."

For this week, please advise Jenny K of any changes to attendance or guests.

This Sunday the incoming Board members will be attending District Assembly. We will hear all about it on Monday night.

Have a good week. Jenny Kroonstuiver President



# Planned meetings until the end of May 2022

- 2 May Speaker meeting: Phil Greenwich. Bridging the Digital Divide.
- 9 May Board meeting and Committees
- 16 May James Hickey. Life Size Plans. Club visit to workplace in Auburn.
- 23 May DG's visit, partners welcome
- 30 May no meeting, as there is a vocational event the previous day

#### **Upcoming events**

- 1 May District Assembly
- 6 May Springwood Golf Day breakfast BBQ
- 10 May Stuffing Day
- 21 May Bunnings BBQ and Ellison election BBQ
- 23 May DG visit to our Club
- 29 May Vocational Visit Springwood Primary
- 18 June Bunnings BBQ
- 27 June Club Changeover





- **2 July** District Changeover
- July Ronald McDonald House dinner

#### Thought for the week

Do you ever get the feeling that the only reason we have elections is to find out if the polls were right? Robert Orben

#### Door Prize and Pick-a-card results





No draw this week – back to normal on Monday.

### Sergeant's corner

Who were the two ladies whistling at each other in Springwood town centre this week?

Who was the member who turned up at the Ellison School BBQ a day early?



# Looking for some painting volunteers From Sonya Leehy at Bunnings



Just wondering if Rotary would be interested in helping out on a painting project we have on next Thursday 5th & Friday 6th May 2022? Weather permitting, we are painting the Hazelbrook Scout Hall inside and out.



District 9685 Blue Mountains Service Above Self

We will be supplying everything & were just looking for some additional helpers if that is something Rotary would like to be involved in?

If anyone is interest in helping out, please contact Jenny K, and don't forget to say which day you will be available!

## May Bunnings BBQ - Sat 21 May The roster is full. Thank you everyone!

Ellison School Election BBQ - Sat 21

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#### Winter raffle

This week, I had the pleasure of selling tickets with Peter McTaggart. Thanks Peter, for volunteering!

If any member has taken tickets which they do not expect to sell, please return them to Jenny K as soon as possible.

We will sell all remaining tickets at the May Bunnings BBQ. Just a reminder that if you are transferring funds for raffle tickets, to please put them into the Community Account and clearly label them 'raffle'. Thank you!





#### Behind the scenes



Have you ever noticed the sign below in Springwood Town Square? It is regularly consulted by tourists who help themselves to the maps available underneath it.

Our wonderful Friend, Bev Waterson, cleans this sign at least once a week, as well as replenishing the supply of maps. Thanks, Bev, for a great community service.



#### **Paul Harris Fellow Nominations**

Club members are invited to submit nominations for Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) awards, which will be considered by a committee and then awarded at changeover at the end of June. Nominations are made confidentially and are known only to the President and the Committee.

Following are the criteria:

 Nominees can be club members, or community members who have provided

- distinctive service to the club or local community
- The awards are for recognition of effort and service in excess of what would normally be expected for their given role
- Nominations can relate to service in a specific event/project, or to service provision in general over a period of time
- Service provided must reflect the principles of the four-waytest
- All nominations are to be sent to me, and I will pass them on to the Committee.

Nominations must be made in writing and received no later than **Wednesday 11 May 2022**.

#### A note from MHERV

From PDG Graeme Hooper, Chairman MHERV Committee

On behalf of the MHERV Committee we gratefully acknowledge your participation in the program and take this opportunity to extend a huge thank you to your Club and its members for their assistance in bringing MHERV to your community.

Your assistance with accommodation for our Nurse Bill Power, organisation of the van siting, commitment to manning the van and all assistance so generously given is also gratefully acknowledged.







## BowelCare Program 2022 April 2022 - 30 June 2022

From Rod Chippindale, Director Cancercare Australia Limited

This year's program will be run again as a Mail Order service.

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The BowelCare kits will no longer be available for purchase in pharmacies.

All sales will now be conducted through the BowelCare office, for the three month period. This period is for sales only, if your order is placed within this time, you will receive your kit. Your kit can be returned for testing any time prior to its expiry date, (located on the back of the envelope).

You can place your order by phoning or using the Mail Order form at the back of this Springword. The purchase price of \$25 is inclusive of postage and fees, pathology testing and notification of your result to yourself and your nominated doctor.

The kits will be available to purchase from 1st April 2022 until 30th June 2022 by using the Mail Order form or by phoning the BowelCare office Tuesday to Thursday 9am – 3pm on (02) 4341 6695. Outside these hours, or if our phones are busy please leave a message and we will return your call as soon as possible.

# Wild and whacky projects from other Rotary clubs

This week we look at a Valentine Hearts program from Thompson Valley Rotary (D5440).

Our Valentine Hearts program raises around \$12,000. The club has 250+

wooden hearts, 2 feet x 2 feet, painted red, with white lettering. Individuals pay \$45 per heart and can have any type of valentine saying painted on the heart for someone dear to them.

The city allows the club to hang the hearts on the main street lights through town for a month or so, so the valentines are visible to everyone traveling through town. We enlist the help of the high school honor society to help paint, and then give their club a \$1,000 donation.



This is the last in this series of articles, as I have run out of sources of information!

# Rotary's commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion

From Shekhar Mehta, RI President

We are dedicated to enhancing your Rotary experience by supporting what is important to you, our members. You have consistently told us that you want Rotary to be a place that celebrates diversity, that fully represents our communities, and that offers all members equitable opportunities to thrive.

You also recognize that embracing diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) will





allow us to do more meaningful work while engaging with people who know they'll be valued for the qualities that make them unique. These sentiments were reinforced last year by the more than 31,000 members around the world who responded to our first DEI survey.

To ensure that the principles of diversity, equity, and inclusion are ingrained in everything we do, the RI Board of Directors, guided by the DEI Task Force, has strengthened our commitment to DEI and is taking action in response to the survey findings.

#### **Our DEI Code of Conduct**

What we say and how we behave matter. Although free expression is important, we must take responsibility for how our words and actions may affect others. The Board has approved a new DEI Code of Conduct to help Rotary members create and maintain an environment that is collaborative, positive, and healthy for everyone.

Simply put, the DEI Code of Conduct asks you to:

- Use respectful language
- Be supportive
- Foster a welcoming and inclusive environment
- Celebrate diversity

All Rotary leaders, from club presidents and district governors to directors and trustees, are expected to apply the DEI Code of Conduct uniformly to help members recognize the impact that their words and actions can have on other people.

If you experience behaviour that does not align with the DEI Code of Conduct, you have ways to respond:

- If the situation can be resolved through discussion, please talk to the person directly. Often, the person who said something or acted in a way that made others feel excluded, marginalized, or targeted did not do so intentionally. Although there might be mistakes, missteps, and uncomfortable conversations along the way, having this dialogue will lead to a better and stronger Rotary.
- If a discussion is not possible or the situation involves someone in a leadership role or another club, contact Rotary's Club and District Support staff, who will review the information and follow up appropriately.
- If you are in danger or your safety is in doubt, contact local law enforcement officers and notify Club and District Support staff.

As an organization, we are stronger when we embrace the diversity found in our clubs and communities. We are more effective when we offer a valuable, inclusive experience that provides equitable opportunities for people to serve, to lead, and to participate with us. To grow Rotary and become a more dynamic organization, we must take DEI seriously. And with your support, we are doing that.

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