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Rotary

Club of Eaglehawk



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**Club meetings are held at the Mechanics Facility, 8 School Street, California Gully.
As this sometimes changes, please see details below for the coming program of Club activities.**

December 11th	Book Shop – 10am to 12 noon	Alf Thorpe / Mary Preston
December 15 th	Board Meeting	O'Brien Electrical (Gary's work)
December 16th	Family Christmas Night	Bush Pig Inn (see invitation below)

Newsletter Publication

Articles for the newsletter should be sent to eaglehawkrc.newsletter@gmail.com by Thursday morning. Our newsletter is published and distributed on Friday morning.

DECEMBER IS



DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT MONTH

Disease prevention and treatment takes on many forms, supporting studies to help immunize people to improving drinking water and the sanitation infrastructure.

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TAKE ACTION: Join a Project

Rotary Club of Eaglehawk

Christmas Invite for 2021



Invitation to our Christmas Break Up.

Thursday 16th Of December at

The Bush Pig Inn

109 Watson St

Jackass Flat

Cost is \$25.00 per head to be paid on the night.

**Come along and enjoy a night of fellowship with
Members and Partners.**

**A big welcome to everybody to has been a part of the
Rotary Family.**

Enjoy a Roast Dinner and Dessert.

Drinks are at bar prices

**Please bring along a KK Present to be shared with each
other to the value of \$25.00.**

Women to buy for Women and Men to buy for Men.

**RSVP Monday 13th December by email to Brian Fitzpatrick:
brian@bfbpl.com.au**

OUR MEMBERS WORKING HARD at our BOOK SHOP!!!



Helpers Required !

Hi all,

We are Catering for the La Trobe University Christmas Breakup tomorrow, Friday 10th December starting at 11.00, so if you are able to lend a hand let me know.

Mick 0428468298.



Our Community Christmas Scenes

Two views of the wonderful Christmas scenes that have been a tradition within the Eaglehawk community for many years.

A special thank you to Trevor Lock for his wonderful craftsmanship in repairs effected on the Nativity scene and well done to President Gary Frank and his team of helpers in resetting the lights in the old Town Hall.



This week's meeting report:



This week's meeting's guest was Chelsea Hill who is working with the indigenous community at Eaglehawk Secondary college under the AFL Sportsready Indigenous Employment Program. Chelsea spoke about her work raising awareness of the indigenous community and introducing traditions into the mainstream school community. The program mainly covers the need for increased knowledge and awareness of the uniqueness and needs of the indigenous students.

Favourites: Eric

1. What is your favourite song and/or movie?

Well I guess there is three thoughts here:-

Music –The Dam Busters March. Is the theme to the 1955 British war film “The Dam Busters”. The musical was composed, by Eric Coates. I quite liked playing this piece as part of a local Brass band, although not that well.

Song- there are many, however first choice “Hallelujah”, written and composed by Leonard Cohen and sung by Pentatonix. (No instruments just singers)

Movie- Bridge over the River Kwai and 1957 film



2. Tell us about your favourite holiday?

Difficult as we have been overseas 4 times with friends. So of those the first trip has the most, great memories. We flew into Los Angeles , then onto Los Vegas, New York (including a tour of Ground Zero), Boston, Niagara Falls, Calgary then the Rocky Mountaineer Train trip to Vancouver, followed by a Cruise along the Inside passage to Glacier Bay Alaska, Seattle and home.

3. What's your favourite food to eat or to cook?

Not really fond of sea food except fish, however, happy to have a go at most other foods. We won't mention the cooking, Eileen was the cook.

4. Share a really enjoyable childhood memory?

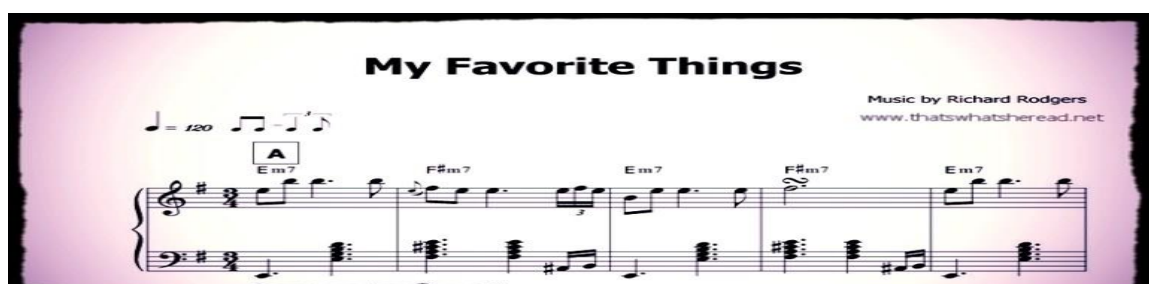
Going out to the Lake Fyans Yacht Club as a family in our old Austin A40 along the track past what is now the Lake Fyans Holiday Park, getting bogged in the mud and needing the club tractor to get us out. It was a dirt track back then.

5. Tell us about a favourite sporting moment as a spectator or a participant.

I was never a sporting wiz kid, but did do some Fire Brigade competitions which I quite enjoyed.

6. Add any other favourites that you might like to share.

I would have to say the Birth of our two Children Christopher and Donna, would be up there in the favourites list. Unfortunately in those days, as a father/husband you had to have the approval of the Matron to be able to be in attendance which was a long drawn out process. Neither of the kids had time to wait. However, we had the privilege of attending the birth of our first born Grandson, Henry. Since then Joseph, Gabriel and Benjamin. It is certainly a privilege to see both our children and their children grow up. Henry turns 21 in the middle of December. Oh yes, It would be correct to mention the other favourite being the marriage to Eileen on 21.07.1969



NYSF National Youth Science Forum A Science Program that Rotary is sponsoring students to attend

On Monday morning we attended a pre NYSF Catchup at Peppergreen Farm with some of the students who will be attending in January 2022, some past NYSF students, a mum and some Rotarians. It was a good event. I think the kids enjoyed and appreciated the occasion.

We have 6 students from the Bendigo area who will be attending in January 2022. They were really interested to hear from past NYSFers about their experiences and what they have gone onto in their career or university. One student who went to NYSF in 2011 is now a Geologist, has worked all over Australia and in remote areas of Australia and now is off to Canada in March to work. Thankyou to the Rotarians who came. It was really a privilege to get to know such amazing young people. They are also very grateful for the support of Rotary and as one mum said, 'it has changed the life of her daughter'. There was lots of sharing about their experiences of NYSF, what they are now doing post School and NYSF. They have also built up a network to support each other.

<https://www.nysf.edu.au/>

The photos show some of the people who attended.



Upcoming Events:

- **Rotary International Convention - 2022**

Houston, Texas, 4/8-June



Registrations now open, for more information, go to <https://convention.rotary.org/en/houston>

- **Rotary International Convention – 2023**



Melbourne will host the 2023 International Convention!! Volunteers required. For the latest newsletter, go to <https://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/Stories/2023-international-convention>