

R.I. President – Gordon McInally District Governor – Ron Payne Assistant Governor – Rob Foran Club of Eaglehawk Volume 59 Number 2 July 14 2023

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Rotary

We meet every Wednesday at the Mechanics Facility, 8 School Street, California Gully for a dinner meeting.

The next fortnight		
15 July	Bookshop	Rita & Mandy
19 July	Club dinner meeting	Bar- Trevor Clean- Mary & Mick
22 July	Bookshop	Rita & Mandy
26 July	Club dinner meeting	Bar – Brian Clean – Lindsay & Tim

Happy Birthday to you in July!

July 10	Deb Payne
July 23	Maríe Lock
July 25	Tím Watts

Reminders:

- 1. Footy gate duty thanks Lynne and Trevor Saturday 15th July.
- 2. Footy gate duty- Saturday 29th July.
- 3. Bonfire at Gary's Saturday 12th August.
- 4. Regional Engineering Challenge need a few more activity supervisors please for **Friday 18th** August. *Thanks for volunteers thus far- please advise Eric if you are available.*
- 5. Car parking event at the Atisha Centre Saturday 26 August.
- 6. Ron to visit club meeting Wednesday 30th August.
- 7. Bunnings BBQ- Saturday 28 October.
- 8. Welcome back to Mary and Laurie from sunny Queensland and enjoy your trip north, John G, too.
- 9. Happy birthday to Deb Payne. Hope you get spoilt!

President's report:



Another good week has passed us by, with the weather certainly much more acceptable. A little sun, blue sky and unfortunately some cool wind.

I am sure we are all appreciating the change, except Ignacio Goicoa Gonda (Nacho) our exchange student, who has arrived from Spain- currently a much warmer climate.

It certainly was our pleasure to welcome Nacho into our midst on Wednesday night and under the guidance of Mandy learning a little about him and his family, along with his country.

Indications are that he is having a rapid introduction into Australian life, AFL football and a new school etc. Please make Nacho welcome whenever you are in contact with him.

It was great to have our two guests again this week: Gai Porh (GP) La Myint, and Gary Frank.

I am sure members will have seen the email from John Jones re: the membership application for GP, requesting input which requires action quickly. Their inductions are proposed: Gary (for next week) and then for GP (as soon as possible- following acceptance of her application).

Thank you to the members that attended the Rotary Club of Rochester changeover last weekend. From all reports the function was a great success. Congratulations to Bryan Griffiths the new President of Rochester RC and the incoming 'hard working' board members. A small but mighty group.

Further to DG. Ron's request for assistance of 8 Pairs of "Clever Rotarians" at the Regional Engineering Challenge. Please note the correct date is <u>Friday 18th August</u> 2023. We have a number who have indicated their interest; *however, a few more would be helpful.*

Just a further reminder of DG Ron Payne's official visit Wednesday 30 August 2023 at 6- 6:30 pm.

Take care this week, particularly John Gurr our "receiver of funds", as he flits off to Queensland, and see the rest of you around the table next week.

Eric.

Meeting apologies: Mary, Tim and Marco Meeting guests: DG Ron Payne, Gai Porh, Gary and Nacho.



Our meeting guest speaker:

Our International Exchange student: Ignacio Goicoa Gonda (Nacho)

Hola Nacho!

It was lovely to have Nacho attend as a guest at our meeting on Wednesday night.

Having only landed in Melbourne at midnight on Monday, he has handled the jet lag well and was enthusiastic about visiting our meeting (less than 2 days later!).

Nacho had to travel for 6 hours by road from his home in Vigo to the Madrid airport, then approximately 14 hours in the air – not counting the stopover in Doha. What a start to his adventure in Australia.

Thanks to Richard and Kylie for collecting him from the airport and then settling him in so well, as well as supporting him to get organised with a phone and school needs.

Nacho shared some background about his family and his home city Vigo ('a little bigger' than Bendigo) and his love of kayaking.

He is looking forward to trying snow skiing, experiencing Aussie rules footy (even supporting Geelong?!) and a weekend trip to Gippsland.

Nacho is keen to try a range of experiences, so please let Kylie and Richard know if you are doing something he might like to join.

Well done and thanks so much Nacho- we are looking forward to you joining more of our club meetings and activities.

Cheers- Mick Costello

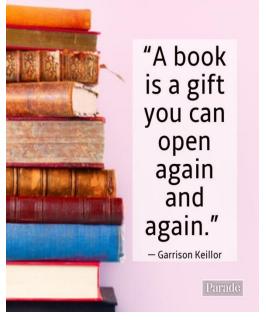
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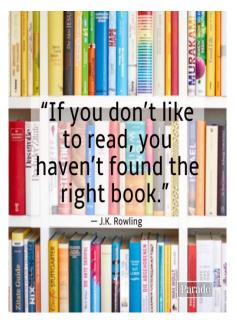
Please help spread the word about our location (High Street Eaglehawk – next to the Florist) and our opening hours are:

Wednesdays: 10 am – 1 pm Saturdays: 10 am – 12 noon Pop in for an explore and to bag a bargain!

If only our bookshop could look like this?!







Rochester Rotary Club Changeover: Congratulations everyone !













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