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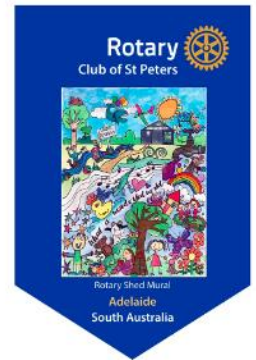
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**Next Club Meeting – Tuesday 25th February 2020
at the Kensington Hotel
Guest Speakers – Trevor McGuirk and 3 guests**

**Report of Meeting 3122 held on Tuesday 18th February 2020
at the Kensington Hotel**

Meeting Opening – Sergeant *Milton Jones* called on *John Bested* to give the invocation and loyal toast.

Welcome –President *John George* welcomed all including the guest speakers. A special mention was made of *John Gallehawk's* return, albeit with a slight 'hobble'.

Guest Speakers – *Harry Powell* introduced Vicky Lewis and Stefan Noto from Novita.

Novita Background - The Crippled Children's Association of South Australia was launched in 1939 at a single, remodelled home on the Esplanade, Somerton Park. The home accommodated a maximum of 50 children living with polio and staff supported around 200 kids through day programs and a vocational guidance program. The organisation has expanded considerably, including to country areas since then and in 2004 the name was changed to 'Novita'.

Recently, Novita and SCOSA (Spastic Centres of South Australia) became a single entity, creating a unique, leading disability service provider offering a continuum of support for people living with disability at all stages of life.

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The introduction of the NDIS (National Disability Insurance Scheme) has meant a big operational change was required, because Government funding was redirected from organisations to individuals, who can now decide which service providers best meet their needs.

Vicki Lewis gave a brief background about Novita and then introduced Stefan Noto, who is an ambassador for the organisation.

Stefan said he has cerebral palsy and he explained how he was not expected to walk, however he set himself challenges, including becoming an accomplished wake boarder and is hoping to be a member of the Australian clay shooting team at the Paralympic Games in Paris in 2024.

Stefan originally received Government assistance as a child but this ceased once he became an adult.



Fortunately, after several difficult years for him, the NDIS commenced and he now receives assistance once more. He was asked what the name 'Novita' meant and he said it had several meanings in different languages. It is intended to mean 'New Life' but Stefan quipped it could mean 'No Life'!

Stefan showed slides indicating how Novita has helped him – understanding his needs, coming up with new strategies for strengthening him physically and connecting him with the right people to achieve his goals.

Rotarians were impressed with Stefan's determination to make the most of his life in spite of his disability and *Phil Smith* thanked him and Vicki for their presentations.

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President's Announcements - John George

- 2 Attendees for the District Leadership Training – Bill and Angela 22nd and 23rd Feb – Arthur is also involved.
- 7th March - Shed Day for the Bushfire Appeal to support the Koala Hospital.
- Board meeting tonight.
- Weekend River Run Sunday 19th April
- Cambodia Trip 20-21 being planned.
- District 9510 meeting last weekend. Brian attended.

John's company, the MGA Whittles Community Foundation have made a donation to the SA Bushfire Relief Fund via the Rotary Club of St Peters and RAWCS (Rotary Australia World Community Service). A facsimile cheque was presented to PDG Jerry Casburn.



Members' Minutes –

John George - John, in answer to a comment from a member, explained that the MGA Whittles Group has been bought out by the AUB Group. The AUB Group was already a shareholder in the businesses, but has increased its ownership to 100 per cent. He said there would be no outwardly visible changes to the business as a result of the sale and its 41 branches and 550 personnel would remain.

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Pam Vaughton – Reminder about the International Women’s Day Breakfast.

Arthur Manser – District Conference – attendees will receive an invoice individually for accommodation.

Meeting Closure – President John closed the meeting with the words –
ROTARY CONNECTS THE WORLD.

Almoner – *Keith Shaw* – no one on the sick list.

Apologies – Chris and Romaine Dawson, George Dimitriadis, Peter Hewitt.

Birthdays – Partner’s Birthdays - Bill Winslow - Mai (Duong), 19th Feb
Rotary Birthdays - Ann Price -14 years, 21st Feb

POLIO PLUS

Rotary and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation extending fundraising partnership to eradicate polio.

Partnership will infuse an additional US\$450 million into global polio eradication effort.

EVANSTON, IL. (January 22, 2020) – Rotary and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation are renewing their longstanding partnership to end polio, announcing a joint commitment of up to \$450 million to support the global polio eradication effort.

“Because of the efforts of Rotary and its partners, almost 19 million people are walking today who would have otherwise been paralyzed,” said John Germ, Past President of Rotary International who leads Rotary’s polio fundraising efforts.

“By partnering with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, we’re ensuring that children in polio-affected countries get the lifesaving vaccines they need to be protected from polio for life.

As the first organization to envision a polio-free world, Rotary is more committed than ever to delivering on our promise that one day, no child will ever again be paralyzed by polio.”

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Duties Roster

Day	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday
Date	25 Feb 2020	3 Mar 2020	10 Mar 2020
Meeting	3123	3124	3125
Venue	Kensington Hotel	Kensington Hotel	Kensington Hotel
Topic - Guest Speaker	A Water & Sanitation Project – Trevor McGuirk and 3 guests	Yunfei (Faye) Ma	TBA
Chairperson	Sue Bardy	Romaine Dawson	Bill Winslow
Vote of Thanks	Arthur Manser	Angela Williams	Chris Dawson
Miscellaneous			
Reception	Carmel O'Reilly	Chris Paassens	Sue Bardy
Cashier 1	Pauline Yates	Bruce Ballantyne	John Bested
Cashier 2	Marlene Balacco	Bill Winslow	Angela Williams
Steward	Angela Williams	David Strange	Phil Smith
Invocation	Carmel O'Reilly	Chris Paassens	Sue Bardy
Information type			
Information			
Sergeant	Milton Jones	Milton Jones	Milton Jones
Special Events		International Womens Day	
Day	Saturday	Saturday	Saturday
Date	22 Feb 2020	29 Feb 2020	07 Mar 2020
SHED			Adelaide Cup Koala Fundraiser Pancake Saturday Open till 2.30 pm
Team Leader	Barbie Birkdale	Bill Winslow	Brian Kretschmer
Counter Sales	Joan Shaw	Carmel O'Reilly	Trenna Kretschmer
Counter Sales	Julie Reynolds	Sue Bardy	Milton Jones
BBQ	John Bested	George Dimitriadis	George Dimitriadis
Coffee	Angela Williams	Greg Rogers	Dave Strange
ASSISTING SMALL HOUSEHOLD	Keith Shaw John Reynolds	Keith Shaw Angela Williams	Keith Shaw Angela Williams
Emergencies			
Pick up Crew	Pauline Yates	Pauline Yates	Pauline Yates