Rotary Club of St Peters



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Weekly Meetings - The Rotary Club of St Peters meets on Tuesdays at 6:00 PM at the Kensington Hotel, 23 Regent St., Kensington, S.A. 5068. Visitors are welcome.

Coming Events Saturday 12th December – Christmas Party at the Shed. BYO drinks (and own chair if desired)

Report of Meeting 3159 held on Tuesday 8th December at the San Giorgio Centre

Meeting opening

Sergeant *Phil Smith* rang the bell and called on *Angela Williams* to give the Invocation and Loyal Toast.

President Bill Winslow welcomed all, including Guest Speaker Hayden McComas and PDG Wendy Gaborit.

Guest Speaker

President Bill then introduced and invited Hayden McComas to speak. A volunteer fire fighter with the South Australian Country Fire Service (CFS) since 2012, Haydn has witnessed frontline leadership from some uniquely challenging perspectives. None more so than during the Black Summer of 2019 - 2020 working in NSW, at both the Adelaide Hills - Cudlee Creek fire and the equally tragic Kangaroo Island fires.



As an adult educator with a special interest in how people learn for leadership, the lack of any nationally consistent leadership learning pathway for volunteer firefighters stood out to Haydn as a serious and systemic national capability gap. "How can we realistically send our emergency service volunteers into such stressful situations and expect them to effectively lead teams with little or no investment towards their leadership development? That's just not right - there has to be a better way!" It was this thought that inspired Haydn to successfully apply for a 2020 Churchill Fellowship.

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- Green grass can burn very well
- Bush fires can happen in swamps
- Backburning in tropical climates is (*apparently*) not so risky
 Not all states have 25 Kph past emergency vehicles
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 Not all fire trucks have HALO / Curtains ato
- Not all fire trucks have HALO / Curtains etc
 Not all fire trucks have fridges & cold water
- Fire fighting in high humidity is very hard
- MFS, NPWS & CFS crews can work together seamlessly

Service has been the hallmark of Haydn's career, spanning the Australian Regular Army, the South Australia Police, and the Australian Border Force; and 2020 marks his 35th year in uniform. As a professional learning and development facilitator since 2010, he has delivered entry level recruit and frontline supervisory leadership learning at various locations around Australia and in Papua New Guinea. In 2018 he completed an M.Ed. (research) at UniSA focused on exploring learning for ethical leadership in law enforcement and regulatory environments.

Transitioning to retirement, Haydn has just commenced a PhD at Griffith University to research organisational culture and its impact on interoperability across the regulatory – emergency services – law enforcement – military spectrum.

There is now better co-ordination of firefighting across State borders. There are 13,000 CFS Volunteers in SA, 438 Stations, 800 appliances and an annual incident response of 9,500. There is good support from State and Local government.



Haydn showed a series of slides about fires he attended in Queensland, Victoria and Kangaroo Island.



The Kangaroo Island fire was difficult to fight because they could not operate from the flanks of the fire front. The other problem was the lack of water.

The local farmers' fire-fighting units were an important resource as were the special firefighting aircraft which were easy to fill with water.

Haydn said "there is more to firefighting than just putting out fires – it is also about giving the community confidence".





Following a series of questions from members, Rod Carey thanked Haydn for his presentation.

Annual General Meeting

Club Public Officer *Bruce Ballantyne* proposed the adoption of the updated **Club Constitution and Club Bylaws** which had been circulated and these were ratified by the members.

Nominations for the **Club's Officers and Directors** for Rotary year 2021-22 have been received and President Elect *Keith Payne* announced the following nominations.



As there were no further nominations, the nominees were declared elected. Keith observed that there were many positions filled by the same members as in year 2020-21 which will maintain continuity and contribute to the smooth running of the Club. He thanked all the members who accepted nomination.

Greg Rogers - CHRISTMAS PARTY Saturday 12th December

The Christmas Party will be held on the lawns of Linde Reserve. BYO drinks and a chair if desired.

Shed Opening - Fundraising Director - David Heilbronn

David again said the Shed will continue to be open on Saturday mornings with some restrictions.

Due to the Covid-19 the café will remain closed to avoid congestion. A QR code is in place so anyone visiting the shed can scan it with their mobile phone (if they have installed the MySAGOV app).

Sergeant

Phil Smith had a field day with the fines session by catching up with all the birthday and anniversary recognitions that had been put on hold for the past few meetings.

Meeting closure

President Bill made special mention of the San Giorgio staff for being so accommodating to host the Club's recent meetings. He thanked the guest speaker and everyone for attending the meeting.

Apologies

Pauline Yates, David Strange, George Dimitriadis, Marlene Balacco, Peter Hewitt, Carmel O'Reilly, Ann Price

Rotary District 9510 Conference 2021

Westminster School, Marion has been selected as the inaugural District 9510 Conference venue. Remember - 16th to 18th April 2021 - Plan NOW and register NOW.

For details talk to the Conference Chair, PDG **Arthur Manser** or visit the website at -

https://www.rotary9510.org/page/conference-2021



Cakes & Puddings

The Rotary Club of Seaford are again selling Puddings and Cakes supporting the Rotary Foundation. Fundraising opportunity for your Club as well when you buy by the carton at discounted prices.

Traditional Rum & Brandy Cake 800g - \$17 each (\$15 by carton of 8). Traditional Steamed Clothed Pudding 1 kg - \$17 each (\$15 by carton of 8). Traditional individual baked puddings 400 g - \$7.50 per box of 4 (\$6.50 for carton of 16)

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International Students are supported by the Rotary Club of St Peters

Every so often our Rotary Club sponsors an event whereby we get the feeling that we have been a part of something very special. On Saturday, six international students, came to our Rotary Shed Shop where they were given the opportunity to select goods from our vast stocks. These students have been supported by the Rosefield Uniting Church throughout the Covid 19 pandemic at a time when there was little or no support available to them.



On Saturday our Club Secretary Pam Vaughton, Covid Marshall Sue Bardy & 3 members of the International Committee, Phil Smith (Chair), John Dubberley & Milton Jones were privileged to meet & support this wonderful group of young adults. All a credit to their home lands.

On arrival the students & their supporters from the Rosefield Uniting Church undertook the Covid registration & were then welcomed by International Chair, Phil Smith. They were provided with a conducted tour of our amazing facility before taking their baskets & wandering about the various departments selecting a wide variety of goods from our shelves. Each student was allowed to select \$40 worth of goods.

As they made their selections Rotarians present chatted with them & assisted them where possible. They were a great group of young people, eager to chat with us & all very appreciative of this small

opportunity that was provided to them. One of the students even offered to become a regular volunteer at our shed – an offer which is currently being followed up on.

Having packed their goods we moved to the shed carport where afternoon tea was served – coffee, tea & cake. Once again the students were eager to interact with the Rotarians. The students hailed from the Philippines & India & the majority were in their final year of studies. They were eager to engage with us & were enjoying the occasion. They proved to be worthy recipients of our small effort to assist them at a very difficult time.

Thanks are extended to all who helped make this event a great success. We should all value this amazing facility that we have & not let anything get in the way of our opportunity to assist where we can. This is just another example of how our Club can support those, not as fortunate as us, in our community! What an inspiration to us this group was!!



Phil Smith Chair, International Committee Rotary Club of St Peters.

Assisting those who may be missing friends or family at this time of year.

As you might recall, my company gifted \$200 for 100 cups of coffee in voucher form. It is my hope the members can get behind the idea of helping strangers in the community to see Rotary as a means of both camaraderie and friendship. It is simply a gesture of nicety and if it helps a few people experience a bit of T.L.C., then we've accomplished a great deal.

Angela is in charge of the vouchers and the coffee folks at the shed are fully aware. As is David Heilbronn and his committee.

Many thanks John Gallehawk

Virginia Martini from Florence-

From Chris & Romaine Dawson - For those who remember the 3-month visit in 2018 of Virginia Martini from Florence, here is an extract from a recent email.

Right now I am studying from home. I am taking 6 courses this semester and also six the next one (two of them are from the third year but I thought it better taking them now that my social life is rated 0 than the next year, which hopefully will be more eventful and lively).

I have also other news from the university:

Firstly, at 99% I will lose my scholarship for New York for next year, as it seems

they do not want to postpone, but instead do a new one.. which is really disappointing as I worked really really hard to win it and it doesn't make sense to me making a new competition when there are people still waiting for the one that they have won.

Secondly, I received the Dean's List 2019, which is an academic award used to recognize a high level of scholarship demonstrated by the students.

I was really happy to hear that (and also my parents, as you can imagine)

Anyway, apart from Uni, I don't have any news to tell you.. as I said, my social life is rated 0 ahah I really hope that 2021 will be better than this year

Hug everyone for me! Lots of love,

Virginia

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Meeting Rosters

Day	Saturday	
Date	12 Dec 2020	
Meeting	3160	
Venue	The Shed	
Topic - Guest Speaker	Christmas Party	
Chairperson		
Vote of Thanks		
Miscellaneous	Father Christmas	Christmas Break
Reception	Bill Winslow	
Cashier 1	Greg Rogers	
Cashier 2		
Steward	Chefs Dave and Amy	
Invocation		
Note taker		
Information		
Sergeant		
	SHED	SHED
Day	Saturday	Saturday
Date	12 Dec 2020	19 Dec 2020
SHED		
Covid Marshal	Barb Joy/D Heilbronn	Dennis Henschke/Sue Bardy
Counter Sales	Romaine Dawson	Rhonda Heilbronn
Counter Sales	Joan Shaw	Barbie Birkdale
General Help	Bill Winslow	John Dubberley
Goods In	Chris Dawson	David Heilbronn
BBQ	George Dimitriadis	Dave Strange
Coffee	Sonia Schepetiuk	Angela Williams
GOODS IN		
Emergencies		
Pick up Crew	Pauline Yates	Pauline Yates