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Club Bulletin for the eMeeting 3135 held on Tuesday 9th June 2020

COMING EVENTS

Joint Board Zoom meeting at 10:30 am on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June Next Club Zoom meeting 7:30 pm on Tuesday 16th June - Strokesafe Changeover Zoom meeting will be on the 30<sup>th</sup> June

## Tenth Rotary Club of St Peters meeting held via Video Conferencing

Host - Past President and AG Brian Kretschmer was the host of the Zoom meeting. Carmel O'Reilly gave the Invocation and Loyal Toast.
President John George welcomed all including guest speaker D'Arcy Walsh.

President's Announcements -

- Welcome to all for our tenth Zoom Club Meeting
- Social Connection Thanks for your phone calls. In the coming week please call the eleventh person below you on the list

 Last Week's Board Meeting Outcomes - SA Districts Drought Relief fund

'Motion to Club to support the project up to \$5,000 pending reimbursement of funds from the SA Districts Drought Relief fund'. The motion was passed.

Guest Speaker – D'Arcy Walsh was introduced by President John.



D'Arcy is the chair of **ROMAC – Central Region**. ROMAC is the acronym for "Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children" and is a combined Australia and New Zealand Multidistrict Rotary project. ROMAC has been in operation for over 30 years.

The ROMAC Mission statement -

'<u>ROMAC provides surgical treatment for children in Australia and New</u> Zealand from developing countries from our Pacific Region in the form of Life Giving and/or dignity restoring surgery not accessible to them in their home country'.







D'Arcy thanked the Club for supporting ROMAC.

More information is on the ROMAC website at –

https://www.romac.org.au

Chris Dawson thanked D'Arcy for his presentation.

# **Quality of Stock Donations to our Rotary Shed**

The donation of goods to our Club provides us with the stock which we sell to raise funds. These donations are very important as, without them our fundraising would collapse.

However, I have noted in recent times, that the quality of some of the goods that have been donated has been quite poor. As an example of this a recent delivery to the shed comprised items like empty spirits bottles, used glass pasta sauce containers and a variety of oddment plastic lids. The majority of this particular donation was not saleable & had to be put in our bins.

Shortly we will be reopening our shop. On our trading day we have lots of donations, most of which are OK. We will only be accepting donations via the Henry Street entrance & one Rotarian will be appointed to supervise these donations. It is most important the donations are vetted & that items which we don't accept (eg any furniture items, encyclopedias etc.) be rejected. This can of course be done in a tactful way.

By reviewing all donated goods, we can save a great deal of time & effort by our team of dedicated volunteers.

Rotarian Phil Smith

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#### **Re-Opening of the Rotary Shed**



#### **ROTARY SHED - COVID-SAFE PLAN -** by David Heilbronn

- Maximum number inside the Rotary Shed 20
- Maximum number outside the Shed 20
- These numbers exclude staff
- Maintain 1.5m spacing
  - A limit of 3 people in an aisle
  - Follow the arrows and do not pass in the aisles
  - Obey the marked spacings at the counter
- Food
  - Order and then sit outside
  - The Café will close if it is raining
  - At least 1.5m between tables and 4 sq.m. per person
  - Food and beverages can only be consumed while seated at a table
- Do not enter if you are unwell
- Please download the COVID-Safe app
- Hygiene
  - The Change Rooms are closed
  - A hand washing facility is available outside the front door
  - Hand sanitisers are available for the baskets
  - Please observe cough etiquette
  - The staff will clean the counter area regularly
- Staff
  - All staff have to read the Covid Safe Plan
  - Do not come if you are unwell
  - Minimise unnecessary contact with others
  - Monitor and encourage adherence to the COVID Plan
  - Monitor the numbers inside and outside the Shed
  - If anyone appears unwell contact the Shed Supervisor
- Seated Dining
  - Minimise the use of shared items
  - No menus or advertising items on the tables
  - Remove shared condiments
  - Tables and chairs to be cleaned between customers
- Kitchen staff
  - Maintain high levels of hygiene
  - Regularly clean all surfaces

**Reminder** - The **District Assembly** is being held over three weekends via Zoom and all Rotarians, not just office holders, have a good opportunity to participate without the need to travel. Details were provided by D9510 PE David Jones in an email to members.

#### To register for any sessions click

<u>here</u>

**Committees** – Directors are recruiting committee members for year 2020-21 so please volunteer to one of the following –

Fundraising	David Heilbronn
International	Phil Smith
Community	David Birkedale
Vocational/Youth Services	Romaine Dawson

**Members minute –** *Dennis Henschke* – For consideration

#### SMALL FURNITURE ITEMS

A while ago our club was addressed by a representative from Second Chances which helped provide needy families with furniture and household items.

Could we consider continuing to receive small items of functional furniture with a view to assisting this group?

We might also keep a lookout for more valuable pieces (not suited to general households) which might ultimately be fed into the eBay/Gumtree system, rather than being displayed in our shed where damage occurs on occasions.

#### Letter of thanks -

Club Secretary, Rotary Club St Peters

I am the Manager/Coordinator of the Top of the Town Op Shop in Swan Reach. This includes running the day to day operations and overseeing the team of wonderful dedicated local volunteers who work in the shop. Currently, the shop comes under the auspices of Lutheran Community Care but we are currently in the process of bringing the operations of the shop under the control of the Local Community.

The Swan Reach, Blanchetown and Nildottie communities are deemed by government to be "poor" districts with a high level of unemployment. Organisations like our Op Shop are necessary to assist those under-privileged folk who do struggle to provide themselves and their families with life's necessities. The long drought affects many communities, especially those in poorer rainfall areas like us.

On behalf of our team of volunteers and the local community I wish to thank the Rotary Club of St Peters from the bottom of my heart. Your Club's generosity in providing clothing, records, CD's, books and Manchester for us to stock our shop is really needed and appreciated. Kindly pass these sentiments onto your Club members.

Perhaps one day your members could take a day trip to Swan Reach to witness first-hand the fine work our shop is doing. You will be most welcome.

With Best Regards,

Josie and James Whyte

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Fines session – Milton Jones -

Baby Photos – several members briefly showed their baby photos.

Apologies – None this week

Rotary Birthday this week – Rod Carey - 37 years on 14<sup>th</sup> June

**Rotary Theme for June – Rotary Fellowship** 

### Editor's Note – Keep your Zoom app up to date



- Engage Young Families With Service and Alternative Meetings, on 26 June

See the full list of breakout sessions and look again often for updates. We hope to see you

More information at -

https://www.riconvention.org/en/honolulu

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