



President Report Meeting 51 125^h June

What an absolute honor and privilege to be your President for 2020/21 – the Centenary year of Rotary Aust/NZ!! The Presidential collar contains names of our many illustrious Presidential legends who, with their Boards and loyal Members have very, very capably positioned the Rotary Club of North Balwyn to be recognized as a pre-eminent Club within the Rotary world. Long may this continue!!



I must again say on behalf of all Members, friends, and family a huge thank you to our now past President Peter for his and Sally's untiring commitment to the Club, especially in the recent challenging times.

Indeed, I have been reflecting on a couple of highlights during these past months – the first, our extraordinarily successful and fun 40th Birthday celebration held on 7th May this year.... Reflecting on

- * the very long-standing Fellowship that exists today,
- * the obvious pride in Members at the immense success in doing good for others
- * the general comradery that glues this Club together, wicked as it sometime is....
- * the loyalty shown to others, especially in times of need, and
- * the generosity of our Members in taking up important roles within DGE Philip's upper echelons of the vast Rotary organization. I thank you all.

Hence our recent Planning days for 2020/21 have established the Vision for our Club "to be a highly regarded provider of service to others through quality service programs, a diverse and active membership, a positive community image, rewarding Fellowship for our Members and productive external partnerships".

And the first Objective underpinning that Vision is to "reinvigorate Members and partners from the Virus lockdown period into the "new normal" age".

The other reflection is of Friday 13th March this year..... Holger Knaack, President Elect for Rotary International earlier in January had identified his theme "Rotary Opens Opportunities" for 2020/21. I still chuckle when the logo shows opening doors – already, Australia was meeting the challenges of drought, flood, and fire as we all well remember.



Rotary Opens Opportunities

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Our Leadership



RI PRESIDENT
Holger Knaack



DG Phillip
Archer



AG Eastside
Casey Tan



President
RCNB
Greg Cribbes

MEETINGS THURSDAYS
6 for 6.30pm
Kew Golf Club
120 Belford Road Kew
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Club Diary

Camp Getaway weekend 16-18 October 2020

Fellowship Weekend 23–25 October 2020

Read about Rotary in your area in [The Progress Leader](http://leader.smedia.com.au/progress/)
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**APOLOGIES FOR CLUB MEETINGS
NOT REQUIRED UNTIL WE RETURN
TO MEETING AT KEW GOLF CLUB**

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Then Friday 13th March was very memorable for many of us who were catering at the GP awaiting for the call "Start your engines"famous last words as COVID-19 deemed that Lockdown had arrived and we were out of Albert Park late Friday evening with a severely dented Fundraising budget to boot. So, what a year of opportunity for us all!!

Utterly amazing co-operation between essential services, medical professionals, a whole range of people even including Federal/State governments talking together!! But there are opportunities for Rotary Clubs like ours to support relief programs for these events on the one hand thru to mastering Zoom on the other. The good news from all of this is that we have taken the Opportunity of Lockdown time to review plans, strategies, and activities for the coming year.

For the record, rather than start with a blank template, much of what we will be doing going forward this year is a replication of previous years, tweaked for what/when known factors. The Opportunity exists though for our Club to continue our large range of Voluntary Community activities throughout the needy areas – Second Bite deliveries to Camcare, the amazing Gardening Project with schools, Fare share support, Reading in schools, Drought relief in St. Arnaud & Numurkah, Dental work in Vietnam to name a few.

All of these, plus more, are ready to be re-invigorated when we reach the "new normal" of being able to better interact with the public, indeed and to be creative with essential fundraising again.

So please let me introduce your Leadership Team for 2020/21.

- * You know me but Jenny is my better half.
- * Vice President – Tony Wells
- * Immediate Past President- Peter Sutherland
- * President Elect – Maurie Walters
- * Secretary – Gavan Schwartz
- * Treasurer – Geoff Haddy
- * Club Service - Adam Hillary
- * Community Service – Garth Symington
- * Foundation – Rob Head
- * Fundraising – Nino Sofra
- * International – John Burley
- * Membership – Jim Studebaker
- * Vocational – Peter Downton (our new Board Member)
- * Youth – Jane Pennington
- * And to avoid being fined, let us not forget our Sergeant, Estelle Kelly.

As a team in this Centenary Year, we will do our absolute best to work with each and every one of you in enabling your active participation and really positive involvement in all aspects of RCNB so that you all enjoy the amazing fellowship, pride and camaraderie that IS RCNB.

Together thru Rotary, we can open opportunities for ourselves, our family/friends, our country, and the world. Thank you again to everybody involved in Thursday's Changeover – have a fun and rewarding year.

Greg Cribbes

President 2020/21



**PS - See you all Thursday at our 4pm Zoom Meeting
– Guest Speaker is ADG Casey Tan**

Birthdays and Anniversaries between June 29 to July 5

Weddings: Ailsa and Rob Head

Birthdays John Magor, Imre Lele. Geoff Kneale, Russell Cooper

Inductions Ted Wilkins, Peter Sutherland

NEWSFLASH – at Saturday’s DG Changeover by Zoom, **our very own JANE PENNINGTON** was awarded the **District Governors Award** by DG Grant Hocking.

Grant spoke glowingly of Jane’s incredible range of achievements as District Secretary and of the amazing assistance provided to District by Jane in her own quiet but inimitable manner.

RCNB is tremendously proud of Jane receiving this prestigious reward in recognition of her District achievements - a suitable Club acknowledgement /photo will be made when we can!!

The Sergeant’s Snippets

For the July 9th meeting members are invited to submit a short description of

“The most creative activity I have done during the Covid lockdown.”

Write 3-4 sentences. E.g. what the activity was, whose idea was it, how did it turn out etc?

We would love to hear your lockdown stories.

Email your submission to Estelle by MONDAY 6th July ekelly2@optusnet.com.au

I will notify you by Wednesday July 8th If your submission is to be shared on the Zoom meeting the following day.

Have fun. Sergeant Kelly

The RCNB Annual Reports are getting themselves onto the website.

This is the link: <https://rotarynorthbalwyn.com.au/page/annual-reports>

Fellowship Weekend - October 23, 24, 25.

21 members are on the list for Bright October 23. 17 for 3 nights and 4 are there for 2 nights. With partners added = 35 people.

Two more members added to the list this week. It is not too late to reserve a room. Email: mauriewalters@gmail.com or call 0438005820

Kris and I will return to Bright in July (after school holidays) to check venues and activities and finalise the program.

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| 1. CRIBBES | 12. RENNIE |
| 2. CUMMINGS | 13. ROMANIS |
| 3. ELLIOTT | 14. ROSS |
| 4. LELE | 15. SUTHERLAND |
| 5. McCLEAN | 16. SYMINGTON |
| 6. McDONALD | 17. TAYLOR |
| 7. MAGOR | 18. TOO HILL |
| 8. MATTHEWS | 19. WALTERS |
| 9. PAULHEIM | 20. WELLS |
| 10. PENNINGTON | 21. YUDI |
| 11. PIRRET | |

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Rotary Club of North Balwyn Year 6 Essay Writing Competition 2020

'If I Could Change One Thing In The World'

Participating Primary Schools:

Balwyn North, Belle Vue, Boroondara Park, Greythorn, St Bede's.

Officeworks Gift Vouchers x 11

First prize ... \$1,000 = two \$500 vouchers (one for student, one for school)

Second prize ... \$500 = two \$250 vouchers (one for student, one for school)

Third prize ... \$300 = two \$150 vouchers (one for student, one for school)

Five encouragement prizes ... five \$100 vouchers (five for students)

Officeworks Presentation Certificates x 3

First prize certificate ... for winning student

Second prize certificate ... for runner-up student

Third prize certificate ... for third place student

Prize Winners

First ...	Student: Kevin Ch'ng <i>Reality</i>	School: Balwyn North Primary
Second ...	Student: Alecia Ong <i>Go Vegan</i>	School: Balwyn North Primary
Third ...	Student: Jemima Park <i>Homelessness</i>	School: Belle Vue Primary
Encouragement ...	Stephanie Abonyi <i>Self Doubt</i>	School: St Bede's Primary
Encouragement ...	Yee Lin Ang <i>Plastic</i>	School: Greythorn Primary
Encouragement ...	Riley Cheung <i>Human Greed</i>	School: Boroondara Park Primary
Encouragement ...	Grace Hester <i>Bullying</i>	School: St Bede's Primary
Encouragement ...	James Newell <i>Climate Change</i>	School: Greythorn Primary

'If I could change one thing in the world...' 1st prize winner Kevin Ch'ng
Year 6 Balwyn North Primary School



Grunting with annoyance, I threw my textbook to the floor. I was annoyed, as even after I had worked for hours, I could not seem to find the perfect answer to the question. Deciding to take a break, I walked outside to play soccer instead.

Looking for the ball, I saw a note on the ground. *'Taken the ball. HA! Brayden.'*

Brayden was the school bully. He had pulled this stunt many times before. And annoyingly, he never returned my ball.

"Can you go to the shops to buy some eggs?" my mum called out to my older sister. Her reply came quickly, so sharp that I could see lines of weariness crease my mother's face. "No!" was the reply. So I went instead.

On the way out of the shop, I saw a homeless person begging for money. Everyone walked past him, as if he was not there. I gave him some change, and he looked up at me with thankful eyes. In contrast, everyone else looked down at me as if I had grown a third eye.

Wanting a break from all the negative behaviour, I went up to my gaming studio. Whenever I was feeling overwhelmed, I always went up there. And today, I was definitely feeling overwhelmed. Reaching out to retrieve my virtual reality goggles, I attached it to my head and turned it on.

In a second, I became immersed into the *Possible Worlds* game.

Possible Worlds was my favourite because it provided players with incredibly interesting possibilities. It showcased its creators' imagination and I liked to ponder about how it worked. I skipped past all of the worlds that I had been in before. But a new world stood out. It read *'Compassionate World.'*

Walking outside, I noticed my soccer ball was out of air. Glancing across the fence, I noticed my neighbour brandishing a soccer ball. "Want to play with me?" Brayden asked. Nodding, I went to his backyard.

"Do you need more eggs?" my sister asked my mum. I could see a smile forming on my mother's face.

I saw a homeless person receive money from kind shoppers.

I felt a warm glow, and I realised how much I wanted this to be a reality. Reluctantly, I untied the strap of my virtual reality goggles. Looking at the floor, I noticed my textbook again. It was lying on the floor, unwanted and discarded.

Reaching down, I picked up the textbook, and read the question once more.

'If I could change one thing in the world, it would be...'

Smiling, I thought about the virtual world I had recently entered. I wondered if this was possible to translate into real life.

I picked up a pencil, and began to write.

Volunteering at Eva Tilley

The Eva Tilley Memorial Home, which provides residential aged care in North Balwyn, is seeking volunteers for the facility's in-house kiosk. Eva Tilley is a community based and community owned not-for-profit facility, which has been supported by Rotary over many years. RC North Balwyn's Gardening Program is a good example.

The Rotary Clubs of Balwyn and North Balwyn are represented on the Board of Eva Tilley (Clarke Ballard and Tony Wells) and support for the proposed volunteering program is being canvassed with other Rotary Clubs in the Eastside Cluster to determine interest in sharing the workload. Participants would be part of a large team.

The kiosk at Eva Tilley normally opens each weekday between 10am and 3.30 pm and is operated basically by a single person. However the details are flexible and open for discussion – options might be to share shifts or split them into morning and afternoon sessions.



The kiosk is located in a central open space at Eva Tilley and provides a basic service, including beverages and food, available for purchase. Preparing coffee is part of the role and training can be provided for those who have not used a coffee machine.

Participants would need to register as an Eva Tilley volunteer and undertake an induction program. There would also be a requirement for a police check and flu immunisation.

Those who might participate extends to Rotarians, our husbands, wives or partners and other friends of Rotary.

To be effective the program would require list of willing volunteers committed to the program and a coordinator to develop a roster and ensure continuity. It is suggested we might consider taking responsibility for operating the kiosk on one, or perhaps two days per week.

Rotary's support for Eva Tilley reflects one aspect of community service in our area and the RCNB Board believes the request from Eva Tilley is a "good-fit" for our service program and well worth consideration and implementation.

Please contact me if you have an interest and I can discuss the proposal in more detail.

Tony Wells

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Second Bite Roster –July/Aug`20

The Roster to collect food from 2nd Bite and deliver to Camcare.

Food is picked up from 2nd Bite between **8:15 and 8:45 am** every Thursday and delivered by **9:45 am** to Camcare.

Food is then sorted by Camcare staff for their 11:00 am distribution to the under privileged.

Please contact **Garth Symington** on mobile 0419 519 899

Date		Volunteer Driver	Team Members NOT available
2	July	Rob Head	
9	July	Greg Cribbes	
16	July	Maurie Walters	
23	July	Garth Symington	
30	July	Don Taylor	
6	Aug		
13	Aug	Geoff Haddy	
20	Aug	Greg Cribbes	
27	Aug		



Automated pedestrian crossings in Melbourne CBD

Did you know that pedestrian crossings in the Melbourne CBD are automated?
So you don't need to press a button to cross the road between certain times.

The lights are automated between 5:30am and 12:30am, with handy signs to remind you not to touch the button and help to slow the spread of coronavirus (COVID -19)

Courtesy: VicRoads

Courtesy: Westprint Friday Five 1.5.2020



2019: Stay away from negative people.
2020: Stay away from positive people.

You think it's bad now? In 20 years, our country will be run by people home-schooled by day drinkers...

Do not call the police on suspicious people in your neighbourhood! Those are your neighbours without makeup and their natural hair colour!

Day 15 at home and the dog is looking at me like, 'See? This is why I chew the furniture!'

Does anyone know if we can take showers yet or should we just keep washing our hands?

I swear my fridge just said, 'what the hell do you want now?'

Quarantine has turned us into dogs. We roam the house all day looking for food. We are told 'no' if we get too close to strangers. And we get really excited about car rides.

When this is over...what meeting do I attend first...Weight Watchers or AA?

prescription medicine

I don't understand why **prescription medicine** is allowed to be advertised on TV or why anyone would think of trying one of the medicines after listening to the laundry list of warnings of possible side effects. But this is definitely an exception!

Do you have feelings of inadequacy?

Do you suffer from shyness?

Do you wish you were a better conversationalist?

Do you sometimes wish you were more assertive?

Do you feel stressed?

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Dizziness, nausea, vomiting, incarceration, loss of motor control, loss of clothing, loss of money, delusions of grandeur, table dancing, headache, dehydration, dry mouth, and a desire to sing Karaoke and play all-night Strip Poker, Truth Or Dare, and Naked Twister.

WARNINGS:

The consumption of Cabernet Sauvignon may make you think you are whispering when you are not.

The consumption of Cabernet Sauvignon may cause you to tell your friends over and over again that you love them.

The consumption of Cabernet Sauvignon may cause you to think you can sing.

The consumption of Cabernet Sauvignon may create the illusion that you are tougher, smarter, faster and better looking than most people.

Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Pinot Grigio, Scotch, Vodka or Bourbon and of course Beer may be substituted for Cabernet Sauvignon, with similar results.

Please feel free to share this important information.

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ROTARY INFORMATION

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North Balwyn Men's Shed	Website:- www.northbalwynmensshed.com
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