PRESIDENT GREG'S UPDATE

17 September 2020

A Meeting of the Year, so far!!!

We commenced this week's Meeting with Sergeant Estelle's noting September "Education and Literacy" month in the Rotary calendar by mentioning some of the valuable Projects conducted by RCNB – an impressive array of initiatives to date, thank you. The Meeting then paused appropriately for a moment of reflection on the passing of past Member Glen Walmsley – sadly, his wife passed only some days earlier and both will be fondly remembered for the instigation of the Aussie Safari in a Rotary Winnebago around Clubs in Australia providing literature and awareness and ultimately significant funds for ARH.

Then.....it was my absolute pleasure to host "North Balwyn's got Talent".

In what started as an idle thought to involve and entertain more Members in something 'different', wow this was a sensational success, enjoyed by all.

Yes, we do have Talent in bucket loads in the Club and at a time when we see light at the end of lockdown tunnel, these performing Members are bright shining stars!! Just the tonic we need.

Pleasingly, there is already a link in this week's Grapevine on NBGT that will take you to a specific area on our Website that contains performer names, title of their act, with some photos and lyrics for posterity.

Thank you Jane von Trapp!!

Looking ahead, we have Board next Monday so I can Update you all afterwards, Anne Vranisan speaking on "Family and Relationship Services" on Thursday, followed by Dave Burt speaking on "Re-entry into the Community after COVID" on Thur October 1.

Importantly, there is a great opportunity during October that I commend to you:

- keep walking (as you are probably doing now),
- be seen as supporting Jane and our potential Rotaractors,
- raise funds toward beating polio

How? Simply <u>register by the end of Sept</u> on the Rotaboar walk link and join us!! (see link further down in The Grapevine).

As always, stay well, stay happy and Open Opportunities

Cheers President Greg – aka Happy Hammond 😊