

PRESIDENT ROGER'S WEEKLY BLOG

Happy New Year to all. We made it through 2020 and I think the future is much brighter. It seems our contact tracing is working to contain the few covid cases that are emerging .

I'm certainly looking forward to meeting face to face on 1 Feb at The Mornington Hotel .

Face to Face Meeting Monday 1 Feb The Mornington Hotel

Thanks to Rob Davies for organising our first face to face meeting for 9 months. We are allowed a maximum of 40 people so please advise Rob Davies if you are coming. We'll probably be OK for numbers but please let Rob know so you wont be number 41

Family of Rotary

Bill McKenzie has now moved into care at Corowa Court. Wayne Jenkins has been doing a fantastic job liaising with his daughter Fiona and son Alistair to help them clean up Bill's home for sale. Thanks to all the members who helped on the working bee on Thursday.

I'm sure Bill will be most appreciative.

Barbeques

There is good news and bad news!! Our first Bunning's BBQ on 27 December was a great success...we raised about \$1300 and very COVID safely, however our first Village BBQ was not so good at only \$58. Hopefully the scheduled Village BBQs on 16/1 and 30/1 will be better. Please note that Bill Cummins will appoint a 'Shift Captain' for BBQ shifts. If you are the designated 'Captain' please call other members rostered on prior to the date to ensure they or their appointee are ready to go.

Australia Day Event - MMAD Swim Mount Martha Life Saving Club - Tuesday 26 January.

We are partnering with MMLSC and helping with the catering from 0700 till midday. Egg & Bacon rolls for breakfast for volunteer organisers and sausages in bread for gold coin donation. We'll be displaying NADC banners and using NADC serviettes to 'Reflect, Respect, Celebrate .. We are all part of the story'. No meeting on the night prior.



11th January 2021

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RORP

We had a bit of a hiccup getting the last container (#5) into Sri Lanka due to changes in their import regulations. That has been resolved as the container was in transit but shipment of container #6 is on hold pending permanent entry permission. We are working on loading container #6 at Greg Buchanan's property instead of DIK

Mount Martha House Community Garden

MPSC are now being a bit more supportive. Robyn Ruhl is working through the quotes for infrastructure work and Bunnings have agreed to supply materials and tools

For Sale

Thank you David Piper and Roger Annear for agreeing to put a colourbond shed up for sale and donating proceeds to RCMM. Check out the ad later in this bulletin.

Steve Daly's hand crafted Adirondack chairs are for sale. Call Steve and check them out.

January Meetings

Monday 11 January – Committee Meetings. As per Directors Monday 18 January – Zoom Meeting /RC Mumbai Monday 25 January – No Meeting but Board zoom meeting

Yours in Rotary.

Roger

This is a new segment in the Bulletin to replace "My/Our Life in a Coronavirus World," its titled "How and why I joined Rotary and why I stayed?".

The same rules apply, if its your turn, then you ask another Rotarian to do the next week and to Email to the Bulletin Editor by Thursday evening.

How and why I joined Rotary and why I stayed - Roger Skipsey

I retired to Mornington in September 2011. I still needed connection to other people and being a keen gardener my neighbour suggested I check out volunteering at The Briars Nursery. I checked it out and that is when The Briars offered me work on the Sanctuary fence. It was here I met Roger Annear, Tom Goulding and Merv Williams and enjoyed working on this project together. I was impressed with the work of Rotary and Rotarians. I thought that I could cook a sausage and make do my bit to help my community and so came along to a meeting at The Grand Hotel

Why did I stay?

I stayed because I felt I was making a difference. I really did 'Get Into Rotary' and now love it.



Club & other meetings (via Zoom in this present COVID-19 climate).

JANUARY IS VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH

Mon 11 Jan RCMM Committee meetings as arranged by each Director

Mon 18 Jan RCMM Club Meeting - RC of Newlands (Sth Africa) Mumbai Connection via Zoom

Mon 25 Jan RCMM **Board** Meeting—No Club Meeting

Tue 26 Jan Australia Day - MMAD Swim Mount Martha Life Saving Club from 7am

FEBRUARY IS PEACE BUILDING & CONFLICT RESOLUTION MONTH

Mon 1 Feb RCMM Club Meeting at Mornington Hotel 6pm for 6.30pm Woo!! Hoo!!

Mon 8 Feb RCMM Committee meetings - further details to come

Mon 15 Feb RCMM **Club** Meeting - further details to come

RCMM SATURDAY SAUSAGE SIZZLE TO 30TH JANUARY 2021. COMMENCE 9.00AM AND FINISH ABOUT 1.00PM

We only have a permit, at this stage, until the end of January 2021, after which the Events Team from the Shire will decide if sausage sizzles will remain.

You may notice that there are 4 members rostered on for this period as this is a Covid 19 precaution and requirement.

16th Jan 2021W.JenkinsP.MortonD WheelerC.Stokes30th Jan 2021R.DaviesG.BuchananP.RawlingsB. Ewing

OUR COMMUNITY & CLUB SUPPORTERS, TO WHOM WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL

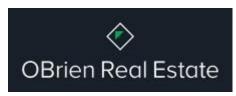
















ROTARY IN ACTION IN OUR COMMUNITY

Report by Wayne Jenkins

A group of Mount Martha Rotarian members descended on Bill Mackenzie's house last Thursday with the task of clearing "Bills Pet Projects Timber" from under his house so it can commence its second life.

Thanks to the nine attendees, especially the four "Tunnel Rats" (Stephen P, Sergeant Pat, Rob D and Gordon M)... they just wouldn't come out from under the house, until Morning Tea was served!

Some timber is destined to be recycled into something creative, thanks to Steve D with the rest, the unrecyclable timber pieces are to be donated to FUSION for their Projects, following the Community Service Meeting this Monday at Degani's.









COLOURBOND SHED FOR SALE

Brown Colourbond shed. The floor measures 2.26 metres square and is 1.8m high at side and 2.0 at centre. In the photos you can only really see the floor in two parts and the walls and roof are stacked behind it. I think the door is hinged on the front high point. All good quality colorbond steel and no rusty bits that I can see or remember. Colour is brown.

Great Garden Shed. This Shed retails for \$650 plus, so we are offering it for \$400, delivered locally. Proceeds to RCMM. Contact Roger Annear 0472 540 684







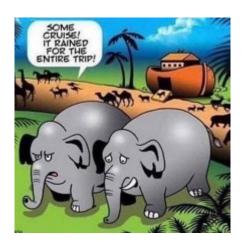
DONATION BY IGA MOUNT MARTHA

Darren Galea, Assistant Manager of IGA Mounty Martha recently presented a cheque to the Club as a Donation, which was gladly accepted by Rotarian Pat Morton. Thank you IGA Mount Martha.





A bit of light-hearted humour, compliments of Phyl Scales. I hope you enjoy these pieces and can see the funny side of them.







Turns out it was a marble in the ashtray...

