



PRESIDENT ROGER'S WEEKLY BLOG

Hi fellow members and friends

With coronavirus taking hold elsewhere around the world and insurrection in the USA, I Am certainly grateful that I live in Australia. Whilst we had a quiet week with most committees not meeting this month. The Community Committee had a busy week planning for our Australia Day at the Life Saving Club.

Zoom meeting this week

This Monday night's zoom will be special in that we'll hear from Jenny Ibbotson of RC Newlands South Africa about her and Carol Allen's Rotary Friendship Exchange to RC Mumbai. Be sure to zoom in.

Australia Day Flag raising

You are invited to join Peter Rawlings at the traditional flag raising ceremony at the village at 9am on Australia Day.

Australia Day MMAD Swim

Your planning committee (Bill, Wayne J, Peter W, Peter R and myself) met on 15/1. We will be setting up our BBQ Trailer, Village BBQ and a mobile cool room in the carpark and will be providing free breakfast for the MMLSC volunteers and sausages for gold coin donation to competitors and spectators. Bill or Peter W will be in touch if he needs any more volunteers on the day. Thank you NADC and Hillview Quarries for your support.

RORP

Captain RORP collected a playground from Drouin this week. It was harvested by the RC Drouin. His efforts attracted the attention of the Highway Patrol. It seems the RORP Trailer is very similar to a trailer reported as stolen. The local Police then turned up at Wayne's home to investigate.

Mount Martha Community Garden

Whilst the actual garden is still 'work in progress' they are having a working bee in the courtyard on Thursday 21/1 at 9 am. Feel free to join Carol on the day and meet the MMCG team

Cheers, Roger

18th January 2021

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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 - Byron Groves

When my family and I moved to Victoria in 1989, the first businessman I met was none other than my now good friend and Rotarian Peter Rawlings.

Peter and I have served the Boards of a number of Not for Profit organisations over the past 30 years and in early 2007 Peter invited me to a meeting of the Rotary Club of Mount Martha. I enjoyed mt first and subsequent meetings and was inducted by PP Steve Daly on 2nd April 2007.

I joined Rotary so that I could give even further to my Community and although having worked fulltime until recent years, have enjoyed the Community work I have been involved with over the past 13 years.

During my Rotary life I have served as Community Director, Club Secretary and Club Treasurer. I have also been very involved at a District level, having served as District Treasurer to David Piper and Tony Spring and District Secretary to Merv Williams as well as Conference Secretary in that same year.

I am officially retiring (from my employment) next month and now that my physical health has improved significantly I am looking forward to more Community involvement, something that has been lacking for me over the past 2 years following my Stroke.

I have stayed in Rotary because I love involvement in the Community as well as the fellowship of other Rotarians. I am looking forward to 2021 when hopefully all (or most) things will return to normal following Covid.



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

JANUARY IS VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH

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 - Topic - 1st Rotary Club in Russia

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.

30th Jan 2021 G.Buchanan **R.Davies** P.Rawlings B. Ewing

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

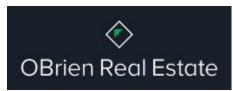






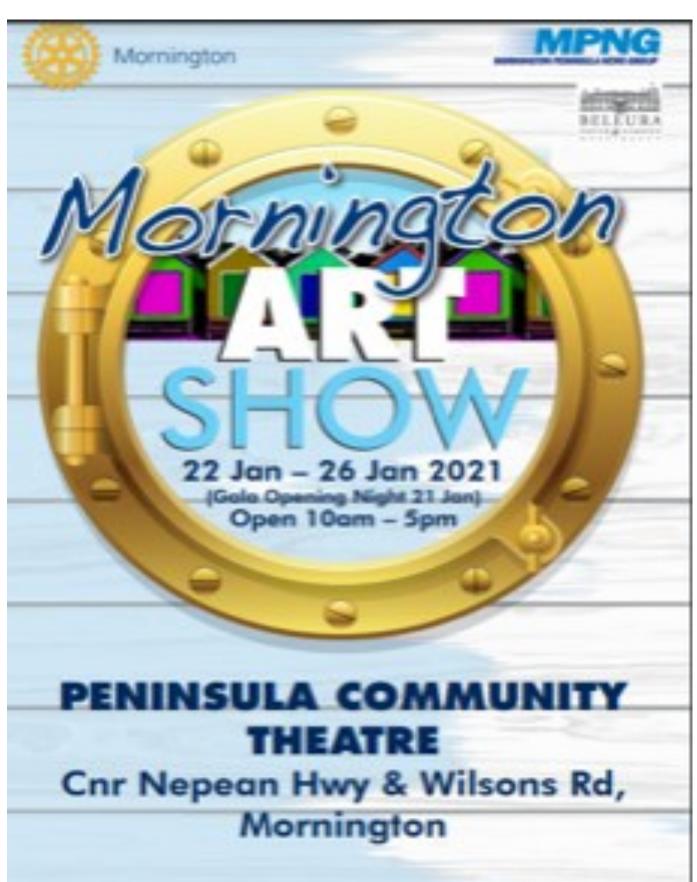










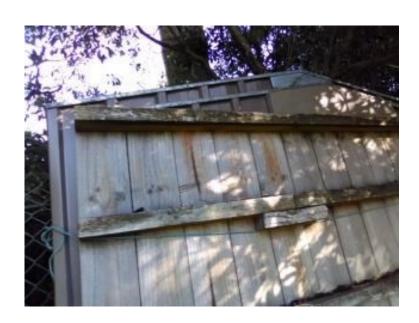




COLOURBOND SHED FOR SALE

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 Colourbond 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









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







I got myself a seniors' GPS. Not only does it tell me how to get to my destination, it tells me why I wanted to go there

I don't always go the extra mile, but when I do, it's because I've missed my exit.

