



PRESIDENT ROGER'S WEEKLY BLOG

10th August 2020

Firstly , a big welcome to Bruce Rankan. We hope you enjoyed the night and we look forward to seeing you again sometime soon

What a great night last week thanks to Steve's Fashions on The Screen with the winner being a draw between Carol Allen and Lara Barrett. Steve will be delivering your bottles of wine....but wait Lara is more than 5 kms from Steve so you might have to wait a while Lara!!

Thanks to Steve again for presenting the interview between Tim Moore and Peral Findlay-James updating us on the progress of our aid donations to the bushfire victims of East Gippsland. It's a slow process and full recovery will be 18 months or more but it's clear that Rotarians generosity is making a big difference.

Baytrail Centenary Project

I'm pleased to report that Janet Pugh, Stephen Pugh and Doug Rhodes have agreed to join the RCMM Bay trail team lead by Steve Daly. We'll hear more about this in weeks to come.

Fusion – Sleep In Your car (SIYC)

See the SIYC article and photos on page 5 of this Bulletin

Selection Committee – Board Positions 2021 - 2022

We seek 2 volunteers from the club to serve on the selection committee. If you have a solid background in Rotary and have served on the Board previously we'd like your assistance in guiding Carol and I select our Board for 2021 2022.

Jonathon and Jenny Mayne

Our canoeing champion Jonathon has a strong connection with Syafri Marja in Indonesia who organised dragon boat racing competitions for Jonathan . Recently Syafri sent out a call for help to Jonathan (Papa) and Jenny (Mama) for help as he and his family were hit by the coronavirus pandemic. Jonathan and Jenny have helped with donations for food which has fed Syafri's family and the village. You can see the gratitude on their faces. Great work Jonathon and Jenny . **See page 7 of this Bulletin for the full story and photos.**

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Coronavirus masks

On 20th July the State Government mandated to wearing of masks and the next day we got a call from Mount Martha Community House asking if we could help fund 500 reusable masks needed by Mornington Information and Support Centre to distribute in Support Packs. Your Board approved the expenditure of \$800 for 100 masks made by Boomerang bags Mount Martha. These bags were delivered to Stuart Meehan - Davis on 4th August and will be reported in the Mornington News

My Life in Coronavirus World

As mentioned last week I'd like to introduce a section in our bulletin each week where we each share with share with the club how are lives have or have not been affected by Coronavirus restrictions. Each week one of us will give a brief outline of how life has changed and then hand the baton on to another member of their choice. Please check with your nominee first. I'll go first.

I'm still doing my part time postie depot bag job three mornings a week as Australia Post is an essential service but I expect it will get much busier as more people buy online. Sue and I have been trying to get to the Gold Coast and Townsville since March to see our children and grandkids and drive up one of their cars after Nicole moved to Townsville. I can't see Queensland opening their borders anytime soon We've still got their car...and their cat!! Both will now have to be shipped up...no, the cat won't be in the car!! Thanks to getting comfortable with Zoom we are now meeting with family on Zoom. Not ideal but at least we get to see them.

I'll pass the baton on to Carol Allen for the next week's episode of 'My Life in Coronavirus World'.

On a lighter note I was talking to a friend in Millicent SA . He, unkindly called us Sick Vic and Victoria, the place not to be!! I couldn't argue with him

On Monday night we'll be breaking out into our Committees to plan what we can do when restrictions are lifted, as they will eventually!!.

Stay safe and keep smiling under those masks.

President Roger

This picture is from the Bulletin Editor's list of funnies and is quite appropriate for RCMM, I think!!!! Although, I am not inferring that we are a bunch of Muppets...

I finally remember what Zoom meetings remind me of.





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

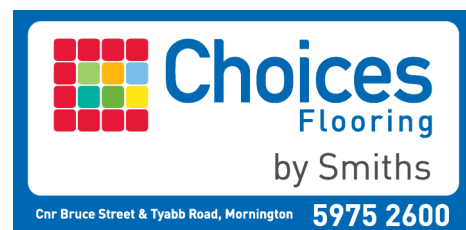
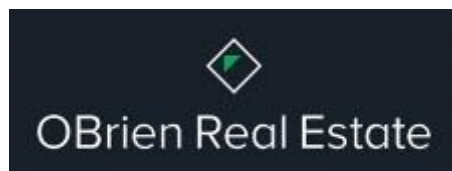
AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP AND NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH

Mon 10 Aug	Committee Breakouts via Zoom
Mon 17 Aug	Club Meeting via Zoom with Fiona Kleinitz from the Stroke Foundation
Mon 24 Aug	NO MEETING
Mon 31 Aug	NO MEETING

SEPTEMBER IS BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY MONTH

Mon 7 Sep	Club Meeting via Zoom
Mon 14 Sep	NO MEETING
Mon 21 Sep	Club Meeting via Zoom
Mon 28 Sep	NO MEETING

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



THANK YOU MOUNT MARTHA COMMUNITY BANK (MMCB).

The Rotary Club of Mount Martha has been granted 5 of these \$50 gift/shopping Vouchers as part of the MMCB stimulus for the local Community. No doubt the RCMM Board will decide the worthy recipients.

The Mount Martha Community Bank Branch has been out buying \$50 gift and shopping vouchers from its local shopping precinct retailers. We will be using these over the next few months to assist those in our local community and some of our Mount Martha Community Bank Branch customers who support us. Through this initiative we're initially pumping back \$5,000 stimulus into small businesses that need our support now. Some of the small businesses have added to these vouchers as they too wish to give back to the community that supports them. Its never been more important to support our local shops than now. Keep any eye out in the mail as one of these vouchers may be heading your way.....



FUSION SLEEP IN YOUR CAR LAST SATURDAY 1st AUGUST 2020

The Fusion Sleep In Your Car team of Pat, Colin, Rob D, Wayne J and Roger Skipsey survived the cold on Saturday 1st August and raised \$1690 of the \$29,000 raised by Fusion. That's a fantastic result. Thank you to club sponsors for helping the homeless on the Peninsula. Hope you got a laugh from the photos on Facebook. Colin and his bunny and Pat in his pink dressing gown were both a hoot. Thanks for making the night a bit of fun for us all.

Colin Stokes wrote - I struggled with using a sleeping bag and having a track suit on to combat the cold, but after throwing covers on and off finally managed a few hours sleep. However, I really enjoyed watching the sunrise and being parked under trees.

The main issue was being close to the street I hopped into the car and locked it. Then having dozed turned over and set the car alarm off. (a rather piercing sound) which caused a flurry of lights to come on around the neighbourhood. I very quickly found the keys to switch off but took some time to get back to sleep, and I destroyed Kaye's sleep inside. (didn't lock it again).



Rob Davies in the tent



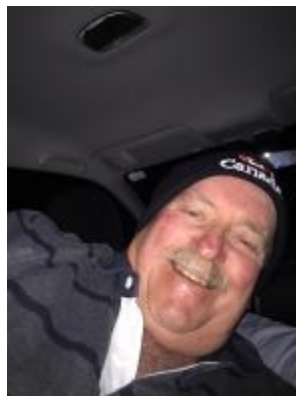
Pat Morton with the pink dressing gown and his Blues mascot



Colin Stokes in the back of the car



Roger Skipsey all set up



Roger Skipsey ready to sleep



Wayne Jenkins swag all ready to go—where's Wayne though!!!!

FACE MASK HANDOVER TO MORNINGTON INFORMATION & COMMUNITY CENTRE

The following EMail and Photos were received from Jenny Mihan (Community House Coordinator) at the recent hand over of face masks to the Mornington Information & Support Centre by President Roger.

Hi Everyone

It was great to see you all today, even behind the masks. Please find attached pictures.

Thank you very much once again to Mount Martha Rotary for supporting this project and to Robyn Ruhl, who continues to support the community by coordinating pick up and delivery of the masks and to the wonderful boomers for sewing the masks. Robyn has showed true community spirit throughout the pandemic providing support to her group members, coordinating making of scrubs and preparing the application for the community garden. Stuart thank you for taking the time to show us what is happening behind the scenes in supporting the vulnerable community. You are doing an incredible job.

I wish to thank each of you for enriching the lives of the local community. It is so important to strengthen, connect and support the community during these times and you clearly demonstrate that in so many ways.

Thank you. Take care.

Regards Jenny



JONATHAN & JENNY MAYNE SHOWING THE PRINCIPAL ROTARY MOTTO OF SERVICE ABOVE SELF

Please refer to the commencement of this story on the front page of this Bulletin.

I think this Email sums up the "Service above Self" displayed by Rotarian Jonathan (Papa) and Jenny (Mama)

"Dear Papa...

No words as beautiful as millions of thanks to Papa, Mama, DBA and all friends in Melbourne, because the money sent by Papa AUD 500.00 I have taken, and immediately I bought food.

It's just that, my intention that the food is for my stock and my family changed to dozens of people who came, including mothers, parents and children and babies because of the growing information, that I would share with my neighbours.

But that's okay, because thanks to papa's help, I can also share with dozens of people in need.

Now Pandemic Covid 19 in Indonesia has more than 16,000 cases, with more than 5,400 deaths. Whereas in Padang cases have exceeded 1,000 with 34 deaths.

This morning I bought rice, salted fish, noodles, baby milk, canned food, sugar and others.

I took the food to their respective homes to avoid the crowds gathering in my house, especially when they were not wearing masks / face shields.

After they received the food, they thanked to Papa, Mama, DBA mama and all those who helped.

Actually not enough, but can make them last and survive at least 10 days ..

Your Son

Syafri, Padang"





District Assembly sessions on YouTube

"Roger Annear writes "I recently logged into a couple of the District Assembly programs and found them to be excellent presentations.

Firstly I viewed the Rotary Foundation Presentation by PDG Sam Camporeale which runs for 28 mins. Secondly the Youth Programs session put together by Rob Cook District Chair of Youth. It does run for a good hour but you can flick through it and pick out what you are interested in. I am sure the other programs are just as good".

If you are wanting something to do in these days of lockdown, please consider viewing these sessions on YouTube as noted below. To make the Link work press the "Ctrl" key on your keyboard and hover the mouse over the URL.

<u>District Assembly Session</u>	<u>Recording Link</u>
Full Plenary Session	https://youtu.be/QGRIK-amP6I
Guest Speaker Mark Huddleston: Creatures of Habit	https://youtu.be/cuJw0so4fzs
Guest Speaker Trudy Grice: RI's Online Resources	https://youtu.be/TsqnBUI_QYs
Guest Speaker Sam Camporeale: Rotary Foundation	https://youtu.be/KnkySad3mVI
President Training	https://youtu.be/Uulkeg_fDqo
Secretary Training	https://youtu.be/RA0IRH4OQho
Treasurer Training	https://youtu.be/8gRozpHcZdo
Membership	https://youtu.be/6gT_VdpKbps
Public Image	https://youtu.be/jVD9V_8nKbM
Community & Vocation	https://youtu.be/W4xYSoGC-o8
International	https://youtu.be/8vRrvpCa-Cg
Insurance & Youth Protection	https://youtu.be/N1nsEVeQgiU
Youth Programs	https://youtu.be/m5PYWoZU_PA

Wear a Mask when you are out in public to keep us all safe.



A bit of light-hearted humour in these difficult times .
I hope you enjoy these pieces and can see the funny side of them.

A duck was about to cross the
road when a chicken
looked at him and said....



"DONT DO IT MAN.... YOU WILL
NEVER HEAR THE END OF IT!"

Knock, knock.

Who's there?

Kanga.

Kanga who?



Actually, it's kangaroo!

Don't
spell part
backwards.

It's a trap.



Two guys walked into a bar, the third one ducked.

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I gave away all my old
batteries today...
free of charge!



COME AND GET ME



IN MY CORONA PROOF FORT!

The real reason I bought so
much toilet paper!