



PRESIDENT ROGER'S WEEKLY BLOG

7th September 2020

Family of Rotary

Roger Annear is home after his leg surgery and recovering well. No lugging postie bags for a few more weeks yet. i

Bay Trail. Steve tells me there is some thought that the Mt Martha section may be along the Harrap Creek Trail, which runs from Benton's Square Shopping Centre to The Briars. This seems sensible to me as the trail is flat, already exists and is suitable for cyclists without cycling on roads. Sue and I walked it this week and I think there are a lot of opportunities along this trail. If you haven't walked it already and it's within 5kms from home can I suggest you check it out before Monday night.

Briars Master Plan

Last week I talked about the Briars wanting to extend the sanctuary. This is part of the Mornington Peninsula Shire Council's Master Plan 2019-2029. They have some grand plans for the Briars and I'm sure we can help bring some of those to fruition. Peter Warren is keeping in touch with the Shire.

DG Mark Humphries Fireside chat last Tuesday 1st Sept

It was great to see 6 RCMM members zoom in on Tuesday night. I was particularly pleased to hear that fellow cluster clubs Dromana and Sorrento had been successful in raising the remaining \$8000 to purchase a \$18000 Lucas Portable Saw Mill to be used by Gippsland clubs to cut fence posts from timber available after the bushfires.

This was Mark's 5th fireside chat but the first I have attended. I think they may well become the way of the future ...a good thing given that in the past we only saw our DGs once per year.

Music Trivia Fundraiser – RC Frankston

Zoom in for something different. Details elsewhere in this bulletin

I'm looking forward to Sunday and hopeful that Covid 19 cases keep going down and we then have some idea as to when restrictions will start to be eased

Stay safe.....from Coronavirus and damaging winds...

Happy Fathers Day to all our fathers on Sunday - President Roger

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My Life in Coronavirus World - Bill Branthwaite

My days have got busier. Each morning excluding Saturday & Sunday we have a one hour office meeting via Zoom. Once done I return messages and handle tasks that have come up either during the morning or remain incomplete from a previous day. From 10.30am I am mostly on the phone speaking to clients, with the lockdown the calls have got longer. Sometimes 20 calls can take 3-4 hours. I typically make calls through to a quick lunch break circa 1pm. Then back onto them as required.

My days are quite structured and I have two daughters studying, one in year 12 and the other 2nd year university.

We cannot conduct physical property inspections, in their place we conduct video walk throughs using Zoom. All contract related material is handled electronically so a learning curve there for me. Overall it's been good I'm learning some new skills and haven't gone mad yet. I've even created a weekly 2 minute video that I send to about 250 clients.

Usually have a walk for 30-60 minutes later in the day, then it's dinner time. I am certainly not bored and have no need to watch Netflix. I live by a quote from Joan Rivers which says it all. "I wish I could tell you that it gets better, but it doesn't get better. You get better."

Rotary Club of Frankston Music Trivia Night



This will be a zoom meeting at 7.30pm on Saturday 5th September.

The contact is <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/703546388>

Meeting ID : 703546388

The cost is \$10 per head, \$20 per family, payable to: Your Rotary Club or- Frankston Rotary Service Account BSB 633 000 Account No. 147 486 880

All proceeds from the Trivia Night will go to the Village Ambulance Project.

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

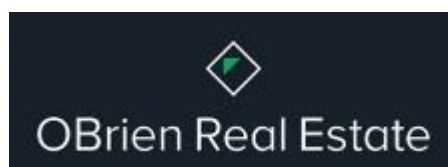
SEPTEMBER IS BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY MONTH

Mon 7 Sep	RCMM Club Meeting via Zoom with Bay Trail Centenary Project update
Wed 9 Sep	Fireside chat #6 with DG Mark Humphries via Zoom
Mon 14 Sep	RCMM Committee meetings via Zoom
Mon 21 Sep	RCMM Club Meeting via Zoom with Indigenous Literacy Foundation
Mon 28 Sep	RCMM Board Meeting via ZOOM - NO CLUB MEETING

OCTOBER IS COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MONTH

Mon 5 Oct	RCMM Club Meeting via Zoom with District Governor, Mark Humphries
Mon 12 Oct	RCMM Committee meetings via Zoom
Mon 19 Oct	RCMM Club Meeting via Zoom
Mon 26 Oct	RCMM Board Meeting via ZOOM - NO CLUB MEETING

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



OUR VIRTUAL CONFERENCE IS COMING!

Covid-19 has changed everything, including our annual conference. Our 2020 RAM Conference, due to be held in Newcastle, NSW this year, has been changed into a virtual conference to be held via Zoom.

Registrations are now open. Go to <https://ram.rawcs.com.au/2020-conference/> to reserve your spot.

Please register for your attendance [on our website](#) by following these two steps:

1. Register your details via the online form. A Zoom link will be sent out closer to the Conference.
2. We have chosen to host this Conference for free given the current pandemic. However, we would appreciate a suggested \$10 donation.

The Conference team has been hard at work trying to work with the current pandemic and we can't wait to welcome you to some wonderful conversations and an incredible speaker line-up talking all things malaria elimination!

OFFICIAL PROGRAM



ROTARIANS AGAINST MALARIA
PRESENTS

**VIRTUAL
CONFERENCE**

17 MAY - 19 MAY 2020
8.00AM - 5.00PM AEST
ON ZOOM

TOPICS INCLUDE:

- International malaria elimination efforts
- Water control initiatives
- Case management in malaria elimination
- Malaria control in Australia and the region
- The 2020-2025 malaria action plan

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The Rotary International Shine On Awards Committee are ready to roll out the 2020-2021 Nomination Form and are asking you to nominate a person/persons who could receive this prestigious award for volunteer work in the community.

What makes this award special is that the volunteers who can be nominated are those who quietly work despite having a disability or chronic illness or a combination of both.

When our Club hosted the Shine On Event in 2017 we had over 330 people in attendance and it was a great day celebrating the Volunteers with disabilities and their community contribution.

Our Club's Nominees for 2019-2020 are Jennifer and Jonathan Mayne. As the Event had to be cancelled suddenly due to Covid-19 all the Nominees from this Rotary year will be invited to next year's event.

Anyone can nominate a person, not just Rotarians and a copy of the Nomination Form is being sent with this Bulletin.

Next year (2021) we will celebrate the Shine On Recognition Awards on Sunday 16th May 2021 at 1pm at the Traralgon Golf Club.

For any queries, please call me on Mobile 0416 262 615 or Email lara.barrett.secretary@gmail.com

Lara Barrett

Secretary

Rotary International Southern Districts Shine On Awards Committee

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.....



Welcome to tomorrow - thank you to Roger Annear for this contribution (part 3 - final)

Not that long ago going to the moon was just a dream. Tomorrow is coming much sooner than what we ever thought possible.

This may sound a bit “Utopian” to us, however, the future is certainly arriving faster than we would like.

This is interesting. If you think the virus is going to make changes read this!

All of the following are forecasted to become reality in the next 10-20 years. Many of us won't see the changes, but our children and grandchildren probably will.

- 27 - About 1.2 million people die each year in car accidents worldwide due to distracted or drunk driving. We now have one accident every 60,000 miles. With autonomous driving that will drop to 1 accident in 6 million miles. That will save more than a million lives worldwide each year.
- 28 - Some traditional car companies will doubtless become bankrupt. They will try the evolutionary approach and just build a better car, while tech companies (Tesla, Apple, Google) will do the Revolutionary approach and build a computer on wheels.
- 29 - Look at what Volvo is doing right now, having no more internal combustion engines in their vehicles... starting with their 2019 models that are all-electric or hybrid only, with the intent of phasing out the hybrid models.
- 30 - Many engineers from Volkswagen and Audi are completely terrified of Tesla – and they should be. Look at all the companies offering all-electric vehicles. That was unheard of only a few years ago.
- 31 - Insurance companies will have massive trouble because, without accidents, the costs will become cheaper. Their auto insurance business model will disappear.
- 32 - Real estate will change. If you can work from home (or from literally anywhere), people will abandon their towers to move far away to more beautiful affordable locations.
- 33 - Electric cars will become mainstream about 2030. Cities will be less noisy because all new cars will run on electricity.
- 34 - Cities will have much cleaner air as well.
- 35 - Electricity will become incredibly cheap and clean.
- 36 - Solar production has been on an exponential curve for 30 years, but you can now see the burgeoning impact. And it's just getting ramped up.
- 37 - Fossil energy companies are desperately trying to limit access to the grid to prevent competition from home solar installations, but that simply cannot continue - technology will take care of that strategy.
- 38 - Health: "Tricorder X" will be announced this year. There are companies who will build a medical device (called the Tricorder from Star Trek) that works with your phone – taking your retina scan, your blood sample, and you breathe into it. It then analyses 54 bio-markers that will identify nearly any disease. There are dozens of phone apps out right now for health.

WELCOME TO TOMORROW! – some of it actually arrived a few years ago.

Official Advice from the Australian Government to all Victorians.



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OFFICIAL MEDICAL ADVICE

Don't risk it.

**Always follow
the health advice.**



Hygiene



Distancing



Get tested



Isolate

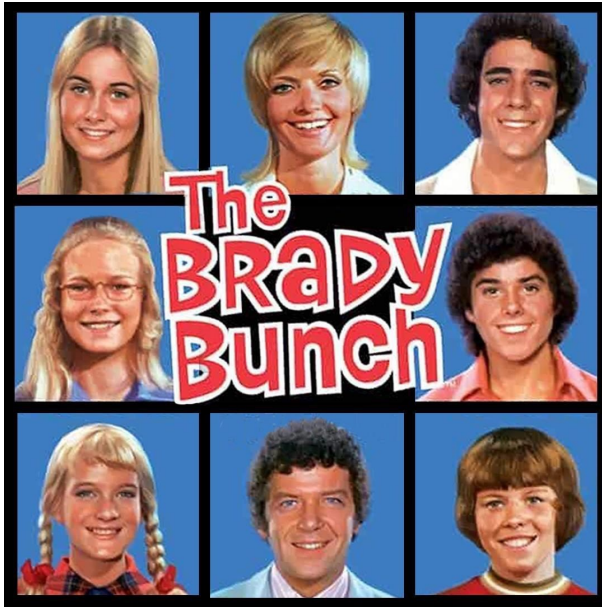
It's up to all of us to keep each other safe.
You must continue to practise good hygiene,
physical distancing, and if you're even slightly unwell,
get tested and stay at home. Don't risk it.

The sooner we **all do it,**
the sooner **we'll get through it.**



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



It's never explicitly explained how the Brady Bunch had access to Zoom in the 1970s



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YOUR MIC IS
THE NEW
REPLY ALL**