

#### PRESIDENT ELECT BILL'S THOUGHTS & REPORTS

**Greetings Rotarians and Friends** 

#### Last Monday's meeting

For those who attended Monday's Zoom link with District Governor Bill Degnan and his wife Judy, we were regaled by his visions and objectives for the coming year. It was both refreshing and engaging to hear his thoughts on how Rotary can better serves our communities and where he feels our initiatives might best grow our following and support within those communities. He and Judy are in now doubt that we are best served by finding projects to support and fund, rather than simply giving money to those who ask for it.

#### This Monday's meeting

Our next Monday meeting will be a presentation from Fergus Nutt on the History of Mount Martha, this promises to be an excellent and informative evening and will be Chaired by Bernhard Butler.

Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS) Annual Report
Secretary Lara has asked that the link to the RAWCS Annual Report 2021 be
included in the Bulletin. You can click on the link below to read the Report.
https://rawcs.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/RAWCS-Annual-Report-2021.pdf

#### My President Elect Role

In my role as President Elect I have been connecting with the members to learn about their experiences, hopes and aspirations for the forthcoming year. I am particularly interested to learn what makes you tick and keeps you ticking. If you haven't already had a call from me so, then I shall endeavour to speak to you during the balance of October.

Clearly many of the normal programs have been either suspended or abandoned, such has been the effect of the restrictions during the last 18 months. As much as we hope for something of a return to normal, that comes with no guarantees either, so we might require more patience and resilience yet. We need to clearly focus on what we can do rather than cannot do.

It has come to my attention that not all Committee's are of equal size, so I will be examining this during part of my moving forward as the incoming President in 2022/23

The great job our Rotarians do within our community does not stop and we will continue that march forward, Covid or no Covid.

Stay safe and keep well



4th October 2021

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These Celebrations from this Monday to next Sunday

Birthdays Nil

Wedding Anniversaries
Nil

Rotary Anniversaries
Valerie Lyons 8/2018

Bill Branthwaite, President Elect



#### OCTOBER IS COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPOMENT MONTH

Mon 4 Oct RCMM Club meeting - Speaker, Fergus Nutt - History of Mount Martha

Mon 11 Oct RCMM Board Meeting

Mon 18 Oct RCMM Club meeting - Speaker, Rev Tim Costello - Pokies on the Peninsula

Mon 25 Oct RCMM Committee meetings

#### **NOVEMBER IS ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH**

Mon 1 Nov RCMM Club meeting - Melbourne Cup Eve

Mon 8 Nov RCMM Club Meeting - Annual General Meeting @ 6.30pm, then @ 7pm with Speaker,

Gary Sanford - History of MM Community Bank and Community projects that align

with RCMM

Mon 15 Nov RCMM Club meeting

Mon 22 Nov RCMM Committee meetings
Mon 29 Nov RCMM Partners Social evening

#### **DECEMBER IS DISEASE PREVENTION & TREATMENT MONTH**

Mon 6 Dec RCMM Club meeting
Mon 13 Dec RCMM Board Meeting
Mon 20 Dec RCMM Christmas Breakup
Mon 27 Dec No Meeting - Christmas break

#### THE ROTARY CLUB OF MT. MARTHA Inc.

Registered No. A 11714V ABN 46 263 610 778

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Rotary Club of Mount Martha Inc. will be held on **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at 6.30 pm via Zoom** 

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



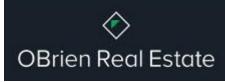














# **Rotary Club of Mount Martha Christmas Raffle**

This year the Rotary Club of Mount Martha will be conducting a Christmas Raffle. The 1st prize is a Samsung 65cm 4K TV valed at \$1,200, 2nd prize is a \$500 Bunnings voucher, 3rd prize is a \$400 Ritchies IGA and 4th prize is a Christmas Hamper from Mornington Peninsula Hampers (thank you Kate for your generous support) valued at over \$300. Tickets will be \$2 each or 3 for \$5. We are planning to sell 3,000 tickets. We are hoping to raise in excess of \$3,500.

All the funds raised will go to the Mount Martha section of the "Peninsula Bay Trail". The reasons for this decisions are; 1) it is a local project; 2) it links Mount Martha with the other trails; 3) it demonstrates our Club's work in Mount Martha and 4) will provide environmental and ecological outcomes.

The draw will be held outside Ritchies IGA at Mount Martha on Wednesday 22nd December.

You may notice on your travels to the Mt Martha Village that the Bendigo Bank, Mt Martha Newsagency and IGA are selling our tickets also! Paul Clarke to provide A3 posters for windows soon!

My Top 3 ways to sell tickets

- 1 Buy them yourself, and put them inside Christmas Cards
- 2 Ask a local Retailer to sell them on their counter
- 3 Sell them at your Workplace or a friends Workplace

We will put fortnightly updates in the Bulletin to keep all members up to date on how ticket sales are progressing Allocation is 2 books per Rotarian to start with.

Electronic Payments can be made to: Rotary Club of Mt Martha (Charitable Account)

BSB 633 000

ACC 128 102 126

Don't forget the Raffle and Surname in the Description!

Note. It may be easier to keep cash yourself and simply make an electronic payment to the Club.





### SHELTERBOX AUSTRALIA

Did you know that more than 15 million people were made homeless by disaster and conflict in 2020 alone? The UN puts the total global figure at an incredible 104 million. Disaster relief charity and Rotary International project partner, ShelterBox is working to change this.,

What started as a humble Rotary club project has grown into a well-respected international disaster relief organisation. Over the last 21 years, ShelterBox has supported more than 2 million people with emergency shelter aid, other essential items, and training to help recovery after disaster.

ShelterBox Australia CEO, Mike Greenslade said, 'We rely totally on the wonderful support of Rotary Clubs like Mount Martha, Rotarians and individuals to fund our mission. Rotary also provides essential support on the ground in many of the countries in which we work. We're part of a growing international family that believes that no one should go without shelter, following disaster.'

'For many, the COVID-19 pandemic is a disaster on top of disaster. Disaster-affected communities and people living in overcrowded camps are left especially vulnerable, with little-to-no space for self-isolating and social distancing. ShelterBox has continued to help communities rebuild and recover during the COVID-19 crisis by working with trusted partners on the ground. We have adapted our response model to supply hygiene and personal protection equipment; as well as materials to educate people about the dangers of the virus and how they can protect themselves. In these testing times, our shelter options of tents, tarpaulins or shelter kits can provide a safe place for a family to isolate, and aid items like water filters, solar lights and mosquito nets prove invaluable. Now, more than ever, shelter saves lives.' said Mike, himself a Rotarian and ShelterBox Response Team member.

'I urge the Australian public to get behind us, as the task ahead of is huge. On 10<sup>th</sup> December, World Human Rights Day, we'll be holding our second giving day, promoting shelter as human right. We'd love people to get involved, organise an event, share our posts on social media or make a donation. It will make the world of difference to people's lives'

ShelterBox is currently responding in the Haiti, following the recent earthquake, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Ethiopia, and Mozambique; with projects planned in Nigeria, Yemen and Syria

To find out more about the work of ShelterBox and promote shelter as a basic human right, please visit <a href="https://www.shelterboxaustralia.org.au">www.shelterboxaustralia.org.au</a>



Fiji – Cyclone Winston

Phillipines - Typhoon Vongfong





Vanuatu – Cyclone Harold



# **DISTRICT 9820 CONFERENCE 2022**

#### **REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN**

District Governor Bill Degnan and Judy, together with the Rotary Club of Traralgon Central, invite you and all your members to come and join us in beautiful Traralgon, where the D9820 Conference will be held on the weekend of February 25-27, 2022, in the new Gippsland Performing Arts Centre.

Registrations are now open, and we look forward to seeing many of you in the Valley for a Conference filled with inspiration, fun and fellowship.

This conference will focus on environmental sustainability and what part Rotary can play.

We also have Dr. Fiona Wood, AM FAHMS, as our keynote speaker. Professor Fiona Wood is one of Australia's most innovative and respected surgeons and researchers. A highly skilled plastic and reconstructive **Surgeon** and world leading burns specialist, she has pioneered research and technology development in burns medicine. Professor Wood's greatest contribution and enduring legacy is her work pioneering the innovative 'spray-on skin' technique, which greatly reduces permanent scarring in burns victims.

Friday activities will be a Golf tournament, a winery tour and self-drive drive tours of the beautiful Latrobe Valley.

Saturday night's 'Celebration 101' will be a dinner dance at Morwell's Kernot Hall, where we will be entertained by The Baker Boys. Dress code is 'Cocktail', so bring out your pretty party dresses and suits for a night of fun.

Further information about our speakers, tours and entertainment will be posted on the District Conference Facebook page and the District Website.

Thanks to all our sponsors, particularly our Platinum Sponsors, Maryvale Private Hospital and Latrobe Health Services, and Latrobe City Council, for their support and assistance.

We look forward to seeing you all in February 2022

DG Bill, Judy and the Conference Committee

Click on this link for registrations: - Welcome | District 9820 (rotary9820.org.au)

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