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## PRESIDENT CAROL'S WEEKLY THOUGHTS & REPORTS

Greetings Rotarians and Friends

### Last Monday's Zoom meeting

Professor John Stanley, Dr Mark Fancett and Michelle de la Coeur are founding members of Peninsula Preservation Group and we welcomed them to last week's meeting to speak about the proposed new quarry for the north face of Arthurs Seat

Locals came together to form a company called Peninsula Preservation Group Incorporated to fight this proposal. Their campaign is known as Save Arthurs Seat.

Peninsula Preservation Group have been doing presentations to many groups on the peninsula. They also take individuals and groups on hikes to fully explain the Ross Trust and Hillview Quarries company, the proposed quarry, where the local landcare group have been working and what they've been able to achieve and what could be lost if this proposal goes ahead. The Save Arthurs Seat campaign has been growing with many people and organisations joining the cause. Rob Davies, as our Environmental Leader, lead the Q&A session and thanked the group for their presentation it certainly provided much food for thought and discussion.

Our new *Have your Say* section in the Bulletin gives you all the opportunity to share your thoughts on the issues raised. I look forward to reading them.

### Membership Discussion this Monday's Zoom meeting

This Monday as we prepare for August "Membership month" I have asked Peter to discuss his and his committees ideas about our membership strategy for the next year. Firstly we will show this short video; *"Each one bring one - by Shekhar Mehta ( Rotary International President 2021-22)"* [https://youtu.be/H8\\_Q9CrlocY](https://youtu.be/H8_Q9CrlocY)

Then we will have a discussion with Peter and his team who will share some of their ideas and suggestions. I would encourage all of you to log onto the Zoom Meeting on Monday evening and engage in this important topic.

### END Trachoma

I was interested to read in a Rotary Newsletter that **The End Trachoma 2020 campaign**, and Rotary involvement, has been extended to end 2022 at least, due to many remaining trachoma hotspots. The Rotary Interactive Facewashing Trailer in operation in communities located west of Katherine NT is the main source of education. The focus remains on "Clean faces and clean hands" which is the key to eliminating trachoma, which still affects 4% of indigenous children in remote communities. This area includes several Trachoma Hotspots (communities with >20% incidence in children).

The modified Interactive Water Trailer in use at Katherine West Health Board (KWHB) is now fully operational and has now visited all communities across their territory. Strengthening of the trailer suspension was completed last Rotary year to cope with rough river crossings and rain affected roads in the territory covered by KWHB which is the size of Victoria.

Several of these hotspots are included in the area covered by KWHB. During school holidays the trailer has been fully used under direction of Jessica Hagley who coordinates health programs.

The trailer has now been able to reach the communities some distance away from Katherine. Larger Communities: They are finding that the interactive water trailer catches the children to attention immediately it arrives with the combination of music and games as the main attraction. This is a project that we may want to consider this year.

### Social/Fun Nights

David Wheeler has kindly agreed to head up our Social/Fun" Group for 5<sup>th</sup> Monday and some 4<sup>th</sup> Monday meetings and will be looking for a couple of people who would like to join him.

Stay Safe and Well (I'm now fully vaccinated) and hopefully we will soon be all meeting back at TMH - President Carol

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Rotary 4 Way Test  
Is it the **TRUTH**?

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?  
Will it build **GOODWILL** and  
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Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all  
concerned?

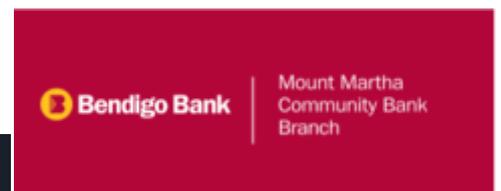
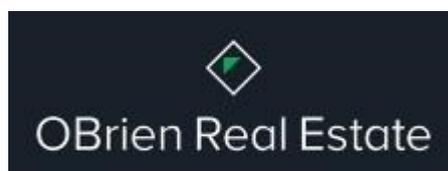
**JULY IS LEADERSHIP MONTH**

Mon 26 July **RCMM Club meeting - via Zoom** (see Zoom logon details on the Bulletin Email)  
 Sat 31 July **MM Sausage Sizzle - see Roster on page 7**

**AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP & NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH**

Mon 2 Aug **RCMM Club meeting - TBA**  
 Mon 9 Aug **RCMM Committee meetings**  
 Sat 14 Aug **MM Sausage Sizzle - see Roster on page 7**  
 Mon 16 Aug **RCMM Club meeting - Nicole Sandford of SAI Home & Community Services - Golf Day Sponsor**  
 Mon 23 Aug **RCMM Club meeting - TBA**  
 Sat 28 Aug **MM Sausage Sizzle - see Roster on page 7**  
 Sat 28 Aug **Bunnings BBQ - see Roster on page 7**  
 Mon 30 Aug **RCMM Social meeting - further details to come from President Carol**

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



## Rotary Foundation Certificate of Appreciation PROGRESS SIGNS

PROGRESS SIGNS was established in in Mornington in 1988, by Graeme Pollerd and now together with his sons Steve and Craig is a family business that has painted itself into the town's community.

From hand crafted signs to digital plastic wrapped vehicles and boats they are leaders in their field. You need a sign they can produce it.

Always helpful and obliging there are very few organizations from charity, welfare and sporting life that have not been the beneficiary of the generosity of Progress Signs. You only need a glance at the "Wall of Thankyou's" in their workshop to recognise the community organisations they have reached out to and helped. Our Rotary Club has been a beneficiary of their generosity.

Graeme Pollerd himself is a PHF, awarded in 2008.

Today the Rotary Club of Mt Martha awards the business of Progress Signs a Rotary Foundation Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of the contribution that this business has made to the Mornington Community over thirty years. Congratulations to them.

Graeme Pollerd has lived on the peninsula for four decades and prior to Progress had run a few businesses.. "I was at a loose end, in-between jobs and saw an opening. I was working with farm machinery and a local land agent let me know that a sign-writer was needed in the area." At the time, oldest son Steve was working as an apprentice in the sign-writing trade and dad soon convinced him to team up to form a new enterprise. "One of the qualified tradies came with me, I finished my apprenticeship, and we were away," said Steve. A couple of years later, son Craig was looking for a cabinetmaking apprenticeship: "but there was nothing around, till one of dad's crew said 'Well why wouldn't you do your apprenticeship here?'" "Dad said 'Think about it for a week' but I knew I was keen; I finished year 10 and then I joined," Said Craig.

"I wanted a name with some stability about it, and it linked up with Progress Street, where we started off. Later we moved to Yuille Street and then bought a block of land and built our own factory," Graeme adds. "Our first job was a real estate board, all done by brush, but I mainly managed the business. In the early days we had sign-writers around all the factory walls, writing boards and windows, and then computers started to come in," said Graeme. In the early 90s, sign-writing in Melbourne was becoming digital and Progress embraced the technological revolution. It was a big step because we had to invest in a lot of technology," said Craig. "Not many sign-shops around now still offer the full service – we still do hand written signs including 'old looking distressed pieces' for some clients who want an old fashioned look. It's got a lot more character," said Steve. People come in who might be restoring an old horse cart, furniture or a car that needs some pin-lining – we still do that," But many of the peninsula's older hand written signs are disappearing. When the roller-rink in West Rosebud disappeared last year, a slab of Progress' early work went with it. "We've done a lot of antique stuff, which is very rewarding in the end, like the old 30s water carrier that came in bare and went out coloured and pin-lined. In the early days we'd have our ladders and trestles set up in the main street, set out the work and paint it by hand, but nearly all that old work has disappeared now." These days most of the work is created in the factory and erected on-site. The crew also do 'marry me' and birthday banners, some of which are sneakily hung from bridges over peninsula thoroughfares.

Over the years Progress has stuck the name on more than one Skandia-Wild Thing hull, including the Sydney-Hobart winning boat." For one hull I flew to Sydney with all the vinyl and worked on the boat all night under spot lights, to get it done on time," said Steve.

Progress Signs has grown from a small business over the years and is now getting busier and busier with every passing month. The boys have a keen eye for employing exceptional, fully qualified staff, who are looked upon as a second family, not just staff. They are constantly upgrading their skills and receiving new accreditations as the industry changes and grows. With Graeme cutting back his hours to enjoy more of his life and the boys taking over, Progress Signs, has truly become a family business. We know we will stand the test of time and come out ahead as one of the biggest sign writing companies on the Peninsula for many, many years to come.





STAY HOME, but what happens when you don't have a home?

Tonight, more than 118,000 Australians are experiencing homelessness. 42% are under the age of 25.

START FUNDRAISING

SUPPORT A FRIEND

This year's SLEEP IN YOUR CAR fundraiser is once again a "Virtual" Event.



See how many RCMM members you can spot in this video taken 2 years ago!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HP1KY-lbU7k>

**It's that time again.**

Rise to the challenge where many have gone before!  
Promote the event among families and friends.  
Get them involved and/or sponsor you.  
Sleep in your car, tent, shed or wherever!

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**Remember Last Year???**

2020 Champion Pat Morton



All dressed and ready to go! Pat Morton is ready for a 'rough' night of fundraising in Mount Martha.

**Rough night warms the heart**

ROTARIANS sleep in their cars, tents, sheds, or on couches to help the foundation for the Mornington Peninsula for our most in need.

Mount Martha Rotary club president, Roger Slagter said that he was happy to be able to support Mount Martha Peninsula's annual Sleep In Your Car event. The experience on Saturday 7 August gave them an insight into what it means to be homeless.

The Rotary community did the same by sleeping outdoors and raising a barbecue at Mornington

Park last year, because of coronavirus restrictions, they held a 'virtual' sleep-out which raised \$1000. This amount will be added to the \$25,555 Rotary's annual event to correctly raise.

The cause is urgent: On any given night, 16,421 people are housed in homeless. About 42 per cent are aged under 25.

The Sleep In Your Car event was held in the lead up to Homelessness Week (2-8 August) which is now in its sixth year.

**It's that time again.**

It's easy to donate/sponsor \$20 (or more!)  
Transfer Direct to "RCMM Projects a/c"  
BSB 633-000 Acct 128102126  
Ref: Your name SIYC  
Come on ... get those sponsorships coming in!



Rotary  INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION  
27-31 MAY 2023  
MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA

July 2021



### Message from the Melbourne HOC Chair – Mary Barry

*As you are aware Melbourne will host the 2023 International Convention.*

*While the official promotion program for the Convention will not commence until after the 2022 Convention in Houston, this newsletter will help to keep you up to date on relevant information about the Convention and the work of the Host Organising Committee (HOC).*

*Membership of the HOC includes 14 Rotarians from all Victorian Districts and two representatives from the Melbourne Convention Bureau .*

*Please see a copy of the HOC structure (below) for further details.*

### HOC RESPONSIBILITIES FOR 2023 CONVENTION

The Host Organization Committee (HOC) is a group of Rotarians from the host district(s) who support the success of the convention by fulfilling specific responsibilities. Key responsibilities include:

- Serve as a welcoming committee
- Recruit and manage a volunteer force
- Promote the convention to host districts
- Liaise between key local contacts and RI
- Organise Host Hospitality event
- Identify potential sponsors
- Opportunities for associated tourism & Merchandise Sales

### RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS

Recruitment of volunteers for various roles during the Convention will commence in the next few months. Clubs will be notified about the different roles required from greeting delegates at the airport to ushers and booth crew at the House of Friendship during the Convention. HOC volunteers may be Rotarians, Rotaractors, Interactors, Exchange students and alumni as well as people from community service groups and relatives, or friends of the above.

### HOST HOSPITALITY

Host Hospitality, an RI Convention tradition where delegates are given a memorable evening of hospitality, local culture and international fellowship in the home of a Rotarian, a restaurant or larger venue in the host area is a key responsibility of the HOC. A number of venues and opportunities are currently being considered by the HOC. Over the coming months the HOC will be seeking Host Clubs for the larger events and host families for the home hosting component.

### Next Steps

The International Convention Committee (ICC) chaired by Francesco Arezzo who is a PDG of District 2110 - Sicily & Malta and RI Board Director representing Rotarians in Italy and France, for the period 2018-2020, will hold its first meeting at the end of August. Following that meeting further details regarding volunteers and other Club support will be made available.

## TOOLS FOR SALE or DISPOSAL - FINAL CHANCE

All tools are in a "good used" condition. All sale proceeds to go to the Rotary Club of Mount Martha with over \$200 being raised so far. Anything left over will go to the local tip or recycle shop.

Please contact Roger Annear on Mobile 0472 540 684 or Email: [rsandlea1@gmail.com](mailto:rsandlea1@gmail.com)

"GMC" Electric Saw 184mm \$30, "GMC" Angle Grinder \$25  
Trenching Shovel \$15 Crow Bar \$20  
Table top Computer Desk - free or best offer.

**PLUS as pictured below \$5-\$10 per item or best offer.**

Concrete edging tools,	Boot knife,
Ball pien hammer,	2 Brickies hammers,
Miners pick,	Cold chisels,
Adjustable wrench 12",	Adjustable wrench 8",
Stillson pipe wrench,	Stillson pipe wrench,
Bolt cutters 14",	Nail pinchers,
Screwdrivers,	Craft Vice.



## SAUSAGE SIZZLE ROSTERS

### BUNNINGS BBQ'S FOR MAY, JUNE & JULY 2021

**8 to 11am**

**11am to 2pm**

**2pm to 5pm**

**The 1st named Member on each shift is the Team Leader**

#### Saturday 28th August 2021

Wayne Jenkins  
Gordon Morriss  
Byron Groves  
David Wheeler  
Tom Barrett  
Mary McIntyre

Rob Davies  
John Waterhouse  
Peter Rawlings  
Roger Annear  
Carol Allen  
Anne Shaw

Bill Cummins  
Bill Ewing  
Barrie Sweeney  
Tom Goulding  
Ray Martin  
Bernard Butler

#### Saturday 25th September 2021

Wayne Jenkins  
Tom Barrett  
Peter Warren  
Bill Ewing  
Steve Daly  
Roger Annear

Merv Williams  
Carol Allen  
Bruce Ranken  
Bernard Butler  
Anne Shaw  
Peter Rawlings

Bill Cummins  
Rob Davies  
Byron Groves  
Jonathan Mayne  
Greg Buchanan  
Pat Morton

### RCMM SATURDAY SAUSAGE SIZZLE (COMMENCE 9AM AND FINISH ABOUT 1PM)

31st July	Bill Ewing	Lara Barrett 2hours Bernard Butler 2hrs	Paul Clark
14th August	Carol Allen	MMH Community Garden	MMH Community Garden
28th August	Valerie Lyons	Bruce Ranken	Jonathan Mayne
11th September	Bill Cummins	Merv Willams	Rob Davies
25th September	Peter Rawlings	Byron Groves	Ray Martin
9th October	David Wheeler	Wayne Norris	Pat Morton
23rd October	Tom Goulding	John Waterhouse	Steve Daly
6th November	Mary McIntyre	MMH Community Garden	MMH Community Garden
20th November	Paul Clark	Colin Stokes	Gordon Morriss
4th December	Peter Warren	Roger Annear	Byron Groves
18th December	Merv Williams	Bill Ewing	Valerie Lyons

For those who have missed our “funnies” they are back again for a few weeks thanks to Phyl Scales

Some people have the lowest stress rate because they do not understand the seriousness of most medical terminology...

Artery : The study of paintings

Bacteria : Back door to cafeteria

Barium : What doctors do when patients die

Benign : What you be, after you be eight

Caesarean Section : A neighborhood in Rome

Cat scan : Searching for Kitty

Cauterize : Made eye contact with her

Coma : A punctuation mark

Dilate : To live long

Enema : Not a friend

Fester : Quicker than someone else

Fibula : A small lie

Impotent : Distinguished, well known

Labor Pain : Getting hurt at work

Morbid : A higher offer

Nitrates : Rates of Pay for Working at Night,

Node : I knew it

Outpatient : A person who has fainted

Pelvis : Second cousin to Elvis

Secretion : Hiding something

Seizure : Roman Emperor

Tablet : A small table

Terminal Illness : Getting sick at the airport

Tumor : One plus one more

Urine : Opposite of you're out

