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President Simon's Message

Great to see so much enthusiasm and spark in the Club after the dark and uncertain times of pandemic lockdowns. We should also be very proud of ourselves in that we endured the lockdowns, embraced zoom and emerged out the other side invigorated and adding some very welcome new Members to our group.

Last night we welcomed as a guest PP Maureen's sister Kathy, no stranger to the Club as she gave a talk a few years ago about the challenges involved with remote teaching in Australia. The "End Trachoma" program is also very relevant in this regard.

PDG Keith then gave us a fascinating insight into aspects of his life journey from his childhood in the UK, his career in finance and his many and varied activities in selfless fundraising. He was awarded an MBE as tribute to his work in this area, an award which he is justifiably very proud to have attained. He and his Family are now comfortably settled across Australia and New Zealand. Welcome to our Club and our part of the world, Keith and Family.

I will be unable to help out at the Bunnings snag sacrifice on the 9th October, but I will collect the equipment from storage on Wednesday and store it on our trailer at our place. I'll make sure someone has the trailer lock key so it can be collected in plenty of time for the event. As this is Kaye's first Bunnings event please make sure she is supported with sourcing bread, snags, condiments, drinks etc. I believe that PDG David Louden is the expert at procuring onions at the right price, and quite enjoys the aroma permeating through his garage.

See you all next week.

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Apologies:	Bev Unitt Tony Spring Bill Fowler
Leave of Absence:	David Cahill
Guests:	Kathy Neylon
Zoomers:	David Brook Don MacDonald

MILESTONES:	
Birthdays:	Ron Cook - 13 October
Rotary Anniversaries:	NIL
Wedding Anniversaries:	NIL

OCTOBER IS

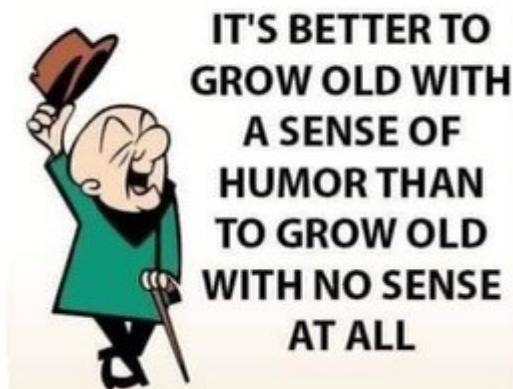
ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MONTH

"If we can make a difference in the life of one person in a community, it is a small yet significant step to empowering a whole community."

Loshini Naidoo

Rotary
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Thought for the Day



Announcements

President Simon

Simon welcomed Club Members attending, Zoomers and Maureen's sister Kathy. He reminded members of the Bunnings bbq on 9th October, and asked them to support Kaye at the event.

Deputy Secretary Eric

Grand Final Day at the Springs was a great day for 20 odd members and partners, good fellowship, food and drink. Thanks to Tony & Carla for the use of their home.

We had some tipping competitions within the Grand Final, the tips were 1st Goal Kicker, leading team and margin at half time, leading team and margin at full time, and Norm Smith medalist, the first tip was jointly won by Carla, Con, David B and Simon. Judi won the second, Simon won the third, but no one picked the Norm Smith medalist so the left over prizemoney of \$55 will go to Foundation.

There are still some outstanding Working with Children updates needed and those affected will be contacted to complete this requirement.

PE Maree

- We have received 30 bags for toiletries for the End Trachoma project but we need more as this is an ongoing project. We have some welcome donations and members will be sent a list of items still needed to fill the bags. Be sure to attend next week's meeting to learn more about this outstanding Rotary project.
- The Bus trip scheduled for Wednesday 26th October has been changed to Tuesday 25th October due to bus availability. We will meet at the Seaford Hotel 9.30am heading to Docklands for a 1 hour. 11 – 12 cruise and morning tea. From here we head to Victoria Market where you can pick up lunch (own expense) or BYO, purchase some fresh produce or just look around. Departing for home at 2.30pm. Cost \$42.00pp Partners welcome.

Deputy Treasurer Geoff

- We raised \$1300 at the last Bunnings BBQ for the NSW Flood Relief. This money was sent to the Rotary Club in NSW coordinating the Appeal.
- Our new EFPTOS machine has arrived and was trialed at tonight's meeting. It appears to work well and streamlined the meal ordering process. We propose to use it at our next Bunnings BBQ.

Linda - PR

- Jan Graham and her Hastings Lifestyle Retirement Village friends have made a large number of knitted woolen squares for us. We will arrange a working day with them to join these squares into rugs, etc
- Son-in-Law Brad suffered a ruptured brain aneurysm while working in Northern NSW. He has been through Coffs Harbour, Newcastle and Frankston hospitals and came home last Tuesday. He is walking and talking, and is making slow but steady progress in his recovery.

Judi - Youth

- Update on progress re th e2023 International Women's Day breakfast

The speakers are **Diana Sayed** - Diana is the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Australian Muslim Women's Centre for Human Rights. She joined the organisation in October 2019 as

an international human rights lawyer with experience working in both Australia and the United States. She is the former Campaigns Manager at Fair Agenda and Senior Crisis Response Campaigner at Amnesty International Australia.

Diana has appeared as a regular panelist on The Drum, ABC The World, SBS, Al Jazeera, MSNBC and ABC Q&A. With a Masters in International Human Rights Law she is an expert on issues pertaining to gender equality, social justice, and human rights. She has worked as a lawyer, advocate, and campaigner for over a decade, and has the lived experience of being a visible Muslim woman of colour in Australia, as a former refugee from Afghanistan.

Suzanne Nielsen – has a BPharm BPharmSc(Hons) PhD MPS. Suzanne is a Professor of Research and Deputy Director at the Monash Addiction Research Centre at the Monash University Peninsula Campus

Our MC is **Amanda Leck** who was a speaker at our 2022 breakfast. We are still to appoint our Rotary speaker.

- **Donation of profits from 2022 breakfast.** The IWD planning Committee agreed that the funds be donated to Safe Steps a Family Violence Response Centre. Our request is that the funds go towards the women's refuge to benefit those women and children who need a safe and comfortable place to live during a very difficult time in their lives. Safe Steps have agreed to this. We are waiting to schedule a suitable time to arrange a presentation of a cheque at a meeting.
- **RARE (DIK) update on medical goods for Ukraine.** Remain in discussions with Peninsula Health regarding equipment that can be used in the field for wounded soldiers and civilians. We were unable to respond due to the tight timeframe. However, Judi plans to meet with staff at the hospital and further clarify the equipment needs.
- **Youth Services** – District grant approved for Monterey Secondary College. Currently following this through to ensure moneys are allocated in accordance with Rotary guidelines.
- Scheduling visits to meet with primary school and secondary colleges to encourage their ongoing participation in Rotary Youth Projects.



Meet our new member, Keith Hopkins

Keith was born in Kent, England where he went to Primary and Secondary school. He was an aspiring cricketer and played for Kent Schoolboys.

He took on a 5 year Training Contract in Canterbury to become a Chartered Accountant.

Keith and Mary, who met in Russia, were married while studying and they moved to Kirriemuir in Scotland.

He followed his passion for cricket and played for Strathmore in the Scottish Counties League. During this time his son Ross and daughters- Sally and Jennifer- were born, he joined the Rotary Club of Kirriemuir and took the Accountancy practice into a new firm.

He joined the International Fellowship of Cricketing Rotarians and went on many tours, to South Africa(2), West Indies, First Festival of Cricket in Hampshire, Chennai(2), Christchurch(2), Hunter Valley, Colombo, Vapi, Nottingham and Melbourne. Keith and Mary home hosted Rotarian cricketers many times.

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Keith was also a keen golfer and participated in Rotary golfing tours to Pennsylvania(2) and Canada, and organized a Rotary Ryder Cup in Scotland between GB&I and USA,

Keith became District Governor for Scottish District 1010, Hon. Treasurer of GB&I (25 Districts, 1700+ clubs, 40,000+ members) and was on the team that regionalized RIBI.

Keith's forte has been fundraising. As a child he raised funds for local community sports. He graduated into bike rides with Interact, set up a charity for brain damaged children and those suffering from leukemia, set up Angus Farmers Markets, set up the Kirriemuir Relay for Life. He even collected a Guiness World Record for organising 534 Peter Pans, all in green uniforms, to honour author J.M.Barrie who created the character and who was born and was buried in Kirriemuir.

Keith organized the Queen's charity lunch for Angus at Brechin Castle that raised over £50,000. He also ran a charity auction at Glamis Castle, Angus (home of the late Queen Mother) for Tay-side Council on alcohol and drug abuse which raised over £40,000..

Keith also coordinated the Rotary Ride for Prostate Cancer, which raised over £160,000 for PS charities.

For his efforts, Keith was awarded the MBE, for service to charity and the community, which was presented by the now King Charles III at Buckingham Palace. He has been invited the Queen's Garden Party at Holyrood House twice, and has been invited to meet the Prince of Wales and Duchess of Cornwell at Glamis.

Keith and Mary's children, Ross and Jenni, are now living in Australia and Sally is a GP in New Zealand, which is why they chose to move to Australia to be close to them.



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Future Events

Dates for your Diary

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| 04 October | - End Trachoma, Speaker- Sandi Fulcher. Chairman - Maree Hutchins |
| 09 October | - Bunnings BBQ - Frankston |
| 11 October | - Local 2 Community, Speaker: Rebecca Olver, Member Bio: Kaye Aitchison. |
| 18 October | - Zoom meeting |
| 25 October | - Bus trip to Docklands, Yarra cruise, Vic Market. <u>Meeting cancelled</u> |
| 13 November | - Bunnings BBQ - Carrum Downs |
| 05 November | - Trivia Night - Masonic Hall, Baxter |

\$ - Cashier Roster

4th October	Kaye Aitchison
11th October	Colin Price
25th October	Colin Price
1st November	Ian McConnell

Abbeyfield Roster

Twice Monthly on Wednesday mornings, starting at 9.30 am. min 2, max 4, volunteers

October 12th

Con Demopoulos
Ian McConnell
Mike Goonan

October 26th

David Cahill
Charles Mallia
Ian McConnell

Next Meeting-04/10/2022

“End Trachoma” Speaker- Sandi Fulcher. Chairman - Maree Hutchins

Trachoma is a bacterial infection that infects the eyes and is rife in our indigenous communities. As a combined effort a group of Rotary clubs under the guidance of Sandi Fulcher and a representative from the Education department in the NT are collecting specific toiletries to be handed out to families of 4 in the Northern Territory. We are well on the way to filling 30 bags with these items but still need your help. A list of goods still needed will be passed around at the meeting on 4th October.