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Club Meetings:

Mornington Hotel—Stratton Room

917 Nepean Hwy Mornington

5.30pm for 6.00pm or by Zoom

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Will it be Beneficial to all concerned

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President Simon's Musings

Hello to all.

Our meeting this week could best be described as a “direction meeting” as some members have expressed interest in making some changes to the way our Club operates in regard to meeting times, locations, meal or no meal, three meetings per month plus a Board meeting, etc., etc., .

One option as I understand it, is “no meal” and meet later, or meet for a meal later. This throws up the problem (pardon the expression) that is people need to eat, particularly at the end of the day, I for one don't want to have dinner at 8:30, or 4:30 . That's why I think our present arrangement is as good as we can make it for now.

Thanks to David H., Judi and Keith for their input, David and Keith will summarise findings from the meeting and let us know in due course. In the meantime, please let us all remember why we are in Rotary, everything else, to me at least is secondary.

Big thanks to David Brook, who felt that the meeting was of sufficient importance to drive up and back from Foster. Thanks David.

See you all next week for a Conference report.

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Apologies:	Ron Cook Linda Tinney Ian McConnell Bev Unitt
Leave of Absence:	Nil
Guests:	Nil
Zoomers:	Russell Cock Don MacDonald

MILESTONES:	
Birthdays:	12 Feb - Jeanette Magor 22 Feb - Bev Hanlon 02 March - Bev Unitt 04 March - Linda Tinney
Rotary Anniversaries:	Nil
Wedding Anniversaries:	02 Feb - Bill & June Fowler 21 Feb - Colin & Linda Price

MARCH DESIGNATION IS



WATER AND SANITATION MONTH

"Clean water..... is a basic need for human beings. When people, especially children, have access to clean water, they live healthier and more productive lives."

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TAKE ACTION: Join a Project

Club Announcements

President Simon

Welcome to all members attending and Zoomers. Special thanks to David Brook for making the 2 hour trip to be here.

PE Maree Hutchins

The Trachoma kits packing night will be on 4th April, following the regular Club Meeting. Thanks to Barb Goonan and Linda Tinney for buying the remaining products required for the kits. We still need lots of draw string bags to be made up. Dimensions of the bags will be supplied.

John Tame

Eric and John have been to Keysborough to purchase a suitable door for the Local2Community container. Bunnings have agreed to supply the pavers at no cost. We require some pallets for temporary storage of equipment in the container during it's restoration. Any leads to borrow some pallets would be appreciated.

Plants for the Banksia planting projects have been received. A bobcat and driver has been procured free of charge, but we will need to pay for the fuel used.

Keith Hopkins

Following the demise of our community Raffle project, we are supporting the Ballarat Rotary Community Raffle. Tickets are available at \$20 per book, payable to Treasurer Brian before 31st March. Please pay by bank transfer to the Club account, identifying the transaction with your name and the name "Ballarat"

Eric Neill

We have transferred our 21st March meeting to the Open Night Barbeque at Monterey Secondary College. We need 6 volunteers to set up the bbq at 5:00pm.

The Club Footy Tipping competition begins on Thursday 16 March. There will be the usual weekly payout of \$5 for tipping 9 winners, jackpotting if no-one picks 9.

Don't forget to activate your account on footytips.com.au. Cost is \$25 per tipster. If anyone has trouble activating, or are joining for the first time, contact Eric for assistance.

This is the final call for Club Members to order Club Polo shirts as the order goes in this week. Cost is \$25 per polo.

Judi McKee

Another thanks to all those Rotarians who worked so hard to make the International women's Day Breakfast such a resounding success. We will be needing more volunteers on the organising committee next year as the event gets bigger and bigger. We had 319 attendees and grossed around \$20,000 through tickets sales and raffles during the morning. Final financials are still to be finalized but it will be a significant fundraiser for the Club.

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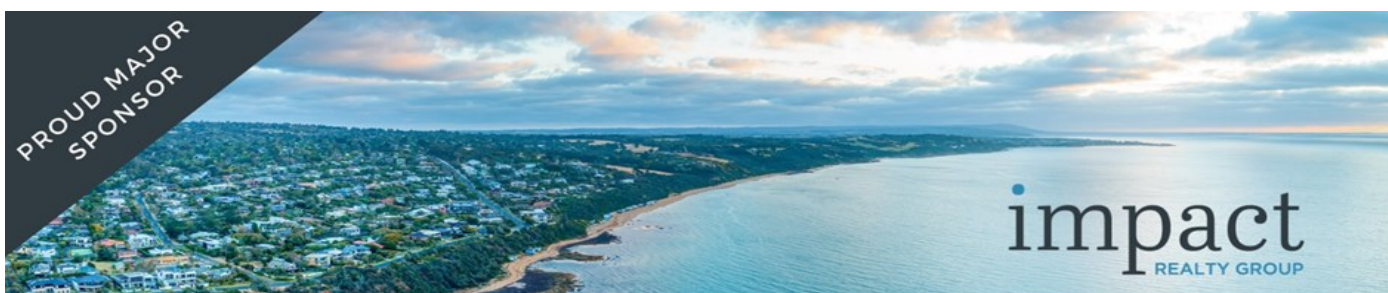
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ROTARY DISASTER AID



Contributions to Turkey/Syria Disaster Response Fund directed to earthquake relief efforts

Because of catastrophic earthquakes that have devastated parts of Turkey and Syria, contributions to the Turkey/Syria Disaster Response Fund through 31 March are being directed to humanitarian relief efforts to help people in urgent need of housing, medical care, and other necessary basics.

A powerful earthquake and several aftershocks struck the region on 6 February, killing tens of thousands of people and destroying countless homes and other buildings. People were still trying to cope with the immediate effects of the disaster when another substantial earthquake occurred in the same area on 20 February, causing even more destruction and devastation.

How can Rotary members help?

[Give to the Turkey/Syria Disaster Response Fund.](#) Donations, distributed to affected communities through disaster response grants, help clubs and districts provide aid where the need is greatest. The response fund can accept cash contributions and District Designated Funds. If the needs diminish, or if more funds are raised than eligible districts request, surplus contributions may eventually be used to respond to other disasters worldwide.

[Support local initiatives.](#) As we learn about local response efforts that are being led by clubs and districts, Rotary raises awareness about how to support them. People can then support these projects by working directly with Rotary members in the region. [Contact us](#) to share information about local response efforts.

How districts can use disaster grants

- Districts 2420, 2430, 2440, and 2452 are eligible to apply for disaster response grants to assist with earthquake relief efforts and can request up to US\$25,000 at a time.
- Disaster response grants for these efforts will adhere to the standard disaster response grant policies, except that District 2430 is eligible to have two open disaster response grants at a time.
- Disaster response grants awarded to the three districts in Turkey (2420, 2430, and 2440) can be used to support relief efforts in that nation. Grant funds awarded to
- District 2452 can be used to support Syrian refugees who have fled because of the earthquake to areas in the district, which includes Armenia, Bahrain, Cyprus, Georgia, Jordan, Lebanon, Palestine, Sudan, and the United Arab Emirates.
- Districts other than 2420, 2430, 2440, and 2452 cannot apply for disaster response grants to support these relief efforts.

Eligible districts can apply by having the governor and Rotary Foundation chair complete the [Rotary Disaster Response Grant Application](#) and send it to grants@rotary.org.

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 14 March	- Conference Wrap and Reports
Monday 20 March	- Board Meeting at President Simon's home (7:00pm)
Tuesday 21 March	- Meeting cancelled. BBQ at Monterey Secondary College
Tuesday 28 March	- David & Karen Shimshon biographies - Partners Night
Tuesday 04 April	- Trachoma Packing Night

Cashier's Roster

14th March	- David Hanlon
28th March	- Keith Hopkins
4th April	- Mike Goonan
11th April	- Linda Tinney

Abbeyfield Roster

Twice monthly on Wednesday mornings, starting at 9:20am. min 2, max 4 volunteers

March 22nd

Simon Gillham
David Hanlon
John Tame

April 5th

Tony Spring
Con Demopoulos
Eric Neill

April 19th

David Hanlon
Simon Gillham
David Loudon

May 3rd

Tony Spring
Simon Gillham
Charles Mallia

Next Meeting - Mornington Hotel

14th March - Conference Report

Eric Neill, David Brook, Louise Welbourn, Tony Spring