



The Western Port Channel



The Rotary Club of Hastings Western Port

Celebrating over **40** years of service to the community

Meeting information:	Monday Evenings 6.00 for 6.30 pm.	Hastings Club, Marine Pde, Hastings
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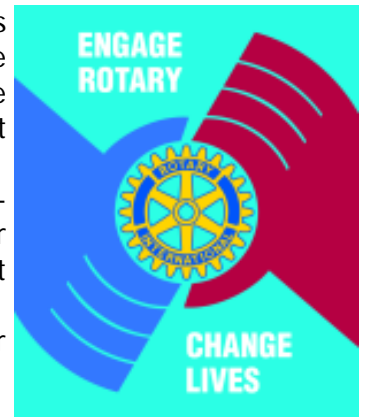


Message from the President

21st October 2013

Rotarians,

I will say that after watching the news the other night with a multitude of layers on and they are saying that it is going to be one of the warmest summers ever it was a little hard to take in. I think I will believe them more when the weather warms up and stays warm. I think that it is a little like our club, we say that it is going to be one of our busiest years doing bits and pieces, and it isn't until we look back over the year do we realise how much we have done. Last week we heard from Jo and the work that she hopes to do in the upcoming year. I wish her all the best and I would be interested to hear from her after her year is up and see how much progress she has done. I hope that she finds the people open for her help. Monday sees us having Club night so I hope to see you all there. (Except for those that are travelling of course).



Yours in Rotary,

Kim

This Week's Celebrations

Anniversaries 

Birthdays 
Bob Summers 25th October

Get up to speed on the Port
<http://www.portofhastings.com/>



PORT OF HASTINGS
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Program and Events

This Week's Meeting

Speaker (s):	TBA
Subject:	TBA
Chairperson:	TBA

Important Dates:

Dates:
30th October—Port Authority—Marina
4th Ray Martin Foundation on the 4th Nov
11th is the AGM

Minutes from last meeting. Date: 30th September 2013

Minutes from meeting

Date 14th October, 2013.

Apologies: Jim P, Deryk, Bill

President: Kim – Circulated to members contact details to check and amend. Kim will email all a copy with updated contacts.

Chairperson – Jeff

Around the Table:

Secretary Paddy-advised following correspondence was received and information contained – Bunnings have offered us a Saturday for sausage sizzle 11th January 2014

Other correspondence includes Golf day information from Cranbourne Rotary and Somers Art Fair.

Faye read out a letter from Paul Leason regarding a mix up with his request for a receipt.

Richard: had just visited Gordon who has just been released from Hospital after a fall

Treasurer – Faye reported the financial position as follows

Play on Account \$25,336.64

Noted, that a cheque for the course for Leah Anderson will be organised for the New Year once the paperwork for the Police is completed.

Mike:- Parking duties for the Market this Saturday

2 people urgently required for 8.30-10.30, ! Person for 10.30-1pm Shift

Golf Day Advising sponsors of the golf day postponement, letters drafted and will be sent to our valued sponsors

Don- Foundation - \$500.00 directed to the Tonga Project see the newsletter for more information on this project.

November is Rotary Foundation Month and we have 2 great speakers

4th November – Ray Martin and 18th Don Shanahan from RAMS – (Malaria)

Jeff-Youth introduced our Guests, Ian Richie from Good Shepherd and Jo Austin who has recently taken up the position of Parent and Family Engagement Officer funded under the Linking schools , early years project a position that is being funded for 12 months by the DHS.

- Ian gave an informative talk embracing the history of the Good Shepherd
Our zeal must embrace the world.” – St Mary Euphrasia

Good Shepherd in Australia and New Zealand

On 24 June 1863, four young Irish women arrived in Australia from France, landing at Port Melbourne. The women, Bridget Doyle (pictured), Brigid Lalor, Helen Corbett and Anastasia Lacey, would begin Good Shepherd in Australia. They joined the Good Shepherd Order of Sisters in Angers and all had religious names by the time they left for Australia.

Good Shepherd in Hastings and Wallaroo Community Centre

Good Shepherd Community House @ Wallaroo has been providing activities and support at Wallaroo Place in Hastings since 2005. In July 2010, Good Shepherd Community House was incorporated into a new purpose-built facility: Wallaroo Community Centre. The centre provides a range of recreational programs, adult education and children's activities.

Who can use Wallaroo Community Centre?

All community members are welcome at the centre. Programs are low cost or free and concessions are available to Centrelink Concession Card holders.

What does Wallaroo Community Centre offer?

Activities and programs for children: Playgroups, 3 year old and 4 year old kindergarten

For adults: art and craft activities, skill development including computers, literacy (reading and writing) and numeracy (numbers and maths), internet use health and wellbeing sessions support groups gardening activities.

What are the benefits of Wallaroo Community Centre?

Wallaroo Community Centre provides an opportunity for people to share their skills and interests and learn new ones in a friendly supportive environment.

How can I find out more about Wallaroo Community Centre?

View the [Wallaroo Community House program for term 2 2013](#) (PDF 210KB, opens in new window).

Wallaroo Preschool

What is Wallaroo Preschool?

Wallaroo Preschool is located at Wallaroo Community Centre, which incorporates Good Shepherd Community House, Hastings. Its focus is to improve the numbers of local children attending kindergarten - an important step in preparing children for school.

Who can use Wallaroo Preschool?

Our four year old preschool is open to children who have turned four before 30 April or those who are eligible for a second year of kinder. The program is free to families who are Centrelink Concession Card holders.

The three year old program operates for three hours per week and costs \$150 per term. Subsidies are available for eligible families.

What does Wallaroo Preschool offer?

A broad, well rounded and enjoyable learning experience for each child

opportunities to exercise and develop abilities such as talking and using language, playing and getting along with others as well as physical and thinking skills

Encouragement to develop the joy of learning.

How can I find out more about Wallaroo Preschool?

Contact:

Good Shepherd Youth & Family Service

Wallaroo Community Centre

6 Wallaroo Place, Hastings

T: (03) 5970 7000

E: peninsula@goodshepvic.org.au

Enrolment information:

Enrolments for four year old kindergarten - contact Mornington Peninsula Shire Preschool Enrolment Officer on 1300 850 600.

Enrolments for three year old kindergarten - contact Wallaroo Community Centre on (03) 5979 2365

Our next Speaker .

Jo Austin who is passionate that all kids deserve the best start in life, gave us a great insight into the world of child development including the need to deal with autism and other development impediments so the children can be assisted with speech and hearing development before they research school. Her role is to help parents reach out for this assistance and support. She is targeting the vulnerable families and is focusing on the West Park area. She spoke of a strong collegial support from shire services such as maternal child health and the Library outreach, school teachers and principals and koori community groups all assisting with positive outcomes for the community.

President Kim- Thanked the speakers for a very informative talk. ‘

\$100.00 donated to Rotary Health for Hat day- congratulations to Linda for the winning!

bee utiful hat!

Christmas Child- Kim reminded all that the Christmas boxes need to be returned full by next meet. The Operation Christmas Child filling a box with 6 items. Items can be something to wear, love, a cuddly toy, something to learn with, pencils, and practical items such as hair brushes. Toys with batteries should not be included and no liquids such as toothpaste .

Ian – Speakers, Ray Martin Foundation on the 4th Nov.

11th is the AGM

18th November - speaker is Tom Shanahan

Tinker Group- resumes on Thursday





2013 Best Hat Award goes to



Queen Busy Bee



Update

Tonga

The underemployed and poor households of Popua and nearby villages in Tonga, experience food insecurity which is becoming exacerbated by the coastal erosion and reducing fish stocks. Twenty capable and enthusiastic households participated in a pilot Landcare project to create market gardens by building and tending raised beds, so they could provide themselves with a regular source of fresh produce, increase their nutrition levels and reduce their household expenditure on food. They also implemented solutions to shared problems such as roaming pigs that cause damage to crops and protection for livestock from cats and dogs. This activity builds on the success of the pilot project and will include the further 100 Popua households, plus the households of two neighbouring villages. In total a minimum of 300 households [approximately 1500 people] will be supported to implement household market gardens which will include raised beds and small livestock care.

The partner, Tonga Community Development Trust, will train community members in the landcare approach, to access the individual land collective needs of the community members, to build the necessary structures, grow vegetables, compost from organic waste and harvest the crops. The activity will have a strong community cooperation approach, and the partner will support the villages to address shared problems on the land [such as preventing free ranges pigs eating crops] and address serious coastal erosion issues by re-establishing mangroves to stop soil erosion and encourage the return of fish stocks. By the end of two years, the households of three villages in Tonga will have the food security through self-sufficient practices and will have repaired critical damage to the immediate coastal environment.

Rotarians Against Malaria

<http://www.ram.rawcs.com.au/>

OUR OBJECTIVE

The prevention of mortality, and a reduction in morbidity and social and economic loss caused by malaria through a progressive improvement and strengthening of local and national capabilities in malaria control.â€

Rotarians Against Malaria is a project of Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS) with the project covering:

- *Australia*
- *Papua New Guinea*
- *Solomon Islands*
- *Timor Leste*



Special Event's

Port of Hastings Development Authority

*6.30pm on 30th October 2013
Limited places, booking essential
Details below*

AGM

11th November 2013

**District 9820 Conference
Bendigo
14-16 March 2014
BOOK NOW**



2014 Rotary International Convention

<http://www.riconvention.org/en/2014/Pages/ridefault.aspx>

Register early and save for the Sydney RI Convention. Click on the above image to find out more on the 2014 Convention website.

The Rotary Four Way Test

Of the things we do....

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned



Rotary Grace

For Good Food, Good Fellowship, and the opportunity to serve through Rotary. We give thanks. Amen