

# The Western Port Channel Rotary Club of Hastings Western Port







24th March 2014





President: Kim Kirk

Secretary: Paddy Fincham

Treasuarer: Faye Hester

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District Governor:
Tim Moore

Meeting information:

Monday Evenings 6.00 for 6.30 pm Hastings Club, Marine Pde, Hastings VIC 3915

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## **Message from the President**

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

This year is flying by; I hope that you don't get caught out too badly tomorrow with "April Fool's Day". I myself look forward to the clever advertising that has been done in previous years. I still have copies of the adverts for cars that can be parked up walls and then there was the one for Mars Bars that were too big so people were asked to return them and be issued with the right size.

Last week we heard about an interesting project that caused an interesting discussion afterwards. The taking care of an area is an interesting concept one that maybe could work in our favour especially after Jeff thought of a spot that needed help (and it can be seen by everyone, not in an alley). Thanks to Mandy for bringing the two Kathy's along (I hope that I have their names right as my notes are at home)

It is interesting to hear the banter in the club now that the footy season is up and going. I wonder how our attendance will be once people's teams lose (by a lot) and they don't want to attend. Do we have an excuse for that?? All I can say is at the moment I am glad that I support the All Blacks at least at the moment they are a winning team.

Well look forward to seeing you all on Monday night.

Kim

Next week: 31st March 2014

Speaker: Archery Subject: Archery Chair: Geoff Harvey



Important Dates:

1st-4th June - RI Conference

# Last weeks update

Date 24rd March, 2014.

Apologies:, Don, Jim, Marcia, Jenny

Chairperson:- Alan

Secretary: Paddy- Letters received -

Anglicare, Bendigo Bank, NAB bank.

Information from District regarding incoming president, the club is required to ensure that there are sufficient funds for the incoming president to operate. Board needs to decide on a donation to Rotary international Foundation as we have a deficit only 168 points less than required to allocate a Paul Harris.

We have been approached with an initial enquiry if the club would be interested in parking for the Tyabb air show in 2016. This would be a huge job that would require man power.

Wiggles have come back to us about opportunity to man the points on a ride in September.

Paddy also spoke about so interesting statistics from a report on how Australian preferred to have their donations spent. 96. % preferred to have money supporting local area projects.

#### Mark:

Newsletter and feedback on new format. We also need to decide host for our website and set up Facebook and club email accounts. There are many providers and costs can range from \$9 to \$25 a month. Roy suggested Domain Registration service. Doug was very supportive of business sponsorship of the new website and offered to support it with his business advertising.

#### Heather:

Showed the promotional material that was available at the recent rotary breakfast commented about the Rotary down under promotional materials we should look and see if there is banners or promotional items we can use when we are out to promote the club and encourage members

### Treasurer Faye:

Spoke about the PETs training at Ballarat. \$600 has been organised for Leah Anderson for the Police Training project.

#### Community Service – Doug:

Raised about the caravan, needing rewiring and the men's shed may be able to be involved. Generally we need to decide about the caravan and its best use.

#### Youth- Jeff:

Advised the meeting of a new initiative called "3915 connected" an event to introduce community groups and services to the Wallaroo community based around the primary school. 2nd April 3.15-4.40pm.

# Last weeks update

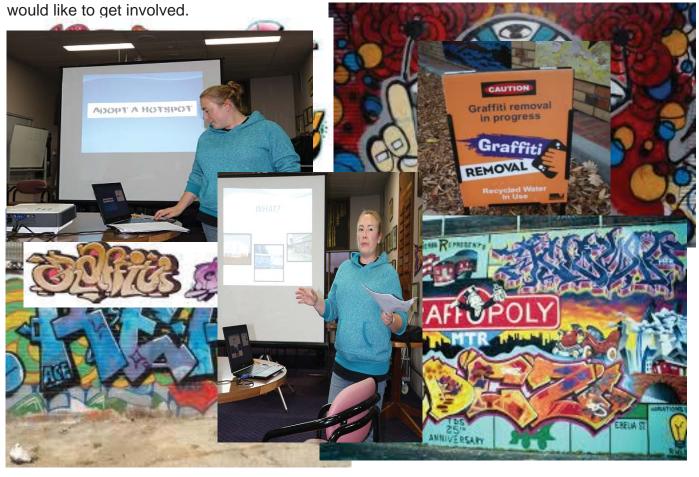
Bill advised he received a thank you letter for participating in the Mock interviews at WPSC.

Eric:- Helmut and Heidi dinner may be a Sunday luncheon still to organise date.

Mandy introduced 2 Katherines to the meeting, welcome to her friend Katherine, who came as a guest.

And Katherine West, Youth worker and community development officer for the Shire to talk about the Hot spot Project.

Adopt a hot spot is a shire initiative funded via a grant from the Justice Dept. 10 spots have been identified and the project requires groups to adopt the site and manage graffiti either by beautification by murals or gardens or just reporting and cleaning off the graffiti. The project links all agencies to develop pride in the community and education workshops. Both Wallaroo and Hastings primary and WPSC have taken up spots. A spot at the back of NQR shop is available if we



More information at:

http://artsonthepeninsula.com/2013/09/13/launch-of-the-adopt-a-hot-spot-program-in-hastings/

http://www.premier.vic.gov.au/media-centre/media-releases/7845-more-than-310-000-to-fight-graffiti.html

President Kim thanked the speaker and the club would discuss any involvement with the project.



# International News

## **DO-IT-YOURSELF LIBRARIES**







People in 55 countries have installed more than 16,000 Lilliputian lending libraries, run on the premise of "take a book, return a book," since Bol built his first in 2009 in memory of his mother, a teacher who loved to read. Called an "international movement" by the New York Times and a "global sensation" by the Huffington Post, the libraries have garnered coverage from media outlets including Japanese public television and French and Italian fashion magazines.

Participation is simple: Mount a wooden box (many of them look like birdhouses) on a post in front of your home, workplace, or school. Fill it with books. Delight as neighbors stop by to browse your selections or leave books of their own.

Bibliophiles aren't the only ones willing to trade a patch of lawn for a box of books. Bol, of Hudson, Wisconsin, calls Little Free Library "a new canvas for community groups" – such as artists in New York City, who held a competition to design the boxes; inmates at a Wisconsin prison, who are constructing them as part of vocational training and community service; and corporations, which are building them on service days to give back to their communities. Rotary and Rotaract clubs from the United States to Canada, Mauritius to Ghana, are installing the libraries in their areas too.

About three-quarters of the operators build their own libraries; plans are available on the non-profit's website, www.littlefreelibrary.org. The rest purchase readymade ones for \$175 and up, depending on the model. The proceeds fund the staff, website, and educational outreach, as well as the organization's programs to build more libraries for people in need.

By Diana Schoberg Adapted from a story in the March 2014 issue of The Rotarian 24-MAR-2014

Read the whole story: https://www.rotary.org/en/do-it-yourself-libraries





# District 9820 News



District Govenor: Tim Moore

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How does your club focus on this theme? Some Rotary clubs raise funds for schools and other literacy organisations. Many clubs take part in a reading program called "Rotary Readers," in which a Rotary member spends time in a classroom with a designated student, and reads one-on-one with them. Some Rotary clubs participate in book donations, both locally and internationally.

Literacy is one of the six areas of focus that TRF has identified as essential in helping people not only in developing countries, but right here at home. Without the ability to read and to understand what is written, citizens of the world will always be left behindand taken advantage of.

Enjoy your month of Rotary service.

DG Tim and Jane

## MAKING A DIFFERENCE THROUGH ROTARY

By PRIP 2007-08 Wilfrid J. Wilkinson Trustee Chairman, The Rotary Foundation



Rotary has been serving communities at home, and around the world for over 100 years. When you give to Rotary you are investing in sustainable solutions to the world's most pressing needs.

Your gift provide straining to community leaders to prevent conflict; increases access to clean water; improves child health; reduces gender disparity in education; fosters economic development; and brings us closer to eradicating polio. The impact of your generosity is limitless!

I invite you to visit www.rotary.org to see how Rotary clubs are serving communities across the globe. Then, I hope you'll consider making a contribution to The Rotary Foundation, either online or with this contribution form. I believe deeply in the power and generosity of Rotarian's and I believe we can tackle the unique needs of our communities. But we need your help. Every gift can do a world of good.

P.S.When you give to Rotary, you do so knowing there is no other organization that can leverage your contribution through a global network of volunteer and technical experts who are committed to the highest ethical standards.

## Rotary Foundation Centurion Program



## **District Events**

Alumni Registration - GSE & Youth Exchange Nov 04, 2013 - Jun 30, 2014

Literacy month Mar 01, 2014 - Mar 31, 2014

Orbost Fishing Weekend Mar 28, 2014 - Mar 30, 2014

School Term 1 Ends Mar 28, 2014

Presidential Citations 2013-14 Forms due with DG. Mar 31, 2014

Gippsland Golf Classic (Moe) Yallourn Heights Mar 31, 2014 11:30 AM

Rotary Magazine Month Apr 01, 2014 - Apr 30, 2014

Farewell Dinner to District 6600 Ohio GSE Team. Apr 03, 2014

President's Elect Training Seminar Apr 12, 2014

District Assembly Apr 13, 2014

Secretary & Treasurer Training Apr 13, 2014

School Term 2 Begins Apr 14, 2014

Good Friday Apr 18, 2014

Easter Monday Apr 21, 2014

Farewell Dinner for District 9820 GSE Team to Ohio Apr 24, 2014

Anzac Day Apr 25, 2014

District 9820 GSE Team departs for Ohio Apr 26, 2014

Malaria Awareness Day Apr 30, 2014

Australian Rotary Health Month May 01, 2014 - May 31, 2014

Model United nations Assembly (MUNA) May 02, 2014 - May 04, 2014

Mother's Day May 11, 2014

RYPEN Weekend - Forest Edge, Neerim South. Neerim South May 16, 2014 - May 18, 2014

TRF Committee Meeting May 18, 2014



2014 Rotary International Convention Not to be missed, be inspiried

1st-4th June

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

Register early and save for the Sydney RI Convention.

## Supporting other clubs functions:



Rotary club of Mount Eliza Garage Sale April 12



District Conference 26th - 27th March 2015 Watch this space for more details

http://www.discovershepparton.com.au/pages/rotary-district-9820-conference-2015/



# Notes, Memo's & Other stuff

Usefull Links

https://www.rotary.org/

https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/rotary-foundation

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# 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