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Rotary Nunawading

JUNE 2024

President Ian's Message

Hello everyone,



This is my final President's Message before handing over to President Elect Rob J on 28 June. I need to thank him, Secretary Janette E, Treasurer Russell W, immediate Past President Gabby K and indeed the rest of the Board for their wonderful help and advice provided during the past year.

It has been my privilege and honour to be President of this wonderful club with preparations in progress to celebrate its 60th birthday in the coming months.

Also, I want to extend thanks to Bulletin editor Lesley A for producing a wonderful Bulletin each month and one which certainly captures the many activities of a very busy club. I also want to thank those members undertaking club administration tasks. I need to acknowledge the respective 9810 District roles of Secretary Judith E and continuing on in the role of 9815, Shia S and Mike F in their Assistant Governor roles.

During the past Rotary year, we lost two of our long serving members, Brian Dunkley in September 2023, and a Rob Hoskins May 2024. At same time we have gained two new members Katy E and Don S. Hopefully there will be one other by 30 June giving a net gain of 1 for the year. The club has 44 members and 1 honorary member.

With Forest Hill RC handing in its Charter effective from 1 July 2024, several members have stated they will to transfer to our club.

Clearly the biggest current change in Rotary and the one which will have very significant impact on the future of the organisation, is the Zone 8 Regional Pilot Program.

Based on published Rotary information as of 31 August 2023, our Zone of 20 Districts, consists of 15 in Australia and 5 in western Pacific countries including New Zealand with its 2 Districts. Membership in the Zone is down to 29,000.

June is Rotary Fellowships Month

Over the past 10 years on average membership has been decreasing at approximately 1,000 per year. This is not sustainable, and the organisation has to make changes aimed at cutting the membership losses. Whilst there has been much comment on the way the process has been undertaken in some quarters, most believe that change is essential if the organisation is to continue its work in the community at a level when there were over 40,000 members in the Zone a decade ago.

Other area of importance relate to our ongoing relationship with Whitehorse Business Group [WBG] in which our club was chosen to partner with a Community Safety Breakfast, and a key participant in their annual Excellence in Business Awards. Our club sponsored the Community Group category of which there were three WBG awards. Two were won by Eastern Emergency Relief Network [EERN] and one by the Rebecca Jane Foundation.

For promotion of the awards for 2024, WBG on Friday 15 November, Gabby and from EERN, John Pullen and David Bellette are featured on page 18 of their May Newsletter, with their 2 awards.

Over the past few months two high-profile community identities were our guest speakers. Mark Lane [until early November 2023 was the Mayor of Whitehorse] while club member Michael Sukkar MP for Deakin spoke in his role as a politician. The current mayor has agreed to be guest speaker if asked.

In the years to come we need to have the occupiers to these senior community leadership roles speak to the club annually. As a club, we need to continue to enhance our public profile.

Our fund-raising efforts are excellent particularly with the likes of Bunnings, Trivia Night, and Farmers Market at the same time we actively give to the likes of; Books in Homes, Eyes for Africa, Australian Rotary Health, End Polio Now, Alkira and the Rotary Foundation. We also participate in the Mitcham Community Meal and donated funding for a special camera to SES Whitehorse work based at Box Hill South and contributed to stocking Christmas Hampers.

In all, we supported over twenty-five projects.

Recently the club has decided to partner the Jets Junior Football Club and are currently establishing a relationship with the club. We see opportunities in Community, Membership and Youth in addition to the Promotion of Rotary.

Our club has leadership roles in; Rotary Youth Driver Awareness [RYDA], Rotary Overseas Relocated Playgrounds [RORP] and reused Medical Imaging Machines [MIM] in operation predominately in Pacific Island hospitals, such as Fiji.

Also, we have club members actively involved in the administration of the likes of; Whitehorse Farmers Market, EERN and the International Women's Day Breakfast

I also want to acknowledge Harvey L and Russell W for again leading key fellowship activities such as the; Changeover, Christmas Party and Trivia Night and to Bob A and partner Coral for providing their home as the venue for the President's BBQ.

Cheers

Ian

Ian Evans
President
Rotary Club of Nunawading



Partnership with Heatherdale Jets Junior Football Team

On Thursday afternoon, 16 May the under 17.5 Boys team members were presented with their training tops.

Club members present were Shia S, Judith E, Harvey L, and I.

Judith took pics of each boy being presented with their colourful training top and of the group with club members

The under 18 Girls team members will be presented with their jumpers at a later date.

Upcoming junior football functions are as follows: Fundraiser Friday 31 May

Family night Sunday 16 June ---- our club will be given the opportunity to speak at this function.



Vale Robert *(Bob)* Hoskins

With immense sadness members and partners of the Rotary Club of Nunawading farewell Rotarian Bob Hoskins.
Bob was a 60 year Charter member and multiple PHF recipient – highly respected and a mentor to countless Rotarians.
His passion for Community Service was inspirational.

*He was truly a man of **Service Above Self.***





above: with John Sharwood
below: with Bev in Cob and Co coach



This Tribute below was *composed and read by Dick Tregear at Bob's Funeral.*

Robert Hoskins started his Rotary journey when he was chosen to be a Foundation member of the newly formed Rotary Club of Nunawading in 1965 .

Membership was by classification of occupation in those days. Bob's classification was Furniture Retail.

I first met Bob when I was inducted into the Rotary Club in 1968, and served with him for over 50 years.

In the early years we were very enthusiastic and undertook many projects. Bob was always a willing participant.

Bob was elected Secretary for the Rotary year 1969/70 serving under President Norn Munt. He served on almost every committee over the years and chaired many of them numerous times. However I think he avoided serving as Treasurer.

Bob was elected President for the Rotary year 1972/73.

Numerous projects were undertaken during Bob's time in the club.

Just to name some we had the Rocar project in 1972. A small vehicle that children with Spina Bifida could sit on and propel with a rowing action and a pivoting handle for turning.

Bird Feeder project making simple feeders with a honey nectar with the proceeds helping fund the Rocar.

Multipurpose Centre in Silver Grove Nunawading Opened in 1976 This required a large fund raising effort by the Club and Bob was in the thick of it.

Ambulance station in Springvale Rd, Nunawading opening in 1985. The club raised over $68,000 to assist with the construction costs.

Operation Firebreak sending 100 children affected by bushfires in 1983 to New Zealand for a 14 day holiday.

Blackburn Lake Visitors centre.

Trash & treasure market at the Wantirna drive in. Bob was a willing donor of rugs and carpet offcuts to assist.

Student Exchange : Bob and Bev were willing participants in this project. Hosting children from overseas countries for a period of three months or so in their home. They hosted 13 of the 23 the club received over the years, they still maintained contact with 9 of them today and re hosted many who returned to Melbourne on holiday.

For his service to Rotary Bob was awarded his first Paul Harris Fellowship in 1986. This is the highest award for Service to Rotary, a second in 1995 with one sapphire and a third in 2015 with a double sapphire.

On the lighter side when Bob purchased his first new Mercedes, he said he was reluctant to spend that much on a vehicle but had rationalised the purchase by saying he had no wish to be the richest man in the cemetery.

The club participated in many Relays for Life 24—hour walks in aid of cancer research. One year Bob & Bev turned up about 11.30 pm after a formal function—Bob in a dinner suit and Bev a long dress so that our baton kept moving through the night. Much to the

amusement of the other teams.

He was also against women joining Rotary, vowing that he would resign when the first was admitted into the Club.

Wiser counsel prevailed and he later admitted the women had been great for the Club. Today there are eleven ladies in the Club.

Bob typified the Rotary motto of "Service above Self" during his lifetime.

His Rotary journey has finally ended just short of 60 years.









Rest in peace Bob Hoskins.

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THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

President Ian Evans

and

President Elect Rob Jackson

invite

Rotarians, family, and friends

to the 2024 Rotary Club of Nunawading Changeover Dinner

Friday, 28 June 2024

6:30pm for 7.00pm start

Venue: The Knox Club, 480 Boronia Road, Wantirna South

Bookings via Clubrunner Invitation
Must close 14th June 2024

Cost: $55 per person with drinks at Bar prices

Payment: please pay by 21st June 2024

Account details: Bendigo Bank - 633000 - 1380 02589 (please identify your payment as follows - C/O "Your surname" x number you are paying for (e.g. - C/O Lane x 2)

Enquiries: Rob Jackson:
rjackson1954@gmail.com

Rotary District 9815

DG Ian Ballantine (9810)
DG Linda Humphries (9820)
together with DGE Colin Byron
warmly invite you to join us at the_

DISTRICT 9815 INAUGURAL CHANGEOVER

CREATE HOPE in the WORLD

Saturday June 29th 2024
6:30 for 7:00pm
$85.00pp

THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

includes 3 course meal & drinks at bar prices

CARDINIA CULTURAL CENTRE
40 LAKESIDE BLVD, PAKENHAM, 3810

https://events.humanitix.com/rotary-district-9815-changeover

Dress: formal or semi formal
Please wear your Rotary name badge and PHF

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At Sandown Greyhound Track assisting with running a driver awareness day with 16-18 year old students .

Photo from https://www.facebook.com/rotaryclubofnunawading/

THE RYDA WORKSHOP AT A GLANCE

I've uploaded this RYDA information leaflet to our website. View it at

https://rotarynunawading.com.au/documents/en-au/e1b2193e-cca8-421c-ad77-ac068f95810d/1/

See all RYDA 2024 WORKSHOPS at

https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000005453/Images/more%20bull/2024-RYDA-WORKSHOPS.jpg

RYDA WORKSHOPS 2024

Date	School Name	Location	Volunteers	Club
13/06	Vermont Secondary	Box Hill TAFE Lilydale	6	
23/07	Mirboo Nth Secondary Korumburra Secondary Leongatha Secondary	Korumburra Rec Reserve	6	Leongathea & Bob and Barb W
6/08	Norwood	Box Hill TAFE Lilydale	6	Maroondah & Nunawading
15/08	Mentone Grammar	Sandown Greyhound Track	6	
21/08	Lilydale Heights	Box Hill TAFE Lilydale	6	Lilydale
11/10	Yara Valley Grammar	Box Hill TAFE Lilydale	6	Maroondah & Nunawading
21/10	Mentone Girls Grammar	Sandown Greyhound Track	6	
25/10	Bass Coast College Wonthaggi	Bass Coast College	2	Bob and Barb W
29/10	Carey Baptist Grammar	Box Hill TAFE Lilydale	6	
13/11	Koonung Secondary	Box Hill TAFE Lilydale	6	
4/12	Nazareth College	Sandown Greyhound Track	6	

JUST FOR LAUGHS *from Len*

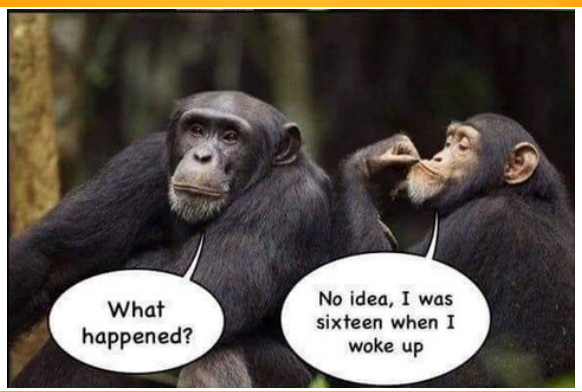
When a man says he'll do anything for a woman, he means fight bad guys and kill dragons, not vacuum or wash dishes.

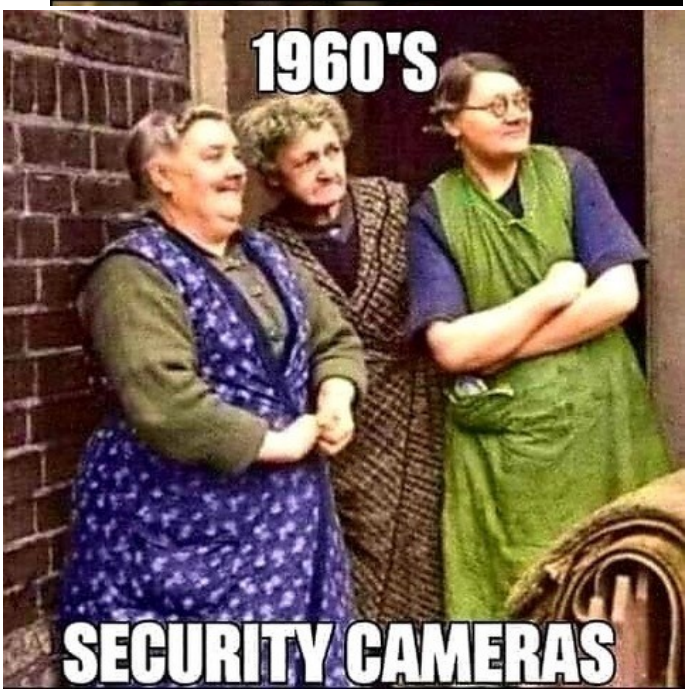
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HUSBAND HACK:
Next time you're in a fight with your wife, start undressing.
She will instantly have a headache and fall asleep.

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JUNE

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Rotary District 9815

Bendigo Conference 2025

28th to 30th March 2025

THE INAUGURAL

CONFERENCE THEME:

WE BELONG — BECAUSE

WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER

More info at:

https://rotaryberwick.org/Stories/district-conference-2025



WHITEHORSE BUSINESS GROUP INC

Excellence in Business Awards

Friday, 15th November
6:00pm to 11:30pm.

Save The Date!!

CLUB MEETINGS

We meet on
Wednesdays at
6:00pm for 6:30pm dinner at

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RESTAURANT AND BAR

454 Whitehorse Road
Mitcham 3132

Visitors welcome

President: Ian Evans

Pres. Elect: Rob Jackson

Sec. : Janette Etherington

Bulletin Editor : Lesley Arnolda

JUNE 2024		
1 June	Sat	VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Bunnings BBQ
5 June	Wed	Dinner Meeting
9 June	Sun	VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for Farmers' Market
12 June	Wed	Dinner Meeting
17 June	Mon	VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for RORP
19 June	Wed	Dinner Meeting
28 June	Fri	Club Changeover
29 June	Sat	District Changeover

RORP WORK SCHEDULE *with some amendments*

04/06	Mountain View Avenue Reserve	42 Mountain View Ave	Avondale Heights
05/06	Hewison Reserve - 1	351 Inkerman St	St Kilda
05/06	Hewison Reserve - 2	351 Inkerman St	St Kilda
15/06	Container loading	6 Cloverlea Drive	Kilsyth South
17/06	Pamela Ave Reserve	Pamela Avenue	Keilor East
02/07	Rosehill Park - Large	Rachelle Road	Keilor East
02/07	Rosehill Park - Small		Keilor East
02/07	Rosehill Park - Flying Fox		Keilor East



Our Trivia night on Saturday 25 May was an outstanding success with around 90 attendees. Much fun was had and many went home with unexpected treasures!

We raised about$5,050 .

Harvey L and Russell W together with those assisting with the organising of the night are to be congratulated for their efforts.

Thank you to The Aurora School who supplied us with a fantastic venue and catered for our requirements.