



Date: 12/07/2017

Dear Members,

As we met again this week we had four apologies, with Gavin & Pippa in Brisbane meeting with Pippa's son and family who have recently arrived from South Africa to settle here in OZ. At least their closer now Pippa! Bob Fry was away having many of his family descending on their home. Bob McKenzie was away with the dreaded lurgie, get well soon Bob and PP Kevin is away in Bangkok on business.

Another good working night as we dissected the Art Show and considered its strengths and weaknesses. As Tony and Marianne lead us through the processes it became apparent that our Opening Night was perhaps the Achilles heel in the project and considerable discussion was undertaken proposing how we could ramp it up and make its contribution more worthwhile to the total financial result. Thanks to all members who aired their thoughts, which was most members. We will have a further opportunity to consider this issue and by having another open forum on September the 12<sup>th</sup>, so let's get our heads together and come up with some suggestions to improve this part of the Art Show. It doesn't matter how silly the ideas might sound, we could well brainstorm some ideas. Thanks to Tony & Marianne for their leadership.

Today, Wednesday, Youth chairman Rob Edwards and I meet with representatives from the Rotary Club of Templestowe to finalise details concerning the Youth project of sharing an exchange student from Germany, Neele Huebner, a 16-year-old young lady from Bremen in Northern Germany.

We carefully considered the budget applicable to Neele's stay and have made some adjustments which results in a lesser contribution overall by both Clubs and have also taken into account the dinner hosting of Neele at the meetings when she joins with us at Warrandyte Donvale. It is felt that Neele will join with us twice in the first month after her arrival, one to present herself to us and then later to mix further with us to get to know our members. A partner's night would be most appropriate for Neele's introduction to us.

After the initial introduction, we will enjoy Neele's company once each month at our meeting and of course involve her in our activities such as the Tunstall Square Market and some of our social activities etc. Members are of course welcome to host Neele for outings or short trips away on weekends. It must be remembered that the Working with Children clearances must be in place and I would urge all members not accredited to do so. It is now a very strict prerequisite by District that all members associated with an exchange student etc. is accredited.

Marg & I will be back with you on the 15<sup>th</sup> August, thanks to Vice President Rob for filling in during my absence. Let's not forget to continue to really enjoy our Rotary and each other's company and to make a difference to others.

President David

**BEST WISHES TO MARG GEORGE FOR A COMPLETE RECOVERY FROM HER RECENT SURGERY**



## OP SHOP ROSTER

Sunday 16 July : Don Kinnear

Sunday 23 July : Rick Pennicott

Sunday 30 July : Frank Molinaro

(Tunstall Market day)

Sunday 6 Aug : Judy Hall

(Warrandyte Market weekend)

Sunday 13 Aug : Bob Fry

Sunday 20 Aug pm: Kevin Hall

Sunday 27 Aug pm : Vacant

(Tunstall Market Day)



Dementia Mats being made by one of our customers, who buys things from the Op Shop to put on the mats to be sold to Aged Care Facilities for dementia sufferers.



Clever Volunteer Julie from the Op Shop has made this beautiful mosaic wall in the Staff Room. It is a real work of art and something nice for the staff to look at when they have their breaks.

Great work Julie!

