



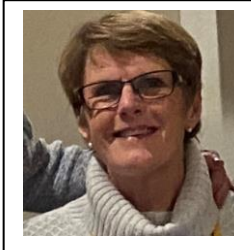
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Club Bulletin

SERVICE ABOVE SELF



Date: 8th August 2021

A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

We're on that roller coaster ride again, I don't like roller coasters, can we get off please? If only! As a result of this latest lock down we have decided to cancel our next week's meeting and if the lock down is extended as I expect it will be, given the numbers now, we will start Zooming to maintain our contact and keep up some momentum. We cannot vegetate and lose our motivation even if our activities are curtailed.

At least last week we were able to meet and had a really entertaining night with our old friend Keith Walker along to tell us about his month- long journey down the Murray River. Keith brought his travelling companions along: Carey Nichol, Meredith Thornton and Lyn and Barry Dennis. We also welcomed Julie Smith and Kaz Huber from the Op shop and Terry Edwards, lovely to have some partners and guests.

We had apologies from Steve Ennor who is still stuck in Queensland, Tony Mooney and Liz and George Guiver. It was wonderful to welcome Bob Fry back from 3 month's leave of absence. On a personal note, it was good to be back at a meeting after a month of absence from in person meetings for me.



Keith and Carey's journey began at Cobram on 25th March this year and finished 1100 kilometres downstream at Wentworth on 23rd April. They both had command of their own "tinnies" to navigate the waters of the Murray River. Lyn and Barry Denis and Meredith Thornton were the on-shore back up crew who set up camp, cooked the meals, kept the beer cold and allow the wine to breathe so that at the day's end the two intrepid sailors had a comfortable camp site in which to reflect on the day's activities. They all had lots of laughs, lots of mishaps – falling in the water, being stuck in mud on the river's edge, getting lost and found again – the slide presentation was

great and made us all wish we could do the same trip. One thing that stuck in their minds was finding a poor sheep stuck in mud up to its neck – they took an hour of hard work to pull the beast out of the mud then heard bleating from 3 lambs – as it turned out it was the mother sheep and they were gratified they not only saved it but also the lambs dependent on it.





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The presentation was proof of the importance of following your dreams and seizing the day as they say. They said the scenery was wonderful, the peace of a quiet on the river very calming and therapeutic and by the end of the trip neither wanted it to finish. They plan to complete the journey from Wentworth to the ocean next year so we look forward to hearing more from them next year.

It was a great presentation with lots of laughs. We really appreciate them taking time from their busy schedules to come and talk to us.



*The Shore Crew:
Meredith Thornton &
Lyn and Barry Dennis,
all from Warrandyte.*





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President's report:

A reminder to members to look at the roster to ensure we have someone set up Property for every meeting so it doesn't fall to the same people each week.

The District Governor's fortnightly newsletter is now called **"Change Maker"** so when you get an email headed **District 9810 Change Maker** please open it and have a browse as there is usually some very relevant information there.

Dandenong Storm recovery project so far has raised over \$80,000 – of which we donated \$5000.

Monday 16th August: COMMUNITY FORUM

Monday 23rd August: CLUB RUNNER TUTORIAL (to learn how to navigate the District Directory, which is unlikely to ever return to hard copy so we need to have this information).

Thursday 26th August: VOCATIONAL FORUM

Monday 30th August: SOCIAL MEDIA WORKSHOP

We had good coverage in the July edition of the Warrandyte Diary with a ½ page advertisement and an article and photo from changeover night – sadly with the wrong caption on the photo!

Next week's program was to be a presentation by Alma about Membership – this has now been postponed to Tuesday 24th August (Covid permitting).

OP SHOP NEWS:



ALEX MAKES MEALS: Volunteers Needed for Pick Ups.

Single serve pre-cooked meals are being supplied for those who need them in our community. Rob Edwards is organizing a roster for pick up from the Alex Makes Meals depot in Darebin. The pre-cooked meals are packed into insulated cartons at the source then transferred straight into the OP shop fridge. Judith Lightfoot reports that most of the meals are taken within one day of delivery to the Op Shop.

Pick-ups are needed once a week at 10am from Darebin every Thursday - If you wish to participate in this project please get in touch with Rob Edwards.



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ABOUT ALEX MAKES MEALS

Alex Dekker started **Alex Makes Meals** as a Uni student during the height of the Covid-19 pandemic in early 2020. Alex couldn't visit his immunocompromised parents or his sister, who was working at a hospital.

Alex noticed the stress his sister was under and decided to make a meal for her and her workmates. His lasagne was a hit, so Alex kept on cooking for more people. Alex Makes Meals was born.

Alex Makes Meals is not just a one-man operation now. It is a movement driven by dedicated volunteers and your generous monthly donations. Alex Makes Meals' new objective is to provide warm, tasty meals for homeless and disadvantaged youth.

To get more information about this project go to the following site: <https://www.alexmakesmeals.com/>.



To watch a UTube video about the project go to: <https://youtu.be/EOJkZ4nrczg>

Recycling Centre: **See photos of recycling centre further on.**





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Tuesday 10 th August	MEETING CANCELLED
Thursday 12 th August	<i>District Event: International Forum – Zoom conference</i>
Monday 16 th August	<i>District Event: Community Service Forum – Zoom conference</i>
Tuesday 17 th August 	<i>Club Meeting, Guest Speaker</i> Peter Keep “Sipho’s Stars” – Christmas project. Chair: Liz Guiver Cashier: Tony Mooney Property: Bob Fry
Monday 23 rd August	<i>District Event: Club Runner Tutorial –</i> Important for all members to learn how to access and navigate around the District online Handbook/web site
Tuesday 10 th August 	<i>Club Meeting at Natalie’s: Guest Speaker:</i> Alma Reynolds “Does Your club Need to Change” <i>Please bring pen and paper.</i> Chair: Gavin Birch Cashier: Louise Latimer Property: Liz Guiver
Thursday 26 th August	<i>District Event: Vocational Seminar</i>
Sunday 29 th August	
Monday 30 th August	<i>District Event: Social Media Workshop</i>
Tuesday 31 st August	<i>Board Meeting with Assistant Governor Olive Aumann in preparation for DG Visit: Natalie’s Restaurant</i>




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Saturday 4 th September	
Monday 6 th September	District Event: Connecting and Engaging with Alumni -
Tuesday 7 th September	Club Meeting at Natalie's: Guest Speaker Joseph Carauna – Warrandyte High School Chair: Pippa Birch Cashier: Gavin Birch Property: Frank Molinaro

DEFIBRILLATOR & BASIC CPR TRAINING

FOR OP SHOP VOLUNTEERS & LOCAL
TRADERS IN THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY

Deferred Again!



Everyone wishing to participate must register with Leanne Liao: liao.leanne@gmail.com



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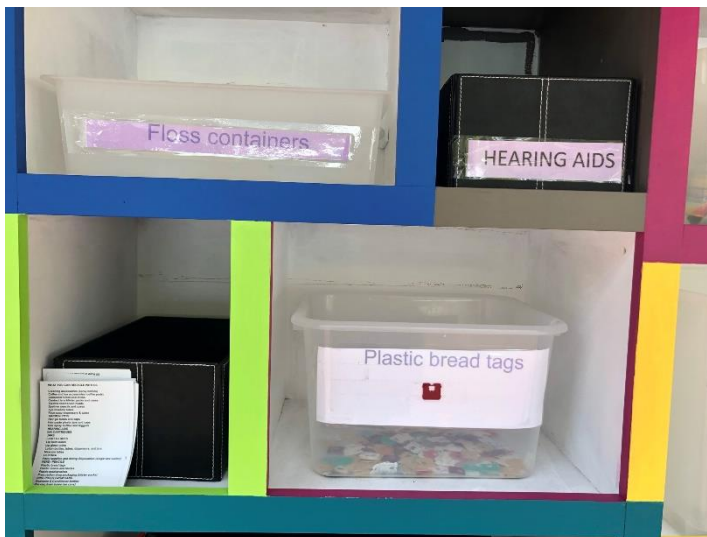
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Just some of the recycle bins outside the Op shop.

Judith says the recycling attracts customers into the shop to buy things.





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WHAT YOU CAN RECYCLE WITH US

Cleaning accessories (spray bottles)
Coffee and tea accessories (coffee pods)
Concealer tubes and sticks
Contact lens blister packs and cases
Electric toothbrush heads
Eyeliner pencils and cases
Eye Shadow tubes
Face soap dispensers & tubes
GARDEN POTS
Hair gel tubes and caps
Hair paste plastic jars and caps
Hair spray bottles and triggers
HEARING AIDS
INK CARTRIDGES
JARS
LIGHT GLOBES
Lip balm tubes
Lip gloss tubes
Lotion bottles, tubes, dispensers, and jars
Mascara tubes
OLD BRA
Party supplies and dining disposables (single-use cutlery)
PENS / PENCILS
Plastic bread tags
Plastic razors and blades
Plastic toothbrushes
Prescription drug packaging (blister packs)
RING PULLS FROM CANS
Shampoo & Conditioner bottles
Shaving foam tubes (no cans)
SPECTACLES
STAMPS
Toothpaste tubes, Floss containers
WOOL FABRIC OLD CARDS BUTTONS CRAFT



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Warrandyte Diary 11

Rotarians' night out



Op shop volunteers with their Certificate of Appreciation

THE ROTARY club of Warrandyte Donvale held their Changeover night on Tuesday 22 June.

It was a night to celebrate the hard work by members of the local community, club members and volunteers and to reflect on the past year.

Rotary District 9810 Governor Alma Reynolds attended and talked briefly about the Rotary response to recent storm damage and the significance of Paul Harris Fellow awards (PHFs).

She then presented PHFs to club members Ian Thomlinson, Louise Latimer and Steve Latimer for exemplary service to the community.

After a brief talk about his work in Warrandyte, local Police Sergeant Stewart Henderson also received a PHF for his wonderful work over 10 years in Warrandyte.

Certificates of Appreciation were given to club members David George, Kevin Hall, Gavin Birch, Ian Thomlinson, Bob Fry and volunteers Tim Hall and Michelle Edwards.

Op Shop staff also received an award in appreciation of their work in the community for recycling and food distribution to families in need.

Outgoing President Judy Hall reflected on the past difficult year

which caused disruption to the usual club fundraising activities.

In spite of this, the club was able to donate over \$60,000 to worthy causes in the local and international community.

She spoke about the wonderful camaraderie in the club, which makes the work so much easier and fun.

President Judy Hall is taking on another year of Presidency, to make up for lost time last year and is looking forward to the club holding its annual Art Show next March (COVID willing), a continuation of the great fundraising efforts in running the Tunstall Market and Op Shop and distributing funds to the community.

The club is also keen to establish some projects to assist the community so this will be a priority consideration in its local networking.

The club is also keen to widen its volunteer and member base and looks forward to meeting people who may wish to join a dynamic group such as Rotary so they can contribute to the wellbeing of the community. The club wishes to thank all those who have supported Rotary in the past year.

It was a great night to finish of the year and we look forward to an even better year in 2021/22.

*July Edition of
the WD.*

*Pity about the
wrong
caption!*



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Rotary



The Rotary Club of Warrandyte Donvale is proud to announce the following donations and assistance of around \$60,000 in total to various groups and individuals during the 2020-21 financial year.

Christmas Cakes & Christmas Cards to
Meals on Wheels recipients

Warrandyte Neighbourhood House

Warrandyte Community Garden

Warrandyte Arts Association
(for Mechanics Institute Hall)

Warrandyte Scouts – for new bus

Various families in need

End of School Awards – six local schools

Fees, school camps and uniforms for local students

Warrandyte Football & Cricket Clubs

End Polio Now Program

Teachers Training Program Philippines

Education and Guidance for
teenage mothers in Africa

Medical & Surgical Aid to Pacific Region
(Interplast & Romac)

Rotary Against Malaria

International Disaster Aid

Wheelchairs for Kids in Developing Nations

Eye Project in Tuveuni

The Rotary Foundation

We wish to thank all our volunteers and supporters.

We look forward to your continued support at our Tunstall Market held the last Sunday of every month and The Warrandyte Op Shop, open daily.

We are optimistic that we can hold an Art show in 2022.

For information about our club go to www.warrandytedonvalerotary.org.au