



## Rotary Club of Traralgon

**Serving Through Rotary for 80 Years District 9820 Victoria**

The Club meets on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday each month

Apologies to Secretary Charlie by 7.00 pm on Sundays please. Ph 0428 761 435

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2021—2022

**President**

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**Membership**

**Janne Speirs**

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**Lorraine Paulet**

### President's Announcements

Written from the Library of the President!!!!!!!

Welcome to our first meeting of this current year in person.

As always, we never know from month to month when Covid restrictions may pop up. Lockdown number 5 came quickly on the heels of lockdown number 4.

I suspect that we may experience others in the coming year.

However, as Rotarians we will push on regardless and do our best to serve our community in what ever circumstances we may find ourselves. We have two options really, get despondent or say for the time being this the way of life and get on with it as the best we can.

The month of August is membership month. There have been discussions at Board level recently whether we should look at having associate members or induct people as full members, notwithstanding that they may not be able to attend all regular Tuesday night meetings.

A further discussion will take place at the next board meeting. In talking with Janne Speirs our club membership Chair, some of our regular younger visitors to the Rotary Breakfasts could potentially become members. Because of children and work commitments they may not be able to commit to every second Tuesday, but would regularly attend the breakfast and would be required to help out whenever possible. This has the potential to expand the pool of members who commit to rosters for various activities.

If you have a view one way or the other, would you talk with myself or any board member before the 10<sup>th</sup> August 2021.

We need to be conscious that the Rotary of 40 years ago, is not the Rotary of today. Whilst our core principals remain the same our way of doing things has evolved e.g. E-clubs, Rotary Fellowships etc.

As mentioned previously our hope for this coming year is to grow the club membership, not just for the sake of having more members but so we can offer increased service to the community.



I may have mentioned that we were to have a DG Visit on the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021, DG Bill has had to change this date and we have now agreed that it be the 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021. So, keep this date in mind.

This evening we will have a get together of club committees under their respective directors, to plan activities around this year's goals. A couple of members have volunteered to be on a couple of key groups so they will need to choose which one to attend. With Janet and Charlie's careful oversight a directory of key goals together with member and committee information will have been emailed out and printed copies will also be available.

I look forward to all that we might achieve together this year – Serve to Change Lives.

**President Peter Wallis**

### **Rotary Meeting 20 July 2021**

President Peter called the meeting to order at 7.02

Dates coming up. As printed in the Bulletin this week.

Christmas Parade will not run this year as a parade. Other options are being considered. Further update will happen in August.

P Peter ran through some of his suggestions for goals for this year. They include...raising funds for R Jeffery Award at Federation Uni, Supporting a MUNA team, Contribution of \$100 per members, plus individual contributions, 4 School Citizenship Awards, Pride of Workmanship, Sponsoring a student to national Youth Science Forum; Club contribution to Donations in Kind; Gippsland Rotary Centenary House; Wheelchairs for Kids; Sky Hydrant; Orange Sky Australia.

Grant cautioned that we need to ensure their willingness to work in this area. Peter replied Warren McPherson from Traralgon Central is initiating conversations, Peter believes this has been checked.

Membership progress is being made. Janne is following up on expression of interest from Traralgon Rotary web site.

Lorraine is working with Peter to see what the subcommittees might need money, and is asking members to get back to her with details or information

Shop local – there is a state government 'Shop Local' event coming up. There will be some 'shop local' funds available. Might be a good thing to get in to.

#### **Foundation**

7 areas of focus. In terms of environment, there have been some discussions about having a cluster project to plant some trees in East Gippsland.

Maternal and child health – Sally Dell does a lot of work in central Australia in this area. We may be able to suggest a project we can help, and pick up as support to her.

Grant mentioned, Lee is also looking for community support for one of the women's programmes at the hospital. He would like to speak to us soon.



### **Directors Announcements:**

**Helen** – expects invoices for this year's membership will be sent to members in coming days. Please let her know if you don't receive one.

Accounts are unaudited at the moment – once they are audited, they will be shared with the group. We do have a couple of draft budgets, they are still a work in progress.

**Janne Speirs** mentioned making mentoring of new members more specific. A draft proposal has been presented to the Board. Janne would like members to consider offering to help as mentors.

**Ian Keith** We had to cancel the second day of the Moe mental Health First Aid course. First day of Traralgon course has been held. Second day has been postponed. We will have to wait for further information before we can schedule the next day.

**MUNA** is an on-line event this year. Many new teams involved. John Caruana is involved as a guest adjudicator.

**Charlie** – mentioned trees being felled behind the community sheds. Charlie has permission to remove some for next year's wood raffle. He will be looking for some help.

Saturday Farmers Market will go ahead – as an essential service. We will not hold a raffle.

Meeting closed 7.50 with opportunity for people to stop and chat.

Peter closed the evening with this years theme

**Serve to Change Lives**

### **Key Dates (as at 17/7/21)**

24<sup>th</sup> September 2021 Russell Northe and Traralgon Rotary Golf Day – fundraising event

October 2021 – Trivia Night (Date to be confirmed had been planned for same day as Golf Day – Fundraising Event

2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021 - Melbourne Cup lunch at Wallis Residence

21<sup>st</sup> November 2021 – Christmas Parade ??

30<sup>th</sup> November 2021 - DG Official Visit

21<sup>st</sup> December 2021 – Christmas Fellowship Evening

26<sup>th</sup> January 2022 – possible Australia Day event

25-27<sup>th</sup> February – District Conference - Traralgon

13<sup>th</sup> March 2022 80 years since Charter presented to Traralgon Rotary Club possible fund fundraising event

19<sup>th</sup> March 2022 – Jazz Evening celebrating 80 years of Traralgon Rotary Club DG Bill has confirmed he is able to attend

26<sup>th</sup> June 2022 District Changeover planned

### **From the Treasurer**

Just a reminder that membership subscription is due and gets paid into the admin account: BSB 633000 Acc 136 565 967.

Fines, and fundraising support are to be paid into the Project Account: BSB 633000 Acc 136 565 892. Thank You.

## Statistics for 20 July 2021

### Present:

Peter Wallis, Janet Wallis, Janne Speirs, Darryl Marks, Brian Lythgo, Wolf Becker, Glenn Azlin, Ray Scheffer, Gavan Hodgson, Helen O'Brien, Michael Rossiter, Endel Vallak, Andy Ringin, Grant Godino, Ian Keith, Rae Mackay, Lorraine Paulet, Tony Boulton

### Leave of Absence:

### Guest Speaker:

### Visiting Rotarians:

### Partners:

### Visitors

Statistics	
No of members	31
Member Apologies	
LOA	0
Members Present	18
Guests	0
Visiting Rotarians	
Partners	
Visitors	

### Celebrations and Anniversaries coming up:

<b>INDUCTIONS</b>	7 August 2007 Ray Scheffer
<b>BIRTHDAYS</b>	
<b>ANNIVERSARIES</b>	8 August Brian & Trish Lythgo

### **This is our club's 3704th dinner meeting**

**District Website:** Information relating to Clubs within our District may be found via the following address:  
<http://www.district9820.org>

**Club website:** [www.traralgonrotary.com](http://www.traralgonrotary.com)

**Facebook :** 'Traralgon Rotary', like us and request to become a friend.

	<b>Next Meeting 3 August 2021</b>	<b>Next Meeting 17 August 2021</b>
<b>Programme</b>	<b>Club Assembly</b>	<b>Dream Cricket &amp; Trachoma</b>
<b>Speaker</b>	Peter Wallis	Peter and Sally Dell
<b>Sergeant</b>		
<b>Greeters</b>	Gavan Hodgson and Glenn Setches	Endel Vallak & Jan Inglis
<b>Cashiers</b>	Janne Speirs & Charlie Speirs	Tony Boulton & Janet Wallis
<b>Meals on Wheels</b>	<b>4 August Ron &amp; Trish Elliott</b>	

### ROTARY INVOCATION

For good food, good fellowship  
and the opportunity to serve  
through Rotary, we give thanks.

### THE 4 WAY TEST

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