



Rotary Club of Traralgon

Serving Through Rotary for 80 Years District 9820 Victoria

The Club meets on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Tuesday each month, Traralgon Golf Club. 6.00pm

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

Business Breakfast 4th Wednesday at Café Aura. 7.30am. Contact Lorraine ph 0419 547 363

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President's Announcements

Written from the Graduate Street Office of the President!!!!!!

Dear change-makers,

We are still in membership month and I thought it appropriate to include some edited version of comments from the Intentional President Shekhar Mehta (Edited Highlights)



Expanding our reach through Each One, Bring One



Members like you are our greatest asset. But for the last 20 years, Rotary membership has remained stagnant. **Through a program I am calling Each One, Bring One**, I ask each of you to commit to welcoming one new person into Rotary.

This one act of growing Rotary will make you true change-makers, because you will have helped us achieve in just 12 months what we could not do in 20 years. Of course, you will need to engage and retain these members as well. Member engagement is equally important for our organization's growth.

As we welcome new members, let us continue to ensure that diversity, equity, and inclusion are ingrained into all aspects of Rotary. We believe that anyone who gets involved with Rotary — whether as a member, partner, or participant — must feel valued, respected, and welcomed. It is only by embracing the full diversity of the world that we will be able to grow and to achieve our goals.

Serve to change lives

Service is at the heart of my own connection to Rotary, which is why I want all of us to showcase Rotary's good work by hosting Rotary Days of Service. Invite your members, neighbouring clubs, local civic organizations, program alumni, friends, family, and the public to join you for a community service event.



Let Rotary Days of Service be a celebration of our passion for doing good.

P Peter concludes: When Covid rules permit and before the end of the current Rotary year I would like us all to think of undertaking a days of service that is visible in the community. I don't have any ideas of what it might look like, so I ask for your suggestions. I suspect we probably are looking at sometime in the New year.

I was wondering how you are all faring in this current lockdown. Whether there is any support required? Maybe we can make a phone call or two to members to check in how they are going at the moment. As I write this it appears that the lockdown will be extended so I suspect we may not be meeting face to face for a while.

My our thinking on Covid is that it will be with us for quite some time to come and we will need to mentally prepare ourselves how we might cope in the longer term.

Look forward to catching up with those able on Zoom this Tuesday evening and remember

Serve to change lives..

President Peter Wallis

Meeting Report 17 August 2021

Welcome: We were welcomed into this meeting by Past President Glenn with a toast to Fellowship. President Peter welcomed our guests, and discussed recognizing the monthly breakfast at Café Aura as one of the regular club meetings, as a way to allow interested people to be members, even if they are not available for regular evening meetings.



President Peter introduced new club member Adele Nardino and duly inducted her to Traralgon Rotary, with the reminder to her, and all present that Rotary is about 'Service above Self'. Adele was inducted under the Classification of Marketing. Welcome Adele!

Director Reports:

Janne discussed that registrations are open for the 2022 District Conference being held in the new theatre in February. We have been waiting for this since 1982! \$300 for the weekend, including a wine tour of Narkoojee and a leadership breakfast.

A virtual zone conference is being held virtually on the 11th and 12th of September. The present Rotary International President and other incredible speakers - \$25 bookings online.

Janne took a moment to discuss the situation in Afghanistan, while terrible in many aspects, Janne highlighted that the Taliban have allowed polio vaccinations to continue. Janne finished with a touching sentiment "they have children too."

Gavin spruiked for a big bag of well-rotted sheep poo, packaged by the Traralgon Scout's. \$50 for a bag!

Thanks to the most recent Covid-19 lockdown, the last Bunnings BBQ was cancelled. Bunnings kindly provided the club with 5 x \$100 vouchers to make up for the losses.

Guest Speaker – Sally Dell

Sally comes to us to speak about Trachoma – the world's leading cause of infectious blindness. Despite many third world nations being free of Trachoma.



Australia is not, with a number of Indigenous Populations being impacted. Rotary's initiative is to be Trachoma free in Australia by 2030, and has done some great work through Australia so far. This is being done through the SAFE strategy – surgery, antibiotics, face cleanliness and environmental cleanliness. Projects being run through Rotary include providing hygiene kits, bath towels and facilitating connection to hot water in rural communities. Rotary has supplied water tanks and washing machines to some communities, to support environmental cleanliness. Other initiatives includes educating the children in schools on how to keep their faces clean. A message from the people “we have the right not to go blind”.



2000 Toiletry Kits for 2000 Children in the N.T.
Who wants to help?



Peter Dell

Spoke fondly of his memories of being part of Traralgon Rotary, and reminded us of his special project, Dream Cricket, which enable children with special needs to play cricket according to their abilities.



Our guest speakers were both thanked for their contribution and presented with a Traralgon Rotary glass.

P Peter closed the meeting reminding us to:

Serve to Change Lives



Tee Up for Mental Health Golf Day

Backed by Russell Northe and Traralgon Rotary Club
Foreshadowed : Friday 24th September.
Traralgon Golf Club.



Statistics for 17 August 2021

Apologies

Tony Boulton, Norm Butler, Russell Davidson, Ian Draper, Ian Keith Brian Lythgo, Ray Scheffer, Glenn Setches,

Leave of Absence:

Andy Ringin

Guest Speaker:

Peter and Sally Dell

Visitors

Adel Nardino (inducted on 17 August)

Visiting Rotarian & Partner

Lee Garwood

Statistics	
No of members	31
Member Apologies	8
LOA	1
Members Present	22
Guests	2
Visiting Rotarians	
Partners	1
Visitors	1

Celebrations and Anniversaries coming up:

INDUCTIONS	Norm Butler 2 September 1979
BIRTHDAYS	Margaret McColl 6 September
ANNIVERSARIES	

This is our club's 3706th dinner meeting. We have hosted about 110 Business Breakfasts

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

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

Shine On Awards

This is an outstanding annual Australia-wide Rotary recognition program acknowledging exceptional service to others by people with disabilities.

	Next Meeting 31 August 2021	Next Meeting 7 September 2021
Programme	Online Event	The Environment
Speaker	Stuart Tripp Sometime Shine on Nominee	Robin Stewart
Sergeant		
Meals on Wheels	<i>1 September Brian & Trish Lythgo</i>	

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