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> **Subject: We Need to End Trachoma** Speaker: Sally Dell

Chair: PP Suzanne Caldwell

For ZOOM, when available, at normal meetings the link is: \https://us04web.zoom.us/j/703546388



The President's Report



Last week at Rotary Last week

President-Elect Bill Redfern held his last Club Assembly on Thursday, with lively discussions and information about our financial position as we move forward. Thanks to Secretary Grant Wishnowsky for taking notes, which Bill has used for his report in this issue of the Tide.

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Meeting Apologies and guest notifications to Bill Redfern by 4.00pmon Tuesday by email to attendancercf@gmail.com

The TIDE

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Meeting Venue: Mt Eliza Bowling

90 Canadian Bay Rd, Mt Eliza Phone (03) 9787 3047

Our caterer Carmen asked those in attendance last week to complete a simple survey, canvassing us for our thoughts on future meals. I believe Carmen is doing a great job serving an interesting variety of meals to us each week, with this survey possibly helping to fine-tune our future menus.

GWCTD

On Saturday 4 May we'll hold our annual Guess Who's Coming to Dinner, as organised by our Social committee. This is a great opportunity for us all to come together in our hosts' homes and get to know each of us a little better. This is open to all members and partners, with an emphasis for our single members to attend – everyone is welcome, it doesn't matter if we have odd numbers at the dining tables.

If you'd like to host this year, please let the Social team know, further details are in the Tide.

Rotary Community Group Leader appointment

A provisional RCG Leader has been appointed, subject to the 14-day challenge period. The candidate is Wil Cornelisson from the Rotary Club of Waverley. No doubt more details will arrive in the coming weeks as to how our RCG will progress.

Rotary Leadership Institute

As advised by email to all members last week, the RLI is offering two days of free training to members. The dates are Saturdays 4 and 18 May at Drouin, which is less than an hour away. Please let me know if you are interested in attending – we can then put your name forward and help organise some car pooling.

Rotary International President visits our District

As mentioned previously, RI President Gordon McInally is hosting a lunch at the RACV Cape Schanck Resort on **Sunday 2nd June 2024**. Cost has been reduced to **\$95 per person for a 2-course lunch** at this picturesque resort. Apart from hearing from Gordon, Professor Pat McGorry AO, a psychiatrist known world-wide for his development and scaling up of early intervention and youth mental health services, will be joining us to compliment Gordon's presentation.

If you are interested in attending, please speak to PP Suzanne or me. We can organise car-pooling nearer the time.

What's next?

This week we'll welcome Sally Dell, who has been our District's champion on trachoma and Rotary's is working towards eliminating it globally. Sally is a former member of the Rotary Club of Warragul – we'll need to ask her which club she's now a member of. Come along and learn a little more about trachoma and how we can help bring it to an end.

David Cross

President 2023-24

WhatsApp Etiquette

A reminder on what is acceptable when using our *RCF WhatsApp* account: Hours of use is *between 9am and 9pm* – please do not send messages outside these hours.

Only use when needing to inform <u>all members</u> about a matter of interest.

For example, if you need to withdraw from a dinner meeting, let our members know that there will be a meal available. Similarly, if you'd like to take up someone's meal, reply using WhatsApp – everyone will then know that the meal is taken.

Do not use WhatsApp for general discussion. For example, if a member advises withdrawing from a dinner meeting due to illness, <u>do not reply</u> using WhatsApp to wish them well. If you want to pass on your wishes, contact the member directly.

ROTARY MEETING ATTENDANCE

Deadline for Registration of Apologies: 4 pm on the Tuesday before each meeting.

It is assumed that all members will attend each meeting unless apologies have been notified.

Apologies - register any apologies by email to 'attendancercf@gmail.com'

Please note that if an apology is not registered, it will not be noted, and you will be invoiced to cover costs for your meal.

If circumstances arise where you are a late apology (ie. after 4 pm on Tuesday), contact other members using "**Members RCF**" on **WhatsApp** to seek someone who may take your place.

Ongoing Apologies - registration of an ongoing apology is available to those members who are travelling (please advise start and end dates), have health reasons, or normally attend via Zoom. Existing cases are noted.

Any member with an ongoing apology who wants to attend a meeting needs to register their attendance by the Tuesday deadline prior to the meeting. If you have not registered your attendance by the deadline, a meal will not have been arranged for you.

Guests - registration of attendance of any partners or guests at a meeting need to be submitted by the Tuesday deadline prior to that meeting. If the attendance of such partners or guests has not registered by the deadline, a meal will not have been arranged for them.

APRIL IS MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH MONTH



Area of Focus: Maternal and Child Health Month. This month also includes the Birthday of Paul Harris on the 19th of April.

- Address the issue of malnutrition in Children and Pregnant Women
- Develop a Hygiene Education program for school going children
- Conduct Awareness Seminars
- Provide Low-income, Underinsured women with the knowledge, skills and opportunities
 to improve their diet, physical activity, and other life habits to prevent, delay, or control
 chronic diseases
- Promote School Health
- Promote the adoption of physical activity in early child care centres, schools and work sites

ANNIVERSARIES

Members: Birthdays: Campbell Johns (24/4), Idris Olatunji (24/4). Partners Birthdays: Chris Stallard (19/4), Yoka Van Der Laan (20/4,

Wedding Anniversaries: Peter and Elaine Dusting (25/4)...

Induction Anniversary: Nil.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Trish Anderson, Kay Barrow, Neil Black, Campbell Bolwell, Graham Bryans, Suzanne Caldwell, Peter Cecil, David Cross, Kate Cross, Jenny Cuddihy, Peter Dusting, Marie Hardwick, Graham Henderson, Campbell Johns, Keith Kimpton, Max Lane, John

Latham, David Lee, Greg Morgan, Audrey Mutton, Geoff Pritchard, Bill Redfern, Terry Schneider, Steve Smit, Lee Anne Smith, Robin Stewart, Bob Tanner, Dennis Viner, Grant Wishnowsky John Wright.

Partners and Friends: Anita Cross, Elaine Dusting, Sue Gillan, Ann Henderson, Sandra Johns, Barb Boyle, Gail Pritchard, Heather Tanner, Glenda Wishnowsky.

Visiting Rotarians: Rob Cook (Somerville Tyabb and District Youth Chair), John Crowder (Somerville Tyabb), Diana O'Malley and Trudy Poole (Pen, 2.0)..

Guests: Sue Whitehead.

Zoom:, Alan Daniel.

Apologies: Ken Broadbent, Angela Cecil, Chris Crewther, Wayne Gillan, Gerry Harrison, Terry Jones, Peter MacKenzie, Quinn McCormack, Lou Monteret, Lyn Leigh, Idris Olatunji, Shane O'Neill, Luke Provis, Ken Rowe, Chris Sayers, Bob Seiffert, Ken Stallard, Nellie Tinga, Barry Thomas, Chris Van Der Laan, Greg Waterland.



Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)

The RLI provides a series of fast-paced, interactive, one-day sessions designed to refine the leadership skills of Rotarians and increase their knowledge of Rotary. The RLI believes that excellent club leadership is essential to the future of Rotary in a complex and fast changing world. The courses are fun, topical and interactive.

Participants return to their clubs with enthusiasm, new contacts, fresh ideas, an increased understanding of their potential as Rotarians, and with the valuable skills for their potential leadership in the club. Topics include:

- My Rotary World
- Creative Service Projects
- Analysing a Rotary Club
- Building a Stronger Club
- Club Communications
- Vocational Service Ethics
- Leadership and Team Building
- Effective Leadership Strategies
- Membership Attracting, engaging and retaining members
- The Rotary Foundation
- International Service
- Public Image & Public Relations
- Making a Difference.

Courses are from 8:30am to 4:00pm on Saturdays 4th and 18th of May in Drouin. Note that Saturday 4th is our GWCTD but there is plenty of time to get back home, as Drouin is only an hours' drive.

WEEKS AND WEEKENDS AWAY 2023/24

WEEKEND AWAY – QUEENSCLIFF Friday 15 November to Tuesday 19 November 2024 INGENIA HOLIDAYS QUEENSCLIFF BEACON

Please refer to the website for details of the park and accommodation options: https://www.ingeniaholidays.com.au/our-parks/victoria/great-ocean-road/queenscliff-beacon/

Please contact Bill Redfern regarding your bookings via SMS (0419 544 077) or email (bill.redfern@outlook.com)

WEEK AWAY Myrtleford 2025

We have booked our week from Friday Feb 28 to Thursday March 6 We have booked 11 cabins, and 16 powered sites /Wayne Gillan is looking after the bookings in my absence. Deposits to Campbell. \$100 cabins and \$50 for powered sites. Ken Rowe

THE CLUB'S BANK ACCOUNTS EXPLAINED The CLUB has Three Bank Accounts:

GENERAL: Account No: 147 471 700 - All Club matters,

SERVICE: Account No: 147 486 880 – Anything with Donations & Fund Raising.

SOCIAL: Account No: 162 387 666 - All Club Social Functions

ALL have the same: BSB: 633 000

SPEAKERS PROGRAMME - A LOOK FORWARD

Date	Venue	Speaker	Subject	Chair
18 Apr	MEBC	Sally Dell (RC of Warragul	We need to end Trachoma	PP Suzanne Caldwell
25 Apr	MEBC	Anzac Day	No Meeting	
2 May	MEBC P, F&F	Billy Nye	Artist Extraordinaire	Lee Anne Smith
9 May	MEBC	Felicity Maloney	My Life as the daughter of a Spy	Kate Cross
16 May	MEBC	Martin Green	The Story of Beleura	Grant Wishnowsky
23 May	MEBC	Shae Preece	Rotary NYSF	PP Suzanne Caldwell
30 May	MEBC	Club Meeting	Updating Fund Raising Opportunities	PE Bill Redfern
6 Jun	MEBC P, F&F	Kate Cross	My Travels in Japan	Kay Barrow
13 Jun	TBA	Changeover	Bill Redfern	TBA
20 Jun	MEBC	Dr Angela Lee	Updating Women's Mental Health	Kate Cross
27 June	MEBC	Zsuzsa Toth	Kinesiology	Lyn Leigh
P, F & F = Partners, Family and Friends Focus, but welcome to any				

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Other Activities

DATE	CONTACT - LOCATION	SUBJECT	CHAIR
Sat 4 May 2024	ТВА	Guess Who's Coming to Dinner	Wayne Gillan
Sun 19 May 2024	Bunnings Frankston	Bunnings BBQ	Luke Provis
Fri 25 – Wed 29 May 2024	Singapore	Rotary International Convention	
Thur 13 June 2024	Bill Redfern	Changeover	

Sat 29 Jun 2024		District 9815 Inaugural Changeover Dinner	
Sat 17 Aug 2024	Bunnings Frankston	Bunnings BBQ	Luke Provis
Fri 15 Tue 19 Nov 2024	Queenscliff	INGENIA HOLIDAYS QUEENSCLIFF BEACON	Bill Redfern
Sun 24 Nov 2024	Bunnings Frankston	Bunnings BBQ	Luke Provis

MEETING DUTY ROTA – 2023/24

Month	Welcome	Cashier	Clean-up at end	of meeting
April	Peter Dusting	Peter Cecil	Peter Dusting	Trish
	_		_	Anderson
May	John Wright	Nellie Tinga	John Wright	Nellie Tinga
June	Suzanne	Trish Anderson	Suzanne	Peter Cecil
	Caldwell		Caldwell	

If you are absent from a meeting where you are rostered on, please find a replacement, and inform PE Bill Redfern.

BAR ROSTER

18/04/2024	Susan Schneider & Graham Henderson
25/04/2024	Ken Broadbent & Graham Henderson
02/05/2024	Graham & Ann Henderson
09/05/2024	Wayne Gillan & Geoff Pritchard
16/05/2024	Bill Redfern & Lee Anne Smith
23/05/2024	Graham Bryans & Susan Schneider
28/05/2024	Graham Henderson & Sharon Sayers
06/06/2024	Graham Henderson & Ann Henderson
13/06/2024	No Meeting at MEBC – Changeover Night
20/06/2024	Graham Bryans & Lee Anne Smith
27/06/2024	Wayne Gillan & Susan Schneider
Notes :-	

- (1) Where Graham Henderson listed on the Bar Roster, this date may be substituted by Ann Henderson Where Graham Henderson listed on the Bar Roster, this date may be substituted by Ann Henderson or another Rotarian holding an RSA Certificate.
- (2) Those rostered on Bar Duty must find a substitute if they are unavailable to do their duty on the nominated date.
- (3) Importantly, those rostered on Bar Duty must remember that Bar duties are not limited to only serving drinks. Stacking the fridges, dishwashing the glasses and putting glasses away, reconciling the night's Bar takings, emptying rubbish bins etc., are all duties required to be undertaken by those doing Bar Duty. A Summary of Bar Duties has been provided to all those Rotarians working on the Bar and if an additional copy is available on request from Graham Henderson.

PARTNERS AND FRIENDS NIGHT OUT

Hello Rotary Partners and Friends,

Once again I am organising a restaurant night out on a Thursday while our partners are at their Rotary Meeting. This time I thought we could go to the Canadian Bay Hotel in Mt Eliza. Again, because it is close to the Bowling Club. The date is the 23rd May and I will book it for 6.00pm. We'll meet at the venue.

Please let me know if you are interested in attending by texting me, so that I can give numbers to the Hotel closer to the time. Hope you can make it.

Anita Cross

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ROTARY CLUB OF FRANKSTON CLUB ASSEMBLY 11/4/2023

Chair: President Elect Bill Redfern

Report

1. Introduction of 2024-25 RCF Board

- The RCF Board remains the same except for Trish Anderson coming in as President Elect and will be responsible for Administration and for Gerry Harrison who will be stepping down from Image, Communication and Public Relations, which will be picked up by Nellie Tinga.
- Community Services will be held by Immediate PP David Cross, who will also be Vice President.
- The President Elect thanks Gerry Harrison for his work during the past year.

Other acknowledgements:

- Marie Hardwick will continue as the Welfare Officer.
- Bob Tanner will continue as the editor of The Tide.
- Trish Anderson will co-ordinate club meetings; liaison with the caterer regarding meal requirements each week; and collaborate with Keith Kimpton who will co-ordinate the Speaker Program.

2. 2024-25 Club Administration Budget (General Account)

- PE presented a draft of the Club Administration budget which showed that the club would run at a loss based on current membership subscriptions and other charges.
- Meeting discussed this situation and what might be done to resolve the issue.
- PE stated this is a draft and there are unconfirmed discussions regarding certain items.
- There is consensus amongst those present was that the annual subscription fee should be increased rather than other charges such as over increasing the meal cost.
 - This would ensure that the entire membership plays a part in bridging the deficit.
- The PE noted that there is a District Assembly on the 11/5/24 where Rotary International District charges will be presented and discussed, any outcomes from the new structure may provide additional positives for RCF and other zone clubs.

3. 2024-25 Meeting Program

- PE presented a draft meeting program.
- Keith Kimpton made the point that a successful speaker program is only as successful as the suggestions put forward by the membership.
- Keith stated that he is aiming to provide a wide and varied speaker program and also add vocational visits.
- It was note that the RCF 75th anniversary is on the 15/5/2025, and therefore the membership must decide how they wish to celebrate - what kind of function, should it be a weekend, weekday?
- PP Suzanne has been charged with chairing the 75th anniversary committee and is therefore asking for assistance.
- It was noted that the need to commence organising is now, the importance of any 75 years of an organisation cannot be underestimated.

4. Membership

- Geoff Pritchard spoke to what he has undertaken this current year and what he wants to achieve going forward.
- Discussion from the meeting showed that RCF is very aware of the need to grow the membership, but it does not just happen.
- What is our image, what is our approach to campaigning for members?

- The club needs to be flexible in what kind of membership e.g. associate memberships, volunteers, groups that can participate in activities, in addition to seeking full members. Noted that there was some non-member support of the recent Art Show.
- Geoff currently has upwards of 7 possible membership nominations.
- Suggestion made that we focus on the age group of 60-65 years more than the younger group.
- Suggestion made that there be an activity at some regular weekly meetings, rather than just a meal, a speaker and director updates. This was the observation during the recent time in Warrnambool.
- Ending Trachoma is a topic of a soon to be speaker, this could be an opportunity to contribute, creating capacity to do something different, doing something of a practical nature, working bees as we did with the Peninsula Hospice.
- A Club Discussion is scheduled for the meeting of 11/7/24 to focus on membership recruitment.

5. Donation Priorities and Guidelines

- PE presented a draft of the Club Services Account Budget, which showed that based on the 3 main streams of income currently of The Art Show, The Golf Day and Bunnings BBQ's, there is insufficient income to fund the range of donations the club has typically sought to make.
- RCF has for many years followed a guideline of 50% local, 30% National and 20% International
 - Peter Cecil proposed that the distribution should be reviewed and discussed, that it does not have to remain that way, and suggested that perhaps increase the local to 80%, with National and International at 10%.
- Members seem to agree that the past distribution is flexible, but for some it is thought to move to an 80% local is a bit of a stretch. Peter noted that local could mean State as well.
- Concern was raised about the environment of Australia, that this issue is growing, it is a huge topic and needs to be prioritised.
- It was note that RCF currently contributes \$100 per member to the Rotary Foundation and has for a very long time. Questioned as to whether this is necessary.
 - Draft budget reflects \$5200.
 - This could be less if the membership with the Board decides to do so.
- What complicates and seems to always put the budget at risk are those donations that are not known, that come without notice but become worthy of consideration.

6. Service Projects and Fund-Raising Activities

- Discussion as to the fact that the Art Show and Golf Day take a large amount of a few people's time as they are at present and raises questions as to whether they are they sustainable.
- It was noted that their committees need to be able to create succession plans and to do so RCF needs new members.

- Volunteers do assist, but "on the day" workforce also needs the input from additional members.
 - An example given highlighted the work that goes into bringing sponsorship.
- It was suggested that there should be more income coming from the contents of the RCF Shed, such as the hiring out of chairs, trailers and so on
- Discussion regarding beneficiaries' review:
 - The Art Show Committee is reviewing options and will present these to RCF in 2025.

7. Other items without notice

- RCF Shed
 - O What is the update, what is the latest?
 - Concern that RCF is not being proactive, sitting back.
 - As soon as there is anything to pass on. Members will be updated.
- Need for transparency of board decisions, etc.

DISTRIBUTION OF DONATIONS

Many years ago, at a Club Assembly, objections were raised by Members regarding the high proportion of our funds that were raised locally, being spent overseas.

At that Assembly I was a member of a group that discussed this issue and the current "Guidelines" which to date have stood the test of time were developed and agreed to by the Club.

Local = 50%
National = 30%
International = 20%

Since then, the economic climate has changed dramatically with families doing it tough throughout Australia and Frankston is no exception.

The fundraising process for our Club has also changed with the bulk of our income being derived from just two sources, the Art Show and the Golf Day.

No longer do we have a regular income from the Farmers Market.

To obtain Sponsorship for these two Major Events it is necessary to identify a "PRIMARY LOCAL" beneficiary who will receive a substantial portion of the funds raised.

Consequently, I believe there is a need to revise our current Guidelines so that they better align with the current needs of our community and match the Clubs current fundraising arrangements.

I therefor recommend that consideration be given to the adoption of a new set of Guideline as follows.

Local =80% (which could include Victoria)

National =10% International =10%

CONCEQUENCE OF THE PROPOSED CHANGE

The consequence of this change would allow us to donate to the **Primary Local Beneficiaries** as well as to continue to fund the many local small projects as we have done so many of in the past.

This adjustment would also greatly simplify the estimating and Budgeting process for all incoming Presidents in the future as they would not have to struggle to work with outdated guidelines.



SAVE THE DATE

DISTRICT 9845 INAUGURAL CHANGEOVER DINNER



Saturday 29th June 2024





CARDINIA CULTURAL CENTRE

40 LAKESIDE BLVD, PAKENHAM, 3810





We invite you to join us for an afternoon of delicious sandwiches, hot food, scones, sweet treats, tea, coffee with sparkling on arrival. This years Mothers Day High Tea will raise much needed funds for an NGO Safehaven where many of the former Green Gecko kids work, now they have finished their studies. Guest Speaker - Kate Arkwright, Development Officer from Safehaven will talk about the organisation and the wonderful work the former Geckos and other young Cambodians do to support children with disabilities in Cambodia. There will be Raffles and Silent Auction Items available on the day. Any queries contact Trudy Poole on 0414305564 https://events.humanitix.com/rotary-pen-2-0-mothers-day-high-tea-2024







