



ROTACT

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Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Geelong West

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ROTARY OPENS OPPORTUNITIES

Holger Knaack
RI President 2020 - 2021

Notes in no particular order:

Michael has a number of 'Fact Books' from Australian Rotary Health left from the Book Fair. Please collect one if you wish. There is some interesting stuff in them.

Lorraine let us know that Entertainment books are now available and probably a bit more useful as Covid restrictions ease. They are not actually a book now, but an online App at

www.entertainment.com.au

You go online to order the App. Please remember to refer to Geelong West Rotary Club so we can get a kick back.

Working with Children checks are becoming mandatory and members should get them. It is an easy on line process. Lorraine Sawyer has details.

Jim Marendaz notes that a potential member's identity form has been distributed. (If you ain't got one; ask him) Please think of a person who might benefit from and benefit to Rotary, fill in the form and return to Jim. He'll do the rest

Members on leave of absence:
None known

From your President:

Well what a wonderful day we had on Saturday. The tour of the Geelong Cemetery organised by David and Stephen that some members and partners attended was fascinating and very informative. We were lucky enough to have Charles Brownbill aka Colin Mockett, take us on the Champions tour and we met many characters who told us their stories. Lunch afterwards was a great way to finish the tour. Thank you to the organisers who are now going to try to arrange another walk for later in the year, as they have different ones at the Geelong Cemetery and also one at Geelong West and Queenscliff. The other great part of the day was seeing Marie there and looking and sounding so well.

The Board met last Monday and apologies for it being our meeting night but with Kasia in Perth and then I will be away in April for two weeks, visiting family in Gippsland and then going to Norfolk Island – fingers crossed, it was the only night available to us. We have asked for a report on the Book Fair, including the exact break down of income and expenses, to be available for the April Board meeting and after that we will presenting it for member information at a meeting in May. We are also starting to think about distribution of some funds and I will be emailing out to you a form for you to let us know of any agency/organisation you think we should be considering. Again we will discuss your suggestions at the Board meeting in April, together with the many requests for support that are mailed to us, and present it to you all in May.

The R100 event was held on 21 March. I was unable to go due to illness (hence no contribution to ROTACT by me last week). Thank you to Stephen and Marie for attending the afternoon at Christchurch and also Lorraine and Robert who rode in the vintage Fiat – all representing RC Geelong West. I hope you all saw the photos that Kasia sent through. We are hoping to receive a copy of the beneficiaries list that was compiled across all Clubs to see how many of them support which organisations. This week we have TJ coming to speak about how the help from the Club made a difference to her and her family and also what she has gained from the National Youth Science Forum, which the Club sponsored her to be part of. We have meetings and book sorting in April and May with a Club Assembly as one of the May meetings. At the Club assembly, as well as discussing dispersal of funds and the Book Fair Report, we will be asking you to consider whether, with winter approaching, going back to zoom meetings for a while so that members do not have to travel on cold and dark nights, might be something we need to consider. Hopefully Kasia will also be able to present an update on her Board for the coming year. We will be having our changeover at the 19th Tee on the last Monday in June.

Finally, please can I remind you all that email is the main way the Board communicates with members. We ask that you try to read the Club emails regularly and if a response is required please try to reply asap. This is particularly relevant to dinner meetings where we need to let Darren know, in advance, how many are attending. If for some reason you say you are coming and then cannot at the last minute, please let the Secretary and Treasurer know. Now that we have a smorgasbord we pay for the advised number of attendees rather than how many attend on the night, and therefore failure to cancel attendance may cost the club \$25 for your meal.

Stay safe and hope to see all of you soon.
Freda

UPCOMING, FORTHCOMING AND SOON TO HAPPEN EVENTS:

March is Water and Sanitation Month

Geelong Combined Rotary Clubs are supporting a project to increase Blood Donations in Geelong. SO GET OUT AND DONATE OR ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO MAKE DONATIONS. After all there is always the possibility you, or someone you love, might need it.

SOON TO HAPPEN

**AND IN A SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY FOR THOSE WISHING TO EXTEND THEIR EXPERIENCE IN THE COLLATION OF LITERARY COLLECTIONS, CLASSES WILL BE HELD AT ROTARY HOUSE ON THE SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH COMMENCING AT 1.00 AND CONCLUDING AT 4.00 pm.
(so on 13 April 2021)**

Upcoming Meetings

Monday	29 March 2021
Speaker	TJ
Subject	National Youth Science Forum
Chair:	TBA

Monday 5 April 2021
No meeting – Easter Monday

Monday	12 April 2021
Speaker	TBA
Subject	TBA
Chair:	TBA

Rotary Club of Geelong West

Meets at: The 19th Tee, Queens Park Golf Course, 6.00 for 6.30 pm Monday

Apologies of Members or attendance of Guests should be advised by noon on the Friday preceding the meeting

It is understood that members who have not apologised will pay the dinner cost

Meeting 15/3/2021

Eight members sorted books and had a BBQ.

A lot was done and BBQ was good

Your scribe left his donation of a bottle of Cab Sab sitting on the kitchen table. It was very nice later.

The Board were meeting and apologized for missing the more important book sorting.

Guests at the meeting:
None

Puzzle No 1211

What is weightless, can be seen with the naked eye and, if put in a barrel, will make the barrel weigh less?

MEETINGS:

29 March 2021

Cashier/Visitor registrations:

GEOFF MORGAN

Rooms, Fellowship & Badges:

LORRAINE SAWYER

Sergeant:

TBA

5 April 2021

NO MEETING – EASTER MONDAY

12 April 2021

Cashier/Visitor registrations:

TBA

Rooms, Fellowship & Badges:

TBA

Sergeant:

TBA

**PLEASE ORGANISE A MEMBER TO REPLACE
YOU EVEN IF YOU ARE ON LEAVE OF
ABSENCE**

Answer 1211
A hole

Attendance on 22/3/2021:

Total 8

RCGW 8

Guests 0

FACTS OF THE WEEK

I am the Walrus by John Lennon, was inspired by a two-tone police siren.

A cockroach can live nine days without its head before it starves to death.

Butterflies taste with their feet.

Elephants are the only animals that can't jump.

Starfish don't have brains.

Uncopyrightable is the longest word that can be spelt without repeating a letter.

The aeroplane Buddy Holly died in was the *American Pie* (Thus the title of the Don McLean song).

BIRTHDAYS

Lorraine Sawyer 4/3/2021

Cedric Carr 5/3/2021

Freda Wright 15/3/2021

ANNIVERSARIES

Audrey & David Dadds 2/3/2021

JOINED ROTARY

Bruce Adams 10/3/1971

Jim Marendaz 15/3/2010

Graeme Hawkins 25/3/1987

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL