

Maroondah M.A.D.ness

Making a Difference



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July 2022

What's on, at a glance:

Date	Event	Time
July 6	Club Meeting - Committee Meetings	6 for 6.30pm
July 13	Club Meeting-Bring Rotary Clothing for the Embroiderer	6 for 6.30pm
July 20	Club Meeting – Collect Rotary Embroidered Clothing	6 for 6.30pm
July 22	4TK Mexican Street Food Friday	11.30am-2pm
July 27	Christmas in July at Merlins	6 for 6.30pm
	Board Meeting TBC	
Aug 9	RYDA Day Venue to be confirmed	8.30am-2pm
Nov 25	Maroondah Charity Golf Day	

What a Night

In the expert hands of MC Tim, we celebrated the end of Mark's 2021-22 Presidential year and the start of Wendy's 2022-23 Presidential year, at the Changeover Dinner at Club Kilsyth.

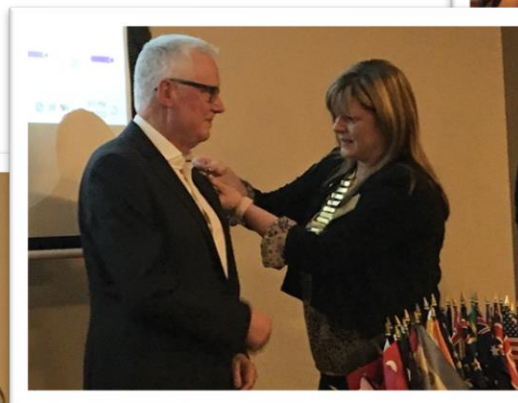
Mark has led the Club admirably through a disrupted year owing to Covid and lockdowns and he has managed to involve the Club in a number of initiatives with much enthusiasm. Thank you, Mark.

We wish Wendy and her Board members a fantastic, rewarding year and can't wait to see the plans Wendy has in store for us. We are not expecting it to be boring. Let's all get together and once again **make a difference** to many throughout the world and in our local community.

It was fantastic to meet Ricky and Ash and hear the amazing story about how 4TK evolved and to learn of the plans for the future. Ricky is passionate to give back something to the youth in our community. What an amazing young man. It was terrific to see & hear Carissa and you realise the aims of 4TK are in very safe hands.



Handover of President position from Mark to Wendy



Paul Harris Award for Mark

Trevor Smith Award to Darrin



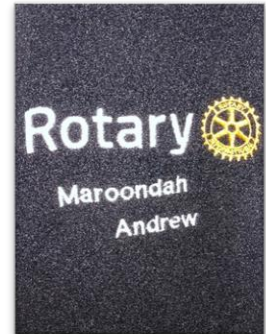
Roger Walters – Honorary Membership

The Board has accepted a recommendation that Roger Walters be made an Honorary Member. With Roger now in Aged Care at Clovelly Cottage, Boronia, it is clear that Roger's wish to remain a member won't ever be realized, however making him an Honorary Member recognises his 3 presidencies and nearly 36 years of service to Rotary. Please make every effort to keep in touch with Roger and not let him fall into an out of sight, out of mind circumstance. Before you go, I suggest you ring Helen W to confirm that Roger is up to seeing you. Mobile no. is in our directory. Roger D and Andrew are visiting on Friday 1st July to present Roger with his certificate.

Personalised Rotary Clothing

Just a reminder that Keren will be collecting our Rotary clothing on **Wednesday, 13th July** to give to the embroiderer to make our Rotary clothing more identifiable as belonging to our club. The embroiderer will sew your name and our Club name on our Rotary clothing (i.e., shirts, vests, polos, jackets etc.) The cost is \$15 per item.

If interested **please bring your items in a bag, \$15 cash per item, and your name** and these will be returned to you **Wednesday 20th July**. You still have time to purchase and get delivered any new items of clothing you may want online from www.rdusupplies.com.a



Pam, Fleur Graham & Jess at Uniting

Graham and Pam met at Uniting and presented the socks to Fleur and Jess who were very appreciative as they had just run out of socks. Fleur told us about a client the day before who had come in needing dry socks. They had to hunt for a pair of socks and told us about the priceless look of relief and satisfaction on their client's face, when he put on dry socks and a brand-new pair of shoes. They saw him then deposit his old shoes in the bin outside the facility.

Maroondah RC Joint Project with Croydon North Football Club

At our June Community Service meeting we had a visit from President Graham & Geoff from Croydon North Football Club. They were keen to hear about some of the projects we support in our local community.

After some discussion they said they would like to donate \$250.00 toward our "Uniting" Socks for the Homeless" project. With their contribution Pam purchased \$500.00 worth (67 pairs) of Explorer Wool Blend Socks.



Birthdays in July

Peter D 4th, Sue S 7th, Wendy 8th, Helen W 9th & Hans E 10th
We wish you all an awesome birthday & great year to come



4TK- Food Van Friday

Friday June 17th saw the 4TK Poncho Mexican Food Van used for what is planned to be a regular Friday Street Food experience for residents in Maroondah.

Our Club was well represented at the event with 6 members attending and meeting with about 60 attendees. It presented a great opportunity to showcase Maroondah Rotary's support for 4TK and to demonstrate our commitment to the aims of the facility.

Carissa was more than satisfied with how the day went and has indicated that 4TK will possibly hold a regular Street Food Lunch once a month on a selected Friday. Our Club members will be informed of any upcoming 4TK events as soon as we hear of proposed dates.



What a great lunch!!!



International Committee

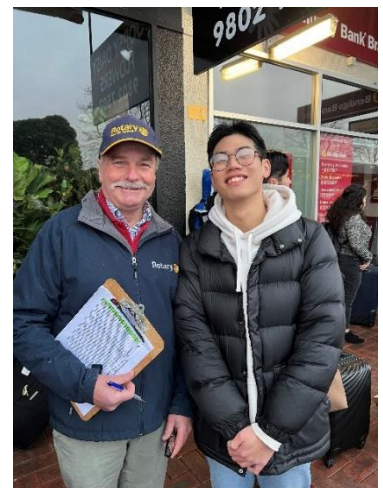
At the Board meeting on Wednesday 22nd June, the Board approved a \$2,000 donation to the Rotary Club of Kiama's Global Grant Project, the IHT-RHD (Indigenous Health Training – Rheumatic Heart Disease) project in the Northern Territory and Timor Leste. While our donation won't be considered as funding for the Global Grant due to Rotary Foundation rules, our funds will nevertheless be added to a pool of funds outside the Global Grant. Arrangements are being made to have Barry Wilson from the Rotary Club of Kiama as a guest speaker sometime in August at which time he can better explain the project parameters

RYLA - Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

Members should be aware that our original nominee for RYLA 2022, Alysha is no longer able to participate in the combined D9810 & D9820 program at Rawson Village, starting 27 June and concluding Saturday 2nd July. Alysha is in the process of trying to secure a position with one of the emergency services.

We have been fortunate in having a replacement nominee in the form of Jordan Gan. Mark, Wendy and Andrew have interviewed Jordan and the Board has supported their recommendation to proceed with criminal law / justice. Jordan has previously been to a RYPEN program as well as participated in MUNA. As soon as we can, arrangements will be made to have Jordan as a guest speaker.

Left: Jordan Gan with Malcolm Chiverton, before leaving for RYLA



Richard's Induction

Further to him making a number of Club visits since Christmas, we were thrilled to induct Richard into the Club

He has joined the International Committee and we all look forward to getting to know him better now he is a member. Welcome to the Club, Richard.

Rt: Pres. Mark, Richard & John who proposed Richard



RYDA – Rotary Youth Driver Awareness

On May 30 at Sandown Greyhound track, Wendy and five members of Forest Hill RC assisted with the RYDA program. There were three schools attending, Ashwood High, Emerson school in two groups, and two groups from Alkira College, Cranbourne.

Two RYDA sponsors, Toyota and Bridgestone, presented an award to Emerson for their wonderful support of RYDA over many years for their special needs students, many of whom would never be able to drive a vehicle. After a busy program presented to the students, Wendy and the members from Forest Hill RC felt that by the end of the day the 120 students had many tips on how to be more aware and respectful to other drivers on our roads.



Students at Speed and Stopping Distance session

Shine On Award Presented at RYDA

Maroondah and Forest Hill clubs had nominated one of the RYDA presenters, Anat B for a Rotary Shine On award in 2020 which was deferred due to Covid. Unable to personally attend the recent awards at Templestowe a formal presentation was made to her at the end of the RYDA day. Anat was recognised for the many years she has graphically told the assembled students her story of driving tired and distracted and swerving to miss a dog. She crashed into a pole ending up in hospital for three months then had extensive rehab leaving her with life changing brain and physical disabilities Her life in 2004 as a bright, young lady in her 20's speaking four languages, playing various instruments, and travelling extensively suddenly changed to now, depending on a walker and carers to assist her everyday needs. A truly amazing lady who has agonisingly showed thousands of students over the years the possible outcome of driving tired and distracted.



MAROONDAH ROTARY CLUB'S CHRISTMAS IN JULY

VENUE: 23 Heywood St, Ringwood (Merlin's House)
TIME: 6PM (6.30PM) Wednesday 27th July 2022.
RSVP: Pam D on 0409 211 045 by 21st July
BRING: Plate to Share (Please Liaise with Pam), and Drinks.
DONATION: We're Collecting Beanies, Scarves, Socks and Jocks For Uniting (Wesley Mission)

Merry
Christmas