



PRESIDENT ROGER'S WEEKLY BLOG

New member

I may have got a bit prematurely excited! . We are yet to officially welcome Bruce Ranken into the fold. Bruce's nomination is currently being circulated to club members.

Public Relations

In the Mornington News this week it was pleasing to see positive reader feedback regarding our collaboration with Boomerang Bags to supply 100 masks to Mornington Information and Support Centre. Our efforts are being noticed.

Our PR team have put their heads together and come up with design for a sign on the RORP Trailer. It will include a photo of an actual RORP playground reinstalled in Sri Lanka. Thank you Merv and the PR team. ,

Speakers

We are seeking speakers for the following nights

- 21/09/2020 Basic Education and Literacy Month
- 19/10/2020 Economic and Community Development Month
- 16/11/2020 Rotary Foundation Month
- 07/12/2020 Disease Prevention Month

Whilst it's not essential that speakers speak on these topics it would good fit if they could. Please consider how one of your contacts may be able to present to us. Steve is doing a great job scheduling speakers but its not solely up to him. If you know someone please contact them and put them in touch with Steve Daly..

Australian Rotary Health (ARH)

Carol Allen was an apology last week as she zoomed in on an ARH presentation with RC Langwarrin. Carol has accepted an invitation to join the District ARH Committee. Well done Carol. We look forward to hearing more about the work of ARH in the future.

Perhaps someone from ARH can speak to us on 07/12/20. **See Carol's Report on the ARH meeting at Langwarrin on page 4 of this Bulletin**

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President Roger's Blog is continued from front page

RORP

Wayne Jenkins continues to spread the RORP word and will be presenting on all things RORP on Wednesday 26/8/20. RORP has the full support of DG Mark Humphries, International District Chair Colin Byron and DG Elect Bill Degnan who are all encouraging clubs to identify playgrounds for harvest in their domain. This is a major coup for Wayne and our club.

Fundraising Idea – Digital Gala Dinner

Ken, Rob D, Carol, Valerie, Phyl, Ray, Peter R and myself met on zoom on Wednesday 19 /8. We agreed that the concept was a great idea and could involve many clubs. More on this later.

Bay Trail -Centenary Project

Janet and Stephen Pugh have agreed to join Steve Daly as club Bay Trail Team. Its great to have your enthusiasm on this team..

Stay Safe.....President Roger

Note that Monday 24/8 is a Board Meeting ONLY. The following Monday 31/8 is the 5th Monday where we have NO scheduled meeting so we will see all non-Board members again on Sept 7th when the Bay Trail Project will be the subject of the night.

My Life in Coronavirus World - Steve Daly

Life has certainly changed, we miss seeing our family and particularly our grandchildren with whom we have played a significant part in their home schooling.

Travel has been postponed and my income from consulting to schools and the education department has mostly dried up. Thank goodness for Job Keeper!

I believe that generations before us have faced greater difficulties, though given our modern times the gulf for us may be more complex?

We live in a lovely neighbourhood and keep in touch with each other. I have just taken a delivery of old cedar window frames from one neighbour and am using the time to make outdoor furniture for friends and family. I hope the saw and thicknesser are not too loud!

The NYSF selection is also taking up a lot of my time and it is wonderful to have the time to participate in all of the interviews. Listening to 17 year olds share their hopes and aspirations is uplifting.

Our lives are not that expensive to run anymore, Gwen grows a lot of our food and we do live quite a simple life for which I am grateful.

I am looking forward to the rigours of work and all that it requires. I have also appreciated the reflective time that we are currently in and feel I have a better grip on what is important in life.

I have spoken to Pat Morton and he will share his experience in the next issue

Club meetings (via Zoom in this present COVID-19 climate).

AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP AND NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH

Mon 24 Aug RCMM **Board** Meeting via ZOOM - **NO CLUB MEETING**
Mon 31 Aug **NO CLUB MEETING**

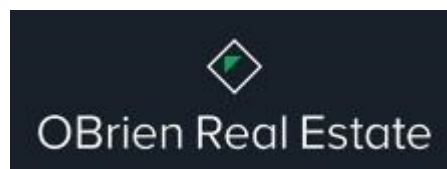
SEPTEMBER IS BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY MONTH

Mon 7 Sep RCMM **Club** Meeting via Zoom with Bay Trail Centenary Project update
Mon 14 Sep RCMM **Committee** meetings via Zoom
Mon 21 Sep RCMM **Club** Meeting via Zoom
Mon 28 Sep RCMM **Board** Meeting via ZOOM - **NO CLUB MEETING**

OCTOBER IS COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MONTH

Mon 5 Oct RCMM **Club** Meeting via Zoom with District Governor, Mark Humphries
Mon 12 Oct RCMM **Committee** meetings via Zoom
Mon 19 Oct RCMM **Club** Meeting via Zoom
Mon 26 Oct RCMM **Board** Meeting via ZOOM - **NO CLUB MEETING**

OUR COMMUNITY & CLUB SUPPORTERS, TO WHOM WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL



Australian Rotary Health (ARH) update by President Elect Carol Allen

Last week I attended the Langwarrin Rotary Club meeting to hear Greg Ross speak about Australian Rotary Health

Australian Rotary Health was established in 1981 after Ian Scott from Mornington Rotary Club heard distraught families talking about SIDs (Cot Death). Gaining support from District 982 (now 9820) for their project with Rotary Mornington discussing their vision with Regional Rotary Institute, a steering committee was established to develop a fund and each Australian district accepted the concept.

Over the last 40 years Rotary clubs and Districts have raised over \$48.million in Research funding. After the first research projects on SIDs, where researcher identified that very young babies sleep on their tummies where more likely to die of SID, parents have been educated to make sure that their babies now sleep on their backs. It is estimated that this small change to the bay's sleeping position has saved the lives of 100's of babies around the world.

Since 2000 ARH has focused on research on Mental Health and engaging a number of funding partners to provide research PhD scholarship for medical and nursing scholars. They have also provided rural scholarships for medical and nursing scholars who wish to undertake placements in rural and remote health care services. As well as Indigenous Health Scholarships which support indigenous scholars to undertake training in nursing, physiotherapy, psychology and dentistry as well as other health related university degrees.

Since 2012 the Focus on mental health has been directed at young people with many School programs being introduced to in hope of reducing youth suicide.

Lift the LID on Mental health has become ARH major fundraising initiative and are asking all Rotary Clubs to again support this event which is being held on World Mental health Day on 10 October 2020.



ARH is happy to provide speaker to Rotary clubs via Zoom meeting. I have been asked to join the 9820 District ARH Committee which is chaired by Mardi Shepard from Langwarrin. So I shall be keeping our club informed on how this fundraising project is progressing in our COVID

THANK YOU MOUNT MARTHA COMMUNITY BANK (MMCB).

The Rotary Club of Mount Martha has been granted 5 of these \$50 gift/shopping Vouchers as part of the MMCB stimulus for the local Community. No doubt the RCMM Board will decide the worthy recipients.

The Mount Martha Community Bank Branch has been out buying \$50 gift and shopping vouchers from its local shopping precinct retailers. We will be using these over the next few months to assist those in our local community and some of our Mount Martha Community Bank Branch customers who support us. Through this initiative we're initially pumping back \$5,000 stimulus into small businesses that need our support now. Some of the small businesses have added to these vouchers as they too wish to give back to the community that supports them. Its never been more important to support our local shops than now. Keep any eye out in the mail as one of these vouchers may be heading your way.....



Welcome to tomorrow - thank you to Roger Annear for this contribution (part 1)

Not that long ago going to the moon was just a dream. Tomorrow is coming much sooner than what we ever thought possible.

This may sound a bit “Utopian” to us, however, the future is certainly arriving faster than we would like.

This is interesting. If you think the virus is going to make changes read this!

All of the following are forecasted to become reality in the next 10-20 years. Many of us won't see the changes, but our children and grandchildren probably will.

- 1- Basic auto repair shops will disappear. Read on to know why.
- 2- A gas/diesel engine has 20,000 individual parts. An electric motor has only 20 parts. Electric cars are sold with lifetime guarantees and are repaired only by dealers. It takes only 10 minutes to remove and replace an electric motor.
- 3- Faulty electric motors are not repaired in the dealership but are sent to a regional repair shop that repairs them with robots.
- 4- Your electric motor malfunction light goes on, so you drive up to what looks like a car wash, and your car is towed through while you have a cup of coffee and out comes your car with a new electric motor.
- 5- Petrol pumps will go away.
- 6- Street corners will have meters that dispense electricity. Companies will install electrical recharging stations; in fact, they've already started in the developed world.
- 7- Smart major auto manufacturers have already designated money to start building new plants that build only electric cars.
- 8- Coal industries will go away. Gasoline/oil companies will go away. Drilling for oil will stop. Say goodbye to OPEC! The middle east is in trouble.
- 9- Homes will produce and store more electrical energy during the day and than they use, and will sell it back to the grid. The grid stores it and dispenses it to industries that are high electricity users. Has anybody seen the Tesla roof?
- 10- A baby of today will see personal cars only in museums. The FUTURE is approaching faster than most of us can handle.
- 11- In 1998, Kodak had 170,000 employees and sold 85% of all photo paper worldwide. Within just a few years, their business model disappeared and they went bankrupt. Who would have thought of that ever happening?
- 12- What happened to Kodak and Polaroid will happen in a lot of industries in the next 5-10 years ... and most of us don't see it coming.
- 13- Did you think in 1998 that 3 years later you'd NEVER take pictures on film again? With today's smartphones, who even has a camera these days?

Official Advice from the Victorian Government
to help stop the spread of Coronavirus (COVID 19).

ANY SYMPTOMS
HOWEVER MILD
GET TESTED



Authorised by the Victorian Government,
1 Treasury Place, Melbourne

A bit of light-hearted humour in these difficult times .
I hope you enjoy these pieces and can see the funny side of them.

So we're into our 6th month of defeating COVID-19. These words made me laugh, but there's a lot of truth mixed in to consider. . .

1. So let me get this straight, there's no cure for a virus that can be killed by sanitizer and hand soap?
2. Is it too early to put up the Christmas tree yet? I have run out of things to do.
3. When this virus thing is over, I still want some of you to stay away from me.
4. If these last months have taught us anything, it's that stupidity travels faster than any virus on the planet.
5. Just wait a second – so what you're telling me is that my chance of surviving all this is directly linked to the common sense of others?!?!?!?
6. If you believe all this will end and we will get back to normal just because we re-open everything, raise your hand. Now slap yourself with it.
7. Another Saturday night in the house and I just realized the trash goes out more than me.
8. Whoever decided a liquor store is more essential than a hair salon is obviously a bald-headed alcoholic.
9. Remember when you were little and all your underwear had the days of the week on them. Those would be helpful right now.
10. The spread of Covid-19 is based on two factors;
 1. How dense the population is and
 2. How dense the population is.
11. Remember all those times when you wished the weekend would last forever? Well, wish granted. Happy now?
12. It may take a village to raise a child, but I swear it's going to take a whole vineyard to home School one.
13. Did a big load of pyjamas today so I would have enough clean work clothes for this week.