



Bob Mcfarland
Club President 2018 – 2019



Meeting No. 1952 Thursday 12th July 2018

This was our first Club Assembly for the 2018-19 Rotary Year. Guests Isobel McGarry and Bev Murch joined us and were welcomed by President Bob.

Treasurer Alan Mullins advised members that at the club's next Board Meeting which is to be held Thursday 19th July, he intends to recommend that our subs remain at the present \$200 p.a. He also asked for feedback from the market volunteers on how often they prefer to have travel monies paid to them. General consensus supported payment being made on an annual basis. The importance of every volunteer filling out a time sheet for each shift was emphasised.

Ian Moffatt explained to members that District 9520 has a Bullying and Harassment Policy which will be formally adopted by the Board. Harassment is any improper conduct by an individual that is directed at and offensive to another person or persons and which the individual knew, or ought reasonably to know, would cause offence or harm. Sexual Harassment is any unwanted or unwelcome behaviour of a sexual nature which makes a person feel offended, humiliated or intimidated. Ian explained that this policy was being brought to the attention of members because it is important that we are all aware of our individual responsibility and that District reporting guidelines are in place if required.

Brief respite from the serious considerations of managing the club was then provided by Ian Moffatt in his role as Sergeant. He steered us through an entertaining and moderately lucrative session which we all enjoyed and appreciated.

We then returned to matters of serious contemplation and comment, commencing with whether we should continue using McCracken's for our dinner meetings. President Bob outlined a proposal that he had received from the Men's Shed for us to use their facility as our permanent venue. Following discussion and at times insightful comments, it was put to a vote by President Bob, resulting in pretty much a clean sweep in favour of us remaining at McCracken Country Club.

We all then relaxed, with a furtive glance at our watches which showed the big hand progressing rapidly towards the six, only to be stirred again by PP Barrey Niven who wished to speak to us on the important subject of Risk Management, Compliance and Protection. Our club has always had a Risk Management Officer, a position that Barrey currently holds. In this role he wanted to raise awareness of risk management and reminded us that when organising events or projects, it is necessary to plan in advance. As has always been the case the process in place is before a club event can be held it is necessary for a Risk Assessment to be completed which must then receive the tick of approval from the District Officer. If running a program involving youth or vulnerable persons, we need to be aware of the District policy and comply accordingly. Advice is readily available from the relevant District Committee members.

Finally, those members attending the meeting were given the opportunity by President Bob to vote on whether our singing of the National Anthem at the conclusion of meetings should be discontinued, and the majority vote favoured continuing with this tradition.

The meeting was closed by President Bob a little later than scheduled, with a rousing rendition of **Advance Australia Fair**.

CLUB NEWS

International

After an absence of some years, Rotary District 9520 has reintroduced its previously successful [Group Study Exchange Program](#). Our club has been involved both with sending participants overseas and hosting visiting teams. As Chairman of the GSE Past DG Bruce Richardson is calling for expressions of interest from Rotarians who would like to be a part of the District committee and contribute to the process. You are asked to contact Bruce direct email: bruce-richardson@bigpond.com or Mobile: 0418 839 082. Applications close at the end of this month. This will be a good program for our club to be involved with in the future.

Tree-Planting



Time to test those knees! Brian Rodan is organising another tree-planting at Kent Reserve to be held on Thursday 26th July at 10.00am. Bring with you items such as gardening gloves, knee pads, warm clothing, trowel, bottle of water. After contributing to caring for our local environment, that evening you can relax at our club Fellowship meeting being held at the Grosvenor Hotel. All enquiries to Brian Rodan.

Fundraising Sausage Sizzle

President Bob has again gathered together the special breed of sausage sizzlers from our club to work at the new Victor Harbor Bunnings store on Saturday 8th September, our first of hopefully many at this location.

Special Picnic for Local Families

As reported in our last newsletter, it is planned to hold a picnic for 50 local families in November 2018. Under the leadership of President Bob, members helping with the initial organisation are Ken Carter, Phil Beckett and Barrey Niven. Bob is keen to hear any suggestions members may have to help make it a very successful event.

Fellow Club Rotarian turns up the heat – our Rotarians make their mark at Farina.



Farina is located on the old Ghan railway, 26 km north of Lyndhurst in South Australia. The town is no longer inhabited, but a small group is restoring parts of Farina to reflect its past and ensure that it is retained in the history of Australia's outback. The global aim of their work is to attract increasing numbers of visitors to see the preserved town, to appreciate the history and to be a very significant attraction in the North Flinders Ranges area.

A working group from the Yorke Peninsular carried out structural renovations to the building. In May 2010, the Restoration Group Inc. reworked the oven and interior finishing. Baking was recommenced after approximately 80 years of inactivity under the control of Martin MacLennan, President of the Australian Bakery Association.



Rotarian Ian Riches and past member Martin MacLennan have made a significant contribution to this project working in the popular bakery. *(Article courtesy of Deidre Hughes)*



Rosters are no longer required for our fellowship meeting on Thursday 26th July, hence they have been changed. Please check (p.3) for your new date.

PROGRAM 19th July – 9th August incl.

Partners & guests very welcome

For catering & attendance purposes if you will be an apology or are bringing guests you must advise
Fleurieu Crash Repairs 8552-4833 no later than 12 noon on the day of the meeting.

MEETING NO.	1953	1954	1955	1956
DATE	THURSDAY July 19 th	THURSDAY July 26 th	THURSDAY August 2 nd	THURSDAY August 9 th
Guest Speaker	Mark Rose Proprietor Rose Herbs & Honey Long-standing stall- holder Goolwa & Port Elliot Markets	Fellowship Evening	Vic Dowling	Committee Meetings
Topic	Mark will speak about working successfully with bees	Build your own meal	Going feral at 50	
Chair	Madeleine Jenkins	Peter Francis	Brenton Abbott	Bob Mcfarland
Meet & Greet	Deidre Hughes Madeleine Jenkins		Mike Kelly Alan Kluske	Peter Manuel Ian Moffatt
Opening the Meeting	Alan Kluske		Peter Manuel	Des Schirmer
Raffle	Deidre Hughes		Madeleine Jenkins	Mike Kelly
Location	McCracken Country Club 6.30 for 7.00pm \$22 pp	Grosvenor Hotel 6.30 for 7.00pm Cost TBA	McCracken Country Club 6.30 for 7.00pm \$22 pp	McCracken Country Club 6.30 for 7.00pm \$22 pp

If you can't meet your Roster commitment, it is up to you to find a replacement.

Chairing a Meeting – helpful notes on club website

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