



**Bob Mcfarland**  
Club President 2018 – 2019



**Meeting No. 1951 Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> 2018**

Ken Buckley (chairperson) welcomed all and especially Dr John Hughes (guest) and Leanne Symonds (Speaker). Madeleine Jenkins proposed a toast to the Rotary Club of Wellington, providing information on their activities. This is the pattern for future people rostered for the invocation.

Ken Buckley advised that there had been a polio outbreak in Papua, New Guinea, and that the poliovirus was 'returning' later in life to early polio victims. The polio program began in 1979.

Ian Moffatt provided an entertaining "fines session" with his own presentations as an extension of the changeover dinner.

Leanne Symonds, early Intervention Family Social Worker City for Victor Harbor, gave a passionate presentation on her work across the Fleurieu. Three social workers have responsibility for a population of 15,000 each. While there are 1056 2-person families with children in Victor Harbor, there are 570 single parent families. The area covered extends from Cape Jervis to Langhorne Creek and north to Mt Compass.

An early intervention program looks to make children (a) safe (b) connected and free from harm. Some problems are inter-generational needing special efforts to establish good diet and appropriate role modelling. Many ignore warnings about the dangers of smoking during pregnancy and have poor housekeeping habits.

The social workers rely heavily on statistics provided by the ABS and the early childhood tracking for 5.5 - 6.5 year olds. These provide a measure of trends (a) physical (b) social competence (c) emotional intelligence (d) language and cognitive skills, and (e) Communication and general knowledge. For example 11.5% of children are vulnerable in 2 or more of these areas. 4.7% have a significant disability.

The ABS data provides information relating to unemployment, poverty and comparison with other government areas. We lie in the 24<sup>th</sup> percentile across SA.

Anecdotally key problems appear to be lack of breakfasts for children, increased family complexity (typified by squalor, filth, many animals, social isolation, sub standard housing and homelessness), mental health issues, and an increase in drugs and alcohol abuse. There is a need to bring together good people to support troubled people – a collective impact plan (teaching by infusion).

## CLUB NEWS

### Community Service

Ken Carter conveyed thanks to those club members involved in the production of birthing kits, and talked about planned changes to the Christmas Pageant on December the 8<sup>th</sup>. Shortly before the pageant there will be a fun run of people dressed in Father Christmas costumes for the full length of the route. The pageant proper will begin at 4.00 pm, and the Carols following will be held in the Grosvenor Gardens. Coral Street will be lined with market stalls.

### From President Bob

Bob McFarland ended the evening announcing a plan to hold a picnic for 50 families as part of a whole community approach in November 2018. The idea was well received.



### Club Assembly



Our meeting next week will be a Club Assembly, our first for our new Rotary Year 2018-19 (see program on page 3).

This is an important meeting for our club. Members have the opportunity to put forward ideas and possible projects for discussion. It is when teamwork comes to the fore.

It is also when you can raise any club matters which may be of concern to you,

### Fellowship Evening

We all enjoy what we call a “fellowship” evening, when there is no Guest Speaker, but instead more time to enjoy the friendship and mateship of our fellow club members, and to discuss club happenings and future plans.

Our first such meeting is scheduled for Thursday July 26<sup>th</sup> to be held at the Grosvenor Hotel (see program on page 3).

### Community Markets

After this weekend, (7/8<sup>th</sup> July) our next markets will be held on 15<sup>th</sup> July at Goolwa, with Bob McFarland, Alan Mullins, Bruce Brocklebank and Barrey Niven, and on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> July at Port Elliot with Peter Manuel, Madeleine Jenkins, Bob Hall and Glen Goldsack.

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**Newsletter Editor – Marilyn Shaw**

*(With thanks to Peter Manuel for his excellent notes)*

## PROGRAM 12<sup>th</sup> July – 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.	1952	1953	1954	1955
DATE	THURSDAY July 12th	THURSDAY July 19 <sup>th</sup>	THURSDAY July 26th	THURSDAY August 2nd
Guest Speaker	Club Assembly	<b>Mark Rose</b> Proprietor Rose Herbs & Honey Long-standing stall- holder Goolwa & Port Elliot Markets	<b>Fellowship Evening</b>	<b>Vic Dowling</b>
Topic		Mark will speak about working successfully with bees	Build your own meal	Going feral at 50
Chair	Bob McFarland	Madeleine Jenkins	Peter Francis	Brenton Abbott
Meet & Greet	Bob Hall John Haynes	Deidre Hughes Madeleine Jenkins	Mike Kelly Alan Kluske	Peter Manuel Ian Moffatt
Invocation & Toast	Mike Kelly	Alan Kluske	Marilyn Shaw	Peter Manuel
Raffle	John Haynes	Deidre Hughes	Madeleine Jenkins	Mike Kelly
Location	McCracken Country Club 6.30 for 7.00pm \$22 pp	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

**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