



Bob Mcfarland
Club President 2018 - 2019



Meeting No. 1971
Thursday 22nd November 2018

The meeting was opened by **Phil Beckett** who acknowledged and proposed a Toast to the Rotary Club of Stratford upon Avon which he fondly remembers having attended a meeting while visiting the area. The club currently has 70 members and together with other fund-raising and community activities, organises a very successful and popular annual Rotary Shakespeare Marathon and half marathon which raises money for charity.

President Bob welcomed members present and Guest Speaker, Grant Gartrell before introducing the chairman for the meeting, Ken Buckley.

Sergeant Ian Moffatt methodically and efficiently and a little mercilessly drew coins from members' pockets, hitting a gold-mine with the recently acquired and excellent club T-Shirt. The simple question, "who has ordered the wrong size", followed later by "who has not yet tried on their T-Shirt", brought the sound of coins steadily dropping into the wooden box.

Chairman Ken then introduced Grant Gartrell to share his experience and knowledge as a blueberry farmer. Grant is the proprietor of The Blueberry Patch, a 4 Ha property located in Nangkita, Mount Compass.

The production of their blueberries is carried out in an environmentally responsible manner, and the produce sold to specialist shops in Adelaide and Interstate. For a certain time they also have pick-your-own available.

Grant showed not only a deep understanding of growing blueberries successfully as a commercial enterprise, but also his enthusiasm for his farm and the work he does.

The meeting concluded with the mandatory raffle draws: Beth Kennett scooped up the raffle prize which was donated by Colin Wormald, and the 200 Club prize went to Phil Beckett.

Club Diary Notes:

NOVEMBER

Thursday 29th

AGM and Club Assembly

The AGM is an important date for our club and the constitution requires that it is held before the end of December. Members will be asked to agree on who will be our official club leaders for the coming year, 2019/20.

Immediately following the AGM a Club Assembly will be held which is an opportunity for all members to raise any concerns they may have, or alternatively put forward suggestions for improving the running of our club. It is intended to take the opportunity to discuss the club's community markets, and in particular the Port Elliot Market. Alexandrina Council has confirmed in writing that we can cancel any market during the year and the Board has agreed that the PE Market not be run during the winter months due to the inclement weather conditions.

DECEMBER

Saturday 1st

RCEB Port Elliot Market

Sunday 2nd

RCEB Goolwa Market

Saturday 8th

Rotary Christmas Pageant Victor Harbor

Saturday 15th

RCEB Port Elliot Market

Sunday 16th

RCEB Goolwa Market

Thursday 20th

Club Christmas Dinner at McCracken Country Club

Thursday 27th

No Meeting

Saturday 29th

RCEB Port Elliot Market

Sunday 30th

RCEB Goolwa Market



PROGRAM 29th November to 20th December 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 **1600 hrs the day before (Wednesday)**.
 Remember also to advise of any dietary requirements.

MEETING NO. DATE	1972 THURSDAY November 29th	1973 THURSDAY December 6th	1974 THURSDAY December 13th	1975 THURSDAY December 20th
Guest Speakers	AGM CLUB ASSEMBLY	Penny Foster	Attendees from Health of the River	Club Christmas Meeting
Topic		Penny will speak about her experience on the One and All sailing ship.	Reporting back after participating in the Health of the River	
Chair	Alan Mullins / Bob McFarland	Barry Pryor	Madeleine Jenkins	TBA
Meet & Greet	Marilyn Shaw	Shirley Sunter David Virgin	Mary-anne Woodman Colin Wormald	Brenton Abbott Reg Arnold
Opening the Meeting	Bruce Brocklebank	Graham Brown	Ken Buckley	Ken Carter
Raffle	Brenton Abbott	Reg Arnold	Phil Beckett	Bruce Brocklebank Graham Brown Ken Buckley
Location	McCracken's Country Club 6.30pm for 7.00pm \$22 pp	McCracken's Country Club 6.30pm for 7.00pm \$22 pp	McCracken's Country Club 6.30pm for 7.00pm \$22 pp	McCracken's Country Club 6.30pm for 7.00pm \$30 pp

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

Chairing a Meeting – helpful notes available on club website

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