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2020/2021



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MEETING NUMBER 2085

Thursday 17th June 2021

Venue: The Grosvenor Hotel

**Breaking News:
Port Elliot Market for Saturday 19th June
has been cancelled –
please see photo from David Virgin.**



Our Chair for this meeting was Alan Mullins

President David:

- Welcomed members and guest speaker, Leann Symonds.
- Birthday Brian Roden 17th
Bob McFarland 22nd
- Attended a meeting with Alexandrina Council (Wharf Precinct developers) along with the Cittaslow representative. Discussion centred around the wharf precinct upgrade. Some matters discussed – paths need to be driveable, lighting, sleeper seats etc. Work is expected to start early 2022. There will be future opportunities to provide feedback.
- The putting in and out of the “market today” signs for the Port Elliot Market was discussed. There is a need for back-up & occasional work to assist Des.

Secretary Deidre: No report

Director's reports:

Vocational Service: Peter Francis

- The Victor Harbor High School Personal Learning Plan Mentors program on Friday Morning 18 June from 9-11.30 is organised. All attendees should have received information from Simon Harris.

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Community Service: Ken Carter - No report

- More Community Grants have been distributed this week to some very enthusiastic and appreciative group representatives.



Left to right:
Pt Elliot Foreshore
VH Regional Art Gallery
South Coast Environment

Youth Service: Colin Francis

- Bob McFarland has arranged for a RYDA activity for students on Kangaroo Island. The date: 2nd August 2021 – more information to follow.

Guest Speaker: Leann Edwards

Topic: Community Programs – Victor Harbor Council

Leann has been a long-term resident of Victor Harbor while also maintaining a farm in the mallee. As a social worker Leann has worked with vulnerable people and children. She is President and an Area Director of Zonta.

Leann acknowledged and thanked the Club for their ongoing support of the SCOTS (Southern Community Transport Scheme) vehicle. A number of members also drive for SCOTS and are committee members. Approximately 4,800 individuals have been assisted over this financial year – an amazing effort.

Club members have supported the VH Community Programs over the years: a Christmas lunch for children at Urimbirra was acknowledged.

Leann manages programs, including 15 staff, that strive to achieve a healthy, vibrant community. State and Federal Government funding is essential.

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- Their aims include Collaboration, Self Determination, Empowerment and shared experiences.
- A review has shown that our community is one of the 'oldest' in Australia. Demographically we are 10 years ahead of Adelaide. However, we also have a high number of young people with families.
- Covid has a significant impact on the Community Programs. The Council lost all but 4 of their drivers. However, in true community spirit, others who were unable to work in other areas because of Covid pitched in to assist.
- Programs described included:
 - Caring Neighbourhood – 43 volunteers
 - SCOTS – Medi-ride and Community Shopping Bus
 - Flourishing on the Fleurieu
 - Fleurieu Families

There are many undertakings involved in these Programs:

- High School Governing Council
- A Youth Development Officer
- A disability and inclusion plan
- First Nations people – reconciliation plan
- Carrickalinga house and the old School building – to name a few.

Leann identified some unmet needs:

- Public Transport – needs to be more affordable and frequency increased.
- Homelessness is an emerging issue.
- Health services – there are 2 palliative care nurses who work 9 to 4 over the whole of the Fleurieu. This is woefully inadequate.

Rotary Matters:

Peter Manuel has provided an update on activities for the book project in Haiti. Further to the good news yesterday, I attach a translation of the reviews of our Haiti Books. While we have handed over the project and its management to *Partners in Literacy Haiti*, funding has been secured from a sponsor to ensure their availability to all children. Le Nouvelliste is the premiere newspaper in Haiti. It is an honour for our books to be reviewed.

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For the Livres en Folie 3,000+ titles were entered for the bookfair sale by 9 Haitian publishing houses. C-3 Editions our publisher was one of those.

The two titles in the review were selected as the most culturally tied to Haiti. Milady, our Haitian literacy project coordinator, who is pictured and mentioned frequently in the text unfortunately is not captioned and PILH and the RCEB do not rate a mention. 10 books were selected on merit and we have two of them! All six were selected for the fair.

The Missions Committee of First Baptist Church in Greenville provided a large portion of the funding for the printing of the books.

What follows is the English translation (thanks Google) from the articles (in French).
We have made a world of a difference.

Some people don't like to read. They bluntly say reading is tiring. Too many pages. If boredom swallows you up in a yawn at too many pages, you better browse through very thin book pages, works known as booklets. This year, at the 27th editions of Livres en Folie, Madeleine Jenkins, the author of "A starry night in Anse-d'Hainaut" and Ken Carter, the author of "La hal-temps" brings within the reach of children apathetic to material with letters of the alphabet to decipher in the form of lines and drawings, albums that have only eleven pages to eat in a period of time. "A Starry Night in Anse-d'Hainaut" by Madeleine Jenkins translated and adapted into Haitian Creole by Milady Auguste is easy to read. The colour album is accompanied by beautiful illustrations by Vena Joseph.

Madeleine Jenkins is a retired professor. During her youth, she volunteered in Kenya. She supports projects and volunteers in education in Australia and other countries. Milady Auguste, who translated and adapted the text from L'Australienne, studied medicine at the University of Notre Dame in Haiti. She is the author of the novel "Waiting for the end of the cave". Illustrator Vena Joseph does public health research on malaria.

The second short-text album, "Halftime," by Australian author Ken Carter, further translated and adapted by Milady Auguste and accompanied by the illustration by Gary Bathol puts football forward. This king sport in Haiti is very popular with children, especially boys.

These two books which take part in Livres en Folie are the result of "A collaboration of Rotary International and clubs from Australia, the United States of America and Haiti has led to the development of this book which is part of a collection to encourage young readers to read in Creole. These books are distributed across the country, in Haiti, whether to libraries, schools or

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PROGRAM - Rotary Club of Encounter Bay

Partners and guests very welcome

For catering and/or 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, when food is available, to advise of any dietary requirements.

Date	24 June 2021	1 July 2021	8 July 2021	15 July 2021
Meeting No:	2086	2087	2088	2089
Guest Speaker	Changeover	Club Assembly		Market Meeting
Topic			Committee Meetings	Markets
Chair		President Ken Carter		TBA
Raffle	Brenton Abbott Ken Carter Cherilyn Fleming Alan Kluske Colin Wormald	NA	NA	NA
Location	Port Elliot Bowling Club	Grosvenor Hotel Order from the menu	Directors to meet with committee at a day/time to suit	Grosvenor Hotel Order from the menu

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