



## Rotary Club of Southern Districts

### Agenda of Board Meeting Held Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May At Gosnells Golf Club

- 1 **MEETING OPENED:** 7.15pm
- 2 **PRESENT:** Phil Cordery, Michelle Kerr, Patrick Bartlett, Murray Thorpe, John Stockbridge, Stephen Anthony, Naomi Green
- 3 Apologies : None
4. Meeting minutes from the previous meeting read and approved by Phil Cordery and seconded by John Stockbridge
5. **PRESIDENTS REPORT:** all members had received a copy via email prior to meeting and a copy is attached to minutes. Nothing arising
6. **CLUB SERVICES REPORT** Patrick Bartlett – All members have received a copy via email prior to meeting and a copy is attached to minutes  
  
We have some homeless people sitting outside the gates and ask John Rechichi to follow up with the shopping centre, secretary to send an email to John  
  
Patrick as asked Craig and Susan Howlett, Naomi Green, Michelle Gibson and Carlton D'Souza to form a sub committee for projects for the club and growth for the next Rotary year and reaching out to all club members for thoughts
7. **SECRETARY REPORT:** Michelle Kerr – nothing to report
8. **TREASURERS REPORT:** Naomi Green – All members have received a copy via email prior to meeting and a copy is attached to minutes

Motion moved by treasurer Naomi Green to add incoming President and incoming treasurer as signatories to the bank accounts of the Rotary club of southern districts and remove the outgoing treasurer and president.

Moved by John Stockbridge and seconded by Murray Thorpe

- 9. COMMUNITY REPORT:** Stephen Anthony – no report received prior to meeting – copy attached to the minutes. Secretary read copy of report to all board members

As of 2022/23 Community Grants will be responsible for approving and declining by the Community Committee only with no input from the board

The community committee will speak to Ric McDonald prior to community grant applications being advertised regarding the receipt of the paperwork as some of the forms were not received or only in part which caused some issues for the Community Committee when assessing

- 10. INTERNATIONAL REPORT:** Robert Da Prato – All members have received a copy via email prior to meeting and a copy is attached to minutes

Potential projects sending goods overseas has been impacted by cost of shipping and containers.

- 11. VOCATIONAL REPORT:** John Stockbridge - nothing to report. All monies allocated have been distributed

- 12. YOUTH REPORT:** Murray Thorpe – All members have received a copy via email prior to meeting and a copy is attached to minutes

Murray has proposed that the committees especially Youth and Community work together moving forward as there are many joint projects that can be funded in conjunction with each other. This can be discussed at the next board meeting when the incoming Directors will be present as well

- 13. MEMBERSHIP:** John Stockbridge. New member Malcolm will be joining the club, possibly on change over night Phil will organise induction.

**14. GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Decision is required by the board in regard to the two paintings donated by Perth lawyer Henry Sklarz

The paintings are being housed at John Stockbridge's home.

It was discussed that we can auction the pictures and sell tickets or we can organise a function with the Interact club and raise money. John will bring the paintings to the meeting and we can ask the club for ideas as well.

Consider any end of year donations

A motion for the club to make an end of year donation to ROMAC of \$1000 was carried unanimously by the board

Community Grants – feedback form members of the community committee regarding awardees of grants. The board to decide if next year a Community Grants Committee or the Community committee with no input from the board have the final say on who is approved – Covered during Community discussion

ROMAC – copy of letter emailed to all board members – donation made as per above

Change to subscription rates for RDU – this will be included in the next subscription fees by the incoming board

Change of bank signatories for incoming board - as per motion under Treasurer report

Anita Diep has requested a leave of absence until the 28<sup>th</sup> June and this was approved by the board

**15. MEETING CLOSED:**

Meeting closed 7.53pm

Next Meeting 21<sup>st</sup> June with incoming board members Rob Pannell, Andy Hopper and Michelle Gibson to be invited and in attendance

# CLUB SERVICE REPORT

29/05/2022

## Bring and buy

- COVID no longer seems to have a major impact on Sunday markets and, so far, rain has had a limited impact. Reasonable amounts of money are being collected compared to previous years.
- John Rechichi's has good communication with the Maddington shopping centre and the people who clean the bins and parking area after the markets. No problems have been reported with facilities or behaviour.
- Andy Hopper's weekly work in helping with the market and collecting money remains invaluable.
- We are starting to see homeless people soliciting at the gate. Not sure whether we should or can respond to this?

## Weekly Club and Sergeant duties

- Several Club members have had COVID and organising weekly duties has been impacted by this. Fortunately, all Club members have recovered well.
- Money collected from fines at the weekly meetings is in line with expectations. Fines mistresses and masters are often innovative in collecting fines.

## Club program

- Craig Howlett has been assiduous in filling the Club program with interesting speakers.
- A group of Club members is looking at how, during at least the next 2 years, we can ensure that we retain our existing members, attract new members, and engage in projects that are relevant to the community and Club members.

## Chase the joker and Heads and Tails

- These activities continue to be entertaining. The jackpot has now been won three times.

## Club newsletter

- The Club newsletter, produced by Susan Howlett, together with the Club website remains the most important way of keeping members informed about club and members activities

Patrick Bartlett

Club Service

29 /05/2022

## Community Services Report

The Community Service Grant for 2022 went well. I think it was a great success with all the awardees were very deserving and gave a great presentation of what their organisation was about and how the Grant assists them. They all showed their appreciation for receiving the Grant and It certainly made me feel proud to be part of Rotary giving back to the community.

I think it would be better for the grant applications to go direct to the Community Director as soon as they are submitted. I know there was a glitch in our website so maybe the process will be go smoother next year.

With being so pre-occupied with the grant application over the last two months we have not done as much in regards to the non grant funding. We agreed to go with Buddy Benches and intend to partner with Youth Committee in this project. There is still one month of the year and I hope to get this sorted before 30 June2022.

Stephen Anthony

31 May 2022

## International report

### Supply of 20 sewing machines to a refugee camp in UGANDA

The camp at present does not have an indoor place to house these machines, nor they have electricity as most modern sewing machines today are electric

Options, we have a donor, a 20 ft container ¾ full of school material that the refugee camp could use, and after the container is empty it could be used to house the sewing machines, solar panels could be supplied to turn on electricity

Difficulties, shipping companies all over the world are experiencing containers movements because of covid 19, even the most popular and profitable destination are having supply problem, unpopular destination like UGANDA are places at the back of the queue ( very difficult to find a shipping company to deliver )

It's not that we are losing appetite for this project we have to be realistic delivery is going to be difficult

### With the rural medical Centre in NEPAL

I have made it clear with dr suman at present we don't need architectural drawing for the moment we need the questions I have raised any rotary organization before considering any funding arrangement will be seeking answer to the same questions, all we need is a list of priorities for their rural medical centre on contacting some steel construction companies I know in china there is the possibility that to grab the supply contract sometimes they will give us engineering drawings for free , awaiting a response from Dr suman

### Shelter box and what are we doing in UKRAINE

We have a guest speaker " jan Teasdale from rotary club of s perth " coming to speak to our club on july 5 th so we are better informed on what is being done by shelter box and what rotary is doing in UKRAINE, we have heard from john Stockbridge and what RAWCS has so far done, in meantime here is a newsletter from shelter box on what is ongoing at the moment, copy included

Robert da prato

Looking forward to presenting to Southern Rivers Rotary Club on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July.

You spoke in an earlier conversation in reference to one of your members who was interested in "How Shelterbox was assisting in Ukraine" I have spoken with Kieryn and I am able to send the latest "Ukraine Disaster Update". Listed below FYI

**Ukraine news:** We have had a great response to our Ukraine campaign so thank you to everyone who has been sharing the news that we are supporting those fleeing the war in Ukraine. **What ShelterBox is doing**

**ShelterBox is supporting people affected by the war in Ukraine.**

Throughout February, March and April our teams were in Moldova, Poland and western Ukraine establishing our response. We are coordinating with trusted partners and other organisations to ensure we help as many people as possible.

**Ukraine Projects:** We are working on three projects - two in Ukraine and one supporting those fleeing the country.

1) **We are providing thousands of mattresses to collective centres in Lviv, Ukraine.** Working with People in Need, we began distributions in March and the delivery of mattresses is continuing throughout April and into May. Collective centres are places where people are seeking shelter and safety. The mattresses will help people sleep at night and get much needed rest during the day.

2) **Distributions of thousands of shelter kits and other essential items to help people in Ukraine survive in damaged buildings are continuing, with the help of our partner Relief Aid.** The kits contain tarpaulins, tools and rope, thermal blankets, solar lights, buckets and water carriers as well as hygiene items like soap, washing powder and toothpaste.



3) We are supporting thousands of refugees in Moldova with high priority items they can carry with them. This includes individual hygiene kits with items like toothpaste, soap, and sanitary products. To help people crossing the border to meet their basic needs, including emergency shelter and non-food items, we're also providing cash assistance. We are working with our partner ACTED on this project, after our team visited collective centres and conducted needs assessments at a reception centre near the Ukraine border. Our teams continue to coordinate with government representatives, other humanitarian organisations and Rotary on our current projects and to plan future phases of our response to this crisis. **From Kiernan**

Kind regards

Jan

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Robert da prato

## Youth

As we come to the end of this Rotary year, with all of our funded projects, our committee has little to report on.

In saying this, I would like to mention the following:

- Rypen. The final camp for the year, saw our committee sponsor to participants from Harrisdale High. Unfortunately, one was unable to attend due to Covid and the other had a panic attack and wouldn't go.  
Kero has advised that the student who was unable to attend due to Covid will get a free spot at the next Camp.
- We've had a recent request from Providence College to fund two participants at the Santos Science Forum, later in the year. They will be discussed at our next committee meeting, as well as promoting the program to other schools.
- Our next Youth meeting will be held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June, at 8.00 pm, to discuss the new year and moving forward