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February is Rotary's Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Month

Tonight; David Kwasha, Global Career in Pharmaceuticals and ICU Nursing Specialist

Introduction: Jo Jones

Vote of Thanks: Rob Powell

Future Programs:

8 Feb; TBA

Introduction: Rhondda Purtell

Vote of Thanks: Glenn Rowen

15 Feb; TBA

22 Feb; TBA

March is Rotary's Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Month

April is Rotary's Maternal and Child Health Month

May is Rotary's Youth Service Month

June is Rotary's Rotary Fellowships Month

Club's Calendar

11, 12 Feb	Fri-Sat	MHE Rural Van
13 Feb	Sun	Bunnings' BBQ
23 Feb		Rotary's Anniversary
8 Mar	Tues	International Women's Day
13 Mar	Sat	Bunnings' BBQ
18-20 Mar		District Conference, Temora
5 Apr	Tues	Area Governor's Visit
4-8 June 2022		RI Convention, Houston, Texas
27-31 June 2023		RI Convention, Melbourne

PLEASE NOTIFY apologies and guests to Ed Zonneveldt on 0407 958 516, edzonneveldt1@optusnet.com.au by NOON on Monday.

If your attendance is in doubt, please apologise and if you turn up, the caterer will not mind extras.

Birthdays: 1 Feb; Phil Brown and John Corrin.

Anniversaries: 1 Feb; Sarah and Tim Trescowthick.



PAKISTAN – POLIO FREE FOR 12 MONTHS

January 27, 2022 was a red-letter day for Pakistan – Polio free for 12 months!

The welcome good news continues in the wake of ongoing successful vaccination campaigns in that country and neighbouring Afghanistan.

25 January 2022 meeting;

President Tony Fondacaro welcomed members, Geoff Johns and Jenny Cantrill.

Secretary Beck Cameron read a thank you card from Shirley Coleman OAM as a recipient of the Max Bayliss Award, and a thank you letter from Milton Public School for our donation towards their annual presentation day, with special thanks to Rotarian Louise Garrett for her attendance.

Ian Tibbles reported that the Bunnings BBQ raised \$387. In addition, he is looking for some volunteers to assist with the installation of shelving and a clean up of the storage shed - please contact Ian directly.

Ian reminded members that the Mens Health Van will be visiting the grounds of the Civic Centre from 10-12 February and 6 helpers will be required for the Saturday (2 sessions morning and afternoon) and Sunday (one session in the morning).

John Payne requested a donation be made to the Rotary Club of Tonga, members in attendance agreed - John has sent a letter and we await news.

Leonie Corrin-Smith advised that the BOF Parade has been cancelled due to COVID issues.

Advised the Committee is working on a smaller scale event with stalls, music and food vans on the grounds of the Civic Centre for Easter Sunday.

Ross Wade addressed the meeting and advised that the Suicide Prevention Officer has counselled 50 people in the last 6 months, and is funded to the end of 2022.

More funding will be required for her to continue her work in 2023.

\$430 from the Community Chest was given to a recipient pre-Christmas in order for them to secure accommodation.

Ross also made a suggestion following some research into a Rotary Club in England who meet on Tuesdays. The club has their formal dinner meetings twice a month on the 2nd and fourth Tuesdays. The remaining meetings on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays are short, informal breakfast meetings in a variety of locations.

Ross has asked members to consider this idea going forward - the informal meetings could be held across the area to assist local businesses, and can be held outdoor cafes to alleviate concerns re COVID.

Brian Morrison wished to commend **Peter Hodges**, **Tim Trescowthick** and **Emile Jansen** on the very well prepared and thought-provoking Environmental Newsletter, and encouraged members to take a look at it.

Bill Harris reported that he visited **Maisie Bennett** last Friday, and she wished to pass on her regards to all. She particularly wished to be known to members **Phil Brown**, **Wayne Fry** and **Dale Wilford**.

President Tony concluded that the Club has been approached to run the bar for several upcoming events at the **Dunn Lewis Centre**, including a **Beyond Blue 4WD Club** in March and another event in April 2022.

The **BBQ Dinner** was very well received by members, with all expressing their appreciation for the delicious food and lovely location on the western end of the verandah. It was so well received that **President Tony** has organised for our next meeting to be in the same location.



Thank you, PE-Secretary Beck Cameron, for the meeting's report and the photos.

End of Report