





# BULLETIN

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**NOTICE**: Please notify guests and apologies to **Louise Garrett** on 0432.091.991 or <u>loumgarr@optusnet.com.au</u> lif you do not notify, we still have to pay for the dinner(s) wasted and *you will get an invoice for the costs* 

### December is Rotary's Disease Prevention and Treatment month



President Bernard Jones opened the event at 6:30pm with a recitation of acknowledgement of Connections to Country by First Nations Peoples.

Each table was asked to name guests present, and **Robin Cantrill** introduced his wife Jenny and sister in law Meryl; **Tony Fondacaro** introduced his wife Debra and **Phil Brown's** wife, Rose. Across the room, **Dom Fondacaro** introduced his wife Liz; and on my table, our guest speaker **Noel Trevaskis** was introduced.

Introductions completed and welcomes delivered, the President asked Bill Harris

to deliver the Rotary Toast. The International Toast was proposed by **Emile Jansen** who named and honoured the brave people of the Ukraine in defending their country against the unprovoked aggression brought to them.

Bernie spoke about **Tim Trescowthick's** rushed visit to Albury to see his sick mother; and that he spent some quality time with her before she passed a day or two later, while he was there.

REPORTS					
secretary	Phil	not a lot to report: emails from Jeff Johns re BBQ, District re minutes of meeting; District again re floods			
youth	Louise	working with 4 schools ATM. Louise also spoke about the Blessing of the Fleet Ball and that <b>Bec Cameron, Bev</b> <b>Nicholas</b> and <b>Leonie Smith</b> and Maisie are all contributing happily and fully engaged. There are 33 Princesses this year.			
vocation	Yvonne	<b>Ed Zonneveldt</b> (for Evie): the Marine Rescue workplace visit was a success. We learned about how it is structured and operates. <b>Bernie</b> added that MR might need a hand acquiring hands-free headsets and he's working on that.			
Community	lan	one Yurana working bee went off very successfully; - there are two left, each being a paint job on a cubby house			
international	Tim	The film night is on track to happen in lieu of the dinner meeting next Tuesday. Tickets can be purchased on the night at the cinema kiosk, or online at <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/CEFNU">https://www.trybooking.com/CEFNU</a> The raffle was launched at \$5 per ticket or 3 for \$10 for seven prizes ranging from cinema tickets to Gwylo and Bannisters dinners.			
almoner	Bill	<b>Clive Cross</b> is alive and well, and present at this meeting (!). <b>Maisie Bennett</b> is very well and in good spirits, after being quite unwell last week.			





**Robin Cantrill's** 90<sup>th</sup> birthday was celebrated with a lusty rendition of Happy Birthday and the cutting of a large and SOLID mud cake. Robin and Jenny also skited shamelessly about their Bridge climb which they completed for his and the Bridge's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.



### **GUEST SPEAKER**



Our guest speaker was **Noel Trevaskis**, president of the Rotary Club of Merimbula and past Director of Rotary International. As a director of RI he travelled a lot to attend meetings, and remarked that when he went to the Canary Islands he was disappointed to find no canaries. His next stop was the Virgin Islands and he was again disappointed to find ... no canaries there, either. His **RI board meetings** had agendas which typically ran to *over 600 pages* and the board meetings themselves *took five solid days* from 7am to 10pm and later, utilising interpreters for the seven or more languages present. For some reason he was quite glad when his two-year stint was at an end.

Noel then moved on to the topic of the movement to **Regionalisation** underway at present. He explained how it will allow each club to operate in the way it thinks best, allowing for their unique ethnic and cultural differences, and not being obliged to conform to the American model established in the early 1900s. We are in one of only two zones being used as a testing ground for Regionalisation (the other being the UK and Ireland). It's called a trial period but, like it or not, it becomes permanent on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2025. It will do away with the middle level of governance in Rotary – there will be no more districts and no district governors etc – which cost the membership \$15m US every year. Clubs will report directly to RI through the Australian office. He sees the membership of Europe, and the Americas declining as their increasing ages cause inevitable attrition, Asia fairly static and India and Africa growing rapidly with younger people moving to service.

He then spoke about membership and values; how people join Rotary to "give back" and "do good" but are put off fairly quickly by the cliques which develop naturally in every Club he knows about: there's groups of golfers, football followers, car nuts and so on, and many new members don't fit that mould and leave. He says many, if not most, long-time members have forgotten how Clubs should function as inclusive and safe places to meet and work, and bemoans the decline in the use of Club Assemblies as a way for the membership to push ideas up to the Boards. It's the members who should decide how a Club goes forward, not the Board. Members should also decide how many members they want in a Club.

According to Noel, RI says Rotary is inclusive, but he disagrees. He thinks our communities are diverse and Clubs do not recognise or reflect that. For example, how many Asians / First Nations / LGBTIQ+ / differently-abled people are members of Rotary Clubs? Very few.

The vote of thanks was offered by Grant Schultz.

# CLUB DIARY

DATE	<b>EVENT</b> (*working event)	TIME AND PLACE		
03Dec22	*working bee at Yurana	9am 9 Curtis St, Ulladulla: paint cubby house: 4ppl		
05Dec22	Board meeting	the Hub, Milton. 6pm sharp.		
06Dec22	ROTARY FILM NIGHT	Arcadia Twin, 6pm. Get tickets online here or at the cinema		
13Dec22	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	DLC @6:30 pm. BBQ on the deck.		
20Dec22	CHRISTMAS DINNER - partners night	DLC @6:30 pm.		
09Jan23	Board meeting	the Hub, Milton. 6pm sharp.		
17Jan23	dinner meeting	DLC @ 6:30 pm Guest speaker Adam Jeffers of StoryFest.		

**DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS ...** 

and

... ANNIVERSARIES

members		partners		anniversaries	
Peter Hodges	22 <sup>nd</sup>			Rob and Jenny Cantrill	13 <sup>th</sup>
Peter Hughes	23 <sup>rd</sup>			Emile Jansen and Shelagh Atkinson	22 <sup>nd</sup>

# **FILM NIGHT**

## Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 6:60pm at the Arcadia Cinema, Ulladulla.

LOST for over 500 years, the remains of **King Richard III** are discovered beneath a car park in Leicester. This stranger than fiction true story forms the basis of Stephen Frears' (Victoria & Abdul) latest work, following an amateur historian played by **Sally Hawkins**, (Maudie, Made in Dagenham) as she battles bureaucracy in an epic quest to locate the final resting place of the infamous King Richard III.

The search is executed by Philippa Langley (Hawkins), whose never-ending research meets with confusion by her friends and with ridicule by her peers. Hawkins, alongside co-star **Steve Coogan** (Philomena, BFF13) brings a life-affirming story to the screen of a woman who forced academics and scholars to rethink everything they knew about one of the most controversial Kings in British history.



With a script co-written by Coogan and Jeff Pope (Philomena, BFF13), they once again team up with Frears and craft a story displaying a tension between past and present. Hawkins acts as the nerve centre of this incredible story, depicting a woman who fights ferociously to redeem Richard's legacy whilst simultaneously working to change others' misconception of her. A riveting piece that will delight film and history buffs alike. **USE QR CODE ABOVE TO BUY** 

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