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**February is Rotary's Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Month**

**Tonight; High Commissioner of Pakistan to the Commonwealth of Australia His Excellency Mr Zahid Hafeez Chaudhri.**

*\$35 per person, for members, family, friends and the night is open to community members.*

*Introduction: Tim Trescowthick*

*Vote of Thanks: President Ed Zonneveldt*

**FUTURE PROGRAMS:**

**18 Feb; TBA**

Introduction: Anne-Maree Kitchener

Vote of Thanks: Max Lake

**25 Feb; TBA**

Introduction: Phil McDonald

Vote of Thanks: John Payne

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

**4 Mar; Natalee Johnston, Defence career, Humanitarian Aid**

Introduction: Guy Porter

Vote of Thanks: Glenn Rowen

**11 Mar; Hamish East, from SCC; 'Illegal Dumping'**

Introduction: Craig Saunders

Vote of Thanks: Tim Trescowthick

**18 Mar; or 25 Mar; Bowling at the Mollymook**

Bowlo, TBC

**Club's Calendar**

**HALF YEARLY DUES are NOW Due.**

	<b>23 Feb</b>	<b>Rotary's Anniversary</b>
2 Mar	Sun	Cleanup Australia, 9 to 11:30am
7-9 Mar	Fri-Sun	Milton Show
8 Mar	Sat	Bunnings BBQ
14-15 Mar	Fri-Sat	MHERV
15 Mar	Sat	PETS
16 Mar	Sun	Bunnings BBQ
22 Mar	Sat	Fun Run
April		Bunnings Family Night, 4 to 6:00pm
	<b>10 April; Our Club's Anniversary</b>	
19 Apr	Sat	Bunnings BBQ
4 May	Sun	Bunnings BBQ
May	Tues	Netherlands Ambassador's visit
May		RYPEN Camp
1 June	Sun	Bunnings BBQ
11 June	Wed	SESCA
24 June	Tues	Club Changeover
5 July	Sat	Bunnings BBQ
3 Aug	Sun	Bunnings BBQ
6 Sep	Sat	Bunnings BBQ

**Birthdays;** 15 Feb; Liz Fondacaro, 16 Feb; John Hozack. **Anniversaries;** None this week.

**PLEASE NOTIFY apologies and guests to Louise Garrett 0432 091 991 [loumqarr@gmail.com](mailto:loumqarr@gmail.com) by NOON ON MONDAY.**

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

***If a member doesn't apologise and doesn't turn up, the club gets charged by the caterer and in turn the member(s) will be sent an invoice.***

***If a member nominated for a duty is unable to fulfil this function, or does not wish to do it, PLEASE arrange a replacement and let the Bulletin editor know.***

**Meeting's report; 4 February 2025**

President Ed Zonneveldt welcomed all the members and guests; Christine Steain, Diane Willett and Julie Porter. Fun Run worksheet schedule has been emailed to all members.

Tony Fondacaro gave the Club Service report.

Yvonne Young; working with Gayle Dunn re the schools' choirs.

Craig Saunders is organising a Bowling night at the Mollymook Bowlo.

RSA, members to go online and apply, club will cover 50% of the cost.

Craig Cameron will take lids to Canberra; lids need to be washed first before donating them.

2 March; Cleanup Australia 9 to 11:30am, club is registered with Treading Lightly under the name of Molly Makeover.

**Geoff Johns;** Bunnings has asked us when do we want to do the BBQs, we will take each month's first weekend.  
 Fun Run, all to help, please.  
 Pigeon House airplane crash, to erect a plaque at the entrance.

**Our Guest Speaker Julie Tyers** while on holiday in Africa she started 'Eyes for Africa' in Ethiopia. Julie goes to Ethiopia twice a year (self-funded), the only paid staff are the local ones. Julie, showed a Power Point Presentation via Teams, in March 2023 volunteers and a surgeon restored sight to 412 patients, the government gave them a room in a hospital. Eyes for Africa, Meki Eye Clinic opened on 15 November 2024. Patients come from 3 districts (Dugda Meki, Zuway and Dugda Bora), and the clinic screens 100 patients per week, since its opening. Equipment was needed and our club donated a Tonometer, the Fred Hollows organisation donated some equipment the clinic received donated glasses. As to future plans, the clinic needs a digital health record software, Eyeconic apparatus for screening and to find the correct eyeglasses. The clinic now qualifies for a visiting Ophthalmologist, will start in 2026.



**Happy Birthday Phil Brown**

Raffle winner; Issa Shalhoub.

Luck door prize; Craig Saunders.



**Bernard Jones attended a makeup meeting at the Rotary Club of Galle, always an enjoyable experience to attend another club's Rotary meeting and especially an overseas one.**