



ROTARY CLUB OF BOX HILL



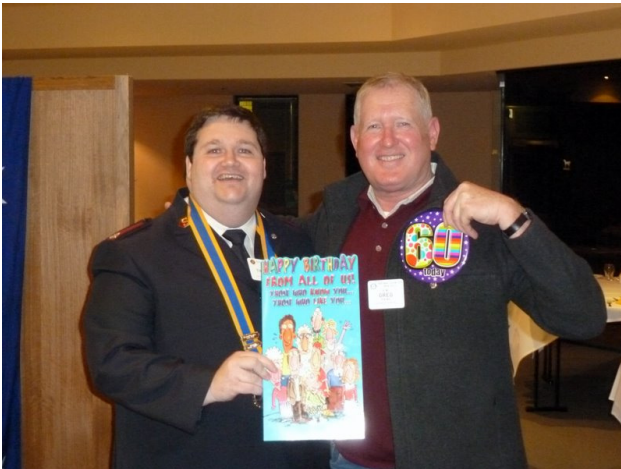
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

One man made a difference – that's not only the focus of the Christmas Story, but the present affirmation of our Club as we reflect on the life and Rotary service of **Rotarian Greg Paine!**



GREG PAINE, PHF
1951-2011

Passionate Rotarian
Past Treasurer
Art Show Director
Paul Harris Fellow

Called To Higher Service
Tuesday 13 December 2011

A friend to many...
Lost in a moment
Forever in our hearts

Our celebration of Christmas as a Club this year will, no doubt, be a much more sombre one, as we have experienced firsthand the *fragility of life* and *dysfunction of the world* to which Christ came.

I've been reflecting a lot during the past week on my favourite carol - *O Little Town Of Bethlelem* - written by Bishop Phillips Brooks, which strikes a deep chord once again in my own heart as I prepare to celebrate Christmas. I pray the words might encourage your heart, too!

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

How silently, how silently, the wondrous gift is given;
So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of His Heaven.
No ear may hear His coming, but in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive Him, still the dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray!
Cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels, the great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!

"Reach Within To Embrace Humanity" – yes, come to think of it, that's the **Christmas Message** in a nutshell! Dabak and I wish you all a very happy, holy and safe Christmas & New Year break.

Looking forward to seeing you all on Sunday 15 January 2012 at our Buxton Social!

Tim Lynn
PRESIDENT

Rotary Invocation

For Good Food, good fellowship, and the opportunity of Service through Rotary, we thank you O Lord.

Amen

REMINDER

This week's meeting (the last for the year) is the Christmas breakfast meeting, Tuesday 20th December, 7.00 AM for 7.30 AM.

LAST MEETING

The meeting was started by Bruce McKenzie with the Rotary Grace and Toast.

VALE GREG PAINE

Acting President Tom Thorpe then had devastating news for meeting. Art Show Director Greg Paine had been tragically killed that afternoon whilst travelling back from Swifts Creek on his motorcycle.

President Tim Lynn, President Elect Joe Mardjetko, PP David Tolstrup and Greg had represented our club at the Evolving Learning Swifts Creek Presentation Day. This program has been the major beneficiary of our 2011 Art Show.

Greg will be sorely missed. He was a great contributor to our club, including as Treasurer over several years, as well as being the incumbent Art Show Director. Not only that, he was also a great guy.

As a member of Greg's Art Show Committee, I really enjoyed working with Greg and will miss him dearly. He was a great leader of the Art Show, and was always appreciative of the efforts of his team.



Greg Paine at our 2011 Art Show

The following details of funeral arrangements have been received from Greg's family:

Date: WEDNESDAY 21 DECEMBER 2011

Time: 2.30PM

Venue: LE PINE FUNERAL CHAPEL - cnr Burke & Victoria Roads, Camberwell

Refreshments will be served onsite following the service

Afterwards, Rotarians are invited to share with the family at 4 Lennox St, Hawthorn

The funeral notice will state that, in lieu of flowers, donations are to be made in Greg's memory to the Rotary Club of Box Hill Charity Account.

Acting President Tom Thorpe welcomed guests to the meeting, including Robyn Smith (guest of Melissa Mardjetko) and Lee Gleeson (visiting Rotarian from the south coast of NSW).

Tom then handed the conduct of the meeting to Chairperson for the evening, Colin Johnson, who called for announcements.

SECRETARY - MICK MATTHEWS

Secretary Mick Matthews announced make ups.

BUXTON RETREAT Sunday 15 January - GEOFF ILES

Geoff Iles gave members suggestions for activities that they can participate in during the Buxton Retreat, including an introduction to croquet (by Clem Joyce), spa, trying the new shops which have opened up after the fire, sightseeing at Steavenson Falls after lunch, and tastings at a nearby winery. Golfers can start at 10 AM with nine holes at the Marysville Golf Course.

This should be a fun way to start the Rotary year.

(Also see the ad later in the bulletin).

**BREAKFAST MEETING Tuesday 20 December –
MELISSA MARDJETKO**

Melissa encouraged members to attend the last meeting for the year, which is the Breakfast Meeting on Tuesday 20 December, 7.00 AM for 7.30 AM.

The guest speaker will be Rev. Peter Welsh.

At this meeting, we were privileged to hear fine Man Behind The Badge presentations from two of our new members.

**MAN BEHIND THE BADGE 1 –
LYNDON SMITH**

Lyndon Smith said that the most important parts of his life have been his family and his work. He said that he is very pleased to have been invited to join Rotary, as this will give him the opportunity to look outside family and work.

Lyndon is married to Madeleine who is of Polish origin. Her family fled to France from Poland when she was about 6 during the Occupation. She was schooled in France, before migrating to Australia at 16. She speaks 4 languages.

Lyndon and Madeleine have 2 daughters, 3 sons, and 7 grandchildren.

Lyndon graduated from Caulfield Institute of Technology with a Diploma of Electrical Engineering, and worked for 10 years at an Electrical Research Laboratory.

During this time he was invited by friend who ran a Sydney based investigation company, to become a part time undercover investigator. Initially he worked in his main job during the day, and in another manual job in the night as an undercover investigator.

36 years ago Lyndon was recruited by Armaguard, and has worked there since. Armaguard used to be owned by Mayne Nickless but is now owned by Lindsay Fox.

Whilst at Armaguard, Lyndon returned to study, and graduated from Monash University with a degree majoring in Human Resources.

Lyndon's work at Armaguard has been in areas including OH&S, risk assessment, and legal compliance.

Lyndon works in Armaguard's National Corporate Office, which is at Essendon Fields (which was named by Lindsay Fox, and is now a new suburb. It is near Essendon Airport). Armaguard is a large company with 3500 employees.

Lyndon is looking forward to contributing to Rotary over the coming years.

**MAN BEHIND THE BADGE 2 –
RON KHOR**

Ron Khor was born in Malaysia, but his ancestors are from China. His father was born in China, and like many others, left to earn a better living for his family.

Ron said that Malaysia is a melting pot of cultures, foods and lifestyles (Malay, Chinese and Indian).

Ron said that many Malaysian Chinese go overseas for further studies, mainly to Australia. However Ron went to England to study for 7 years, before graduating in Accounting.

Ron migrated to Australia with his Malaysian born wife Siew, who is a nurse he met whilst in England. In the 1980's Australia was encouraging migrants from England. Siew is a SRN and midwife, and was the principal applicant as there was a shortage of nurses in Australia (but apparently too many accountants!) The Australian Government provided free air fares and free accommodation as the shortage of nurses was so severe.

Ron and Siew lived in Sydney for 10 years, where Ron worked as an accountant. They then moved to Melbourne, where Ron has worked for 20 years as an AMP Financial Planner.

Ron and Siew have two sons and a daughter.

In his spare time, Ron practices martial arts and Tai Chi. He also teaches Tai Chi. Tai Chi is a healing art which has been practiced by the Chinese for over 5000 years.

Ron offered to give us a Tai Chi session at a future meeting. This is an offer we should take up.



Colin Johnson thanks Lyndon and Ron for sharing their stories with us

SERGEANT'S SESSION – GEOFF ILES

Sergeant Geoff Iles then conducted another entertaining sergeant's session, including a fines session, "stones raffle", joke of the day and thought of the day.

IMPORTANT EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

Christmas Breakfast meeting (7.00 for 7.30am):	Tuesday 20 th December
Guest speaker: Rev. Peter Welsh [NB: <u>Final meeting for 2011</u>]	
New Year Social (PARTNERS EVENT): Buxton Retreat, see details below	Sunday 15 th January
First Tuesday meeting for 2012	Tuesday 17 th January

New Year Social (PARTNERS EVENT): Buxton Retreat

Sunday 15th January

Our trip to Buxton will be on the 15th of January 2012.

Budget has offered the use of a small bus and David D'Silva has volunteered to be the driver. Please indicate if you wish to be a passenger on the bus, maximum number is 24 people.

The bus will be departing Box Hill Hawks Oval (opposite Box Hill High School) Corner Whitehorse & Middleborough Roads at 10am sharp. It is recommended you arrive at 9.30am. It will be a BYO drinks event.

Cost per person will be \$20.00 for lunch.

Geoff Iles invites Golfers to arrive earlier to play a game of golf before lunch. (To be in Buxton by 10am) let Geoff know if you wish to participate in this offer. (It takes about an hour and a half to drive to Buxton via Lilydale & Healesville).

A visit to Steavenson Fall and Marysville is planned with a stop (at own expense) at Bakery in Marysville for afternoon tea before returning to Melbourne.

Address: 2 Cathedral Close, Buxton

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ATTENDANCE

Total Attendance:	26
Members:	24
Partners:	
Visitors:	2- Robyn Smith, Lee Gleeson
Apologies:	3 - Merv Agnew, Sue Bishop, Alison Booth, Steve Dardamanis, Patricia Kiang, Tim Lynn, Joe Mardjetko, David Tolstrup, (Greg Paine), Geoffrey Weeks, Paul Wheelton, Simon Wheelton
Leave of Absence:	3 - Trevor Donegan, Timothy Winter, Peter Cummins
Make ups:	Colin Johnson, Lyndon Smith, Joe Mardjetko (2), Melissa Mardjetko, Kath Binns, Trevor Donegan, Tim Lynn, David Tolstrup, (Greg Paine).
Weekly raffle winner:	David D'Silva

Thanks to guest editor Lyndon Smith for a great effort with last week's bulletin.

Thanks also to Rebecca, Kara and all at Ross McPhail's office for their wonderful assistance during the year with the production and distribution of the bulletin.

This will be the last bulletin for this year. I wish you all a very happy and safe Christmas, and best wishes for a great 2012.

Rob Fenton, Bulletin Editor



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CLUB PROGRAMME

Date	Topic	Speaker	Chair
December			
20 th	Christmas Breakfast	Rev. Peter Welsh	Tom Thorpe
27 th	NO MEETING		
January			
Rotary Awareness			
3 rd	NO MEETING		
10 th	NO MEETING - Social meeting transferred to Sunday 15 th January 2012		
15 th	Social Meeting - Family Day at Buxton		
17 th	Operation Cleft	Michael Kirk	Bruce McKenzie
24 th	Post Polio Victoria	Ron Bell	Geoff Weeks
31 st	Stroke Foundation	Peter Cummins	Tim Winter

CLUB DUTY ROSTER

Date	Cash Desk (1)	Cash Desk (2)	Greeter	Grace / Toast
December				
20 th	Robert Leach	Trevor Donegan	Colin Johnson	Ross McPhail
January				
17 th	Peter Cummins	Simon Wheelton	Rob Fenton	Lloyd Cranwell
24 th	Ray McLeod-Dryden	Ray Riehm	Charlie Xu	Lyndon Smith
31 st	David Tolstrup	Paul Wheelton	Joe Mardjetko	Malcolm Webster

* **PLEASE NOTE:** If you are unable to fulfill any of the allocated duties, it is your responsibility to arrange a "swap" with another person listed.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Date	Member	Event
December		
20 th	Joshua Cheng	Member's Birthday
22 nd	Merv Agnew	Member's Birthday
26 th	Melissa Mardjetko	Member's Birthday
January		
3 rd	Joe & Melissa Mardjetko	Wedding Anniversary
5 th	Geoff Weeks	Wedding Anniversary
6 th	Clem Joyce	Member's Birthday
8 th	Dorothy Thorpe	Partner's Birthday
13 th	Alison Booth	Member's Birthday
15 th	Lloyd Cranwell	Wedding Anniversary
18 th	Heather Wheelton	Partner's Birthday
20 th	Ross McPhail Tim Lynn	Member's Birthday Induction Anniversary
21 st	Rob Fenton	Member's Birthday
23 rd	Rob Fenton	Wedding Anniversary

