





The Rotary Club of Warrandyte Donvale (Inc)

# Club Bulletin SERVICE ABOVE SELF



#### A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Date: 11th October

Best wishes to our Marg George who is in Knox Private Hospital with a nasty back injury. She is likely to be there for a few days undergoing some treatment. We wish Marg well, hope she recovers quickly and we look forward to seeing her back to her usual self. We are all thinking of her, espeically in these circumstances where she cannot have us visit.



Once again a good number of members joined our last Zoom meeting and it was great to see you all after a weeks' break. What a strange world we are living in when our big thrill for the week is going to the supermarket and seeing ourselves on a screen with our friends! The novelty of isolation is definitely wearing off!

It was a pleasure to welcome our guests AG Kehela and Leanne Liao again, and our guest speaker Shino Yu at our last meeting.

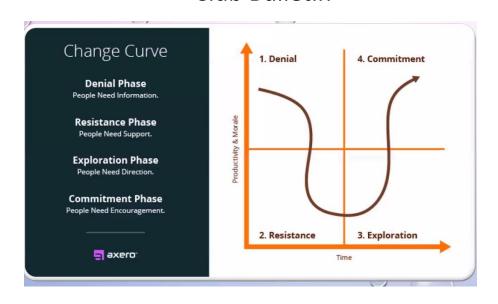
There was a bit of confusion for some who didn't realize Shino had screen control because she wanted to control her presentation. A gentle reminder to members that Zooming presents some challenges for the operators, the screen will not always look as familiar as you are used to when there are presentations, and it is incumbent on us to be polite to our guest speakers and wait for instructions or information. Even if not everyone is seen on screen we can all be heard. I also would like to ask that members use the MUTE button on their screens when the guest speaker is talking to prevent background noises coming through. If you don't know how to do this please ask and we will tell you.

Shino gave a most interesting talk about Change Management. She talked about the dynamics of change – that people facing change within a system/ organization/group can go through four stages shown in the diagram below. She talked about what the different stages mean and how people react. The key is for good clear communication all the way through the process and to involve the participants so they come on board rather than be alienated.





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At the end of the presentation Chair David said he wished he had had this informaton at his fingertips many years ago when he was in a position of managing a lot of staff and undergoing change. Probably a few of us felt this way! It says a lot about corporate life today that Human Resources are so important and change is "Managed".

I think we all learnt a lot and made us think about our reacations to change – as Shino said, we live in a world of constant change. Rotary is no exception and one only has to partaicipate in some of the seminars, meetings and training sessions to see subtle changes. It is all positive and hopefully we are keeping up with current thinking!

To that end the Strategic Planning Committee once again met on Thursday and we expect to present something to the club for perusal in the next few weeks. It has not been a simple process but a very interesting one and I thank the committee for all their efforts. The next stage will be to have club members look at the plan, familiarlise yourselves with it, ask questions and have discussions with the planning committee. We will give members a period of time to contemplate on it then vote on it.

On Thursday evening Gavin and I attended a Zoom meeting with the Committee for organizing our Cluster R100 celebrations next year, ably chaired by Brian Negus from Templestowe Club. Gavin is heading up the road signage project and I am heading up a small committee to look at having a cluster Long Lunch at the Mannigham Council Chambers. We will also be involved in the Baton Relay in some way. Rob Edwards will be zooming into the Baton Relay meeting tonight (Friday). So, more about all this as time goes by. Of course the big uncertainty is Covid 19, and how it will effect our activities next year.

I'm really looking forward to next week's meeting when we have international visitors join us. Members of the Rotary Club of Commonwealth in Manila will be joining us and telling us what



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they have been doing. At this stage we don't know how many but it is bound to be different and interesting. It will be good if we can give them a run down of our normal (pre-covid19) club life as I'm sure they will be interested to hear about our activities and projects so Chairs be prepared to give a short report.

That's about it for this week, so I wish you all a good weekend, hoping the ground dries up a bit and we can get outside to walk, tend our gardens and take in some fresh air. Try to stay positive even though our covid 19 numbers are not looking as good as they should.

#### **UPCOMING PROGRAM**

Tues. 13 October	Regular Club meeting: Via zoom – Members of the Rotary Club of Commonwealth in Manila ,The Philippines will be joining us for a club information exchange.  Wear a Hat for Hat Day  Chair: Kevin Hall
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Regular Club Meeting Via Zoom: Strategic plan Discussion  ("Electric Cars" have been postponed due to guest presenter request)  Chair: lan Thomlinson
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Regular Club Meeting: TBA Chair:
Tuesday Nov	No Meeting – Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

### **RCWD FUND**

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## INFORMATION ABOUT THE 2021 FESTIVAL IN THE WARRANDAYTE DIARY

### Warrandyte's future festival

#### By CHERIE MOSELEN

BIG FUN, BIG crowds — remember those days?

Like a lot of organisations currently, the festival committee met via Zoom to discuss planning options for Warrandyte's super weekend.

Staging the event is a special effort, which members of the volunteer committee love being part of.

Sadly, however, without a crystal ball — and with uncertainty around the immediate future of large social gatherings due to COVID-19 — organisers have agreed to postpone festival production for March 2021.

The festival committee accepts it can only make informed decisions once official guidelines on large events are announced, as it will be bound by them. Will there be a festival event on some scale next year?

Let's hope so!

Whatever follows, the Diary will keep the community fully updated.

Until we can (safely) jostle our way past the picnic rugs to front the stage that's given us talent like the Teskey Brothers, here are some magical moments from festival-yesteryear.

#### LATEST CLUB ADVERTISMENT IN THE WARRANDYTE DIARY

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The Rotary Club has not been asleep during the lockdown. Some members and volunteers have been very active extending our Op shop and finding a way to develop a safe drive and collect system so that a small amount of income is possible.

We've missed our fundraising activities and our normal meetings, but have been meeting weekly by Zoom. The club is doing some extensive planning for the future to strengthen our club.

In the past few months we've established the RCWD Fund which has now donated around \$500 towards free Coffee/ Tea for Health Workers at Box Hill Hospital. Members are donating in lieu of their usual meeting requirements and the club is grateful for this small amount of money to help the community.

We look forward to soon getting back to all our activities, including the Tunstall Market and, of course, the much loved and missed Warrandyte Riverside Market with our co-partners, CFA, Lions, Warrandyte Community Association and the Warrandyte Community Church.

We have missed our community involvement and look forward to getting back into the swing of our usual activities and more. We acknowledge there will be a lot of hardship to come for many people who may need help.

We thank the Op Shop volunteers and all those who support us in our quest to help the community and look forward to seeing you soon.



(This is why we need good photographs!)







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# Fundraiser Zoom Webinar The Challenge of COVID Recovery

#### John Hewson AM

#### Guest Speaker

Dr John Hewson is one of Australia's most experienced economists, financial experts and company directors. He is also a former politician and was Leader of the Liberal Party and Leader of the Opposition from 1990 to 1994. In 2001 he was awarded a Member in the Order of Australia. John is Professor and Chair of the Tax and Transfer Policy Institute at the ANU, and is an adjunct professor at five other universities.

Dr Hewson has been a climate activist since the late 8os. He is currently Chair of Bio Energy Australia (Industry Group for Renewable Fuel), Chair of the Business Council for Sustainable Development Australia, and a Patron of the Smart Energy Council.

Dr Hewson has been involved with a range of bio-energy projects in Australia and offshore, ranging from household garbage recycling and several waste to energy projects – electricity, biodiesel and ethanol, as well as several solar, thermal storage, and energy efficiency projects.

He is a strong supporter of the Not for Profit sector, having served as President of the Arthritis Foundation of Australia, the Positive Ageing Foundation, The Leadership Foundation and also as Director Sir Roland Wilson Foundation, and is Chairman of Osteoporosis Australia and KidsXpress.

Dr Hewson will speak about the challenges that the world and Australia in particular are facing in the recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.



Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> October 2020, 7.00 pm AEST Cost \$20

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