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The Rotary Club of Warrandyte Donvale (Inc) Club Bulletin

Date: 5th November 2021



A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT



It was wonderful to be back together at our meeting on Tuesday and to be able to sit and socialize. It was especially good to see Liz and George and Leanne again, to see Marg George looking better on her feet and to see Don among his friends at this difficult time for him. It almost seems back to normal but with reservations in the back of our minds as we exercise caution and continue our mask wearing, social distancing and enjoying the delights of technology as we find and show our vaccination certificates on our phones!

Secretary David is collecting vaccination certificates to compile the club register as he sees them.

I mentioned our recent board meeting, the District President's meeting and recent Cluster Presidents meetings – most of which I have covered in previous bulletins. Our board minutes will be available as soon as possible.

It was great to hear from Rob Edwards that the recent Warrandyte Riverside Market was a huge success with some stall holders reporting better sales than they have ever had. Our club members who were on duty that morning received some terrific praise via Facebook from one of the stall holders which was very gratifying.

It is also fantastic to hear from Bob McKenzie that the Op Shop is going great guns since reopening, with really good support from locals, although the continued dumping of donations, in spite of signs asking not to leave them until they clear the current stock, is a nuisance as the shop is full to the brim. Once again, a huge thankyou to all dedicated workers at the Op Shop for keeping things organized.



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Bob McKenzie is getting stall holders sorted for the Tunstall Market in two weeks – the vaccination mandate making life more difficult as well as some directives from the District Insurance Officer which means we can no longer provide public liability insurance for market stall holders.

We sorted our program for the next few months – our Membership Workshops will begin on November 23rd so I hope all our members can be there for what promises to be interesting and challenging as we really take a good look at ourselves in terms of how we can be more attractive to new members. I really hope all the members can participate in this program as the viability of our club is at stake if we do not grow.

We will have two barbeques in January then sometime in February we will do the Fish and Chips by the Yarra River again as that was such a success.

Louise was happy to hand over the Christmas card writing for the Meals on Wheels Christmas Cake recipients this year – last year she wrote all 100 plus of them herself. It was interesting to note how quiet the room was as we all concentrated on the task at hand – it took about 20 minutes to get all the cards written by hand with our club name well and truly noted in each card. Louise said the Meals on Wheels organizer was thrilled to hear that we would again be donating the cakes – she thought we may not be able to finance it due to the curtailing of our activities, but we were pleased to be able to participate in this worthy project again this year. Thanks to all for a good job.

Kevin Hall has convened an Art show meeting scheduled for next Tuesday night at the Hall's residence with pizza. If you are not on the committee and wish to join us please do – many hands make light work.

Enjoy your week and will see you all back at Natalies on 23rd of November, next Wednesday night being the Cluster meeting at the Manningham Club – with an update about the North East Link.



Rob showing off his freebee T shirt – our thanks for his not getting out of writing Christmas cards this year!

ART SHOW MEETING: TUESDAY

16th November 6.30pm

at the Hall's, with Pizza.

If you would like to join this dynamic committee, please let Kevin know.



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UPCOMING PROGRAM

Tuesday 16 th November	<i>Art Show Meeting at the Halls: 6.30 with Pizza</i>
Wednesday 17 th November	<i>Cluster Meeting via Zoom – 6.30 for 7pm</i> North East Link Update. RC Templestowe is hosting. Guest Speaker Duncan Elliot Details in this bulletin . Let Judy know if you are coming ASAP thanks.
Tuesday 23 rd November	<i>Club Meeting at Natalies</i> <i>AGM 7 – 7.10pm</i> <i>7.10pm: The first of our Membership Workshops with</i> <i>Ian Ash facilitating. We need all members on deck to help our club develop some strategies to increase our membership.</i> <i>Chair: Rob Edwards</i> <i>Cashier: Leanne Liao</i> <i>Property: Steve latimer</i>
Saturday 26 th November - 8pm	“Visitors” – by the Warrandyte Theatre Co at the Mechanics Institue Hall – 12 free tickets available – contact Rob Edwards ASAP before they all go! See below for details.
Sunday 27 th November	<i>Tunstall Market</i>
Tuesday 30 th November	<i>No Meeting</i>
Saturday 4 th December	<i>Warrandyte Riverside Market</i>
Tuesday 7 th December	<i>Club Meeting at Natalies:</i> <i>Guest Speaker: TBA</i>
Tuesday 14 th December	<i>Club Christmas party</i>
Tuesday 21 st December	<i>Breakfast Meeting – prior to Christmas break.</i>
Tuesday 11 th December	<i>BBQ – venue the Halls</i>
Tuesday 18 th December	<i>BBQ – venue the Edwards’s</i>



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We have been very kindly donated **12 free tickets** to the play **“Visitors”** by the **Warrandyte Theatre Company** for **Saturday 27th November’s** performance. We have **3 tables of 4** at our disposal – **BYO drinks and nibbles** – for a fun night. There are still places available so contact **Rob** to get your ticket – it is historically a really fun and entertaining night.

For those attending the Tunstall market early the next morning it would be finished by 10pm. Details (from the Warrandyte Diary) about the performance below.

Visitors allowed! Live and online



WARRANTDYTE Theatre Company is beyond thrilled to be finally bringing you *Visitors*, a tender and charming play, relevant for our times, set in the farmhouse of Arthur and Edie.

The play opens at 8pm on November 19, at the Mechanics’ Institute Hall with more performances on November 20, 26, 27, and December 3 and 4.

There will be a 2:30pm matinee on November 28.

Our patient and very resilient team began work many months ago.

In the last — somewhat surreal — hiatus the four-person cast of this play have been keeping up appearances with online rehearsals and meetings.

Director Grant Purdy said he is “relieved and delighted that this wonderful play will finally be seen by audiences.”

Tickets will only be available to those who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 by the time of performance, and the size of audience allowed into the Mechanics’ Institute Hall will depend on announcements expected in early November, relating to “restricted activities.”

Thus, almost as exciting as being able to present this terrific play live, WTC has also been able to obtain licensing rights to film and stream this show; we are extremely grateful to the UK agents for granting this permission.

The performances on November 20 and 27 will be streamed.

The nature of this play and its tight setting makes it eminently suitable for streaming — a professional crew managing three cameras will film the live performances, and those not able to attend the theatre will be able to watch the show from the comfort of their own living room.

At the moment (and for the past 14 weeks) the stage has looked like this (see right) — the cast are now back getting ready for action.



Photos: supplied

Stage kept under wraps during COVID lockdown



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If you are not already a Centurion here is your chance to join the thirteen already from our club and Op Shop who donate \$100 per year to The Rotary Foundation.





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Our heartiest congratulations are expressed to the **Rotary Club of Templestowe** and the **Rotaract Club of Manningham** for having been selected to be the sole Australian entry to make a presentation in a 'Town Hall' platform about their '**Connecting Manningham**' project at this event!!

It should be noted that these virtual presentations will be made to an audience across the **Asia-Pacific** area of at least **21 countries** with an estimated audience of **10,000 attendees**.

Registrations (**\$28AUD**) for the Rotary Presidential Conference Manila 2021
<https://www.rpc21.ph/>

Find out more detail about 'Connecting Manningham' on their Facebook page at
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/connectingmanningham/>

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SUNDAY 28TH NOVEMBER



**COMMUNITY
MARKET**

Manningham's longest continuous
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over 35 years ago

**THE LAST SUNDAY
OF EVERY MONTH
8am - 1pm**

Tunstall Square in Donvale
Opposite the Coles Car Park

