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The Rotary Club of Warrandyte Donvale (Inc)

Club Bulletin

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A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Date: 14th February



Shekhar Mehta of India
2021-22
Rotary International President

Hello everyone on this lovely Sunday. I thought you might like to see the theme for next year along with our incoming RI President Shekar Mehta. The new logo is very eye catching and colourful, and the catch phrase appropriate, I think you will agree. I have really enjoyed some interesting presentations and breakout sessions this weekend during our President Elects Training and will be further challenged at three more breakout sessions next Tuesday Wednesday and Thursday. When you take on responsibility and/or a leadership role is when you really learn what the organization is about so for those of you have not done so I urge you to think about it. There is so much to be gained in furthering your education and experience in Rotary and our club needs future leaders.

On a more sombre note, at the time of writing we are again in THAT place – lockdown, supposedly for 5 days but who knows? We quickly jumped to accommodate our next meeting - via Zoom when you will discuss issues around the Tunstall Market as there will be changes and things that have to be put in place before we can resume. For the near future I think we need to be prepared to revert to Zooming and take advantage of the opportunities that presents. Many clubs plan to have hybrid meetings i.e some face to face and some Zoom.

Last week it was pleasing to see some partners as well as our guest speaker Peter Keep and his wife Anthea. We welcomed Marianne Mooney, Yvonne McKenzie and Carolyn Fry. We had apologies from Louise Latimer and Frank Molinaro.

My first task of the night was a very satisfying one – that was to award Peter Keep with Honorary Membership of our club. Peter has been a long standing friend of our club from many years ago when the RC Warrandyte began it's association with the late Margory Lapworth and her charitable work with the



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Warrandyte Houseing Support Services. Peter was a great supporter of Margory's work and the Warrandyte Club agreed to pay the rent on the Miners Cottage which housed the WHSS and the first Op Shop.

This was at the time Peter was Pastor of the Warrandyte Community Church. The Warrandyte Club was looking for a more suitable venue for it's annual Warrandyte Art Show rather than the gazebo by the river. Peter agreed to allow the club to take over the auditorium of the Community Church for the weekend of the Warrandyte Festival – and it has been there ever since – a much more comfortable and suitable venue for such an occasion and we are forever grateful to Peter for his support.



Peter has maintained and facilitated regular social interaction for many years, and via zoom during the lockdown, for a group of former and current Rotarians – and I'm sure this helped the group to stay connected at this difficult time for us all. Peter is a very selfless person and the decision to make him an Honorary member was a very popular one. He and Anthea are welcome at our meetings any time.

As for my report I'm looking forward to the forthcoming President Elects Training this weekend and for a further 3 nights next week so I shall miss next Tuesday's meeting. Don Kinnear will deputise for me.

Our club is still in need of an Art show chair – and this matter can be thought about by the members – but we need a chair in order to get something sorted for next year.

I mentioned the Seed Sowing Day being hosted by Pat Armstrong next Saturday – a project of the sustainability group.

I mentioned that the District Conference in 2022 - Daryl Moran's year – will be the last weekend of March so it's unlikely to clash with the Warrandyte festival which is good news.

Reports:

GRANTS/ OP SHOP - Liz Guiver reported that Charitable Recycling Australia (formerly NACRO) has further grants to allocate for removal of rubbish from Op shops so that is good news for us.



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Bob McKenzie reported that sales continue to do very well at the Op Shop.

PROGRAM: Gavin Birch reported that in March the Partners Night will be 23rd because on the second Tuesday will be no meeting as that is after the long weekend.

TUNSTALL MARKET: decision will be made by the end of this week as to whether we hold a market in February. At this stage we are on track - just awaiting approval from the council.

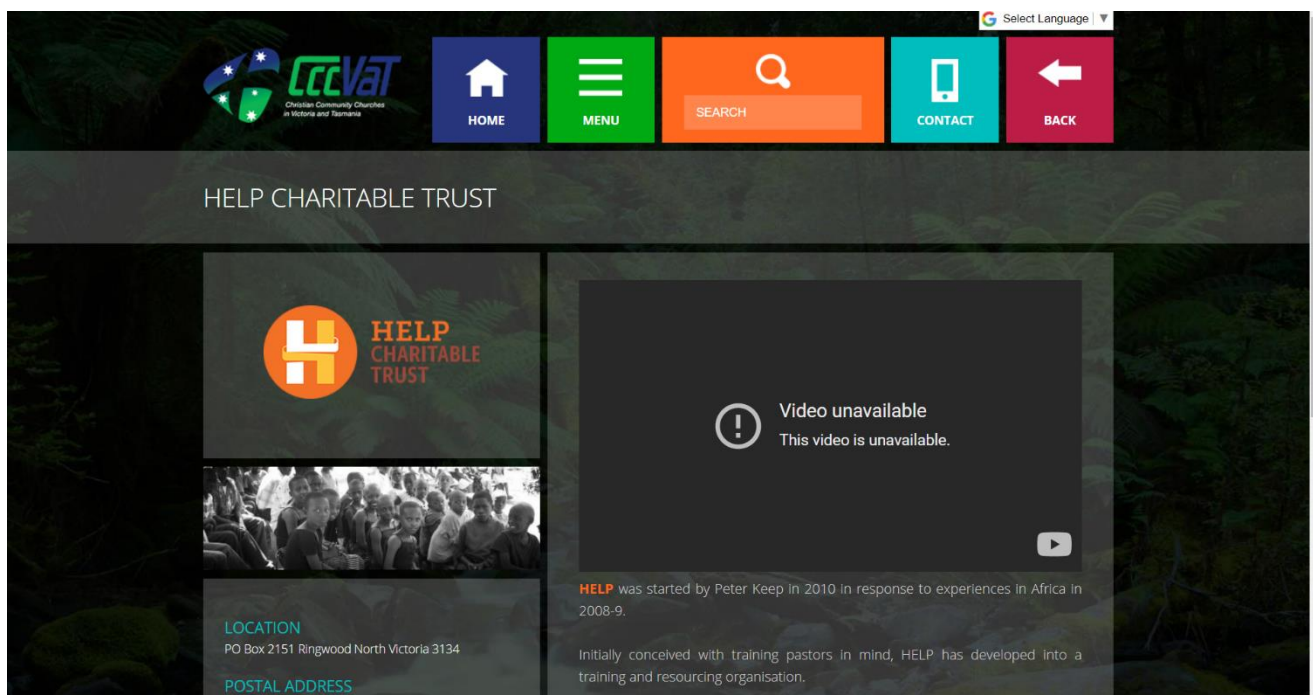
WARRANDYTE RIVERSIDE MARKET: Ron Edwards reported that the market last Saturday was a huge success with parking at its absolute limit and a really good crowd.



GUEST SPEAKER – PASTOR PETER KEEP

Peter give us an update about his charity Help Charitable Trust which he established in 2008 after visiting Africa and seeing the need to assist local church workers who needed assistance with funding their charitable programs and with training. Peter has reluctantly become involved in fund raising which is not his favorite activity but one that is necessary. He ensures money that is raised goes to the people who he knows will spend it appropriately as he has established really strong networks through his church network.

FROM THE HELP WEB SITE:





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HELP was started by Peter Keep in 2010 in response to experiences in Africa in 2008-9. Initially conceived with training pastors in mind, HELP has developed into a training and resourcing organisation.

Help's four objectives are:

- Helping Equip Local Pastors.
- Helping Educate Lay Practitioners.
- Helping Enable Life-changing Projects.
- Helping Ease Local Poverty.

HELP is currently working from Australia to three countries: Rwanda, Tanzania and South Africa in partnership with Christian organisations and Churches.

HELP's name is not on anything as we work with and through our partners in those places.

HELP is a registered charity in Australia and is administered by a Board of Trustees



Ian Thomlinson our International Chair gives a vote of thanks to Peter – very appropriate as Ian had spent some years living in Kenya which is the home of some of the Help Charities' programs.



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UPCOMING PROGRAM

Feb 16 th	Club Meeting VIA ZOOM – 7.15 for 7.30 Club discussion about Tunstall Market and the changes needed to get the market functioning. Kevin Hall will send invitations. Chair: David George
Feb 23 rd	Program: TBA Chair: Steve Latimer Property: Steve Ennor Cashier: Louise Latimer
Wed. Feb 24 th	Templestowe Club – Chinese New Year Dinner at the Wealth Kitchen Chinese Restaurant - 866 Doncaster Rd East Doncaster 6.30pm for 7.00pm. 
Sun. Feb 28 th 7am – 1pm	Tunstall Market and Sausage Sizzle (we hope!)
Tues. 2 nd March	Board Meeting 6.pm for 6.30 – at Natalie’s restaurant
Tuesday 9 th March	No meeting – Labour Day public holiday week.
Tuesday 16 th March	Club Meeting at Natalie’s: Wear your Footy Club colours to celebrate the start of the football season.
Tuesday 23 rd March	Club Meeting and Partner’s Night: TBA



BACK TO ISO ACTIVITIES: THIS WAS KEVIN’S SATURDAY AFTERNOON ONE.

RELISH ON SUNDAY.



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Club Member and Op Shop manager Judith had the bright idea of putting a Centurion Tower in the Op Shop. Since the customers and volunteers are very generous it should fill very quickly – in which case we can replace it with another – all the better for the Rotary Foundation. No shortage of people who would like to become Centurions

The only constant is change



“If the rate of change on the outside exceeds the rate of change on the inside, the end is near.” Jack Welch



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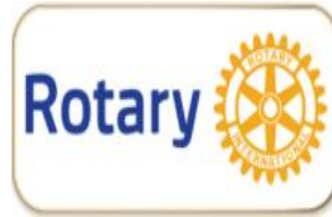
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Getting Our Branding Right Everywhere

Our branding is our strength which is why RI works so hard to get this message across. I urge all Rotary clubs to examine carefully;

- Club website
- Club social media
- Club newsletter banner
- All club project websites
- All club project social media
- All possible uses and occurrences of the Rotary logo



I urge this so that we can all make sure that the logo is always used correctly and that it's obvious to even the most casual observer that this is modern Rotary – an organisation that uses its branding consistently to convey its strength and unity. For more information see <https://blog.rotary.org/2021/01/11/why-you-should-care-about-rotary-branding/>

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