

# Newsletter June 2024

## **Recent Meetings**

**May 9** was our annual election meeting. This year, an election wasn't needed as all members who were approached about a nomination for a position accepted the role. They are as follows:

President – Marg Harris

Vice President - Robert Nitschke

Immediate Past President - Mike Nicholls

Secretary - Anne Stone

Treasurer – Marianne Noack

Programming and Hospitality – Ev and Chris Leske

Fundraising and Special Projects - Lorna Schiller

Youth Projects – Rory Ellendon

Human and Spiritual Values - Des Schiller

Membership and Education – to be resolved

Non-Board positions:

Newsletter and Publicity - Ev Leske

Football Gates - Mike Nicholls

Marg will take over as President in mid-June to relieve Mike who has been Acting President. Thank you to all these club stalwarts for their willingness to serve. Our Club is blessed to have members keen to serve and show leadership.

## The Sir Condor Laucke Oration

On May 16, the Lions Club of Barossa Valley hosted this year's Sir Condor Laucke Oration and featured prominent cardiologist Associate Professor Carmine De Pasquale as guest speaker. It's always a stimulating evening and, after combined meetings with the Lions Club and the Rotary Club earlier in the year, the evening helped cement our growing relationship with other local clubs. We also had great support from our fellow Kiwanians at Prospect club and also



Mike, Henry and Rory enjoy the night

Mike and Rose Hepple. Thanks folks!





Professor and Mrs De Pasquale

Rose, Anne, Tom and Robert celebrate





## Other Events



Robert's bonfire was next on the program on **Sunday May 19**. It proved a big hit with fine weather and lots of support from Kiwanis clubs from as far afield as Reynella. A big thank you to all Kiwanians who attended. Deb, Mark, Mike and Peter cooked up a storm on the barby and then Robert set the huge pile alight, creating a very impressive blaze. We even took the opportunity to sing Happy Birthday to the Manila club which has turned 60. Thanks, Robert, for generously opening up your property and welcoming so many from the Kiwanis family.





During National
Volunteers Week, on
May 22, Tom and
Anne gave a talk about
our Kiwanis Club to an
Activity group at
Barossa Enterprises.
They were invited to
talk about Kiwanis,
what it represents and
what our Club does as
a volunteer
organisation. Ailsa



Oxley, who is a Heart Kid mum and facilitator of the Activity group at Barossa Enterprises, invited us to come along. They showed lots of photos to illustrate the kinds of things that we do as a club. Ailsa also shared how much she appreciated the Heart Kids Christmas party that Kiwanis puts on.

## Mike's message

The club received a letter from a local single parent, Odette Haley, requesting a donation to help with sending her 16-year-old son, Mitchell, along with the family for support, to a Gymnastics competition in Queensland in which he has been selected to represent SA in the State team. Mitchell is an amazing young man who has been heavily involved in gymnastics since the age of five. Mitchell trains in gymnastics several times a week as well as coaching and supporting children who often have a disability or challenges that exclude them from other sports. Mitchell plays five different musical instruments and is a member of the pipe bad and the Nuri band. I'm pleased that the club has supported Mitchell and family with a donation of \$500, We look forward to hearing from Mitchell at one of our club meetings after he returns from the competition in Queensland.

The new money collection system is now in operation at the Williamstown football gates. There were some initial problems using the system, but all have been sorted out now and once our members become familiar with the new collection system it should run smoothly.

## **Lorna's Fundraising Report**

Life has been  $v \in r$  y slow in the fund-raising lane, but many thanks to those manning the football gates in the beautiful weather - silly of me not to put my name forward early, hehe! Thanks to Mike for organising us.

It's already a month since Joe Musico stirred our minds and feet with his amazing style, where we raised \$1609:80. Thanks to all involved for your energy.

**5 May** - CARS COFFEE BAROSSA Thanks to Anne, Tom, Rob Van, Lorna \$436:45 raised The next CARS COFFEE BAROSSA is

2 June - Deb, Mark, Rory, Lorna

**7 July** - 1 2 3 Lorna **4 August** - 1 Rory 2 3 Lorn

**1 September** - Sherryl, Marianne 3 Lorna

**EMERGENCY MEALS:** Many thanks, especially Lyn and Geoff, for your expertise in planning, cooking and delivering many meals again this month, but also to others who have assisted. You are real treasures to the cause.

Cheers for now, Lorna

## **Des's Caring Corner for June**

#### **Birthdays**

- June 11 Colleen van der Wijngaart
- June 15 Mike Nichols
- June 27 Mark Mattner
- June 30 Rob Albrecht

#### Membership

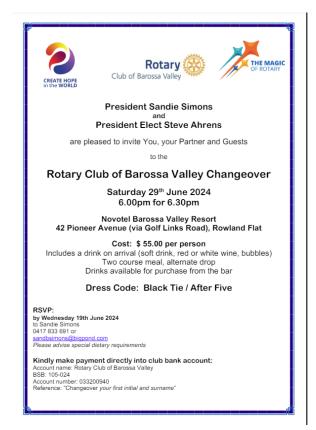
June 7 - Rory Ellendon 2007

### **Funnies**













# What's coming up?

- June 5 Jason is interviewing Brian Cadd on BBBfm at 8.30 am Don't miss it.
- June 6 Board Meeting at Stones
- June 7 Driver reviver Jason and Mike

- June 9 Driver reviver Sherryl and her friend Rose. Thanks folks
- June 13 John Hughes from Foundation Barossa
- June 27 Mike's Bingo Extravaganza
- July 4 Board Meeting at Harris'
- July 11 Mitchell Haley, gymnast

Regular dinner meetings 6.30 for 7.00 pm at the Vine Inn Nuriootpa. If you can't attend a dinner meeting, please let Tom, our Programming Director know, either by email - <a href="mailto:barossakiwanis@gmail.com">barossakiwanis@gmail.com</a> — or his mobile for calls and texts 0448015333

# Barossa Gatekeeping @ Williamstown

Saturday June 22<sup>nd</sup>

Lorna	Des	Mary			Marg	Brian	Rory
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Saturday August 24 <sup>th</sup>							
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## **Youth Projects**

Rory reports that it will soon be time to contact schools regarding sponsorship of the Terrific Kids program. Our club coordinates presentations at nine different schools with one more school, Nuri Primary to come on board this year. Most of the schools have regular annual sponsors with our club currently sponsoring three of these schools at \$300 annually.

The schools taking part in the Terrific Kids program are:

Blakeview Primary, Trinity Blakeview, Trinity South, Trinity North, Gawler PS, Light Pass PS, Faith College Junior School, Owen PS, Gawler B-12 College and Nuriootpa PS

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