

Newsletter August 2024

President Marg's Report

Each newsletter is the story of Kiwanis Barossa's positive approach to making a difference to others particularly children. Bringing joy to a child affects the whole family and wider friendship groups around that child. Our members have worked in teaching, counselling and other careers where they have seen firsthand the difference kindness makes. Congratulations to you all for the kindness you generate by your volunteering. We are a collective group from different life experiences but all with the same mindset i.e. to use our time in a positive way to make a difference in the world. I am very proud to be your incoming President - thank you for your support in these early weeks of my new role.

It is great to see meetings well attended and the jovial camaraderie amongst the members before and during the meetings. The relaxed style is what attracted us to Kiwanis initially - we were impressed by the happiness and easygoing style of the meetings. Keep it up everyone .



Board members will now be busy writing their Portfolio reports in preparation for the Handover dinner booklet. It will be good to read the summaries of the year's work and to realise how much Kiwanis Barossa contributes to community wellbeing. Thank you, Marianne, for your efforts in compiling the articles.

Brian and I have now had a couple of stints on the Williamstown Oval footy gates with the new card machines and they are easy to manage. The weather is always the worst fear when you realise your stint is coming up but somehow the players and spectators make the experience enjoyable. Some actually thank the gatekeepers for doing their job. If you've never given it a go please consider putting your name down. Mike is doing a sterling job following on from David and Margaret in



collating the rosters. Coming up are the finals (31/8 and the following 3 weeks finishing on 21/9 in Tanunda) where we need to fill approximately 47 positions over the four weeks. Finals gates are busy (time goes very quickly) but with more of us working the shifts it also is quite a fun stint.

Have a great August everyone!

Recent Meetings

Our club has always enjoyed supporting young talented locals to allow these achievers to give of their best and develop their skills. Recently we were able to support financially Barossa gymnast Mitchell Haley (left, with Tom) to represent SA in a national competition in Queensland. He performed creditably winning a medal against strong



competition from interstate teams. It was a pleasure to have Mitchell, along with his Mum Odette and brother Samuel, attend our meeting on **Thursday July 11** and to tell us about his experiences. He even performed some

one-armed push ups for us! Thanks Mitchell and all the best from our club.



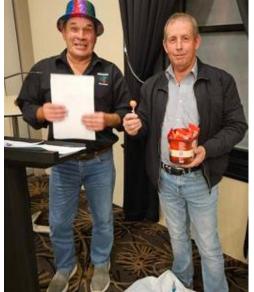






Our meeting on July 25 was a change of pace. Our own Mark Mattner took charge and presented a great quiz night for the Club. It was very successful – a bit of fun, some nice prizes and a few quirky facts we didn't know previously. Thanks Mark (and your offsider Peter) for a very entertaining night. I'm sure it

won't be the last. Extra quiz question for readers: Q. What does chupa chup mean? A. It's Spanish for suck suck.





Latest update on our Emergency Meals Program

Geoff and Lyn are looking forward to more meal production as Lyn's knee gets better. Meanwhile Lorna and good friend of Kiwanis Louise have had some fun putting together a stack of frozen meals for those in need. The photos below illustrate their efforts.



Left: Pie melon donation was used to make raspberry jam. Right: Lorna and Louise with meals ready for the freezer. Below: Getting stuck into an 18 kg pumpkin!





Lorna's Fundraising Report

Hello members. WELCOME TO AUGUST. This means 153 days to NEW YEARS EVE!!

Thanks to our helpers in July:

July 7 - Cars Coffee Barossa - Chris, Ev, Des,

Lorna \$278:35

July 13 - Lights Pass Clearing Sale - Marg, David, Lyn,

Geoff, Des, Lorna \$415:35

July 20 - Football Gates - huge thanks to Geoff, Marianne, Lorna, Mike, Marg, Brian as the weather warriors didn't give up.

August 4 - CARS COFFEE BAROSSA 7:30. Rory, Mike, Julie, Lorna
September 1 – Cars Coffee Barossa 7:30. Sherryl, Marianne, Deb, Lorna (Girl Brigade)
September 20 - 10 -2pm Sausage Sizzle @ Nuri Community Helpers



Please remember your offers for Football Gates, cheers Lorna





Rory's Report: Terrific Kids

Rory reports that the first presentations at some of our nine Terrific Kids schools are coming up soon. Trinity Blakeview's award ceremony is scheduled for Thurs Sept 5th at 12 noon. There is no sponsor for this school so far so Rory is awaiting suggestions from the school as to whom we approach.

At Trinity South, the new head of junior school has yet to confirm their participation this year but we have a sponsor all ready to go.

St Jakobi Lutheran School at Lyndoch is a potential new addition. Rory is meeting with the new principal (Petrea Booth) on Aug 12th with a view to reigniting interest in Terrific Kids and Kids for Others. Ev has some suggestions for potential sponsors, once we have agreement from the school



Des's Caring Corner for August

BIRTHDAYS

August 6th - Ev Leske
7th - Simon Mayberry
8th - Marg Harris
11th - Jason Balk
12th - Peter Mattner
13th - AUB KAESLER - blessings for your 90th
26th - Chris Leske

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

August 9th - Belinda & Phil Anderson 15th - Marg & Brian Harris 18th - Anne & Tom Stone 26th - Margaret & David Hodge

From the Archives



On August 22, we are having another Kegel night. Our club has had many fun nights playing Kegel (German version of skittles) and the Kegel track or "Kegelbahn" in Tanunda is a unique and special historic Barossa building. The photos below give an idea of some previous visits. Did you know that Kegel was taken to the USA by German migrants and the game (to knock down the nine pins) was taken up in illegal drinking and gambling "speakeasies" during the prohibition era. So, the government banned nine pin bowling. But one smart bowler found a loophole in the law. He changed the game to ten pin bowling and the rest is history!





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Message from Jo Hermann, former guest speaker:

Our local Pastoral Care Workers in schools are having our termly district meeting and we would like to invite you to come along for a morning tea on August 7. This will be a great way to meet us and encourage us in our roles in your local schools and network within our community. Looking forward to catching up.

Funnies



Sorry for the angry post

Barossa Gatekeeping @ Williamstown

Saturday August 3

Lorna Des Chris Rob Van Mike Graham

Saturday August 24

Marianne Mark Ev Chris David H Rory

BLGFA FINALS

Saturday **August 31** at Angaston

7.00 am-11.15 am 11.00 am-3.30 pm

David Des Lorna Marg Brian Ev

Counter Rob N (Margaret) Counter Rob N

Saturday September 7 at Freeling

7.00 am-11.15 am 11.00 am-3.30 pm

Lorna Des Dean Rob Van Ev Chris

Dennis Marianne Mary

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Saturday **September 14** at Willaston

7.00 am-11.15 am 11.00 am-3.30 pm

Anne Tom David Prospect

Des Lorna

Counter: Rob N Counter: Rob N

Grand Final Saturday September 21 at Tanunda

6.45 am -11.00am 10.45 am-3.30 pm

David Dean Des Rob Van Chris Ev

Dennis Marianne Lorna Tom

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This is our major fundraiser for 2024 so we really appreciate the help of all workers. If unavailable or unable to swap, please contact Mike on 0417877213

What's coming up?

| Thursday August 1 | Board Meeting - Schillers |
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| Thursday August 8 | Treasure Boxes – Natalie Norman |
| August 11 th 1:30 Langmeil Hall | Aub's 90th |
| Thursday August 22 | Kegel Bowling night |
| From August 31st | Footy gates BLGFA finals series |
| September 14 | Marananga Brass Band |
| September 26 | Handover Dinner |

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 - barossakiwanis@gmail.com — or his mobile for calls and texts 0448015333

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