

September 2024 Newsletter

President's Report

With four months to Christmas and my Presidency about to end at the Handover, once again I would like to thank all concerned for their support during the year.



EatWell by Kitchenhand presentation

The Board Members have been a pleasure to work with and the fun with the members at meetings and fundraising events has been great.

Looking forward to next year being as successful as this year along with the great fellowship that we enjoy.

Yours in Kiwanis.

Geoff Thomas
President

Human and Spiritual Aims Report

Current happenings:

It was great to see Bruce Ind at the last meeting albeit he is still in recovery mode. This didn't stop them from travelling to Laura recently for a family reunion on Anne's side. Your effort in making the trip Bruce is commendable. Thinking of you Bruce as you continue your journey on the road to recovery. Our thoughts are also with you Anne as you support Bruce throughout his journey.



Eat Well presentation

Wendy O'Hagan has been suffering from a terrible cough which did sap her energy.

Jill Norman recently experienced a chest infection in which it affected her to such a degree that it also sapped her energy.



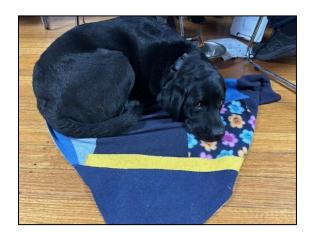


Alexandra Seal speaking about Families 4 Families

Brian Merchant has had a nasty fall which caused swelling in both his knees and prevented him from walking without some discomfort.

Pam Jones recently twisted her leg which caused some swelling in her calf muscle. Physio treatment was necessary.

Some members have been on the move to escape the winter blues but experienced anyway on their return journey.



Another year gone and another year begins:

It has again been a good year under President Geoff Thomas who greets us at our meetings with a joke or two or should I say three or more. It just goes to show that Rostrevor-Campbelltown Club is a fun club with great camaraderie among its members. We have enjoyed an interesting array of guest speakers on top of excellent food prepared by our inhouse caterers. Thanks to all who are on this committee. We appreciate the efforts you all put in to feed us. Thank you.

We have all been extremely lucky so far as I haven't heard of any member getting the flu so far, so fingers crossed from hereon.

The other health issue we need to be aware of is SHINGLES so now is the time for vaccinations.

As always, stay safe, stay calm, stay positive, stay healthy and stay in contact with your loved ones.

Chris Ward, Director



Catering at the Miniatures weekend



Yvonne's knitting of a wreath for Remembrance Day

Fundraising Report

We have had a busy year raising funds over the past twelve months which enhances the many projects the Club has been able to donate to in support of those in need, so very rewarding for the time and effort put in by the many members of our Club.

Many projects over this time have been Monthly Bunning's barbecues, Campbelltown Council Australia Day project, Grange Golf cleanup, the popular Annual Brunch & Auction, Marshalling for Northern Districts Athletics Club, our famous annual Quiz night, City to Bay project, and recently catering for & SA Miniatures and we have our Fashion Parade coming up on Sunday 13th October.

As is tradition for our bulletin we thank those on our last Bunnings barbecue which was on a Sunday and was one of the busiest days we have endured-thanks to Graham Goddard, Geoff Sibley, Phil Daws, Lynne Little, Judy Brewin, Jill Jarvis, Pam Cooper, Chris Ward, Ann Thomas, Joan, Helen Bibbo, Bob & Avril, Gary & Rod Cameron, with special thanks to double shifts from Ann Thomas & Chris Ward & to Phil Daws for coming back to help with the pack up, we raised \$2,500 from your efforts!

Thanks also to those who assisted with the SA Miniatures, Judy Channing, Lynne Little, Rod Cameron, Joan & Gary, Chris Bourke, Jill Jarvis, Janine Harper, Jill Norman, Wendy O'Hagan, Bob & Avril, Phil Daws Ray Broadbent, Pat Goddard, Pam Cooper & Ann Thomas, another great weekend raising \$1,500.

We are always looking for other fundraising events so if you hear of any please let us know.

Can we say a big thankyou to those who over the past twelve months have in the true spirit of Kiwanis volunteered their time to the many fundraising events we have had, you make our job easier by volunteering for these events and so worthwhile when we see how many children & those in need benefit from your valued support.

Looking forward to the next twelve months.

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House and Reception Report

Throughout this Kiwanian Year we have experienced a range of interesting speakers.

Most recently we were honoured to share time with Alexandra Seal, an extremely impressive young person, who shared her passion about a project that raises money for a number of charities including 'Families for Families'.

In recognition of her commitment, the board voted to contribute \$500 to the charity of her choice. She chose "Families for Families".

Other speakers have given us information to digest.



Henk Fernee and his wife Bev spoke about the Salvation Army

We have been fortunate recipients of the commitment of volunteer members who cater for our meetings each time. The quality and variety of faire is a credit to all involved.

During the year we celebrated special occasions. Mothers' Day, Christmas in July, Fathers' Day, our intra club Bowls tournament and a visit to the Tea Tree Gully Croquet Club as well as Lochend House punctuated the program of events.

Next year we hope to provide the same varied schedule for members to share.

While acknowledging people, we thank Chris Ward for taking apologies for meetings. Of course, there are others too!

House and Reception will continue to operate with co-directors during the 2024/25 year. Anne Ind and Judy Brewin will take the reins to ensure a

good program of speakers. If you have any suggestions, please talk to either of them at your earliest convenience.

Yours in Kiwanis,

Anne & Bruce Ind, Directors



Community Welfare Report

Kiva

Over the past 12 months we have made 78 Kiva loans to women in 8 different countries. These loans have supported women in a range of activities. General stores, Tapas business, vegetable farming, taxi, fishing, weaving mats, crafts, harvesting yams, food stalls, kava production, second hand clothes, and even a toilet.

All these women are supporting families and are aiming at providing for their children's education.

We also added another \$1000 US to our Kiva bank, enabling us to help more women improve their standard of living.

Sainiana Fiji \$25



With steady demand in the market for fresh fish and seafood, Sainiana knows that fishing is a reliable source of income. She lives in a seaside

village with her 3 children. Sainiana seeks a loan to buy fresh fish from local fishermen and re-bundle them to sell for an affordable price. She is confident about her business bringing out the best in her.

Ma Mitchi Philippines



Toilet \$50. Ma
Mitchi is a
hardworking
entrepreneur
who has a
general store
business in the
Philippines. Ma.

Mitchi requested a loan to invest in a sanitary toilet. Ma. Mitchi knows that using the sanitary toilet will ultimately reduce health and hazard risks to her family.

Community Support

Over the past 12 months we have donated over \$16,000 to various charities, including Camp Amity, Second Chances, Heartfelt, Children's Xmas Party, T.L.C for Kids, Backpacks for SA Kids, and Catherine House. We

have sponsored the education of 2 children, Chuma and Sitali in Mwandi, Zambia, and have contributed to their nutrition program.

We sponsored Kaitlyn Smith as she embarked on her Basketball scholarship to America.

After hearing Alexandra Seal, SA Young citizen of the year, talk on Families 4Families, a support network for people with acquired brain injury, we gave her funds to donate to her chosen charity.

We look forward to continuing to help children and their families in the future.

Chris and Jack Bourke

Guest Speakers

September 22 – Handover Lunch at Mt Osmond Golf Club. Partners welcome of course. \$40 per head.

September 23 – No meeting

14 October – Bob Lunn - some Adelaide History

28 October – Heather Siegiel - Smith Family

Birthdays

Anne Thomas – September 18

Yvonne Castle – September 20

Ray Broadbent – October 5

Lynne Little – October 19



Chris and Fay Ward with Pam and John Jones