

# Newsletter July 2025

## President Marg's Message.



At last, we have some rain to replenish both us and the land. In amongst the few days of rain have been some glorious sunny wintry days. Good weather for our fundraising activities, footy gates, cross country event support and Cars Coffee. Some of our members have headed north to escape the winter or to connect with family. We trust you are enjoying the break.

We have joined the Co-op store as a corporate member so that we can apply for sponsorship dollars once the offer

becomes available from September and released in March. More details once they become available.

Those of us who attended the Handover Dinners of our fellow service clubs of Rotary and Lions, were pleased with the social interaction and ideas of like-minded people doing exactly as we do – serving the community to make a difference. Each club appreciated and acknowledged our attendance. Our handover dinner will be Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September.

Thank you to you all for your efforts for Kiwanis Barossa. Your efforts don't go unnoticed and when you hear from other service clubs about the difficulty of member involvement and attracting new members, we are truly very fortunate.

Marg.

## **Recent Meetings**

Our June meetings were a great opportunity to connect with other volunteer groups and to serve children through practical financial support. On June 12 we enjoyed the visit of ladies from the Hope Cottage Quilters' group, Wendy Gladigau, Norma Rivett, Ann Klix, Nell Cox, Helen Squires and Karen Lambert. This hardworking and talented group shared the story of their quilting exploits which began over twenty years ago. They meet regularly in Helen's home,



enjoying each other's company while they create and also support the community with their products. During Vintage festival, they put on an exhibition of their quilts and raised a total of \$800 in donations. They wanted to contribute the money to Emergency meals and learnt of the Kiwanis Emergency Meals Program from Elaine at the Community Hub in Tanunda. To our surprise and amazement, Helen and Karen, on behalf of the group, presented Lorna, Lyn and Geoff with \$800 in cash on the night. We all celebrated this generous

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contribution together and thank the group for their generous help. The funds will go towards purchasing goods for our emergency meals.



On June 26, Alexa Schiller, from Ronald MacDonald House visited our Club and gave an eye-opening report on the great work they do to accommodate families when their children are in the Women's and Children's Hospital. These children also include those who are receiving treatment from Dr David David as part of the Children First Foundation's wonderful work. She told the story for example, of Victor from a village in Central Bouganville who had a tumour successfully removed from his porbital socket. He was in RMH for 58 nights. Alexa, who is married to champion Nuriootpa footballer Jarrod, also explained that preference is given to regional families where possible. 6,874 nights of accommodation were provided, and this includes car parking and breakfast as well, a huge saving for families in need. We were pleased to donate \$2000 to this important South Australian facility.



# Lorna's Fundraising Report

Guess what!! July has begun, and only 180 days till New Year's Eve!! The year is disappearing quicker than I can blink! On June 29th, at Bethany Reserve, Marg,



Brian, Mike and I cooked eggs, bacon, onion and sausages for the SA Little Athletics Cross Country Run. It was a pleasure to be of service to the energetic youngsters and their parents. Sunday morning's Cars Coffee was popular in the fine weather conditions.



#### Looking forward, we have -

3rd Aug - CARS COFFEE BAROSSA 7:30am

8th Aug - TANUND PRIMARY SCHOOL BREAKFAST - details still to come.

As it's very quiet on the fundraising side, we all have time to help Mike fill the Football Gates roster!! Just pop on your winter woollies, grab your smiley face and welcome the friendly people into the new Barossa Park. Mike is to be congratulated on his dedication!

Till next time,

Cheers Lorna

# Des's Caring Corner for June

**Birthdays** - July 11th - Mary Mattner 24th - Julie Hoklas

Wedding Anniversary - July 31st - Margaret & Graham Shilton

Member Inductions - July 3rd 1986

Charter Members - Jim Ellis

- Aub Kaesler

- David Obst

- July 3rd 2014 - Mark Mattner

Greetings to all our members, enjoy good health and your winter log fires, cheers Des

## **Footy Gates**

We have one more round to fill at Barossa Park. If you're free on August 9, please help Mike out and enjoy some time in the community.

#### **2025** Barossa District Football Club Gate Keeping @ Lyndoch Roster

Saturday August 2nd

Mary Rob A. Lyn A Ev Chris Amanda

Saturday August 9th

Saturday August 23rd

Tom Anne Lorna Ev Rory Mike

If unable to volunteer, please swap and inform Mike: 0417877213

## From the Archives











## **Emergency Meals Report**

Howdy,

We have done approx. 60 enjoyable hours of volunteering last month.

We have received produce from Lutheran Care, Maggie Beer, Faith Junior College and I See Church (their Food Bank).

We had a get-together at I See church which was a good networking opportunity, to see what other charities were doing.

We have decided to have more in the future. The "Leader" will be invited to the next one on Aug 12.

God Bless Geoff & Lyn Hansen

### From the Board

- 1. Mitch and Samual Haley have both been selected in the SA gymnastics team to compete in Queensland this year. The Board has again decided to sponsor these boys, donating \$500 each for their travel costs. We congratulate them and wish them all the best.
- 2. Our new monogrammed Kiwanis shirts have arrived. They will be available to collect from Mary at our next meeting.
- 3. Mike is also gearing up to handle our Police check applications at our meeting on Thursday. Dennis will be available to witness signatures, so don't forget to bring your application forms as well as your 100-point documents eg passports etc/licences. Mike will start early, at 6.30 pm
- 4. Rory reported that the first of many Terrific Kids presentations was made at Light Pass Primary School on Friday June 27. The three recipients Audrey, Carlin and David and their parents were excited about their award.





## What's coming up?

July 12	Mike and Aub's Bingo night
July 24	Kathy Schilling talks about the story of the Vine Inn
August 7	<b>Board Meeting</b>
Sept. 25	Our Club Handover Dinner

## **Funnies**







Just a reminder that regular dinner meetings are held every second and fourth Thursday of each month - 6.30 for 7.00 pm at the Vine Inn, Murray St, Nuriootpa. If you can't attend a dinner meeting, please let Chris and Ev know, either by email — ejleske@internode.on.net or mobile for calls and texts 0428337132.

This helps our hosts, the Vine Inn, with their catering.

