August 2025 Bulletin

President's Report

The end of July has gone; the horses' birthdays have been noted and Rostrevor-Campbelltown Kiwanis continues to provide funds for worthy causes.

Elsewhere in the bulletin you will read about the magnificent fundraising events we have been part of and read about the donations offered to a range of children's organisations.

We are all fortunate that we can be so generous because of our fundraising. Of course, as well as the money raised there is also lots of fun to be had by the participants!

At the end of July, we assembled at the Tyes' place to do the numbers for the City Bay. Fed well and kept entertained by the many quips around the tables this is just one example of what we do so well.



Preparing Numbers for the City to Bay

As we move towards the end of yet another Kiwanis Year, I remind you all of the change in venue for our Handover lunch. Please come if you are able. It is a wonderful time of recognition and fun!

As we move towards warmer weather, I hope that you are all able to maintain good health!

Yours in Kiwanis,

Bruce Ind President

Human and Spiritual Aims Report

Avril spent some time in hospital suffering from Pulmonary Fibrosis. During this time she also suffered from the flu and pneumonia. It was great to see her at our last meeting. Always thinking of you, Avril.

Bob Rudolph's son Paul spent some time in the intensive care unit in hospital after a major operation. We wish him well on his road to recovery.

Pauline Norman suffered from a chest infection a while back. It's good to see her at the meetings again.

Peter Norman had RSV (Respiratory Syncytial Virus). It's good to see you Peter at our meetings also.

Pam Jones had a bout of Covid and we hope it wasn't too severe. It was great to see her back at our meetings.

Judy Brewin suffered from a very nasty cold and shortly afterwards she contracted RSV. She claims it was worse than Covid.

Jill Norman has had a fall and landed on her knees severely bruising them both.

Geoff and Pat Sibley have had flu-like symptoms and we wish them well as they both recover from their ordeal.



Mike Feszczak – Grandcarers SA with Joan Tye

There have been a lot of people on the move:

Judy Channing to Whyalla to see the Giant Cuttlefish.

Pam Cooper to Peterborough.

Helen Bibbo to Darwin.

Geoff Holmes to Port Douglas. A father/son trip.

Bruce and Anne Ind to Blanchetown & Mannum.

Helen Bibbo to Geelong.

Helen Bibbo to Broome.

Geoff Holmes to York Peninsula.

Bob Trevena to Queensland.

Jack Bourke has been around the bend at Tailem Bend.

Bruce and Anne Ind to the Riverland.

Geoff and Ann Thomas to Queensland.

Hope all members and spouses are keeping warm.

Chris Ward Director



Graham Goddard with Melanie Tate from Puddle Jumpers inc

Fundraising Report

Firstly, thanks to the following members for working on the July Bunnings barbecue that raised \$1,209 – Geoff Sibley, Rod Cameron, Chris Bourke, Anne & Bruce Ind, Joan Tye, Ann & Geoff Thomas, Anne Reuter, Chris Ward, Judy Brewin, Judy Channing, Phil Daws, Gary Tye, Bob Rudolph & Fraser Pople – great job by you all.

Our annual quiz night was another great success thanks to our auctioneer

extraordinaire Geoff Thomas, ably assisted by Ann Thomas, Jill Jarvis and Chris Ward who sources an amazing number of gifts and vouchers for the auction and prizes that are well received by those attending. To Judy Brewin for the wrapping of the items and the many busy bees who put it together and the many members who made donations, some of them - Yvonne & Bill Castle, Pam Cooper, Anne Reuter & Judy Channing – Again a great night raising an amazing \$3,500.



Preparing Numbers for the City to Bay

Next up we completed the City to Bay numbering job over 4 days – helpers Pam Cooper, Chris & Faye Ward, Chris Bourke, Rod Cameron, Brian Merchant, Gary & Joan, Wendy O'Hagan, Bruce & Anne Ind, Phil Daws, Judy Channing and Bob Rudolph – We had a great time chatting to members and partners, a good way to get to know the history of some of our members.

Next up is a Bunnings barbecue on Friday 8th August and The SA Miniatures on the 9th & 10th, another barbecue on 20th September and the Annual Fashion Parade on Sunday 19th October.

A big thank you to you all for the time and effort put in to our many Fundraising events.

Best wishes

Gary Tye and Anne Thomas

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Jill and Judy's mum turned 100!

House and Reception Report

We again, have had varied and interesting guest speakers and we certainly appreciate their enthusiasm to share their experiences and needs for the betterment of children.

Our partners night on the Kings Birthday Holiday for Bowls & Bugs drew a small but eager crowd and competition was fierce, albeit for a box of chocolates.









Bugs and Bowls Night

Our second June meeting had Liz as our guest talking about how and why she started AKWAK (Australians Knitting for War Affected Kids). It makes us realise how fortunate we are in Australia.

The club donated \$1,000 to help them purchase goods and clothes that go with the hand knitted items that are sent to children in Syria.

Mike from Grandcarers SA spoke of how they support over 1,200 grandparents and informal carers who care for more than 2,200 children across South Australia.

They provide emotional, practical and financial support whilst trying to provide a safe and nurturing environment for children in their care.

Our Club has donated \$1,000 for their endeavours.

Melanie (founder) and Bailee from Puddle Jumpers Inc.

They are a non-profit, non-government organisation committed to responding to the social development of society's most vulnerable children and young people.

Priority of their work is reserved for children who do not live with their birth parents.

They are committed to ensuring that kids deserve the right to engage in happy and fun experiences in their lives.

A very inspiring and insightful talk was

enjoyed by our members.

Again, the Club has donated \$1,000 for their ongoing activities.

Another fantastic, successful Quiz night was enjoyed by all.

Local businesses continue to support us. The following message was from the Fazzari family (ENZO'S):

"Dear Kiwanis Club of Rostrevor -Campbelltown our local famiglia (family)

We hope this donation helps put smiles on the faces of the children you so lovingly advocate for.

Investing in today's children builds a brighter future for everyone.

May this gift warm the hearts of your foundation, just as your presence has warmed ours.

With warmest regards,

Mateo & Alexander Fazzari.

ENZO'S at home"

The message warms the heart.

Yours in Kiwanis,

Judy Brewin & Anne Ind

Community Welfare Report

Kiva

Over the past two months we have made 20 Kiva loans to sole parent women in 9 different countries.

These have covered loans to help with

small businesses ranging from bird's nest tea to pig fattening, clothing resale, general stores, fish sales, food stalls, crafts, and even to put a roof on a house.

Most of these loans were for \$25. We wish these women every success.



Gulchitoi is a 44-year-old woman who is both cheerful and resilient. Despite life's trials, she has maintained a

positive outlook and faith in the best. A widow, she raises her three children with love and dedication, setting an example of maternal strength, care, and tireless labour.

She manages a large farm alone, taking care of seven cows, four steers, and two calves. She also grows potatoes to provide her family with necessities. She does everything for the sake of her children and their future.

Gulchitoi has now begun building her own house— a place where her family can live with warmth, peace, and security. However, she needs to finish the most important part of the construction: installing the roof. Without a roof, the house will not provide shelter from the cold or bad weather.

We loaned \$50 to help put a roof on Gulchitoi's house.

Grandcarers. After an inspirational talk from Mike Feszczak detailing the support for those grandparents caring for children, particularly those who do not fit the criteria for government support, we donated \$1,000.

Puddle Jumpers. This week we heard Melanie Tate speak on the work this organisation does providing clothes, food, camps, and emotional support to vulnerable children. Once again, we were pleased to be able to give \$1,000 to help out. We feel blessed to be in a position to be able to do this.

AKWAK In June we heard from Australian Knitters for War Affected Kids, detailing the amount of new knitted items that are delivered to those living in camps after being forced out of their homes as a result of war.

Children's Xmas Party

Once again, we have donated \$1,500 to support this annual event, where 1300 children from across South Australia gather in a safe and inclusive environment to celebrate Christmas. These children live with disabilities and complex needs, and are nominated by schools, care providers, and community groups.

Paige Duffy

Paige was referred to us by Janine Harper. Paige who is 12 years old, lives with several challenges, including autism, and ADHD. Three years ago, Paige discovered swimming and found her place of calm. She has shown to be quite skilled here, and this week she is in Brisbane competing in the National Championships, so far winning two silver medals and a bronze. Congratulations to Paige!!

Paige's parents need travel with her as support, bearing these costs and for accommodation, as well as the costs involved in swimming, all of which add up. Paige aspires to compete in the 2032 Brisbane Paralympics and the board were pleased to donate \$1,000 to a fund to support Paige on her journey. We will keep in contact with the Duffy family and monitor Paige's progress.

Chris and Jack Bourke



Our chief cook, Joan

YCPO Youth Services Report

Terrific Kids

Geoff Sibley & Chris Ward attended Charles Campbell Junior College on June 26th to present Terrific Kids awards to 2 students at each school. The assembly was one of the longest they've attended as each class performed an item of either singing or dancing or doing a presentation of a class activity. It was a lot of fun and very entertaining. The kids loved doing it as well.

On 4th July being the last day of the school term, Geoff did presentations to Dernancourt Primary and Chris attended to Stradbroke School. Two awards per school were presented.

Being the last day of term, it was a casual day at Stradbroke and at Dernancourt where every student wore their pyjamas.

In wearing their PJ's they made a gold coin donation to Variety with a young lady from Variety being in attendance. On Friday July 4, Phil Daws attended Marryatville Primary School to attend their end of term assembly also to present three Terrific Kids awards. A class of juniors also wore their pyjamas.

The senior students undertook managing the assembly and various sports recognitions highlighted to all.

It is great for the three of us to be included in the various school's assemblies and to witness the enjoyment the

kids get in running the assemblies and performing their items and the pleasure they get in receiving their awards. Photos are taken afterwards also.

Operation Flinders

We were informed by Operation Flinders that Charles Campbell College had to withdraw their participation for the upcoming Exercise 3 in August due to the school not being able to provide two staff. The Board has met and agreed that we support another school (Modbury High or Valley View) if possible, as we have already donated \$2,000 towards this very important program. More details to be provided once known.

Thorndon Park Primary School

Following is a copy of a thank you letter included in the school newsletter in regard to our \$3,500 donation for an additional Soundfield system to assist the hard of hearing students.

I am in communication (including Chris Ward) with their principal in regard to looking for our further support in the future to work in with Kiwanis Athelstone.

Phil Daws
Director - Youth Services

Thank You to Kiwanis Club Rostrevor Campbelltown from Thorndon Park Primary School

On behalf of our entire school community, we would like to sincerely thank Kiwanis Club Rostrevor Campbeltown for their generous donation of \$3,500, which has allowed us to purchase an additional Soundfield system to support our students - particularly those who are hard of hearing or experience auditory processing difficulties.

This brings the total number of Soundfield systems in our school to four. While the school has previously invested in three of these devices, the most recent purchase was made possible thanks to the support of Kiwanis Club Rostrevor Campbelltown.

Soundfield systems amplify the teacher's voice evenly across the classroom, making it easier for all students to hear and understand instructions. While especially helpful for students with hearing or processing challenges, research shows these systems improve learning for every student by reducing background noise, increasing clarity and supporting focus and engagement.

We hope to continue expanding access to this technology across more classrooms. Each system plays an important role in our commitment to inclusive and high-quality education for all learners.

Thank you again to Kiwanis Club Rostrevor Campbelltown for their generous support — it is truly making a difference.

Birthdays

Judy Channing	August 1
Geoff Thomas	August 16
Jack Bourke	August 18
Bill Castle	August 25
Joan Tye	September 6
Ann Thomas	September 18
Yvonne Castle	September 20

Guest Speakers

25 Aug Bridgette Barendregt. Cyber safety

8. Sept Noelle Wallis. Pathway community centre

21 Sept Handover Lunch at Sferas

Just For Laughs

The world champion tongue twister got arrested. I hear they're going to give him a tough sentence!

Are people born with photographic memories, or does it take time to develop?

I can tell when people are being judgmental just by looking at them.

Adam & Eve were the first ones to ignore the Apple terms and conditions.

6:30 is the best time on a clock, hands down.