



President's Message

Dear Members and Friends,

How quickly things are moving now that we are almost back to normal. Suddenly it's less than a month until Christmas, and time to get the decorations out once more.

For those of you unable to attend last week's meeting, I am very pleased to inform you that I announced our President Nominee is Denise Grocke. Congratulations to Denise, who I'm sure will be a wonderful President in 2022/23.

Our Club is extremely busy at the moment, and I am very proud of everyone's effort to help where they can. Last week some of our Members conducted mock job interviews at Beumaris Secondary College. Thank you to Denise, Trish, Simon, Richard & David Hone for volunteering, and to Bridget for organising. This was the first time we have been able to do this at BSC. The feedback has been very positive and I am confident we will be able to continue next year.

Next Wednesday, a few of our Members will be gift wrapping presents for the Angel Tree Project. Soula has done a wonderful job co-ordinating our Club's involvement with this worthwhile project.

This week we launch our Wine Raffle sales at the Concourse on Saturday. Please check your email for an opportunity to volunteer selling tickets.

Last Friday night I attended the District Presidents' Meeting. One of the items discussed was the Rotary Storm Recovery Festival being held in Monbulk on Sunday 27 February next year. After discussion with the Board, we have volunteered our Club to be 'hands on' help at the Festival. I am waiting on confirmation of our role, before we call for volunteers.

A number of Members have asked if we are having some sort of Kris Kringle at our Christmas function this year. Last Thursday night I brought a Christmas stocking to our meeting to collect funds to go towards Christmas Hampers for BAYCISS. I thought that this year in particular, when so many in our community are struggling, our funds would be better off being directed towards others. Thank you to everyone that has contributed so far. I will be bringing the stocking to next week's meeting and then we will be purchasing the items as directed by BAYCISS.

CHRISTMAS PARTY – WEDNESDAY 15 DECEMBER - REMINDER

Could you please reply to this invitation ASAP to assist with our planning of this event.

Yours In Rotary,
Lynda



Next Meetings

Thursday 2 December

Club Forum

Chair: Adrian Culshaw

Attendance: Mary Cunnington, Di Zarro

Thursday 9 December

Dr Tina Campbell

Technology in Patient Engagement

Chair: Charmaine Jansz

Attendance: Clem Quick, Julie Reith

Wednesday 15 December

Christmas Party

6:30 pm

Beumaris Motor Yacht Squadron

Beach Rd, Beumaris (opposite Cromer Rd)



Venue is VGC, 6:50 for 7:00 unless otherwise noted.

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This Week's Speaker, Club News

Speaker: Peter Reid

Topic: Hampton Rotary Tonga Project



Peter Reid is the current President of Hampton and a distinguished Churchill Fellow and Civil Engineer, specialising in water.

Peter's commitment to this project and similar projects is commendable and outstanding. This project has had a long genesis starting with a project from Prospect, S.A. in 2012 and building to the Global Grant application it is today. This project works with a local Rotary Club as well as with the Ministry of Health for Tonga. In initial work, 30% of a sample of 500 children were found to have hearing impairment. Peter told us that 75% of hearing loss is preventable, emphasising the importance of this project. As part of this project there will be a project manager as well as training of local staff to ensure sustainability as well as probity.

The budget of \$100 k excludes the Pro Bono contributions which must be considered to at least double the monetary contribution. Peter spoke of the rigours of meeting the Global Grant conditions, but also of the importance of those conditions and the help he has received from both Graham Richardson and Peter Alexander. The project has worked hard at meeting the community consultation and engagement requirements as well as the reporting conditions.

They are seeking sponsors and partners for this very worthwhile project. Peter also pointed out that, in requiring these conditions Rotary is meeting and mirroring the requirements of the World Bank and similar bodies.

In response to questions Peter noted that the project is scalable and that he would hope it goes to outer islands, and that he is reasonably confident of ENT backup in New Zealand.

Trish Smyth

- Polynesian sovereign state and archipelago comprising 170 islands, 36 inhabited
- 750 square kilometers scattered over 700,000 square kilometers of the South Pacific Ocean
- Approximately 70% of 106,000(2020) population reside on the main island of Tonga'tapu.
- 32% of Tongan population are under 14 y.o.
- 30% of a sample of 500 primary 1 and 2 children have been found to have some hearing/ear problems*



3 components implemented over 9-12 months:

Phase 1 Initial intensive training program to be conducted at Vaiola Hospital by International & Tongan specialists for hospital staff, Health Officers and Public Health Nurses from Community Health Centres within the project area

Phase 2 Screen the hearing of Year 1 and 2 students at schools in the project area, involving real time demonstrations for nurses and others intended to be involved in a subsequent on-going screening and reporting activity

Phase 3 Monitor and Evaluate the progressive screening activities, reporting at the end of 9 months.



- A Community Needs Assessment indicates that the proposed project could enable a benefit for approximately 3000 children in Primary Classes 1 and 2 at schools on Tonga'tapu and the 50 nurses and staff from the health sections of the Tonga MOH. Subsequently benefits will flow to the whole of Tonga
- Long-term impact is the identification of cases of deficient hearing in young children which can then be addressed by further intervention
- Long-term benefit focuses on building and strengthening capacity within the MOH through training and supply of specialist equipment, to support regular screening of children's hearing throughout Tonga
- Supporting medical staff and community members participating in the project investigation and design, included ~20 medical staff, hospital and community nurses and 20-30 members of the community

CARIBBEAN CONVICTS IN AUSTRALIA

Documentary Podcast Launch

Register your RSVP here and you will be sent the Zoom link:
<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/caribbean-convicts-in-australia-documentary-podcast-launch-tickets-213359683557>

In the ABC Radio National documentary podcast Caribbean Convicts, the novelist Sienna Brown tells the story of the cohort of West Indians convicts who arrived in NSW on the ship the Moffatt in 1836. Most had been enslaved, including William Buchanan, a Jamaican man who was transported for participating in the Christmas Day slave uprising in Jamaica, in 1831-32.

Hosted by the former ABC presenter and reggae researcher Brent Clough, this online launch will include excerpts from the documentary and discussion with Sienna and co-producer Ben Etherington.

Liz Millman

Thank you to all Members who contributed to our Charity Wine Raffle prizes.

Chris Mara

Charity Wine Raffle



1st Prize: 2 Doz mix of Premium Reds & Whites.
2nd & 3rd Prize: 1 Doz Reds or Whites or mix.
4th Prize: 1/2 Doz mix of Reds & Whites
in a limited edition Market Tote Bag.

**Tickets \$5 each / 3 for \$10 on sale at
Beaumaris Concourse Sat Dec 4th
and
Beaumaris North Community Market
Sunday Dec 5th, 8am-1pm**

Winners drawn 18 December at Beaumaris Concourse

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Club Protection Officer	Ken Mirams

Newsletter, Website, Facebook

David Lea	
Fellowship	Megan Glenwright
Foundation	Chris D'Arcy
On to Conference	Adrian Culshaw
Speaker Program, Dining & Duties Roster	Bridget Hage

District Officers

Assistant Governor for Monash A Cluster	Chris D'Arcy
District Compliance Officer	Ken Mirams
District Indigenous Support Committee	David Hone

Bayside Charity Golf Day

Peter Flude	James Glenwright
Jim O'Brien	Richard Jones

Farmers Market – Chair – **Chris Mara**

Ken Mirams	Liz Tanzimat
James Glenwright	Charmaine Jansz
Julie Reith	Vivienne Zoppolato

