

The Screed



Rotary

Outgoing President:

Roger Bayley

Incoming President:

Colin Boland

Secretary: **Margie Stuart**

Treasurer: **Ross Craig**

Next week:

There will be no speaker

All hands on deck to help Sue Tyler with UTW bags.

General Business

Revised meetings

- Club meetings 1st & 3rd Wednesdays
- 2nd Wednesday of the month for the Board meeting
- 4th & 5th Wednesdays: social meetings

Meals

In order to avoid taxing the Club unnecessarily for meals, the board would appreciate all members who wish to attend a meeting to contact Treasurer Ross Craig.

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Email: rossc041260@gmail.com

The Golf Club requires 15 members per meeting to attend in order for them to be able to be financially viable.



Meeting Venue:

Moss Vale Golf Club

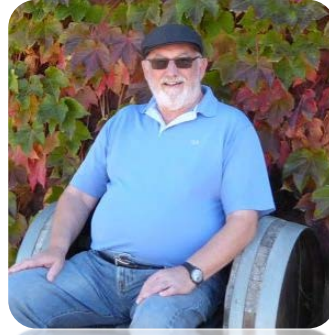
Day: 1st & 3rd Wednesdays

Time: 6.30pm for 7pm

Cost: \$30



PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2018/2019: by President Roger Bayley



To all Rotary Club of Moss Vale members, partners of members, Board of Directors, visiting Rotarians and friends.

It seems as though this year has slid by and I have not really achieved as much as I set out to do, although there have been many ups as well as a few downs. I will concentrate on the ups and put the downs away to be forgotten.

The year started in July when I took over from Chris Slade who had done a fantastic job over that past year; it was always going to be a hard act to follow but off we went.

This has been a year where most of the donations to local groups and the community were attended to early in my year, with the Golf Day profit going to the Queen Street centre, but of course this was not the only thing happening in my year. We attended many barbeques and functions within the community and assisted in many activities. I have to say though it has been a fun year and I thank the members for their camaraderie and support.

It has not been a good year for membership with the induction of no new members. This has not been for the want of trying and I thank the membership committee for their hard work, coming up with ideas to get new members to join.

I would like to thank my Board of Directors who have assisted me over the past year; they have been fantastic and kept me on the straight and narrow, also helping me in many decisions for the benefit of the club. We have had many a fun night and day, and I still think that so much can be gained over a meal and a bottle, that just shows what Rotary is all about.

I really think that is all I need to say, as my Board, in their reports, will give the rundown of everything that has happened over the year.

Finally, thanks must go to my wife Jacqui and family who have had to put up with me and Rotary over the past year when they were needed, also to the members for their support and friendship throughout the year.

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(Thanks to Sue!)

MEMBERSHIP

Think about people you know who might like to contribute to our community and ask them to join the Rotary Club of Moss Vale



Brigadoon: April, 2019

(L-R) Ross Craig, Chris Slade & Peter Hammon

Source: C. Rossetto

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES REPORT: 2018-2019: by Chris Slade

The last year has been quite busy with many activities undertaken with the involvement of numerous members assisting.

1. Introduced BBQS at Moss Vale Coles which returned an average profit of \$260 per occasion.
2. A number of our members (Noel Crellin, Margie Stuart, Kevin and Sonia Worthington, Peter and Barbara Flynn) continued the great work of Meals on Wheels from the Queen Street Centre.
3. Noel also continued his attendance (with Roger this year) at the Legacy Christmas Lunch where we donated \$1000 to support Legacy. Noel also presented a wreath on behalf of Moss Rotary Club at Anzac Day ceremony.
4. Our annual BBQ for Carols in the Park was also held at the old Bowling Club due to poor weather. Special thanks to Darren, Julia, and Phil from *Southern Highlands Smash Repairs*.
5. In September we supported the Spring Auto Fair at Berrima with a BBQ, which raised \$1800 & enabled a donation of \$2000 to Cancer Research.
6. In early 2019, the club catered for a wake following a funeral service at Medway for 200 people. The family donated a reasonable amount to our club for our efforts.
7. In April, Brigadoon was one of our biggest fundraisers of the year with a profit of \$2700.
8. We also hosted MHERV (Men's Health check by a Registered Nurse) in November conducted at Southern Highlands Funerals (thanks to Colin for the premises) in conjunction with the Rotary Club of Warners Bay.
9. In May, the Federal Election day BBQ at the Council Chambers raised \$400.
10. In May, we supported the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal by collecting funds at Macdonalds, Sutton Forest. We collected just on \$2000 over the Saturday and Sunday.
11. In August & October, we conducted the U TURN THE WHEEL activities at the Mittagong RSL. Through this activity we are able to introduce 500 students to the rules of the road and basic education in road safety. This is conducted each year (this year is the 20th anniversary of this great initiative, begun by Moss Vale Rotary Club). The organizing of this event is conducted in conjunction with Wingecarribee Council.

I would like to thank all members for their support during the year because without the participation and efforts of our members we could not make the contribution to the community that we do. I would like to especially thank the wives and partners, family and friends who also assisted through the year; without their support our job would be a lot more difficult.

TREASURER'S REPORT 2018/2019: by Ross Craig

2018/2019 has been a year of consolidation in regard to the finances of The Rotary Club of Moss Vale. Following the closure of several accounts in the last few years and the conglomeration of all our finances into the established Administration Account, it appeared that we were in a very stable financial position. Hence, during the 2018/2019 Rotary Year, The Rotary Club of Moss Vale made generous donations to the following organizations/activities:-

\$ 1000.00 Bomaderry Rotary (Inaugural U Turn the Wheel driver training program)

\$ 5500.00 Moss Vale Basketball Association (New Scoreboard)

\$ 262.83 Moss Vale Girl Guides (Paint Supplies)

\$ 1000.00 Braille Music Group (Music Camp Fees)

\$12000.00 Moss Vale Queen Street Centre (Refurbishment Costs)

\$ 500.00 Moss Vale High School (End of Year Awards)

\$ 2000.00 Southern Highlands Spring Auto Fair (Southern Highlands Cancer Centre)

\$ 500.00 Harris Family (dealing with drought)

\$ 1000.00 Legacy (Christmas Luncheon event)

\$ 312.78 Morrisson Family (Funeral Catering)

\$ 1250.00 Tertiary Education Award (Ex-student from Moss Vale High School)

\$ 1183.71 Southern Highlands MUNA (Model United Nations Assembly)

\$ 357.00 Men's Health Caravan (held in Moss Vale)

\$ 75.00 Anzac Day Wreath (laid on the Club's behalf at the Moss Vale Service)

\$ 485.72 Christmas Hampers (to disadvantaged families in the Moss Vale area)

This equates to \$27,427.04 in total. Upon reflection by our Board, we realised that we have been over generous and needed to tighten our belt. We also needed to abide by Rotary Directives and have the finances in several accounts. This allows monies to be distributed correctly to different areas of our Rotary Service. Our Club's administration account was also used as a means of accepting donations for The Burrumbuttock Hayrunners Charity, to the tune of \$21,974.80, a fantastic effort by the organiser Kerry Thurston, to deliver much needed fodder to drought affected farmers.

For further financial details, please speak with Ross.

Got a speaker you'd like for the club?

Contact Colin Boland
shfmv1@bigpond.net.au

or

Celeste Rossetto
celeste@uow.edu.au

YOUTH REPORT 2018/2019: by Ross Craig & Celeste Rossetto

Southern Highlands MUNA Report

The Rotary Clubs of Moss Vale, Berrima District and Bowral-Mittagong again facilitated Southern Highlands MUNA (Model United Nations Assembly) on 25 May 2019 at the Wingecarribee Shire Council Chambers. This represented the fifth year of the Program in the Southern Highlands. Nine teams from local High Schools were represented: three (3) teams from Chevalier College, two (2) teams each from Oxley College and Frensham School plus one (1) team each from Bowral High School and Southern Highlands Christian School. **The Southern Highlands Christian School team were victorious** on the day followed by one of the Oxley College teams in second place and the **Peace Prize being awarded to one of the Frensham School** teams. The prize winning Southern Highlands Christian School and Frensham School teams will represent the Southern Highlands at the annual Australian National MUNA in the Chamber at Old Parliament House, Canberra ACT on 16-18 August 2019.

Rotary Youth Exchange Report

In July 2018, our RYE student, Sofia Castelli, arrived from Brescia, Italy. Sofia had three host families; Chris & Yvette Slade who first put forward the idea of hosting a student, Stephan & Laurence Bourrigaud, whose daughter was on exchange in Switzerland, and Celeste Rossetto. Sofia got to see much of Australia from Tasmania to Queensland and many places in between. She attended nearly all our Rotary meetings and BBQs. She gained confidence in her English language communication as well as interacting with a wide variety of people from all walks of life. As a result, she was very reluctant to return home – always a good sign of a successful exchange year.

Rotary Tertiary Education Award Report

The Tertiary Education Award was the brainchild of Rotarians, Kevin Worthington and Jim McAlpine, to help a student financially in their first year of tertiary study. They are ably assisted by the Principal of the Moss Vale High School, Trish Holmes, who selects a suitable candidate. The recipient of our Club's Tertiary Education Award this year, Ben Brittle (former student at Moss Vale High School), spoke most highly of Southern Highlands MUNA, during his visit to our Club Dinner meeting, where he accepted his award. He represented Moss Vale High School for two years when he was a student there.

Thank you to our Club and members for your ongoing financial and personal support of such a wonderful program for young people.



Sofia Castelli

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SECRETARY'S REPORT 2018/2019: by Margie Stuart

The 2018/19 year commenced with Ron Sheppard in the role of Secretary, but when Ron was no longer able to continue in the role, the Board approached me to 'fill the gap', and I agreed to take on the role from that time.

Keeping track of Board meetings proceedings is a major part of the role, but the Secretary's job is made much easier through Celeste Rossetto kindly continuing in the role of *Screed* Editor, and doing a wonderful job!

I represent the Rotary club of Moss Vale as Secretary of the Management Committee of the Wingecarribee Community Centre, the Queen St. Centre, which houses Wingecarribee Food Services (Meals on Wheels) as well as The Adult Day Centre, a respite service, the local office of Alzheimer's Australia, and Hammondcare.

The Community Centre Committee is extremely grateful for the financial support give by RCMV this year. It has enabled the installation of new (much safer) automatic doors at the MOW Entrance, and also the installation of security cameras to the outside of the building.

The Queen St Centre celebrated its 10 year anniversary this year, and the lunchtime function was attended by many Rotarians who had been closely involved in the development and establishment of the Centre, a huge achievement for our Rotary Club.

I wish to thank the Board for their support and friendship as I have taken up the Secretarial role, and in particular, my gratitude must go to Jim McAlpine, for his unwavering support and always sage advice.

International & Foundation: by Peter Hammon

The ShelterBox program has been modified due to the changing nature of the aid needed in disasters around the world, together with the cost in both resources and logistics in tracking the individual ShelterBoxes. The ShelterBox Solution now has the flexibility to respond and deliver the specific aid required to meet the needs of those adversely affected by the various disasters around the globe as they occur and our Rotary Club has continued to support overseas aid through this international program. During 2018/2019 the Rotary Club of Moss Vale has provided funds to The ShelterBox Solution to provide aid as determined in various global disasters.

Donations were also made to the Rotary Foundation to assist with the End Polio Now campaign

Sixty might be
the new forty
but 9:00 is the
new midnight.

GOLF DAY REPORT 2018/2019: by Peter Hammon

The preparatory work included Alan managing the raffle ticket selling at IGA in Moss Vale over a 7 week period; The raffle raised in total over \$3,000. Our major sponsor, *Moss Vale Motor Group* donated a new VW Alltrack and cash for holes-in-1 on 2 par 3 holes. 19 hole sponsorships had been secured to boost the revenue raised. A small group of dedicated Rotarians set up all the various sponsors' banners and promotional material on tees around the golf course. One the day the Rotary BBQ was ready for breakfast the next morning. Ross, Chris, Colin, Laurelle, David, George, Malcolm, Margie & Roger all combined most efficiently to ensure the golfers were well nourished and ready to play.

Kevin presented the rules for the competition and 72 golfers moved off around the Golf Course ready for the 8.30 am shotgun start. Around the course Malcolm Webber and Sandra Jones were stationed on the par 3 6th hole to observe a possible winner of the VW Alltrack by getting a hole-in-1 and to conduct betting on golfer's tee shots on the green. Geoff Knapman was seated at the back of the par 3 11th hole to observe a possible ace or the nearest the pin for a cash prize. A Golf Club staff member drove a golf cart around the course offering complimentary drinks to the golfers as they played; she had a bucket with her in the cart to accept gold coin donations to add further funds to the event.

The Golf Club served lunch for the players and Rotarian volunteers. Rob Parker, a former member of Rotary, conducted an auction with much humour and to great effect. A major auction item was a commercial model lawn mower generously donated by Warren Stanley of Bowral Mowers. Colin Boland was the successful bidder. Rob's efforts raised in excess of \$2,000 to add to the revenue for the day.

Kevin and Peter Nelson then presented the prizes to the golfers for their various achievements on the golf course; team scores and individual prizes including nearest the pins, long drives and straight drive. A representative from Moss Vale Motor Group was invited forward to draw the 3 winners of the raffle for which tickets had been sold at IGA over a 7 week period; it's interesting to note that the winner of the 1st prize was a local Sutton Forest resident who took his \$800 voucher to Harvey Norman in Moss Vale and bought a new washing machine to replace their old one which had died. My thanks indeed to these Rotarians for staying until the end.

We sincerely thank our major sponsor Moss Vale Motor Group and all the other sponsors who generously supported our 2018 Charity Golf Day event. We also thank Moss Vale Golf Club for including our event on their calendar. In November 2018 we took out a full page in the *Southern Highland News* to publicly thank all our sponsors and everybody involved in making the event such a success; the article also included commentary regarding the Queen Street Centre in Moss Vale which was the recipient of the proceeds of our 2018 Charity Golf Day.

The Queen Street Centre opened in 2008 and was a project of our Rotary Club for which we were presented the District 9710 Centenary Project Award. The net proceeds from the 2018 Charity Golf Day amounted to \$12,000 It should be noted that our Rotary Club also presented a cheque for \$5,000 to the Queen Street Centre at our 70th Anniversary in May 2018 which makes a total of \$17,000 provided by the Rotary Club of Moss Vale to the Queen Street Centre during the 2018 calendar year. I believe that Margie Stuart, our Club's community representative on the management committee of the Centre, is very pleased with this outcome.

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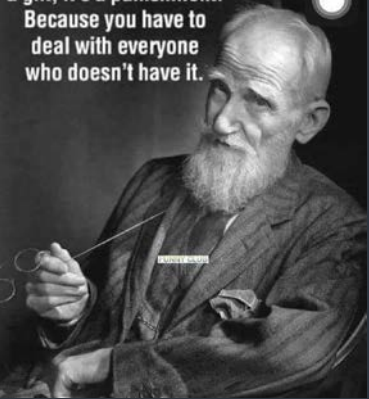
ADMINISTRATION REPORT 2018/2019: by Colin Boland


Administration for the 2018/2019 year for the Rotary Club of Moss Vale has not been too taxing, made easier with Celeste taking over the *Screed* from Margie and also working jointly on the Meeting program.

Form D "The Working with Children Form", required by Rotary for insurance purposes, has taken up some considerable time for the Board to process this year.

A Member Profile has also been developed by Phil, Celeste and Colin. This information will be processed early in our next Rotary year, giving the Club current information on all members.

Common sense is not a gift, it's a punishment. Because you have to deal with everyone who doesn't have it.



 An auction will be held with major prizes including a Honda lawn mower donated by Bowral Mowers. Photo: supplied

EDITOR'S NOTE

I would like to thank Margie Stuart for collating and editing the directors' reports and sending them on to me. **Every** director was very aware that they did not work alone but were part of a team, whether that was with fellow Rotarians or their families and friends or indeed, other members of our Moss Vale community. I was not able to include all their acknowledged gratitude because of formatting and space constraints.

I would like to thank all the directors personally for their reports and beg forgiveness from those whose reports I have truncated in order to fit in the given pages.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT 2018/2019: by Phillip Driscoll

We currently have 20 members. During the course of this year we unfortunately had our esteemed member, Geoff Tassell, pass away following a lengthy battle with cancer. Geoff is sadly missed by all. Jason Horn resigned due to health issues and Stan Cornwell & Ron Sheppard transferred back to their previous club. We have not inducted any new members this year. It is obvious that we need to continue to grow our membership and with this in mind we have formed a new membership sub-committee, to put a number of new strategies together to attract new members to our club. The sub-committee members are Kevin Worthington, Jim McAlpine, Colin Boland and Celeste Rossetto. I would like to thank them for their assistance. I look forward to continuing to build the club membership in the coming year.

ROTARY MEMBERS' WELLBEING: by Jim McAlpine

Our Club decided to appoint a Wellbeing Officer whose role would be to communicate with those who had any health or other concerning issues, and to then let our members know as appropriate. I accepted this role and have communicated with members regularly. This is not always good news but it does provide a level of support where it is appreciated.

The death of Geoff Tassell was very sad news for all of us in March this year but our emails assisted Robin Tassell to communicate with Rotarians and the Dream Cricket Committee.

In recent months, communications have kept members informed on the status of Phil Driscoll and Geoff Knapman, and most recently Kevin Worthington. Other Rotarians whose health has been affected in this year include Jason Horn and Steve Bradley. No doubt there will be others as time goes by, but I will try to keep members informed so that they can offer encouragement, support and good humour.

Dream Cricket: by Jim McAlpine (Secretary, Dream Cricket Committee)

Our Club continues to be involved every October with Dream Cricket in conjunction with the Bowral-Mittagong and Berrima District Rotary Clubs. The 2018 Dream Cricket Day was held at Bradman Oval last October and was a wonderful event for primary school children with disabilities. Our members help on the day, as well as contributing to the organisation and funding. The 25th of October this year will be the next big day for these young people, and planning is well underway. Geoff Tassell had been the Secretary of the Dream Cricket Committee since its inception in 2010 and he has been a great loss as he was also a cricket umpire.

Thank you to all Rotarians at the Rotary Club of Moss Vale for their ongoing support of community activities in 2018-2019.

Next Rotary year, 2019-2020, promises to be a good year



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