

Rotary

CLUB OF BURNIE

CLUB NUMBER - 18437

THE BULLETIN

80TH YEAR - No 20 – NOVEMBER 15th 2021



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

President – Themba Bulle

Secretary - George Austin

Treasurer - David Bennett

Bulletin Editor – Allan Jamieson

INVOCATION

For good food, for good fellowship, may the giver of all our blessings make us truly thankful.

ROTARY MONTH: NOVEMBER – ROTARY FOUNDATION

Apologies: please call before 1:00 pm Monday

Dr Themba Bulle on 03 6432 2222

or George Austin on 0438 450 801

Duty Roster: Graeme MUIR & Dilani WIJESOORIYA

Club website: <http://www.burnierotary.org.au>

Date	Event or Speaker/Topic	Venue
November 22	??	RSL
November 29	??	??

Ideas for speakers? Contact Paul Kearney

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES – NOVEMBER 2021

	Birthdays	Wedding Anniversary	Club Anniversary
13	Wayne LICHT		27 Wayne LICHT
22	Glenda		
25	Bekithemba BULLE		

RAFFLE WINNER	Allan Jamieson + Hayden Cooper
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ATTENDANCE	20 (incl. 1 excused) ... 76%
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President Themba Bulle:

- Welcome to our Guest Speaker, DG Heather Chong, and also to PDG Kevin Shadbolt and his wife. Kevin is Chairman of ARH (Australian Rotary Health)
- We have just about a 'full house' tonight, which is wonderful to see. Apart from six partners of members, many other guests are present [the Bulletin editor counted 10 such guests, but was unable to hear, hence record, their names].



- Regarding our club's Plumtree Project, our immediate aim is to be able to demonstrate that we have this District's commitment before we turn to appeal for funds from other Rotary districts.

Secretary George Austin:

- We have received a 'thank you' letter from the Burnie Eisteddfod committee, in which they ask for a donation again this year.
- Our member Stephanie Prendergast has found that there is an opportunity for us to help sponsor a young person to sail on the *Windward Bound* tall ship from Hobart to Devonport in a couple of weeks' time. I asked Steph to follow up. Instead of the usual \$2,000+ cost, this opportunity is priced at only \$500.
- This Friday, we will present a PHF award to Geoff Taylor, Manager of the Burnie PCYC (Police and Community Youth Club). We presented PHF's to two other worthy members of our community a month or so ago, but Geoff was unable to attend at that time.
- Sandy Bay RC is promoting a "Gin for a Cause" fundraising idea in aid of RAM (Rotarians against Malaria).

PP Nigel Morgan:

- We might put on a BBQ at The Point on Dec. 7 in aid of the Burnie Athletic Club.
- We have a tentative agreement from the Mount Street Pharmacy (opposite K-Mart) to hold a Xmas Eve fundraising BBQ in aid of our Plumtree Project. We have yet to obtain Council approval.

Wayne Richards:

- Wayne alerted members to the special event at the Rhodo Gardens on Sunday Nov. 28; three community groups will jointly celebrate anniversaries. Wayne feels sure that these groups would welcome support from our members.

PP Kevin Shadbolt:

- Prior to introducing PDG Kevin Shadbolt, PP Ian Guest revealed that a former Somerset Rotarian, Russ Radford, who passed away recently, had decided to allocate \$59,300 of his estate to ARH.

Kevin (at left) receiving Russ Radford's donation from Ian (at right).

In response to Ian's news, a grateful Kevin revealed that "every cent received in donations to ARH goes towards medical research."



- ARH is currently funding 40 research projects aimed at mental health issues and a further 50 dealing with other, general health issues.

- For many years, Kevin said, ARH has focussed on the mental health of young children, however this is now shifting to teenagers (14 and above) because it has been found that a high proportion of people who are diagnosed with mental health issues in their old age, had exhibited symptoms of mental illness when they were teenagers.

PP John Pease:

- Applause greeted John.
[Despite suffering a fall last Monday evening, resulting in his scalp needing stitches, John stood in front of us and conducted his customary Fine Session.]
- John ended by diagnosing his health in this way: “I have Phar Lap’s syndrome: The Heart is OK, but the rest of me is stuffed!”

Guest Speaker: DG Heather Chong

From left: DG Heather, Senzeni Bulle, PP John Glen

DG Heather listed three things that many people do not know about her:

- My Day Job is Deputy Mayor of Clarence Council, Tasmania’s second largest council.
- I am a Power Lifter and gained a medal at the Masters’ Games.
- My hobby is building structures with Lego – great mental stimulation.



Heather said:

- Our theme this year is “Serve to Change Lives”
- The world President of RI has set three goals for his year:
 1. Each club member to introduce one new member (*net*, thus if a member leaves a club, this loss must be filled as well.)
 2. Empower girls: Each club should look at what it can do to assist.
 3. Establish “Service Days” in which Rotary clubs cooperate with other groups in service projects.
- Our district, D-9830 has just over 1,100 members. If the number drops below 1,100 we can be required to amalgamate with a Victorian Rotary District. Thus, I am trying to ensure we end up with a *net two* new members per club.
- Having got new members, we must realise the need is to *keep them* in the club.
- The District Conference will be in Hobart in April. We will be offering ‘Home Hosting’ in an effort to reduce costs for members who don’t live in Hobart.
- Finally, let’s focus on the **Homeless: *Think what your club can do.***