



Meeting every  
Wednesday, 12:30 for  
12:45 start - 1 hr duration,

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*Reg. No. A0017318K RI District 9810*

**President 2016-2017 Jason Wilcox**

District Governor: 2016 – 2017 Carol Lawton



**Jason Wilcox**  
President 2016/17

## Meeting Notes

This week's meeting was chaired by Bill with Jason as president.

Danny had returned from his holiday in Tassie to take up his usual position as Sergeant and was accompanied by his wife Pam. Although he was presented with a new joke book there was no Joke session. We still had some happy dollars although we were trying to save time.

Neil and Coral also returned from their Cruise looking fit and happy and no doubt already planning their next trip. They have also celebrated their 54<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Other attendees were Kay Neale, Mary Rasmussen, Andrea and Joel.

Apologies from Alan and Lorraine, who have departed on holiday and subsequently left this onerous newsletter task in fickle hands.

Apologies were received from Margaret who has been admitted to the Knox private hospital; our best wishes were expressed for a speedy recovery and Bill advised he was visiting her after the meeting.

The main event this week was the induction of two new members:

**Natalie Wilcox**, wife of our President, Jason and **Louise Wentworth** who was accompanied by her husband Robert.

After making informative and gracious speeches they were presented with Rotary Club of KNOX membership certificates and their name badges by President Jason, he also mentioned that Louise had quickly stepped into the volunteering role and is assisting Margaret. He also thanked Natalie for all the support she has already provided and for joining under the Family membership option which he hope others will take advantage of.

The Caravan trip to the conference at Geelong was still being remembered with much delight and judging by the pictures in Alan's previous newsletter showing all the PIRATES, it was hilarious and successful.

**All Chairs gave their verbal reports and will be fully detailed in the Board minutes**

## **Jason's Gibber:**

Thank you for such wonderful turnout of members and partners last week to celebrate and welcome our new members Louise and Natalie.

Member inductions are always a special occasion and with the room almost overflowing it made for a vibrant meeting and a day they will remember.

I hope that Natalie taking up the first family package inspires others to follow because no matter how big or small the contribution you think your partner can make, it makes a difference and collectively helps us achieve more. As a club it will strengthen us immeasurably and also add another pillar that secures our club's future.

During the induction speech I talked about Louise and Natalie wearing the Rotary pin with great pride and honour but it's also a good reminder to all of us to do the same. The Rotary Club of Knox has been transforming lives through a range of projects and programs since 1980 and we should all feel very proud to be part of a rich heritage that for over 37 years, has and continues to make a difference in our community. Just imagine how many sausages have been cooked in the name of fundraising in that time!!

At a recent business conference I attended, a key note speaker Keith Abraham shared to a room of 200 finance Industry professionals that he was proudly a 'Rylarian' having attended a RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award) camp when in his early twenties. Not many people in the audience knew what he was talking about but I sat upright when I heard and made sure I spoke to him afterwards to find out more. I thanked him for talking about it publicly because a lot of people don't fully understand what Rotary is about.

Keith said to me that attending RYLA changed his life and gave him direction he never had. A Rotary club showed faith in him and just take a look at what he's gone onto achieve as an international key note speaker at conferences across the globe - [www.keithabraham.com](http://www.keithabraham.com)

Our club invests in these same youth initiatives and with a new partnership with Scoresby Secondary College emerging, there will be more opportunities to make a difference in the life of young people just like the Rotary club did with Keith all those years ago. His experience is an important lesson not to underestimate what we can achieve - it's very powerful when you stop and think about it.

We are all making a difference so wear your Rotary pin with pride!

Until next time, stay safe and stay well.

Jason

**ANZAC DAY raffle. \$2 a ticket drawn on the day**

<u>FORTH COMING EVENTS : R C of Knox</u>		Chairperson
<i>19th April</i>	<i>Guest Speaker: Gai Williams on Child Health</i>	<b>Harvey</b>
<i>26th April</i>	<i>Guest Speaker: Ruth Elliot on Dogs.</i>	<b>Neil</b>
<i>30th April</i>	<i>Sunday ~ Progressive Dinner - a fellowship event. See notice below.</i>	
<i>3rd May</i>	<i>Guest Speaker : Yvonne ~ Possums</i>	<b>Louise</b>
<i>4th May</i>	<i>District Golf Day - Contact John Williams 0408 228865</i>	
<i>10<sup>th</sup> May</i>		
<i>21<sup>st</sup> May</i>	<i>District Training Assembly - Deakin University Burwood.</i>	

### Club Notices

# Club Progressive Dinner. Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April.

Pre-dinner drinks and nibbles will be held at 5:30pm at Connie & Tore's, Waterford Valley Lakes, Villa 180, 175 Kellets Rd., Rowville.

Main course & dessert will be at 7pm at Mary & Henry's, 4 Windsor Crt., Boronia.

Come along and join in the fun and fellowship.

**Please let Connie know if you are attending.**



### **Rotary Invocation**

For Good Food,  
Good Fellowship  
and the opportunity to give service through  
Rotary,  
We give thanks

### **The Four Way Test**

Is it the Truth?  
Is it fair to all Concerned?  
Will it build goodwill and better friendships?  
Will it be beneficial to all Concerned