



**ROTARY CLUB OF MOSS VALE INC.  
N.S.W. AUSTRALIA – DISTRICT 9705**

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## *THE RCMV SCREED*

### *2 April 2023*

*President's greetings:*

*Dear Members and Friends,*

*Well the year is well and truly underway and we've made a great start, settling in to the Services Club, and acquiring two new members, Larry Asquith and Ian Mander, both whole-heartedly welcomed by us all! Laurelle and Sian warmly welcomed as well of course!*

*John Flockton and Peter Nelson have initiated an application to Wingecarribee Shire Council for a Community grant of funds which would go towards the Golf Day, and if successful would considerably enhance our profits for the Charity fund, from the day. A lot of work is going into the submission so fingers crossed!*

*And another Market Day coming up on Good Friday at the Showground – this event was a busy and profitable one for us last year so all hands on deck please – for however many hours you can manage – Look forward to seeing you there and at the meeting on Tuesday night when **Host a Hive** will be our guest speakers.*

*Margie Stuart*

*President RCMV*

**VALE CURLY (Kevin Maguire).** Thanks to Tim McKinnon and Chris Knapman for information about Kevin Maguire who died recently at the age of 100. Kevin is instantly recognizable in the photo below that Chris sent me. From left to right, Elizabeth, Geoff Knapman, Tony Bennett, Kevin, an unnamed seated chap, and Tim McKinnon (looking rather bold). This was a Rotary Club working bee on the Rotary Walkway (named after Roy Baker) along Whites Creek. Kevin was a PHF and was our club's

President in 1973-74. Chris knew Curly when she was a young girl as her father Alan Strode was a great friend of his.



**BEEKEEPER GUEST SPEAKER:** Our guest speaker for our dinner this Tuesday night is Lee Kirkpatrick. Lee will be informing us of a local beekeeping initiative, Highlands Host a Hive. The Bee population took a devastating hit during the recent fires and with the virus decimating them as well. Bees are an essential for pollination and are the world's most important pollinators for food crops. A vast majority of flowering plants rely on pollinators to reproduce. They have formed a local group of like-minded Beekeepers who would like to volunteer to assist in supporting Host a Hive. As a host you don't need a Beekeeper's licence, or to undertake any courses or own a Bee suit. All we require is for the Host: • to be an active gardener or love bush yards which is larger than 600 sqm & have fresh water available • Have a location not close to a clothesline • Have a love for honey, as they will get a litre per year as a host gift. • You must not be allergic to Bees. A basic wooden hive & base and 8 or 10 frames will be supplied. A swarm will be collected, delivered and installed by a registered Beekeeper adhering to all safety precautions. For Rotarians with big yards, this might be a valuable addition. Please chat with Lee at dinner for more information.

**SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY FOUNDATION:** The foundation celebrated its 21<sup>st</sup> birthday last Thursday with a party at Briars. As well as thanking the outgoing Chair, Shelley Boyce, the incoming Chair Nicole Smith was welcomed. The SHCF has made some new opportunities available in the Highlands that could be of interest to our Rotary Club. There is some food for thought in the new bi-monthly award for a local hero. Get your thinking hats on and let our Board members know of anyone you think would be worthy of nomination.

# NOMINATE YOUR HIGHLANDS HERO

LAUNCHING IN 2023, HIGHLANDS HEROES IS A BI-MONTHLY AWARD TO RECOGNISE AND REWARD THOSE QUIET ACHIEVERS IN OUR COMMUNITY WHO WORK TIRELESSLY FOR THEIR CHOSEN CAUSE.

The Southern Highlands Community Foundation (SHCF) is calling for not-for-profit community organisations to nominate worthy volunteers for the award. Winners will be recognised and rewarded with a \$5,000 grant for their organisation.

Nominations for the first round open on **1st April** and close on **Friday 22nd April**. Visit our website [shcf.org.au](http://shcf.org.au) for more information on the selection criteria and nomination process.



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**FUNDRAISING CONCERT:** Our Club in the past has supported the National Braille Music Camp organised by Roma Dix OAM, with wonderful performances by students from all over Australia. Roma needs to raise funds to assist in covering the travel costs for these young people so has organised a fundraising concert this month. It will be held in St Jude's Anglican Church in Bowral at 4.00pm on Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup> of April. There will be strings, wind, brass, vocal and piano instruments so it will be well worth buying a ticket to help out as well as to enjoy a great concert. Email Roma for details at [romad@westnet.com.au](mailto:romad@westnet.com.au) .

**MOSS VALE SHOW!** Roger Bayley has already sent an email to all our members to thank them for their tremendous efforts over the three days of the Moss Vale Show. The Rotary service was first class, and many happy customers came back for seconds. We were fortunate to have fine weather (a little hot on occasions) so the local community came out in large numbers. Our Club made a tidy profit and we were able to thank the Showground society with a payment of 5% of our turnover. This local relationship is mutually beneficial to our club and the showground.

**NEW MEMBER IAN MANDER:** Most of our members have met our newest member, Ian Mander. Ian and his wife Sian moved to Moss Vale last year and are both keen to become part of our community and to also contribute to our community. Ian will be inducted when his Rotary dinner badge arrives, and Sian will receive a partner's dinner badge as well.

## **GOLF DAY 2023:**

**Friday 24 November** is the big day for our annual charity golf day! Our Golf Day Committee is still waiting to hear from Rotarians with suggestions for the local charity our club could support. Please email **Peter Nelson** on [pwnelson54@gmail.com](mailto:pwnelson54@gmail.com) or **Jim McAlpine** on [kmcalpine@bigpond.com](mailto:kmcalpine@bigpond.com). No idea is too trivial as the more suggestions that are made, the better will be the final proposal that the golf day committee puts to our Rotary Board for final a final decision. **John Flockton, Peter**

**Nelson** and **Margie Stuart** have put in a proposal to the WSC to obtain some funding support as well.

### **CLUB MEETING VENUES FOR 2023:**

Our dinner meetings will be held at the Moss Vale Services Club from now on, unless we have any other special functions elsewhere. Please arrive at 6.00pm for a prompt start to our meeting and an enjoyable meal together. The standard cost for dinners will be \$25.

### **2023 CALENDAR**

| <b>DATE</b> | <b>EVENT</b>             | <b>VENUE</b>     | <b>Notes</b>   |
|-------------|--------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| 4 April     | Dinner meeting           | MV Services Club | Margie         |
| 7 April     | Market Day (Good Friday) | MV Showground    | Chris Slade.   |
| 11 April    | Board meeting            | MV Showground    | Contact Margie |
| 18 April    | Special dinner meeting   | MV Services Club | Contact Roger  |
| 25 April    | ANZAC Day                |                  |                |
| 2 May       | Dinner meeting           | MV Services Club | Contact Roger  |

**APOLOGIES MUST BE SENT TO ROGER BY 4.30PM ON THE MONDAY. ANYONE WHO DOESN'T ATTEND AND WHO HASN'T APOLOGISED WILL BE CHARGED!**

### **CHANGEOVER DINNER AND 75<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY 20 JUNE.**

**Roger Bayley** will continue to be the contact person for most dinners. Please show him the courtesy of contacting him with any apologies so that accurate numbers can be reserved for our dinner meetings. Roger's mobile number is **0439 642 717** and his email address is [roger.bayley65@gmail.com](mailto:roger.bayley65@gmail.com).

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