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People Of Action In And For Our Community.

Thursday 11th April 2024

EMILY DUNN - MARINUS LINK

JUST WHAT IS A KIVA LOAN?

More than 1.7 billion people around the world are unbanked and can't access the financial services they need. Kiva is an international nonprofit, founded in 2005 in San Francisco, with a mission to expand financial access to help underserved communities thrive.

We do this by crowdfunding loans and unlocking capital for the underserved, improving the quality and cost of financial services, and addressing the underlying barriers to financial access around the world. Through Kiva's work, students can pay for tuition, women can start businesses, farmers are able to invest in equipment and families can afford needed emergency care.

By lending as little as \$25 on Kiva, you can be part of the solution and make a real difference in someone's life. 100% of every dollar you lend on Kiva goes to funding loans. Our Club has been lending money for KIVA loans for several years. It is a loan not a donation. An example of how Kiva works:

Yuti is a 62 years old member of the Akha tribe living in Wawee Village in the hills of Northern Thailand. She is asking for a loan of \$US 6900 to purchase 850 organic hens and to purchase feed to produce organic free-range eggs. Caring for her hens and selling their eggs provides her and her family continuous monthly income and allows her to have a respectable life.



FROM CLUB ASSEMBLY

• Reg reminded all that it was worth trying to get to the Singapore Rotary Convention “where friendship and learning come together to inspire you. In Singapore you’ll connect with people of action from around the globe at Rotary’s biggest event of the year. We’ll share fresh perspectives, inspiration, and hope – with each other and the world! The convention features world-class dining and cultural attractions, distinguished speakers, energizing breakout sessions, and much more. Join us 25-29 May 2024 in Singapore where we’ll be Sharing Hope with the World!



- Reg reminded the Club, especially new members, that the District Assembly at the beginning of May is useful to attend to get a greater understanding of Rotary. **Please think about it!**
- Reg and Annette went to the Hobart Women’s Shelter. The HWS provides safe, emergency accommodation and support to women and children affected by family violence and/or those experiencing homelessness. They have plans to expand much needed accommodation in Herdsman’s Cove and Kingston. **PROBLEM:** Their demand is never going to be met. What can we do? Projects Director Anne Reeves and her team will let us know in ‘the fullness of time’ what our commitment could be. Annette suggested we can help with basics like toiletries. More information down the track.
- **The big question:** Are there any areas in the local community, that we can help with the support of Rotary grants, which are currently available?

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

“We acknowledge and pay respect to the Tasmanian Aboriginal people as the traditional and original owners and continuing custodians of this land on which we gather and acknowledge Elders – past and present. of



ATTENDANCE PROTOCOL

Members who **are unable** to attend Thursday meetings **OR** those who **do not require** a meal should **contact SHIRIN before lunchtime on Tuesdays.**

Contact SHIRIN at smp@internode.on.net or **0466790991.**

HERE AND THERE

● **Book Shop News!!!** - Early May - School holiday promotion for us to set up a “pop-up” bookstall at the Shoreline, all voted YES.

● **Getting Started Program** - Rotary Community Groups as part of regionalisation. Need to boost numbers; community impact; be engaging Rotarians and interests. Tassie is on the way to start their program for Zone 8. We're Group 3. **Bert Dorgelo** (Pres. Tasman Club) is our Group Leader. Program is in its early stages but working through the process. Watch this space! **Impact on us?** More experts to help us to run our Club. There will be no Assist Governors and the DG role will be minimised and we look into 'shared projects'.

● **Isobel Webb**, our NYSF nominee, has been the **ONLY ONE** awarded a scholarship to study in England. Well done Isobel! We will assist her financially with \$500 support for travel in her efforts to fundraise.

● **Football Gate** is on again. More information on the way to start mid-April. Can you put your hand up for this easy but profitable task?

● **The Recycling Program is back!!!** Remember when bottle tops, off cans were the go. Robyn has offered to do it again but also include tablet containers, empty toothpaste tubes, plastic lids, for more info see Robyn.

RAFFLE WINNERS: BYC - Terry won the “nude chook”.

Club Raffle: Steven drew out both prizes (the red & the white) for Shirin. Not bad huh? Seeing Shirin wasn't there and Jill bought tickets for her!!!

THE MEETING OF THURSDAY 29th APRIL

WE ARE GOING LAWN BOWLING!!

The Sandy Bay Rotary Club is having a social bowls night on **Monday 29th April** at Howrah Bowls Club (indoors). Howrah Rotary members are invited to come along for a fun social night of bowls and fellowship. It is not a fundraiser!!

WHERE: Howrah Bowls Club – Indoor Centre

WHEN: Monday 29th April 5.30pm – 10.00 pm

COST: \$20 per head



Fun Night of Bowls – Bowls provided by Club. Trophies and spot prizes. Lucky Door Prize. Pizzas. BYO salad and desert (to share). Bar open

PLEASE NOTE : The regular Thursday night meeting on 2nd May has been cancelled in lieu of this event so you can attend this fun night.

Thurs. 18th John Horton - Bellerive to Sorell Railway (to be confirmed).

Thurs. 25th *** NO MEETING - ANZAC DAY ***

Monday 29th Bowls night with Sandy Bay Rotary Club.

Fri. 26th Friday Drinks @ BYC

MAY

Thurs. 2nd NO MEETING - Because of Lawn Bowls on Monday 29th April.

Wed. 8th Coffee Club Local Grocer Cambridge Park. 11.30 am.

Thurs. 9th Philip Tyson - History of Radio and Other Sounds.

DUTY ROSTER...

Date	Greeter/Chair	Registration	Duty Officers
11th April	Peter L.	David H & Sue S.	Ishwari & Deb
18th April	Richard	Ankita & Derryn	Bob & Peter A.
25th April	NO	MEETING	ANZAC DAY
2nd May	NO	MEETING	In lieu of Bowls Night

APRIL CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS:

14th Ankita Pyakurel

15th Rob Warren

20th Suzanne Watton



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