

# **Sunrise Times**

Wednesday 11th of November, 2020



Next meeting:

November 11th

Meeting with Zoom

Speaker:

Adrian Lloyd -CEO - Frankston Football Club

November 18th

Meeting with Zoom

Speaker: TBA

November 25th

Meeting

with Zoom Speaker: TBA

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# President's Report:

Hi All

I hope this finds you all a bit saner now we have a bit more freedom. It would seem talking to Phil this morning that we'll be back to meetings after the 22nd November which is something to look forward to.

Thanks Reesy for organizing our guest speaker last week ,John Ballard from "Your Green Companion" who spoke to us about his passions being Permaculture for therapy, Organic gardens, and the different types of applications various styled gardens have for restorative and therapeutic benefits for different sections of our community.

I'd like to think we can offer John some assistance down the track in supporting his program with some hands on assistance .

Reesy has mixed it up this week and gone for a 'footy flavour' with Adrian Rocky Lloyd CEO from the Frankston footy club coming on board to let us know the exiting new developments at the club, and not just those massive lights! Frankston has joined the biggest league outside the AFL which will see them playing against teams from the entire Eastern sae board,Q'ld to Victoria. Looking forward to what he has to tell us.

Crackers had a lady phone up with a whole heap of brand new Leggo in boxes to give to our club to donate as we see fit, so that'll start off our assistance with Ray Whites "Little Ray of Giving". If members can still please drop in a small gift for the team at Ray White to wrap I know they'd appreciate it and so will the disadvantaged kids at Christmas .

Don't forget to sign up for the new Ritchies Community Benefit Card, and get Roscoe your Km's so as he can send them off to Tony Bellette, for the Aussie Super ride.

Cheers

Shane

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# Info on Guest speakers:

Last week: John Ballard: Your Green Companion:

# YOUR GREEN COMPANION

Your Green Companion can provide you with a multitude of services to assist in planning and drawing up plans for your dream garden, or just changing some elements within your garden, home veggie production, removal of green waste, foliar compost tea spraying of your garden.

Our prices are reasonable and affordable and can be tailored for your particular needs as a one off job or an ongoing service of garden maintenance. Call us today for a chat and a quote on 0400 393 577 or make an inquiry at yourgreencompanion@hotmail.com

Website: <a href="https://www.yourgreencompanion.com.au/">https://www.yourgreencompanion.com.au/</a>

This Week's speaker: Adrian Lloyd: CEO - Frankston Football Club:



Ever since being established in 1887, the Frankston Football Club has been a central figure in the world of Australian Rules Football on the Mornington Peninsula.

# Membership:

Membership is the life blood of all football clubs and we can't do it without you joining as member and recruiting new members. It is crucial that we re-sign our 2019 members for 2020 and to do this we must call on our members to help us share and promote our 2020 membership categories as we aim for 1500 members.

Let's all work together to build our membership to ensure our long-term viability.

We want you to continue to join in Building the future with us and Be Part of It and remember I am only a phone call away on 0412 352 241

ADRIAN LLOYD - FFC CEO

Website: https://frankstonfc.com.au/

# From the World of Rotary:

# High-speed internet isn't a luxury; it's essential for a 21st-century education:

A Rotary club in Denver, Colorado, USA helped expand the information highway to reach all the state's kids by Frank Bures

When it comes to global issues, access to high-speed internet might not seem to be a high priority. But when a community lacks internet access, its economy can suffer as residents deal with limited educational and employment opportunities.

In the United States, many people face high internet costs and low, erratic — or non-existent — bandwidth. The Federal Communications Commission estimates that 18.3 million Americans — 5.6 percent of the population — lack access to high-speed internet. But a study by BroadbandNow Research, which looked at the FCC data in more detail, puts the number closer to 42 million people, or 13 percent of Americans. The issue is especially pronounced in rural areas: According to the FCC, 22 percent of rural Americans lack broadband internet at home, compared with only 1.5 percent of urban Americans.

"Internet access is essential for rural communities," says Christopher Mitchell, director of the Community Broadband Network Initiative, a program of the Institute for Local Self-Reliance, a research and advocacy organization. "In some ways it's even more important than for cities. The two things that immediately come to mind are education and jobs," he says. Homework options are limited without internet access in the home, he explains, "and employers are looking to put their jobs in places that have good internet access. Towns that have slow internet access are generally shrinking."

## Rotary clubs address internet inequality

In 2010, as the Rotary Club of Denver neared its 100th anniversary, members started thinking about a project to mark the event. Club member John Klug recalls that "we kept asking ourselves what we could do that 100 years from now, at our 200th anniversary, someone might look back at and say, 'Wow. What they did was amazing; it truly made a difference.'"

Roland Thornton, then the club's president and an executive at telecommunications company Qwest Communications, knew that many rural schools lacked the high-speed internet access common in urban ones, putting their students at a disadvantage. "There are countries in Asia," Thornton remembers thinking, "that have a considerably larger broadband footprint than the United States. I was trying to make us more competitive from a global perspective. My focus was on those rural schools."

#### What is broadband?

The word broadband refers to high-speed, high-capacity, reliable internet access. Wired broadband access can be delivered through a digital subscriber line (DSL), a coaxial cable, or a fiber-optic line (which sends light through glass filaments). Broadband access can also be delivered wirelessly. The minimum speed to be considered broadband is 25 megabits per second (Mbps) for downloading and 3 Mbps for uploading. Better connections are between 100 and 1,000 Mbps.

# High-speed internet isn't a luxury; it's essential for a 21st-century education Continued:

Thornton heard about an organization called the Eagle-Net Alliance (which stands for Educational Access Gateway Learning Environment Network), a coalition of public and private groups that also wanted to bring high-speed internet to the far corners of Colorado. At the time, the state considered itself a tech hub, but in terms of broadband connectivity, it was among the lowest-ranked in the nation. In some rural areas, internet costs were 10 times higher than in Denver. Eagle-Net had applied for a federal grant from the government's broadband stimulus program, but the application had been denied. So the Rotary Club of Denver took on the challenge.

"We wanted to focus on the centennial of Rotary in Colorado, which is why this project was of interest to us," says Seth Patterson, president of the Denver club in 2011-12. "It covered nearly every corner of the state."

The club helped Eagle-Net reapply for the grant. Members started an online petition and put together a YouTube video. The video emphasized that this was a bipartisan issue, featuring endorsements from former Senator Hank Brown, a Republican, and former Governor Dick Lamm, a Democrat. They got school boards, local officials, and business groups involved to show community support. The second application was successful, and Eagle-Net received a \$100.6 million grant to start extending the Colorado information highway to reach all the state's kids.

## Inching closer to equal internet access

According to a study by the Blandin Foundation, a Minnesota-based non-profit focused on improving rural communities, broadband access creates \$1,850 in economic benefit per household per year and increases home values. It expands online commerce opportunities and connects factories to supply chains.

"Almost all industry at this point is high tech and expects constant, decent internet access," says Mitchell, of the Institute for Local Self-Reliance. "And it's not just about speeds. It's about reliability. Because if you're running a trucking company and you lose internet access, you can't participate in the real-time bidding process, which is how that industry operates." Farmers, too, use the internet to monitor market prices and weather conditions and to find new markets for their goods. Even so, 29 percent of U.S. farms have no internet access at all.

When the COVID-19 pandemic shut down classrooms earlier this year, students without broadband internet found themselves at a huge disadvantage as schools moved to online instruction. But Silverton, Colorado, an isolated mountain town of 700 people, had been connected by Eagle-Net to fiber-optic cable — which proved to be a lifeline.

"We were able to keep all our kids connected," says Kim White, superintendent of Silverton schools. "We had 100 percent of our kids continue to participate. We were able to do physical education classes, after-school programming, and counselling sessions online. There were lots and lots of opportunities. If we hadn't had that connection, it would have been paper and pencil packets."

Eagle-Net installed more than 720 miles of new fiber-optic line. With over 250 miles of existing network upgraded and about 2,000 miles of new network lines leased from other companies, the project is providing connections to 126 "community anchor institutions" such as schools, libraries, and non-profit health care providers across Colorado. And of the state's 178 school districts, only 12 schools still are not adequately built out to take advantage of high-speed fiber-optic connections.

"Eagle-Net had a tremendous impact on our school," White says. "We didn't have the capacity to have multiple kids on multiple computers online at the same time. We couldn't stream. We had the equipment to do videoconferencing, but we didn't have the access. It's opened up new worlds to us."

This story originally appeared in the October 2020 issue of Rotary magazine.

Information and story from Rotary.org website.

Birthdays & anniversaries this month:

3/11/1948 Bruce McGregor 72

22/11/2004 Jordan Russo 16

26/11/1941 Rob Barr 79

## Coming Events/Save the Date!:

## Monday 2 November - 30 November

Blackwood Virtual Super Ride

**December, 2020**Bunnings BBQ - TBD

# Friday 4 December, 2020

Possible Blackwood Golf Day with adjoining working bee

Monday, March 15, 2021



Macca has advised that we have booked our 2021 corporate charity golf day back at Peninsula Kingswood Country Golf Club for Monday, March 15, 2021!

## Mark it in your diaries!

More information to come!

# Stay tuned for 2021 date!

Children of Ghana Charity Ball Mornington Race Course Tickets: \$149 per head

Looking for sponsors, donations and full club attendance

## Rotary's 4 Way Test:

1. Is it the TRUTH?

2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?

3. Will it build GOODWILL & BETTER FRIEND-SHIPS?

4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

## Info from around the Local Rotary sphere:

#### Gentlemen,

I have pleasure inviting you to hear the story of a private soldier's experience in W.W.1 Ernest Alfred Hall by his great nephew Murray Hall.

Murray has written a book "Walk A War In My Shoes" and will be addressing us from Perth by zoom on Remembrance Day Wednesday 11th November at 7.00 PM.

He is an experienced speaker, has addressed various Rotary Clubs and I am assured it is not a hard sell exercise

If you wish to attend, please contact me (clmallia312@gmail.com) and the Secretary will send you the zoom details in due course.

Regards,

Charles Mallia - President Frankston North Rotary.

## **Director's Reports:**

#### Community Service:

Re Bunnings BBQ we have had 7 members who have said they can help if BBQ go ahead. Will follow up with Lyn and see what format and numbers we need before making a commitment.

We have had 5 members give me figures I have passed on to Tony. 8 participants bike riding 38 km and Walking 126 km for a total of 164 km for him to add to his total.

- Director Rosscoe

# On the Lighter Side:

I used to be addicted to soap,

but I'm clean now.

If I had to describe myself in one word it would be "not very good at following instructions"

I gave away all my old batteries today... free of charge!

#### What in the World:



12 Apostles - Victoria.

## On this day in... November 11:

**Event:** 1918 - WWI armistice signed by the Allies and Germany comes into effect and World War I hostilities end at 11am, "the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month". 1921 - US President Warren G. Harding dedicates Tomb of Unknown Soldier at Arlington Cemetery. 1925 - Robert A. Millikan announces discovery of cosmic rays. 1975 - Australian Prime Minister Gough Whitlam removed from office by Governor General Sir John Kerr - 1st elected PM removed in 200 yrs. 2019 - Violent day in Hong Kong as protests continue with person set alight and another shot amid general strike.

**Births**: **1821** - Fyodor Dostoyevsky, Russian novelist (Crime and Punishment, The Dream of a Ridiculous Man) who helped shape literary modernism and existentialism. **1903** - Thomas Allibone, English physicist (Manhattan Project, high-voltage particle acceleration). **1926** - Maria Teresa de Filippis, Italian racing car driver (first woman to complete in Formula One). **1950** - Ed Ordynski, Australian rally driver (He served as Chairman of the Australian Rally Commission in 2007. Ordynski is best known for his exploits driving Mitsubishi cars. Driving a Galant VR -4, he won the Australian Rally Championship in 1990).

**Deaths: 1880** - Ned Kelly, Australian outlaw and bushranger. **1927** - Wilhelm Ludvig Johannsen, Danish Botanist and Geneticist who provided evidence for Hugo de Vries' mutation theory. **1938** - Mary Mallon, Irish-American patient best known as 'Typhoid Mary' and the first person in the United States known to be immune to typhoid. **1993** - H. R. Haldeman, Nixon's White House Chief of Staff during Watergate. **1994** - Ernest Clark, British actor (Ghandi, The Dam Busters, Doctor in the House). **1995** - René Wellek, Czech-American writer (Concepts of Criticism). **2006** - Belinda Emmett, Australian actress (Home and Away)

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