

Moorabbin Kiwanis Bulletin



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Kiwanis Club of Moorabbin K06652

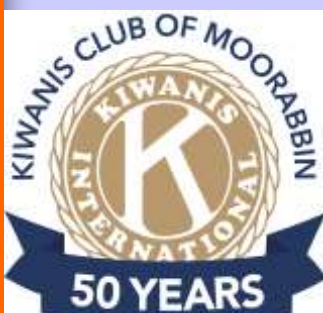
March 2020

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March News

We know it's inevitable, but it seems to be happening more often than we would like. On 3rd March, we lost yet another Past Governor of the Australia District. Bill Craig was a good friend of Moorabbin Club, and was so regarded by most clubs in the district. A frequent visitor to Moorabbin, he was always recognisable for his smile, and Heather at his side. I've put together a small tribute to Bill on pages 4 and 5, and from this small collection of photos, (because believe me there are many more), it's evident just how frequently Bill joined us. His popularity was obvious, as five of our members journeyed to Grovedale last



Thursday to take part in his memorial service ably conducted by Graham Mould. It would have been six except that PIP Ian Perdriau had to attend hospital on the same day.

On page eight I have reproduced the poem that Bill requested be read at his service. Read it and you will understand the quintessential Bill. To Bill family, acquaintances and Kiwanians were all worthy of being treated as friends, and he did just that.

We'll miss you Billy.

R.I.P.

Ed.
Catch us on Facebook.



Some of the Kiwanians outside Tuckers in Grovedale on 12th March where the Memorial Service celebrating the Life of Bill Craig was held.



Our President
2019 2020 (Q2)

KIWANIS CLUB OF MOORABBIN INC.

Moorabbin meets at the Bentleigh RSL.

538-540 Centre Road Bentleigh 3204

1st and 3rd Monday Each Month.

Fellowship 6:30 pm – 7:00 pm.

Note: Moorabbin Kiwanis has four quarters during the year.

Q1: Oct—Dec Q2: Jan—Mar & Q3: Apr-June Q4: Jul-Sept

Each Quarter has a different Club President.



Our Secretary
2019-2020

OFFICE BEARERS 2019 - 2020.

President Q2	Geoffrey Hergt
President elect. Q3	Angela Randall
Imm Past Pres.	Ian Howison
Secretary	Bryan Williams
Treasurer	Bryan Williams

Directors.	Angela Randall
	Tim Vine
	Ian Howison

COMMITTEES:

Fundraising	Bryan Williams (C)
Community Service	Ian Howison (C)
Membership and Growth	Angela Randall (C)
Welfare Officer	Peter Pahl
Publicity	Tim Vine
House & Reception	Geoffrey Hergt
Web Master	Tim Vine
Bulletin	Tim Vine.



View from the Top



Well, what a month this has been for us all.

As if drought, bushfires and floods were not enough we now have the global pandemic of the Coronavirus or COVID 19.

During the month our members have done their best to “keep on keeping on” however with the cancelation of a number of events due to the desire to contain the effects of the Coronavirus much of our planned community service work has been curtailed.

An organization with whom we have done a great deal of work over the years is Thalassaemia Sick Cell Australia (TASCA). They were to have held their Family Fun Day on Sunday March 15th but had to cancel due to the risk to their clients.

A bright light however has been the continuation of our Bunnings Sausage Sizzles which enable us to raise much needed funds for TASCA, HeartKids and many others.

With two meetings this month, one with and one without a guest speaker, we were delighted to have as our guest Cindy Sneddon Manager of the Functions and Bistro areas of our meeting venue the Bentleigh RSL.

Cindy has enjoyed a fascinating life encompassing both country and city Victoria. From large exceptionally busy major entertainment venues in country Victoria Cindy recently returned to her “old stamping ground” in Bentleigh to assume her current position. Very much a people person Cindy has an enthusiastic staff and just loves the people oriented environment of the Bentleigh RSL. This venue along with the recently rebuilt Cheltenham Moorabbin RSL work closely together. Our members have enjoyed both in recent months.

Following a long succession of varied and interesting guest speakers our second meeting for March was a much needed business meeting. No guest speaker meant that we could turn our attention to the fast approaching and largest future event on our calendar – our 50th Anniversary of Service to our Community.

Much planning has resulted in what promises to be a wonderful occasion for current and past club members, dignitaries and Kiwanians from near and far. The date that should already be in all your diaries is Monday July 20th 2020. That will be 50 years to the day since our club began. An occasion and celebration not to be missed.

So, what's next?? Well, the need in our community is as great, or greater, now than it was 50 years ago so there is “no rest for the wicked”. We are researching opportunities for community service projects with several of our previous dinner meeting guest speakers and will undoubtedly have plenty to do. We wish you all a safe and healthy time during the months ahead. Heed the Health Warnings as we overcome the Coronavirus. I have no doubt that our services will be required even more in the months to come. See you at our 50th on Monday July 20th next.

Yours in service,

Geoff Hergt

President

Jan - March 2019



Farewell

William James
(Bill) Craig

21st October 1933

3rd March 2020

We'll miss that
smile



Acupuncture is a jab well done

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www.kiwanismoorabbin.org.au

What would the world be like without KIWANIS?



#KidsNeedKiwanis

Memories of William James (Bill) Craig.

The following are a small collection of memories of our Bill. I was disappointed that I could not find a photo of the famous awards presentation by Bill and Spencer Harding that took place at the Barossa convention in 2010. As Graham said at the service, Bill was always there, but most often in the background. I went through the 100 odd photos I took at that Convention, and below left is the only photo I could find of Bill, and it's just the back of his



With Spencer at Barossa Convention 2010



Six Old friends reunited 2017



Past Governors dinner at the Melbourne Convention 2015



Governor Bill presents a Legion of Honor to the late Wyn Winnell 2002



Bill with two Charter members of Moorabbin at the KI 100th Birthday 2015



Kiwanis Australia 50th Birthday Dinner 2017

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head.

There have been many memorable occasions such as the awards mentioned previously, but the one at right typifies Bill's playful spirit at the Darwin Convention in 2017.

Apart from his tireless work for Kiwanis, Bill will always be remembered for his smile and the cheeky grin.



The annual Melbourne/Moorabbin inter club visit 2012



Bill and Heather at the Moorabbin Club's 40th Dinner



Melbourne ICV with Emma Carney at Moorabbin 2009



IP visit to Melbourne 2010



Eliminate Fundraiser at Melbourne 2013

When she saw her first strands of gray hair, she thought she'd dye

NBN and Hospitality.

This sums up our speakers from the last two meetings.

On Monday 17th February, we were fortunate to hear Mr Wally Ballout the Community Ambassador for NBN local Victoria. Wally gave us some detailed information about the function and the future of the NBN, and helped us dispel many of the myths that surround the rollout of the NBN. I'm sure that all members went away feeling much more comfortable about the NBN. Here is Wally presenting and being thanked by Angela.



On 2nd March, we had the pleasure of hearing the Functions/Bistro manager of our own venue the Bentleigh RSL Club. This was Cindy Sneddon who outlined her plans for the Bistro and Functions area since her recent appointment to this role. It all sounds very exciting, and we are looking forward to a long and happy association with the Bentleigh RSL. Cindy then went on to describe her work history and experiences, and managed to suitably impress all of us. Particularly was her role at the Moama Bowling Club. Below she seems to be quite impressed with the capabilities of a pen with an attached stylus.



The Road to 50 Yrs



Share your life

The international theme of the Kiwanis Clubs for 1973 is "Share Your Life" and the Kiwanis Club of Moorabbin is certainly doing their part in supporting this theme by their recent activities.

Their recent blood drive resulted in the 500th pint of blood being donated to the St. Vincents Hospital Blood Bank and further blood donors days are currently being planned.

Members of the Moorabbin Kiwanis Club escorted 25 local children to the Bacchus Marsh Lion Park for a Sunday outing that was enjoyed by both the children and the members, and last Sunday the Moorabbin Special School was besieged by Kiwanis members who planted 170 trees in an effort to improve the look of this particular school.

If you are interested in sharing your life, the Moorabbin Kiwanis Club would be interested to hear from you.

The club is a group of professional and business men who combine to provide community services that can not be provided by individuals.

All enquiries from interested businessmen should be made to Mr Jim Thompson on 96-1008 or 96-2487.



Kiwanis busy

To commence the 1973 Moorabbin Kiwanis Club program of fund-raising activities, a polo tournament was conducted in conjunction with the Melbourne Hunt Club at "The Kennels", Cranbourne, on February 17 and 18.

The shade of the pine trees provided a welcome relief from the heat of the day and everyone who went along found the polo extremely exciting and interesting. The event raised

funds to aid ABSCHOL which provides scholarships for aboriginal children to further their education. This is definitely a function to look out for the next time it comes around.

The Moorabbin Kiwanis Club is a community service organisation devoted to the service of youth and the underprivileged. It is a group of professional and business men who combine to provide a community service that they could not provide as individuals. The club meets on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at "Southside Six" commencing at 6.30 p.m. At each meeting a guest speaker addressed the members and a good meal is included. Anyone interested in joining should contact Mr Jim Thompson on 96-1008 or 96-2487.

Lord gets club honor



KIWANIS member Alan Lord, (left), a foundation member of the Kiwanis Club of Moorabbin in 1969, has become the club's second life member.

Alan is a past president of the club, and was Kiwanis Governor for the

Australian District in 1977.

He is pictured being presented with his life membership certificate by past president Les Duck at a special club function held at South Side Six last month to mark the occasion.

The first decade continued to be busy, setting up the foundation for Moorabbin to be one of the strongest clubs in the still fairly new Division of Australia.

Some more examples of the variety of projects that the Clubs was prepared to undertake can be seen by the article "Kiwanis Busy" from the Moorabbin Standard in 1973. So it wasn't just running Blood

Collection Centres, and Air Pageants, distributing fire wood to pensioners or bottling wine as a fund raiser. The Club was also ready and willing to share the Kiwanis International ideals as can be seen in the Moorabbin Standard article at left "Share your Life". Notice also that the emphasis of the club's projects was already shifting towards children as seen in this article. Finally, note that Moorabbin was extremely privileged to have one Allan Lord as a member. As the Districts youngest Governor (Distinguished), he received the clubs second Life Membership.

Friendship

If you know the value of friendship, you have a gift that is rare.

For friendship lasts a lifetime and there is nothing to compare.

It is sharing the everyday happenings and taking the good with the bad.

A friend who forgets and forgives, is the best that can be had.

A friend is full of happy thoughts, one who can make us smile. Someone who is always thoughtful, and makes life worthwhile.

To have someone to talk over those little things, and someone to understand.

In trouble or sorrow a friend is there to give a helping hand.

A friendship that lasts a lifetime is wonderful to see.

I have been fortunate in having such special friends to me.

We do not forget old friendships because we meet someone new. Friendship goes on lasting forever and is, so sincere and true. There are many secret happenings that are shared over the years. Friends share many ups and downs and have as many laughs as tears.

Friendship gives many hours of companionship, joy and pleasure. And there are a lifetime of memories that we have to treasure.

Our lives have been made richer just by being friends.



Unfortunately, our own Tony Gunn was not successful in extending his KI Trusteeship for another 3 years, but he had the following to say.

"Thank you all Australians who visited Nepal to support my bid to extend my Trusteeship. Willy Aguilar won the election along with Buheita Fujiwara for the 3 year term. I wish them well in their travels and the very enjoyable and important work of the Board. Looking forward to my continuing work on the Board and counselling Kansas, Nebraska-Iowa, and Taiwan"



The Australian Team in Nepal.
You made us proud Tony!

Controversy Corner

Facial recognition now works even when you're covering your face

The illness spreading worldwide as a result of the novel coronavirus, Covid-19, has triggered the rapid adoption of face masks, which has in turn revealed an amusing limitation to current facial recognition surveillance—it often can't recognize masked people.

It is no surprise then that China, a country reliant on facial recognition to monitor its citizens en masse, has introduced new tech that can recognize people even with masks on.

The technology's error rates are still high, but that has never stopped law enforcement from using it to try to identify people.

Until recently, facial recognition software needed to scan your entire face in order to attempt to identify you. That may no longer be the case.

In China, the coronavirus (formally known as Covid-19) has triggered the rapid adoption of face masks. While necessary to curtail the spread of the disease, face masks have impinged on the Chinese state's ability to surveil its citizens en masse.

That in turn has quickly prompted the introduction of new facial recognition software that only needs to see part of your face to identify you. Masks, scarves, and other face coverings won't deter the surveillance algorithms.

The technology is not entirely new. A 2017 paper on "disguised face identification" proved that you could successfully identify a person from just 14 data points, albeit with varying levels of success.

The research is now highly relevant, as China steps up its facial recognition tech a notch to maintain its status as a significant weapon in its surveillance arsenal.

Facial recognition may not be the answer

Despite its widespread use, facial recognition technology still has several gaping flaws.

In its updated findings in December 2019, the National Institute of Standards and Technology found a significant number of false positives and negatives across race, age, and sex.

That has not stunted its enthusiastic adoption in airports, on our personal devices, and not least with local law enforcement authorities. Facial recognition company Clearview AI, that managed to scrape 3 billion photos of faces from social media and the internet at large, has been in the news due to its close association with the U.S. and Canadian police

Facial recognition is the latest tool for invasive surveillance systems that is becoming increasingly common in authoritarian countries like China, and to varying extents in the U.S., UK, and Australia, to name a few.

Some legal breakthroughs against the technology have been made in a few states in the U.S., but the most cynical of us will know these battles are hard-won, if won at all.

The relentless advancement in facial recognition that brings us to the familiar frustration of trying to regulate or limit the mass surveillance practices that trigger-happy governments and corporations are only too eager to implement.

For now, however, the error-prone nature of the technology might make these disguises useful still, and while you're at it maybe use an alternative way of securing your devices that doesn't involve only your face or fingerprints.

Material from an ExpressVPN blog 11th March 2020. [ExpressVPN](#)

Although this article suggests that the technology was improved as a result of COVID 19, I suspect that it may have originally stemmed from the troubles in Hong Kong.

I stayed up all night to see where the sun went, then it dawned on me.

Around other Clubs

From Rostrevor Campbelltown. Now this is a record that will take some beating. Looking pretty good Peter.

Peter O'Keefe's "Non-Surprise" Birthday Party

Peter turned 90 on January 11 and his "non-surprise" Birthday Bash was held Sunday Jan 12th at Burnside Town Hall. There was a large gathering on hand including Peter's five children, one of whom (Karen) performed a rousing rendition of Birthday Boy's favourite song: Morning Has Broken.

Kiwanians present (shown right) included Joan and Gary Tye, Peter, Past Governor Geoff Holmes and Elizabeth, plus Lt-Gov. Div 3 David McNabb and Kerry (photographer).

Past Governor Peter is of course a notable member of Rostrevor-Campbelltown, having also belonged to Burnside Club plus being a charter member of Adelaide Club back in 1969. Yes PO'K has just over five decades service to Kiwanis, a most admirable effort. Congratulations Peter.



Brisbane Club came up with a good idea of utilising the capabilities of their local Men's Shed and Girl Guides.

Book Boxes



The Book boxes project has made considerable progress. The 3 boxes shown in the photo opposite were made by Forest Lake Men's Shed. A huge thank-you to the Men's Shed for a great effort.

The boxes are currently with the girl guides being painted and decorated.

Their final location/s in the community is still being decided. Ideas on locations welcome.

The boxes will provide children with books to read in 2020.

IMPORTANT DATES.

19th March	Karen and Ian's Anniversary
26th March	Kingston Service Club Network Meeting
27th March	Bunnings BBQ
1st April	Jill and Tim's Anniversary
5th April	Jill Vine's Birthday
10th April	Karen Howison's Birthday
18th April	Eleanor Griffith's Birthday
24th April	Len Winnell's Birthday
26th April	Allan Lord HeartKids Family Fun Day



Diary Dates.

Members please note!

Full Meeting details appear in the Moorabbin Kiwanis Google Calendar. Please check the duty roster to ensure that you are prepared for the meeting, plus the occasional change to the venue

List of Proposed Speakers.
Subject to any COVID 19 advisories

16th March **Business Meeting**

6th April **TBA**

20th April **Dux Balendran & Bronwyn Skafté - RIDBC**

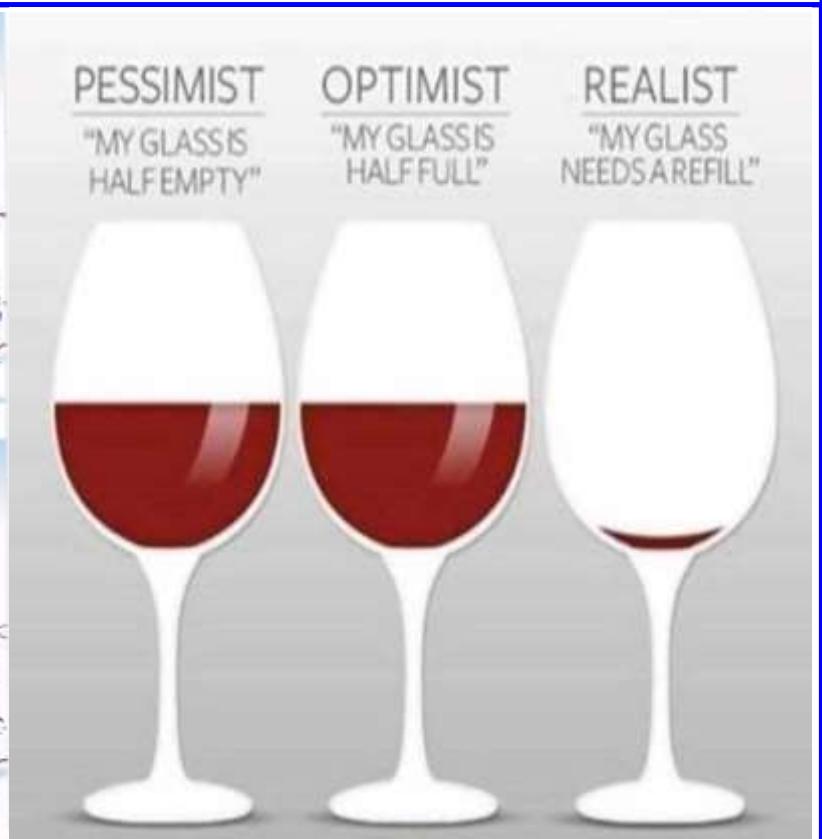
4th May **Colin Tyrus -Southern FM**

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* Please ring **Geoff Hergt** on **9551-5478** meeting, by Sunday Evening, if:

- 1.) You are unable to attend a Club Meeting and / or
- 2.) You are unavailable to carry out your duty on your rostered day. **(ie. Vote of thanks)**

Should you not advise Geoff of your inability to attend by the appropriate time and the club incurs expenses as a result, you will be required to reimburse those expenses to the Club.



If I had a dollar for every girl that found me unattractive, they'd eventually find me attractive



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KIWANIS CLUB OF MOORABBIN INC.

Serving the community

Visit us on www.kiwanismoorabbin.org.au to find the very latest activities of our club.

THE OBJECTS OF KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL.

1. TO GIVE primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life.
2. TO ENCOURAGE the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships
3. TO PROMOTE the adoption and the application of higher social, business and professional standards.
4. TO DEVELOP, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive and serviceable citizenship.
5. TO PROVIDE, through Kiwanis clubs, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service and to build better communities.
6. TO COOPERATE in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism and good will.