



CLUB NUMBER - 18437

THE BULLETIN

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INVOCATION

For good food, for good fellowship, may the
giver of all our blessings make us truly thankful.

ROTARY MONTH: SEPTEMBER – EDUCATION & LITERACY

Apologies: please call before 1:00 pm Monday

Dr Themba Bulle on 03 6432 2222 or George Austin on 0438 450 801

Duty Roster: Graeme MUIR & Dilani WIJESOORIYA

Club website: <http://www.burnierotary.org.au>

Date	Event or Speaker/Topic	Venue
SEPTEMBER 19	Regionalisation project – <i>club to discuss & vote</i>	RSL
SEPTEMBER 26	Perviz Marker – About Burnie's Penguins	RSL
OCTOBER 3	Lauren Harper – Rural Alive & Well	RSL
Ideas for speakers? Contact George Austin		

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES – SEPTEMBER 2022

	Birthdays	Wedding Anniversary		Club Anniversary
14	Nigel MORGAN			
22	Dr Wing Sze LAU		11	John GLEN
27	Ken MOORE 1949			

RAFFLE WINNER	Pui Ling Lau
ATTENDANCE	17 (65%)

Chairman: David Bennett

David called for a minute's silence in memory of Queen Elizabeth II

Secretary: George

- Next week, we will hold a club discussion of the proposed RI Regionalisation project in Zone 8. More information will be distributed by email during this current week and a vote of all members present will take place at that meeting. [PDG Ken advised that he will not be present on Sept. 19, thus he wished his "YES" vote to be noted.]
- Members were made aware of the opening of a painting exhibition at Table Cape Tulip Farm on Sept. 25 (at 5 pm).

Men's Table:

PP Allan Jamieson wished to make members aware that the inaugural meeting of the Burnie Men's Table will take place at the Beach Hotel on Tues. 13th Sept. at 6:30 pm. Allan said that Ben Hughes, one of the founders of this Australia-wide charitable organisation, was our guest speaker on 28 February, during which he forecast that a Burnie Table *would* be formed this year.

Nina Huang:

Nina hopes to become an Australian Citizen soon and she thanked all the members seated at her table for their advice.

Guest Speaker:

In an introduction, PP John Glen said that Ian was well-known in our community for his extensive work with children who, for no fault of their own, can be disadvantaged. In particular, Ian has been the chief organiser of Kommunity Kids, an activity-based campaign to help young people living in Shorewell Park. Not only is this area ranked in the lowest decile on the ABS Socio-Economic Index among all 55,000 Statistical Areas (“SA”) for Australia; *actually* it has been the second lowest of all SA’s in regard to this Index.



Ian said he began working as a special police officer in Burnie in 2008. He especially thanked Rotarian Wayne Richards for his support during Ian’s time in our city.

Ian is now a Board Member of Burnie Community House in Shorewell Park and a member of Somerset Rotary Club. He grew up in the Blacktown area of Sydney, not the most salubrious part of that city; he reckons he was a ‘bit of a larrikin’. He readily emphasises with the Shorewell kids – something young police officers these days can fail to do, as they often lack that background.

The Kommunity Kids program runs every Wednesday afternoon. Children and parents turn up, ride bikes on a special bike track, play football, cricket, grab a sausage or some soup. Other organisations such as Burnie’s PCYC, Burnie City Council and City Mission provide support as well.

Ian described the bike track concept, which came about after some kids began raising money for its construction. The track has intersections, a roundabout and traffic lights. Kids are taught to adhere to the ‘two-second’ rule (the proper distance behind the vehicle in front of you). Thus, they learn the road rules long before they might be lucky and can step behind the wheel of a car.

In the beginning, Ian said there was a lot of angry behaviour in Shorewell, but he believes strongly in doing things with people, not to people. Thus, he said, find some activity that a child may find interesting and a challenge, and so build the person’s self-esteem. The Kommunity Kids playground area now has an outdoor chess table and recently, Ian saw two boys – well known for being troublesome – sitting very quietly playing chess.

At the end of Ian’s talk, Past President Themba Bulle presented Ian with a cheque for \$1,500 to aid in the good work he does for the Shorewell Park community.

Close 7:45 pm