

THE ROTARY CLUB OF DELORAINE INC.

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WEEKLY BULLETIN



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Another week on and we have been lucky to have 2 days without any cases even though there are quite a few people not doing as they are asked.....

Last week on our zoom meeting it was suggested that we donate the money we are not spending on our meals go towards helping out Deloraine House. If you would like to do this could you please email me and we could set up an account for monies to be direct debited into.

We will continue to have Zoom meetings until we are directed by the Government to when we can meet face to face, it is good to see so many still join us each week.

Rob reported all going well with Tasmanian Craft Fair plans.

We have given to the Deloraine Show Society the \$3,000 that was promised some time ago for their new building which is progressing slowly.

At this particular stage Anne F and I will not be having a dinner for our changeover which was to happen at the end of July, I have cancelled the arrangements for our changeover dinner and if we are lucky enough to have meetings by then it will probably be a quiet affair.

Continue to keep safe and we will look forward to seeing as many as possible on Zoom Tuesday night.

Sunday night we had Max's 8 year old birthday party on Zoom one which we will remember for years to come it was much easier to clean up than usual!!!!

Stephanie

FAMILY OF ROTARY

Birthday:

P.P. Gayle Plunkett

4th May

Wedding Anniversary:

P.P. Paul & Cate Bowman

4th May

Isolation / Assistance

A reminder that PP Tim has offered to act as co-ordinator for anyone requiring assistance. Please contact Tim — 0428 237 078. Don't feel that you need to 'battle through' on your own!!

If you are able to get out and about and can offer assistance, then again please contact Tim.

**Rotarians Make the World Better,
One Community at a Time.**

Rotary



MEETINGS

Please note that for the foreseeable future Rotary Meetings have been scheduled to take place weekly via Zoom. Access information will be sent weekly—Greg Burgess (0477 120 683) or Michael Plunkett 0418 778 615) are able to assist you with the set up should you require it. Meetings will be from 5.30pm

Not everyone will be able to access this for various reasons, therefore to enable us to keep in contact with Rotarians, a bulletin will be produced each week. **YOUR** assistance to provide relevant articles/information would be greatly appreciated. Please send information to PP Ann by Monday morning — aaxelsen@tassie.net.au

Also, maybe some "light-hearted" moments!!

WHAT'S HAPPENING and WHEN??

(Please note details are subject to change)

MAY

Tuesday 5th Meeting via Zoom—from 5.30pm

Tuesday 12th Meeting via Zoom—from 5.30pm

Board Meeting (via Zoom)

Monday 18th TCF Meeting

Tuesday 19th Meeting via Zoom—from 5.30pm

Saturday 23rd Rotary Skills Day (Assembly)

Tuesday 26th Meeting via Zoom—from 5.30pm

JUNE

Monday 15th TCF Meeting

Sunday 28th District Changeover

JULY

Tuesday 14th District Governor's visit

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER

Friday 30th October to Monday 2nd November

Tasmanian Craft Fair

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

**And just like that
The world realised that health
workers, cleaners, truck drivers and
retail workers are far more
important to society than Hollywood
actors, Sport stars, Minor celebs,
And YouTubers.**

Classified Ad:

*Single man with toilet
paper seeks woman
with hand sanitizer
for good clean fun.*

**Kinda feeling like the
Earth just sent us all to
our rooms to think about
what we've done.**

IF YOU HAVE A FEW KEY WORDS, AND PUT THESE INTO “GOOGLE” YOU CAN COME UP WITH SOME INTERESTING INFORMATION. LIKE THESE COUPLE OF ARTICLES YOU DECIDE FACT OR FICTION???

PERHAPS NOSTRADAMUS PREDICTED CORONAVIRUS AFTER ALL...

In early April, a meme started doing the rounds on social media, claiming that Nostradamus had predicted the coronavirus.



Nostradamus wrote in the year 1551 this!
There will be a twin year (2020) from
which will arise a queen (corona) who
will come from the east (China) and who
will spread a plague (virus) in the
darkness of night, on a country with 7
hills (Italy) and will transform the twilight
of men into dust (death), to destroy and
ruin the world. It will be the end of the
world economy as you know it.

17:39

Snopes and Politifact quickly stepped up to point out that the claims in the image are fabricated nonsense, and Facebook has since started flagging and obscuring the image with a "false information" tag.

Nostradamus was notoriously vague in many of the predictions he made in his 1555 book, *Les Prophéties*. But even after nearly five centuries, humans still find themselves turning to his writings in times of woe—probably because of what he *did* get right.

AN EPIDEMIC EVERY 100 YEARS: PLAGUE 1720, CHOLERA 1820, SPANISH FLU 1920, CORONAVIRUS 2020



The title of this report might sound misleading because of the fact that those mentioned are not the only epidemic and pandemic the world faced in past, rather there are dozens of such cases happened throughout centuries. This connection is to show that each century has major epidemic and even if we are in 4th industrial revolution and era of artificial intelligence, we are still vulnerable to the force of nature.

Some believe that this is the way the mother earth takes revenge and make a balance to protect herself! However, this is a rhetoric rather than truth like many people think the damage we are committing on nature has grave consequence. Believe it or not, this is frequently happening in each century as if it has a corrective plan to restate its dominance over human being.

Every hundred years, there seems to be a great pandemic, plague 1720, cholera epidemic 1820 and Spanish flu 1920. The pandemic Corona seems to follow the similar pattern like it took place before.

In the era of chemical and bio weapon it is a common nature of people to believe in conspiracy theory. Even in some science fictions such imagination was thrown to destroy the poor people of the world. So, it cannot be denied that people didn't think of such situation even in their alternate reality.

THE YEAR 1720



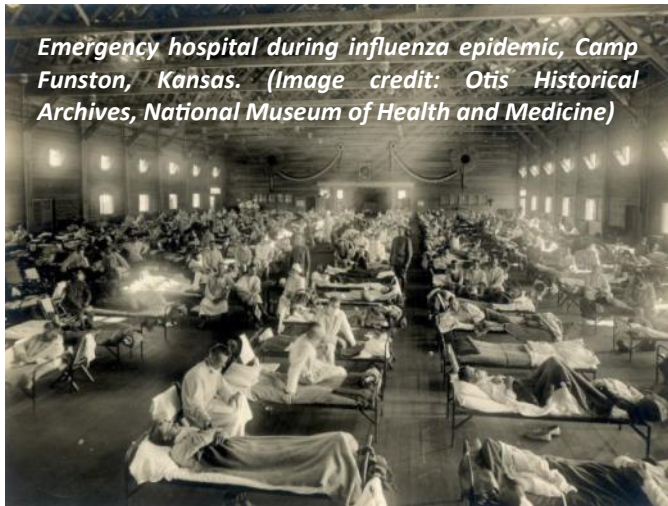
In 1720, there was the last large-scale bubonic plague pandemic, also called the great plague of Marseille. Indeed the plague hit Europe for the first time in 1331. In 1720, *Yersinia pestis* (the bacteria, it is assumed that the bacteria are spread by flies infected with this bacteria) arrived at the port of Marseille, France from the Levant upon the merchant ship *Grand-Saint-Antoine*. The vessel had departed from Sidon in Lebanon, having previously called at Smyrna, Tripoli, and plague-ridden Cyprus. A Turkish passenger was the first to be infected and soon died, followed by several crew members and the ship's surgeon. The ship was refused entry to the port of Livorno. When the ship landed in Marseille, everybody took into quarantine although the outbreak couldn't be stopped. This is the last major scale pandemic in Europe caused by plague. Records show that the bacteria killed around 100,000 people in Marseille.

THE YEAR 1820



The first records of a cholera pandemic took place in 1820, which took place in Asia, in the countries of Thailand, Indonesia and the Philippines. In 1820, more than 100,000 deaths were recorded in Asia due to this bacterium. The pandemic is said to have started with people who drank water from lakes contaminated with this bacteria.

THE YEAR 1920



The Spanish flu occurred 100 years ago, started in 1918 and ended in December, 1920. Since the flu infected people during the World War 1, the European leaders censored the death tolls and severity. It contributed the deterioration of the pandemic. Although the name is Spanish flu, the origin of this flu is not certain. The name indicates that it had got enough media coverage in Spain because of the illness of King Alfonso by this flu. This flu was one of two H1N1 flue viruses which had undergone a genetic mutation, which made it much more dangerous than the virus normal. This virus infected 500 million people and killed an estimated 17 million to 50 million people. Some sources believe that the number can be as high as 100 million. This pandemic was the deadliest in history.

THE YEAR 2020



WUHAN, Feb. 5, 2020 — Patients infected with the novel coronavirus are seen at a makeshift hospital converted from an exhibition center in Wuhan, central China's Hubei Province, Feb. 5, 2020. The first makeshift hospital converted from an exhibition center in China's epidemic-hit Wuhan city began accepting patients Wednesday. The hospital can provide about 1,600 beds to infected patients. (Photo by Xiong Qi/Xinhua via Getty) (Xinhua/Xiong Qi via Getty Images)

It seems like history repeats itself every 100 years, is it just a coincidence?

Today, the world is facing a major pandemic, more than 400 major cities of the world is affected by a virus originated from the city of Wuhan, China. More than half of the world population is forced to be quarantined. The direct communication system is collapsed from person to person.

The coronavirus, the virus that world faces, has already killed more than 17,000 people till date (24 March, 2020), 382,393 confirmed cases despite the efforts of the governments, international institutions and related bodies to quarantine or lock down the major cities of the world. The trial of the vaccine is also not as fast as expected. The might and pride of this civilisation is collapsed in front of the greatness of God (you may call the force nature or whatever else based on your belief).

COMMITTEES

CLUB SERVICE: Anne Forsyth Public Officer - Tim Biggs

Apologies
Ann Axelsen
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Attendance
Merrilyn Young
Bev Ritchie

Bulletin
Ann Axelsen

Club Night Set Up
Greg Burgess
Andrew Johnston

Heads & Tails
Rob van der Elst
Doug Westbrook

Club History
Roy Axelsen

Sergeants
Andrew Dare

Programme
Merrilyn Young
Peter Griffin

Photographer
Lesley Dare

Family of Rotary
Merrilyn Young

Fellowship
Gayle Plunkett
Lois Catchlove

Rotary Function Centre
Andrew Dare
Greg Burgess
Steen Andersen
Ann Axelsen
Anne Forsyth
Gayle Plunkett
Michael Plunkett

Club Property
Lois Catchlove

Rotary Information
Michael Plunkett

Club Protection Officer
Michael Plunkett

Webmaster
Greg Burgess

Rotary Function Centre Caretaker:
Ann Axelsen (041 111 6480)

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Andrew Johnston
Merrilyn Young
Peter Griffin
Michael Bennett
Anthony Loone
Liz Tomlinson

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Director:

Greg Burgess
Tony Wadley
Tony Jones
Lois Catchlove
John Tabor
Sophie Poke

MUNA & RYDA
Annette Viney



COMMUNITY SERVICE

Director:

Ann Axelsen
Steen Andersen
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Andrew Dare
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Tim Biggs
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Membership

Director:

Paul Bowman

Public Relations

Director:

Annette Viney
All Rtns to assist with PR

TASMANIAN CRAFT FAIR

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Rob van der Elst
Andrew Johnston
Stephanie Johnston
Anne Forsyth
Gayle Plunkett
Greg Burgess
John Dare*
Maree Matanle
Merrilyn Young
Michael Bennett
Michael Plunkett
Paul Bowman
Paul Hartley
Peter Griffin
Tony Wadley
Lois Catchlove
Lesley Dare
Tim Biggs

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