



# Quo Vadimus

Where are we going?



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Macarthur Group, District 9675

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### FROM THE PRESIDENT

Good morning my fabulous Sunrisers.

So, this week I am going green "Plastic Free July".

My son has set us a challenge to cut down our waste and reliance on plastic initially I thought it would be easy?

Nope it isn't. It's a real challenge to change old habits and implement positive change. So, on the journey we go and thanks to Denice's advice we are composting!

We have considerably cut down our waste and no longer have to put a full garbage bin out. So, Sunrisers, the challenge is on take some steps to help the environment. Every bit helps and its rewarding. We look forward to hearing some of your stories in the coming weeks: as Kermit says "it aint easy being green."

Check out this web site: [www.plasticfreejuly.org](http://www.plasticfreejuly.org)

*Bec*

President  
2018-2019



### BEC'S WEEKLY SHOUTOUT

This week's *Shout Out* goes to the "J's" we had at our meeting last week thank you Jessica and Jasmine how wonderful to have two very polite lovely girls with us in the morn.

This week's Quote:  
"It's not the mountain we conquer but ourselves"  
Edmund Hillary

### LITTLE MISS SUCCULENT

Last week's speaker probably stunned most of us with her opening; "Thank you for inviting me this morning, my name is Jasmine Beck. I am 12 years old and am the founder of *Little Miss Succulent*."

*Little Miss Succulent* started in August 2015 and what a journey the past three years have been."

It all began in December 2014 when she went to the "Charity Boxes for Christmas High Tea". Jasmine, then just 9 years old, went home with an urgent need to help.

Jasmine began with a pop-up shop outside her home. She dropped leaflets by scooter in the streets around her. People came from everywhere to buy her succulents and she sold out in just two hours and raised \$600.

Jasmine was asked by the *Argyle Affair* to have a stall at their market. She is now a regular.



Over the past three years Jasmine has supported over nine charities, including Kay Sidman's Biggest Morning Tea and in this time she has raised just over \$22 000 all of which she has given to the charities.

This year Jasmine started High School an that meant school life, swimming five mornings a week and *Little Miss Succulent* has proved to be challenging!

Jasmine concluded by saying "My life is full, I have a beautiful life, with family and friends supporting me all the way."

You can follow Jasmine of Facebook under *Little Miss Succulent*.

Let us hope that in time (at least six years) Jasmine will become a Rotarian. Until then we wish her all the very best.

## IMAGINATION LIBRARY

The following was sent by Cathie and tells us about our involvement with the Dolly Parton Imagination Library.

Macarthur Sunrise Rotary are a champion of the Imagination Library in the Macarthur Area, we work with the Benevolent Society to sign up local kids to this program. The impact this simple gift can have on the lives of children, their families and community is amazing and life changing.

Macarthur Sunrise Rotary Club began The Dolly Parton Imagination Library in Macarthur in 2015. We met initially with the Benevolent Society who linked us up with the *Wheely Good Fun Play Groups*.

The first group to enrol children was Claymore and it was a very exciting day when a father signed up his child. Ingleburn *Wheely Good Fun Play Group* followed and then we signed up children from St Andrews and Bradbury. Romy and Nicola run the mobile playgroups and have been very supportive of the Imagination Library program.

As of July this year, we now have 66 children who we support with a free book posted to them each month.



## GETTING NEW MEMBERS

Getting new members, as well as keeping the ones we have, has a high priority.

The following was on line in a Rotary International article about getting new members.

When it comes to finding new members for his Minnesota Rotary club, Tom Gump doesn't just walk the walk, he trots the trot: the turkey trot. Tom Gump is a former president of the Rotary Club of Edina/Morningside, which makes boosting membership a priority. In fact, that's the fourth item on a list of tips to attract and retain members which has been prepared – and practiced – by the club.

The tips work: During Gump's 2016-17 stint as club president, Edina/Morningside added 31 members. Eleven of them were women; 10 were under 40 years old. The tips:

1. Create a list of all the great things about your club
2. Keep a list of potential members
3. Know your club's strengths
4. Make membership growth your club's top priority
5. Look to young Rotarians for fresh perspectives
6. Appeal to local volunteers
7. Talk about Rotary wherever you go –
8. Make a list of club members' responsibilities
9. Realize there is no finish line
10. Emphasize service
11. Celebrate when you get a new member
12. Be persistent
13. Be vibrant
14. Embrace diversity
15. Get them in the door

Rotary International provides a wide range of resources, tips, and tools to help clubs build and sustain their membership. For more information, go to

[rotary.org/membership](http://rotary.org/membership)

## COMING UP

Check the **GREEN BOOK**

Wed 8 Aug	Police Officer of the Year Awards
Wed 15 Aug	DG, Sue Hayward Visit
Sat 25 Aug Sun 26 Aug	Sugarloaf Cobbitty Equestrian Club – Fund raising work.
Sat 22 Sep	Discobility Harrington Park
Sat 6 Oct Sun 7 Oct	Sugarloaf Cobbitty Equestrian Club – Fund Raising Work.
Sat 10 Nov	Discobility Harrington Park
Sat 1 Dec Sun 2 Dec	Sugarloaf Cobbitty Equestrian Club – Fund raising work.

Do keep an eye out for the **GREEN BOOK** so that you know what is happening and we know if you will be involved.

If the book doesn't come to you then call out. If it has come to you then check it and **PASS IT ON!**

## ANNIVERSARIES

We do have several anniversaries to note for this week. Firstly today, Wednesday, is Liz's birthday. Happy birthday Liz. Then on Saturday there is another birthday to celebrate and that is for Tanya.

Also, on Saturday Anita will have been with us for 19 years. Hang in there kid!