

Club Officers 2020-21

PRESIDENT: PHIL LACY

PAST PRESIDENT: CARL BICKNELL

PRESIDENT ELECT: vacant

SECRETARY: FRANCES WRIGHT

TREASURER: JUDITH MOTTRAM

**VOCATIONAL SERVICE & MEMBERSHIP:
STUART WAIT**

**COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS:
KEITH OLDMEADOW**

YOUTH SERVICES: ROBERT STRINGER

**INTERNATIONAL SERVICE & ROTARY FOUNDATION:
MARSHA MERORY**

PUBLIC RELATIONS: DAVID BALSHAW & KEVIN RITCHIE

BULLETIN EDITOR: CARL BICKNELL

Rotary District 9790 Officers

DISTRICT GOVERNOR :

BRUCE ANDERSON (Marilyn) (Strathmore)

DISTRICT GOVERNOR ELECT:

ANNE REID (Alexandra)

ASSISTANT GOV. GROUP 2

**(Coburg, Heidelberg, Ivanhoe, Moreland,
Pascoe Vale, Preston, Strathmore)**

EMMA DAVIS (Moreland)

DISTRICT SECRETARY: CHRIS SUTTON

(Numurkah)

*"We gather in fellowship
to serve the community"*

**Board Meetings
2020/21**

**Monday
7.30 pm 9 Nov
ZOOM meeting**

**The Rotary Four-
way Test**

**Of the things we
think, say or do:**

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOOD-WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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**The Rotary Club of
Ivanhoe currently
meets on line by
ZOOM,
Wednesdays
7.30am - 8.30 am**



ROTARY DISTRICT 9790

Meeting No: 1286

**Web :
rotaryclubivanhoe.org.au
Facebook :
Rotary Club of Ivanhoe**

NEWSLETTER FOR

Wed 4 November 2020

**NEXT MEETING
Wed 4 November
7.30 am – 8.30 am**

Robert Bender

**Improving public open spaces
in Ivanhoe**

ZOOM link:

<https://pfolson.zoom.us/j/93422158713>

Meeting ID: 934 2215 8713

Last Week's Meeting

Tracie Young, long-time friend of Beverley, started in the wine industry in 2008 after purchasing a 350 acre property just north of Heathcote- called 'Silver Spoon Estate' after a geological fault line and old mine of the same name on the property. Tracie explained this was part of her and partner Peter's retirement plan. Not quite actually, as they are now working 15 hrs per day 7 days per week.



Tracie was in the retirement planning industry and came up with the idea of a vineyard. She and Peter planted vines in 1999 and now have the largest dry grown vineyard in Heathcote.

With no irrigation the vines make very deep roots, which is good for drought resistance but reduces yield to only 1 to 1.5 tonnes per acre. If irrigated the vines would yield more like 10 tonne per acre. White pebbles under vines reduce weeds and reflect heat.

There is no power to the property so Tracie and Peter created their own totally off-grid power system with 40 solar panels and batteries and generator.

The vineyard and winery produce viognier, morvedre, tempranillo, grenache and five different types of shiraz. Peter, who graduated as a geologist, added to his winemaking expertise through a Masters of Oenology and Viticulture. Oh, and If you still are unsure whether a cork seal or screw cap are best for bottled wine, Peter has researched the subject and the screw cap won.

Because the vines are not irrigated it is important that the grapes are picked immediately they have the right sugar level. The wines are matured in new oak and also breathable plastic storage tanks. Tracie says too much new oak can make wine too tannic. They use oak staves in the 600 L 'flex tanks' to control oak character. Most of their wines are sold to Chinese buyers who enter into pre-purchase agreements before the wine is bottled.

Last Wednesday we celebrated a virtual 'Hat Day' - raising mental health awareness And also World Polio



Virtual Sausage Sizzle

So far (9 am 3/1120) we have raised **\$1,955**. Can we make it a round **\$2,000** ? Will be closed off very soon.

Here is the link to the website where you can donate:

<https://sausage-sizzle-ivanhoe.raisely.com/>

