8 May 2019

Acting President Ray Lee introduced last week’s guest speaker, Steve Goodley, and Noel Watt passed a vote of thanks after Steve’s presentation on Permaculture Gardens as a means of education and engagement.
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**International Toast**

Rotary Club of Belfast, Northern Ireland

On this day in 2007 a new Northern Ireland Executive is formed with Ian Paisley (Democratic Unionist Party) as First Minister and Martin McGuinness (Sinn Féin) as Deputy First Minister.

Being a Club based in the city centre enables the Rotary Club of Belfast to connect with local services, through YouthAction, Mitchell House and the Tree of Remembrance. Worldwide the Club also support the fight to 'End Polio Now', help restore sight in underdeveloped countries and through ShelterBox and AquaBox aid those in distress overseas.

**President’s Message**

This week’s meeting will be the last Club Assembly of my year as President and I’d like to take the opportunity to tie up some loose ends regarding the plans that I articulated at the changeover last June. Some of the things I wanted to focus on were: (1) maintaining a strong club, (2) making more effective use of information technology and (3) promoting more efficient ways decide on new Rotary initiatives.

I am pleased with progress on Focus 1. Not that we can rest on our laurels but, on hearing some of the challenges of other Rotary clubs in the District, I believe that, in comparison, we are going strong in both our service and our fellowship activities.

Focus 2 is my own area of expertise and I get a bit frustrated pushing changes in this area in the club. We have made some progress as we now use our Google Drive to store that latest version of important club documents on our Google Drive. Having spent a week with no mobile and very poor Internet access show how we can be benefit from sensible use of our digital devices and how difficult it can be without them.

Focus 3 is one that I believe we could still do better. I pushed the creation of forms for members who have ideas for new projects to present their ideas to the board. We have 2 forms: one for small one-off projects and another for larger ongoing ones. I would like to remind members of these forms, the way they could be used and the reasons for the need for a process of this kind to help the board and club know what members are doing and to keep records of decisions made.

I will say a bit more at the Assembly on each of these 3 issues.

Helen
DGE Dianne North would like to invite all members to attend the following events in preparations for the forthcoming Rotary Year (Rotary Connects the World):

- **District Assembly** - Saturday 11th May - Liverpool Catholic Club – 8.30am for 9 start – 12.30pm – Bookings [https://www.trybooking.com/BATLB](https://www.trybooking.com/BATLB) *(This includes a breakout for Secretaries and Treasurers)*
- **Community Service Seminar** – Saturday 25th May – Bankstown Sports Club - 8.30am for 9 start – 12.30pm – Bookings [https://www.trybooking.com/BATJQ](https://www.trybooking.com/BATJQ)
- **Membership Seminar** – Saturday 25th May – Bankstown Sports Club - 8.30am for 9 start – 12.30pm – Bookings [https://www.trybooking.com/BATIM](https://www.trybooking.com/BATIM)
- **International Seminar** – Sunday 2nd June – Bankstown Sports Club – 1 pm – 4.30pm – Bookings [https://www.trybooking.com/BATKE](https://www.trybooking.com/BATKE)
- **Public Image Seminar** – Sunday 2nd June – Bankstown Sports Club – 1pm – 4.30pm – Booking [https://www.trybooking.com/BATKI](https://www.trybooking.com/BATKI)

Report on last week’s meeting … **Scribe: Tim Koppel**

PE Ray Lee opened the meeting, and welcomed Pam Halcrow to the meeting guest

- Also guest speaker Steve Goodley

Invocation – “Lest we forget” past members of the club – **Tim Koppel**

**International Toast** … Rotary Club of Madrid – **Rose Pope**

**Announcements:**

- **Ray Lee** reported back on Brian Davis’ funeral – a fitting tribute to the ‘Life of Brian’ & well attended by our club.
- Mail sent out relating to upcoming seminars and events *(see web links above)*. **Ray** urged members to register for the upcoming District Assembly to support our member and next DG, **Di North**.
- Foundation seminar next Saturday.
- **Rose Pope** reported that the barbecue team led by Dieter and Joanne Glaser had brought in $12,300 from barbeques this financial YTD ... a great effort.
- **Dennis Simpson** and the Charles hotel team - $10500 also a great effort.
- **Jim Christensen**’s tins - > $1000 – acknowledgement to **Arthur Booth** as well
- **Ride 4 Rotary** – Wobblly Wheelers – **team members sought, and/or sponsorship**.
- **Lightning Ridge trip** – booked – multiple venues over 5 nights: Gilgandra, Lightning Ridge 2 nights, and Parkes, 2 nights. While at Lightning Ridge, the $5000 donated by Rotary Club West Wollongong will be handed over to the farmers. Donations are in the form of packages valued at $253 each, of essentials containing meat, and groceries.
- **Joanne Glaser** spoke and thanked the volunteers on Anzac day (4 hours) and Friday at North Gong. $640 and $545 raised respectively. In addition **Jim’s tin** raised $140 on Anzac day.
- **Comic Gong 11th May** – massive opportunity to again raise $2,000 and volunteers desperately needed. This event clashes with the District Assembly so even more important that volunteers found.
- **Joanne** also mentioned a customized BBQ trailer for sale RC Cooma @ $2,500 and requested Board members consider this request please.
- **Jim Christensen** spoke of **Entertainment books – please support**, good income earner, and the book/app pays for itself after two meals out.
- **District Conference** – memo going out for home hosting. In addition **Jim** has been requested to be Sergeant at the Conference, and 8 – 10 volunteers required for this event. Please respond to Jim if available.
- **Secretary Kerry Hayes-Williams** requested agenda items for inclusion at **Club Assembly next week ASAP**.
- **Angela Capri** advised the club, that Denise, the Rotary Youth Exchange student hosted by Angela and Sal Capri is presenting a paper to the President of the United States of America.

**Guest Speaker**

Steve Goodley introduced by **PE Ray Lee** to present his talk on **Permaculture** – permanent agriculture – not monoculture like wheat for example. Permaculture is a self-maintaining integrated sustainable agricultural method.
The design and layout of the garden is paramount, taking into account variables such as aspect, proximity to buildings, rainfall, overhanging trees, sun exposure etc. Permaculture is a holistic process that ensures that the quality of the soil does not deteriorate, but can be improved by good practices.

Steve spoke of the value of the permaculture garden exercise at Warrawong High School and the far reaching impact it had on multiple subjects within the school academic curricula.

Steve is working on a curriculum based permaculture course, and also touched on funding for the garden.

Rose Pope reported that 7 chickens arrived at the Cringila Public School garden today and were settling in to their residence well!

Chemicals such as pesticides etc. are NOT used. Natural fertilizers ARE used: example – chickens/manure, composting, worms….

Steve confirmed that permaculture is accessible and can be practiced by the ordinary resident with relatively small space. The key is education and basic understanding of the principles of the practice.

Steve was thanked by Noel Watt and presented with a Ken Potter pen.

Raffle
Questionable, with regards to fairness, conducted by Bob Armessen, but at least consistent in the application of bias. Won by Pam Halcrow (white wine) and Anne Christensen

PS by PE Ray Lee
WOI please make sure volunteers read Milan's email as arrangements are different this year. Ray would ask Milan to clarify meeting times. Rosters next week – Scribe volunteer requested – Joanne volunteered.

Sergeant Session
A vindictive and punitive session from and otherwise affable civvy street Dennis Simpson, resulting in many imaginary misdemeanors, and possibly one or two real transgressions, being punished. Small price to pay for being relieved of having to endure the scheduled sergeants’ Dad jokes!

Rosters
Please arrange your own substitute if you are not able to attend

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Meeting Attendance and Bookings

All club members are automatically booked in for a meal at each meeting.

Please notify our Treasurer, Rose Pope, by SMS (text) or phone M. 0438 603 808 of any apologies, visiting Rotarians or additional guests (including friends who decide to attend) by 8.00 am on the day of the meeting.

No apology before the cut-off and a no show will cost you $25.00
Help support youth at risk in the Illawarra
Join us in the Ride 4 Rotary 2019

Website: www.ride4rotaryillawarra.com.au/
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/Ride4Rotary/

Sunday 26 May 2019
at the Velodrome Unanderra
On the highway just south of Woolworths/Country Grocer.

All rider registration fees and sponsor funds raised goes to Southern Youth and Family Services supporting our local youth in need.

It is a fun and easy bike ride.
The velodrome suits both social and experienced riders alike.
Bring your family, friends and work colleagues and if you want form a team.

Ride in one of the 30 minute time slots starting at 9.00am.
Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.
All you need is a road worthy bike and helmet.
All types of bikes are welcome.

Registration is only $20 per rider and, once registered, you’ll receive a link to assist you in generating sponsorship.

For more information contact: Stephen: M 0488 797 922 or David: M 0407 268 777

This event is proudly organised by volunteers from The Combined Rotary Clubs of the Illawarra.
President Kay Mireylees
The Directors and Members of the Rotary Club of Corrimal
Invite you to our Club’s 60th Anniversary Celebration
on Friday 24th May 2019
at Villa D’oro Reception Centre
39-41 Flinders Street, Wollongong

Guest Speaker: Superintendent Detective, Deborah Wallace – who has had a 34-year career with the NSW Police Force. Deborah refers to herself as a cop, and her career reflects the glass ceilings for women, her journey as Commander of Asian Organised Crime Squad, the Middle Eastern Crime Squad and more recently The Gangs Squad. In 2002 after much consistent negative harrassing from media person, Alan Jones, Deborah took him on in court and won! Enjoy this entertaining woman who has humour, compassion, and wears 4-inch heel shoes!

Guest Artist: Jack Black – A great entertainer, magician, illusionist, and he will bemuse, dismay and show you his magic. Watch out as he wanders from table to table and then will give a stage presentation. We were fortunate to secure his service for the night. He is usually entertaining overseas.

A night of great entertainment, Rotary Reflections, and wonderful food.

Time: 6.30 for 7.00pm
Cost: $60.00 includes meal and entertainment
RSVP: Jean Thompson
Email: jth4574@bigpond.net.au
Ph: 4284 9480
By: Friday 17th May

Yours in Rotary

Kay Mireylees
President
Rotary Club of Corrimal

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