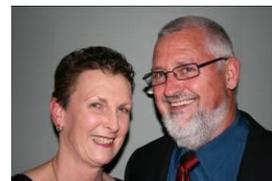


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NEXT MEETING – Wed, April 20th

Guest speaker is our own Murray Harris, to give a thumbnail sketch

| DUTIES | April 20 th | |
|-----------------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| Host with Grace | | Stewart Binnie |
| Reception | | Rob Geldert/ John Goldie |
| Properties | | Kevin Eagles/ Stephen Hinton |
| Introduction | | Ben Andrew |
| Thanks | | Peter Hill |
| Ticket sales | | Wally Jones |
| Fines | | Dean Freeman |

LIFE'S LITTLE CELEBRATIONS

| BIRTHDAYS | WEDDDING ANNIVERSARIES | INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES |
|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Eli Ghasseb 15/4 | Eli and Naomi Ghasseb 27/4 | Naru Pal 22/4/2009 |
| Andy Perrella 25/4 | | Len Anel 30/4/2008 |
| | | Liz McNaughton 30/4/2008 |
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Upcoming events

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| April 20 th | Murray Harris, Thumbnail sketch |
| April 25 th | ANZAC Day, Flag-laying ceremony |
| April 27 th | John Gardyne, guest speaker. Health issues and people power |
| April 22-24 th | Easter |
| May 11 th | Nicole Ripley, Ambassadorial Scholar |
| May 29 th | Salvo's Red Shield Appeal |

Dinner Bookings & Makeup's

South Bunbury:

Rose Hotel
Wednesday
6.15 for 6.45pm start
97214533

Bunbury:

Parade Hotel
Monday
6.00 for 6.30pm start
97212933

Bunbury Central:

Rose Hotel
1st and 3rd Tuesday
6.15 for 6.45pm start
97214533

Bunbury Leschenault:

Parade Hotel
Wednesday
12.00 for 12.30pm start
97212933

APOLOGIES:

To Sgt-at-arms Turk Ellis, by 10am by phone or SMS only on 0413 743 601

(apologies to Rose Hotel have been discontinued)

Send Contributions & Information for the Bully to week-about editors:

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President Neil thanked **Greg James** and **Mike Honeybell** for joining him at the Group Study Exchange (GSE) send-off for the outgoing group at Rockingham Rotary Club during the week. Driver Greg's in-built GPS was undergoing re-calibration at the time, apparently...

President-Elect **Glenys MacDonald** reported that the recent President-Elect Training program was of a high quality. One speaker reported that Rotary International's membership has dropped by 1.5 million over the past 6 years.

Membership Director **Rod Downe** noted that 22 members in our own club have moved on over the last 4 years, offset by 37 new members. His committee are aiming for a membership plan, which could address younger membership and the gender imbalance.

Dr Naru Pal presented President Neil with a Waist Disposal certificate for our club being placed third in the State. He also mentioned **Ben Andrew's** achievement in being *numero uno*, and urged the club to strive for the top position as the 'biggest loser' in 2012.

Sandro Agrizzi presented President Neil with a cheque for \$25,000, being the Chef's Long Table Lunch donation towards our Men's Shed project. Thanks once again to Sandro and all for the great achievement. He will be asking members to help with some outside work at member Liz's house – more details to come. A show of hands for interest in the 2012 State Conference in Kalgoorlie saw 12 hands raised.

Our guest speaker was PE Glenys, who gave a riveting presentation titled 'Australia's

forgotten son'. It outlined the search she spear-headed to get to the bottom of the mystery of the burial site of a mummified man washed up in a lifeboat on Christmas Island in 1942.

Thanks to Glenys' research, representations, cajoling, hard work, and one or two breakthroughs, she succeeded in persuading the Navy to search for the burial place of this mystery man. There is overwhelming evidence that he was from the HMAS Sydney, and somehow found his way onto a lifeboat, and drifted to Christmas Island. They found the burial site, laid the sailor to rest in Geraldton in 2008. The search for his identity- who he was- continues.

Here is an extract from a 2006 paper Glenys wrote, concluding with a number of recommendations:

Several titles have been used over the past six decades to refer to the body of the unknown sailor retrieved from the ocean near Flying fish Cove, Christmas Island on 6 February 1942, however the title I believe most apt is coined by Bryan Clarke – *Australia's Forgotten Son*

You can read more at <http://www.hmassydney.com/australiasforgottenson.html>

Thank you, Miss Marple of the Indian Ocean, for your efforts at getting to the truth behind important events in our nation's history (not least of which is the finding for HMAS Sydney)!

Call for egg cartons! **Ray Jordan** and Foodbank needs your egg cartons. A benefactor has donated 700 dozen eggs – and Foodbank need cartons to put them in. You can take the cartons to Foodbank, or Ray will collect them.

BUNBURY SEA RESCUE NEW RESCUE BOAT APPEAL

QUIZ NIGHT



1st question at 7.00 pm sharp

14TH May 2011

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White St, Bunbury

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