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WEEKLY BULLETIN 24, January 9th 2017

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| MEETING 3857 | MEETING 3858 |
| MONDAY 16th January 2017 | MONDAY 23rd January 2017 |
| Chair: Kevin Safe | Chair: Murray Menzel |
| Program: CFA Bomber pilots | Program: TBA |
| Cashier: Glenn Howell | Cashier: Ian Black |
| Bulletin: Leo Cummins | Bulletin : Tony Wark |
| Bar: Rose Howard | Bar: Willis Duncan |
| Fines: Damien Meagher | Fines: Richard Beks |
| Set up: Willis Duncan | Set up: Bob Penny |
| Coming Dates | |
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REPORT OF MEETING NO. 3856 JANUARY 9TH 2017

BUSINESS AT HAND

- Request from Skills Centre to provide transport for students from Casterton. To be discussed at our next Board meeting.
- Funeral service for AG Youth, Susan Williams, at Horsham on Friday 13th. (Note: Noel, Rose and Lorraine attended this)
- President Noel intends to have a social night towards the end of the month.
- Harness Racing on Sunday 15th January....several Rotarians needed for this. (Organized with Willis Duncan re jobs, times, and attendance.)

VOCATIONAL VISIT TO LAURIE & MOLLY HERRMANN'S PLACE.

After we had a lovely social get together in Kevin and Carolyn Safe's beautiful garden, we all wandered up to Molly's to see Laurie's amazing collection of shearing memorabilia.

Laurie Herrmann was involved in the shearing industry for about 66 years. Laurie and Molly obtained a property from the Crown abutting the Grampians National Park north of Cavendish after they were married. After establishing a home and clearing the land he commenced shearing to support his income. Laurie was known for the care of the sheep, equipment, and work mates he showed in the shearing shed. His involvement in the shearing industry encouraged him to collect old equipment, and restore if necessary, over

many decades. His focus was on preserving the history of the wool industry. Laurie was renowned for hand shearing and was invited to be part of the historic 'Shearing the Rams' painting by Tom Roberts. This event was held at the North Tuppall woolshed near Tocumwal

Involving 78 blade shearers. At age 84 Laurie was a highlight as the oldest shearer in the crew. Laurie passed away at age 88.

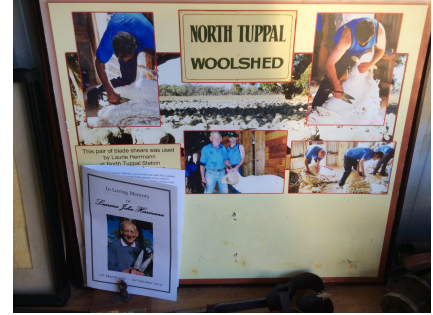
The Laurie Herrmann shearing equipment is housed in McPherson Street and Molly Herrmann hosted our group, explaining the various pieces that make up the exhibition. It was an amazing collection. We had a lovely evening, and thank Molly for being such a gracious hostess. She was able to answer all our questions, which made our evening all the more interesting.



Kevin and Molly Herrmann



Molly with Anna and Kim
(3rd and 4th year Medical students)



Tuppall Station photos



Some of Laurie Herrmann's
Shearing gear collection



More of the Herrmann
memorabilia



Relaxing at the Safe's place.

FOOTNOTE: HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE, AND THANK YOU TO KEVIN AND CAROLYN FOR A LOVELY EVENING IN THEIR GARDEN.