**PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

Congratulations must go to the Horsham Rotary Club on their celebration of ninety years of Rotary. It was a wonderful evening with a magnificent presentation of iconic Australian photographs taken by renown photographer Bruce Postle.

Horsham Rotary Club was originally sponsored by Ballarat Rotary Club and attending the evening were representatives from Melbourne, Ballarat and many local Clubs. Many thanks to the nine members from Warracknabeal who represented our club.

I had another opportunity to speak with Anthony Ohlson and we are continuing to explore different ways of supporting Mental health issues within the Community.

Next week will be the Annual Meeting where Danny Johnson will be speaking. Danny, as we all know, is an interesting speaker so we will look forward to hearing from him.

Finally, a big welcome home to Wendy. It is great to have you back and we will look forward to hearing all about your trip very soon.

Have a good week everyone,

Chris.

**COMING DATES**

Thurs 15th Nov - Primary School Gala Night - food prepared by 5.30pm

Sat 17th Nov - PETS, Ararat.

Sun 18th Nov — District 9780 AGM

Mon 19th Nov - Meals on Wheels

Wed 21st Nov — Club AGM

8th Jan 2019 — 11.30 am — Men’s Probus BBQ Lunch — Boat Ramp

**APOLOGIES / GUESTS**

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**NEXT BREAKFAST 13th NOV**

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DUTIES

Wednesday 14th November 2018
Venue: Creekside Hotel
Time: 6 for 6.30 pm
Reception/Visitors: Christine Gumpula
Chairman: John Tonkin
Invocation: Sue Watts
Heads & Tails: Julie O’Brien
Two Minute Talk: John Aitken
Program: Danny Johnson’s Travels & AGM
Vote of Thanks: Bernie O’Connor

Wednesday 21st November 2018
Venue: Royal Mail Hotel
Fellowship meal
7:30 Board meeting at the Rotary Shop
Chairman: Tony Gregson
Invocation: Christine Gumpula
Heads & Tails: Bernie O’Connor
Two Minute Talk: Jean Wise
Program: Greg King
Vote of Thanks: Sue Watts

Wednesday 28th November 2018
Venue: Creekside Hotel
Fellowship meal
7:30 Board meeting at the Rotary Shop
Chairman: Wendy Hewitt
Invocation: Bernie O’Connor
Heads & Tails: Greg King
Two Minute Talk: Jean Wise
Program: My USA experience on a Rotary Foundation scholarship
Vote of Thanks: Sue Watts

Rotary Club of Horsham celebrates 90 years of service

A big crowd gathered at the Glen Logan restaurant in Horsham on Friday night to celebrate the club’s 90th anniversary celebration. Guests included DG Anthony Ohlsen & Rotarians and friends from Horsham, Warracknabeal, Nhill, Ballarat and Melbourne.

President Graham Gerlach outlined an impressive and proud history of the club. Chartered by the Rotary Club of Ballarat in 1928, the club is one of the oldest Rotary clubs in Australia. It was the 22nd club in the country. The RC Ballarat was in turn chartered by the RC Melbourne. (In 1934, RC Horsham chartered the RC Warracknabeal – then the 34th club in Australia)

Both Melbourne and Ballarat clubs were represented on the night and representatives spoke of their bond with the Wimmera club. Interestingly, in the 90 year history, there were 88 continuous ‘first time’ Presidents. It’s possibly an unbeaten record!

The club has produced a booklet “90 Years of Service” which provides a condensed history of the club from the research by the late Rotarian John Glover and Rotarian Neil King. Please see Sec. Sue if you would like to read the history. Some examples of significant projects and achievements include:

- Two Rotary Houses at Wimmera Base Hospital – units for temporary accommodation for patients/families.
- Catering for 1000s at the Annual fishing competition on the Wimmera River.
- Initiated the first Road Fatigue Signs on the highways– a concept later taken up by Vic governments and in other states.
- 43 Outbound Youth Exchange students. 40 inbound Youth Exchange students. 78 Paul Harris Fellows.
- 39 Inbound Group Study Exchange teams from 24 countries have visited Horsham. Nine RCH members have been members of GSE teams, to 8 different countries.
RCH Guest Speaker : Bruce Postle

Legendary, multi award-winning press photographer, Bruce Postle, gave an engaging presentation of his 50 year career. Twenty nine years were spent at the Melbourne Age, where he captured many of the significant events in Australia since the late 1950s. Bruce shared many interesting tales of what was involved in taking these iconic moments. Postle would risk almost anything to get the angle no one else had. Such was his skill, he took just one or two photos to get the shot he wanted. His work covered sport, national news, natural disasters, politics, music, the arts and the everyday joys and tragedies of everyday Australians. His sporting photos were a highlight. He has 50 photographs in the Hall of Fame at the MCG museum. Bruce shared entertaining stories of his conversations and experiences with greats such as singer Sammy Davis Jnr, cricketer Jeff Thomson, horse trainer Tommy Woodcock, and Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser as well as with everyday Australians in extraordinary circumstances. Postle was a great choice as a guest speaker for the night.

CG Anthony congratulates RCH President Graham Gerlach

Cutting the 90th Birthday cake

Calvin wins a raffle prize