



### Acting President's Word.....

Great to see incoming member Clive give an honest impression of our Town from the eyes of a new resident. His talk "The Good, the Bad & the Ugly" told us we are a friendly town that welcomes new people. We have great facilities for a town our size and not surprisingly we have a variety of "social problems". Clive and his good wife Vicki are blown away by the views of the Ranges from the terrace at the Golf Club. Perhaps many of us can remember the first time we saw the Ranges glow iridescent Ochre for 10 minutes in the morning. Visitors to Alice are blown away when they look at our beautiful night sky for the first time. We are all very lucky to live here.



Clive's talk also reminded us of the value a new member will bring to the club. Clive and Vicki came to Rotary via a personal invitation from a current member—in this case our good President David. From my 30 + years in the club, I've found this is the best way to attract new members. So let's all invite a prospective member in the next few weeks. We need more new members to run our big projects. We also need new members just to replace the inevitable loss of existing members who leave Alice.

Last week I only had 90 minutes notice prior to the meeting. So instead of a Presidential Report for the night I came up with a Presidential Joke.:

Life in the Australian Army...

Text of a letter from a kid from Eromanga to Mum and Dad. (For those of you not in the know, Eromanga is a small town in the far south west of Queensland )

*Cont. over.....*

## Reminders

Please advise Suellen (by email) if you hold a current Ochre Card. Please include in your email, the card number and expiry date. Many thanks.

'Rotary Downunder' magazines to Steve Peers, please.

Please give permission, via email to Suellen, to receive the Arunta through the website.

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*Acting Pres. Word cont.....*

“Dear Mum & Dad,

I am well. Hope youse are too. Tell me big brothers Doug and Phil that the Army is better than workin' on the farm - tell them to get in bloody quick smart before the jobs are all gone! I wuz a bit slow in settling down at first, because ya don't hafta get outta bed until 6am. But I like sleeping in now, cuz all ya gotta do before brekky is make ya bed and shine ya boots and clean ya uniform. No bloody cows to milk, no calves to feed, no feed to stack - nothin'!! Ya haz gotta shower though, but its not so bad, coz there's lotsa hot water and even a light to see what ya doing!

At brekky ya get cereal, fruit and eggs but there's no kangaroo steaks or possum stew like wot Mum makes. You don't get fed again until noon and by that time all the city boys are buggered because we've been on a 'route march' - geez its only just like walking to the windmill in the back paddock!!

This one will kill me brothers Doug and Phil with laughter. I keep getting medals for shootin' - dunno why. The bullseye is as big as a bloody possum's bum and it don't move and it's not firing back at ya like the Johnsons did when our big scrubber bull got into their prize cows before the Ekka last year! All ya gotta do is make yourself comfortable and hit the target - it's a piece of piss!! You don't even load your own cartridges, they comes in little boxes, and ya don't have to steady yourself against the rollbar of the roo shooting truck when you reload!

Sometimes ya gotta wrestle with the city boys and I gotta be real careful coz they break easy - it's not like fighting with Doug and Phil and Jack and Boori and Steve and Muzza all at once like we do at home after the muster.

Turns out I'm not a bad boxer either and it looks like I'm the best the platoon's got, and I've only been beaten by this one bloke from the Engineers - he's 6 foot 5 and 15 stone and three pick handles across the shoulders and as ya know I'm only 5 foot 7 and eight stone wringin' wet, but I fought him till the other blokes carried me off to the boozier.

I can't complain about the Army - tell the boys to get in quick before word gets around how bloody good it is.

Your loving daughter,  
Sheila”

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PP Dom

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM LAST MEETING.....

### *Introductions by Roger S:*

Clive Hale  
—Prospective  
Member and Guest  
Speaker

### *Sgt. 's Session with Mike P*

Raffle drawn by Clive,  
won by Roger A

Heads and Tails tossed  
by Mike, won by  
Erwin



## ROSTER

14  
February

21  
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**Corporal**

**Nick  
Tyllis**

**Mardi  
Cotterill**

**Dominic  
Miller**

**Greeter**

**Nicole  
Walsh**

**Fran  
Kilgariff**

**Ellie  
Norris**

**Attendance  
Assistant**

**Roger  
Ahwah**

**Jenni  
Lillis**

**Nicole  
Ogilvia**

**Introductions**

**Peter  
Bartholomew**

**Virginia  
Loy**

**Neil  
Ross**

**International  
Toast**

**Erwin  
Chlanda**

**Eli  
Melky**

**Suellen  
Schubert**

**Guest Host**

**Bruce  
Clough**

**Annette  
Mikecz**

**Roger  
Selleck**

## The Roster and what it means

For whatever reason, sometimes it is not possible to attend a meeting so here are the Roster guidelines:

**Please Be Responsible** - It is the responsibility of each of us to check the bulletin to see when we are on the Roster.

**Please Find a Replacement** - If you are rostered on for a duty and cannot attend on that night, then it is your responsibility to find a replacement.

**Please Tell Secretary Nick or President Dave** – You, or your replacement, need to let someone who is going to the meeting know.

## Can't make it to a meeting?

**PLEASE** send an apology to Bruce at:  
[rbruceclo@bigpond.com](mailto:rbruceclo@bigpond.com) or via our website:  
[www.alicespringsrotary.org](http://www.alicespringsrotary.org) before 9am day of meeting.



Rotary goes into Space



Acting President Dominic ran a fast-moving, tight meeting, with some light humour.



Guest Speaker, Clive Hale



## February Birthdays and Anniversaries

22 Bill and Liz McAinsh

### Coming Events - Woo hoo



**When**

**What**

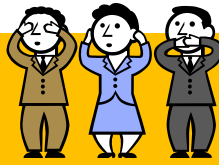
**What do I need  
to do?**

Every Week	Fines Session	Bring a cross fine. That means - rat out your friends
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24 February	80s Theme Trivia Night	To be confirmed
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23-25 March	District Conference in the Barossa Valley	
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16 May	Visiting Rotary Exchange Students, possible social evening	Watch this space
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## Rotary 4 Way Test

Of the things we think,  
say or do:

*Is it the truth?*

*Is it fair to all concerned?*

*Will it build goodwill and better friendships?*

*Will it be beneficial to all?*

## Rotary Grace

*For good food,  
good fellowship,  
and the opportunity to serve  
through Rotary,  
We give thanks.*

### DID YOU KNOW?

“The sixth sick sheik’s sixth sheep’s sick” is said to be the toughest tongue twister in the English language.....try it!

Wearing headphones for just an hour will increase the bacteria in your ear by 700 times.

The cigarette lighter was invented before the match.

A duck’s quack doesn’t echo anywhere, and no-one knows why.

In the course of an average lifetime, you will, while sleeping, eat 70 assorted insects and 10 spiders.

Most lipstick contains fish scales.

Like fingerprints, everyone’s tongue print is different.

Please keep Rotarian Ernie in your thoughts.

*Thanks to Dominic and Precy for their contributions this week....Ed*

## Surrounding Clubs - Websites/ Meetings

Mbantua - Alice Springs: Meets Monday mornings 7:00am, Oasis Hotel, Gap Road  
<http://www.rotarymbantua.org>

Stuart: Meets Tuesday evening 6:15pm onwards, Todd Tavern, 1 Todd Street  
<http://www.stuartrotary.org.au/home>

Tennant Creek: eClub, Contact - (08) 89622 322

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