



President's Word.....

It's sort of good to be back from our Bali trip. Honestly, I could spend months over there, it's so full of fabulous people, great food and the opportunity to forget about the pressures of our busy lives. I strongly recommend it!

I was very sad to hear of the passing of Ernie, one of nature's true gentlemen. I had the opportunity to spend about an hour with Ernie recently and, whilst confronting, it has made me once again reflect on just how fragile our lives are. Take the time to listen and be kind to each other, you never know what lies around the corner and once a person has gone – it's pretty final. Ernie will have a memorial or service on the 10th March – I'll keep you informed. Dr Nick – thank you for the time you spent with Ernie, I am sure that you gave him valuable support like only you can and I know it meant a lot to him.



Great turn up last meeting. It was good that Vicki and Fiona, as prospective members came along again. I intend to induct Vicki and Clive next week – please come along if you can, Inductions are a very special part of being a Rotarian and I look forward to the privilege of welcoming these two great people into our club. They are already making a fantastic contribution.

I also enjoyed Anj and Bill's company. It is good that they support our club and we should sometimes return the favour by visiting their club.

Blair McFarland gave a thought-provoking speech about income equality, the welfare system and how he thought that the world could be a better place. I guess the subject could have caused some serious debate and I personally think Dom summed up the cons against the

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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President's Word cont.....

proposal very well. Anyway, it got us thinking and talking about the subject which can't hurt. Thanks Erwin for your amazing Guest Speaker engagements.

Virginia was very excited to see some movement in getting the first of two vehicles for the Purple House. This is very close to fruition. This is a portfolio related to Rotary Grants and both Virginia and Elli N are truly pulling off some wonderful results in gathering money from other Rotary Clubs to assist this vital organisation. I know that Purple House and its patients will be very grateful. This activity alone is going to leave a good legacy for our club and the current Board. Thank you Virginia, I couldn't think of a better person to manage this important portfolio.

I spoke with Elly M about the Bangtail Muster and the organisation that is required to plan and conduct it. I intend to form an IMT (incident management team) of about 4 persons to run this event. (I need the personal development hours for my log of management activities!) Elly has offered to assist in the planning stage and on the day, but not be the event co-ordinator. More to follow on this but we MUST be underway by the first week in March - not far off.

Our Website is very close to going live – great work from Neil R as Public Relations Director.

It looks as though our Sergeant will be away for the next three weeks – I will be looking for volunteers to fill this position. Thanks Dom for the other night with only 30 seconds notice!

I am looking forward to the Conference in March – it will be refreshing to see what and how other clubs are doing.

Hope to see you Wednesday next week for the inductions.

Kind Regards, Dave

From Neil.....

Re the Queen's Baton Relay, arriving on Wednesday. The baton will spend the night in Alice Springs, and I am sure there will be other events lined up for it as well, but please note the following:

At around 5.25pm, Wednesday, the Relay will feature one of the Henley on Todd gunboats and Yours Truly. It will travel from KFC to the entry of Todd Mall, so it would be great to see as many people as possible to be there to watch it pass. It finishes with a Community Celebration in Todd Mall from 5.30pm. Would be a great lead-in to our meeting on Wednesday.

Check out the links:

<https://www.gc2018.com/qbr#gc2018-qbr-parent-map>

<https://www.gc2018.com/qbr#>

HIGHLIGHTS FROM LAST MEETING.....

Introductions by Virginia:

Vicki Hale
—Prospective
Member

Fiona Hartnett
—Prospective Member

Cheryl Letheby
—Guest of Dave

Anj Palmer
—RC Mbantua

Bill Palmer
—RC Mbantua

Blair McFarland
—Guest Speaker

Sgt. 's Session with Dominic and Corporal Nick

Raffle drawn by Blair,
won by Jenni

Heads and Tails tossed
by Dominic, won by
Fiona



ROSTER

28
February

7
March

14
March

Corporal

**Dominic
Miller**

**Mike
Smith**

**Erwin
Chlanda**

Greeter

**Ellie
Norris**

**Precy
Taylor**

**Bruce
Clough**

**Attendance
Assistant**

**Nicole
Ogilvie**

**Nick
Tyllis**

**Mardi
Cotterill**

Introductions

**Neil
Ross**

**Nicole
Walsh**

**Fran
Kilgariff**

**International
Toast**

**Suellen
Schubert**

**Roger
Ahwah**

**Jenni
Lillis**

Guest Host

**Roger
Selleck**

**Peter
Bartholomew**

**Virginia
Loy**

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 or via our website:
www.alicespringsrotary.org before 9am day of meeting.



February Birthdays and Anniversaries

All done and dusted, watch this space for March celebrations

Coming Events - Woo hoo



When

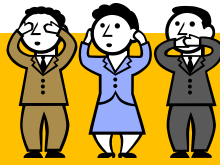
What

**What do I need
to do?**

Every Week	Fines Session	Bring a cross fine. That means - rat out your friends
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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.*

Please be advised that the club's website is now live.

We can still go in and make changes as we see fit. (For example, we need to remove the Facebook link.)

The link is <http://alicespringsrotary.org/>

Regards, Neil

Thanks to Dave and Neil 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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