



ROTARY CLUB OF ALICE SPRINGS — Meeting No: 2777

Todd Tavern, Todd Mall

Wednesday, 19 July 2017, 6.30pm

#### President Dave's Words

Thank you to all those who attended our meeting on Wednesday at the Todd Tavern. What a fantastic turn up, 22 people came along, and especially seeing the State of Origin was on!

We had an inspirational presentation from Sarah Brown, the CEO of the Purple House organisation. Sarah oversees the Dialysis program in the NT, outside of Hospitals, reaching as far as Yirrkala in the Top End, to a



number of remote Communities across the Centre. The program is called "Purple House" because that Aboriginal name has more letters than the alphabet and is almost impossible to pronounce. And of course, the dialysis facilities are painted – you guessed it - Purple! The benefits of dialysis in communities are obvious in that those requiring this treatment must receive it every three days. To come to the major centres has been a major imposition and important cultural things like family and being away from homeland was, in some cases, a death sentence. I intend speaking further with Sarah about how our club could engage – I was thinking in a physical sense, like a working project over a weekend somewhere. Watch this space.

The Rotary Club of Stuart were to have their Changeover on Saturday night – this has been postponed. I am unsure of when it is now scheduled, but will keep you informed.

A good number of our Rotarians are helped at the Camel Cup on the weekend, thank you for such a good representation and I hope you had an enjoyable day.

A reminder that membership fees are now due, \$240 per year and you can make it in two instalments if that suits. I will get Dom or Bruce to email account details if you would like to pay electronically.

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#### 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.

Fees are due: \$240pa or \$120 bi-annually BSB 633000 A/C 1550 78504

#### 2017—2018 Board

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Dave Letheby

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Bruce Clough

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Virginia Loy

Rotary International President:

Ian H S Riseley

District Governor:

Peter Schaeffer

In consultation with my Board members, I have confirmed the following portfolios: Secretary – Nick T, Treasurer - Bruce C, Club Amin - Michael P, Membership – Steve P, Service Projects – Eli M, Public Relations – Neil R, Rotary Foundation/Grants – Virginia. The Board members will oversee these portfolios, but will be seeking your expertise and input into their areas. I am also planning to allow 5-10 minutes at meetings over the next two months for each Director to give an overview of their Portfolio.

Most importantly, International President Ian Riseley will be visiting the Centre and the three clubs. We will be having a combined meeting at the Star of Alice on Tuesday 25th July, 1830 hours. I am hoping for a 100% attendance – see how we go. To have such an influential Rotarian attend our meeting is a true privilege and I am really looking forward to meeting him and his wife, Juliette.

Thanks to those who participated in the HOT Desert Trail, unfortunately being an avid walker, I was committed elsewhere and couldn't participate. We raised \$300, but the Board has agreed to supplement this with an additional \$1000 making our contribution \$1,300.

The club is sadden to learn about Bruce Clough's brother, Andrew, passing away recently. On behalf of the club, I extend our deepest sympathy and condolences to Bruce and his mum, Heather.

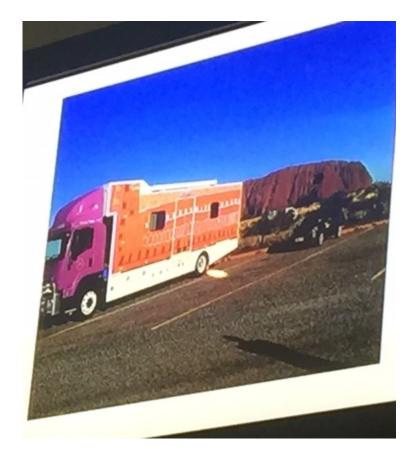
That's all for this week, this week's President's Report makes up for last weeks!

Have a good week, Dave

Guest Speaker, Sarah Brown



Mobile dialysis, the Purple Bus



# HIGHLIGHTS FROM LAST MEETING.....

Introductions by Precy

Donna Digby

—Guest of Dave

John Capper
—Past Member

Sarah Brown
—Guest Speaker

Sgt.'s Session

Raffle drawn by Sarah, won by Virginia

Heads and Tails tossed by Jenni, won by Suellen

ROSTER	19 July	25 July	3 August
Corporal	Nicole Walsh	COMBINED	Virginia Loy
Greeter	Peter Bartholomew	CLUBS	Eli Melky
Attendance Assistant	Erwin Chlanda	TO MEET	Annette Mikecz
Introductions	Bruce Clough	WITH	Dominic Miller
International Toast	Mardi Cotterill	DISTRICT	Nicole Ogilvie
Guest Host	Jenni Lillis	GOVERNOR	Ernie Richards

## 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 Virginia or President Neil – You, or your replacement, need to let someone who is going to the meeting know.

# Congratulations!

## Can't make it to a meeting?

<u>PLEASE</u> send an apology to Bruce at: <u>rbrucecio@bigpond.com</u> or via our website: <u>www.alicespringsrotary.org</u> before 9am day of meeting.

#### REPORT FROM THE EDUCATION FUND CHAIR

It is my very great pleasure to present this Report on the Bill Van Dijk Award.

The Bill van Dijk Post-Graduate Education Award, funded by the Rotary Club of Alice Springs, is awarded annually in recognition of the late Bill van Dijk's contribution to the field of Education.

This year, the Selection Panel comprised of Mardi Cotterill, Suellen Schubert and myself. I am indebted to both these members for their time and dedication to the Award and especially to Suellen for collating the applications.

The Award was advertised in the Centralian Advocate on 2/6/17, with applications closing 16/6/17. Shortlisting took place on 25/6/17 and three applicants were invited to interviews on 1/7/17. Applicants were very varied and all had merit. The general consensus of the Selection Panel was to propose that the recipient of this year's Award be Ali Hood. At a Board Meeting of the Education Fund on 1/7/17, it was unanimously decided to offer the Award to Ali Hood for her Post-Graduate Course through Charles Darwin University for Play Therapy.

Play Therapy is a counselling method for children, using toys and playing to prevent or resolve physiological or social difficulties. It is the developmentally relevant form of therapeutic intervention for children because it utilises "play", a child's natural form of expression.

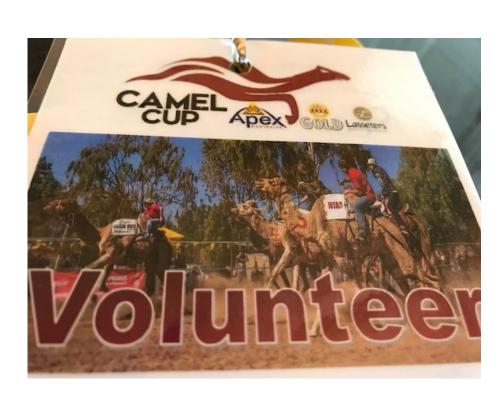
My thanks must be extended to the other members of The Education Fund Committee, Roger Ahwah, Precy Taylor and David Letheby for their support.

A very special expression of gratitude goes to Mrs Trish van Dijk, who met all of the applicants on the day of the interviews.

I must also extend my appreciation to Dale Wakefield, MLA for Braitling, for the use of her offices for the interviews.

Ali Hood will be presented with her cheque at a Club Meeting, date to be confirmed.

Virginia Loy



Members recently helped out at the Camel Cup



Erwin kept the ladies honest....or was it the other way around?



Members and guests enjoying some fellowship

Words Dave has included.....

Six ways to make people like you: (give some of these ideas a go, they actually make a difference)

Become genuinely interested in other people. "You can make more friends in two months by being interested in them, than in two years by making them interested in you. The only way to make quality, lasting friendships is to learn to be genuinely interested in them and their interests.

<u>Smile.</u> Happiness does not depend on outside circumstances, but rather on inward attitudes. Smiles are free to give and have an amazing ability to make others feel wonderful. Smile in everything that you do.

Remember that a person's name is, to that person, the sweetest and most important sound in any language. "The average person is more interested in their own name than in all the other names in the world put together. People love their names so much that they will often donate large amounts of money just to have a building named after themselves. We can make people feel extremely valued and important by remembering their name.

<u>Be a good listener.</u> Encourage others to talk about themselves. The easiest way to become a good conversationalist is to become a good listener. To be a good listener, we must actually care about what people have to say. Many times people don't want an entertaining conversation partner; they just want someone who will listen to them.

<u>Talk in terms of the other person's interest.</u> The royal road to a person's heart is to talk about the things he or she treasures most. If we talk to people about what they are interested in, they will feel valued and value us in return.

<u>Make the other person feel important – and do it sincerely.</u> The golden rule is to treat other people how we would like to be treated. We love to feel important and so does everyone else. People will talk to us for hours if we allow them to talk about themselves. If we can make people feel important in a sincere and appreciative way, then we will win all the friends we could ever dream of.

Courtesy of: How to Win Friends and Influence People



Eli looked after the Merchandise Stall



# **July Birthdays and Anniversaries**

# 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
25 July	Combined Clubs to meet with RI Pres. Ian Riseley	Star of Alice, 1815, \$65pp

### **Rotary 4 Way Test**

Will it be beneficial to all?

Of the things we think, say or do:
Is it the truth?
Is it fair to all concerned?
Will it build goodwill and better friend-ships?



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



Suellen won Heads 'n Tails

Many thanks to Dave, Virginia and Precy for their contribuitons this week.....Ed.

## **Surrounding Clubs - Websites/ Meetings**

Mbantua - Alice Springs: Meets Monday mornings 7:00am, Oasis Hotel, Gap Road

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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