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The Rotary Club of Maffra meets on Thursday, 6 pm for 6.30 pm

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TOAST: "To The Privilege of Community Service"

Editorial:

How good was it to see Ross Neilson back for a meeting? While still very quiet he is at least up and about. Lyn is still recovering from the flu, but both are well on the way to recovering their old lifestyle, although Ross does have one procedure to go and everyone at the club wishes him well for that.

Ross will be unable to participate physically in the caravan shed reconstruction, but other able bodied members will take over under his strict supervision. It has been carefully planned to the last detail and should be of great value in protecting the caravan from the elements once constructed.

BJ reported on his reef fishing excursion with Nathan. He caught a variety of species, including a Coral Trout which Nathan prepared and BBQed that evening. Nothing better than fresh caught fish.

They also went snorkelling and saw a lot of different fish, including Nemo. A highlight was the discovery of a very rare specimen of Nathan Moonfish, which is hardly ever sighted in these waters.

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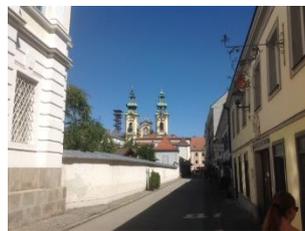
MEETING SNAPSHOT 22.09.2016

17 members present.
4 members on caravan duty.
2 members at district events.
1 member visited another club.

Swindle won by Helen Lanigan.

Roger Malouf to be involved in the Police mentoring programme.

Committee and board meetings followed.



This is your European correspondent in Italy with more tall tales but true of our travels. We left Regensberg, Germany three weeks ago, seems like years ago and our next stop on the river cruise itinerary was Passau, Germany. It is a beautiful hill top medieval town on

the confluence of the Inn, Liz and Danube rivers. We parked the car in a parking bay by the river and walked up the narrow winding streets to the main square where the main feature is St. Stephens church which was destroyed by fire in 1662 and rebuilt from 1668 to 1693. It is the home to the largest pipe organ in the world with a staggering 17,774 pipes.

We had coffee and lunch in Passau and went to get the car. After searching for 30 minutes I realised we were looking for it by the wrong river on the wrong side of town!!! It is not possible to fit all of the magnificent organ into one photo, in this photo two banks of the pipes are hidden behind pillars to the left and right out of site of the camera.



From Passau we drove on to Linz which is the next boat cruise port. Checked into a nice hotel called Wolfinger Hotel right in the main old town square with coffee shops and restaurants galore and a great view of the square from our window. Linz has beautiful buildings and churches

including the Old Cathedral also known as Jesuitenkirche with its trim baroque spires, the Stradtpfarrkirche also known as the Angel Kirche and the New Cathedral called Mariendom cathedral, started in 1862, completed in 1924 and the largest cathedral in Austria.

In fact, the plans had to be modified to lower the spire when it was being built or it would have been taller than St. Stephens in Vienna and that was not permitted. As we entered the church the huge pipe organ burst into action and filled the cathedral with music.

Most over 50s were HOME SCHOOLED in many ways.

8. My mother taught me about the science of OSMOSIS.

"Shut your mouth and eat your supper."

9. My mother taught me about CONTORTIONISM.

"Just you look at that dirt on the back of your neck!"

10. My mother taught me about STAMINA.

"You'll sit there until all that spinach is gone."

11. My mother taught me about WEATHER.

"This room of yours looks as if a tornado went through it."

12. My mother taught me about HYPOCRISY.

"If I told you once, I've told you a million times, don't exaggerate!"

13. My father taught me the CIRCLE OF LIFE.

"I brought you into this world, and I can take you out..."

14. My mother taught me about BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION.

"Stop acting like your father!"

15. My mother taught me about ENVY.

"There are millions of less fortunate children in this world who don't have wonderful parents like you do."

To be continued.....

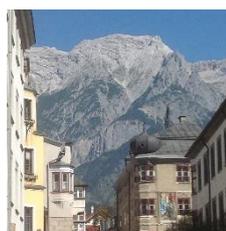
From Linz we continued on to Vienna via country roads with numerous villages and townships and corn fields as far as the eye could see. Vienna is the home of the state opera theatre and we took a guided tour of the city with its beautiful architecture and many beautiful buildings but Vienna is a very large and very busy city, not your average small medieval village. St. Stephens church towers above the city skyline.

We spent two nights in Vienna then left the cruise route and went south west to Salzburg, the home of Mozart. I set our GPS for the scenic route and drove through mountains and valleys galore with beautiful scenery all around us. We stopped at a mountain top village called Annaberg for lunch before continuing on to Salzburg. This is another beautiful city with narrow winding cobblestone streets and medieval buildings and churches. We stayed three nights, took a two-hour guided tour which included a visit to the mansion used in the movie The Sound of Music.



A must was coffee and cake - beautiful cake - at the 200-year-old Cafe Tomaselli in this main old town square. After two great days in Salzburg we set off for Hall in Tirol which is ten kilometres from Innsbruck.

This drive too was through spectacular (pronounced Hull) in Tirol is a stunning back to the 13th and 14th centuries. It is narrow, winding and some very hilly town is surrounded by magnificent towering jagged mountains, it is be the most beautiful historic town in Tirol with cobblestone squares churches galore.



mountain scenery. Hall medieval village dating built on a hilltop and has cobblestone streets. The the largest and thought to full of cafes and medieval



We made a day trip to Innsbruck about 10 kilometres from Hall. Innsbruck, so named because it is situated on the Inn river, is a very big city but has a very attractive 'walled old town' and was the site of the 1964 Winter Olympics. It has a 50-metre-high ski jump and we witnessed jumpers practicing - without snow - landing on synthetic grass surfaces!!! Innsbruck also is surrounded by towering rugged mountains and we had a private tour on an otherwise empty city tour bus, walked all the narrow winding streets taking photographs until our clicking figures were worn out, shopped and 'coffeed' in the town squares, visited many churches and museums and returned worn out to our hotel in Hall later that day.

Next day Friday September 9th we set off for Vicenza in northern Italy. Vicenza was founded in the 2nd century BC and was under Venetian rule from the 15th to 18th century. The city features many buildings based on designs by Andrea Palladio from 1508 to 1580 with his distinct architectural style now known as Palladian. Vincenzo is a UNESCO World Heritage Site filled with stunning villas, churches and theatres. We walked the cobble stoned streets and squares admiring the endless display of beautiful old buildings and churches and vowed one day to return to Vicenza to spend more time there.



From Vicenza we drove to Barga in Tuscany to meet friends from Australia who were staying there for a week. More of that and other stories in your next foreign correspondent report.

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES 2016-2017

BOARD MEMBERS

President	Sue Gray
Immediate Past President	Ross Neilson
Secretary	Dianne Honey
Treasurer	Graeme Hemming
Club/Vocational Service Director	
Community Service Director	Pauline Hitchins
Foundation/International Director	Shane Smallwood
Youth Service Director	Sharon Knight

OTHER ROLES

Sergeant at Arms/Fines	Rob Noble /Ted Mitchell
Program Co-ordinator	Brian Gray / Veronica Dwyer
Club Bulletin and Publicity	Shane Smallwood
BBQ Co-ordinators	Hans Van Wees / John Watts
Attendance	Neil Wishart
Arthur's Swindle	Cath Noble / Sandra Houghton
Family of Rotary	Dianne Honey
Club Protection Officer	Sjors Duursema
On to Conference	Ross Neilson
Club Website	Logan Connolly
Rosters - Registrations / Friendship / Property /Caravan / BBQ	Shane Smallwood

PLEASE APOLOGISE if you cannot attend the meeting. If you do not apologise you will be asked to pay for the meal that has been provided for you and for which the club has had to pay.



COMMITTEES

Community Service	International Service/Foundation
Pauline Hitchins (Director) Cath Noble, Rick Dare, Hans Van Wees, Veronica Dwyer, John Watts, Brian Gray, Peter Quennell, Nathan Smith	Shane Smallwood (Director) Rob Noble, Ross Neilson, Iain Stewart, John Osbom, Neil Wishart
Youth Service	Club Service/Vocational Service
Sharon Knight director) Sjors Duursema (Protection Off.), Logan Connolly, Sandra Houghton, Roger Malouf, Ted Mitchell	Sue Gray (Pres), Ross Neilson (IPP) Dianne Honey (Sec), Graeme Hemming (Treas), Helen Lanigan.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event	Location	Time
October 7 th 2016	Hat Day	Australia wide	All day
October 22 nd 2016	Maffra Show	Recreation reserve	All day
October 24 th 2016	World Polio Day	Worldwide	All day
October 30 th 2016	Graffiti Removal Day	Australia wide	All day
March 3 rd to 5 th 2017	Multi District PETS	Ballarat	All day
March 24 th to 26 th 2017	District Conference	Wrest Point Casino Hobart TAS	All weekend

HOUSEKEEPING PAGE

Please take note of your roster.

When you are rostered on for duty and you are unavailable, please arrange your own swap.

Special instructions for those on the BBQ rosters, please make sure you collect the tear drop flag.

PROGRAMME

Date	Programme	Host
29 th September	District Insurance – Frank Spiteri	President Sue Gray
6 th October	Hat Day Fundraiser \$5 a hat. \$10 naked	
13 th October	Gordon Keddie Healthy Fermenting	Shane Smallwood

CARAVAN ROSTER

Date	Deliver	Pick Up	Booked by
30 th Sept	Peter Quennell	Shane Smallwood	Not Required
7 th October	Iain Stewart	Shane Smallwood	Maffra Uniting Church Quilting
14 th October			St Johns
21 st & 22 nd			Maffra Agricultural Society

CLUB DUTIES

DATE	GREETING	REGISTRATION	PROPERTY	MARKET BBQ	WOOLIES BBQ
Sept	Sandra Houghton	Veronica Dwyer, Iain Stewart	George Duursema		
Oct	Graeme Hemming	Helen Lanigan Sharon Knight	Roger Malouf	2 nd : Hans Van Wees Cath Noble, John Osborn, Peter Quennell	8 th : Iain Stewart, Helen Lanigan, Dianne Honey

MILESTONES 30th Sept to 6th October.

NAME	MEMBER'S B/DAY	PARTNER'S B/DAY	WEDDING ANN.	JOINED ROTARY
Rob Noble				1 st October 1981
Ted Mitchell				1 st October 1997

Seniors Computer Skills Tech support: How may I help you?

Customer: Hi, good afternoon, this is Martha, I can't print.

Every time I try, it says 'can't find printer'.

I've even lifted the printer and placed it in front of the monitor,
but the computer still says he can't find it.