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

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“To The Privilege of Community Service”

Editorial:

OOPS!! An apology for a misprint in last week's bulletin. I had nominated the dates for the District Conference in Hobart as 3rd to 5th March 2017.

The actual dates are 24th to 26th March 2017. The 3rd to 5th March are the dates for the multi-district PETS (President Elects Training Seminar), which the 2017-2018 president will attend for training.

Speaking of which, we don't have one yet. This would be a good time to search your soul, and your diary and hopefully come forward to lead the club next year. Presidency can be a very rewarding experience, and with a supportive membership behind you, can be very worthwhile. Best have a talk to President Sue, or any of the past presidents for more information.

August is just about over, but that does not mean that the search for new members has finished. If each of us can bring one person along to a meeting in the next 10 months, then maybe we can get one or two new members for this year.

I don't think any one of us regrets being part of Rotary and this club, so let's find a friend or colleague to share the fun and fellowship that we all enjoy.

To quote our R.I. President, John F. Germ:

“There's one barrier to membership that only you can remove; one thing that every prospective member needs to become a Rotarian: an invitation to join a Rotary club”

Shane Smallwood
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MEETING SNAPSHOT 25.08.2016

17 members present
3 members at district events
4 members selling raffle tickets
2 members on caravan duty
Ted Mitchell won the swindle again.

FATHER'S DAY RAFFLE TICKETS TO BE RETURNED TO HELEN NO LATER THEN THURSDAY 1ST AS THIS IS THE NIGHT IT IS DRAWN

Our guests this evening were BJ's future host parents Luke and Casey Nicholls.

Their niece, Hannah Nicholls is our outbound exchange student in January. Hannah is going to Austria and gave us a report on her attendance at the Youth Exchange camp at Forest Edge recently. All inbound and outbound students attended and she had a wonderful time meeting and making new friends. Fortunately, Hannah loves public speaking and was not intimidated by having to speak in front of the group on the weekend. She presented herself very well at the club and all members present were quite impressed with her demeanor and confidence. Sharon presented her with a beautiful Koala badge, complete with bling, to wear in the lapel of her blazer.

Jessica Stewart farewelled the club as she is off to Canada for 5 months' exchange. Unfortunately, there will be no coffee runs for the BBQ personnel now, so we will all have to make do. We wish Jessica all the best, safe travel and a wonderful time. We are unsure of what Iain is going to do without his shadow, but we will all do our best to help.

Just a reminder to everyone that this bulletin is not a one-man band. You are all invited and encouraged to contribute articles at any time. Deadline for the week is 8.00pm Thursday. The bulletin will be published at 4.00pm each Sunday, so please feel free to email me, Microsoft Word document preferably, with any items of interest throughout the previous week.

A special mention of the generosity of one of our members, Nathan Smith, for not only providing a great meal and service for 420 men at the Big Blokes BBQ, but also for donating the food. A mighty effort in support of Prostate Cancer Research!!

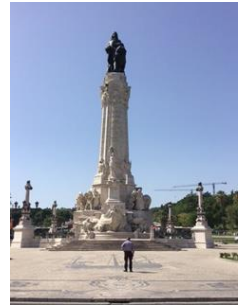


NEWS FROM ABROAD:

At the moment we have Rob and Helen Noble overseas, and Logan and Tanina Connolly travelling from Amsterdam to Budapest. They are doing the river cruise by car. As we receive news from them it will be published in the bulletin.

This week our news comes from Rob and Helen Noble.

Hi all, after a very very long day we have arrived in Tromso Norway. We have one night in a hotel here then on the boat tomorrow afternoon.



Arrived in Lisbon Portugal on the 9th August, had two nights in Lisbon a couple of tours then by bus to Porto. We enjoyed Lisbon saw the old and the new lots of very narrow lanes. Some of the building have tiles on the front all blue and white but different designs.

On arriving at Porto late afternoon we boarded the ship spent the next seven days sailing on the Duoro river seeing lots of grape vines.

On some of shore trips we went and visited old towns saw lots of olive and almond trees.

We had a day in Spain that day we saw some farm land so felt at home seeing that. The day we went to Spain we went to a place called Salamanca had the morning free so visited a car museum Robert really enjoyed that.



Weather was very warm in the middle 30s
The cruise ship was very good nice room, great food all the staff were great.



Tomorrow we start a new
adventure.
All the best Helen and Robert



The kids filed into class Monday morning.

They were all very excited.

Their weekend assignment was to sell something, then give a talk on salesmanship.

Little Sally led off. "I sold Girl Scout cookies and I made \$30" she said proudly. "My sales approach was to appeal to the customer's civil spirit and I credit that approach for my obvious success."

"Very good", said the teacher.

Little Debbie was next. "I sold magazines" she said. "I made \$45 and I explained to everyone that magazines would keep them up on current events."

"Very good, Debbie", said the teacher.

Eventually, it was Little Johnny's turn.

The teacher held her breath.

Little Johnny walked to the front of the classroom and dumped a box full of cash on the teacher's desk.

"\$2,467," he said.

"\$2,467!" cried the teacher, "What in the world were you selling?"

"Toothbrushes," said Little Johnny. "Toothbrushes," echoed the teacher. "How could you possibly sell enough tooth brushes to make that much money?"

"I found the busiest corner in town", said Little Johnny. "I set up a Dip & Chip stand and I gave everybody who walked by a free sample." They all said the same thing; "Hey, this tastes like dog poop!" I would say, 'It is dog poop. Wanna buy a toothbrush?' "I used a politician's method of giving you some crap, dressing it up so it looks good, telling you it's free and then making you pay to get the bad taste out of your mouth."

Little Johnny got five stars for his assignment.

Bless his little heart!

Contributed by Dianne Honey

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES 2016-2017

BOARD

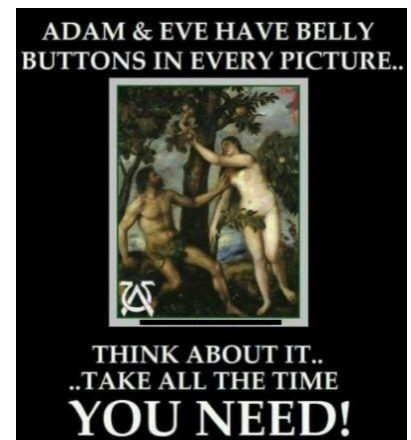
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Treasurer	Graeme Hemming
Club/Vocational Service Director	
Community Service Director	Pauline Hitchins
Foundation/International Director	Shane Smallwood
Youth Service Director	Sharon Knight

PLEASE NOTE:

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.

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

Community Service	International Service/Foundation
Pauline Hitchins (Director) Cath Noble, Rick Dare, Hans Van Wees, Veronica Dwyer, John Watt, 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, Ross Neilson IPP Dianne Honey (Sec), Graeme Hemming (Treas), Helen Lanigan (Membership Sec)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event	Location	Time
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 day

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
1 st September	Bjarne Gienapp (B.J.)	Nathan Smith
8 th September	Gippsland Farmers Relief - Mary Ward	Dianne Honey
22 nd September	Committee meetings	Directors
29 th September	District Insurance – Frank Spiteri & Board meeting	President Sue Gray

CARAVAN ROSTER

Date	Deliver	Pick Up	Booked by
2 nd Sept	Rick Dare	Peter Quennell	Tinamba Red Cross
9 th Sept	Brian Gray	Cath Noble	Maffra Uniting Church
16 th Sept	Iain Stewart	Nathan Smith	Maffra Secondary College Parents Club
23 rd Sept	Rick Dare	Peter Quennell	No Booking
30 th Sept	Peter Quennell	Shane Smallwood	Maffra Uniting Church Quilting

CLUB DUTIES

DATE	GREETING	REGISTRATION	PROPERTY	MARKET BBQ	WOOLIES BBQ
September	Sandra Houghton	Veronica Dwyer, Iain Stewart	George Duursema	4 th : Hans Van Wees, Sue Gray, Sharon Knight, Ross Neilson	3 rd : Ted Mitchell, Pauline Hitchins, Shane Smallwood
October	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 1st Sept to 15th Sept.

NAME	BIRTHDAY	WEDDING	JOINED ROTARY
Hans Van Wees	3 rd Sept		