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PRESENTATION: Preparing for the Role of District Governor from Personal and Club Perspectives

Meeting Responsibilities

Chair GERLINGER, Bernie

Presenter THOMAS, Tony

Greeter
GREENWOOD, Herb

Reporter O'BRIEN, Frank

Photographer FRASER, Paul

Door HERON, Bruce

Director Report HARVEY, Koren

Bulletin Editor DRIVER, Allan

Upcoming Events

DIK Working Bee Feb 04, 2016

Peninsula Family BBQ Feb 07, 2016 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Royal Talbot Rehabilitation Centre Working Bee Fresh from the Rotary International Assembly in San Diego, California, Neville will be providing insights into his role in 2016-2017. An event not to be missed!



MEETING REPORT 19th JANUARY 2016

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Rotary Club of Central Melbourne Sunrise

Morning Meeting 19 January 2016

Visiting Rotarian & Guest Speaker: Belinda Grieve -

Melbourne eClub

Guest of Rob Hines: Mike King

Announcements:

Bernie Gerlinger:

Report on Richard Stone. Richard has been transferred to Ringwood private where extensive treatment – radiation & chemo – started yesterday. At this stage Richard would welcome a phone call from any members.

Royal Talbot Rehabilitation Centre Feb 27, 2016 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Catch up with Echuca Moama Mar 20, 2016

Speakers

Feb 02, 2016 <u>DGE Neville John</u>

Preparing for the Role of District Governor from Personal and Club Perspectives

Feb 16, 2016 Dr Meredith Doig

Pathways for Diversity Education

Feb 23, 2016 Dr Simon Longstaff AO

Current ethical challenges facing Australian business

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Roger Thornton:

Further on Tony's report on malaria last week, Roger reported on his personal observations. Villages in PNG are often inaccessible except for feet and water, so that is the way nets are delivered. It is important that nets are used 100%, otherwise rogue non-protectees keep the disease going. Healthy villages generate kids able to go to school, thus lifting literacy and then economic improvement in the longer term.

Greg Cuthbert:

Greg reminded members that the Business Breakfast is looming. 23rd February and our excellent speaker is Dr Simon Longstaff. Members are urged to ignore tradition and book <u>before</u> the eleventh hour – and further to bring a friend – or friends. Unless as suggested, you don't have any.......

Neil Salvano:

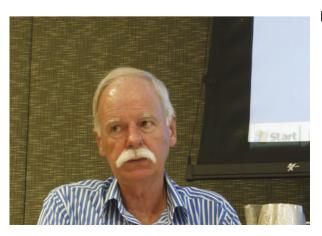
Our club will operate Community Village for the night of White Nights. We need cover for two shifts – early shift from 7pm (?) to midnight and a graveyard shift from midnight to 7am. More likely to be to 4am. Volunteers will be very welcome. Each shift requires about 6 Rotarians.

Kevin Walklate:

Reminder – District Conference, Bendigo, March long weekend. Kevin is still holding rooms but must either confirm or surrender these at end-Jan. So intending attendees should not delay!

Frank O'Brien:

Frank, who had the Power of being Chair of the Meeting, carried on a bit.



He



mentioned a number of matters to do with our Sister Club, Echuca-Moama:

- Late notice of an interesting speaker, Laurence Money at their meeting next Monday evening,
- A get together is being planned for a venue somewhere between Echuca and Melbourne (surprise!). More detail to come.
- A group from RCCMS will hopefully be assembled to help Echuca-Moama with their Steam Rally, Queens Birthday weekend, June.

Frank is also organizing a move of various items from Princes Hill Secondary College to DIK, Thursday, 4th Feb. Volunteers needed. Contact Frank.

Doug Robertson:

Doug quashed a suggestion by Chair Frank that he has competed in 80 Pier to Pub events at Lorne. It is a mere 28 (a certain degree of editorial envy here) and Doug took part again this year. There were doubts about the event due to the bushfire in the Otways but was held

despite those doubts to the benefit of many causes in the region.

Cecily Neil:

Reported on her trip to Cambodia with Bronwyn Stephens "World of Difference". These trips combine touristy stuff with visits (and participation in) Rotary projects "on the ground". She visited an orphanage, product of



World of Difference and found it effective and well run. Also participated in some sand and gravel washing - a fun way to help produce water treatment systems.

Cecily reported that at an elephant refuge where delinquent elephants are rehabilitated she saw an elephant with a prosthetic leg! Amazing!

Her trip was cut short when a tuk-tuk she was in with a couple of other travelers failed in a confrontation with a car on the wrong side of the road (What an unusual occurrence in Cambodia! – Ed) with the result that Cecily returned early and less-pleasantly to Australia. No permanent damage.

President George:

 George reported that we are about to sign a contract to take our Farmers' Market to a weekly event. The belief amongst Rotarians and stallholders alike is that this is a good move, helped by engagement of



some help in the bump in and bump out processes. Well done Greg!

- The Business Breakfast received another plug.
 Bring a friend!
- Members are asked to please seek young people, under 35, who are contributing in some meaningful way to society. It could be working with a charity,

- volunteering, leading a group etc. Something worthwhile. George, and indeed most of us, would like our club could put up a candidate for a Rotary Peace Scholarship this year.
- Last week, George reported that the Rotary Clubs of Rome were offering to host Rotarians from around the world. Well it now transpires that this relates to a *Mass to Rotarians* to be conducted by Pope Francis at St Peters Square on 30th April. More to come on this.

Guest Speaker, Belinda Grieve:

Belinda introduced herself as a teacher at Carranballac Secondary College, Point Cook. Her family have form in social contributing, historically in Lions but she got to know Rotary through a GSE Exchange, in company with our



own Koren Harvey, to Sweden several years ago. She said it was life-changing experience and among other things, exposed her to the phenomenon of Rotary – the nature of Rotarians and what they do – but she didn't really experience Rotary as a club-centric organization.

However, on returning to Australia and a "normal" life she received an email a couple of years later from Chris Egger, suggesting that he was in the process of setting up an e-club and

what about joining?

She could see the concept fitted her lifestyle and for a small club of 8 covered a surprising extent of geography, people and ages.

The Club, like pretty much all clubs wants involvement in projects but with such low membership, looks to piggyback other projects. Hence, involvement with DiK and inevitably running into our Chair of the day, Frank O'Brien. They tend to look for projects which are "relevant" to the club such as "Computers for Community".

People imagine e-Clubbers don't deal with real people. But e-Club is a Rotary Club. No different from other Rotary clubs except meetings are on line.

There are over 250 e-Clubs worldwide and our Melbourne e Club is constantly in touch with them. They are also in regular touch with other Australian e-Clubs and are about to become sister to an e-Club in France.

Geography is wide-ranging. Members can be very widespread. The Melbourne club currently has one member in India.

When e-Club first established, the meeting format was a straight discussion forum. But after a year moved to the more direct "Go To Meeting" system, somewhat like Skype and providing for 6 cameras and 25 attendees. Of course visitors can log in and even do make-ups. The system easily accommodates attendance from home, office, car, whether in Australia or overseas.

The club get together physically quite often, targeting not less than 4 times per year but actually achieving more like 2 or 3 times per month.

Belinda made the interesting point that mobility is not important. They have a 90 year-old member! This raises the possibility of Rotary continuing to be enjoyed and participated my members unable to make physical meetings for reason of mobility or location.

GOLDSBROUGH LANE FARMERS MARKET IS ON AGAIN WEEKLY FROM 4th FEBRUARY 2016

GOLDSBROUGH LANE GOURMET FARMERS
MARKET IS ON AGAIN WEEKLY FROM THURSDAY
4th FEBRUARY 2016

Now a weekly market!

Our Goldsbrough Lane Gourmet Farmers market starts weekly from Thursday 4th February 2016.



Market

Volunteers Update

We have secured an agreement with Lentara to provide helpers for the market bump in and out.

This means we do not require 4-6 club members to continue to do the bump in and out. Paul Fraser will roster 1 Rotarian on for each bump in and out to supervise



the Lentara helpers.

The Rotarian only need assist physically if they are able to do so.

We can still use volunteers to assist with bump in or out – we have a number of Rotary/Rotaract clubs

interested in helping.

All volunteer and Rotarian supervision inquires can be sent to Paul Fraser - pjf3000@bigpond.com

Rotary Stall at the market

We have agreed to provide one stall at each market for the use of any Rotary Clubs to selling Rotary related goods, raise awareness or use as they see fit for a cause of their choice.

A number of these Rotary stalls have been booked already.

All Rotary stall inquires can be sent to Marjorie Gerlinger - marbern@bigpond.net.au

BUSINESS LEADERS BREAKFAST 23rd FEBRUARY 2016

2016 Business Leaders Breakfast - Tuesday 23 February 2016

Guest Speaker: Dr Simon Longstaff Executive Director, Ethics Centre

"Current ethical challenges facing Australian business".

Level 2, RACV Club, 501 Bourke St, Melbourne Tickets: \$65 per person

Our Rotary Club is hosting its annual Business Leaders Breakfast on Tuesday 23 February 2016. The event has been designed to be an informative event for members and guests, plus all funds raised will go to support the Club's Victoria Police Silk Miller Scholarship program. This Scholarship has been supported by the Club for more than 10 years and focuses on building the capability in Victoria Police to better understand and work towards reducing youth suicide.

We are most fortunate to have one of Australia's most talented and experienced senior executives and directors leading this event, Dr Simon Longstaff. He is currently Executive Director of The Ethics Centre and has worked with many directors and executives in a

variety of sectors.

Dr Longstaff will be providing valuable insights into the current ethical challenges facing Australian business, drawing upon his considerable experience and knowledge.

Please join us for this special event, and we encourage you to invite your friends and business colleagues to experience this rare opportunity. The flyer contains further details of this event.

Follow link: Business Leaders Breakfast

Tickets for this fundraising event are \$65 per person, and bookings can be made through the following site: http://www.trybooking.com/177164

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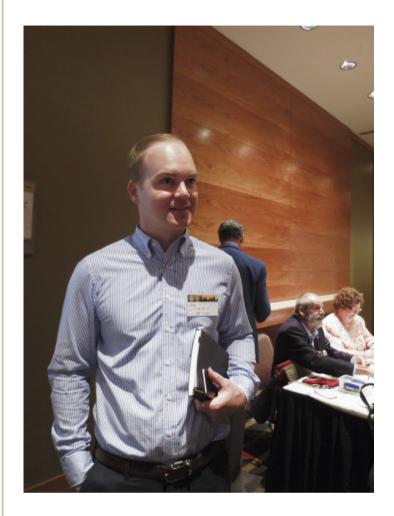
DONATIONS IN KIND (DIK) IN ACTION....AGAIN

On Thursday morning 21 January, 2016, as arranged, Kevin Walklate, Peter Duras and I collected some 30 large boxes from Caprice Australia, a significant importer and distributor of children's apparel and household furnishings to major retailers, in South Melbourne and delivered them to the DIK warehouse in West Footscray.

It took us some time to unload as the volunteers at DIK were more interested in photographing Kevin's stylish 1972 sky blue 2 door Holden Monaro!! The items collected were, in the main, children's summer wear and principally shoes and boots, plus numerous school back packs. Most will find their way to Timor Leste and surrounds . However, Peter was able to retain and deliver 3 boxes of same to assist the children's organisation, Shine for Kids, managed by Mik Wells.

GALLERY

Visitor Mike King [looking forward to the meeting and fellowship].



Overheard before the meeting: "Looks like it is going to be a great meeting with a great guest speaker!"



All smiles after the meeting with Koren Harvey and Belinda Grieve.

